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Editorial

In the life of every institution there comes a time when the mental stagnation of some of its members causes a period of apathy amongst most, and if it is the glory of school life that it offers such a wide range of activities from which to choose, it is the shame of many in school that they reject their heritage and deliberately choose idleness.

Now a magazine is the mirror, not only of the activity but of the thought of the school whose name it bears; it is the reflection, as much of its spirit and its courage, as of its work and its games. It is then with a kind of shamefaced indignation that we ask for more contributions. We would like, naturally, better contributions, too, but at least the school should show in the magazine an interest that does not end with mere destructive criticism, which can do no good to the critic or to the criticised. The least that can be done, in common fairness, is to write and tells us what is wrong and we, on our part, will do what we can to make any possible improvement. There are about 400 boys in the school and every one should consider himself as on the staff of the magazine. After all, it is your magazine, and it is your good name that rises or falls by its standard. School is like life; it will not give of its best to you, unless you in your turn serve it, too, in some measure.

Can you open a magazine with a pride that is perhaps pardonable, and say, "Well, I helped a little in this?" Can you even say, "I did my best, but apparently it wasn't good enough?" Or are you one of those who are content with being idle, lifting no helping hand and yet at the end raising your voice to condemn the efforts of others.

Read this number and think of what we have said. We have done our best with the contributions we received. The rest lies with you.

The first word of our school motto is "Prorsum" let it not become "Retrorsus."

Editorial Notes

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On December 21st, Form Ia presented "King Alfred's Dream." The play was much enjoyed. Carols were rendered by Ia, Ib and 2c. Rowe recited and de Gruchy gave violin solos.

Many thanks to Mr. Watson for his aid in designing the cover.

It is proposed to form a School Library. The Headmaster would be pleased to receive books of reference from Old Boys who have no further use for them.

Contributions accepted are "The Rajah of Sarawak," by Luxton (Sixth Lower); an essay by Lawlor (Va) and a poem by "Two from the back row, Va."

The Editors would like to thank those who were good enough to write the Exeter and Oxford Letters.

#### School Excursions

On Tuesday, 14th February, a small party from the School was conducted over the Plymouth Telephone Exchange.

The electric motors and the test room attracted some attention, but the main interest was centred in the operating room. The speed of the operators and the general efficiency of the Exchange, despite the lack of a modern building, made the idea of a wrong number seem unbelievable.

The visit was certainly successful and was time well spent.

On February 22nd a small band of D.H.Sians set out for the air station at Mount Batten. They were met and warmly welcomed by a sergeant and a corporal. The largest of the sheds was inspected first and the two R.A.F. men were busily engaged in explanation. Away in a corner was a broken hull and a heap of wreckage, and youthful exuberance sobered when the wreckage was realised to be that of the ill-fated Isis. However, things brightened and became more homely when the sergeant said that "these machines kick up a h——l of a row." One machine was inspected and all were invited to pay another visit on the arrival of new machines.

Many thanks to those who organised the trip.

#### En Passant

We heartily congratulate :---

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**R. W. Noad,** in gaining an open scholarship in Natural Science at Jesus College, Oxford University, tenable for four years.

**R. A. Denyer** and **D. Bishop** on gaining positions in the Civil Service.

The first Soccer and first Rugger teams on their magnificent records.

#### **School Societies**

The amended list of school officers is as follows :----

- PREFECTS—W. J. Wakely (Senior Prefect), H. M. Blewett, R. A. Denyer, R. D. Finner, L. A. Frayn, H. Garland A. E. Hawke, F. E. Johnson, D. P. Jones, K. S. Lake, F. W. J. Lawrance, J. L. MacLaren, L. S. Mills, R. W. Noad, E. A. Pearn, W. J. Pepperell, A. E. Pritchard, G. A. Prowse, C. H. Rowe, S. C. Slade, H. Smith, E. W. R. Warn.
- SPORTS COMMITTEE- The Masters and Prefects.
- SUB-PREFECTS—W. P. Bowden, R. J. Davison, N. A. Dolton, C. Howett, H. A. Pryor, K. C. Thomas.
- HOUSE CAPTAINS—" Drake," J. L. MacLaren; "Gilbert,"
  W. J. Wakely; "Grenville," R. D. Finner; "Raleigh," E. A. Pearn.
- lst XI-Captain, E. A. Pearn; Vice-Captain, W. J. Pepperell; Secretary, H. F. Hawkins; Committee, H. C. Mitchell.
- 1st XV-Captain, E. W. R. Warn; Secretary, W. P. Bowden.
- LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY--Chairman, The Senior Prefect; Secretary, E. A. Pearn; Committee, H. Garland, R. D. Finner.
- SOCIAL COMMITTEE—Chairman, H. Ferraro, Esq., B.Sc.; Secretary, W. J. Wakely; Committee, E. A. Pearn, E. W. R. Warn.
- OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION—President, The Headmaster; Vice-Persident, Mr. A. Treseder; General Secretary, Mr. H. Ferraro, "Hillside," St. Budeaux; Headquarters Chairman, Mr. B. H. Chowen; Headquarters Secretary, Mr. Cyril E. Gill, 14. Haddington Road, Stoke; London Branch Chairman, Mr. A. T. Brooks; London Branch Secretary, Mr. A. J. Swan, Special Commissioners Office, York House, 23, Kingsway, W.C.2.; Rugby Club Secretary, Mr. L. H. T. Warren, 42, Beresford Street, Stoke.

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Literary and Debating Society

Secretary's Report.

Since the last report the Society have been favoured by five lectures from Mr. Lockwood. The subjects chosen were :---

- (a) Noel Coward—December 12th.
- (b) Eugene O'Neill—January 23rd.
 (c) Sir Walter Scott—February 27th.
- (d) Klu Klux Klan-March 20th.
- Contemporary Novelists-March 27th. (e)

Lectures have also been given by members of the Society, the subjects and speakers being :---

- The Tamar Valley-Mr. Pearn-December 19th. (a)
- Steam v. Electricity-Mr. Butler-February 17th. (b) The Vacuum-Mr. Pritchard. Dress Reform-Mr. Hawke.
- (c) Art Forms-Mr. Finner-March 20th.

Three subjects have also been debated.

On Monday, February 6th, the subject before the House was that "In the present economic crisis it is the duty of every citizen to seek employment rather than higher education."

On Friday evening, March 10th, an Inter-schools debate was held at Plymouth College the subject being that "Disarmament is not the path to World Peace."

The motion was carried by 88 votes to 57.

On March 13th the motion before the House was that "In the advent of another war, this House will not fight for King and Country."

The motion was defeated by 12 votes to 13.

D.H.S. Sixth Form Social Committee

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| Chairman : | H. Ferraro, Esq., B.Sc. |
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| Secretary : | W. J. Wakely. |
| Committee : | E. A. Pearn, E. W. R. Warn. |

A very successful dance was arranged on 28th December, 1932, and we were pleased to see that a very much larger number of Past and Present Sixth-Formers and Staff were present. We hope that any future dances will be similarly supported, so that they may be as successful, socially and financially, as the last one. There was a balance of income over expenditure of $\pounds 1$ 12s. 3d.

Meccano Club

A Meccano Club has been started in the School and is now progressing favourably. Due to the kindness of several members of the Staff, the Club has been able to hold its meetings in the Junior Physics Laboratory. Not only the Juniors but also some of the Seniors and the Staff attend.

The Club would greatly appreciate gifts of Meccano parts, old sets or literature from any one interested in the movement. Everyone is invited to attend the meetings, which are being held on Tuesday evenings after school.

J. L. MacLaren.

The Masters of D.H.S.

Of masters our School has an excellent pick, From Ogre right down to diminutive Tick. Each one of them has his peculiar way. Examples of which we get day after day. Enter Sir Lockwood with "Now, Gentlemen ! Oh, George, dear, your essay ! that same rotten pen." Our manners, says Oky, he'll very soon mend, For he'll have no talking from this to the end. "And we've an amount of work to get through, When Loder passed the distinctions were few.' Now enter Ogre, with "Give me Wade's now. You stop this grinning or there'll be a row ! " Then comes our Alfy to take us for gym. (On those horrible wallbars, I'll soon break a limb.) Then form master Fritz with his joking so gay, I'm hoping to hear a good joke one fine day. Now we have Tibby, lamb only by name, For really, when riled, one can't say he's tame. They do say of Tex that his smile is a blind, And that when he is frowning History's fine. And last, but not least, our present Headmaster, Expulsions will follow now, faster and faster.

" Two from the back row," Va.

Rajah Brooke of Sarawak

Many visitors to the little village adjoining Sheep's Tor must notice a huge granite block in the churchyard of the village. Those few who take the trouble to inspect it find that it marks the grave of Sir James Brooke, the first Rajah of Sarawak. Here, then, lie the remains of a man whose career, full of adventure, must surely be unique in the annals of history.

The actual turning point in his life was when he landed at Madras as an ensign in the Bengal Native Infantry, bound to reach Calcutta within eleven days, the last of his furlough. It was 1830, and he was twenty-seven. He had always hated the East India Company in whose service he was, and now the hour had come. There and then he openly declared his hatred of the Company. The father exerted his influence with the Court of Directors to have his son restored to the service, but the son's decision was taken once and for all. The "Castle Huntley" which took him to Madras brought him back, a free man, to England, but not till he had seen Penang, Malacca, Singapore, Canton and St. Helena, and his soul had been stirred by the promise of adventure in the far Eastern seas.

After his return he soon began to feel the boredom of civilised society, and we find him writing, "Its bonds shall not hold me long. In my inmost heart I have determined to plunge into some adventure that will bestow activity and employment. I have thought much of the 'schooner.'" This refers specially to a scheme he had talked over with a friend, and although seven years were to pass before he started on the great venture which has since become historic, the schooner henceforth is the keynote of his career. The death of his father in 1835 left him master of thirty thousand pounds, and in March, 1836, the "schooner" was purchased, though it was not till the end of 1838 that the "Royalist" stood out to sea from Devonport on the great enterprise.

On August 5th, 1839, the "Royalist" anchored in the Sarawak River, abreast of Kuching, the capital of the country. Muda Hassim was Rajah, and received the Englishman in state. But there was war in the land, and after some six weeks spent in exploration and ceremonial visitings, Brooke sailed for Singapore and thence to Celebes. In the autumn of 1840 he found himself again at Kuching, but the war was apparently no nearer to its close. Muda Hassim, in despair, invoked the assistance of the Englishman against his enemies, promising to make over to him the country of Sarawak, its government and trade, if only he would help him subdue the rebels. Brooke accepted the offer, and was made commander of the grand army, quickly bringing the war to a close. Singularly enough, in spite of the disappearance of immediate danger, Muda Hassim abided by his offer, though he continually put off a formal conclusion of the arrangement. After innumerable delays and intrigues, an explicit agreement was drawn up, making over the government of Sarawak and its dependencies to Brooke, he on his part undertaking to pay a small tribute to the Sultan of Brunei and to respect the laws and religion of the country. This document was duly signed and on September 24th, 1841, James Brooke began his reign as Rajah of Sarawak.

The monopoly of antimony supplied the revenue—some six thousand pounds per annum—scanty, but sufficient. A simple code, adopting in the main the laws of the country, was not only published, but enforced. In fact, with four Europeans and eight natives, he ruled his state right royally. "I work," he said, "like a galley slave; I fight like a common soldier. The poorest man in England might grumble at my diet; luxuries I have none, necessaries are often deficient. I am separated from civilised life and educated men; months pass without my being able to communicate with home and friends. Every trouble and danger is mine, and the prospect of compensation—bare compensation—distant and uncertain."

With the welcome aid of Sir Henry Keppel, he vigorously subdued the pirate tribes which abounded on the coast. Indeed, the rigour of his crusade brought him into trouble with the British House of Commons, and he was charged with receiving "head money" for the pirates who were slain, but after inquiry he was exonerated.

Returning to England in 1847, he received numerous honours and was also appointed Governor of Labuan and Consul-General of Borneo. The next autumn witnessed his triumphant return to Sarawak, where he continued his work of reforming the province, and his excellent government soon brought prosperity and civilisation in its train.

By the beginning of 1864 he had left Sarawak for his home and churchwardenship at Sheep's Tor, where, a retired country gentleman, the first Rajah of Sarawak died on June 11th, 1868. His whole life's work may be summed up in the word "Sarawak," a state which is now a prosperous one with several wireless stations and numerous towns, and is ruled by Sir Charles Vyne Brooke, a descendant of the first Rajah.

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Luxton (VI Lower).

Speech Day

Rarely has Speech Day been so long delayed as this year, but rarely, if ever, has it been conducted in such attractive surroundings and never could it have been more successful.

The change in the leadership of the School made the delay inevitable, but it also introduced into the proceedings a certain air of expectancy; everyone seemed anxious to see and hear the new Headmaster, the person who will control the destinies of the School and perhaps of almost every boy in it for many years to come.

It is, therefore, not surprising that so large a number of parents and friends gathered in the Guildhall on the afternoon of Friday, **31st March**.

Before the Headmaster had finished his report, it was apparent to everyone that the management of the School had fallen on able shoulders and that the future of the School was assured. The splendid tribute paid to Mr. Treseder by the Headmaster was greatly appreciated and formed a fitting conclusion to the report of the work, which, he, Mr. Treseder, had guided.

His Worship The Mayor of Plymouth (Alderman R. R. Oke, J.P.), who presided, expressed his regret that so few fathers of the boys were present, and suggested that, in the future, the Speech Day should be held in the evening, to give every parent an opportunity of attending. This suggestion was well received, especially by the audience, with the result that, before the meeting ended, it was announced that next year the Speech Day will be an evening affair.

After congratulating the Headmaster on his report, the Mayor began to dig into the past and reminded the older ones of the days when the School was known as Rider's School; he spoke of the time when specialisation was the main feature of the School, its chief function being to train boys for entry into the Engineering Department of the Royal Navy. That this specialisation has now been replaced by a very general type of education is shown by the long list of professions into which D.H.S. boys now pass. The Mayor paid a great tribute to the work of Mr. Treseder; he showed the new Headmaster what a wonderful opportunity awaited him and finished by hoping that the record of the past year would be by far surpassed in the near future.

Lady Mountstephen, who presented the prizes, addressed the majority of her remarks to the younger boys. Although she appreciated the successes of the older ones, she felt that she must pay tribute to the juniors, especially for their singing. The Lower School was urged to follow in the footsteps of the seniors so that, in a few years, they will be able to further the honour and the tradition of the School. Although there are many habits which help to form our character, there are some which are of the utmost importance and these Lady Mountstephen proceeded to outline. She recommended punctuality, accuracy, steadiness and dispatch as habits which should be carefully cultivated; she advised the boys not to specialise but to take an active interest in all subjects and particularly to regard the masters as their friends. Finally she suggested that there are possibilities in every boy and it is the duty of the boys themselves, with the help of the School, to develop them.

Votes of thanks were moved by Lieut. Morgan, seconded by Lieut. Morell to Lady Mountstephen and by Councillor Crimp and Councillor Mrs. Daymond to the Mayor. Bouquets were presented to Lady Mountstephen and the Mayoress.

During the programme musical items were provided by Mr. Martin, our music master, the members of Forms I and II, whom he so ably trained, E. A. Pearn, L. F. Frayn and V. E. Strong.

The proceedings were further brightened by a Dramatic Episode, "The Humiliation of Malvolio" from "Twelfth Night," given by members of the Sixth Form. Praise must be given too all those who took part and particularly to Mr. R. Lockwood, who produced the play. The cast was :--

| Sir Toby | ' Bel | ch | ••• | |
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| Sir Andr | ew A | Ague-Ch | eek | |
Smith |
| Fabian | | ••• | | |
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| Malvolio | | | | ••• |
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| Olivia | | ••• | | |
Wakely |
| | | | | | L. S. Mills |

Oxford Letter

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

I offer you my sincerest sympathy in having to include this sorry piece of prose in what I am sure is otherwise a delightful and interesting magazine. Blame not the writer, however, for he is a passive agent in the matter, having been told that an Oxford letter must be produced this term and that he, of all people, must write it. The chief trouble is that there are only five people to talk about, and of those only three are now resident members of the 'Varsity. Bob Profitt, who for six years worthily represented the School at Exeter, has, to our great regret, departed to Wakefield after an academic career of no little brilliance. Especially do we miss the cheery reunions over which he presided as host, at Regent Street, when we all endeavoured to eat, drink, talk and play bridge at the same time, with the result that the bridge was of a somewhat patchy nature, the bidding being spectacular rather than sound. We all hope that he enjoys such good luck in his new post as he did at cards (no offence intended Bob—but you did have good cards, didn't you? especially when you yourself dealt).

Dick Lee has also departed from Exeter in his typically whirlwind style. He was a cheerful soul whose exuberance at times called for strong coercive action. We miss him badly and would willingly see him back again—even though he could beat up a room so thoroughly (as the sub-Rector of Exeter will testify).

The three Old Boys still in residence are Clements and Osborne of Jesus and Matthews of Exeter. The first named, as becomes his senior status, is by far the most gentlemanly of the trio. He probably does not remember, however, that he lost his customary poise one Saturday night this term, on the occasion of an hilarious snowballing party. We have been informed that his conversation on the way home was vivacious, to say the least. He spends his spare time smcking a foul pipe and rubbing the bruises he has collected in the Jesus First XV pack, of which he is a regular member.

Of the other two ruffians, Osborne is probably the more reprehensible. Where does he get those flamboyant shirts and natty ties? Does the red one indicate leanings toward Communism?

As for Matthews, seeing he was brought up at Exeter under Lee's paternal guidance, you can't blame the poor chap for being what he is. We have heard that he has developed a taste for public speaking and will even speak from a railway truck if all we hear is right. Bert has cultivated a very pretty touch at shove ha'penny—so pretty in fact that one wonders where he got his practice. Still he is a very nice fellow, always ready to argue or talk about anything with anybody at any time.

And here our pen begins to falter, for this is all we know about the old D.H.S.-ians at Oxford. We accept no responsibility for anything we have said which may be construed to the disadvantage of the persons concerned. We submit that it is fair comment on a matter of public interest and in the words of a certain Elihu in Holy Scripture : "Let me not, I pray you, respect any man's person ; neither will I give flattering titles unto any man. For I know not to give flattering titles."

One last word—congratulations and very hearty ones to R. Noad on pulling off an Open Scholarship at Jesus. We look forward to having him with us next Michaelmas term and hope that a few more D.H.S.-ians will have the luck and common sense to come up with him.

Collex.

Exeter Letter

To the Editor.

Sir,

If the tone of this letter be somewhat serious, do not, we beg you, blame the College, for as yet it is but young and to ape the flippancies of our elders, if not our betters, would not, we fear, be seemly.

Unless you are prepared to publish a special supplement, a detailed account of the Old Boys at Exeter is impossible, since there are in residence no less than sixteen. Of scandal we could write much, but that your readers would scorn, and if of gossip we could write even more, that wouldn't be true, it seems that we must confine ourselves to the truth.

It has almost become a tradition that those from the High School should become Reed men (all of whom, now, of course, are transferred to Mardon), but this year's arrivals have shown themselves to be of more catholic taste. They are to be found in the common room of Kilmorie, on the tennis courts of Reed (formerly Grendon), and in the library of Mardon. To be frank, in few places is the atmosphere not reminiscent of school. The Rugby, cricket, tennis and "squash" teams, the choral, debating, social and dramatic societies, to mention only a few, all have their Devonport High School representatives. In higher realms we have an old boy as Secretary to the Guild Council. In short, we doubt if the University College of the South-West would be where it is to-day were it not for the support of the School. We naturally hope the annual swarm will continue.

In Mardon Hall, one room is becoming famous, or notorious, call it what you will, for the discussions held there between ten p.m. and two a.m., by four old boys and any stray visitors. Weighty matters are discussed over food, and drink which, we rejoice to say, is hot, if non-alcoholic. Opinions are expressed freely and emphatically and arguments are driven home with anything that happens to be handy, from a reading lamp to a football boot. All old boys whose characters and morals are suitable are welcome, provided that they come armed with a cup and a certificate of physical fitness from their doctor.

It has been suggested that the number of old boys at College is sufficient to form a society to which fellows coming up from School would belong automatically. Apparently, its aim would be two-fold, to preserve a link with the School and to put freshmen upon the strait and narrow path, and if possible, keep them there. But who are we to judge our fellow sinners?

In all seriousness, however, the scheme would probably defeat its very aim and object. To harden the informal, but very

close tie that exists at present between the great majority of old boys at Exeter and the School, into a committee of moral guidance would be a grave error. The Old Boys' Association is all that is needed in the shape of a formal society. Among the old boys at College there is already a spirit of friendship and sympathy of outlock which would be ruined by the election of Mr. President sir.

Fellows who intend coming up should know by now that we are only too pleased to do anything we can to help them. If they won't join the circle while it is an informal group, they won't ask for help or advice at a meeting of a society.

But write and tell the editor what you think; no doubt he will pass it on to us.

I am, Sir,

Yours sincerely,

Exon.

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#### The Prettiest Village I Know

If, on travelling from Liskcard to the North Devon coast, a traveller were to leave the main road, and enter the district about the Southern fringe of the Cornish moors, his digression would be well rewarded, for here are situated some of the prettiest of the Cornish villages. There is one which often comes to my mind, and which, in my opinion, is the most attractive of all these little places.

To the north, the moors stretch out in a profusion of purple and brown, illuminated by the golden gorse. No dwelling mars their peaceful splendour; only a lonely mine building rears its ivy grown chimney to the sky. About this one ruin hangs an indefinable sadness; under its gloomy shade a dull despondency seems to bewail man's transgression in defiling his Creator's beautiful work; and the decay symbolises the end of man's greed and cupidity.

As if to belie the sombreness, a wonderfully living stream rushes headlong down the moorland slope, scattering pebbles and spray in its precipitate course. As the weary traveller stoops at its foot to gather strength from its life-giving draught, the very coolness of its moorland source revives his jaded senses, and sends him on his way cheered by an ineffably pure draught.

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Along the main street of the village, twisting in that unaccountable manner in which all village streets twist, the centre of local life and government appears. Here we have the dwellings of the aged, dwellings which have grown old with the passing of

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generations, and have begun to wear an honourable greyness. Over one dwelling appears the portentous sign, "Cornwall County Constabulary," and it is past this house that the iniquitous hurry.

But come, here is the centre of all rustic life; a thousand times eulogised; its homage paid by the greatest and the noblest of the land; yet still unspoiled, still affording us a glance of the countryside and its manners—here is the village inn.

What pen can tell of the low-raftered bar-parlour; the shining glasses; the sanded floor; the hum of conversation; and, rising above the smell of the tobacco smoke, the fresh odour of malt. Here may we rest, and hear the stories of the great, retold for our benefit, under slight solicitation. Here may we dream awhile of the glories of the past, and build afresh our hopes for the future.

Down the street, past the pump, and by the crossroads, stands the blacksmith's shop. But oh, what sadness is here? Over the door is written "Garage," and, between his spells of shoeing, the smith of enduring fame repairs magnetos. How are the mighty fallen. It is with a jaundiced eye that we turn from this sad spectacle.

But near by the next turning there is a water-mill, and, wonder of wonders, it is still used. With a pride tantamount to that of ownership we watch its cumbersome progress; ask questions and nod approvingly at our mill owner's condemnation of the things that have arisen and were not.

Out of a side turning comes a herd of cattle. They pass us with slavering jaws, and ungainly motion; their big heads lowered, their tails lazily swinging. The petulant bark of the heardsman's dog fades in the distance.

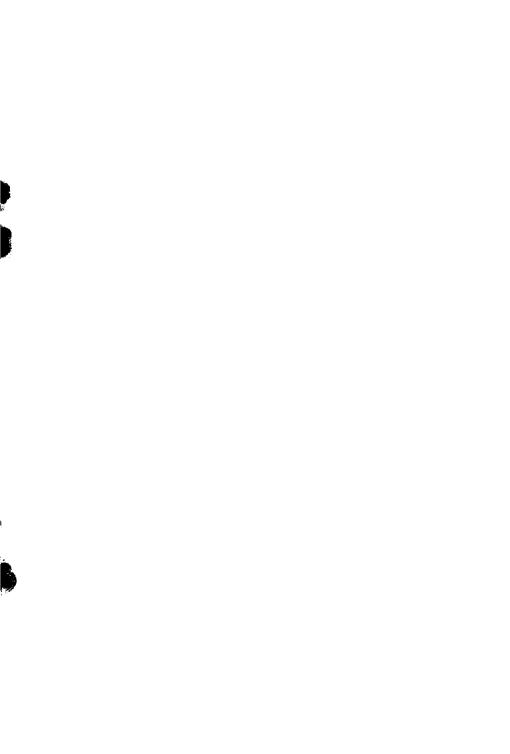
We ascend the moors for a last look at the village. In the west, the sun is sinking in a blaze of red light, casting crimson bars along the purple heather. A rising cloud-bank stands out in bold relief, casting a shadow over the village.

Out of the gathering shadows comes the toll of a bell. The ancient church personifies a hoary-headed devotee summoning the faithful into closer contact with Him of whom their simple surroundings speak; and to the watchers on the hillside it seems as if those whom naught but a grass-covered plot covers would fain accompany them in their orisons.

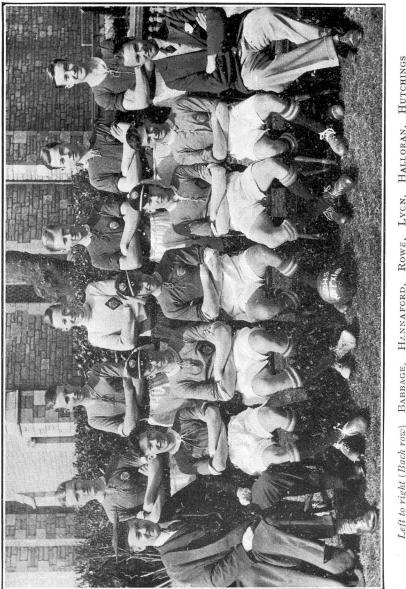
It is now dark. Night has given over to the children of the soil a peace of mind and body; the beauty of their village is something they have themselves created, and, unconsciously, they beautify it with their daily lives.

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DEVONPORT HIGH SCHOOL FIRST SOCCER ELEVEN, 1932-33.



(Front row) THE HEADMASTER, FINNER, PEPFERELL, PEARN, HAWKINS, MITCHELL, Mr. BROWN, (Vice-Capt.) (Coptain) (Secretary) (Committee) Left to vight (Back row) BABBAGE, HANNAFORD, ROWE, LYCN, HALLORAN, HUTCHINGS

#### Games and Athletics

#### SOCCER CLUB

#### Officers :---

Captain :	E. A. Pearn.
Vice-Captain :	W. J. Pepperell.
Secretary :	H. F. Hawkins.

The above together with H. C. Mitchell form the Committee.

In reviewing the football season the 1st XI cannot but congratulate itself on a splendid record and a fine team. The whole eleven has played well and considering the weight of some of the opponents, some of the displays have been remarkable. 157 goals have been scored by the School, whilst 37 have been conceded. This must constitute a School record. 32 matches have been played, 25 won, 4 drawn and 3 lost. The team has suffered at times from injuries and great credit is due to Lake and Grant who have filled the gaps so well.

The 2nd XI has not fared so well, although there has been a definite improvement during the last term. Rogers, Westcott and Hawken have played well and Every has shown wonderful improvement. Ward is a promising newcomer.

Amongst the juniors Ritchings, Rickard, Roberts and Cory are very fine and have proved very useful in the 3rd XI. Lampen, Martin (K.), Pike, Harris and Sutton deserve mention.

					Ga	oals
Records	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Agst.
lst XI.	$\dots$ 32	<b>25</b>	3	4	157	37
2 nd XI	17	<b>5</b>	10	<b>2</b>	55	80
3rd XI	9	<b>5</b>	4	0	56	47

#### 1st XI Comments.

Goal, ROWE—Handles well, and plays well under stress. Most unorthodox; has given some brilliant displays.

Right Back, HANNAFORD—Cool, fast and a hard kicker. A very safe back.

Left Back, PEARN (Captain)—A cool and experienced player who has strengthened the team where necessary throughout the season. Probably most useful in defence but always responsible for goals if in attack. His skill and leadership have been largely responsible for the excellent record of the first eleven.

*Right Half*, HUTCHINGS—A hard worker. Inclined to erratic kicking and wild tackling.

- Centre-half, BABBAGE—A fine player. Positions himself well and uses his head in great style.
- Left-half, FINNER—A hard worker; throws in well but is erratic in kicking.
- Outside-right, HAWKINS (Secretary)—A very fast and clever wing. Has a powerful shot but is inclined to be selfish.
- Inside-right, PEPPERELL (Vice-captain)—Fast with good ball control but not so strong since leg injury.
- Centre-forward, HALLORAN—Stylish and cool. Needs much more dash to become a successful centre.
- Inside-left, LYON—Has a splendid kick but needs to break away more quickly.
- *Outside-left*, MITCHELL—A great winger who uses his brains, head and feet to the very best advantage.

Teams :---

lst XI.

		Rowe		
	Hannaford	Pearn	(Capt.)	
	Hutchings	Babbage	Finner	
Hawkins	Pepperell	Halloran	Lyon	Mitchell

2nd XI.

		Wyatt		
	Lake (C	apt.) We	estcott	
	Luckraft	Every	Ward	
Brown	Rogers	Morrell	Grant	Hawken

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3rd XI.

	Lark							
		Morgan March						
	Ritchings	Ľuxton (Capt.)	Roberts					
Gardner	Cory	Rickard	Duke	Halloran				
Old Colours :—Pearn, Pepperell and Hawkins.								
New Colours, Full—Babbage, Hannaford, Mitchell.								
Half-Halloran, Finner, Hutchings, Rowe.								

The club wishes to thank the Headmaster, Messrs. Armor, Austin, Brown, Heather, Hutchings and Lockwood for giving up their time to referee.

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#### **RUGBY CLUB**

Officials :---

Captain :	E. W. R. Warn
Hon. Secretary :	W. P. Bowden
Committee :	D. P. Jones

The season 1932-33 has been a successful one for the 1st XV. Altogether 23 matches have been played, 19 won and only 4 lost. The 2nd XV have not fared so well. Unfortunately a difficulty was experienced in obtaining suitable fixtures for them. The Colts XV have proved inconsistent but towards the end of this term a really workmanlike side has been formed. There are some members of the Colts who should prove assets to the 1st XV in a few seasons. Osborne, Miskelly and Hurden are the best of the outsides. They should practise seriously next season. Truscott at scrum-half has shown a nerve which many seniors would copy. The forwards are good as a whole whilst Evea, Nichols, Bond, Edwards, Osborne and Waycott are above the average.

#### 1st XV Comments.

- *Full-back*, JONES—A well-built player who kicks, tackles and positions himself well. A fine full-back.
- Wing-threequarter, right, BRENTON—Is not quite the build for a wing. However, he tackles and runs determinedly.
- *Right centre*, TREBILCOCK—Swerves and tackles exceedingly well. Greatly improved on last year's form. Should overcome his tendency to greediness.
- Left-centre, DOLTON—Fastest member of the team. Defence very sure. Needs to perfect his passing.
- Left-wing, LEGG—Very determined runner. When he can get quicker off the mark will develop into a first class wing-three.
- Fly-half, WARN—Sound knowledge of the game, can play well in any position. Unselfish and thrustful, he sets an excellent example in these respects. His zeal and energy as captain have been largely responsible for the wonderfully successful season.
- Scrum-half, ORCHARD—Above the average. Uses his brains and kicks extremely well. Has developed an excellent pass-out.
- BOWDEN-Leads the forwards. A whole-hearted player.
- HAWKE—Hooker. Improving every match. Has a quick breakaway.
- JOHNSON—A hefty player. Rather on the slow side but works particularly hard in the scrums.
- GARLAND—Another hard player. Needs to improve his handling. Works well in the loose.

- BRENTON—A greatly improved player. Handles, runs and kicks well. A good forward.
- SMITH (H.)—A tall forward but not yet heavy enough. Has played well in the line-outs. Should develop as he puts on weight.
- SMITH (F.)—An unfortunate player. Has a bad injury each year. Plays very well using his hands and feet with equal ability. Always in the thick of things.

Winging forward, WAKELY-Plays consistently and well.

Wing-threequarter, HAMMICK—Has played in a large number of games and runs well. Should improve his defence before next season.

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					Po	ints
Records	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Agst.
lst XV	23	19	· 0	4	351	63
2nd XV	11	4	1	6	74	117
Colts XV	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	1	<b>2</b>	40	50

Teams :—

1st XV.

Jones Brenton Trebilcock Dolton Legg Warn Orchard Bowden Hawke Johnson Brenton Garland Smith (F.) Smith (H.) Wakely

2nd XV.

Robins							
James	Dy	ver-Smith	ı Cl	ynick	Willi	ams	
Ŭ		Hammicl	κ H	olmes			
From-Jenner	Mills	(Capt.)	Hyland	Knapp	Butler	Constable	
Philli		Rober		aylor	Pete:		

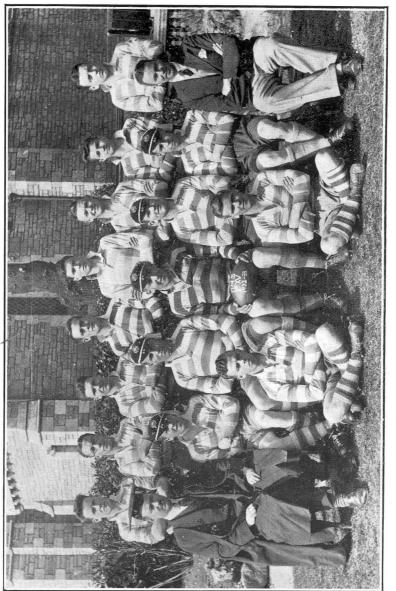
Colts XV.

Osborne Mason Hurden Miskelly Soden or Balkwill Truscott Healy Evea Waycott Bond Nichols Osborne Kirk Edwards Woods Old Colours :--E. W. R. Warn, W. P. Bowden, T. Orchard, D. P. Jones, W. J. Wakely and F. E. Johnson. New Colours : Full-Brenton (Harry), Dolton, Trebilcock. Half-Garland, Legg, Hawke, Smith (F.), Brenton (Horace)

The club desires to thank Messrs. Austin and O'Connor for refereeing this term, often at inconvenience to themselves, and Mr. Brown for his advice especially with regard to the Colts' Team. E.W.R.W.



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Left to right (Back row) DOLTON, TREBILCCCK, GARLAND, HAMMICK, SMITH (H.), SMITH (F.), LEGG, BRENTON THE HEADMASTER, ORCHARD, JOHNSON, WARN (Capt.), BOWDEN (Secretary), WAKELY, Mr. BROWN (D. P. JONES absent) BRENTON, HAWKE,

#### HOCKEY

Hockey has been played during the term. The management has been of a socialistic nature, the only elected official being H. M. Blewett.

Of a total of nine matches played three have been won, four lost and two drawn. Twenty-eight goals have been scored by the School and twenty-five have been scored by our opponents.

Three matches still remain to be played and it is hoped that the results will be improved.

The team is as follows :---

Lawrance Jago MacLaren Rogers Blewett Denyer Salter Prowse Davison Dickinson Pryor

Pearn (K. C.) and Bishop have also played.

#### Cricket, 1933.

Officials :— Captain :

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Secretary :

E. W. R. Warn. D. P. Jones.

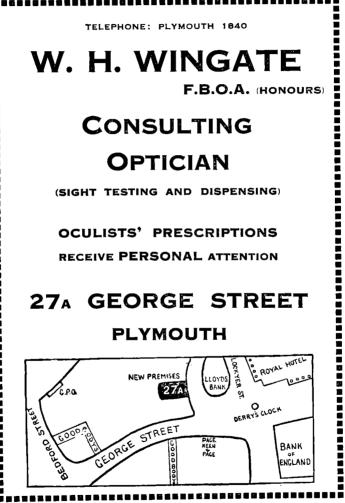
Next term's cricket should be better than usual as there are a number of last year's team available. It is hoped that the School will make an effort to improve cricket generally.

The Secretary has worked hard in arranging a full fixture list for the 1st XI and is completing the 2nd XI's card. It is expected that the pitch will be in good condition this year and that a permanent boundary line will be marked out.

The Old Boys' match is fixed for the 29th July (Saturday). The School hope that former students will turn up in large numbers to see this game.

Fixture cards are being prepared and will be available next term.

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#### **House Competition**

The House positions and points at the time of going to print are as follows :—

1.	Raleigh	26 poin	ts.
2.	Drake	25 ,,	
3.	Gilbert	23 ,,	
4.	Grenville	12 ,,	

#### DRAKE HOUSE.

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In the games played in this term and in the Christmas term the same feature has been noticed, namely that the strength of the House lies in the Seniors. Last term the results were : Senior Rugger, two overwhelming victories, the remaining match with Raleigh being postponed to this term ; Senior Soccer, two matches won and the other drawn ; Junior Rugger, all three lost ; Junior Soccer, two won and one lost. This term the results are, up to the present date, Senior Rugger, two won ; Senior Soccer, three won ; Junior Rugger, two lost ; Junior Soccer, two drawn and one lost.

Among the Seniors are eight first fifteen and two first eleven players, besides several second fifteen and second eleven men. These form the backbone of both Senior teams. Among these we are glad to see that Smith (Lower Sixth) and Pepperell are fully recovered from their injuries. Of the Juniors, Worden, Morey and Essery are the mainstays of the teams, while Osborne, Adams and Willis deserve mention. Halloran, who has been ill for some time, is now back fit again. In the next term we hope to see every one putting his back into the Cricket matches and the Sports. As long as both Seniors and Juniors are keen in playing and in competing in the Sports, the House should not suffer.

J.L.M.

GILBERT HOUSE.

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So far, this season has been one of the most promising for several years, more especially where Soccer is concerned. In the Autumn term we contrived to draw with Drake, and this term we drew with Raleigh, having beaten Grenville on both occasions. In Senior Rugger we have beaten Grenville, and run Raleigh to 2 points in one game, but we are still no match for Drake. Amongst the Seniors, Hannaford and Lyon hve served us well in both codes; Lake, Rowe, Davison, and Duke have strengthened the Soccer, whereas Johnson, Brenton and Jenner form the backbone of our Rugger team.

The Juniors have shown more promise this term than last, having gained roughly half the possible points. We have some very good Juniors who would do well if they playedtogether more. Waycott, Healy, Truscott, Morgan, Callaghan, Evca, Martin, Prowse and Cory ii, are players who will form the nucleus of a strong Senior House in a year or two.

By now the Senior and Junior Cross-Country runs will have been held, and with a little effort we should have acquitted ourselves well in both events. As soon as these events are decided, members of the House should avail themselves of the opportunities which are provided for training for the Sports next term. As we have some good runners in the House, a little training will probably enable us to give a good account of ourselves in the Sports.

W.J.W.

#### **GRENVILLE HOUSE.**

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Once again Fortune has not smiled very heartily upon Grenville. In spite of marked improvement, the Seniors have still to win their first victory and but three matches in which to do so. However, the difficulty found in making up a complete team for either Rugger or Soccer has not been so great, and on one or two occasions we have played with the full team as originally listed. This is a hopeful sign and may lead to a revival of some sort.

The Juniors are very keen indeed, the chief difficulty being in selecting the required number out of a willing host. Besides this enthusiasm they possess a great amount of talent which has enabled them to win two matches and draw one. A lot is owed to the Juniors.

There now remains the Cricket scason, in which we do not expect to shine; but in which we can make a good effort.

R.D.F.

#### **RALEIGH HOUSE.**

The winter House games are over and Raleigh is still at the head of the House list with 26 points.

Rugger and Soccer have both yielded about the same number of points and it is the duty of every member of the House to see that the House maintains its position.

Before dismissing the winter games, Trebilcock, Hawkins, Legg, Hutchings, amongst the seniors, and Miskelly, Hurden and Sutton among the Juniors deserve mention.

The cross-country, cricket and sports are well within view and it is hoped that valuable points will be gained from them. All three competitions are of the utmost importance and let me remind the House once more that it is enthusiasm more than mere talent which will bring success to Raleigh.

E.A.P.

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#### D.H.S. Old Boys' Association

President : The Headmaster Vice-President : Mr. A. Treseder General Secretary : Mr. H. Ferraro

The Annual Dinner proved a very enjoyable function and Mr. Cock and his Committee cannot but be gratified at the success of their efforts. A full report of the Dinner and of the Presentation to Mr. Treseder appears elsewhere and will be of especial interest to those who were not able to attend.

All Old Boys will be pleased to learn that our new Headmaster, Mr. Simmonds, has accepted the Presidency of the Association. We are indeed fortunate in again having a President who takes an active interest in the affairs of our Association. In welcoming our new President, we wish him a happy and successful tenure of office as Headmaster of Devonport High School. Attention is called to the London Branch Notes. It will be seen that a change has been made in the organization of this Branch. Mr. Brooks, who for years has done such excellent work for the Association, has been elected Chairman and his place as Branch Secretary has been taken by Mr. A. J. Swan. The London Committee are anxious to get in touch with all Old Boys living in the London district and will be grateful for the addresses of any who have not yet been approached.

#### **HEADQUARTERS' NOTES**

Chairman : Mr. B. H. Chowen. Secretary : Mr. C. E. Gill, 14, Haddington Road, Stoke, Devonport. ('Phone 614).

Committee : Messrs. W. J. Ching, E. E. Cock, E. Hannam, E. Harris, H. W. Lockwood, P. J. Mowan, B. Rickard, L. H. T. Warren, R. J. Werry, M. Westlake, L. C. G. Williams.

The Christmas Football Matches were held as usual and provided excellent encounters, the School being just successful on each occasion.

The following events have been arranged against the School :

| Tennis Match  | ••• | <b>2</b> 8th June | ••• | 6.30 p.m. |
|---------------|-----|-------------------|-----|-----------|
| Cricket Match | ••• | 29th July         |     | 2 p.m.    |

Those wishing to participate please write me as soon as possible.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the School on July 7th at 7 p.m.

Cyril E. Gill.

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#### **RUGBY CLUB DANCE**

To conclude the very successful and enjoyable series of Dances held during the season, a Grand Final Dance will be held on Wednesday, May 3rd, at the Devonport Guildhall. Music will be provided by the Collegians Dance Orchestra from 8 p.m. till midnight. Admission 1/6. Tickets may be obtained from the R.F.C. Secretary, Mr. L. H. Warren, 42 Beresford Street, Stoke, Devonport, or from members of the Committee.

#### LONDON BRANCH NOTES

Chairman : Mr. A. T. Brooks. Secretary : Mr. A. J. Swan, Special Commissioners Office, York House, 23, Kingsway, W.C.2. Treasurer : Mr. M. J. Collier.

Committee : The above with Messrs. E. E. Cammack and A. R. Pike.

A committee meeting was held on the 17th March, 1933, to consider what could be done to revive interest in the London Branch, and to establish, once again, the London organisation on a firm footing. With a view to dividing the several duties between the members as much as possible it was decided to rc-organize the committee into the form indicated above. Mr. A. T. Brooks, who has rendered valuable service to the London Branch for many years as Secretary was promoted to be our first Chairman and Mr. A. R. Pike was co-opted as a Committeeman in the place of Mr. F. C. Olford who has left the London area.

It will be observed that the London Committee now consists of four Civil Servants presided over by Big Business and we hope hope that the results will justify the pious expressions of trust, in such an arrangement, voiced by the Daily Press.

Inter alia it was decided at this meeting to produce a clean slate and recommence the London Branch as from the 1st January 1933. Mr. Brooks accordingly handed over a list of the arrears, of subscriptions to the Treasurer, who is considering what action shall be taken against the offenders. Seriously, though, it is hoped that those members who are in arrears with their subscriptions (the last was due on the 1st August, 1932, in respect of the year ending the 31st July, 1933) will, at least, remit in respect of the magazines they may have received, sixpence per copy; and also, if they are moved to inspire the Treasurer with a greater trust in human nature, some amount on account of the balance of the arrears which will then be written off.

Our financial year in future will end on the 31st December and subscriptions for the first year ending the 31st December, 1933, at the reduced figure of half-a-crown per annum, and payable in advance, should be sent to the Treasurer at 16, Grosvenor Road, N.10, or to the Secretary, forthwith.

Apart from a strong social programme it is hoped, and confidently anticipated, that we shall be able to organize an Enquiry Bureau, through which the services and experience of Old Boys will be placed at the disposal of other Old Boys and perhaps more particularly at the disposal of those en route from School for the Metropolis, or contemplating such a plunge into the unknown.

We wish to include in this scheme a system whereby accommodation in London may be obtained by application to the London Branch which will endeavour to keep a list of duly inspected or approved addresses. To this end we would ask Old Boys and readers of the magazine to advise the Secretary of such lodgings which he or she can recommend, with full particulars thereof, for incorporation in this list.

These schemes, and many others in the mind of the Committee must, inevitably, depend on the support the new London Branch receives from the London Old Boys and we appeal to the reader of these notes to co-operate with us in bringing the list of them to the attention of Old Boys residing in or near Greater London, to write to the Secretary with names and addresses of such Old Boys and generally to assist in forming an organization worthy of the OldBoys'Association and which would be of undoubted advantage to the London members, their confrères of the Headquarters Branch and to the School.

All communications on the subject of the London Branch, with the exception of those dealing solely with financial affairs should be sent to the Treasurer, which should be addressed to Mr. A. J. Swan, Special Commissioners Office, York House, 23, Kingsway, London, W.C.2. Arrangements will be made for letters showing "O.B.A." on the envelope to be forwarded to another member of the Committee in the Secretary's absence.

The following changes of address have been notified :---

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Rowe, N. L., 20, Endsleigh Gardens, Ilford, Essex.

- Stone, J. E., East Lancashire Regt., Aisne Lines, Catterick, N. Yorks.
- Bazley, H. A., Capt., 8 Staff Colony, Tidworth, Hants.
- Arscott, E., 35, Trevor Road, Southsea.
- Blowey, P., Captain, 3rd Bn., R.T.C., Lydd, Kent.
- Yarrell, L. J., 90, Roxborough Avenue, Isleworth, Middlesex.
- Smith, C., Paymaster Midshipman, H.M.S. "Vindictive," c/o G.P.O., London.

Widdecombe, J. M., 26, The Esplanade, Strete, Poole, Dorset.

The following is a list of new members :---

Pattle, E., 14, Charlotte Street, Devonport.

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Watson, S., 45, Mount Gold Road, Plymouth.

Francis, J. H., 17, Montrose Avenue, Queens Park, N.W.6.

Semmens, H. A., 18, Fellowes Place, Millbridge, Plymouth.

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The Old Boys' Dinner and Presentation to Mr. Treseder

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On the evening of Friday, 23rd December, 1932, at the Duke of Cornwall Hotel, Plymouth, sat down to dinner a goodly number -63 to be exact—of the Devonport High School Old Boys' Association. This large number was increased later to over 80 by those who, unable to attend the dinner, wished to witness the presentation from the Old Boys to Mr. Treseder, who had retired from headmastership on the last day of August. The presentation, which took the form of a cheque for  $\pounds70$ , was made by Mr. H. Ferraro, the General Secretary of the Old Boys' Association, and Mr. Andrews, Acting Headmaster, presided.

The evening was not only enjoyable, but, for some, quite unforgettable. The speeches shone with the eloquence of reminiscence and sincerity. Old friends, who had not met for years, came together from distant parts of the country. Mr. Treseder was almost overwhelmed with the manifestations of goodwill displayed towards him.

The arrangements were excellent, reflecting the greatest credit on Mr. E. E. Cock and his social sub-committee; and delightful musical items were rendered during the evening by Messrs. F. Harris, A. Pryor, E. Pryor, B. C. J. Rickard, C. H. Wellington and R. J. Werry.

In the absence of Mr. (now Sir William) Mountstephen, through indisposition, "The Old Boys' Association" was proposed by Mr. J. Clifford Tozer, who was a pupil at the School about 30 years ago. He described Mr. Treseder as one of the most estimable headmasters and Devonport High School as one of the most successful schools in the country. He was very glad to hear that the Old Boys' Association was so flourishing, and he felt sure that Mr. Cyril Gill, with whose name he coupled the toast, was one of those who had largely contributed towards that happy state of affairs.

Mr. Cyril Gill (Headquarter's Secretary, O.B.A.), having outlined the recent history of the Association, paid a tribute to various members who had held official positions. It would be difficult, he said, to estimate the actual value of the retiring President Mr. Treseder. One might almost say that the Association was a child of his own creation and that he had watched over it with parental care. As Chairman of the Committee he had always taken an active part. The Association formed a link between old boys who wished to keep in touch with one another, and it would probably surprise many to know of the various enquiries which were attended to in the course of ordinary secretarial duties.

The presentation (a cheque for  $f_{70}$ ) was then made by the General Secretary of the Old Boys' Association (Mr. H. Ferraro). He said that Mr. Treseder had been Headmaster of Devonport High School for 26 years and that the School to-day was an example of a wonderful piece of constructive work. During the past few months many letters had been received from old boys in which the writers had expressed warm admiration of their headmaster. Running through all these letters was a note of gratitude which was aptly summed up by one writer in the words, "He taught us how to work." A more striking tribute from a former pupil to his headmaster it would be difficult to imagine ; for a boy could only be taught to work by being given a lead. This lead Mr. Treseder had always supplied. In his power of leadership, coupled with a characteristic thoroughness in all that he did, was the secret of Mr. Treseder's success. In wishing him every happiness in his retirement they were but echoing the sentiments of all old boys now scattered far and wide.

He wished to thank Mr. Ferraro for his eloquent tribute, and to say that there was no one better qualified to have represented the old boys in making the presentation than he. For he (Mr. Treseder) was convinced that no old boy had done more for the School than Mr. Ferraro; that every boy who had come within the field of his great but unassuming ability and personality had become a better man, not only on a material sense—although scores owed their positions in life to him—but in every scnse; an abler man, a keener man, a gentler man. His remarks were intended to serve a twofold purpose; first to express his gratitude to the contributors towards that princely cheque, and to all those who had organised and worked for that great—he was tempted to say historic—reunion.

He then intimated that he intended to invest and place in the hands of trustees sufficient of the money given him to yield  $\pounds 1$  per annum as interest, and that he would offer to the School for the purpose of an annual prize.

Proceeding, then, to the second purpose of his remarks, he had to propose the toast of "The School." For years and years it had been his lot to *reply* to the same toast. That duty, on the present occasion, devolved upon his old friend and colleague, Mr. Andrews, as a natural result of his important but onerous position as Acting Headmaster.

Mr. Treseder added that he thought he was not claiming too much in saying that Devonport High School stood in the very front rank of municipal secondary schools, and that, in his opinion, it had reached that position by means of a method or policy which might be labelled "thorough."

Finally, he wished, and not only did he wish but he felt confident of, the School's continued prosperity. For the same staff remained, and from what he knew of his successor, Mr. Simmonds, that gentleman was eminently fitted to maintain—and even enhance—the School's tradition, reputation and efficiency.

In reply Mr. Andrews said that he was in the peculiar position of having to give an account of the doings of the School for a year during which it was under the headmastership of the proposer of the toast.

After recording the successes achieved, both educationally and on the playing field, Mr. Andrews referred to the ending of Mr. Treseder's twenty-six years as headmaster as the event of the year, and suggested that the successes he had just enumerated constituted a not unworthy ending to a most successful pedagogic career. Referring to the presentation which had just been made, he said that a noteworthy feature of the many letters received from old boys was their possessive tone, Mr. Treseder being constantly spoken of as "our" Headmaster. He said, he had already had an opportunity, when making the presentation from the staff, of placing on record his own testimony of Mr. Treseder's great ability as a leader. He would, however, like to remind his hearers of one remark quoted by Mr. Ferraro when making the presentation, "He taught us to work." This fact had been more than once emphasised by H.M. Inspectors in their reports on the School, and even for that alone Mr. Treseder was deserving of all the praise which had been showered upon him.

Mr. Andrews then proposed the toast of the "Social Sub-Committee," whose efforts had done so much to make that evening's function a great success, and Mr. E. E. Cock, as Secretary of that Committee said, in his reply, how gratified the committee were at the number present—and, although they fully realised that that super-reunion was in honour of Mr. Treseder—nevertheless, they hoped to develop the Association as their numbers grew. He remarked how much they deplored the absence through illness of Mr. (now Sir William) Mountstephen.

The final toast was that of the London Branch, proposed by Mr. Basil Chowen and responded to, in the absence of Mr. Brooks, by Mr. R. F. E. Cock. Mr. Chowen laid stress on the fact that at Devonport High School, the interests of the average boy had never been subordinated to those of the cleverer pupils.

A delightful and memorable evening was brought to a close with the strains of "Auld Lang Syne."

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Following are the names of those present when dinner began (the names of those who came later have been omitted as no accurate rccord of them is available) :—

Messrs. W. J. Andrews (Chairman), C. F. Armor, C. F. Austin, B. Chowen (Headquarters Chairman, O.B.A.), R. H. Clements, E. E. Cock (Secretary, Social Sub-Committee, O.B.A.), R. F. E. Cock, W. Collins, W. Cox, N. Dark, D. W. Dimond, H. Ferraro (General Secretary, O.B.A.), R. Ferraro, W. J. Fewings, C. Gill (Headquarters Secretary, O.B.A.), H. Gordon, J. Griffiths, W. Hannaford, E. Hannam, E. R. Harris, F. W. Hawton, E. R. Haydon, A. Hutchings, L. A. Jeffery (Paymaster-Lieut., R.N.), G. A. Jenkin, J. Kennedy, A. E. Lillicrap, A. Lintell (Rev.), E. Loder, L. Martyn, M. Marwood, W. R. Mewton, P. J. Mowan, G. Oates, S. Occleshaw, W. G. Parker, E. J. Pattle, L. Pearce, K. Pike, A. Pryor, E. Pryor, G. C. Richards, B. Rickard, J. Roach, C. Roberts, D. Robins, A. R. Small, D. Smith, A. L. Stephens, J. E. Stone, J. Clifford Tozer, W. Treays (*Captain R.E.*), R. Treliving, A. Treseder (*Guest of the evening, Vice-President, O.B.A.*), W. R. Tretheway, F. Vere, L. Warren, H. Warwick, C. H. Wellington, R. J. Werry, M. W. Westlake, R. M. White, L. C. G. Williams.

Telegrams and messages of good wishes and apology for absence were received from Messrs. Brooks, Ching, Surg.-Lieut. Marks, R.N., Mr. Stratton Hallett, and Dr. Trethowan.



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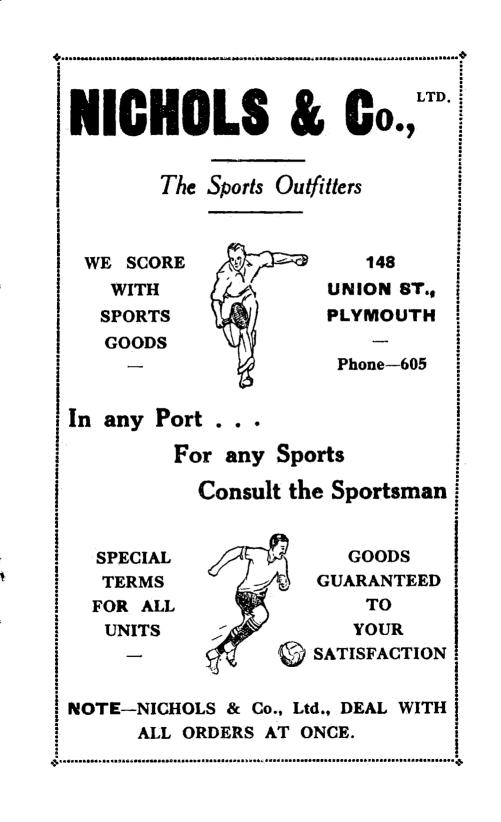
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