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Editorial.

Any discussion dealing with education should be based on a definition of education. However, in dealing with Education in the narrower sense of the importance of the Grammar School in the educational scheme of our present era, it is only necessary to mention three aspects of it. The aims of education thus implied are to equip a boy to earn his living; to enable him to develop all the latent powers and faculties of his nature as a human being, and thereby to enjoy the good life; and to equip him to play his part as a useful citizen of a democracy and of the world. It is in regard to these matters that the impact of the individual on civilization, and the impact of civilization on the individual are most pronounced.

The Grammar School does not provide any fixed vocational training in the same sense as a technical or art school, but it does provide a sound general education up to School Certificate standard, which suits its pupils for the so-called "white collared" and "black-coated" occupations, and a post-School-Certificate course training students for the universities and the Civil Service.

One of the outstanding features of our era is that we are living in an age of Leisure, and that most persons do not know how to use that leisure. This was not an important problem in the past, for people had to work so hard for so long, and were on the whole so poor, that they had no leisure to use and no money to spend on it if they had. Now, however, with the long holidays and short working hours and weeks as demanded by the people, this problem of leisure has become very important. The need of education to

solve this problem is intensified by the fact that in the past State Education has, except for the Grammar Schools, given practically no training in the profitable use of leisure time. To understand the gravity of the problem a short review of the leisure time activities of the masses is necessary. This civilisation of ours could be termed "holiday-camp-civilization," this is no aspersion on these camps for their promoters have felt the pulse of our era and provided an almost perfect mirror of it. This assumption is based on the undeniable fact that the majority of men, women and children living in 1947 depend on others for the provision of their entertainment and thoughts, have an instinctive trust of others in authority, and are happy only in mass emotion, mass enjoyment and mass enterprise. Other aspects of this "Civilization" include the sponge-like reception of Hollywood prefabricated mass emotion; the synthesised sentimentality of the popular song and singer; the popularity of anything in which thought is reduced to the L.C.M. of the meanest intellects; the "mental energy" expended in filling up football-pool coupons and betting slips; and the mass ecstasy and emotion inspired by watching various groups of men hit, kick, or throw certain spherical and oval objects. All these aspects of mass entertainment are based on two fundamentals; firstly, that enjoyment can be obtained only by transferring one's money into someone else's pocket; and secondly, that entertainment must appeal to the basic animal emotions and sense-stimulations, while anything that implies use of the intellect is thrown aside: thought apparently being a bar to enjoyment. The cinema is probably the most widespread of all mass recreations, and also one of the most abused, for in order to please the customers the film has to portray either one, or a combination, of the following themes: handsome men getting beautiful women, or vice-versa; appeal to sentimentality inspired by animals, patriots or dutiful sons, and anything bearing on sex. Thus we have more appeals to the senses instead of to the powers of thought. Someone will probably ask on what assumption I place these methods of recreation lower than those which imply use of the intellect. The assumption is that it is a fact that the human being is the highest species of animal. We may not fly like gulls, swim like a trout, run like deer, or grow to the size and strength of elephants: *but* we have three faculties due to our more highly organised brain; the power, to reflect, to probe the secrets of nature, to find reasons and causes, and to meditate on the purpose of life; a free moral power to choose between right and wrong; and lastly, a sense of beauty, through creation or through appreciation. The ultimate aim of all human beings should be the full development of these three attributes of intelligence, virtue and good-taste. It is one of the prime objects of education to provide a training in the art of living, and the manifest failure of past systems to do so is obvious in contemplating

our "holiday-camp civilization." We may question the need for a training in the art of living, when there are football grounds within a mile and cinemas as near. There comes a time when these facilities for recreation are not so available ; and it is then that the terrifying mental emptiness and boredom of those who have not been educated to live are most blatant and most serious in their repercussions. A fitting example is provided by the following scenes witnessed by the present author at a provincial hostel and in a United Services Centre near Plymouth. At the former there were soldiers, who having excess leisure time and being completely untrained to use it, were able only to swear and talk about women, to go to the cinema at every opportunity, and to drink. Their boredom was about as complete as possible, and they were incapable of alleviating it. They could read only the daily papers, they could find no enjoyment in walking, and an old cathedral was to them just another church. At the United Services Centre, however, which provides opportunities for cultural activities, the men were happy in the reading of good books and intelligent periodicals, in listening to good music on the radiogram and wireless, in discussing important matters with each other, in painting or in writing. Now, this does not mean that the leisure hours of the people should be spent in having "culture" spoon-fed to them, but it does mean that it is vitally essential that Education should provide some training for the complicated and difficult art of living.

This education can be provided by training the three facets of the human mind which constitutes the differences between man and beast ; namely, the intellect, the sense of beauty, and the moral direction of the emotions. The intellect can be trained by the mental process of learning, and this vital basis is provided in the Grammar School by the educational methods existing in the pre-School-Certificate stage. An equally important expansion is brought about in the post-School-Certificate years not only through the formal syllabus, but also through participation in the outside activities of the school, for example, debating provides an invaluable training in reasoning and logical thinking about matters of consequence and in the means of self expression. Other opportunities in regard to this training of the intellect which are provided by the Grammar School include discussion groups for the Upper forms, and lessons in English for the Science students. The training of a sense of beauty is more difficult and more subtle, and is very much hampered by material limitations. As Plato has shown in his Republic, the training of the young mind to appreciate beauty has to be carried out in aesthetically satisfying circumstances, and in this respect many schools lack an environment of beauty. Interest in culture is awakened by Art and Musical Appreciation lessons, and in the study of foreign cultures, and English literature, and this interest can be broadened by Art, Music and Dramatic Societies.

The Grammar School at present does provide these facilities. The moral direction of our emotions can be accomplished by the exercise of reasonable authority and the influence of tradition, and here too the Grammar school with its accumulated tradition and the authority imposed by the teachers has an advantage. Thus, the Grammar School has a great responsibility to the whole civilization, for it can provide children with that vital training in the art of living, which leads to the full development of the mental and spiritual nature of man.

There is a strong and pressing case for education in citizenship, because the modern world is complex and its vital issues are hard to understand, and because the theory of democracy presupposes an intelligent interest in current affairs by every adult ; for without the existence of an educated mass universal suffrage is a sham and delusion. Thus it is very disturbing to read that at the elections, both Parliamentary and Municipal, over 10,000,000 people did not take the trouble to vote.

Education for citizenship should consist of several obvious subjects, and these form part of the curriculum of the Grammar Schools. These subjects are history, and particularly modern history ; some constitutional theory ; a knowledge of the structure of local, as well as national government ; an elementary course in biology and physiology ; the teaching of geography ; and, perhaps most important of all, the teaching of international affairs. The method of teaching should aim at giving ample opportunities for discussion and questioning by the pupils. To this must be added the outside activities of the grammar school, such as debating societies which give practical chances of the interchange of opinions on matters of current importance.

Another side to this education for citizenship is education for international citizenship. It is almost universally recognised that the future peace of the world depends on the ultimate foundation of a world Union. However, if there is to be a world State, then it is obvious that there has to be a moral, intellectual and spiritual revolution. For a world State to come into being there must be a far higher degree of world community than there is at present, and this spiritual revolution would lead to a higher development of world community. This community needs understanding, and it is through a liberal and humane system of Education that the people can get a true understanding of their brothers in other parts of the globe. The Grammar School has a great chance in this direction, for it teaches two of those subjects which lead most of all to international understanding, history and foreign languages. Much of the misunderstanding between nations is due to intolerance of the other country's traditions and history. For instance, if the people of the U.S.S.R. knew a few more *facts* about the life, traditions and

history of the British people, or vice-versa, then there would be an inevitable improvement in the relations of the two peoples. The study of foreign languages clears the paths into the cultures and literatures of other countries, so that we can see into the minds of their peoples and understand their problems and appreciate their opinions. With a practical grasp of a foreign language a visit to that country can be an education in world citizenship.

Thus the Grammar school has a threefold responsibility to its students and to the community as a whole, a responsibility to provide its students with a good general education which will stand them in good stead for their future careers; a responsibility to enable those who leave to spend their leisure time in ways befitting the special faculties of man; and a responsibility to the State and to the world to furnish the citizens with an intellect capable of understanding current affairs and thus contributing to world peace.

Mr. H. Ferraro's Retirement.

The School has received with great regret the news that Mr. H. Ferraro is to retire at the end of the present Term.

Mr. Ferraro's record of service both in length and in quality must surely be unique. Few men have had so long a connection with one school; few, if any, can have made so valuable and so varied a contribution to a school's welfare. He has been actively associated with D.H.S. for nearly fifty years, including forty-one years as a member of the Staff, and ten years as Senior Master.

Mr. Ferraro was a pupil during Mr. Rider's Headmastership, and when the School was acquired by Devonport in 1906, he was appointed to the Staff under its new Headmaster, Mr. Treseder.

His purely academic work for the School has been outstanding. For eighteen years he has cheerfully accepted the burden of teaching Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics to University Scholarship standard. This in itself is a remarkable achievement. Even more noteworthy are the number and quality of the successes gained by his students (successes which, with characteristic modesty, he has always claimed for D.H.S. and not for FeH).

His "non-academic" achievements have been equally striking. In his quiet unobtrusive way he has tremendously influenced the boys for good during both their school and their after-school careers. The Old Boys Association, of which he has been General Secretary since its formation in 1923, owes him more than can be adequately expressed in words. He is, in fact, responsible for its very existence and for its survival during the war years, when he laboured for

countless nights writing messages of good cheer and comradeship to the members who were in the Forces. I do not doubt that, when the appropriate time comes, the Association will pay him due tribute.

Mr. Ferraro is rightly held in the highest esteem by all those who are, or who have been, on the School Staff (and they must number hundreds), by the boys of the present School and by thousands of its Old Boys, many of whom now hold prominent positions at home or abroad.

He has served under three Headmasters, and (such is his quality) all of us, to our great benefit, have given him unstintingly of our friendship and our confidence.

I have been closely associated with him for nearly six years, during a period of great difficulty and uncertainty, when his knowledge of the School, its history and its tradition, has proved invaluable. I gladly acknowledge my debt to him and my admiration of his selfless devotion to D.H.S., his integrity, his loyalty, and his cheerfulness in adversity.

Mr. Ferraro goes into retirement accompanied by the sincere and, indeed, the affectionate good wishes of the past and present School. His main attributes (and those by which he will ever be remembered by D.H.S.) are, I think, expressed with singular appropriateness in Chaucer's lines:

" he loved chivalrye
Trouthe and honour, fredom and curteisye.

He never yet no vileinye ne saide
In al his lyf, unto no maner wight.
He was a verray parfit gentil knyght."

W. H. BUCKLEY.

EN PASSANT.

We heartily congratulate:

B. W. Horton on gaining the Stapledon Scholarship in Natural Science at Exeter College, Oxford.

G. S. Moger, J. M. Cockrem and D. Walker on gaining Major Scholarships of £50 for three years at University College, Leicester.

J. E. Wortelhock on gaining a Minor Scholarship of £40 for three years at University College, Leicester.

R. Long and R. B. Squance on gaining Bursaries of £30 at University College, Leicester.

G. W. Barrett on gaining a Bursary of £30 at University College, Leicester, and acceptance at Bristol University.

G. S. Moger on his recent visit to Cherbourg with the Plymouth Delegation.

Raleigh House for winning the Athletic Sports this year;
McKenzie for playing in the Schoolboys' English International Rugby team.

The Rugby and Soccer clubs for their excellent results last season.

The Dramatic Society on its successes, and the caste of "Thread O' Scarlet" on winning the Plymouth Youth Drama Festival shield.

W. Hyde on being awarded a Ministry of Supply Engineering Apprenticeship at Woolwich Arsenal.

We wish every success to those who are taking examinations, or waiting for results, and to all those who are leaving us this term.

School Notes

The School Magazine is important as an official record of School activities; and again, after what seems but a short time, we publish an account of our annual stock-taking. On February 28th we held our Speech Day in the Central Hall; and a very successful one it was. Self-advertisement is no recommendation, but the plain facts are necessary and stimulating. An account of the function and of the Headmaster's Report of our activities appears in this issue.

A number of Old Boys have been in to see us, and we are always glad to welcome them. They are not personally mentioned in these notes because that is done so well for us in the Old Boys' Notes at the end of the Magazine. To see his old pupils doing well, to meet them in the Staff Room, and to know that they want to see him again, are some of the brighter things in a Schoolmaster's life.

To all examination candidates we have wished the joys of success; and what joys they are: the satisfaction of having achieved what we set out to do; a justifiable pride in that achievement; a feeling that we have come up to expectation; and a sense of security in the knowledge of our ability to reach a goal. Those are worth all the energy and time, the sacrifice and the doubt, the struggle and the anxiety.

There is one thing that the bustle of modern life seems to be taking from us. The grace and courtesy that used to mark all cultured activity seems to have gone out of life. We rush about madly striving to get we know not where, and often having little consideration for those who cross our paths. The race seems to be to the strong: it is only on the sports' field that we halt to help those who fall by the way. The purely materialistic conception of

life will not satisfy : all the examinations in the world won't give us the real culture that can be summed up as a scale of human values ; physical and moral courage are two different things. We can learn to play the game in life as we do in sport ; we can learn to control ourselves as we do a ball ; if the best in life and the finer part of education are to survive we must realise the importance of these things and strive for them. A school like ours should be the home of culture in all its forms. A gentleman is a gentleman in his ways, his speech, and in his human relations. Shall we try to remember this ?

We publish an account of the School Sports. The standard of achievement was high, the competition was keen, and Raleigh were the victors. Athletics and games play a very important part in our school life, not only from the point of view of physical fitness, but also because in our outdoor activities we learn really to know each other. Much that the form room cannot reveal comes to light out of school.

We wish Mr. K. Lovell, B.Sc., the best of luck in his work at the Binderop Park Emergency Training College, and also the Masters who are leaving us this term. Messrs. Harris and Sparrow are becoming headmasters, Mr. Potts is going to an Emergency Training College, and Mr. H. Ferraro is retiring. We wish them all that they would wish themselves.

We were glad to welcome Mr. Lockwood to the Staffroom. Many Old Boys will have very kind memories of one who was above all else a scholar of wide sympathies and deep understanding. He seems to have taken a new lease of life and energy. Mr. Charles Foster looked in too, and was glad to meet his old colleague. Mr. Lockwood is now living in Bristol. We extend to both our good wishes for a long and happy spell of retired life. It was good to see them.

PRAEFECTI VALETE.

- J. L. TROUNCE. Entered School September, 1940. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, September, 1946. Civil Service (Clerical Classes).
- G. WHITE. Entered School January, 1940. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, 1945. F/Sgt. A.T.C. Rugger Colours. Entered Sandhurst.
- D. MARSHALL. Entered School September, 1939. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, 1945. Cpl. A.T.C. Rugger Colours. Entered University College of the South West.
- D. BUTLER. Entered School, 1939. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, 1945. Now in the R.A.F.

- R. A. Warner. Entered School, September, 1940. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, 1945. 1st XV. Colours. Entered University College of the South West.
 - M. MEYLER. Entered School, 1939. School Certificate, 1944. Higher School Certificate, 1946. Prefect, 1945. 1st XI. Soccer Colours. Captain of Drake House. Now in the Civil Service.
 - B. A. PARSONS. Entered School, 1939. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, 1945. 1st XI. Colours. Now in the Army.
 - D. PARSONS. Entered School, 1939. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, 1945. 1st XV. Colours. Now in the R.A.F.
 - F. A. FORSE. Entered School, September, 1938. School Certificate 1945. Higher School Certificate, 1946. Prefect, 1945. Now in the R.A.F.
 - L. TUCKER. Entered the School, September, 1939. School Certificate, 1943. Higher School Certificate, 1945-46. Prefect, 1945. Editor of School Magazine. Now at University College, Leicester.
 - P. TAYLOR. Entered School, September, 1939. School Certificate, 1943. Higher School Certificate, 1945-46. Prefect, 1944. Captain of Raleigh. Senior Prefect. Now at the Royal School of Mines.
 - M. L. LEE. Entered School, September, 1939. School Certificate, 1943. Higher School Certificate, 1945-46. Prefect, 1945. 1st XV. Colours. Now at University College of the South West.
 - J. GROSE. Entered School, January, 1942. School Certificate, 1944. Higher School Certificate, 1946. Prefect, 1945. 1st XI. Soccer Colours. Now at the University College of the South West.
 - V. J. GRIGG. Entered School, September, 1939. School Certificate, 1944. Prefect, 1945. 1st XI. Soccer Colours. Now in the R.A.F.
 - B. K. JANE. Entered School, 1939. School Certificate, 1945. Prefect, 1946. Rugger Colours. Captain of XV. Captain of Gilbert House. Now in the Army.
 - G. H. B. SPEAR. Entered School, September, 1938. School Certificate, 1943. Higher School Certificate, 1946. Prefect, 1945. 1st XV. Colours. Secretary of Rugger Club. Now in the R.A.F.
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Speech Day, 1947.

This year's Speech Day was held at the Central Hall on Friday, February 28th. This Speech Day was unique in that not only members of the School were given prizes, but also their parents. The award of these prizes was due to the initiative and imagination of the Headmaster, who presented them as a result of a Safety First competition.

The chair was taken by Mr. Councillor W. Harry Taylor (Lord Mayor of Plymouth), who was accompanied by the Lady Mayoress. Among others who honoured the School by their presence were: the Chairman and other members of the Education Committee, Dr. and Mrs. Scotland, Miss Pedley, H.M.I., and P. W. G. Sanders, Esq., H.M.I. The Lord Mayor congratulated the School, boys and Staff alike, on their high standard of achievement. Recalling his own days at the Grammar School, he spoke of the benefits accruing from such an education.

The principal speaker was Ald. H. M. Medland, M.P., J.P., who also presented the prizes. Mr. Medland's speech was characterized by sparks of West-Country humour and a practical and common sense attitude towards education. He said that the object of education was not merely the inculcation of factual knowledge but the formation of sterling character.

Ald. R. R. Oke, the chairman of the Education Committee; said it was the duty of the youth of the city to work together in a spirit of co-operation for the successful realization of the new Plymouth Plan.

Mr. W. H. Buckley, the Headmaster, presented his annual Report, an account of which follows. The School Captain, B. Horton, moved the vote of thanks in a speech which gained high praise from Alderman Oke.

Musical items by the choir under the direction of Mr. R. H. Symons reached the high level of last year.

THE HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

The Headmaster opened his report with these words:

"This Report is, I think, of more than usual importance since it concerns a very critical School year.

"All of us, you in your spheres, and we in ours, have found by experience that the difficulties of the war have not ended with the peace. In some cases, indeed, they have been intensified and new ones have arisen.

"During the war period the School was the victim (if that is the right word) of a division and of a transplantation. In other words, part of the School went to Penzance, and part remained in Plymouth. Since the war ended we have all been re-transplanted

and reunited. Transplantations are not always successful, nor, alas! are reunions. Grave dangers attend both processes. That is why, since September, 1945, I have watched with anxiety the growth of the reunited and re-transplanted School. And that is why I am delighted to report that, instead of languishing and decaying as it might well have done, the School has flourished exceedingly. I would have said it has flourished like the green bay tree, but that is how the wicked flourish.

"Our academic results (and these I shall refer to more fully later) are, as usual, excellent. In view of the difficulties and dangers we have faced that is a very gratifying fact. What is still more gratifying is the fine spirit which now pervades the School; the loyalty, the comradeship and the pride—the justifiable pride—which animates all who are connected with D.H.S. Even our parents are proud of us, and we are proud of most of our parents!

"In one direction the School has developed beyond my highest hopes. It has not been content to remain a school in the narrow sense of the term, but has grown into what I think I may truly call a Community Centre with a strong social life of its own, apart altogether from its academic work. A detailed account of all the activities of our many school clubs and societies would occupy far too much time here. But I must briefly refer to some of them because I sincerely believe that the vigour of a school's "out-of-school" activities is a sure and certain measure of its worth. What I may call our "out-of-school" net is cast very wide. Among other organisations we have a Dramatic Society, a Literary and Debating Society, a Science Club, a Chess Club, a Table Tennis Club, a School Company of the Army Cadet Force, a Squadron of the Air Training Corps, a Troop of Boy Scouts, an Old Boys Association, and last, but not least, a Parents' Association."

He paid tribute to the success of the Dramatic Society, to the lectures to the Science Club and visits made to places of scientific interest, including the B.B.C. Studio, where the boys were the "noises off" in the broadcast version of "The Way We Live,"; to the Literary and Debating Society, and the Chess Club, to the Table Tennis Club, and to the Wednesday Half Hours.

The A.C.F. and A.T.C., Scout Troop, and the Soccer and Rugger teams came in for well-deserved mention. Hope was expressed for a great revival of cricket this term; and Mr. Buckley said how pleased he was to meet so many Old Boys at their first post-war annual dinner. He then continued:

"And now a word about our Parents' Association. This forms an excellent link between school and home, and its support, financial and otherwise, is most acceptable. I urge all parents to join the Association. It holds functions almost every month, and has been a source of inspiration to me as Headmaster. The supreme event

of the year is the Garden Party, when parents, Staff and boys co-operate to show less fortunate beings what our School can do. Last year we were honoured by the presence and help of the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Henry Pridham Whippel, and we had a very large attendance of parents and friends. The Parents' Association most generously handed to me the whole of the net proceeds amounting to £84., for the D.H.S. War Memorial Fund. Much of the success of the Association is due to the enthusiasm of its Secretary, Mrs. Kenshole. I have often wondered in the past why secretaries are called indefatigable. Now I know.

"Our academic successes have again been of a high order. No less than twenty-two of our boys gained the London Higher School Certificate, and seventy-eight the Cambridge School Certificate. One boy passed the Civil Service Executive, and nine the Civil Service Clerical Class Examinations. In addition our boys gained a total of eight College Entrance Scholarships and Exhibitions."

Tribute having been paid to Brian Horton's achievements, now known to us all, the Headmaster turned to the Staff, and stressed his own and the parents' debts to them. He concluded with these words:

"In this Report I have dealt with what I may call the communal side of the School's activities as well as with the academic side. I have done so because, after almost a lifetime spent in the service of education, and in many different types of school, I do not believe that any type devotes more care to the general all-round welfare of its students than does the type that we represent, namely, the Grammar School. Nor do I believe that any type is performing a more valuable, or a less generally appreciated, service to the community.

"We are living in strange and critical times when the future of our dear land is uncertain. It may well be that what schoolmasters do and teach today will profoundly affect our country's destiny. The age in which we live is often called the machine age. I should call it the brain age. If the nation is to gain security and all that the word implies it will need in its service brain as well as muscle; trained, alert, critical, well-stored minds as well as skilled hands. It will need, too, men and women of character who possess a strongly developed social sense—a sense of responsibility towards their fellows, and towards themselves. These are the very qualities and characteristics which the Grammar Schools as a whole have taken the utmost care to foster.

I am quite sure that Devonport High School with its splendid and self-sacrificing Staff, its fine body of parents, its excellent tradition and its flexibility has a tremendous contribution to make towards the establishment of the new Plymouth and the new Britain. I am, indeed, glad to be its Headmaster in these eventful days."

The Athletic Sports.

THURSDAY, 15TH MAY, 1947.

After the mediocre weather in which the standards were run off, and a morning of dark foreboding, it was a relief to find the conditions (except for an occasional dash of rain) favourable for the Annual Sports, and the optimism of the very large number of visitors was rewarded by a truly brilliant performance. In all, twelve new School records were made, and two equalled. Special mention must be made of Hill's feat in advancing the record for the Javelin (Class B) by more than 20 feet! Congratulations, also, to Dugdale on his "put," and Peakall on increasing the discus record for Class B by 12 feet. On the track, credit must go to Honey, particularly on his record mile, which he commenced with a lap (five to the mile) of 51 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs. It is significant that earlier in the afternoon, a party of the School's athletes attended a lecture by Mr. H. G. Dyson, official coach to the A.A.A.

Interest in the House Championship was maintained right until the last event, for the first three houses were always close together. The Champions were Raleigh, who thus broke a long sequence of Grenville successes.

| Drake. | Gilbert. | Grenville. | Raleigh. |
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| 214 | 154 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 215 | 232 $\frac{1}{2}$ |

The Revington Relay Cup was won by Raleigh.

The Victor Ludorum Cup (Track Events) was won by D. Honey (R), with three firsts in 440 yds., 880 yds., and Mile (with record).

The Treseder Cup (Field Events) was won by J. C. Dugdale (Gr.) with two firsts in Putting-the-weight (record), Discus, and second place in Hop, Step and Jump.

Under 16 Champion (Track Events) was J. D. Peakall (Gr.) with two firsts in 100 yds. (record), and 220 yds.

Under 16 Champion (Field Events) was B. Hill (Gr.) with first in Javelin (record) and two seconds in High Jump, and Hop, Step and Jump.

Under 15 Champion was P. C. Kelly (Gr.) with three firsts in 120 yds., Hurdles, Long Jump, and Hop, Step and Jump.

Under 14 Champion was C. D. Selley (R) with two firsts in 100 yds., Long Jump, and second in the Hop, Step and Jump.

Under 13 Champion was A. G. Read (R), with two firsts in Long Jump, 100 yds. (record), and second in 220 yds.

Under 12 Champion was A. D. Appleby (Gr.) with first in 100 yds., and second in High Jump.

The School was honoured by the presence of Sir Clifford Tozer, one of our distinguished Old Boys, who distributed the cups and certificates.

In welcoming Sir Clifford as an important member of the City Council, as one interested in sport, and above all as an Old Boy of D.H.S., the Headmaster said he thought it very gratifying that a man of such high repute with so many demands upon his time should see fit to grace the Sports with his presence. He further noted the absence of a cup for the Under 12 Champion, and suggested that some generous person might make good the deficiency before next year.

In a short speech, Sir Clifford said that forty-three years ago he had himself taken part in the School Sports when they were held on the School's old playing fields. The number of records broken during the afternoon was, in his opinion, an indication of the extent of the training and of the boys' ability. He congratulated the victors, and also those who were less successful. Finally, he said that sportsmanship, combined with scholastic ability, would make for complete success in life.

RESULTS.

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| A—over 16. | (D) Drake. |
| B—under 16. | (G) Gilbert. |
| C—under 15. | (Gr.) Grenville. |
| D—under 14. | (R) Raleigh. |
| E—under 13. | |
| F—under 12. | |

* denotes new record.

100 YARDS:

(A)—1, Pearce (Gr.), 10 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.; 2, Quantick (D); 3, Willcocks (R).

*(B)—1, Peakall (Gr.), 11secs.; 2, Hobbs (G); 3, Coombe (Gr).

(C)—1, Harris (R), 11 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.; 2, Wanstall (D); 3, Hitchens (D).

(D)—1, Selley (R), 12 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.; 2, Thurston (Gr.); 3, Hexter (G).

(E)—1, Read (R), 12secs.; 2, Rose (R); 3, Atkins (Gr.).

*(F)—1, Appleby (Gr.), 13secs.; 2, Burt (D); 3, Sage (D).

220 YARDS:

(A)—1, Quantick (D), 26 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.; 2, Pearce (Br.); 3, Parker (D).

(B)—1, Peakall (Gr.), 27 $\frac{1}{10}$ secs.; 2, Coombe (Gr.); 3, Hewson (D).

(C)—1, McKenzie (G), 28 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.; 2, Harris (R); 3, Hitchens (D).

(D)—1, Allin (D), 29secs.; 2, Hexter (G); 3, Thurston (Gr.).

(E)—1, Rose (R), 29 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.; 2, Read (R); 3, Perry (D).

(F)—1, Sage (D), 33 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.; 2, Burt (D); 3, Parr (R).

440 YARDS:

(A)—1, Honey (R), 55 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.; 2, Brereton (D); 3, Walker (D).

(B)—1, Coventry (R), 60 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.; 2, Hewson (D); 3, Bateman (D).

(C)—1, McKenzie (G), 62 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.; 2, Letcher (R); 3, Reekie (D).

(D)—1, Allin (D), 64 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.; 2, Hexter (G); 3, Garrett (R).

880 YARDS :

(A)—1, Honey (R), 2mins. 15 2/5secs. ; 2, Walker (D) ; 3, Blundell (G).

(B)—1, Crowley (D), 2mins.30secs.; 2, Phillips (Gr.) ; 3, Duddy (D).

MILE :

*(A)—1, Honey (R), 5mins. 2secs. ; 2, Blundell (G) ; 3, Walker (D).

120 YARDS HURDLES :

(A)—1, Quantick (D), 19 2/5secs. ; 2, Thomas (Gr.) ; 3, Wyatt (G).

(B)—1, Warrilow (R), 21 2/5secs. ; 2, Duddy (D) ; 3, Hobbs (G).

*(C)—1, Kelly (Gr.), 21secs. ; 2, Letcher (R) ; 3, Barker (G).

HIGH JUMP :

(A)—1, Moore (R), 5ft. 1in. ; 2, Ham (D) ; 3, Dart (G).

(B)—1, Warrilow (R), 4ft. 7ins. ; 2, Hill (Gr.) ; 3, Lovegrove (R).

(C)—1, McKenzie (G), 4ft. 11ins. ; 2, Thomas (Gr.) ; 3, Hugo (D).

(D)—1, Bunyon (Gr.), 4ft. 4ins. ; 2, Patterson (D) ; 3, Clark (G).

(E)—1, Hosking (G), 3ft. 10ins. ; 2, Joint (Gr.) ; 3, Hicks (Gr.).

(F)—1, Bray (G), 3ft. 11ins. ; 2, Appleby (Gr.) ; 3, Truscott (Gr.).

LONG JUMP :

(A)—1, Ham (D), 19ft. 7½ins. ; 2, Pearce (Gr.) ; 3, Cole (G).

(B)—1, Ryan (R), 17ft. 1½ins. ; 2, Gibb (Gr.) ; 3, Crowley (D).

(C)—1, Kelly (Gr.), 16ft. 7ins. ; 2, Hugo (D) ; 3, Frost (G).

(D)—1, Selley (R), 15ft. 3½ins. ; 2, (a) Allin (D), (b) Bunyan (Gr.).

(E)—1, Read (R), 14ft. 8ins. ; 2, Elliott (D) ; 3, Ede (R).

(F)—1, Parr (R), 13ft. 7½ins. ; 2, Burt (D) ; 3, Adams (Gr.).

HOP, STEP AND JUMP :

(A)—1, Ham (D), 36ft. 10½ins. ; 2, Dugdale (Gr.) ; 3, McLaren (D).

(B)—1, Crowley (D), 33ft. 3ins. ; 2, Hill (Gr.) ; 3, Lovegrove (R).

(C)—1, Kelly (Gr.), 32ft. 5ins. ; 2, Bramich (G) ; 3, Juniper (Gr.).

(D)—1, Thurston (Gr.), 30ft. 7½ins. ; 2, Selley (R) ; 3, Sullivan (R).

(E)—1, Hicks (Gr.), 28ft. 6ins. ; 2, Atkins (Gr.) ; 3, Ede (R).

PUTTING THE WEIGHT :

*(A)—1, Dugdale (Gr.), 39ft. 5ins. ; 2, Bird (G) ; 3, Kennard (D).

DISCUS :

(A)—1, Dugdale (Gr.), 90ft. 9ins. ; 2, Way (R) ; 3, Reid (Gr.).

*(B)—1, Peakall (Gr.), 97ft. 9ins. ; 2, Bridle (G) ; 3, Ryan (R).

JAVELIN :

(A)—1, Moore (R), 119ft.7ins. ; 2, Ashcroft (Gr.) ; 3, Southern (R).

*(B)—1, Hill (Gr.), 117ft. 9ins. ; 2, Warrilow (R) ; 3, Carter (R).

RELAY RACES :

*(A)—1, Drake (2mins. 49secs.) ; 2, Gilbert ; 3, Raleigh.

(B)—1, Grenville (1min. 50 3/5secs.) ; 2, Drake ; 3, Raleigh.

(C)—1, Raleigh (1min. 59 3/10secs.) ; 2, Gilbert ; 3, Grenville.

(D)—1, Gilbert (1min. 31secs.) ; 2, Drake ; 3, Raleigh.

*(E)—1, Raleigh (1min. 32 1/5secs.) ; 2, Drake ; 3, Grenville.

*(F)—1, Gilbert (1min. 3 3/5secs.) ; 2, Raleigh ; 3, Drake.

S. T. PARKER.

Athletics

This year for the first time since 1942, the Devon Inter-Schools Sports were held at Kelly College. There was a very big field of entrants from sixteen schools. The track was soft and heavy owing to rain, but fast-drying owing to a very hot sun. The School Team did exceptionally well to take fourth place tying with Hele's School, Exeter. A point of notice is that, of the Grammar Schools we were placed first, being beaten by the Naval College, Dartmouth, and the Public Schools—Blundells and Kelly College.

In the actual events, our outstanding success was that of D. Honey in winning the mile (4mins. 57secs.), C. J. Pearce gained fourth place in the 100 yards (10.4 secs), but M. Brereton was up against strong opposition in the quarter mile (54secs.) and failed to get a place. Amazingly good performances were put up by the Senior and Junior Relay Teams: the Seniors gained third, and the Juniors second place. A. C. Ham jumped well to gain second and fourth places in the Long Jump (19ft. 10ins.) and Hop, Step and Jump (41ft. 8ins.) respectively. R. Moore was unlucky in the High Jump (5ft. 2½ins.) to mistime his run up on three successive occasions at the first height, so failing to obtain a place. D. Peakall was up against first-class opposition in the Discus (118ft.), and could only manage sixth place. In the Javelin (141ft.) and Weight (41ft.) our entrants, D. R. Moore and J. Dugdale were outclassed and failed to gain places.

A feature of our performance was our success on the track, but seeming failure in the field events; this showed a need for constant practice. The team, however, was rather young and inexperienced, and inclined to be a little overawed by the occasion; these two faults must be remedied if we are to do better next year.

We heartily congratulate the Headmaster and Staff of Kelly College for their excellent planning of the afternoon.

School Team: P. J. Quantick, A. C. Ham, D. Honey, C. J. Pearce, J. Dugdale, R. Moore, D. Walker, D. Peakall, M. Brereton, P. Kelly, M. Harris, R. Hitchens, K. Mackenzie.

P. J. QUANTICK (Athletics Captain).

Rugby Club

President: THE HEADMASTER.

Rugger Master: MR. MALLINSON.

Captain of 1st XV: P. J. QUANTICK.

Vice-Captain: C. J. PEARCE.

Hon. Secretary: R. P. GEORGE.

In spite of the weather, through which twenty matches have been cancelled, this season has been very successful for all our teams. Of twenty-eight matches played, only two have been lost.

The 1st XV were unfortunate to lose Spear and Jane early in the season, but their places have been ably filled by Thomas and Kenhard. Moore, the 1st XV full-back, unfortunately injured his thumb in the early stages of the fourth match of the season. He has not appeared for us since, but Page, promoted from the 2nd XV, soon settled down with the team.

The School's successes have not been limited to school matches, for several boys have been selected to play for County and City teams. During the Christmas holidays, both Pearce and George appeared twice for the Devon County Schoolboys' Senior team, while McKenzie, Sullivan, Allin and Hoskin appeared for the County under fourteen team. McKenzie, after an appearance with Allin in a Devon and Cornwall combined team, was selected to play for the England International team.

Before Christmas, nine members of the 1st XV played in a Plymouth Schoolboys' trial match. Of these, Quantick, Pearce, Lakeman (P.), Reid, Mackintosh, George and Willison were successful.

For these successes, and the School's excellent record, our thanks are due to Mr. Mallinson, who, assisted by Mr. Warne, has coached the 1st and 2nd XV's; to Mr. Nicolas, who has coached the Colts XV, and to Mr. Harris, who has coached the Juniors.

We also extend our thanks to Evans, who has repeatedly turned out as linesman for the 1st XV.

TEAMS :

1ST XV—Moore, Quantick, Pearce, Porter, Powell, Lakeman (P.), Brereton, Wattley, Reid, Mackintosh, Thomas, Peakall, Kenhard, George and Willison. Page, Lakeman (J.), White, Honey, Blundell, Carnell and Bird have also played.

2ND XV—Page, Curtice, Dart, Blundell, Lakeman (J.), Honey, Pemberton, Walford, Ralph, Durston, Jones, Bird, Carnell, Goswell, Widdicombe. Evans and Longworth have also played.

COLTS XV—Hugo, Wortelhock, King, Warrilow, King (M.), Hoskin, Phillips, Duddy, Juniper, Wanstall, Jenkins, Rickard, Reekie, Coombes.

Hitchens, Yeowell, Gibbs, Priddy and Penrose have also played.

JUNIORS—Selley, Pavey, Hollywell, Sullivan, Luxton, Westlake, Atkins, Perkins, Allin, Reid, Rowe, Light, Holloway, Hoskin, Chapple, Jones.

RESULTS :

| Team. | Played. | RESULTS : | | | Points. | |
|---------|---------|-----------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| | | Won. | Drew. | Lost. | For | Agst. |
| 1st XV | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 302 | 46 |
| 2nd XV | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 193 | 3 |
| Colts | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 114 | 23 |
| Juniors | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 96 | 21 |

R. GEORGE, *Hon. Secretary.*

CRITIQUE 1st XV.

MOORE (Full-back). Showed great promise, but unfortunately was injured quite early in the season. He has an instinctive positional sense, tackles well, and his kicking, though not lengthy, is accurate.

PAGE (Full-back). Although a converted forward, he has not let the team down since Moore's injury. He fields the ball very well, kicks left-footed satisfactorily, but his right-footed kicking is very weak.

QUANTICK (Right Wing). Has been an enthusiastic Captain. His handling is at times uncertain, but he goes for the line with great determination, and knows the value of the inside pass. His tackling and falling on the ball have been an example to his team.

PEARCE (Right Centre). A very fast, determined runner, with a clever change of direction, side-step and eye for an opening, he has given great power to the attack. If he can cure the faults of knocking-on his passes, or over-running them, he will do well in first-class rugby.

PORTER (Left Centre). Is settling down well in this position, but needs more experience in timing his passes. He is fast off the mark, with a swift cut-through, and his defensive play is very sound.

POWELL (Left Wing). After an unsuccessful debut at centre, has done well on the wing. His strength and determination make up for lack of speed. He must go down more quickly on the ball in defence.

LAKEMAN (Stand-off). His defence is rather uncertain, and his handling, normally excellent, becomes erratic if he is very closely marked. His side-step, dummy and changes of pace make him a most elusive runner, who has scored many spectacular tries.

BRERETON (Scrum-half). Has done extremely well both in attack and defence. His quick, accurate passing has given the backs every chance to play attractive football. He is very difficult to stop when running with the ball. He has kicked some difficult goals and missed many easy ones with equal non-chalance.

WILLISON (Front Row). A fast, hard-working forward who is always near the ball. His tackling is most resolute.

GEORGE (Hooker). A quite outstanding forward in every phase of the game.

KENHARD (Front Row). He still lacks knowledge of the finer points, but he is very strong and works hard in the tight scrums.

PEAKALL (Second Row). A powerful forward who has made great progress throughout the season, and done much towards the pack's recent improvement in the loose. He tackles with tremendous gusto.

THOMAS (Second Row). Has improved with every game. He opens up the game well from the line-out, defends well, and, being fast and strong, is always prominent in the loose rushes.

WHATTLEY (Back Row). Though small, he is fast and determined. He backs up intelligently and covers very well in defence.

REID (Middle Back). His height has made him our most useful line-out forward. Powerful and hard-working, he is always leading loose rushes or backing up the three-quarters. He sometimes offsets the value of quick breaking in defence by tackling high.

MACKINTOSH (Back Row). Has led the pack with intelligence and set an example by his strong, resolute play. His backing-up, opening-up of the game, tackling and falling on the ball have been invaluable.

H.M.

Soccer Club

President : THE HEADMASTER.

Master in Charge : MR. WARREN.

Captain : J. DUGDALE.

Committee : J. DUGDALE, A. MOGER, W. ELLIS.

During the season the weather has played havoc with our fixtures and caused the cancellation of some of our most attractive matches, such as those with Totnes G.S. and the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth. Other games have been played under very adverse conditions, one in particular we shall long remember, when, at Plympton, it rained heavily throughout the game. The spirit of all the teams has been excellent and their playing records creditable.

The 1st XI have suffered from lack of weight and height, and we have sometimes sighed for such players from last year's side as Scott and Grigg. The defence has been somewhat uncertain at times, and the forwards, clever individually, have been inclined to dribble too much. However, the team has played good, clean football, and has been a credit to the School.

The 2nd XI have not been defeated this season, and have recently supplied several players to the 1st XI to replace boys who have left. It is not easy to find suitable opponents for this eleven, because not all the schools of the neighbourhood have a 2nd XI.

The Colts XI have met very varied opponents, and have enjoyed a successful season. They appear to possess some promising material for next season, though again, some of the best players are not as robust as one could wish.

The Junior XI have had a very heavy programme and bad weather has made its completion difficult. Congratulations to Bramich on being selected to represent Plymouth Schoolboys against Bristol, West Cornwall and Edmonton. This team's league results are average, and they are still in the knock-out cup competition.

Our sincere thanks are due to Messrs. Berry, Barkell, Vanstone, Way and Warren, who have willingly become responsible for various teams, have regularly attended their matches and have refereed them whenever asked to do so. We have also had excellent co-operation from other members of the Staff, and extend our thanks to them.

That we have managed to play as many games at Ham as we have, where changing accommodation is totally inadequate and washing facilities practically non-existent, is tribute to the enthusiasm of all concerned.

| Team. | Played. | RECORD : | | | Goals. | |
|--------------|---------|----------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| | | Won. | Drawn. | Lost. | For | Agst. |
| 1st XI | 13 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 37 | 30 |
| 2nd XI | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 6 |
| Colts XI | 12 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 42 | 22 |
| Junior XI | 13 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 49 | 23 |

TEAMS :

1ST XI—Hollywood ; Dugdale, Pope ; Letcher, Moger, Holliday ; Ham, Ellis, Wyatt, Pengelly, Hobbs.

Kelly, Thompson and Edwards have also played.

2ND XI—Townsend ; Swanson, Edwards ; Adamson, Thompson (Capt.), Huddy ; Brookshaw, Kelly, Hill, Parker, Way.

McLaren, Bossom, Ryan and Stander have also played.

COLTS XI—Miller ; Hosking, Burrows ; Crowley, Churchward, Stander ; Middleton, Cottrell, Woodfield, Dart, Rowe (K.).

Goldthorpe, Harris, Taylor, Williams, Northcott and Hexter have also played.

JUNIOR XI—Nichols ; Henderson, Ede ; Tremeer, Boyce, Bowley ; Rich, Coakley, Tait, Bramich, Metters.

Yate, Watson, and Baser have also played.

HOUSE MATCH RESULTS :

SENIOR—Drake 2, Raleigh 6 ; Grenville 4, Gilbert 1 ; Grenville 0, Raleigh 0 ; Drake 2, Gilbert 0.

JUNIOR—Raleigh 5, Grenville 4 ; Gilbert 2, Drake 0.

Colours have been awarded as follows :

1st XI Colours—Hollywood, Dugdale, Pope, Letcher, Moger, Holliday, Ham, Ellis, Wyatt, Pengelly, Ham.

2nd XI Colours—Townsend, Swanson, Edwards, Thompson, Adamson, Brookshaw, Kelly, Hill, Parker, Way.

House Notes

DRAKE.

The remaining house matches were played off at the end of last term. The results were somewhat disappointing; in the Senior Rugby matches we were well beaten by Grenville, but put up a grand fight against Raleigh, losing by the narrow margin of two points, so finishing third in the House Championship Table. Congratulations are due to G. Wattley and M. Brereton on gaining their full 1st XV colours, and G. Kenhard on gaining his half colours. The Senior Soccer team did extremely well in beating both Grenville and Gilbert, but a rather young and inexperienced Junior team lost all their matches, so we had to be content with third place. In the Inter-House Chess Tournament we also gained second place, due mainly to the efforts of Allin, who is to be congratulated on playing for Devon and Cornwall Junior Rugby team against Gloucester and Somerset. We also extend our congratulations to G. Moger on gaining his full 1st XI colours, and W. Ellis and A. Ham on having theirs renewed.

This term the Annual Athletic Sports were held, and although we could only manage to obtain third place, we finished one point behind Grenville and fifteen behind the winners, Raleigh, a feat which Drake has not accomplished for some years. Every competitor must be congratulated on his keenness and enthusiasm, enabling Drake's house spirit to reach its peak. Special mention must be made of the fine performances of Ham, Crawley, Allin and Bunt.

This spirit has only to be reproduced and Drake will attain its true position at the head of the championship table. Meanwhile *Nil desperandum, labor omnia vincit.*

The cricket season has commenced, and is just getting into its stride. G. Wattley, Hitchens and Parker have obtained their places in the 1st XI. Finally, we wish the best of luck to all members competing in the examinations, and to those members who are leaving us at the end of the term. We trust they will uphold the fine traditions of the House in their future lives, and remember that to have been a member of Drake House is a criterion unparalleled.

P. J. QUANTICK (*House Captain*).

GILBERT.

The past year has been one of notable successes by our Juniors but of disappointing results from the Seniors.

| | JUNIOR. | SENIOR. | HOUSE. |
|-----------|---------|---------|--------|
| Soccer | First | Fourth | Fourth |
| Rugby | First | Fourth | Fourth |
| Athletics | — | — | Fourth |

At Rugby our Juniors had a most successful season, winning all their matches. Much credit is due to all concerned, especially to their captain, C. D. McKenzie, who recently played for an English schoolboys team against Wales. It was due to his encouragement and leadership as well as to his exceptional skill that this result was obtained. Unfortunately the Seniors lost every match, largely due to lack of experience and weight.

Our Juniors also had a successful season at Soccer. They were unbeaten, winning two matches and drawing the third. Congratulations to them and to their very efficient captain, L. Goldthorpe. Our Seniors only drew one game. With new blood from our present Juniors they should be more successful next season.

The Athletic Sports were marked by the enthusiasm of our Juniors. Those outstanding were McKenzie, who obtained three first positions and the Junior Championship Cup; Hosking and Bray, who obtained first places in the High Jump, the latter with a record; and Hexter, who obtained two seconds and a third. At the relay races the House was second, missing the Revington Relay Cup by only two points. Our best relay team was from the under twelve age group. This team composed of Wood, Prosser, Rowe and Angle succeeded in breaking the record. Their success was largely due to faultless baton changing, which they achieved as a result of hard training. This enthusiasm was not however general throughout the House. Our thirty-eight Seniors obtained only thirty-six standards between them. Many did not even attempt them. Of the Seniors, Hobbs and Blundell put up good performances, Blundell showing exceptional stamina in obtaining second position in the mile and third in the half-mile.

At the moment Gilbert has the finest set of Juniors in the School. We wish them well, and trust they will grasp every opportunity to further the interests of Gilbert.

K. BIRD (*House Captain*).

GRENVILLE.

At long last the mighty have fallen, and it is to the very great credit of Raleigh House that this has come about, so we the vanquished extend our heartiest congratulations to the House which for years has been our most serious rival.

It was the most thrilling Sports Day we have had for many years, so marked have previous Grenville victories been, that for the other Houses it has often been merely a struggle to secure the position of runner-up.

One is tempted to suspect that so many years of success have made many Grenville boys content to rely largely on the efforts of our outstanding athletes. Now they realise that success is only assured by the work of every member of the House.

Grenville boys will of course make a very vigorous reply to this set-back and try their utmost to ensure success in all House activities. Many new boys will find places in House teams next term, and to them will fall the responsibility and honour of restoring Grenville to its rightful place.

Tribute must be paid to our House Masters and Grenville competitors for their fine efforts. Those selected to represent the House at Collings Park put up a grand show, and had a few more standards been gained, their efforts would have been successful.

We in Grenville sincerely thank the sports officials for controlling and organising the meeting so excellently that the memory of it will remain with us for a long time, especially for those whose last Sports Day it was.

J. C. DUGDALE.

RALEIGH.

Raleigh are victors in the Sports ; that is its great achievement this year. This feat is not unsupported by success elsewhere ; we tied with Grenville for top place at Rugby, we gained first place at Soccer, and we won the Chess Tournament. It is an impressive record.

Our record in fuller detail is as follows. At Rugby we gained six points, the Seniors and the Juniors winning two matches each. At Soccer we won with six points also ; the Seniors winning one match and drawing two, and the Juniors winning two matches. The Chess Tournament, held at the end of the Christmas Term, was won in convincing fashion.

To have won the Sports' Shield, however, is undoubtedly the achievement in which we may take most pride. For eleven years in succession Grenville had won the House Shield, although we had come near to success, but now at last we have wrested it from Grenville. Competition was stiff from both Grenville and Drake. Not only did we win the House Shield, but also the Relay Cup. Our thanks are due to Mr. Truman and Mr. Warren for their efforts towards success, and to Messrs. Clark, Way, Warn and Whitfeld for their help. Mention may be fittingly made of the following members of the House : D. Honey, the Victor Ludorum, who won the mile (with a record), the half, and the quarter ; of Selley, who won the Under 14 Cup, and of Read, who won the Under 13 Cup. It was, however, the efforts of the bulk of the House which paved the way to success, and the House as a whole may feel proud of its success.

So much of the past, but what of the future ? If we can win the cricket championship, or at all events, do well, we can make this a great year in the annals of Raleigh ; so go to it, cricketers ! Moreover, our effort this year in the Sports, Rugby and Soccer has

not been disproportionate, and in this, as an earnest of our future, we take confidence that with effort from all we can equal, nay surpass, this year's record. For the present we feel a pride, indeed justified, in our achievements, and have a reasoned high confidence in our future. Well done, Raleigh!

R. G. POWELL (*House Captain*).

"D.H.S. NEW WRITING"

Last term saw the first issue of a new School Magazine, "D.H.S. New Writing," which we hope will become a regular feature of our school life. The object is to foster a literary tradition in the School, and to provide our youthful poets, playwrights and short story writers with a public worthy of their efforts. The first issue was cyclostyled and cost 2d. a copy, but the sales were so encouraging that the Editorial Staff are having the second issue printed and sold at 6d. a copy. This is a brave venture, and we commend it to all our readers; Old Boys can arrange for a copy to be forwarded to them with their School Magazine if they send 1/6 for three issues to Mr. E. Warn.

Out of School Activities

A.T.C.

Since our last notes the Squadron has remained steady in numbers and activities. Parades have continued regularly each week, including the bad weather period. One more cadet has passed his Proficiency and four have become Cadets 1st Class.

Several trips to R.A.F. Station Mount Batten have been made for shooting with .22 and .303 rifles on the 25 yards range. Our thanks are due to the Plymouth Wing, through whose kindness four of our cadets have been able to avail themselves of the greater facilities provided there for instruction in navigation.

The principal athletic events have yet to be held for this summer, but we hope again to be represented at all stages up to the National Championships at the White City on July 27th.

This year marks a revival of our Squadron, as we shall be at almost full strength for one week's annual training at R.N.A.S. Station, St. Merryn, Cornwall, in July. We are looking forward to an interesting and enjoyable week of training on land, at sea, and in the air.

S.H.C.

THE DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

The Dramatic Society presented its first production since before the war on February 7th and 8th last. Four One-Act Plays were produced, and they all betrayed signs of the vast amount of preparation which the various casts put into the work.

'The Discovery' by Hermon Ould was produced by Mr. Nicholas; it was remarkable for the high standard of acting which the cast attained. T. R. Pitts is to be congratulated on a fine portrayal of Christopher Columbus, while the rest of the cast admirably supported him.

The second play, 'The Invisible Duke' by F. Sladen-Smith, was full of vivacious fun and biting satire. The cast, the average age of which was fourteen years three months, gave a splendid performance. J. M. Hind was ably selected as the astrologer; the two clowns, played by R. A. Sanders and R. W. Rainford were evidently much at ease in their parts. R. G. Reekie, M. J. Cooke and P. G. Gill completed an excellent cast.

J. J. Bell can always be relied upon for exciting stories and intriguing plays. His 'Thread O'Scarlet' was no exception. Here again, the acting ability and dramatic achievement of the cast was of an extremely high order. G. L. Evans was admirably suited for Breen, and M. J. Jordan's study of the traveller was a perfect one. The Village Tradesmen were played to perfection by B. R. Morrell, L. E. Burrows and B. D. Fisher; they easily managed to obtain the sense of excitement and suspense which was so vital to the successful production of the play. G. R. Andrews acted the part of the Landlord with persuasion and reserve.

'The Trollop's Triumph' by Irene Hall was cast in a different mould from the other plays. It was certain of a wide appeal, for it was in sharp contrast to the preceding play. The four members of the cast acquitted their tasks with a rare degree of precision and good timing. H. S. James made an excellent Arbutus Peachblossom, while M. J. Willison was self-confident and persuasive as Jno Peachblössom. D. W. A. Cole's portrayal of Sir Jasper was striking in its forcefulness and original in its delineation of character. B. Horton, the last member of a perfect cast, was evidently well at ease in his most difficult part.

In all, it may be said that the productions were a success. No small part of this was due to Mr. H. F. H. Whitfeld, who not only produced the last three plays but worked incessantly for the highest results. Mr. J. G. Nicholas, did a grand job of work. Thanks are also due to Messrs. A. W. Jenkyns and F. R. Coombe (stage managers) and R. H. Symons (business manager). The success which the Society has achieved augurs well for the future, and we look forward with keen anticipation to next year's effort.

Later in the year "The Invisible Duke," "The Thread O' Scarlet" and "The Trollop's Triumph" were entered for the Plymouth Youth Drama Festival. All three casts did well, and it was very gratifying to learn that "The Thread O' Scarlet" gained the shield for the whole festival. This was a very encouraging result, and we expect the high standard to be maintained, if not improved upon, in future years.

G. W. BARRETT.

A.C.F. (E. COY. 2ND CADET BATTALION, PLYMOUTH).

Since the last issue of the Magazine we have lost the services of Captain Lovell, who so ably and enthusiastically "stepped into the breach" left by Captain Harrison. We heartily appreciate the energy and time he devoted to the administration and welfare of the Company, and wish him every success in his new appointment. To his successor, Captain White, we extend our greetings, and are sincerely grateful for his undertaking such a task. We wish Under-Officer Macintosh success in his training to become a Regular Army Officer. We are sorry to lose him.

The vacations since the last issue of the Magazine have brought about more successes. L/Cpl. Reid is to be congratulated on gaining Cert. "T" at Arborfield during the Christmas vacation. Cpl. Jones and Cadets Hannon and MacDonald successfully attended a Physical Training Course at Aldershot. They are now entitled to wear Crossed Swords, and are qualified P.T. instructors. C.Q.M.S. Cook and myself were fortunate enough to be selected to attend a drill course at the Guards Training Depot, Caterham, during the Christmas vacation. We were treated as Guards recruits, and thoroughly "shaken" by awe-inspiring Grenadier Guard N.C.O.S. Let us hope that "E" Coy. will again have the privilege of sending representatives to this very valuable course.

I would like to express my personal gratitude to the senior N.C.Os. of the Company who have so ably and willingly co-operated and assisted with the administration of it during the difficult and trying months between the departure of Capt. Lovell and the arrival of his much-welcomed successor, Capt. White.

Ex-cadets are constantly assuring us of the value of having been a member of such a pre-Service unit as this. Conscription will probably be a permanent feature in the life of every boy who leaves our school. The boy who takes with him some knowledge of basic training and the certificates which are within reach of all, will have a far more pleasant and agreeable period of conscription than the boy who enters the army as a mere "rookie." Too many people regard the pre-Service Units as instilling unwanted militarism into the youth of Britain. This, however, is not the case. The main object of the Army Cadet Force is to give the cadets a sense of discipline and respect, and an opportunity to see and appreciate a

different sense of life and comradeship. Older cadets are given responsibilities according to their rank, they are also given the valuable opportunity of developing a sense of self-confidence by instructing and drilling their own comrades.

UNDER-OFFICER ANDREWS (Six Arts).

THE SCIENCE CLUB.

Last term's lectures, initiated by Mr. Hurrell, continued with a talk by Dr. Royle, Head of the Chemistry Department at the Technical College, on the subject of "Some Research Problems." He spoke first of his work on mustard gas in the Great War, during his post-graduate course, and described its identification and synthesis. He continued with an account of his work on explosives. It was altogether a stimulating and interesting talk.

Mr. G. A. Stevens, of the Marine Biological Laboratories, was the next lecturer. He talked on "Some Aspects of Marine Biology," in a lecture that was both authoritative and instructive. The large audience derived much pleasure from such an interesting lecture.

Mr. Cummings, the Curator of the Museum, gave a lecture on "Radar." He was engaged on work in this new branch of science during the war, and he spoke on the development of Radar from first-hand knowledge, evincing an intimate acquaintance with the subject.

We were fortunate in having as our next lecturer, Dr. A. W. Pearce, one of our Old Boys, who spoke on "The Distillation and Purification of Petroleum Products." The clear incisive manner in which he handled his subject matter, in a talk which was well illustrated by diagrams and photos, spoke of expert knowledge of his subject in which he has achieved such distinction.

This term's lectures began with one from Mr. Lloyd from the Pathological Department of the Prince of Wales' Hospital. He spoke on "Some Pathological Problems," and covered a great deal of ground, clearly indicating the hard work entailed in such an exacting but praiseworthy occupation. We are very grateful to Mr. Lloyd for his valuable help, and hope other parents will follow his example.

Mr. Maynard gave a talk on "Diseases of the Teeth and Mouth." He spoke of some of the bacteriological infections of the mouth, especially those that originated in or affected the teeth and gums. He completely held the audience's attention by an interesting and stimulating lecture.

Sergeant Harris, of the R.A.F. Meteorological Branch, gave a lecture on "The Weather." Such a topical subject attracted a keen audience, who fully enjoyed his stimulating and informative talk.

Lately, Mr. Braithwaite, a research chemist, gave a fine talk on "Steel," the prelude to a film show in the near future. He dealt

fully with many of the interesting facts concerning this material on which modern civilisation is so dependent.

In addition, several interesting visits took place during this session, including one to the Sulphuric Acid Works at Cattedown and another to the B.B.C. Studios. To all our lecturers and our hosts on these visits, we extend our grateful thanks.

The scope of the lectures and visits is a wide one, and is designed to attract those of varying interests into some acquaintance with the broader and more material applications of Science, which are beyond the school syllabus. We trust that all members will derive much information and enjoyment from such a varied and all-embracing programme.

SCOUT LOG.

TROOP MEETINGS.—The Regular Wednesday Troop Meetings have been well attended throughout the term. The Troop has now become stabilised with three keen Patrols—Badgers, Falcons and Peewits—with a Troop membership of 30. Important work has been done in connection with the Second Class Badge, and all Scouts have gained the Tenderfoot Badge. A number of Second Class Badges has been gained, and work is going ahead for the First Class Badge.

CAMP.—Arrangements are being made to hold a Camp from May 21st to May 28th, inclusive, at Marazion, Cornwall. This camp will be run on the Patrol system, and we are looking forward to an interesting time.

FIREMAN BADGE.—A group of senior Scouts has been attending a Course at the Fire Station. Five badges have been gained.

OLD SCOUTS.—It is always a great pleasure to welcome Old Scouts to a Troop meeting. On March 5th the programme was arranged by Ralph Maybourne.

AID TO CHINA FUND.—The Troop was able to assist at the Odeon Cinema on March 19th. The Senior Patrol leader, J. Lakeman, had charge of the arrangements.

Patrol Leaders March, Renton and Wattley have done good work throughout the term. S/M. D.H.S.

WEDNESDAY HALF-HOUR.

Members of the Staff have provided a mid-week lunch-time programme throughout the term. The first of the series was given by Mr. Coombe on the manufacture of a motor car, illustrated by a film strip. Mr. Pickup gave a lecture on "Design in Nature"; Mr. Potts on "Ski-ing," illustrating his talk by a demonstration of the equipment used. On February 5th Mr. Warren organised a table tennis match, Staff v. School, this was won by the Staff. Mr. Nicholas gave a talk on "Play Production," assisted by the

caste of "The Discovery," a production of the School Dramatic Society, and Mr. Tamblin related some of his experiences in the jungle of Ceylon—his collection of butterflies was much admired. Malvern Cooke, of 4G, a member of the Plymouth Magic Circle, provided a first-class programme of conjuring to an appreciative audience. The remaining lectures for the term were provided by the Headmaster, on "Adventures in Morocco," and a programme by Mr. Clark. A pleasing feature of the series has been the good average attendance and the ready assistance of senior members of the School to organise the meetings. The interest shown in both the 1946 and the 1947 series makes it clear that this is an activity which is well worth-while. SP.

CHESS CLUB.

The Chess Club is continuing its run of success as the records of inter-schools' matches shows:

Autumn Term, 1946—

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| Plymouth College | 3 | School | 5 |
| Sutton High | 3½ | School | 4½ |

Spring Term, 1947—

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| Plymouth College | 4 | School | 4 |
| Sutton High | 4 | School | 4 |

Results of Inter-House Chess Matches:

Raleigh, 6½ pts. ; Drake, 4½ pts. ; Gilbert, 4 pts. ; Grenville, 2 pts.

We are continuing our "Ladder Competition" in which members play each other in matches, and the winners ascend a rung on the ladder. The boys at the top of the ladder are listed below with their inter-school records.

| Player. | Played. | Won. | Drawn. | Lost. | Pts. |
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| G. Allin, 3G | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| K. Blundell, L6 Sc | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| A. Honey, L6 Sc | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| L. Goldthorpe, 3L | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| M. Cotton, L6 Sc | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| D. March, L6 A | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| D. Dewdney, 3G | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 |

It is interesting to note that G. Allin took part again in the Devon Junior Championship, but this time was knocked out in the semi-finals by Lean of Plymouth College.

The Club meets in the Art Room at 4.10 p.m. each Monday. We should welcome new members, both expert and those willing to learn.

We are still very short of chess sets and are anxious to receive offers.

Chess Committee: M. Cotton (secretary), K. Blundell, L. Goldthorpe.

Our expert member is our master, Mr. E. H. Berry, whom we thank for his kind interest and all he has done for us.

We are glad to express our appreciation to the Arts Society and Handicraft Dept. for cruet stands and wall pictures in the junior dining hall.

THE ART SOCIETY.

The Society was formed at the end of the Summer Term, and is the first of its kind in the School. Over 20 boys attended the first meeting, but the number eventually settled down to about a dozen. This number quickly dropped to one with the recent movement of the North Pole towards Plymouth, but, with its movement back beyond Iceland, the numbers increased again.

The Society is open to any boy in the School in form 2 or above, interested in any aspect or branch of Art. Membership is free, and all material is provided. Membership must be limited, however, because of space. So if you are interested go right away and see the Art Master.

The popular interest when the Society started was portraiture, until Mr. Sparrow very kindly made us the offer of acres, so it seemed, of wall space in the School dining halls. Since then mural decoration has taken first place.

The theme chosen for the decorations was "The School" since it seemed appropriate to the dining halls used by the School, and it provided a wide choice of subjects familiar to the painters. Several panels are now completed, and will probably be in position by the time these notes are published. Of these "The Art Society" by Neil is an ambitious piece of work. The aspect of the subject chosen is a complex one, and the treatment attempted is advanced for the painter's age. The effort and concentration required to complete a piece of work of this size speaks well for the interest and determination of the painter. He has produced a very good work at his first attempt. Cheetham's "Schoolboy" and Ripplin's "Rugger Player" are also good—the former for its delightful colour, and the latter for the sense of toughness it conveys. Several more are almost complete; of these Coventry's "Soccer Match" gives a dramatic incident with a good sense of action in fresh clean colour, with well-arranged shapes that should serve admirably its purpose as a decoration. Also Baser's "Backstage"—a result of working with the Dramatic Society—shows a sense of colour and design. These two panels should be ready in a few weeks' time. Mackintosh was working on a conversation piece, between a master and boy, with a

portion of the School as background, but unfortunately he has already left the School and so will be unable to finish this promising beginning. We hope he will be able to find time to continue with his interest in the Army, and wish him every success in his career.

Next term it is hoped to do some outdoor sketching, as well as inside work.

J.P.

Visit to Cherbourg.

The Plymouth Delegation which visited Cherbourg in March this year consisted of representatives of many sections of the civic and business interests of the city. Included in the party were two schoolboys, and it was my honour and good fortune to be chosen to represent Devonport High School. The French Government had placed a destroyer at the disposal of the party, and on Saturday March 22nd, we crossed the Channel. The crossing itself was, I hear, not too bad, but personally I was content to lie on a bunk, longing for terra firma once more.

We reached Cherbourg late in the afternoon, and received a hearty welcome. To meet us schoolboys there were several French students, and we were soon the best of friends. There was no time to lose, for a very full programme was mapped out for us. The Delegation divided into separate parties, and while some went to view the Dockyards and Stations, we took a busman's holiday and visited the schools, ranging from Elementary and Infant Schools to Training Colleges; and everywhere we went we received a great welcome. Several souvenirs were given to us on the tour, and in the Infant Schools we were greeted with the strains of "It's a long way to Tipperary" and "Auld Lang Syne." In spite of the German occupation the people of Cherbourg have worked hard to keep the education of youth at a good standard, and they have overcome many handicaps.

The tour of the schools being completed, the Delegation made its way to the Townhall where we drank the *Aperitif d'Honneur* and heard speeches by the Mayor of Cherbourg, M. René Schmitt and by our Lord Mayor. After a brief stay here we once more boarded the coaches and went to one of Cherbourg's largest cafes where we ate a dinner which made many of the delegation sit back with surprise.

We then went to the Opera House to see a production of the Opera "Lakme" by Delibes. The delegation was spread out among the audience, and we had a great chance to meet and speak with the ordinary French people, and this in itself was an education.

The performance was extremely good, and the singing was of a very high standard. Our first few hours in Cherbourg had certainly been well spent, and when the opera ended at 1 o'clock in the morning we returned by coach to the hotel feeling weary but very happy.

Early the following morning we were off again. Our objective was the cemetery where we made a pilgrimage to the graves of British airmen who had fallen. After a short service and the laying of wreaths by the Lord Mayor we left for the Library where there were many interesting and historical books, some of them of great value. Next on our list after the Library was a visit to the Square to see folk-dancing by a troupe who specialised in the folk-dances of Normandy and who wore the traditional lace dresses. This again was very interesting and enjoyable. It seemed that most of the population of Cherbourg had turned out to watch, for as we left in the coaches, the crowds waved and cheered almost as if we had been an army of liberation passing through.

We drove out of Cherbourg and headed out into the French countryside. Normandy is much the same sort of rugged landscape as Cornwall. There were several stops to be made on the way, and the first was at Barfleur, where we had lunch, a six-course meal, in a hotel known as "Le Homard Rouge"; then on to La Pernelle to see the Radiolocation sites, and so along the Atlantic wall to view the German emplacements. Out of one of the block-houses the Americans had made a memorial to their dead, and this was a really great piece of work. From this memorial on Utah Beach we went to the American cemetery at Blosville. Here, stretching away for a great distance, and marvellously cared for, are the graves of Americans who fell in the liberation of France. It is a fitting resting-place for the liberators. From Blosville we made our way through the towns of Montebourg, which the Germans captured seven times, and thence to Valogues. All the villages and towns we passed through were smashed and devastated and people were living in houses made from the rubble. These people were right in the firing line, but they bravely carried on. From Valogues we returned to Cherbourg where we went to the hotel and tidied up for the banquet.

At 9.30 in the evening we arrived at the Town Hall where the banquet was to be held, and again many of the delegation were surprised to see the sumptuous meal that had been prepared for us. All told, there were 108 guests at the banquet, and we were well spread out, thus having another chance to meet French people and to talk with them. They were all very helpful, and we got on famously with them. The banquet lasted for three hours, and after speeches by the Mayor of Cherbourg and the Lord Mayor, we boarded the coaches for the ball.

Here we schoolboys broadcast over the French radio, but unfortunately the recordings were scratched and were useless. The ball soon developed into a sing-song. This was Anglo-French friendship in the real sense of the word, but all good things had to come to an end, so we returned to the Hotel at about 3.45.

On our last morning in Cherbourg we went round the town to buy some souvenirs, and though many of the things were rationed nobody was really disappointed with his purchases. Then at 10.45 we went to the Dockyard and embarked once more: but something had been achieved during our short visit. A great friendship had been forged between our two cities, and personal friends had been made, and it was with regret and hope to return again that we headed out to sea in the destroyer "Desaix," while French people on the dockside sang tunes of the First Great War and the Plymouth delegation replied from the deck of the destroyer.

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D.H.S. Old Boys' Association.

President : The Headmaster (W. H. Buckley, Esq., B.A., B.Sc.).

Vice-Presidents : Sir Clifford Tozer, J.P.

Sir William Gick, C.B., C.B.E.

H. A. T. Simmonds, Esq., M.A.

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Committee Secretary : Cyril E. Gill, Esq., F.C.S.,
14, Haddington Rd., Stoke, Devonport.

Chairman of London Branch : A. T. Brooks, Esq.

London Secretary : L. S. Mills, Esq., B.Sc., 38, Anglesey Gardens,
Charlton Beeches, Surrey.

The Annual General Meeting was held at the School on December 27th, and was very well attended. The Chair was taken by the President, who welcomed members to the first meeting that had been possible for six years. The General Secretary reported that interest in the Association had been maintained in a remarkable way, and that in spite of wartime difficulties there was a good solid nucleus around which to continue building. The officers for the coming year were elected. Mr. H. Ferraro was invited to continue as General Secretary, and in accordance with his request the offices of General Secretary and Treasurer, hitherto combined, were separated. Mr. Eric Warn was elected as Treasurer, Mr. Gill was re-elected as Committee Secretary. Mr. Polkinghorne, representing Mr. Wingett, Secretary of the Rugby Club, gave an account of the R.F.C. activities.

Mr. G. A. Godfrey left in January to take up a post as engineer with the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company at Abadan.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Nicholls, to Mr. and Mrs. C. Smale, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Legg, and to Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Pearce.

Mr. J. L. Deal, late of Exeter College, Oxford, has been awarded the degree of B.Sc. Mr. Deal is now in Chemical Industry.

Midshipman N. S. Robinson is now on a West Indies station on H.M.S. "Kenya." Midshipman D. J. Cliffe has been appointed to H.M.S. "Mauritius" and is having a very interesting time in the Mediterranean.

Major T. B. Pearn has been appointed Headmaster of Lyme Regis Grammar School. He was awarded the M.C. as a result of the action at Arnhem.

Mr. A. A. Eddy and Mr. M. G. Ball rowed in the First Eight for Exeter College, Oxford. Mr. Ball won the Junior Sculls Championship for his College last year. This event was inaugurated exactly a hundred years ago.

Lieut. (E) F. T. Healy is now stationed in the Mediterranean. He has played in some Rugger matches, at one of which he met Mr. Eric Andrews, who despite his war experiences still plays a very useful game.

Mr. B. C. J. Rickard, who has served on our Committee from the early days of the formation of the Association has been awarded the M.B.E. (Civil Division). He was one of the pioneers of the Air Training Corps in Plymouth.

Mr. J. H. Nicholls has been appointed to the Staff of the Technical College, Plymouth.

Mr. R. Ward, late of University College, Oxford, has been appointed as Tutor at Ruskin College.

Mr. A. H. Tredgett has been demobilized from the R.N.V.R. and has received an appointment in the Research Laboratory of the Imperial Tobacco Company.

Sub-Lieut. (E) M. H. Simmonds has been promoted to Lieutenant.

Mr. R. J. Werry has been seconded to Bamber Bridge Emergency Training College, and appointed Senior Lecturer in Physics.

Mr. L. C. de Gruchy has been on Admiralty service in Singapore for the past two years.

Mr. R. Govett has passed the Final Examination for Sanitary Engineering.

Mr. G. C. White, who was successful at the last examination for entrance into Sandhurst, has been playing for the "Wasps," R.F.C.

Mr. Adams has now completed a course at Sandhurst and will shortly be joining his regiment.

Mr. J. J. Lawlor, after leaving the Army returned to Magdalene College, but has now moved to Brasenose.

Mr. R. R. Tomlinson is now an Art Master in a School at Heavitree.

Mr. H. Gordon, M.P.S., who carried out research work on typhus for the British Medical Council in Burma and India during the war is now at Capetown.

Gibraltar seems to have quite a colony of Old Boys. The School is there represented by Messrs. Blewett, Denyer, James and Lieut. Sheppard.

Mr. P. Martin, recently of the R.A.F., is now studying medicine at Glasgow University.

Mr. D. R. Dean, having served with the First and Eighth Armies, is now in Germany. He expects to be demobilized in May.

Will members please note that all subscriptions to the O.B.A. should now be sent to Mr. E. W. R. Warn, 114, Fort Austin Avenue, Crownhill, Plymouth.

Old Boys in the London area are asked to get in touch with Mr. L. S. Mills, whose address appears at the head of these notes.

The War Memorial Fund will shortly be closed. Will all those who intend to contribute, but who have not yet done so, please forward their donations to the General Secretary as soon as possible.

THE DINNER

The long awaited Reunion is now but a happy memory.. Happy is an apt description for December 27th, 1946, produced a gathering of D.H.S.-ians which will be a landmark in the history of the Association. Men who had spent the past six years in the stress of battle, men who had endured and achieved much met together with the School as their common bond. Many of those present were still wrestling with the problem of the effect the war would have on their careers, but for this night all cares were set aside and it was a delight to watch friend greeting friend, and to hear the exchange of experiences. The allotted time passed all too quickly. As the hour for the Dinner approached the room became so full that circulation was difficult. About 110 had assembled by the time our President, Mr. Buckley, took his place. All arrangements had been made by Mr. Eric Warn, and our thanks and congratulations are due to him.

The Dinner over, the usual toasts were given. Mr. Simmonds, a Vice-President of the Association, who had come down from London especially for the occasion, proposed "The School." He expressed his pleasure at meeting so many old friends again. Absence had in no way lessened his regard for Devonport High School. He spoke of the new Education Act and its possible effect on such schools as ours. He realised that we were passing through a difficult time, but felt sure that if the School, past and present, continued to support the efforts of the Headmaster there was no need for pessimism as to the future.

The Headmaster, Mr. W. H. Buckley, in replying paid a warm tribute to the loyalty of his Staff. Conditions of evacuation had indeed been a testing time for the School, but it had proved equal to that test. He reminded his listeners that the School and its welfare was the concern of Headmasters, Staffs and pupils of all times. It was obvious that he himself carried a special responsibility in the matter and if, as had been stated, a school reflects as in a mirror the characteristics and personality of its Headmaster, then he was indeed a proud, happy and grateful man.

Mr. N. Normington, in proposing "The Association" congratulated those responsible for keeping the Association going during the trying years of war. He referred to the influence the School had on its students and felt that each boy who passed through the School acquired some intangible attribute of character, some standard of conduct that was part of the tradition of the School.

The General Secretary, Mr. H. Ferraro, replied. He confessed that in the early days of the war he had feared that the Association would disintegrate. It was soon evident, however, that such fears were groundless and that Old Boys on Service were more eager than ever to keep in touch with their School. He regarded an Old Boys' Association as the supreme test of the well-being of a School. There was every reason to suppose that our Association would long continue to serve its purpose.

Mr. C. E. Gill, Committee Secretary, proposed "The Services" and mentioned that over seventy Old Boys had lost their lives during the war.

Commander (E) L. F. Ingram responded and expressed appreciation of the work the Old Boys' Association was doing. He hoped that in years to come its scope would be even further extended and that the School would continue to turn out boys who would adopt one or other of the Services as a career.

The President thanked Mr. Warn for all he had done to make the evening a success. He pointed out that Mr. Eric Cock had for years undertaken the task of organising the Dinner, but now when pressure of work made this impossible, Mr. Warn readily stepped into the breach.

Mr. Warn replied and spoke with a Rugger man's enthusiasm of the revival of the Old Boys' Rugger Club—an achievement on which Mr. Wingett was to be congratulated.

Musical items were contributed by Messrs. F. Austin and E. R. Harris. Mr. Roy Mewton acted as accompanist. H.F.

D.H.S. OLD BOYS' R.F.C.

President : The Headmaster.

Vice-Presidents : Messrs. H. Ferraro, C. F. Austin,
H. A. T. Simmonds, and W. Warwick.

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Captain : G. Polkinghorne.

Hon. Secretary and Vice-Captain : A. F. Wingett,
8, West Hoe Terrace, Plymouth.

Hon. Assistant Secretary : F. Squires.

Hon. Treasurer : H. G. Rogers.

Committee : E. J. Brimacombe and G. Rooke.

After seven years of enforced inactivity due to the war, the Rugby Club has this season been resuscitated and has got off to a

flying start. We have been fairly successful, and can claim, quite justly, a good season, having played 15, won 11, lost 4, points for 209, points against 106.

The Annual General Meeting was held at the School on March 12th, 1947, and officers, as above, were elected.

An attractive programme has been prepared for next season, and the fact that it is so ambitious requires all the support it can get, not only by players, but also by the spectators and financial support we receive. New playing members are urgently required, and should contact the Secretary as soon as possible. Non-playing members are heartily welcomed.

A.F.W.

We welcome the following new members :

- 913 J. Grose, University College of the South West, Exeter.
- 914 D. Hill, 56, Ridge Park Avenue, Mutley.
- 915 P. Taylor, 2, Harbour View, Torpoint.
- 916 B. Amstey, 10 Redlands, Hartley, Plymouth.
- 717 M. Lee, 60 Grassendale Avenue, Swilly, Plymouth.
- 918 R. Warner, 37 North Down Gardens, Swilly, Plymouth.
- 919 G. H. B. Spear, 15 Westbourne Road, Peverell, Plymouth.
- 920 B. Hyne, 9 Pemros Road, St. Budeaux, Plymouth.
- 921 D. J. Reed, 41 Morrish Park Road, Underlane, Plymstock.
- 922 V. J. Grigg, Earleigh View, Cargreen, Saltash.
- 923 E. C. Bennett, 47 Victoria Road, St. Budeaux, Plymouth.
- 924 R. E. Yandell, 28 Brancker Road, Milehouse, Plymouth.
- 925 P. E. Austin, Keble College, Oxford.
- 926 P. Proffitt, Barnsley Grammar School, Barnsley.
- 927 A. Warrillow, 23 Maristow Avenue, Keyham, Plymouth.
- 928 C. J. Adams, 7 Nelson Avenue, Stoke.
- 929
- 930 G. C. White, 26 College Crescent, Hampstead, N.W.3.
- 931 D. R. Nuttall, 14 College View, Mutley.
- 932 R. E. MacIntosh, Lydes House, Colbrook, Plympton.
- 934 H. F. Williams, 2 Nightingale Square, Balham, S.W.12.

The following changes of address have been notified :

- 819 A. G. D. Blanchard, 31 Dolton Gardens, St. Budeaux.
- 759 N. Dolton (Lieut. R.N.), 18 Darlington Place, Bathwick Hill, Bath.
- 706 N. E. Chaff, Sec. to Capt. Supt. N.M. Naval Base, Colombo.
- 730 B. Bearn, 37 Providence Place, Plymouth.
- 699 D. Olds, 13 Brandon Road, Laira.
- 685 J. H. Nicholls, 6 Dudley Terrace, Saltash.
- 681 W. M. Pearce, 209 Shaftesbury Avenue, West Harrow, Middlesex.

- 635 E. H. Brown, 36 Beacon Park, Peverell, Plymouth.
- 584 P. Dellon, 19 Foss Street, Dartmouth.
- 868 D. J. Cliffe (Midshipman, S), Sussex Lodge, Sussex Street, The Hoe, Plymouth.
- 592 C. Trout, 36 Connaught Road, Mutley.
- 570 T. T. Wills, 14, Stiby Road, Yeovil.
- 548 W. J. Short, 8 Cambridge Road, Cambridge.
- 547 D. B. Evans, Bosillian, Polwithan, Penzance.
- 480 R. Angus, 5 Hartley Avenue, Plymouth.
- 479 W. P. Bowden, 28 Horn Lane, Woodford Green, Essex.
- 474 H. G. Rogers, 140 Victoria Road, St. Budeaux.
- 413 S. G. Floyd, Trevoze Lawn, St. Budeaux, Plymouth.
- 397 S. Marks, Delgarne Villas, Crownhill.
- 359 L. M. Taylor, 481, Crownhill Road, St. Budeaux.
- 329 R. H. Clements, Meteorological Office, Dunstable, Beds.
- 322 A. H. Blatchford, The Laurels, Mount Road, Stowe, Staffs.
- 27 G. R. Hill, 188 Park Road, Sittingbourne.
- Lt. (E) W. E. Riseborough, R.N., "West View," Hainault Road, Chigwell, Essex.
- Lt.-Comdr. (S) C. E. Smith, R.N., 33 Parliament Hill, Hampstead, London, N.W.3.

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