



The Magazine of William Hulme's Grammar School

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Notes and News.

We publish on another page the third list of names of Old Hulmeians serving with H.M. Forces. The list must still be incomplete, and we should much appreciate any information concerning Old Boys in the Forces that can be sent to the Editor at the School.

We welcome to the School Miss M. G. Green, B.A., London, and Miss J. A. Cowie, M.A., Glasgow. Miss Green joined the staff at the beginning of the term and is teaching French and Latin. Miss Cowie came on the 11th November and teaches Mathematics. We hope they will find life at School very enjoyable.

Since last term the School has been unfortunate in losing five members of the staff, all of whom have joined H.M. Forces. Mr. R. Morrison left during the summer holidays and is somewhere in an Intelligence Corps. Mr. A. T. Parsons joined an O.C.T.U. early in October. Mr. D. G. R. Martin left at half term; he has joined an O.C.T.U., and Lieut. F. S. Harris went in November. He is attached to an O.C.T. Group. Mr. P. G. Turner joined the staff in September, and was at School a month only before he joined the Royal Artillery.

On December 2nd the War Office approved the appointment of Mr. C. R. Darlington to the rank of 2nd Lieutenant in the School O.T.C., to take effect from 3rd March, 1940.

After thirteen years' service on the office staff, Miss Green left us at the beginning of this term to be married. She is now living in London.

Owing to black-out conditions, the meeting between Parents and Staff was held this term on October 26th, in the afternoon.

Older Old Boys will be interested to know that Mr. Harry Lord, of Moss Lane West, has been made Mayor of Stretford. Mr. Lord was at School from 1900 to 1902.

It has been learned that D. M. Herbert, who was reported missing for some weeks after the Dunkirk evacuation, is now interned in Switzerland.

A. L. Dennis, who is spending his first term at Peterhouse College, Cambridge, has been awarded a Choral Exhibition.

A State Scholarship, tenable for three years, has been won by J. Wilks.

Manchester City Scholarships, tenable for three years: J. Kettlewell, N. W. Preston.

College of Technology Scholarship: W. A. Mallinson.

G. W. Battersby has been elected Captain of Football and Lacrosse. The Vice-Captains are C. H. W. Hirs (Football), and M. F. Wood (Lacrosse).

The Headmaster has been asked for help from the School in the delivery of the Manchester Christmas mail. Sixty boys have already given in their names as willing applicants for the work.

War-time conditions have curtailed the dramatic activities of the School during the term, but it is hoped to produce "Housemaster," by Ian Hay, during the holiday, on Saturday, January 11th, at 2-30 p.m., and again on Founder's Day (Monday, January 27th), at 2-30 p.m. Both performances will be in the School Hall.

Founder's Day this year falls on a Sunday and it will, therefore, be observed on Monday, January 27th. The Cathedral service at 11 a.m. will be followed by the Annual Luncheon at the Grand Hotel, in Aytoun Street.

The following successes were gained at the Higher and School Certificate Examinations held last July by the Northern Matriculation Board. Subjects in which distinction was gained are shown in brackets:—

Higher School Certificates: E. G. Hall, D. A. Macleod, M. F. Wood, A. Chapman (English Scholarship), K. Halstead, F. G. Higgins, A. Jackson, J. D. Boardman, A. Brundrett, R. R. Charnock, C. T. Hough, E. Hubbert, H. Kay, J. Kettlewell (Physics, Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics), W. A. Mallinson, N. W. Preston, C. T. G. Ratcliffe, J. D. Robson, D. H. Watkinson, J. Wilks (Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry), S. S. Wilson.

School Certificates: F. D. Bell, L. F. Benson (French, Mathematics), G. B. B. Chaplin, P. R. Cuthbert (Physics), P. H. Harrison, D. S. Hewet (English Language, French, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry), H. Hinson (French, Latin, Mathematics, Physics), G. Kettlewell (English Language, Mathematics), A. C. Lockwood (Mathematics), R. S. Mahomed, B. A. Ratliff, J. B. Redfearn, P. G. Reynolds (English Language, French, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry), L. Robertson (Mathematics), S. R. Souter (English Language, Mathematics), J. O. Spalding (English Language, English Literature), W. L. Tonge (English Language, History, French, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry), J. P. I. Tyas (Mathematics, Physics), G. C. Waters, D. G. Bayliss (Geography), E. S. Burnett (English Language, History, French, Mathematics), C. Clay (Geography), K. Hall (English Language, History, Geography, German, French, Mathematics), H.

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G. Harvey (Geography, French, Mathematics), D. Hirst (English Language, English Literature, French), G. C. Lee (French, Mathematics), G. C. Lever (English Language), G. H. Lonsdale, E. A. Lucas, J. Miller, T. C. Owens (English Language), B. R. Robinson (English Language), A. P. Ryan, N. M. Sampson, B. S. Waltho (English Language, Geography, Art), J. R. Whitaker (Mathematics), J. C. White, H. M. Milne, J. E. Raines (History), M. L. Robinson, R. J. Salthouse.

The following awards have been made by the Governors of the School:—

Foundation Scholarship, tenable for one year, G. S. Alvey, F. G. Higgins, J. D. Robson, S. S. Wilson, E. M. E. Michael, P. J. Croxford, J. M. Gilliat; tenable for two years, W. L. Tonge, F. D. Bell, C. Clay, P. H. Harrison, T. C. Owens, M. L. Robinson, R. J. Salthouse, J. O. Spalding, S. R. Souter, J. P. I. Tyas, G. C. Waters; tenable for three years, K. G. McGhee, R. P. Handford, D. Watkins, B. C. Roberts, D. K. Partington, E. Shufflebottom, P. H. Richards.

Scholarships for ex-Elementary School-boys, tenable for one year, B. P. Topley, C. P. Dockeray; tenable for three years, C. H. Nesbitt.

Leaving Exhibitions, J. Wilks (Honorary), A. L. Dennis, K. Halstead, W. A. Mallinson, D. A. Macleod, N. W. Preston.

The Prefects for the year are:—F. G. Higgins (Head Prefect), M. F. Wood, J. D. Robson, G. W. Battersby, F. J. Whelan, P. C. Wilkinson, G. S. Alvey, J. D. Boardman, S. S. Wilson, H. J. Abraham, G. B. Warburton.

Calendar for the Lent Term:—

Lent Term will begin on Tuesday, January 14th, 1941, at 9-40 a.m.

Mid-term Holiday will be on March 1st and 3rd.

The School Sports will be held on Tuesday, April 8th.

The Lent Term will end on Tuesday, April 8th, at four o'clock.

The Easter Holiday will extend from Tuesday, April 8th, at four o'clock, to Tuesday, April 22nd, at nine o'clock.

The Examination for Scholarships for Elementary School Boys, Foundation Scholarships, Special Places, etc., will be held on April 18th and 19th, beginning at 9 a.m. each day. The Entrance Examination for Michaelmas Term will be held at the same time.

BIRTHS.

BARBER.—On September 14th, 1940, at Doriscourt, Whalley Range, to Constance Mary (née Mark), wife of Major N. A. Barber, a daughter.

MAYO.—On September 30th, at Barton House Nursing Home, Stockton-on-Tees, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Mayo (formerly Annie E. Nugent), late of Hull and Manchester, a son. 159, Lanehouse Road, Thornaby-on-Tees.

JARVIS.—On November 22nd, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jarvis (formerly Nora Bownass), a daughter.

SMITH.—On December 7th, at 11, Regent Street, Nottingham, to Winifred (née Parr), wife of Lieut. M. Wolstenholme Smith R.A.M.C., a son.

MARRIAGES.

YOUATT—ROWSON.—On Thursday, September 12th, 1940, at St. Ann's Church, Manchester, by the Rev. Canon F. Paton-Williams, NORMAN, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Youatt, of 21, Park Road, Gatley, to SADIE GREENFIELD, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Rowson, of Sanderstead, Pownall Park, Wilmslow.

STEVENSON—BENNETT.—On October 2nd, at St. Werburgh's Church, ROBERT VIRLEY, only son of Mrs. Stevenson and the late Mr. J. R. Stevenson, of 6, St. Werburgh's Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, to MILDRED, second daughter of Mrs. Lingard and the late Mr. G. W. Bennett, of 510, Wilbraham Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy.

PRINGLE—HARTILL.—On October 5th, at St. Mary's Church, Totnes, by the Rev. Prebendary Heywood-Waddington, JOHN (R.A.M.C.), son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Pringle, of Longridge Drive, Monkseaton (formerly of West Didsbury), to CONSTANCE MYRA, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Hartill, of Yardley, Birmingham.

COCKER—THORNLEY.—On November 9th, at Hyde Chapel, Gee Cross, by the Rev. J. Percival Chalk, GEOFFREY, younger son of Mr. and the late Mrs. F. B. Cocker, of Manchester, to NANCY, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Thornley, of Hyde.

Roll of Honour.

It is with much regret that we here record the deaths of Sergeant N. H. Jackson, Sergeant A. Robinson and Lance-Corporal R. E. Gates.

N. H. JACKSON left School in 1934 and went to employment in the Manchester Town Hall. He became a prominent member of the Old Hulmeians Musical and Dramatic Society, and his piano-playing made him a very popular worker at the Hulme Lads' Club. He was a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries, and was awarded the William Slack prize in the I.C.S. Examination for the best Manchester candidate. In March, 1939, he joined the R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve and was called up at the outbreak of war. After training as a wireless operator and air gunner, Sergeant N. H. Jackson was posted to a squadron of the coastal command, and was killed on active service at the end of October.

ARTHUR ROBINSON, two years ago, after a very successful School career, took up an engineering course and was accepted by Metropolitan-Vickers as a University trainee. He won a scholarship to the College of Technology, but was unable to take advantage of it as he had previously joined the Volunteer Reserve of the Royal Air Force, and, on the outbreak of war, he was immediately mobilised.

He was soon recommended for the position of wireless instructor, but he chose the more active life offered as a wireless operator and air gunner. He had qualified in both these branches of the service and was awarded the rank of sergeant. Sergeant Robinson was killed on active service at the end of November.

R. E. GATES left School in 1934, and was employed in the Post Office Engineering Department.

In 1936 he was awarded fourth place in Great Britain in an Open Examination for Probationary Post Office Inspectors. He enlisted in the Corps of Signals in October, 1939, and having obtained the rank of Lance-

Corporal, he was in training for a commission when, early in December of this year, he was killed while on active service.

At School, R. E. Gates had interested himself in dramatics, and was largely responsible for designing and erecting the stage lighting installation.

Old Hulmeians serving with H.M. Forces.

We publish here our third list of names of Old Boys serving with the Forces, but there must be many more about whom we have not yet heard. All information will be welcome and should be sent to the Editor or to any member of the Staff at the School. We are much indebted to those who have already written to us.

The date given is the year of leaving School.

Angelopoulos, E. M. (1934), R.A.F.
Blackshaw, K. F. (1937), M.N.
Bridge, R. (1933), R.T.C.
Brookes, J. D. (1937), Cameronians.
Budenberg, H. J. (1921), R.A.
Burcham, R. E. (1933), R.A.F.
Cawthorne, J. (1929), R.A.F.
Clarke, F. (1938), Corporal, Oxford and Bucks.
Charnock, O. J. (1934), R.A.F.
Cooper, L. L. (1928), 2nd Lieutenant, R.N.V.R.
Curry, J. W. H. (1925), Lieutenant, R.A.C.
Curtis, W. T. (1939), 2nd Lieutenant, R.A.S.C.
Davies, C. (1936), Pilot Officer, R.A.F.
Dennis, O. R. (1937), L/Bdr., R.A.
Derbyshire, F. W. (1930), Corporal, R.A.F.
Erskine, D. (1937), 2nd Lieutenant, I.C.
Fleeson, G. A., Sergeant, R.E.
Forrest, B. M., Captain, 4th K.S.L.I.
Gordon, A. (1937), Lance-Corporal, D.L.I.
Gregory, J. I. (1930), R.A.
Harris, F. S., 2nd Lieutenant, O.C.T.G.
Harvey, T. A. (1930), Corporal, R.A.S.C.
Hawley, R. (1935), I.C.
Howard, J. R. (1934), R.A.F.
Jackson, E. B. (1935), R.A.F.
Jones, C. H. (1927), R.A.F.

Knowles, C. (1935), R.E.
Loebell, E. H. (1933), R.A.S.C.
McTaggart, I. A. (1934), Lance-Corporal, R.A.
Martin, D. G. R., Cadet, O.C.T.U.
Meakin, N. (1934), B.S.M., R.A.
Mills, J. (1938), R.A.F.
Morrison, R., Lance-Corporal, I.C.
Norris, G. A. (1931), Captain, R. Tanks.
Parsons, A. T., Cadet, O.C.T.U.
Payne, F. (1925), R.A.F.
Platford, J. B. (1935), Lance-Corporal, R.A.S.C.
Preston, P. S. (1937), R.A.
Roberts, L. (1931), A.M.P.C.
Ruddlesdin, K. J. (1933), R.A.F.
Smith, R. P. (1937), 2nd Lieutenant, Manchesters.
Stark, K. A. (1939), Cadet, O.C.T.U.
Thelwall, E. S. (1936), R.A.
Tunstall, H. E. (1933), Lance-Corporal, D.W.R.
Turner, P. G., R.A.
Walley, J. M. S. (1937), R.A.F.
Walton, W. C. (1936), R.A.F.
Warner, J. V., 2nd Lieutenant, R. Signals.
Widdows, E. G. (1927), R.A.
Wilde, J. P. (1937), 2nd Lieutenant.
Woolfenden, J. M. (1931), R.A.F.

O.T.C. Notes.

The present term has been clouded for the O.T.C. by the unfortunate illness of Captain Anderson, and at the moment it seems very unlikely that he will be back at School before the New Year. We wish him the speediest possible recovery.

Early in the term Mr. Parsons left to join an Officer Cadet Training Unit, and at half term he was followed by Mr. Martin. Although both are attached to the same regiment they are at different training centres, "somewhere in England." During November, Lieutenant Harris, as he now is, left to join his unit. In spite of all these losses, which have left us very short-handed, the ordinary work of the O.T.C. has carried on with energy, and a good number of cadets have been preparing themselves for the coming Certificate A examination. In

all this the energy and keenness of the N.C.O.'s have been excellent, and the O.T.C. as a whole owes a good deal to their work this term. We have been fortunate with the weather so far for the parades, and as a result recruits are already becoming familiar with squad and arms drill. On two Fridays we were given very valuable and interesting lectures by Lieutenant Matthew, of the Manchester Regiment, on the Vickers machine gun. He explained the characteristics and functions of the weapon very clearly one week, and the next Friday brought a gun for us to examine for ourselves. On another Friday we heard an interesting lecture from Battery Sergeant-Major Meakin, an Old Boy, on the work of the artillery in a modern battle.

Since Mr. Parsons left scarcely any shooting has been done, mainly because of more pressing calls on the available time, but next term should see this omission put right. Recruiting continues briskly under Mr. Gatley's guidance, and although a large number of cadets left in the summer, we are within half-a-dozen of last year's record strength.

The following promotions have been made :—

To be Company Sergeant-Major : Corporal M. F. Wood.

To be Company Quartermaster-Sergeant : Corporal G. W. Battersby.

To be Sergeants : Lance-Corporals J. D. Boardman, J. D. Robson, F. J. Whelan, P. C. Wilkinson.

Speech Day and Prize List.

The School prize distribution took place this year on Monday, July 29th, in the School Hall. After the proceedings had

opened in the usual way with the singing of the School Song, the Headmaster delivered his report.

The year he had to record was no ordinary one. For some time before the normal date of beginning the Michaelmas Term in 1939, the School had been meeting daily in order to be prepared for evacuation. This event actually took place on the day before the war broke out. Nearly the whole School transported itself to Penwortham, from which it attended Hutton Grammar School, one week in the mornings, the next in the afternoons. Troubles, however, soon developed. Many boys went home for week-ends at first, then for longer periods, and finally stayed at home altogether. For their benefit the School was reopened in Manchester for tutorial instruction. Eventually, with the goodwill of everyone, the whole School returned to Manchester shortly before the close of the Michaelmas Term.

The School had been dealt a heavy blow by this episode, as many boys were lost to the School during this period. However, the knock-down blow had not been a knock-out, as a repetition of evacuation might well have been. The air-raid shelters had been fully approved and were amongst the best in Manchester. In the circumstances the School had done extraordinarily well. Every endeavour had been made to carry on with the School work in the normal way. Furthermore, the School was anxious to help in the war effort in every way it could. The School had offered its services to help in gathering in the harvest, and after repeated efforts, work had been arranged for two parties. One party of older boys would occupy the School camp site at Grange, and another, mainly of younger boys, would be employed in fruit gathering and hop-picking in Worcestershire. A war savings group had been formed at School, which was being strongly supported.

The Chairman, Canon Woolnough, said the prizes were to have been distributed by the President of Brasenose College, Oxford, but much to everyone's regret the President had telegraphed to say that he felt in these uncertain times his duty required his presence in Oxford. However, the Dean had once more put his services at our disposal, and had stepped into the breach at very short notice.

After the prize distribution, the Dean delivered a noteworthy address. He based his discourse on the Old Testament story of Gideon. He described the manner in which this hero was called upon to deliver his people from the Midianites. The Dean brought out very clearly the intense humanity of the story: Gideon's wayward timidity and uncertainty, his faint-hearted anxiety for incontrovertible proof of the validity of his mission. His story further emphasized the fact that success does not depend upon mere weight of numbers, but on loyalty, self-sacrifice and devotion.

The proceedings were brought to a close by a keen and rousing performance of Bizet's "L'Arlésienne" played by the School orchestra and conducted by the Headmaster, with some good work from the flute and enthusiastic effects from the percussion.

The demonstration in the Science laboratories and the exhibition of art and wood-work attracted many visitors.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

THE VLIES MODERN LANGUAGES PRIZE for Sixth Forms : M. F. Wood.

THE C. G. DEHN HISTORY PRIZE for Sixth Forms : A. Chapman.

THE F. DEHN CLASSICAL PRIZE for Sixth Forms : D. A. Macleod.

THE WILLIAMSON SCIENCE PRIZE for Sixth Forms : J. Wilks.

THE LYMER MATHEMATICAL PRIZE for Sixth Forms : A. L. Dennis.

THE HEWLETT GEOGRAPHY PRIZE for Sixth Forms : F. G. Higgins.

THE C. G. DEHN HISTORY PRIZE for Fifth Forms : E. S. Burnett.

THE DORRINGTON LATIN PRIZE for Fifth Forms : H. Hinson.

THE HEWLETT GEOGRAPHY PRIZE for Fifth Forms : B. S. Waltho.

THE ASPINALL PRIZE for Religious Knowledge : 1, J. Wilks ; 2, A. L. Dennis.

THE ODDY PRIZE : A. L. Dennis.

THE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PRIZE (presented by the Headmaster, Mr. Dennis) : G. B. Warburton.

ART PRIZES : Fifth Forms, B. S. Waltho ; Fourth Forms, G. D. Hansom ; Third Forms, L. Ellis, H. E. Warburton ; Second Forms, E. G. Smith ; First Forms, J. F. Patrick.

FORM PRIZES.

VI. C.M.U. : 1, A. Chapman ; 2, A. Jackson.

VI. S.U. : 1, J. D. Robson ; 2, S. S. Wilson.

VI. C.M.L. : 1, R. B. Herbert ; 2, K. T. Howe.

VI. S.L. : 1, G. B. Warburton ; 2, C. H. W. Hirs.

V.A. : 1, P. G. Reynolds ; 2, W. L. Tonge.

V.B. : 1, E. S. Burnett ; 2, K. Hall.

V.C. : 1, M. L. Robinson ; 2, H. M. Milne.

IV. A. : 1, A. Ogilvy ; 2, R. G. Jenkin.

IV. B. : 1, G. T. Shirlin ; 2, H. Billings.

IV. C. : 1, E. Wigglesworth ; 2, R. F. Brewerton.

III. A. : 1, F. A. Spooncer; 2, R. P. Handford.

III. B. : 1, K. G. McGhee; 2, G. Wilkin-son.

III. C. : 1, D. Sharples; 2, P. Grantham.

II. A. : 1, E. G. Smith; 2, H. Morgan.

II. B. : 1, B. Mead; 2, F. T. Morley.

II. C. : 1, P. Sanig; 2, G. A. Suley.

I. A. : 1, J. N. McManus; 2, D. W. Johnston.

I. B. : 1, J. N. Brookes; 2, F. S. Jones.

L. I. : 1, E. B. Price; 2, P. M. Hughes.

Prep. : 1, I. C. Sutton; 2, J. C. Edwards; (Special), K. Stewart.

Grange Harvest Camp.

At the request of the Lancashire War Agricultural Committee the School held a Harvest Camp on our Grange-over-Sands site from July 31st to September 12th.

The start was not encouraging. The farmers seemed reluctant to credit the town dweller with any agricultural ability, but, when once the O.C.'s persuasive power had done its work, the farmers' doubts were dispelled, and before the end of the camp there were more applications for labour than could be supplied.

All kinds of farm work were done. Some boys whitewashed the shippens; some gathered hay, corn and potatoes; others helped to thrash corn, wheat and barley; many picked damsons; eight, for five weeks, afforested; and a few washed, and dipped, many sheep. Some of the work was strenuous but the boys enjoyed it all. They have the satisfaction of knowing that they

materially helped to get in a very heavy harvest in the Cartmel, Cark, Flookburgh and Holker districts, and they will be welcome guests whenever they revisit the farms where they worked. All the farmers appreciated in words—and food—the splendid work the boys did.

Each boy paid fifteen shillings a week which included his railway fare and the carriage of his bicycle, and the camp received sixpence an hour for his labour. An average of seven hours a day was worked, and the camp supplied its labour within the radius of eight miles of Grange.

A profit of £48 was made and divided later amongst the boys at the rate of four shillings per working week. This result could not have been obtained without the splendid help of the staff who each contributed £1 a week to camp funds. The camp staff comprised the O.C. and Mrs. Barber, who renewed pleasant associations with camp life; Mr. Gatley, our quartermaster, Mr. and Mrs. Brierley, Mr. and Mrs. Ginever, all of whom stayed for the six weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Powell and Mr. and Mrs. Morley unfortunately were able to spend three weeks only at camp. Mr. R. Morrison was there for a short time and left us to join H.M. Forces.

An analysis of the work done at camp shows that, in all, 5,552 hours were spent in agricultural labour. Four boys stayed for the six weeks; two stayed for five weeks; three stayed for four weeks; twenty-four stayed for three weeks; twenty-five for two weeks, and one stayed for one week.

It was calculated that over 13,000 articles were washed up during the six weeks by a very cheerful party!

The following is a copy of a letter received from the Lancashire War Agricultural Committee:—

DISTRICT 1.—NORTH LONSDALE.
September 13th, 1940.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the members of this Committee, I wish to convey their sincere thanks to you, your staff and the boys of your School, who came to this district to assist the farmers with their work.

Every farmer has expressed his thanks for the way the boys carried out their work, and

I can assure you that they will be made very welcome whenever they come into this district again.

Yours sincerely,

L. VICKERS,
Secretary.

The Headmaster,
William Hulme's School,
Manchester.

Grange Harvest Camp Account.

AUGUST, 1940.

	£	s.	d.
To Camp Fees	191	4	10
" Wages for Labour	138	5	3

 £329 10 1

	£	s.	d.
By Railway Fares	36	10	9
" Hire of Camp Equipment	71	15	11
" Carriage on Camp Equipment	6	1	6
" Camp Site	8	14	0
" Cost of Food	139	16	8
" Coal	3	17	0
" Sundry Expenses	13	13	6
" Bank Commission, less Interest	0	7	5
" Refund at 4/- per week	47	14	0
" Balance in Bank, November 30th, 1940	0	19	4

 £329 10 1

Audited and found correct,

C. MORLEY,

November 30th, 1940.

J. A. BARBER.

Worcester Harvest Camp.

Towards the end of the summer term it was found that there were many boys who clamoured to do agricultural work and for whom there seemed to be little opportunity.

After much correspondence with many authorities in the country, the Headmaster with Mr. Anderson visited Worcester and, as a result of their interview with Mr. Ginn, the County Secretary of the National Farmers' Union, a second School camp was arranged on the private estate of Mr. John Walker at Knightwick, a small village near

Worcester. Knightwick was the estate and the estate was Knightwick. We were to be under the care of "a gentleman of Worcestershire" in Sir Roger's very own county.

Our tents, such as were available for our war-time venture, were pitched among plum trees, apples, damsons and all the stock-in-trade of an orchard.

" Sweet was the breath of morn; pleasant the sun,
When first on this delightful land he spread
His orient beams on herb, tree, fruit and flower,
Glistening with dew."

For a month we picked fruit of different kinds, stooked corn and were ready—after the first day or two at any rate—for the evening meal. Sometimes, in spare

moments, we bathed in the local stream; played games in the Manor Park—so far as the walnut trees and the geese would allow—explored the neighbourhood and then slept. We were ten miles from anywhere.

The last fortnight was spent in hop-picking. It was here that we met the "Regulars," consisting of Black Country people and tribes of gipsies with many horses and fewer caravans. Land girls joined the party; Worcester High School girls came along; languid young men from Oxford lazed about the place. Surely such a heterogeneous crowd could never have collected in the same hop-field before. It was an amusing pastime to trace to their origin the various accents that were heard through the live murmur of the hop-field's day.

On the second morning's hopping we found that the gipsies had gone on strike and the Black Country people had joined them. We were warned not to work too obviously. The strikers stood about in sullen groups. Soon the police arrived. The boss arrived. The local Vicar arrived. Excitement was in the air. "This is an annual affair," said the Vicar, "generally they fight. Once we had a murder." We waited with impatience.

The boss was soon surrounded by a surging mob. There were a hundred different voices and as many different costumes. He sat high on horse, a Napoleonic figure, resolute and adamant. "Sixpence a bushel," he said. It seemed to have some effect. "Sixpence a bushel," he said again, and when he thought that he had said it often enough, he turned his horse away, leaving the muttering crowd to its resources.

Apparently the crowd had none, few at any rate, for the next day everybody was back at work and they all seemed most cheerful. We earned sixpence a bushel too, and it did take a long time to fill!

The members of the staff who attended the camp were Mr. Anderson, who organised it, the Headmaster and Mrs. Dennis, Mr. Darlington, Mr. and Mrs. Glasgow, Mr. and Mrs. Lowther, Mr. W. H. Thomson, Mr. K. P. Thompson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parren and Mr. Parsons. We must record our gratitude to the ladies whose untiring efforts helped to make the camp a great success, and especially to Mrs. Dennis who catered for us for most of the six weeks we were there.

An average of 41 boys per week attended the camp during our stay.

Knightswick Camp Account.

AUGUST, 1940.

To Camp Fees	...	...	...	...	£	s.	d.
„ Wages for Labour	...	...	...	...	218	13	0
					117	18	2

£336 11 2

By Railway Fares	...	...	...	...	£	s.	d.
„ Hire of Equipment	...	...	...	...	45	0	8
„ Transport	...	...	...	...	36	6	2
„ Cost of Stove, oil, etc.	...	...	...	...	6	1	4
„ Cost of Food	...	...	...	...	10	13	4
„ Sundry Expenses	...	...	...	...	209	11	6
„ Bank Commission, less Interest	...	...	...	...	10	4	7
„ Fees Refunded	...	...	...	...	0	6	6
„ Balance in Bank, November 30th, 1940	...	...	...	...	14	9	7
					3	17	6

£336 11 2

Audited and found correct,
J. A. BARBER,
November 30th, 1940.

TREVOR DENNIS.

The Library.

There has been keen interest in the Library this term, particularly in the Fifth forms. There are over 120 borrowers on the list—50 more than last year, and the rule about renewing books is being observed by almost all of them.

Many useful additions in several subjects will be on the shelves next term, and some of the reference and history books are being rebound. We are very grateful to the following donors for books:—Prof. D. Knoop, for several interesting books about Manchester and its history, which have helped to establish a "Manchester shelf"; Mrs. Flinn, Heaton Mersey, for five volumes on "Manchester Streets and Manchester Men"; G. C. Waters, for another book on Manchester, and A. F. Brazier for a history book, "Great Democrats."

Boys are asked to replace, on their correct shelves, books, such as dictionaries and reference books, which they have been using during a private study period. Some of these books need rebinding and should be handled carefully.

Several boys have been working with reference books at 4 o'clock, and owing to the black-out are asked to leave before 4-30. Any boy who has not yet joined the Library should apply to F. G. Higgins, the librarian, who will help and advise him as much as possible.

F. G. H.

A Thought.

The summer sun sinks slowly in the west,
Its glowing orb tints red the woods below;
The hills and valleys catch the fading glow,
And once again tired nature sinks to rest.

A lingering ray rests on the rugged crest
Of yon dark hill; a cool breeze whispers low,
Wafting sweet sleep, night's sister, here
below

Who dulls the cares that gnaw in each man's
breast.

The picture changes; war has passed this
way,

Its ponderous wheels have scarred the
country's face;

Gone is the farm where children used to play,
A smoking pile of ashes marks its place.

Yet, o'er the ruined scene—man's hate
expressed—

The morning dawns, and earth's wounds are
caressed.

A. W.

The Old Hulmeians Association.

The Twenty-Sixth Annual General Meeting was held at the School on Wednesday, October 2nd, 1940, at 6-30 p.m. There were forty-five members present.

As the activities of the Football and the Musical and Dramatic Sections have been suspended for the present, the only sectional reports were those of the Lacrosse Section (Mr. John Mark, Junr.), and the Golf Section (Mr. J. A. Barber).

The Lacrosse Secretary reported that regular fixtures had been played by two teams, with changing personnel, and he mentioned the fact that their Chairman, Mr. J. A. Barber, had been elected President of the N.E.L.A.

At the Annual Golf Competition, only sixteen cards had been taken out, and Mr. Barber expressed doubts as to the possibility of the event taking place during the coming season.

In his brief report the Hon. General Secretary referred to the success of the Annual Dinner and the Founder's Day Lunch.

The Hon. Treasurer presented his report together with the Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet, which, in spite of war conditions, showed a profit on the year of £35.

The following officers were elected for the season 1940-41:—

President: Mr. G. N. E. Gilliat.

Hon. General Secretary: Mr. A. L. Powell (29, South Drive, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester 21).

Hon. Assistant Secretary: Mr. A. I. Robinson.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. S. Whittingham (63, Cecil Avenue, Moss Lane, Ashton-on-Mersey, Cheshire).

Hon. Assistant Treasurer: Mr. G. R. Vlies.

General Committee: Messrs. J. S. Battersby, L. Pidd, and K. Rains, together with the three members not retiring, Mr. J. A. Barber, Mr. Trevor Dennis and Mr. D. Ll. Griffiths. It was decided to add to these names that of Mr. H. Cardwell, the retiring President.

The Hon. Treasurer presented his report on the Endowment Policy Scheme. He said that the original Policy for £1,250 had now only five years to run, and he appealed to younger members to take up four subscriptions which had lapsed during the year.

The retiring Hon. Auditors, Messrs. Parkinson, Mather & Co., were re-elected.

The attention of members is drawn to the fact that, according to the Rules of the Association, copies of the School Magazine are sent only to those members whose subscriptions for the current year have been paid.

Arrangements for the Founder's Day Lunch are now being made. Owing to

January 26th, 1941, falling on a Sunday, the lunch will take place this year on Monday, January 27th. The usual service will be held at the Cathedral at 11 a.m. and will be attended by the whole School. The lunch will be at the Grand Hotel, starting at 12-30.

Ladies are especially invited to both functions, and it is hoped to have a good representation of Parents and Old Boys. The price of the lunch is 5/-, including ordinary service. No tickets will be issued, but those intending to be present should notify the Hon. General Secretary (Mr. A. L. Powell, 29, South Drive, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester 21), not later than Saturday, January 18th.

The following appeal has been sent out to all Old Hulmeians whose names are on the Association list of members:—"Last year an appeal was made to Old Hulmeians to help the School Collection to reach its previous high level in order to enable the Hulme Lads' Club to continue its most valuable work. This appeal succeeded in its object. The amount donated by Old Hulmeians, apart from regular subscriptions to the Club, was £69 18s. 6d. The Parents' Association contributed a little over £8, and the grand total of the collection was £318 8s. 3d., compared with £323 in the previous year. The Club has thus been enabled to carry on.

Its need is now, however, even greater than last year's. For obvious reasons connected with the war, the amount of subscriptions has diminished. Can you, in spite of the heavy demands made on your purse and banking account, help the Club to continue to do a work of increasing benefit and value to the neighbourhood in which it is situated?

Donations may be sent either to the Secretary of the Club (Mr. H. Hough, O.H.) or to Mr. A. L. Powell.

Offers of personal service at the Club on any night of the week will also be welcomed."

A. L. P.

The Cambridge Old Hulmeians Association.

This year started well with the addition to our ranks of an Open Exhibitioner, in the person of A. L. Dennis. He is now up at Peterhouse, where he has recently won a Choral Exhibition, and is reading Law.

G. W. E. Stark has been appointed Secretary of St. Catharine's Musical Society, in which he is endeavouring to induce the belief that some music of worth has been written since Brahms. College societies are extraordinarily conservative.

It is believed that H. Cartwright and R. C. Spooner are engaged on Government work, though it is not known what work, or where it is being done. Nor could it be disclosed if it were known.

G. W. E. S.

Oxford Old Hulmeians.

October found the University very much in being and in spite of much reduced numbers, Oxford still retains most of its peacetime attractions for the undergraduate in the spheres of work, and elsewhere. Indeed, though the O.T.C. figures prominently in most people's time-tables, academic work goes on steadily.

Our numbers are two fewer than those of last year, but we hope they will not diminish until 1942, if then.

We have evidence that Wilks (B.N.C.) has been on the river. So far he has not, we believe, made closer acquaintance with it.

Weeks (B.N.C.) has represented the college at squash and is rapidly making

good at table tennis. He does a lot of work as well. Of Williams (St. Edmund Hall) our lone third year man, less has been seen.

Rumours of a "Midnight Tea Club" sound very attractive, but Williams is rather reticent about this. Wood (B.N.C.), though not a regular player in the league team, has played rugger on several occasions for the combined Brasenose and Christ Church team.

With important examinations for all of us next June, the shadow of work is ever present.

We hope to welcome many scholarship candidates at the end of the term and we extend to any Old Hulmeians who may be in the neighbourhood of Oxford on war service a warm invitation to visit us. So far this term, we have seen Corporal J. F. Weatherby (R.A.M.C.), and hope to see others in the future.

D. R. W.

Old Hulmeians Lacrosse.

As was expected, we opened the season by finding that many of last year's members had been called up or were now on duties which prevented them from playing. However, this loss has been compensated for by a useful contingent from School, and we have therefore been able to turn out two teams each week in a series of non-league matches, as we did last season. A few other clubs have not been so fortunate, but by temporarily joining together, they are managing to turn out teams. We have found, therefore, that although the number of opponents has diminished slightly, these amalgamations have led to some good teams, and we have played very enjoyable and keen games.

The first team, particularly, has so far had a very good season. The elected captain, N. R. Coe, has not yet been able to play, and the vice-captain, D. Sherratt, has only been able to play on alternate weeks. The defence has usually been very sound and was helped for a few weeks by the unexpected reappearance of G. W. Orr, awaiting his call-up to the R.A.F. R. J. Young has converted himself into a most effective goal-keeper, and N. E. Hawley has played some most adventurous games at wing defence, from whence he manages to score rather more goals than is customary. On the attack, J. Buckland is playing as well as ever, and now that S. Gill can turn out regularly the promise he showed last season is being fulfilled, and he is becoming a slippery and dangerous attack. The team continues to draw a vast amount of assistance from J. P. V. Woollam, who has again played on attack and has been a tower of strength. A most unexpected and welcome surprise was the reappearance after six years, of H. E. Howard. A. K. Westbrook, too, was able to turn out again for a few weeks before being called up to full-time Fire Service.

The "A" team consists largely of new members from School, although a few of last season's stalwarts are still available, notably L. A. Angell, J. F. Caldwell, W. A. Merchant, F. W. Cooper and B. T. Plaskett; P. Jones has returned to centre after a season's absence and most of these have occasionally appeared with credit on the first team. Among the new members from School who show promise are: A. Brundrett, J. Raines, M. Michaelides, W. J. Duerden and P. G. Fowler.

We still have room for a few more members as, now-a-days, enforced cry-offs are apt to crop up more frequently, and it has occasionally been difficult to turn out two full teams.

We would urge anyone who is able to do so to join at once and so help to keep the club, and through it, the Association at large, in as flourishing a condition as the times will permit.

RESULTS.

FIRST TEAM.

Oct.	12.—v. Cheadle Hulme	.....H	14-2
"	19.—v. Old Waconians	.....H	9-4
"	26.—v. Stockport Sunday School	.....H	8-5
Nov.	2.—v. Heaton Mersey	.....A	9-9
"	9.—v. Old Mancunians	.....A	9-3
"	16.—v. Cheadle	.....H	11-2
"	23.—v. Oldham	.....A	9-7

"A" TEAM.

Oct.	12.—v. Hulme Grammar School	.....A	1-14
"	19.—v. Heaton Mersey "A"	.....H	7-17
"	26.—v. Stockport Sunday School	.....A	6-12
Nov.	2.—v. University "A"	.....A	6-14
"	9.—v. Stockport Sunday School	.....H	—
"	16.—v. Heaton Mersey "A"	.....H	6-8
"	23.—v. Manchester Grammar School	.....A	2-22

J. M.

Parents' Association.

At a general meeting of parents held on May 16th last, it was resolved to form a Parents' Association. Officers and Committee were elected and will retire annually, but will be eligible for re-election provisional upon being a parent of a boy still attending the School. The Committee will meet quarterly.

After preparing a constitution the Committee notified the Governors and Headmaster of the formation of the Association, whose existence is now acknowledged and accepted with favour both by the Governors and the Headmaster of the School.

As parents, we have a useful function to perform, especially in these days, and our co-operation can effectively contribute to the well-being of the School. The need for such an organisation was experienced during the dark days of the School's evacuation last autumn, and had not some effort been put forward at that time to end the dilemma in which we were placed, the consequences would have been disastrous. The educational facilities offered by William Hulme's School constitute an essential part of the educational system of the city, and such independently governed schools should be encouraged.

Apart from the recall of the boys from evacuation, the first practical work of the Association has been to form a register of parents willing to assist boys who may be rendered homeless through enemy action. The response to the appeal for such assistance has been most gratifying. We now have homes offered for more than 250 boys, and a number of offers of financial help in respect of School fees, and the like. The formation of a register was but the first step in a more comprehensive scheme, the second part of which is now under consideration. The aim of our efforts is to ensure a home and a continuance of the education of any boy who may be in need.

Some suggestions may be prepared for the consideration of parents at the Annual Meeting, which, by the way, is fixed by the constitution to be held on the second Friday following the re-opening of the School after the Whitsun holiday.

W. W.

Oberammergau.

To have been present at Oberammergau on such a unique occasion as the day on which Hitler was voted into the Chancellory in succession to Hindenberg possibly may be

considered sufficient excuse for comment. The eternal quarrel between the spiritual and the temporal could hardly be more strikingly exemplified. One was brought face to face with the question whether this new militant aggressive demagogue, or the traditional national piety would prove triumphant.

It was not easy to get up before seven o'clock on the morning following one's arrival at Oberammergau after a sleepless journey straight from London; but it was necessary as the performance began at eight. On one's way to the Passion theatre one noticed the strange contrast between the outside walls of the cottages decorated with paintings of scriptural themes, the shop windows full of masterly wood-carvings of sacred subjects, and on the other hand the festoons and banners across the street announcing that the Passion Village had closed its ranks behind Adolf Hitler.

One entered the unique theatre, strangely like an immense aeroplane hangar outside, like an enormous unfinished and unfurnished cinema inside. In the distance was the stage, open to the sky. Then this wonderful play began, the story of the Crucifixion, told in ample detail, with colourful realistic costume, and all the devices of the most elaborate modern theatre, yet with a certain transcending simplicity of action which removed any trace of irreverence, vulgarity or insincerity. The performers, simple village folk in their everyday life, performed the most exalted of rôles with the competence borne of long years of training, one might almost say of vocation. Every ten years in normal times this play is performed by these villagers without outside help as the result of a vow made by their forbears three hundred years ago that, if spared the horrors of the plague, they would enact this sublime theme, that the memory of the supreme sacrifice should never pass from men. The play and the players were worthy of their unparalleled opportunity. Some actors

naturally had the more important rôles to play, but they did not outshine the others, for they were just part of the whole, the foreground of a composite picture in perfect perspective.

During the mid-day pause the scene changed, the silent spell-bound audience resolved itself into an animated throng heading for the polling-booths eager to record their votes. One wondered, were they all "yes" men.

Having arrived at the boarding-house one awaited the return of the German guests from recording their votes. It was noticeable that only a few gave the Hitler salute. Was this deference to the foreign visitors or indifference? Again one wondered.

Soon it was time to return for the afternoon session, even more moving and more sublime, as that incomparable theme passed to its final act, its unsurpassable close. One wandered away feeling almost that an epoch in one's life had closed, so unforgettable was the occasion, which was so unlikely to recur.

When darkness fell a beacon light was lit on the topmost peak of that narrow secluded valley. Whose victory was it to celebrate? Yet again, one wondered. K. P. T.

The Preparatory School Sports.

The Preparatory School sports were held on the School field on July 22nd.

The prize money this year was given to the British Red Cross Society, although certain small prizes were provided through the generosity of the parents of one of the boys.

Mrs. Shepherd, Commandant of the 58th Detachment of East Lancashire Red Cross, received subscriptions from the boys and kindly presented the prizes.

RESULTS.

FLAT RACE:—OVER 9: 1, I. C. Sutton; 2, J. C. Edwards; 3, J. C. Walters. UNDER 9: 1, G. B. Appleby; 2, J. G. Hallows; 3, D. W. Stone. UNDER 8: 1, D. W. Hannaford; 2, G. N. Hughes; 3, D. M. H. Wood. UNDER 7: 1, K. Wallace; 2, A. R. Dabbs; 3, T. Shorrocks. UNDER 7: 1, K. Clarke; 2, A. L. Powell; 3, J. E. Leeder.

SACK RACE:—OVER 9: 1, J. C. Edwards; 2, B. S. Barr; 3, I. C. Sutton. UNDER 9: 1, A. Pheasey; 2, G. B. Appleby; 3, D. W. Pogson. UNDER 8: 1, D. W. Hannaford; 2, T. Tweed; 3, D. M. Archer. UNDER 7: 1, A. R. Dabbs; 2, K. Wallace; 3, J. B. Roberts. UNDER 7: 1, K. Clarke; 2, B. S. Gribble; 3, J. E. Leeder.

OBSTACLE RACE:—OVER 9: 1, I. C. Sutton; 2, R. G. M'Cardell; 3, B. S. Barr. UNDER 9: 1, J. G. Hallows; 2, D. W. Stone; 3, G. B. Appleby. UNDER 8: 1, C. Elston; 2, T. Tweed; 3, D. M. H. Wood. UNDER 7: 1, A. R. Dabbs; 2, P. M. Charnley; 3, J. B. Roberts.

POTATO RACE:—UNDER 7: 1, K. Clarke; 2, J. E. Leeder; 3, W. A. Ray.

CHARIOT RACE:—OVER 9: 1, I. C. Sutton and J. C. Edwards; 2, R. F. Atkinson and N. D. Ross; 3, J. R. Chambers and K. Stewart. UNDER 9: 1, D. W. Pogson and C. B. Appleby; 2, J. G. Hallows and C. A. Danock; 3, P. E. Reeve and B. J. Stone. UNDER 8: 1, D. W. Hannaford and I. Scott Blain; 2, D. M. Archer and D. M. H. Wood; 3, G. N. Hughes and J. A. Hughes.

KANGAROO RACE:—UNDER 7: 1, A. R. Dabbs; 2, P. M. Charnley; 3, B. E. Reeve. UNDER 7: 1, J. E. Leeder; 2, K. Clarke; 3, B. S. Gribble.

HIGH JUMP:—OVER 9: 1, R. F. Atkinson; 2, K. Stewart; 3, N. D. Ross. UNDER 9: 1, G. B. Appleby; 2, A. Pheasey; 3, J. G. Hallows. UNDER 8: 1, D. M. Archer; 2, T. Tweed; 3, I. Scott Blain.

TEAM RACE:—Stevenson House.

VISITORS' RACE:—1, Shirley Stone; 2, Ronald Hunter.

CUPS.

TWELVES CHALLENGE CUP for boys over 9, won by I. C. Sutton.

DAVIES CHALLENGE CUP for boys under 9, won by G. B. Appleby.

SHIELD:—Barrie House.

The School War Savings Group.

On December 6th, the total amount paid in for stamps was £738 0s. 9d. From November 18th the Preparatory Department has had its own group, and since that date has saved £10 3s. 0d. Before November 18th it had saved £45 1s. 6d., which is included in the total above.

Football, 1940-41.

Starting the season with two old colours, there was naturally a good deal of team building to do.

None of the long-distance matches was arranged and this meant comparatively few fixtures. It was hoped in consequence to get more from fully representative House games, so that there would be available a bigger supply of reserves for the 1st and 2nd teams. To a certain extent this has been successful.

The 1st Fifteen has improved more as a team than individually, and they should give quite a good account of themselves. High tackling is perhaps the worst of the common faults. There are one or two very bad offenders in this respect.

At the time of writing these notes there has been a long interval without a match, but before the end of the term we have to meet King's School, Macclesfield, the Manchester Grammar School, away, and Cheadle Hulme School on our own ground. The results of these games will show whether the improvement has been maintained.

Once more we are indebted to Mr. Young for refereeing our home games—this in spite of his arduous A.R.P. duties.

Team: G. W. Battersby (captain), C. H. W. Hirs (vice-captain), J. D. Robson, J. D. Boardman, P. J. Croxford, H. J. Abraham, P. C. Wilkinson, M. F. Wood, F. J. Whelan, C. P. Dockeray, L. F. Benson, H. S. Elbourne, P. Cloughley, J. W. West, G. S. Alvey. Also played: C. Clay, D. G. Bayliss.

RESULTS.

September 21st. v. A MANCHESTER REGIMENT XV. Home. Lost 0—54.

Our opponents carried the game into our half straight after the kick-off, where the forwards had most of the game except when the opposing backs made a few dashes for our line. Our backs managed to stop these first rushes, until they went over for a try after ten minutes. After another try had been scored our forwards managed to get the ball back from a line-out and, after a hard run, we succeeded in getting within ten yards of the opponents' goal-line, but we were not able to follow this up, and by half-time the score was 26—0 against us. In the second half the superior weight and speed of our opponents proved too much for us.

September 29th. v. CHEADLE HULME SCHOOL. Away. Won 17—11.

We lost the toss and began playing uphill against the wind, but we soon made our way into our opponents' 25. The backs got the ball across the line often, but they were not able to find a spare man, and after ten minutes we were driven back into our own 25. Our opponents scored a try which had resulted from a loose "scrum." Deter-

mined as we were to reverse the position, another try resulted against us, and this was converted. Just before half-time we scored a goal, which made the score 5—8. After half-time we had the wind with us and this proved a great help. We made our way into our opponents' half by kicking high and following up, and soon after half-time we made the score even by a penalty kick. This seemed to inspire our forwards and they scored another try from one of their rushes.

J. D. Robson, P. Cloughley, G. W. Battersby, and J. W. West scored tries, while P. C. Wilkinson converted a try and kicked a penalty goal.

October 2nd. *v.* AN OLD HULMEIANS XV.
Lost 9—16.

In the first half the backs made one or two good movements, but always failed to get over the line, and as had happened before, our opponents scored first. This lead was reduced a little before half-time. After half-time the Old Boys scored twice before the School backs had a good run down the field, and after a loose scrum Boardman touched down for a try near the touch line. This was followed by a determined run on the wing by Cloughley, who succeeded in scoring a try on the other touch line. The Old Boys replied to this by another goal just before full time. The scorers for the School were Battersby, Boardman and Cloughley.

October 19th. *v.* MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1ST XV. Lost 0—26.

For the fourth time in succession Hulme lost the toss and had to play against the wind during the first half. Manchester's forwards pressed very hard during the first few minutes and they succeeded in tempting the over anxious defenders to get themselves off-

side, and consequently they scored an early penalty goal; a few minutes later they repeated this score. The Manchester backs were a little faster than the home backs, but they were not able to take all the chances their energetic forwards offered them, thus, most of the scoring was done by the forwards. Towards the end of the first half Hulme pressed hard into their opponents' 25, but the final push did not profit.

After half-time Hulme worked hard and succeeded in putting two attacking moves into operation, but after twenty minutes' hard playing Manchester managed to push through again and they scored three tries in the last ten minutes. It could be seen from this game that our forwards did not keep on the ball as they ought to, and it is to be hoped that they learnt a few hints for our next match.

October 30th. *v.* MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY "A" XV. Won 23—3.

Although we lost the toss again we were given the advantage of a very useful wind in the first half. The forwards took the game into the University 25, but they were not able to heel the ball quickly enough, consequently the backs were not able to score, but after fifteen minutes the three-quarters passed the ball along the line to West, who, after rounding his man, ran hard from the half-way line for a try. Soon after we managed to cross our opponents' goal line for another try, and by half-time we were 13 points ahead.

After half time we realised what a help the wind had been to us; nevertheless the forwards continued to play more as a pack than they had done in the previous match. Although the forwards had most of the game, all our scoring was done by the backs.

When the final whistle went we had scored four goals and a try to a try; West, Cloughley and Battersby scored the tries and Battersby converted four tries.

SECOND TEAM.

September 28th. v. CHEADLE HULME SCHOOL. Home. Won 57—0.

October 19th. v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. Lost 3—6.

October 30th. v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY "B." Home. Lost 3—35.

We began the season with a rather experimental side, after only two practices, and it was fortunate that the opposition was so weak. In spite of the apparently overwhelming score, the School played very badly, and scarcely any combined play was noticeable. In the match against the Grammar School, after an early try against us, the game developed into a forward scrap, with very little to choose between two rather crude sides. Shortly before time we equalised, but a few moments later the Grammar School got over again. Although this was a better game than the first, the backs had enough chances to win the game.

Against the University "B" side things seemed to go wrong when least expected, and territorially we had a fair share of the game. The greater inciseiveness of the opposition centres caused most of the trouble.

The following have played:—L. Robertson, J. R. Whitaker, A. Moores, D. F. E. Ginever, B. Rourke, H. Milgate, C. Clay, N. G. Bullivant, E. Hubbert, I. J. Smith, S. S. Wilson, W. P. Metcalfe, B. S. Waltho, G. C. Lever, E. H. J. R. Goss, E. Roberts, G. S. Alvey, D. S. Hewet, A. Miller, F. G. Higgins, S. R. Souter.

UNDER FIFTEEN TEAM.

The "Under Fifteen" XV. has not had a very successful season, four games having been lost and one won. They have usually been heavily overweighted; but though they have played some good football more pace and determination are needed. The team is now:—P. H. Richards; F. A. Spooner, A. R. Hall (captain), G. T. Shirlin, D. W. Hilton; T. K. Robinson, E. G. Williams; G. S. Todd, K. G. McGhee, M. H. Fisher, W. G. Gibson, D. K. Partington, F. Cawley, A. M. Flett, D. Buckland. B. S. Galloway also played.

RESULTS.

v. CHEADLE HULME SCHOOL. Lost 3—17.

v. ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE. Won 8—5.

v. MANCHESTER G.S. Lost 0—14.

v. AUDENSHAW G.S. Lost 0—18.

v. KING'S SCHOOL, MACCLESFIELD. Lost 0—6.

Lacrosse, 1940.

This year's School team is still suffering from last year's lack of practice, and the chief fault is inaccurate passing. With only one exception no player can give a pass within yards of the man it is intended for and, consequently, forcing from the defence, which has been the one bright feature, is wasted by passes that sail yards over the head of the intended recipient.

'Crosses are being held too loosely and no player is of any use to the team who races about the field swinging his 'crosse about with one hand. When in possession of the ball, a player must hold his 'crosse firmly,

and keep it still and close to the body. Flicking the ball about in ground struggles generally results in a gratuitous pass to an opponent. When the ball is on the ground attack players should go for the ball firmly, and not try to pick it up by pulling the ball back into the 'crosse. The attack is weak and nervous and constantly crowd round the man in possession, instead of drawing away and giving him a chance to round his man without being checked by the rest of the defence. Every player on the attack should be used when in a position to take a pass, so that the ball does not "die" in the 'crosse of one man every time the defence clear.

The defence is fast and strong, though one or two have to run the length of the field before they can get rid of the ball. The goalkeeping should be good but has not always been 100 per cent.

We won our first match against a very inexperienced Old Boys "A" team, but lost the next two against Manchester Grammar School by the same score 4—7, chiefly through weak finishing on the attack and a reluctance to shoot. This same weakness brought about our defeat against the University "A" team, but we managed to beat Cheadle Hulme School by 6 goals to 3.

1ST XII. RESULTS.

October 12th. v. OLD HULMEIANS "A." Home. Won 14—1.

This was our first match, and we were anxious to see how the team would settle down. Although the result was very much in our favour, we had many faults. The School played hard against heavier but inexperienced opponents, and our defence was never really tested. The handling of our attack was not good, and many movements were spoiled by bad passing and catching.

October 26th. v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. Lost 4—7.

This match was close throughout, and was lost because our attack would not realise that goals can be scored by hard shooting. They tried persistently, but not very successfully, to make a free man, and usually lost the ball in the process. Our defence played well under heavy pressure, and Cloughley did well in goal. In the second half the attack worked better and had quite a lot of the game, but still would not shoot.

November 9th. v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. Lost 4—7.

School started well and attacked hard in the first few minutes. One or two good chances were missed, but we got the first goal after ten minutes. Manchester soon equalised, and the game, played in pouring rain, was very even up to half-time, when we were one goal down. Defence work was exceedingly difficult on such a muddy ground, but in spite of this our defence should have marked more closely when their men were within shooting distance. In the second half Manchester got two more goals, and though they worked hard our attack could not score again.

November 16th. v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY "A." Away. Lost 5—7.

The weather conditions were a pleasant change from the previous Saturday. University started quickly, and scored twice in the first few minutes. Then the defence settled down and began to feed the attack, but they only scored once in the first half. Meantime University pressed hard and kept the defence busy. After half-time we had most of the game, but again could not finish properly. The attack has not yet learnt when to shoot, and frequently missed chances through delay.

November 23rd. v. CHEADLE HULME SCHOOL. Home. Won 6—3.

The attack showed more promise at the beginning of this game, though chances were missed by poor finishing. Cheadle Hulme scored first but we soon equalised, and the first half was very even. A mistake by the defence gave Cheadle Hulme an easy goal, and a half-time lead of 3—2. The defence has been the strongest part of the team all the season, but should avoid a tendency to clear the ball across the front of goal, instead of safely up the wings. In the third quarter the attack suddenly came to life and scored three quick goals, and added another in the last quarter.

The team has been: G. W. Battersby (captain), M. F. Wood, J. D. Boardman, P. Cloughley, H. J. Abraham, D. S. Hewet, L. F. Benson, P. J. Croxford, L. Robertson, J. D. Robson, N. G. Bullivant, A. R. Rodgers. Also played: N. L. Galloway, J. W. West, J. R. Whitaker.

SECOND TEAM.

October 26th. v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. Lost 6—8.

November 9th. v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. Won 11—3.

November 16th. v. CHEADLE HULME SCHOOL. Home. Won 11—3.

November 23rd. v. STOCKPORT SCHOOL. Home. Won 4—2.

Of the four matches played this term three have been won and one lost.

In the return match with Manchester Grammar School, in spite of a very wet day, the attack livened up and handled well. Most of the valiant attempts made by our opponents' attack were held and thrown back by our weighty defence.

Having gained confidence from the previous match, the whole team combined well for a victory over Cheadle Hulme School.

A well-fought game was played against Stockport School, who owed much to some fine goalkeeping by their captain.

Price, Rourke and Galloway have played well in the attack; while in defence Wilkinson and Ginever have held their men well. West, whose handling could be improved, is a determined centre.

When the first team have settled their side we shall be able to keep to one team, and there seems every probability of a good season ahead.

Team: G. S. Alvey (captain), C. Clay, H. Milgate, P. C. Wilkinson, B. S. Waltho, O. F. E. Ginever, J. W. West, H. N. Stark, B. Rourke, F. J. Whelan, D. J. Price. Also played: S. R. Souter, J. R. Whitaker and A. R. Rodgers.

UNDER 15 TEAMS.

The junior teams are showing considerable promise and are playing with commendable zeal and energy. It is all the greater pity, therefore, that their 'crosse handling is not better. If this were improved—which could quite easily be done by constant passing and catching practice between friends, or against a blank wall at home—this year's teams would be among the best of recent years. In particular, the improvement in the standard of defensive play is worthy of special mention. The straying of defence players too far from their own goal is now rarely seen, with the result that the opposing attacks are compelled to operate in a limited space, and if one of them beats his man there are other defences near enough to prevent a free passage to goal. The "forcing," too, is good, but is marred by the comparatively

poor passing and catching when the free man has been made. In this connection it should always be remembered that a free man is wasted unless he is given the ball immediately, as a quick witted defence will attend to this danger without delay.

All players are to be commended on the fighting spirit shown this season. This was particularly evident in the third match with Manchester G.S. when, in atrocious weather conditions, the team as a whole played delightful and spirited 'crosse in turning a 5—8 deficit at half-time into an 11—9 win.

The first team has played Manchester G.S. "U. 15" three times (12—6, 4—9, 11—9), and Cheadle Hulme School "U. 15" (8—0), and has usually been: D. Buckland, E. P. Cosslett, A. D. Crompton, B. S. Galloway, A. R. Hall (captain), M. Hazell, P. H. Richards, T. K. Robinson, G. H. Robson, F. A. Spooncer, G. S. Todd, and E. G. Williams.

The following have played for the second team against Manchester G.S. "U. 15" 2nd (11—1 and 5—1): A. C. Bryan, K. R. Bullock, F. Cawley (captain), M. H. Fisher, A. M. Flett, W. G. Gibson, F. S. W. Gill, D. W. Hilton, J. F. Kay, G. C. Martin, K. G. McGhee, J. T. Norris, A. J. Standring, J. C. Unsworth.

House Games, 1940.

House Games have been well attended this term, but when there have been School matches it has been very difficult to get full sides for the Senior House Games and for the Under 14 "A" games. The quality of the play in the "A" games has consequently suffered. Short Footer lectures at 4 o'clock were introduced rather late in the term in an

effort to improve the standard of play, and it is hoped to continue this idea seriously with Lacrosse and Sports next term.

Several of the masters, who refereed the House games regularly, have been called up, and we have had to call upon prefects and seniors to referee junior games rather often, but they have been very keen and helpful. The ground has been very good throughout the term and we have had none of the annoying "Touch Footer." We played on every half-holiday until mid-term, and since then the weather has cancelled games on three occasions.

Heywood have been first in the House League since the beginning of the term. Their first team has several big and useful players who are not on School teams, and they have only lost two games. The junior team is weaker; it has several promising players, but they should combine better, with more team spirit.

Byrom are challenging Heywood strongly for first place. Again, the first team is good, having some tall and experienced players, but Byrom loses many stalwarts for School games. The juniors are much weaker and should concentrate more on the game.

Few points have separated Dalton and Whitworth, generally they are about 20 points behind the leaders. Both first teams suffer badly when there are School matches, but are very strong when they have full sides. Dalton juniors have been somewhat erratic and have not backed up W. G. Gibson and H. W. Hall, who have played well. Whitworth juniors have been very strong again this term, only losing two games. P. W. Watkins and T. Wrigley have played hard and have been well supported.

December, 1940.

Fraser have lost several matches recently, after starting the season well. Their first team is a heavy side, and has several useful players not on School teams. The junior team is rather small, but is very enthusiastic with a good idea of the game. Both have won and lost an equal number of games.

Gaskell have had a disheartening season. They have no less than thirteen players on School teams; their first is a very small side, but R. A. Gardener and J. B. Roberts have worked hard; several promising young players on the junior team have not had much support from the rest of the side.

All the games have been very keen and there are some very promising players on all sides—a good sign for the future.

The positions at the moment, in the House League, are:—1, Heywood (98 pts.); 2, Byrom (86); 3, Dalton (78); 4, Whitworth (72); 5, Fraser (58); 6, Gaskell (28).

Byrom defeated Dalton (20—3), in the Senior Knock-out Final. Dalton were unlucky as G. W. Battersby was unable to play, and what promised to be an even game was a fairly easy victory for Byrom. It was a forwards' game, both sides packing well; the Dalton threes combined well and played hard, but the Byrom side was superior. Dalton juniors played well together, stopping many forward rushes and they won the Junior Knock-out (19—3), against Byrom.

Senior House colours for football have been awarded to:—

Byrom: H. S. Elbourne, M. H. Fisher, G. D. Hansom, G. C. Lever, C. H. Nesbitt, P. G. Reynolds, G. B. Warburton, J. C. White, J. P. I. Tyas.

Dalton: J. A. Burt, A. R. Hall, J. G. K. Hughes, W. P. Metcalfe, D. K. Partington, R. J. Salthouse, G. C. Waters.

Fraser: D. G. Bayliss, J. H. Dye, D. Gibson, L. D. James, G. Kettlewell, H. H. W. Litway, R. A. Onions, J. W. West.

Gaskell: R. O. Davies, K. G. McGhee, H. P. Redfearn, P. H. Richards, J. B. Roberts, M. L. Robinson, T. K. Robinson, B. Rourke, J. F. Spong, G. S. Todd.

Heywood: V. Fairhurst, G. S. Hall, E. Roberts, L. Robertson, B. R. Robinson, F. H. Turner, J. R. Whitaker.

Whitworth: K. R. Cleland, R. Forsyth, E. M. E. Michael, D. J. Price, G. T. Shirlin, J. H. Vessey.

Cricket, 1940.

FIRST ELEVEN MATCHES.

v. KING EDWARD VII., LYTHAM.

July 17th. Away. Draw. Score:—

SCHOOL.

K. Halstead, b Collins	11
A. L. Dennis, b Taylor	92
G. W. Battersby, b Taylor	11
H. Kay, lbw b Nuttall	19
H. J. Abraham, c Pogson b Taylor	6
A. R. Rodgers, c Tyrer b Taylor	10
G. C. Waters, c Walmsley b Taylor	0
D. S. Hewet, b Nuttall	3
P. Cloughley, not out	19
H. G. Edwards, c Slater b Nuttall	0
E. Hubbert, lbw b Taylor	2
Extras	13

Total 176

KING EDWARD VII., LYTHAM.

E. Nuttall, b Kay	45
L. C. Slater, c Battersby b Kay	26
D. Pogson, c Abraham b Rodgers	11
A. A. A. Tyrer, not out	13
J. W. P. Taylor, lbw b Kay	0
W. P. B. Taylor, not out	5
Extras	9

Total (for 4 wks.) 109

v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1ST XI.

July 20th. Home. Won by 4 runs.

Score :—

SCHOOL.

K. Halstead, run out	6
A. L. Dennis, b Robertson	41
G. W. Battersby, b Parry	9
H. J. Abraham, c Perry b Robertson	3
A. R. Rodgers, not out	29
G. C. Waters, b Holden	1
P. Cloughley, b Robertson	1
D. S. Hewet, c Sawyer b Holden	5
E. Hubbert, run out	5
H. G. Edwards, b Holden	0
J. M. Hilton, b Robertson	1
Extras	13
Total	114

MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1ST XI.

D. Perry, lbw b Cloughley	16
K. L. Young, b Rodgers	3
E. R. Morrison, hit wkt. b Battersby	8
T. B. Sawyer, c Dennis b Hilton	20
N. Robertson, run out	16
A. J. Holden, run out	1
D. R. Spry, c Hilton b Rodgers	0
E. N. Calvert, c Hilton b Rodgers	31
E. G. E. Parry, run out	7
A. Gilmour, not out	2
S. R. Townsend, b Rodgers	0
Extras	6
Total	110

UNDER 15.

July 20th. v. MANCHESTER G.S.—Home.
Won. W.H.G.S. : 62; M.G.S. : 60 (Buckland 5 wickets for 8, Rourke 5 for 32).

July 24th. v. MANCHESTER G.S.—Home.
Won. W.H.G.S. : 90 (Buckland 27, Cosslett 16, Richards 15; M.G.S. : 56 (Rourke 8 wickets for 22 runs).

