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Editor: JOHN GOODMAN.

(All contributions for Publication should be addressed to the Editor, Devonport High School Magazine, Devonport, and written legibly, and on one side of foolscap paper only.)

#### Editorial.

Again, within the short span of twenty-five years, three major European countries have seen fit to plunge into warfare—a warfare this time not only on land, but intensified by greater naval activity and by universal danger from the air.

What will be the result of this war? Great Britain, the selfappointed protector of European minorities, will gain nothing but the pleasure of an unnatural and crushed Germany, among the people of which nation would, sooner or later, arise a new spirit of nationality, prepared at all cost to throw off a foreign yoke. The results of war are the same for both victor and vanquished. without Plenty" will be the condition of this country. An immediate consequence of the war will be an economic depression. Unemployment figures will be higher, and years will pass before a normal standard of living is established once more. This is what lies ahead; this is why youths of these three nations are being sacrificed. One is almost tempted to ask whether politicians have thought for the future or not. Surely this war should have some definite aim beneficial to all European nations and not only to minorities. Such an aim is at present, however, most obscure. It is the proud boast of the British Government that Great Britain is not fighting for any gain for herself, but to create in Europe peace and security for all nations. Such war aims are, doubtless, unselfish and noble in the extreme, yet they do not merit the wanton destruction of youth in war.

Nevertheless, now that we are committed to a policy of war, let us pursue our course with our mind bearing no animosity against the German people as a whole. We must bear our duties cheerfully, nor complain about our tasks, however difficult. In this way much can be accomplished. If we all shoulder our burden with a great

mind, the hardships will not seem so harsh, nor will our troubles be so disturbing. We must face matters with a resolute and steadfast heart.

Strive, and hold cheap the strain;

Learn, nor account the pang; dare, never grudge the throe.

Such is the sage advice of the old Rabbi, Ben Ezra; and if we carry out our duties with his counsel in mind, not only will we be cheered and comforted by the noble examples of our fellow-countrymen, but we will also be shown a new way to look on life under the present exacting circumstances.

#### EN PASSANT.

We heartily congratulate:

All those who were successful in the School Certificate and Higher Schools Examinations.

A. J. Darton, on obtaining a State Scholarship.

The First XV. and First XI. on their excellent records to date.

Squibb and Bray, on receiving appointments in the Clerical Branch of the Civil Service.

The Editor thanks all those who sent in contributions. It is hoped that those whose articles were not accepted will not be discouraged, and that those who sent in no contributions will assist next term.

The Editor acknowledges the receipt of the following contemporaries:

The Kingsbridgian; The Totnesian.

#### PRAEFECTI VALETE.

- L. WARD.—Entered School 1931; Cambridge School Certificate, 1936; London Higher School Certificate, 1938; appointed Prefect, 1938; Rugger Colours, 1938-9; Entered Royal Air Force.
- C. PROWSE.—Entered School, 1932; Cambridge School Certificate, 1937; London Higher School Certificate, 1939; appointed Prefect, 1939; Rugger Colours, 1938-9; Entered U.C.S.W.

- R. PROWSE.—Entered School, 1931; Cambridge School Certificate, 1936; Higher School Certificate, 1938; appointed Prefect, 1938; Third Prefect, 1939; Entered U.C.S.W.
- P. B. P. RICKARD.—Entered School, 1931; Cambridge School Certificate, 1936; London Higher School Certificate, 1938; appointed Prefect, 1938; Soccer Colours, 1938-9; Vice-Captain, Soccer, 1939; Entered Executive Civil Service.
- F. CROCKER.—Entered School, 1931; Cambridge School Certificate, 1936; London Higher School Certificate, 1939; appointed Prefect, 1938; Captain of Drake, 1938-9; Rugger Colours, 1938-9; Secretary of Rugger, 1937-8; Captain of Rugger, 1938-9; Cricket Second XI.; Athletic Colours, 1937-8; Captain of Athletics, 1938-9; Entered U.C.S.W.
- E. BRAY.—Entered School, 1933; Cambridge School Certificate, 1938; Soccer Colours, 1938-9; Captain Soccer, 1939; Cricket Colours, 1938-9; Appointed Sports Prefect, 1939; Entered Clerical Branch of the Civil Service.

Atomic weights are only used for weighing atoms.

A Soviet is a cloth used by waiters in hotels.

Masculine-Man; Feminine-Woman; Neuter-Corpse.

Chlorine gas is very injurious to the human body, and the following experiments should therefore only be performed by a teacher.

The British constitution is a sound one, but on account of its insolent position it suffers from fogs.

Entente Cordial—French for Brandy and Soda.

Lost—Fountain-pen: by a man half-full of ink.

Tanbark should be placed in an ordinary basin of water and the hands soaked in the solution. Then the hands should be removed and thoroughly dried.

#### School Notes.

We are ready to admit that when during a pleasant July evening we penned the 'School Notes' for the summer issue, we were rather blind to the lightning and deaf to the thunder of approaching war. Now that the bolt has fallen, some of our readers may wonder to what extent the School has been affected.

When we hear of numerous Schools which have been forced to move—some of them several times—we are very grateful that we still retain our buildings, poor as they are; and although we have received numerous boys from various parts of the country, the strange dialects we hear, come merely as reminders of the sterner conditions which many schools have to endure. These boys are heartily welcome, and we hope, when happier days allow them to return to their homes, that their memories of D.H.S. will be pleasant ones.

The School lawn is no more. Our lawn, the pride of successive headmasters, the scene of pleasant garden parties, the daily walk of princely prefects and of shy and modest masters, is now as dead as the dodo, and anyone seeking it would need a powerful X-ray apparatus, for it lies buried beneath many feet of earth and stones. But the reign of Chaos will be brief, for our trenches are taking shape, and the day may come when comeliness, if not beauty, will be restored. Some, at least, of the credit for our trenches must go to our boys. They actually commenced the digging and continued until the rock appeared. It was a pleasing sight to see them remove their coats, roll up their sleeves, seize a pickaxe and prove that D.H.S. boys have physical as well as mental energy. True, since the arrival of the workmen, the progress has been more rapid, but the men armed themselves with a pneumatic drill with which they deafened our ears, spoilt our voices, ruined our nerves and broke up the subsoil. We are officially informed that the trenches will provide ample accommodation for the whole School.

Now that the completion of our air-raid shelters is in sight, much wit is being expended and much curiosity expressed. The usual question is "Which forms will receive their lessons in the north block of trenches, and which will be under the windows of the Chemistry Laboratory?"; and one Master was overheard making the suggestion that if the trenches could be flooded, we might hold our next water-sports there—once round the old lawn should count as one lap.

With our usual modesty we have mentioned that mental and physical energy were our main characteristics, but we must now refer to our outstanding chivalry. Working parties of our boys went day after day to the Girls' High School at Peverell, and filled and placed hundreds of sandbags. It was a kind thought of Miss Moore (Headmistress) to send a letter of thanks in which she referred to our efforts in handsome terms.

Mr. Werry and Mr. Phythian have joined the Colours; we send our earnest good wishes to them and to the large number of Old Boys who have answered their Country's call. We would like them to know that they are constantly in our thoughts, and we hope that they will soon be able to resume their normal occupations. It will be remembered that in July Mr. Millett hung up his gown for the last time. We have not forgotten him and he occasionally gives evidence that he still thinks of us. The three vacancies have been filled by Messrs. Church, Harper and Williams, and it is our growing belief that the School has been fortunate in the appointment of these gentlemen. We cordially welcome them and sincerely hope that they will be happy at D.H.S. It is possible that a few biographical notes may be of interest to our readers.

Mr. Church, B.Sc., graduated with First Class Honours and was awarded one of the three French Government post-graduate Bursaries and did advanced and research work at the Sorbonne (University of Paris). Upon his return he became a Demonstrator in Geography at the London School of Economics, and secured his Teacher's Diploma with distinction. He is a man of wide interests and did much useful work in connection with various College Societies and Camps, and for three years organised a Refugee Relief To such an extent had he profited by his stay in France that he was appointed Captain of the London School of Economics' Debating Team which sustained in French a debate with a corresponding society in Paris. In addition to this he spent a month in Czechoslovakia at the invitation of the Czech Government. strangely this reads! He is a keen Scout and at the moment is busy assisting the School Troop, and in making a success of the School Geographical Society, which he has formed.

Mr. Harper, B.Sc. (London) has had a varied and active career. While at College he took a prominent part in the work of the Dramatic and Debating Societies, and on several occasions he represented his College in swimming competitions. In addition to this he was the only man of his year to win distinction in advanced Mathematics. He was very popular with his fellow-students and represented their interests on various governing bodies. We understand that he has devoted considerable time to music and was a member of a successful Male Voice Quartet.

At present he is giving valuable help to the Scientific and the Dramatic Societies. It is also whispered that he is likely to join the Chess enthusiasts.

Mr. Williams, M.Sc., can be regarded as the Ulysses of the staff, who frequently delights us with references to his long residence in various parts of Australia. He had a distinguished career as a student both at Manchester University and at King's College, London, where he was trained. He did some important research work on "The effect of Oxygen on the Electrode Potentials of

Metals." We must confess that we believe in the essential justice of the Universe and we are glad to notice that Nature avenged herself for this prying into her secrets; for after allowing Mr. Williams to gain some valuable teaching experience under the Middlesex Authority, she drove him forth and he accepted an educational appointment in Australia. Already he has placed the School under an obligation by giving a delightful lecture on his experiences abroad. He is a welcome recruit to the growing number of Masters who assist the Chess Club.

Mayor choosing on November 15th was of particular interest to us. Everyone knows that Lord Astor was a splendid choice, and every D.H.S.-ian knows that on two recent occasions Lord Astor has distributed the prizes on Speech Day. The Upper Sixth and several members of the staff saw the historical ceremony, but the whole School unites in wishing a happy and successful year of office to Lord and Lady Astor.

We have always held the view that Plymouth is a fine city, and those are fortunate who live there. Now this opinion has been confirmed by a letter from Bennetts, who unwisely left Plymouth last year and now has been evacuated into Huntingdonshire. We were pleased to hear from him and quite sympathise with his desire to see Plymouth again. Osborne writes to us from Dunfermline, Fife. He has just passed his Higher and took the weird combination of English, History, French, Maths., Physics, Chemistry. We thank him for his letter.

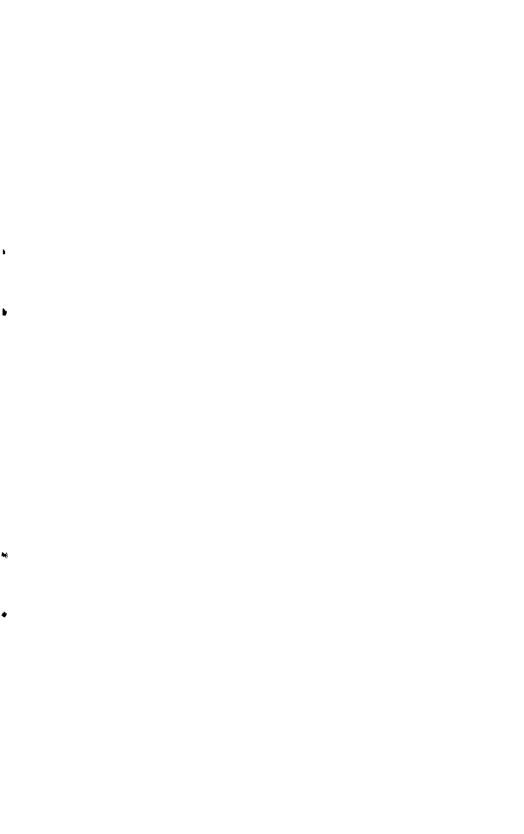
In conclusion we sincerely wish our readers the compliments of the season, and in Tennyson's words look forward to the time:

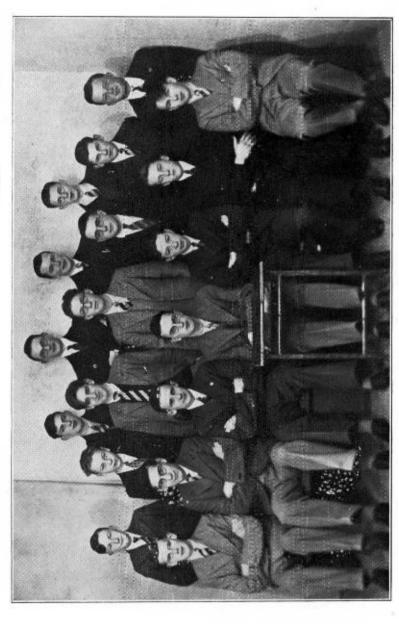
"When the war-drum throbs no longer and the battle-flags are furled
In the Parliament of Man, the Federation of the World."

The game-warden's office has given orders to pick up all dog owners if they are caught running at large without muzzles.

Walking round the bend the castle slowly came in sight.

I have a little gas mask,
It's caused me lots of tears;
For I cannot get accustomed
To breathing through my ears.





Steer, Ackland,
Mould, Backhouse, Goodman,
Endacott, Pearce, 2nd Prefect, Brook, Se
Capt. of Drake Capt. of Grenville

Deal,

Ackland, Hutchings, Harris,
Goodman, Way, Bearn, Baines, Knight,
Brook, Semor Prefect, Rowe, 3rd Prefect, Palmer,

, Knight, fect, Palmer, Parford. Capt. of Gilbert Capt. of Raleigh

## Rugger Club.

Master: Mr. Mallinson.
Captain: A. W. Pearce.
Hon. Secretary: A. K. Dolton.

At the beginning of the season the Rugby Club had difficulty in procuring a pitch, because the lower field at Ham had been occupied by a Balloon Staff. After two weeks, however, the Stadium Pitch in the Central Park was obtained through the kindness of Captain Carter, and all senior matches at home have been played in the Park.

The First XV. has been considerably weakened by the departure of all but one of last season's team; their places have been filled by members of last season's Second and Junior XV.'s. The loss of Jeffery and Williams, through injuries, and Vanner, who has left School, have seriously affected the team during the season.

An almost entirely new Second XV. has been formed this year also, because of the reasons stated already, but both teams are now settling down and improving noticeably.

The Colts XV. has played only one match to date, that against Dartmouth College "Drake's XV.," weather and bad conditions preventing the fulfilment of other fixtures.

An "A" XV. was sent to play Dartmouth Junior Naval College, where they lost.

The Juniors have played very well, but have been outweighted this season, and the absence of Mr. Vivian has affected their training.

Among the First XV. players worthy of mention are Endacott and Pickering, whose play has been consistently good, and Cole's kicking has been a great asset.

Huzzey and Taylor have both played very well in the Second XV., while Down and Simmonds ii. show promise in the Junior XV.

The thanks of the Club are due to the ladies who have helped with the catering for visiting teams. We also thank Messrs. Rees and Webb for help they have given to the Club by playing when possible, and also for their aid, together with the Headmaster and Messrs. Mallinson, Davies, O'Connor and Gaskin, in refereeing matches.

The teams and records are:

FIRST XV.:

Border .

Goodman Pearce (capt.) Dolton Metherell Bartlett Campbell-Davies

From: Endacott, Cole, Showell, Way, Jeffery, Catchpole, Parford, Evea and Pickering.

#### SECOND XV.:

Johnson

Huzzey Mitchell Harris (capt.) Hale Holgate Martin

From: Molland, Lockett, Northcott, Moyse, Joyner, Fitzsimmonds, Brook, Taylor, Hurwitt and Keast.

#### JUNIOR XV.:

Keast Lovell Gill Honey
Powell Sargeant

From: Yandell, Stephens, Simmonds (capt.), Bickford, Taylor, Higson, Ford, Beswick, Roberts and Eddy.

Records:						Points.	
	Pl	ayed.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.
1st XV.		7	3	4	0	75	76
2nd XV.		5	3	2	0 .	' 17	27
Colts' XV.		4.1	0	1	0	3	12
Junior XV.		5	<b>3</b> .	2 ·	0	23	37

#### 1ST XV. v. SUTTON HIGH SCHOOL (AT CENTRAL PARK).

Sutton attacked from the kick-off and their heavier forwards kept the School on the defensive. After a quarter of an hour's play they succeeded in scoring a try which was not converted. Devonport immediately attacked and from a set scrum near the Sutton line, Pearce dropped a goal. Sutton succeeded in scoring a goal to lead at half-time by 8 points to 4.

In the second-half the School, playing down the slope, attacked immediately and Parford scored a try by means of a forward rush. Cole converted from near the touch line. Sutton attacked from the kick-off, but Pearce obtained the ball in the Devonport twenty-five, and ran through the opposing backs to score between the posts. Cole converted once again. After Sutton had scored again, Pearce completed the scoring with another fine run.

Result: D.H.S., 19 points; Sutton High School, 11 points.

#### 1st XV. v. A D.H.S. OLD BOYS' XV. (AT CENTRAL PARK).

This match was played in exceedingly unfavourable conditions. The first try was due to Mr. Rees who gave Pearce an almost clear run in to score under the posts. Cole converted. Parford scored for the School soon afterwards from a forward rush. There

was no further score in the first-half.

Early in the second-half, Mr. Rees beat the Old Boys' full-back in a race for the touch-down, and Cole was able to convert the goal in spite of a very sticky ball. Endacott passed from a line-out soon afterwards to Campbell-Davies, who cross-kicked, Pearce gathering the ball, put Mr. Rees over for another try.

The School were obtaining the ball in the tight scrums, and soon the ball was passed out to Mr. Rees, who scored another try.

Mr. Webb, who played for the Old Boys to fill a gap, scored a try from a forward rush immediately afterwards, but the try was not converted. The final try came from a pass from Dolton which allowed Pearce to score under the posts.

Result: D.H.S., 26 points; D.H.S. Old Boys, 3 points.

A. K. DOLTON (Hon. Secretary).

### Soccer Club.

Captain: A. W. Baines.
Vice-Captain: J. Deal.
Secretary: A. W. Baines.
Soccer Master: Mr. Hodgson.

Despite the loss of the majority of last year's First XI. players, the team has begun the season with success. Only one game has been lost, and that by the narrow margin of one goal. The School has fared better than formerly against both the D.H.S. Old Boys' Soccer Club and against the Staff. The former match ended in a draw, whilst the latter provided the 1st XI. with a convincing win. The scoring power of the team is low compared with teams of recent years. The defence, however, with Bray outstanding, has produced a good defensive record. Bray has now left the School after rendering the Soccer Club very valuable service for three seasons.

The Second XI. has been completely reorganised, but the team has shown some promise. The attack has demonstrated that it possesses scoring powers, but there have been some weaknesses in the defence. There is no need to individualise, as the team is beginning to acquire the true team spirit which is essential in order to obtain a run of successes.

The "Under 15 XI.," now officially known as the Colts XI., has again proved its worth by winning five of the seven games played. Endacott and Pring in the forward line deserve mention, whilst Colson has shown much promise at right-half.

The Junior XI. has suffered from a deficiency of matches, mainly due to travelling difficulties. The one game played resulted in a draw.

The Club is sorry that certain teams have found it impossible under present conditions to fulfil their fixtures, but we eagerly await their renewal. The Club wishes to thank the Headmaster and Messrs. Hodgson, Pickup, Ellis, Harper, Armor, Heather, Austin, Chamberlain, for giving their time to referee, and Mesdames Toyell, Barkell and Baines for preparing the teas. Thanks are also extended to those who have refereed Junior XI. games and Form games.

Record	1:					G	oals.
•	Pla	ıyed.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	For.	Against.
1st XI.		9	7	1	1	30	11
2nd XI.		6	2	1	3	25	23
Colts XI.		7	5	0	2	27	12
Junior XI.		1	0	1	0	1	1

1st XI.-

Leech

Dean Moger

Simmonds (i) Bray Turner
Witchell Baines Deal Peacock Higman
Allen, Hallett, Alford have also played.

2nd XI.—

Porteus

Gilbert Beare

Harris Allen Hallett

Tapper Thompson Knight (capt.) Alford Dowrick (i) Bale, Hellyer, Singlehurst, Endacott, Glinn, Ackland, Steer have also played.

Colts XI.—

Tozer

Sumpter Field

Colson Elliott Rose

Burrows Endacott (capt.) Pring Semmens Slade Roberts (K.), Hooper, Colman, Bragg, Logan, Tyacke, Goodrich, Trevethan have also played.

Junior XI.—

Hooper

Sutton Sketchley

Bickford Roberts (K.) Germain

Perryman Vanstone Grindrod Hobbs Trevethan

1ST XI. v. STAFF (OCTOBER 18TH).

This season the Staff were very optimistic about the result of their game with the 1st XI., in fact, to many followers of the Soccer Club it was just a question of how many goals the Staff could score. Play was fast throughout the game, with the School attacks rather more dangerous than those of the Staff. The Staff tried hard to score throughout the game, but the 1st XI., well lead by Deal, played a really delightful and spirited game, to win by 5 goals to 0. In fairness to the Staff team, it must be mentioned that they did not deserve such a heavy defeat.

FIRST XI. v. D.H.S. OLD BOYS (OCTOBER 28TH).

The Old Boys visited the School with a very formidable record, being top of their section of the United Churches' League. The football in the first-half was slightly in the favour of the Old Boys, who changed over with a lead of two goals. In the second-half the School attacks were more penetrating, and the Old Boys had some difficulty in defending their goal. The School were awarded two penalties, both of which Bray converted. The result of two goals each was a fair indication of the play.

#### FIRST XI. v. HOE GRAMMAR SCHOOL (NOVEMBER 11TH).

At Rockville Park the School were hoping to repeat an earlier success over Hoe Grammar School. As in the previous encounter, the teams on this occasion were exceedingly well matched. The School scored a goal through Bray just before half-time. In the second-half the School made repeated attacks against a sound defence and eventually increased their lead through a goal by Baines. Hoe Grammar School were not yet beaten, however, and they succeeded in reducing our lead. The match ended in a victory of 2 goals to 1 for the School.

A. W. BAINES (Hon. Sec. and Capt.)

#### DEEP BLACK-OUT.

(To be sung to the tune of 'Deep Purple').

When the deep blackout falls,
O'er the city's sandbagged walls,
And you can't detect a flicker of a light,
Through the murk of a winding street
My poor uncertain feet
Take me along through the night.
And I grope for my porch
With a feeble, useless torch,
Till at last I'm home and taking off my shoes;
With a sigh that is sheer content,
I rub the linament
Well in my deep purple bruise.

P. TREGURTHA, V.S.

Dew is caused by the revolving of the earth. It revolves once every twenty-four hours, and because of the tremendous pace it perspires freely.

#### Out of School Activities.

SCOUT LOG.

Junior Troop.—Mr. R. Hodges, Assistant Scoutmaster, is running a Junior Troop for boys in the First Form. He has four Patrols: Beavers, Curlews, Eagles and Seagulls. Each Patrol consists of eight Scouts. Scout R. Maybourne is doing useful work as Troop Leader; Scouts P. Tregurtha, G. Philpotts, D. Colwill, R. Collier and K. Read are acting as Patrol Leaders. Good progress has been made with the Tenderfoot Tests. Troop Meetings have been held each Wednesday afternoon and a separate meeting for Badge Tests is held on Fridays at mid-day. This new section of the Group under the able leadership of Mr. Hodges is going to be successful.

Senior Troop.—Scouting in a large School is not at the best of times easy to organise—this term difficulties have increased enormously as was to be expected. During the first part of the term meetings were held on Mondays after School. The theme of the programmes was "National Service through ordinary Scouting." Very little new material need be added to the ideals and practices of Scouting as it has stood for 30 years. Bearing this in mind we have continued to work for the First Class Badge and for King's Scout Badges. Classes for the Fireman's Badge have been held at Ker Street Fire Station; Ambulance Badge, Pathfinder Badge, and for certain of the First Class Badge tests. With the advent of "black-out" restrictions further changes became necessary, and for a few weeks Troop Meetings were held on alternate Wednesday afternoons with four mid-day group meetings each week.

National Paper Scheme.—In common with Troops all over the country we have been busy collecting paper of all descriptions. Special leaflets describing the scheme were distributed in the district near the School. The lack of a trek-cart and the shortage of daylight-time, due to the many other activities of a Secondary Schoolboy, have prevented us from collecting vast quantities. Duty Patrols have been responsible for the School collection on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Christmas Good Turn.—In keeping with the Troop tradition, each Patrol has its own scheme for doing a special 'Good Turn' this Christmas.

Mr. R. Church.—We welcomed this term Mr. R. Church, B.Sc., as our new Rover Scout Leader. Mr. Church has given up his time whole-heartedly to assist with the running of the Group in a variety of ways. He is helping to run the Senior Troop in addition to his Rover work, and is always willing to assist Scouts with Badge work, especially in connection with the Pathfinder Badge. Thank you.

Summer Camp.—It seems a long time since the Summer Camp, but this is the first opportunity we have had to record our very great appreciation of all that Mr. Austin did to make camp possible and to make it such a success in spite of the usual bad weather.

Old Scouts.—Many Old Scouts of the Troop are being kept informed of Group activities by the *Bulletin*, published from time to time by Rover Mate R. Hodges.

S/M., D.H.S.

The Rover Crew.—We are most fortunate in being able to continue in quite a normal fashion, though it will be difficult to obtain visiting speakers. We have had one hike this term. Our practical work is to be mainly Morse and First Aid. For our Christmas Good Turn, we are offering our services to the Hospitals in the week before Christmas.

The Den has made great strides forward since July, and several distinguished visitors, including the Troop P/L.'s have admired it. Before and after Crew meetings we enjoy brief Ping-Pong games, due to the great kindness of the Headmaster in loaning us a table.

Many of our members are away, and to them we send a monthly journal of our activities. To everyone we send Rover greetings for Christmas and a happier New Year.

R.S.L.

#### CHESS CLUB.

The Annual Meeting was held at the beginning of the term, and the following officers were elected: President:—The Headmaster; Chairman, Mr. Lockwood; Vice-Chairman, Mr. Armor; Secretary, J. H. Goodman; Captain, R. Brook; Social Secretary, D. J. Steer; Vice-Captain, R. J. Harris; Committee: The above, together with Brown, Foreshaw, Sumpter, Bennett and Bearne. A complete round of the Chess House Matches has been played this term, and the results are as follows:

#### Junior:

House.	Game	es Won.	Games Lost.	Position.
Gilbert	•••	11½	$3\frac{1}{2}$	1
Drake	•••	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	2
Raleigh		$5\frac{1}{2}$	$9rac{ar{1}}{2}$	3
Grenville		$4\frac{1}{2}$	$10rac{ar{1}}{2}$	4

#### SENIOR:

House.	Games	Won.	Games Lost.	Position.
Grenville		$9\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	1
Gilbert		9	6	2
Raleigh	•••	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$6\frac{1}{2}$	3
Drake	•••	3	12	4

No matches have been arranged this term with other Schools, but a match is being arranged with the Staff, each team to play six boards. In conclusion, our deepest thanks are offered to Messrs. Armor and Lockwood, and to Brook, Harris, Steer and Sumpter, whose efforts and enthusiasm have contributed, in no small measure, to the smooth running of the Club.

J.H.G.

#### FILM SOCIETY.

In the opening Meeting of the term, the war-time situation, with regard to films in general and the Society in particular, was surveyed. This year the smaller membership did not merit the election of a Committee, which has, in the past, been purely of a nominal character. D. J. Steer was, however, appointed Magazine Secretary.

Soon after the beginning of the term we lost the valuable services of B. Mann (late hon, secretary) who was active in all branches of the Society's work. It must be admitted that the Society depended on him to a great extent for guidance in technical matters. It is possible that this reliance was a little detrimental to the Society as a whole, since after he had left it was found that few "technicalities" were known by members. This term, however, members have participated to a greater extent in Society activities. The decrease in membership which has been noticed is due, in part, to the renewed but separate existence of the Scientific Society, which, with Mr. Werry, had been with us for nearly a year.

It has been felt that a film programme is not essential, and since there is greater difficulty in obtaining films, the Society has shown very few. The main activity has been the titling of the China Clay film, which has taken more time than we had anticipated. We hope that the result will be worthy of the time spent on it. Owing to war-time conditions the number of "shots" has had to be curtailed, and, therefore, no outdoor work has been attempted this term.

The Society is deeply indebted to Mr. Truman, who has devoted much of his time to the Society.

D.J.H.

#### DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

Of all the School societies, the Dramatic Society has been dealt the greatest blow by the war. for it can no longer put on Shaw's "St. Joan," at the Globe Theatre; and this means that the main function of the society has been stopped.

We are, however, conducting a series of play-readings which must necessarily be short as no adequate black-out precautions have been taken in the school. Near Christmas the Society is play-reading "St. Joan" for the benefit of the Cambridge forms, and it is hoped that this will be extremely helpful to them.

J. S. PALMER (Hon. Sec.).

#### STAMP CLUB.

The School has not had an official stamp club for a long time, but Mr. Church has formed a Club from individual collectors. There has been an average attendance of 35 and juniors rival seniors in keenness.

Details of the Club were arranged at a preliminary meeting. A catalogue and monthly magazines are provided for members out of their subscriptions, and a 10 per cent. discount on all stamp dealers' prices has proved popular.

At our first meeting members showed their collections. Many of us were greatly surprised. At the next meeting, E. J. Davies gave a talk on British Empire issues. Although his talk was punctuated by drills from outside, it was instructive. A display and discussion of our six best stamps has also been held.

Next term, we hope to visit the sorting office, and to show stamp films from the G.P.O. Film Library, in addition to ordinary meetings.

G. R. STEPHENS (Secretary).

#### DEBATING SOCIETY.

As yet, this term, only two meetings have been held, but the attendance at each was encouraging.

On November 7th, an Impromptu Debate was held; members were invited to speak for a maximum of three minutes on a subject proposed by the Chairman. Mr. Backhouse had much to say when proposing "Speech is Silver," while Mr. Palmer had no difficulty in speaking on "The advantages of the Black-out." Mr. Brook upheld the power of the prefects (?) in proposing "Might is Right." Thirty speeches were made before the exigencies of the black-out compelled the meeting to close.

On November 21st, a Meeting was held at Belmont, when a Tribunal considered the cases of those liable for Conscription. The Chairman noted that objections might be based on political, moral or religious grounds.

Of those called up, Mr. Parford said that Britain was uninterested in Poland or Czecho-Slovakia and that peace should be made on any terms. He deplored the power of capitalism. He was registered unconditionally.

Mr. Dolton said that he was willing to fight because National Socialism must be crushed and that could be done only by war. Mr. Rowe was an objector on moral grounds. He said that he himself was harmless and believed that no one wished to harm him. It was an economic war, caused by commercial rivalry. He was registered unconditionally. Other members spoke, and presented an interesting range of views.

The Tribunal then adjourned sine die.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

At the beginning of the term, it was decided to form a Geographical Society, and Mr. Church has directed the Society in a very enthusiastic manner. The meetings are on alternate Tuesdays at 1 p.m. They have been very well attended and great keenness has been shown, particularly by the junior forms.

At our first meeting, 76 boys heard Mr. J. Williams describe most vividly a forest fire, an encounter with a snake, the aborigines, and his school in Australia.

Our next activity was a visit by over 40 boys to the Farley's Rusk Factory. We saw the storing of British wheat, the mixing of dough, the slicing, and the very wonderful baking ovens. Other interesting features were hand and machine packing, the automatic furnaces and a fine canteen. As we left, we received a rather overgrown pencil as a memento of our visit.

Other meetings this term will be for a talk by Mr. Church on Czecho-Slovakia, and for a visit to a brewery. Next term we hope to do some outdoor work.

#### R. Molland (Secretary).

H.T.C.

A plea from Mr. Church.—The idea behind the learning of Geography is to enable us to understand other countries and their peoples. We could do it best if we could all go on world cruises. Short of doing that, the best way is to see pictures and samples of goods from other countries. "One seeing is worth a thousand tellings," runs an Arab proverb. Will you help by bringing useful pictures or samples? I already possess over a thousand pictures, but there can never be too many. Samples are particularly required. Talk this over at home and see what you can bring next term. Many boys have already responded magnificently and my best thanks go especially to IIG, IE and IIIG for their help.

#### MUSIC SOCIETIES.

Classes for instrumentalists and the usual rehearsals for orchestra have continued as last term. We hope to find at least one new member of the staff in the Orchestra soon, and many new boys have started to learn to play violin, clarinet or flute. Most pleasing of all, many senior boys with little inclination for orchestral work have realised that the human voice is, after all, a very expressive instrument, and we now have a four-part Choir Meeting at Belmont weekly on Mondays after school. These meetings are primarily for the private enjoyment and amusement of the members themselves, and one hopes for further support as the idea becomes known. There is no voice test. Enthusiasm for choral work is the only pre-requisite.

#### THE LIBRARY.

At present the Reference Library is affording great help to the Sixth Forms, especially to those studying for scholarships. All the volumes borrowed, it is hoped, will be returned safely. There has been a slight alteration in the lay-out of the Library, and the large number of volumes added this term (about seventy in all), will probably necessitate the acquisition of another book case in the near future. Our thanks are due to Mr. Gaskin for his efforts in filling up the existing gaps in the History Section.

The use made of the Fiction Library this term has been somewhat better, but is still disappointing, and we hope to see more attention paid to this particular section in future.

We must express our gratitude to the following for their gifts, and take this opportunity to say that we would be indebted to those who have lately left the school for similar contributions:

Mr. Austin: A large number of useful mathematical and scientific volumes.

Nicholls: Two scientific volumes.

Bickford: The Musical Educator (five volumes).

Trenerry: A number of instructive mathematical books.

Seward: Two volumes of The Paintings of Rembrandt and

Rubens.

We also thank Mr. Millett for his kind gift of 18 volumes.

#### JUNIOR DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

The Society has started this term with a full complement of new and eager members. It is to be hoped that the present good attendance and enthusiasm will be maintained throughout the year.

The Society is, as before, the training ground for the Senior Society. The forty members are divided into teams which compete against each other periodically in rival productions. This gives everybody plenty of scope to show his aptitude for acting.

A.P.

#### CAMERA CLUB.

The number of Club Meetings this term has been few, but nevertheless some interesting work has been accomplished. The war-time regulations forbidding the use of a camera anywhere in the neighbourhood of military objectives, have removed the majority of the best views near Plymouth, so the Club has decided to turn to "table-top" photography as the main feature of its future activity. It is expected that as well as valuable experience, some good photographs will be obtained.

D. E. Ackland (Secretary).

#### SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

Restarted under the auspices of Mr. J. L. Foster as chairman, the agenda of the Scientific Society for the Autumn Term, 1939, has been as follows:

On October 31st, Mr. Harper lectured on "Doctors through the Ages."

On November 14th, Mr. Foster gave a lecture on Astronomy, illustrated by the epidiascope, entitled, "A Boy with a Pair of Binoculars."

On December 5th, Mr. R. H. Couch gave a Lecture on "The National Grid:"

All meetings were well attended, though comprised mainly of the Fourth and Fifth Forms.

R. H. Couch (Secretary).

# THOUGHTS ON CONTEMPLATING JOINING THE R.A.F.

The brand-new homes of airmen,
How frequently they stand
Upon some nameless windswept flat,
Remote from human habitat,
But quite superbly planned.

Indeed, our latest stations
Are splendid to behold.
The wandering shepherd must confess
The grandeur of the Sergeant's Mess
Against the sunset's gold.

Vast hangers in the gloaming Like slumbering monsters brood; The guard-room's beauty stirs the blood, Encompassed by a little mud And boundless solitude.

Here, here we dwell with Nature. We work and kick our heels; Beneath the all-embracing sky We hear the curlew's plaintive cry And know just what he feels.

They sprout, these air-force stations, Like mushrooms in the night. On windy heaths they squat alone Where movie shows are yet unknown; And, what is worse, I freely own, With not a pub in sight.

R.H.C., VI. U/Sc.

### House Reports.

#### GILBERT.

During the last School year, Gilbert missed the Championship. Shield by an extremely small margin and congratulations must be extended to Barkell for his efficient performance as House Captain. His departure has not only left a gap in the captaincy, but also in the Soccer team, although this is now filled by Peacock, and the team has won three out of five matches.

The Junior Soccer team has won half the matches played, thanks to the performances of Rose, Burrows, Bickford and others; and although it lost rather heavily to Grenville, the Junior Rugger team shows great promise.

Thanks to the organising of Brook, we have won the Chess Championship, for while the Senior team finished a half point behind Grenville, the Juniors gained an easy first place.

The House as a whole has shown great enthusiasm, and it is hoped by having plenty of entries in the Cross-Country and gaining a maximum number of Sports standards that we shall do well in the House Championship.

S. H. PALMER.

#### RALEIGH.

At the beginning of the term we were pleased to welcome Mr. Truman as our new Housemaster. Despite his praiseworthy efforts to improve the position of the House, this term has been a disastrous one for Raleigh. Two Senior Rugger games have been played and lost; four Senior Soccer games lost and four Junior Soccer games lost. Up to the time of writing no Junior Rugger games have been played. Our Chess teams have fared a little better, both finishing third in their respective groups.

Despite this lack of success, it is gratifying to observe the revival of interest in the House Competition in Raleigh. Enthusiasm, which in recent years has been lacking, has returned, and we have, on no occasion, fielded an incomplete team—an admirable record in the eyes of those who place more emphasis on the game than the result.

It is to be hoped that next term will see large Raleigh entries in both the Cross-Country and Athletic Sports. The importance of obtaining the maximum number of standards cannot be over-emphasised—and in this way every individual can do his share in removing his House from the unenviable position which it now occupies.

J. Parford.

#### DRAKE.

At the beginning of the School year we welcomed Mr. Webb as our new Housemaster, replacing Mr. Millett, who has our best wishes for a happy retirement.

In the House Competition, the Senior Soccer Team, in which Deal, Baines and Moger have been prominent, has been successful in all its matches. The Junior Soccer Team, however, has won only two of its four matches, Field (captain), Tyache and Sutton deserving mention.

Border, Cole and Johnson have played well for the Senior Rugger Team, which, with little apparent talent, has been successful in winning both its matches by substantial margins. The Junior Rugger Team has, as yet, not played, but high hopes are held for its success since Beswick, Powell, Sargeant and Yandell are members of the School Junior Fifteen.

Bearn's hard work with the Chess Teams has been rewarded with good results from the Junior Team, a feature of their matches being Adams' steady play. The Senior Chess Team, however, has not met with the same success and has been dogged by bad luck in all its matches. The second series of matches will find Drake in a much better position.

The above successes are obviously signs of the long awaited recovery. Drake is at last assuming its rightful position of Cock House.

J. D. ENDACOTT (House Captain).

#### GRENVILLE.

This term we welcome Messrs. Hodgson and Church as House-masters, and Way as vice-captain. It is hoped that Mr. Hodgson's valuable help will enable us to retain the House Championship by a larger margin than we did last year.

So far this term we have been successful in all our Rugger and Junior Soccer matches. The Senior Soccer results have not been so favourable, but we hope to remedy that very soon. In the first round of the Chess we were top in the Seniors but bottom in the Juniors; it is up to the Juniors to see that this does not happen again next term.

At present Grenville is leading in the House Competition but is very closely followed by Drake. Before the end of term we hope to increase this lead, and this can only be done if the House backs up and sees that every team is as strong as possible.

Next term the Cross Country and Athletic Sports take place. Every year, so far, Grenville has obtained the largest number of standards in the Sports, and this year it is hoped that the House will obtain an even greater number of standards. The Cross Country must also be supported as much as possible, as it is just as important as any other sport.

Soon the House Concerts will be taking place, and, though the competition has been abandoned, Grenville will do its best in this respect.

We hope that the rest of the year will show Grenville to be Cock House again, a goal which will only be reached if the whole House supports both the Athletic and Swimming Sports to the utmost extent.

A. W. PEARCE (House Captain).

#### IT'S GETTING LATE . . . .

There was an air of expectancy brooding over the forest. was gorilla country. Great, undulating plains were in evidence at distances of several miles. In the gloomy jungle depths, damp, ridden with fungus, the sunlight piercing the gloom in just a few places, a faint rustling could be heard as the breeze swayed the treetops overhead. Down by the bole of a magnificent forest monarch, a white man shivered in fear, crouching in soiled, unkempt clothes. several days matted growth on his chin and cheeks. A monkey leaped from one branch to another in the tree above. The man gaped, and peered up with startled, red-rimmed eyes. he lowered them, he heard, far away, dub, dub, du-du-dub-dub. He stiffened, spell-bound. All his efforts were wasted. dreaded tom-toms. He had gnawed through ropes, pulled down a mud wall with his bare fingers, and strangled two natives. he had run for miles, doubled back on his tracks in an effort to elude his relentless pursuers. All in vain!

Heartbroken, he commenced to sob, a nervy, exhausted wreck of a once prosperous American engineer. Oh, why had he ventured forth on this mad enterprize? There was that girl in Sacramento, and a comfortable job for life on an oil field, yet he had chosen this. A face appeared near by. He saw it and ran. He knew it was useless, but why give his life away? He ran blindly on, and stumbled into a nest of bees. Severely stung, he carried on, but tripped over a branch on the ground. He never attempted to rise again, for his fate was sealed. A moment later, a knife flashed. Several cries, one of pain, the others of exultation, echoed into the glades.

The book was closed with a snap. A glance at the clock showed half-past ten. It was getting late. Switching out my reading lamp, I snuggled down in my bed-clothes. "Not a bad book," I thought, "but not as good as that one by . . . . "

### Cambridge Letter.

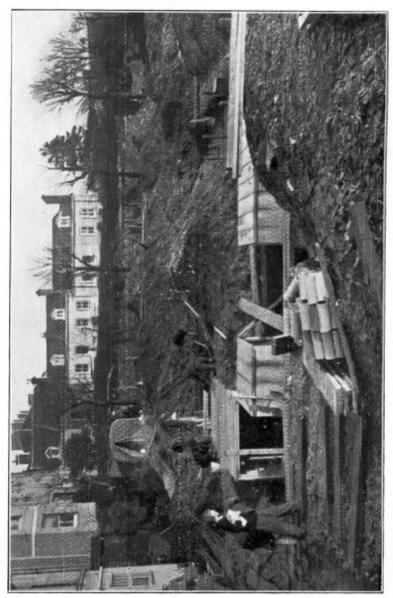
A Michaelmas term under war conditions does not. I am afraid. produce that atmosphere of application to study which is normally characteristic of Cambridge. Political activity, however, is still intense, and life at the University is no less exciting than usual, despite the imposition of an eleven o'clock curfew and certain other restrictions. 'The presence of a large number of London University students who have been evacuated to Cambridge, has had a somewhat enlivening and invigorating effect. They find certain aspects of university organisation and discipline rather ridiculous, and do not hesitate to say so. They have brought with them all sorts of democratic ideas about student representation and student unions, which have made their impact upon the Cambridge undergraduate's attitude of contented submission to a benevolent despotism. Agitations have begun in several Cambridge Colleges for J.C.R. Committees on the London model. The forthcoming introduction of a rationing scheme has led to demands that students should exercise some control over college kitchens, that prices should be kept as low as possible, and that the arrangements should be organised efficiently. The Undergraduate Council has pressed forward strongly with the principle of student representation. The N.U.S. Conference, held recently in Cambridge, had much to say about the conditions of students in war-time, about the maintenance of the standards of university education, about the continuance of local and Government grants, about the apparent lack of system in the calling-up of students for military service, about the postponement of service for students, apprentices, and others undergoing specialised training, and finally about the unsatisfactory way in which the evacuation of London students has been arranged.

Most of the University political societies have joined forces to provide help and entertainment for evacuated mothers and children by way of an "Evacuee Care Committee," and to run a joint campaign for Indian Independence. The Union Society has continued to hold regular debates, including a particularly lively one in which it passed a motion demanding a change of Government in this country. The old controversy about the desirability of admitting women to membership of the Union has also appeared again, and the matter has again been shelved.

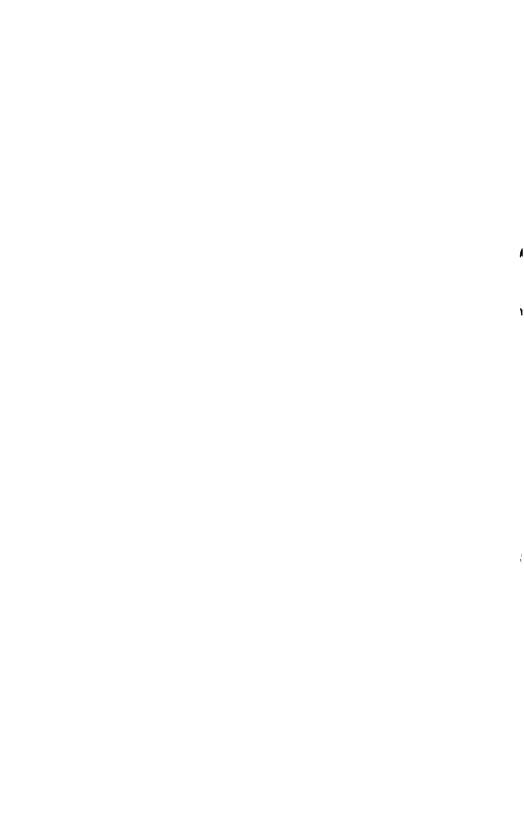
Altogether, although Academic work this term has been somewhat hindered by the feeling of uncertainty as to whether we shall ever complete our courses, the term has certainly been a busy one for most people as so many things have happened which have demanded the attention of everyone.

CANTAB.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Oh, to be in England, now that April's there, And whoever wakes in England, sees, some morning, underwear."



THE SCHOOL LAWN



#### More Definitions.

Aplomb ... fruit.

Gargoyle ... a throat wash.

Inbred ... flour.

Essay ... a form of greeting.

Knurl ... a nobleman.

Freight ... fear.

Mild ... a drink.

Cocktail ... one end of a cock.
Yokel ... part of an egg.
Intern ... one by one.
Apiary ... a monkey-house.
Oak ... American expression.
Spinster ... a bachelor's wife.

Lawsuit ... a policeman's uniform.

Debar ... counter in a public house.

Coil ... American for girl.

Aunt ... a pest. Atelier ... I'll tell you. Brazier ... a garment.

Gist ... so.

Kith ... To embrathe.

Chemise ... one versed in Chemistry.

Ascent ... perfume.

Fife ... name of a banana.

Lug ... ear hole.

Manse ... belonging to man.,

Bankrupt ... what I am. Innocent ... me again.

Married ... no.

Caretaker ... one who takes care

Analyse ... popular song, "My Analyse over the

sea."

Anatomy ditto. "O bring back my

Anatomy."

Bacchus slang, e.g., "Mind you bacchus up."

Divine the plant producing wine. Prose short for professionals.

Rice Cockney for a running contest.

Sarcasm ravine belonging to us, e.g., It's

sarcasm.

Socialist one who likes parties.

HENRY, VI.

No one has more ups and downs than the person in the end seat at the pictures.

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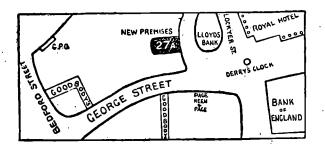
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At this time our first thoughts go to all Old Boys who are serving with His Majesty's Forces or in the Merchant Service. To all such we send our cordial greetings and our best wishes for their welfare. The Association is always pleased to help old School friends to maintain touch with one another, and just now it seems that it can be especially useful in that respect; so if you want to know the whereabouts of someone whose home address you have forgotten, just write to the Secretary.

This issue of the magazine usually contains a note about the Dinner. The Committee has decided that it would not be desirable to hold one this year, but in response to requests from Old Boys (some of whom are in the Forces) that some sort of gathering should be held, it was decided to ask Mr. Cock to arrange for a Re-union Supper, to take place on December 27th. The hotel is again the Duke of Cornwall; time, 7 for 8 p.m. Tickets, 3/6, may be obtained either from the School, or from Mr. E. E. Cock, 39, Cedarcroft Road, Peverell, Plymouth. Dress—uniform or lounge. If leave facilities should prove as hoped, there will be a re-union of many old friends, who last met in different garb. A notice will be put in the local press, but no individual notices will be sent out.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the School, on December 27th, at 10.30 a.m. Here again, no special notices will be posted. We shall rely on the magazine, and, possibly, an announcement in the press.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. P. Cummins, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hannam, Mr. and Mrs. McNess, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mill, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ward.

Since the last notes were published, Mr. J. J. Lawlor, of Magdalen College, Oxford, has obtained a First Class in the Final Honour School of English Language and Literature.

Mr. G. Drake, of Exeter College, was to have completed his last year at Oxford, with what promised to be a most interesting Chemical Research. Oxford has introduced modified schemes to meet war conditions, and those four members of the VIth, Messrs. A. J. Darton (Exeter), T. M. Dunstan (University), C. Lucas (Balliol), and J. H. Nicholls (Exeter) whose Scholarships began in October last, are viewing the University from an entirely new standpoint. In spite of this, however, they appear to appreciate life there very much.

Messrs. C. Grant and H. Jago, of the Estate and Duty Office, have passed the Final of the L.L.B. Exam. (London University).

Mr. C. Howett has passed the Final of the Solicitors' Exam.

Mr. E. J. Barnes has passed the L.R.A.M. Exam. (Performers) for Singing.

Mr. R. Osborne, who left us while in Lower VI.A, has joined a firm of Chartered Accountants in Liverpool.

Of those who left School last term to take up Executive Appointments in the Civil Service, Messrs. A. Trenerry and C. E. Seward are in various parts of Cornwall undergoing training in the Ministry of Health Accountancy Dept. Mr. A. Joint is doing similar work under the Air Ministry, while Mr. A. Hawkins is in the Admiralty Supply Dept. and has been appointed to a Secretarial post at his depot. Mr. P. Rickard is in the Accountancy Dept. of the G.P.O. Mr. S. Dornom, now of the R.A.F., has also received an appointment.

Mr. Lawrence, Assistant Cashier, Devonport, has been promoted to Acting Deputy Accounts Officer, Admiralty; and another former D.H.S.-ian, Mr. N. E. Chaff, has succeeded to his office as Assistant Cashier.

Our best wishes to Mr. J. H. Francis, who has been appointed overseas.

Mr. A. Dodd seems quite happy in his post of Assistant Traffic Superintendent, and is now undergoing an intensive course of training.

An interesting coincidence has come to light: When Messrs. Tovell and Pomery were engaged on audit work in the course of their duties, the Deputy Treasurer of the Town proved to be another Old Boy—Mr. L. Copplestone.

Cadet A. C. Simmonds is playing as stand-off half for the Dartmouth Naval College 1st XV.

Mid. F. T. Healy has been promoted to Acting Sub-Lieutenant.

Mr. G. Lee, a one time Editor of the School Mag., is now engaged in producing the College Journal at University College, Exeter.

A list is attached, a copy of one on the Headmaster's Board in the Main Corridor, of the names of Old Boys known to be serving in H.M. Forces, or in the Merchant Service. It is necessarily incomplete and you are asked to help by notifying the Headmaster of any omissions.

For the sake of new members, it is well to state that O.B.A. ties of registered design can be obtained from Messrs. Perkins Bros., Plymouth, at 2/6 or 4/-.

You are reminded that the annual subscription became due on August 1st last. If you have not paid yours, will you please do so as soon as possible.

H.F.

We welcome the following new members:-

664. H. J. Stull, 21, Breandown Road, Peverell.

665. J. Mitchell, 3, Ocean Street, Keyham.

666. E. Tredget, 37, Beaumont Street, Milehouse.

667. A. Trenerry, 15, Cotchele Villas, Stoke, Devonport.

668. D. G. Barkell, 60, South Down Place, Swilly.

669. F. G. Crocker, 16, Alexandra Road, Ford.

670. C. E. Seward, The Bungalow, Arch Lynn, Clearbrook, Plymouth.

671. W. H. Waycott, 24, Carlisle Terrace, Plymouth.

672. D. Crouch, 3, Broad Park Road, Peverell.

673. R. J. Varney, 52, Hotham Place, Stoke, Devonport.

674. B. Mann, 1, Stoke Terrace, Stoke, Devonport.

675. J. Ward, 26, Somerset Place, Stoke.

676. G. W. E. Collins, 2, Cookworthy Road, Swilly.

677. A. Wreford, 39, Belair Road, Plymouth.

678. F. C. Potter, 5, Alma Road, Pennycomequick, Plymouth.

679. R. A. Hodge, 13, Greatlands Place, Swilly.

680. A. J. Joint, 106, Gloucester Road, Malmesbury, Swindon.

681. W. M. Pearce, 22, Greatlands Crescent, Swilly.682. D. H. Searle, 47, Charlotte Street, Keyham.

683. D. L. Crabb, 32, Endsleigh Park Road, Peverell, Plymouth.

684. A. E. Warne, 22, Heavitree Road, Heavitree, Exeter.

685. J. H. Nicholls, Exeter College, Oxford:

686. H. E. Luce, 87, Beaumont Street, Stoke, Devonport.

687. S. Wyatt, Clovermead, Elburton Road, Plymstock.

688. D. G. Reed, 17, Ladysmith Road, Lipson, Plymouth.

The following change of address has been notified: 172. B. Durant, I. Kingston Terrace, Sleaford, Lincs.

#### THE RUGGER CLUB IN WAR-TIME.

The Rugger Secretary, Mr. L. H. Warren, now on Service, writes as follows:

"Regarding notes for the magazine, I find it rather difficult to supply anything really worth while, owing to lack of material. So far we have not lost a match, as, of course, we have not played

any! Of interest, may be, the information that over 50 per cent. of the Club Membership is now with H.M. Forces.

"Quite a large proportion of Old Boys are with the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers, and several are playing for the Defences XV. Others are engaged in organising games—indoor and out. One has been elected Captain of his Unit's Football Team. He has also been offered the post of P.T. instructor. It would appear that when the Old Boys get together again to play Rugger, they will not be altogether out of training!

"The Club has just completed ten years of Rugger, during which time it has provided sport for approximately 200 Old Boys. We are waiting anxiously to commence our second decade.

"I believe one or two fixtures have been played by a team of Old Boys, most of whom were recent leavers. We are glad to hear of this and sincerely hope that the venture can be kept alive."

## LIST OF OLD BOYS SERVING IN H.M. FORCES OR IN MERCHANT SERVICE.

	SERVICE.	
E. Andrews	J. Heywood-	J. Searle
L. Adams	Waddington	E. Shapter
J. Alway	<sup>'</sup> D. Hooper	C. E. Smith
F. B. Anstey	F. Healy	J. Stone
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War has dealt the London Branch a heavy blow. Already a large percentage of our numbers has been called upon to join the ranks of the Fighting Forces, while others have evacuated to the provinces.

Conditions prevailing at the present time have made impracticable the proposal to revive the monthly meetings of last winter. It is essential, however, that the London Branch should continue to exist to maintain contact with its members and to facilitate a rapid return to normal when the war is over.

Will members please note that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday, the 12th January, at 6 p.m., at "The Devereux," 20, Devereux Court, Strand, W.C. 2 (opposite Law Courts). Subject to confirmation by this meeting, an informal Reunion Supper will be arranged for the end of February, or some early date in March.

#### New Member:-

P. Rickard, c/o 3, Hibernia Terrace, Weston Mill Estate, Plymouth.

#### Changes of Address notified: -

- L. S. Adams, 6, Portugal Gardens, Twickenham, Middlesex.
- A. T. Brooks, "Hawkesden," Yew Lane, East Grinstead, Sussex.
- S. A. Evans, 7, Wellesley Grove, Croydon.
- J. H. Francis, Air Ministry Audit Office, Royal Air Force, Union Building, Collyer Quay, Singapore.
- W. G. Francis, 8, Harewood Road, Bedford.
- H. W. Goodfellow, 16, Walesand Road, Lewisham Hill, Lewisham, S.E. 13.
- W. A. Holmes, 43, Chalkwell Park Road, Enfield Town, Middlesex.
- A. J. Legg, 41, Taylor Avenue, Kew Gardens, Surrey.
- L. S. Mills, 27, Hollingbourne Gardens, Ealing, W. 13.
- C. C. Mill, 9, Faversham Court, Faversham Road, Catford, S.E. 6.
- L. D. G. Richings, 244, Camberwell New Road, S.E. 5.
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