



The Magazine of William Hulme's Grammar School

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Notes and News.

Miss E. M. Walker leaves us at the end of this term to take up a post with the Whalley Range High School for Girls. We are sorry to lose her services, and wish her success and happiness in her new appointment. She came to the School in September, 1942.

We extend a welcome to Mrs. C. A. Hutchinson, B.A. Hons., Natural Sciences, Newnham College, Cambridge, Miss S. Harris, B.A. Hons., London, and Mr. F. Wardle, M.A., First Class Honours in English, Manchester University, all of whom joined the Staff at the beginning of this term.

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

Higher School Certificates: F. D. Bell, E. H. J. R. Goss, A. R. Hall, R. G. Jenkin, G. Kettlewell, R. S. Mahomed, A. Ogilvy (Pure and Applied Mathe-

matics, Physics), J. B. Roberts, L. Robertson, G. T. Shirlin (Physics), H. G. Harvey, H. A. Jones (Geography), A. W. Peers, G. S. Todd, P. W. Watkins, M. Broady, T. H. Dakin, G. S. Hall, P. S. Hewitt, K. G. McGhee, D. J. Price, T. K. Robinson, A. G. Smith.

School Certificates: B. Blades, D. W. Bowett (History, French), J. N. Brookes (History), R. W. Crouchley (Mathematics), C. P. F. Curtis (French, History), H. D. Ellenor (History), N. Fletcher, T. C. Gibbon (English Language), A. Greenhalgh, B. A. Grimshaw, I. B. Hopley, D. W. Johnston, G. Jones, T. H. Jones (English Language, French), K. A. Joysey, J. Midgley, H. Morgan (English Literature, History, French, Latin, Mathematics, Additional Mathematics, Chemistry), J. T. Norris (Mathematics, Physics), J. S. Robertson, J. B. Schumm, E. G. Smith (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, History, French), J. S. Stacey, D. H. Tune, L. T. P. Wood, T. Wrigley, H. Yates, H. K. W. Barrow (Mathematics, General Science), G. Carbert (Geography, French), N. Collighan (General Science), E. P. Cosslett, R. Davidson, G. A. Haines, M. Hazell, F. S. Jones (Geography, General Science), D. L. King (Mathematics, Additional Mathematics, General Science), A. W. Lindsay, W. W. Marshall (English Language, Geography, German, French),

J. M. Mather (Geography), H. M. McKerlie, R. L. Pellatt (General Science), B. A. Todd, J. R. Valentine (Geography), P. M. Warburton, E. G. Williams, D. A. Badel (General Science), D. Bickerton, K. Z. Ord, P. Sanig (French, History), G. A. Suley, E. J. O. Taylor, R. Wilson.

The Prefects for the year are:— D. K. Partington (Head Prefect), P. H. Richards, M. Broady, K. G. McGhee, T. H. Dakin, A. R. Hall, G. T. Shirlin, A. Ogilvy, G. Wilkinson, F. T. Morley, E. G. Williams.

A. Ogilvy has been awarded a Manchester City Scholarship, and G. T. Shirlin a Scholarship for the Technical College.

F. D. Bell has been awarded a State Bursary, and has taken up Engineering at Leeds University.

Old Hulmeians are asked to note that, on Founder's Day, Wednesday, January 26th, a service will be held in the Cathedral at 11 a.m., when Dr. Garfield Williams, the Dean of Manchester, will preach the sermon.

The Tuesday afternoon entertainments are to be resumed next term when black-out restrictions permit.

The Masters and Fellows of University College have, on the recommendation of the Board of the Faculty of Medicine, awarded a Dr. John Radcliffe prize of £100 to D. R. Wood of Brasenose College, Oxford.

Mr. W. H. Thomson's furniture repairing has been proceeding apace this term, and the boys of the repair squad have willingly given up much of their spare time to further this work. Since this job was taken on, no fewer than twelve new desks have been made out of old material, and many others have undergone various degrees of repair. These activities have involved the use of the lathe for producing replacement parts, and where metal brackets have been thought necessary, these have been made and fixed. Much of the final smoothing of the wood has been done by means of an electric sand-papering machine loaned by an interested friend of the School.

In football and lacrosse P. H. Richards has been made captain, with A. R. Hall as vice-captain.

The War Savings Collection for the term amounts to almost £300.

The Governors of the School have made the following awards to boys in the School:—

Elementary School Scholarships, tenable for two years; G. Jones, L. T. P. Wood, D. L. King, R. S. McCreary; for three years, to P. Milgate.

Foundation Scholarships tenable for one year; K. G. McGhee, P. H. Richards, P. W. Watkins, A. Ogilvy, D. Watkins, R. P. Handford, B. C. Roberts, D. K. Partington; tenable for two years, D. W. Bowett, C. P. F. Curtis, A. Greenhalgh, I. B. Hopley, J. T. Norris, H. Yates, G. Carbert, J. R. Valentine, D. A. Badel, H. M. McKerlie, D. Bickerton, P. Sanig, K. Z. Ord, J. S. Robertson, J. B. Schumm, D. A. Hart, G. A. Suley, R. Wilson; tenable for three years, F. G. Halliwell, M. Delany, A. Morley, J. Lunt, D. F. Walthew, B. A. Maguire, D. M. Schlapp, A. F. Crowther, J. G. Wood, B. S. Hicklenton.

Leaving Exhibitions: L. Robertson and R. G. Jenkin, who are proceeding to Oxford University, and G. Kettlewell, who is taking up his studies at Manchester University.

Calendar for Lent Term:—

The term will begin on Thursday, January 13th, at nine o'clock.

Mid-term Holiday will be on February 25th, 26th and 28th.

The Term will end on Tuesday, April 4th, at four o'clock. The Easter Holiday will extend from Tuesday, April 4th, at four o'clock, to Tuesday, April 18th, at nine o'clock.

The Examinations for Scholarships for Elementary School Boys, Foundation Scholarships, Special Places, etc., will be held on April 14th and 15th, beginning at 9 a.m. each day. The Entrance Examination for Michaelmas Term will be held at the same time.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following School Magazines:—*The King's School Magazine* (Macclesfield), *The Waconian* (2), *The Savilian*.

BIRTHS.

LUCKMAN.—On August 13th, 1943, at Withington Hospital, a daughter to Eva and Frank Luckman.

KERSHAW.—On Tuesday, September 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Kershaw, a son. 33, Kenilworth Road, Firs Park, Sale.

HEADEY.—On November 14th, to Ruth and Harold Headey, a son. 6, Dale Avenue, Bramhall.

CLAYTON.—On November 17th, to Dorcas, wife of Lieut. K. B. Clayton, R.N.V.R., a son. Longmeadow, Links Lane, Rowlands Castle, Hants.

MARRIAGES.

DANDEKER—BOGAERT.—On July 19th, 1943, at the Church of The Assumption, Torquay, ARJUN (Sergt., R.A.F.V.R.), younger son of Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Dandeker, Langfield Avenue, Whalley Range, to YVONNE, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Camille J. Bogaert, June Court, Torquay.

HUGON—CUNNINGHAM.—On September 6th, MARTIN ALFRED ANDREWS HUGON, only son of the late Mr. J. A. Andrews and Mrs. Andrews, to MARGARET STRANG CUNNINGHAM, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cunningham, both of Withington.

HALLIDAY—WILSON.—On November 15th, at St. John's, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Pilot Officer LEONARD ROBSON HALLIDAY, R.A.F.V.R., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Halliday, of Victoria Park, to MARIE PATRICIA, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Sherbourne Wilson, of Edge Lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy.

DEATHS.

HAWLEY.—In July, 1943, killed in action, RUPERT HAWLEY, Sergt., Intelligence Corps, M.E.F., only beloved son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Richard Hawley, of 185, King's Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester 21.

ROY.—On October 22nd, in Buenos Aires, South America, ARTHUR HARDEN, aged 34 years, younger son of the late W. H. and E. J. Roy, of Grosvenor Road, Whalley Range, Manchester.

SCAMMELL.—In October, the result of an aircraft accident, JOHN COSSON SCAMMELL, elder son of Bertram and Olive Scammell, of 59, Albany Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy.

Roll of Honour.

FRANK ALEXANDER CARTER (1933), Captain, Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, has been killed in action. Captain Carter, who had joined the Territorials before the war, went to France with the B.E.F. at the end of September, 1939, and was at the evacuation of Dunkirk. Later he was in Iraq and in the Middle East. His brother officers write, "His cheerfulness, his gallantry in action, his efficiency and the way he had with his men make him virtually irreplaceable. His death is a great blow to his troop and the whole regiment, but his personality remains in the men he trained."

RUPERT HAWLEY (1935), Sergeant, Intelligence Corps, was killed in action in July.

JOHN COSSON SCAMMELL (1927), R.A.F., the result of an aircraft accident.

Arthur Harden Roy.

The death of A. H. Roy, in Buenos Aires, in October, after a long and wearying illness, made very sad news for those who knew him at School. He was a great gentleman, a loyal friend, and a man whose noble view of life seemed sometimes in ill-accord with the spirit of the world to-day, and contrasted strangely with those amongst whom he had to work and live.

He left School in 1924, the death of his parents having made it impossible for him to go on to the sixth forms. Even so, he had matured early, and he already had a profound love of scholarship which, in happier circumstances, would certainly have led to a distinguished university career and a life probably devoted to his favourite subject, English Literature. Instead of that, he took a post in a counting-house, and it is a remarkable tribute to the way he faced his difficulties, that he was sent, in his earliest twenties, as chief cashier in South America for one of Manchester's leading industrial concerns. In Argentina he became not only successful in a difficult and responsible post, but also showed an example of the best type of Britisher to serve his country overseas. In 1939, when he was last home, he was already a sick man, and he only returned to Buenos Aires after receiving medical advice to the effect that he would never be accepted for the Forces. During the war he served his country well in helping to maintain our export trade in increasingly difficult conditions in a none-too-friendly neutral land, and with the ever-increasing burden of an incurable disease which would have broken the spirits of lesser men. He came of a distinguished family. His maternal uncle won a Nobel prize, and all his family reflected an atmosphere of culture. He never married, and had to face his difficulties alone, but those who knew him realised that, though his lot had fallen in places he would not have chosen, his fine determination and uprightness of mind succeeded in making a striking, yet gracious success, of a life that has ended all too soon.

D. LI. G.

Speech Day.

At the Annual Speech Day ceremony, held in the School Hall on Monday, July 26th, it was pleasing to see among the many visitors a good sprinkling of Old Boys home on leave from service with H.M. Forces. Canon Woolnough, Chairman of the Governors, presided, while Mr. F. A. Willink, a trustee of the Hulme Trust, presented the prizes and gave the address.

The Chairman opened the proceedings with a few words, and then asked the Head Master, Mr. Trevor

Dennis, to give his report on the School's work during the year. Commenting on the increased demands on education facilities, Mr. Dennis thought it was due to the fact that everybody was now employed, and he thought that, if in the future there was no unemployment, education would flourish as never before. There were 475 boys attending the School, and next term there would be fifty or sixty more. Indeed, it had not been possible to accept all who applied for entrance. Mention was made of the successful running of the many School activities; games had been well attended, we had had a successful entertainments season, and the Junior Training Corps had received a very favourable report from the War Office. The Head Master also reported that 479 Old Boys had, up to date, been recorded as serving with the Forces, and 29 were known to have given their lives.

Presenting the prizes, Mr. F. A. Willink referred to the friendships and associations made by boys during their years at School. Among these associations was that of the "old school tie" which had much to commend it, and between which and the trade union button there was no difference. The speaker emphasised the importance of the desire to learn, and he looked forward to educational reforms, welcoming the reference in the recent White Paper to religious education.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

THE VLIES MODERN LANGUAGES PRIZE for Sixth Forms: M. Broady.

C. G. DEHN HISTORY PRIZE for Sixth Forms: G. S. Hall.

F. DEHN CLASSICAL PRIZE for Sixth Forms: P. W. Watkins.

THE WILLIAMSON SCIENCE PRIZE for Sixth Forms: A. Ogilvy.

THE LYMER MATHEMATICAL PRIZE for Sixth Forms: G. T. Shirlin.

THE HEWLETT GEOGRAPHY PRIZE for Sixth Forms: H. A. Jones.

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

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

THE HEWLETT GEOGRAPHY PRIZE for Fifth Forms: W. W. Marshall.

THE ASPINALL PRIZE for Religious Knowledge: 1, R. G. Jenkin; 2, J. W. N. Glover.

THE ODDY PRIZE: L. Robertson.

THE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PRIZE: Equal, T. K. Robinson and K. G. McGhee.

THE FORREST PRIZE for Writing: G. A. Anderson.

THE CAIGER PRIZE for the Middle School: I. A. Carter.

ART PRIZES: Fifth Forms, D. Bickerton; Fourth Forms, I. A. Carter; Third Forms, A. Wilkinson;

Second Forms, T. J. Moulson; First Forms, C. A. Smith.

FORM PRIZES.

VI. C.M.U.: 1, G. S. Hall; 2, K. G. McGhee.

VI. S.U.: 1, A. Ogilvy; 2, G. T. Shirlin.

VI. C.M.L.: 1, D. Watkins; 2, B. Mead.

VI. S.L.: 1, R. P. Handford; 2, B. C. Roberts.

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

V. B.: 1, D. L. King; 2, W. W. Marshall.

V. C.: 1, P. Sanig; 2, D. A. Badel.

IV. A.: 1, J. G. Edwards; 2, J. P. Chilton.

IV. B.: 1, J. N. McManus; 2, H. R. Crewdson.

III. A.: 1, B. T. Gibson; 2, A. J. Benson.

III. B.: 1, A. Wilkinson; 2, A. F. Crowther.

III. C.: 1, J. Shaw; 2, D. R. Wood.

II. A.: 1, C. L. Brown; 2, G. Carter.

II. B.: 1, J. W. Handford; 2, A. Cashmore.

II. C.: 1, W. J. Birch; 2, J. F. Stevenson.

I. A.: 1, D. W. Booth; 2, B. J. Balderson.

I. B.: 1, D. Bate; 2, J. Allan.

I. C.: 1, L. Adamson; 2, J. O. Adamson.

Lower I.: 1, D. M. Archer; 2, J. G. Hallows.

Preparatory School: 1, K. Wallace; 2, J. B. Roberts. Special Prize: B. E. Reeve.

Old Hulmeians serving with H.M. Forces.

In publishing yet another list of Old Hulmeians serving in His Majesty's Forces we again thank all who have kindly sent in information. As several people have expressed an uncertainty as to whom they should write, we would explain that any communication addressed to the Head Master or to Mr. Barber or to Mr. Anderson (the Editor) at the School will be appreciated, and will receive attention.

(The date given with each name in the following list is the year of leaving School.)

Appleby, D. H. (1943), P.T.W.
 Barritt, G. E. (1939), R.A.F.
 Blair, C. (1939), Second-Lieutenant, R.A.F.
 Brierley, K. (1940), Trooper, Royal Gloucestershire Hussars.
 Brown, K. F. (1939), Sergeant, R.A.F.
 Butterworth, B. (1939), Marine Craft Section, R.A.F.
 Clements, A. J. (1939), R.A.F.
 Cloughley, P. (1942), R.N.V.R.
 Craddock, R. (1937), Royal Corps of Signals.
 Crompton, I. A. (1938), Second-Lieutenant, R.A.S.C.
 Cross, J. A. (1940), R.N.V.R.
 Elbourne, H. S. (194), R.N.V.R.
 Evans, F. N. (1923), R.A.F.
 Fairhurst, V. (1941), R.A.F.
 Flinn, P. T. (1938), R.A.F.
 Flunder, W. (1938), Cheshire Regiment.
 Gardener, F. (1940), R.E.M.E.
 Garvie, R. M. H. (1926), Major, Indian Engineers.
 Gibson, D. (1943), Royal Armoured Corps.
 Hansom, G. D. (1943), Royal Armoured Corps.
 Hatton, J. R. (1937), Sergeant, R.A.F.
 Jackson, R. (1921), R.A.F.
 Jones, H. A. (1943), R.N.V.R.
 Marrian, F. G. (1933), Petty Officer, R.N.V.R.

Marshall, R. B. (1939), Armourer, R.A.F.
 McGhee, K. G. (1943), R.N.V.R.
 Metcalfe, W. P. (1941), Merchant Navy.
 Moores, A. (1941), Sherwood Foresters.
 Mottershead, R. F. (1941), R.A.F.
 Munro, R. S. (1935), Sergeant Air-Gunner, R.A.F.
 Murphy, C. C. (1934), Pilot Officer, R.A.F.
 Nesbitt, C. H. (1943), R.N.V.R.
 Nuttall, P. A. (1942), Royal Marines.
 Odber, A. J. (1940), R.A.F.
 Pethybridge, F. (1940), R.A.F.
 Plaskett, B. T. (1939), R.A.F.
 Shead, R. A. (1921), Captain, General List.
 Spalding, J. O. (1942), R.A.
 Stephenson, J. A. (1939), Royal Armoured Corps.
 Waltho, B. S. (1942), O.C.T.U.
 Whitehead, A. (1942), R.A.F.
 Wilkinson, P. C. (1941), R.A.F.
 Wood, M. F. (1941), Intelligence Corps.

TRANSFER.

Lockwood, A. C. (1940), King's Shropshire Light Infantry, to Durham Light Infantry.

PRISONERS OF WAR.

Nicholls, G. H. (1933), Lieutenant, R.A., who was a prisoner of war in Italy, has escaped and hopes to be home at an early date. At the time of Italy's collapse he was in a prison camp in the north of Italy. Dressed as a peasant he made his way south and, passing through the German lines, he finally reached the positions occupied by our own troops.

Naylor, J. W. (1934), Prisoner of war in Malaya.

Williams, E. B. (1936), Prisoner of war in Italy.

PROMOTIONS.

Boardman, J. D. (1940), to Second Lieutenant, Indian Engineers.
 Breton, P. M. (1940), to Pilot Officer, R.A.F.
 Fowler, P. G. (1938), to Lieutenant, D.L.I.
 Gill, G. F. (1938), to Pilot Officer, R.A.F.
 Herbert, R. B. (1941), to Lieutenant, R.A.
 Higgins, F. G. (1942), to Lieutenant, R.A.
 Lockwood, G. C. (1940), to Second-Lieutenant, Royal Corps of Signals.
 Mark, R. (1935), to Second Lieutenant, Royal Armoured Corps.
 Norris, G. A. (1931), to Major, R.E.
 Onions, W. J. (1939), to Second-Lieutenant, Royal Corps of Signals.
 Rodgers, A. R. (1941), to Lieutenant, Northamptonshire Regt.
 Ryder, A. P. (1925), to Pilot Officer, R.A.F.
 Sherratt, D. (1925), to Sub-Lieutenant, R.N.V.R.
 Stacey, K. (1935), to Lieutenant, Indian Army.

CORRECTION.

On information received Tetlow, D. J. (1939), was given as serving with the R.A. This, we understand, should have been R.N.V.R.

In addition to the above list Murphy, J. H. (1934), is serving as Radio Officer with the Dutch Merchant Navy.

HONOURS.

G. H. Willis (1923), Flying Officer, R.A.F., has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross "for outstanding courage and determination as a rear-gunner." As the official citation showed, he has been on numerous bombing raids.

The Distinguished Flying Cross has also been awarded to J. R. Howard (1934), Pilot Officer, R.A.F. We have not seen the official citation, but we understand the award was for his excellent work with Coastal Command against enemy convoys.

T. H. Graham (1934), Flight-Sergeant-Navigator, R.A.F., has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal "for gallantry and devotion to duty." Since winning this honour he has been granted his commission in Bomber Command.

The Old Hulmeians Lacrosse.

On the opening of the season only seven of last year's playing members were available, but the number has subsequently been increased by five boys from School and the return of P. McLeod.

The season opened with a Six a-Side Knock-out Competition on Heaton Mersey's ground. After beating Stockport 4-1, Cheadle Hulme School 4-2, and Stockport Sunday School 4-3, we met Manchester University in the final and won easily by 8 goals to 1.

The team has been captained by N. R. Coe, who has led the attack with his usual ability. S. Gill has been outstanding on the occasions he has been able to play, and has secured many goals. The team has been strengthened by the inclusion of P. T. Flinn, G. Goddard and R. Jackson on the odd occasions they have been on leave.

C. A. Burnside has played well in goal, whilst J. P. V. Woolham has shown some of his old skill, whether playing defence or attack. R. Astin has been his usual energetic self as a forcing defence player, and T. Lawrence and B. A. Grimshaw have played some good games.

We have appreciated the assistance we have had on occasions from boys still at School.

We have won five out of the six matches played, Manchester University having beaten us on our ground 6-3. An opportunity to avenge this defeat in a further match on our ground on 27th November had to be postponed as, owing to examination calls and the ravages of 'flu, the University were unable to send a team.

A. W. O.

RESULTS.

Oct.	9.—	Six-a-Side Competition	W
"	16.—v.	Manchester University	A W 14-8
"	23.—v.	Old Waconians	H W 5-1
"	30.—v.	Old Mancunians	A W 13-7
Nov.	6.—v.	Manchester University	H L 3-6
"	13.—v.	M/c. Grammar School	H W 22-7
"	20.—v.	Old Waconians	A W 15-6

Flookburgh Harvest Camp.

For the fourth year the Lancashire War Agricultural Committee asked the School to supply farm and forestry labour in the Cark, Cartmel and Holker district of North Lancashire, and the camp opened on Humphrey Head on July 28th, and closed down on September 8th, after six weeks' continuous work.

We were again very fortunate in being able to secure the Keighley Camp School and, as the weather was the worst the district has experienced during the last twenty-six years, a total of nearly 7,000 hours worked by twenty-nine boys was an excellent achievement and fully merited the Labour Officer's remark in a letter to the Camp Commandant, "It is an excellent record."

As the corn harvest was much earlier than last year's, right from the start of the camp we were able to have boys working in both hay and corn harvest. The weather for the first few days was gloriously fine, and we soon created the usual big demand for our labour, as the harvest was a heavy one. As usual, we had a good squad of boys on forestry work on Lord Richard Cavendish's Holker estate, and their help in ditching some miles of ground will do much to help the fertility of the land for the next year's "grow our own food campaign."

Most of the work was heavy but was cheerfully tackled, and driving tractors and working corn binders was just part of a day's work. A great deal of praise is due to those boys who worked so well, so willingly and so happily, often in very dispiriting weather.

Our thanks are again due to the Camp Staff, most of whom stayed for the full period. The boys must have appreciated the full-time work of our Quartermaster, Mr. Gatley, and the work done in the kitchen by Mrs. Barber, Miss Gill, Miss Walker, Mr. Ginever, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Williams, whose duties began before 6 a.m. and often finished as late as 11 p.m. A special word of thanks is also due to the orderlies. Their work was less exciting and less interesting than that of the farm workers, but the following: R. P. Cartledge (six weeks), M. C. Cousins (four weeks), T. H. Jones (three weeks), A. F. Crowther (three weeks), H. R. Crewdson (three weeks), and A. Sidebotham (three weeks) cheerfully tackled all kinds of jobs.

From our chalet the glorious view, which last year was all green, was this year enriched with the gold of ripening corn. We again thank the Keighley Education Committee and its Director of Education for the privilege of using their Camp School on Humphrey Head as a Harvest Camp.

The finances of the camp will ensure every boy—worker and orderly—a weekly reward of 7s. 6d.

J. A. B.

Worcester Harvest Camp, 1943.

At the invitation of the Worcester Agricultural Committee the School held a harvest camp at Eastham, near Tenbury Wells. This was our fourth camp in that county and our second at Eastham, where we had the use of the same camping ground, and the Memorial Hall was again put at our disposal for use as headquarters. Pitching camp there last year was something of a pioneer adventure as we were strangers in a strange land, but, by the end of our stay, we had so established ourselves among the farmers that this year we felt we were going amongst old friends.

The advance party arrived on Thursday, July 29th, and worked to such good purpose that not only was everything put in order in good time for the main body who travelled on Tuesday, 3rd August, but we were able to send some workers to the aid of a few of the farmers who were already calling for our help. Many of the farmers had been looking forward to our arrival and, though we had more campers this year than last, there was little difficulty in finding work for all, and, from the beginning till we packed our tents, every boy was fully employed. Many requests were made that we should prolong our stay, but this, of course, was impossible.

While the chief work was fruit-picking and harvesting, we were asked to tackle a great variety of jobs; one party altered the face of one corner of Worcester by clearing and opening up one or two disused roadways. But, whatever the job, everyone went to his work with a cheerfulness that showed a good spirit, and all seemed to take a pride in giving satisfaction to their employers. Every farmer had something complimentary to say of the boys' efforts. One man remarked that if he had searched every harvest camp in Worcestershire he could not have found better workers, whilst another's comment was that some of our boys were actually of more value to him than some of his regular workers. It should be some satisfaction to all to know that their efforts were so much appreciated. The weather was not all that could be desired, but it did not hinder us greatly. Our work "target" was again 10,000 hours and, with everyone keen and ready to do his share, we easily passed this, our final total being 11,343 hours. A letter has been received from the Agricultural Committee congratulating everyone on this achievement. Towards the end of the camp we had a visit from the Chairman of the Committee, who seemed much impressed by the work that was being done. He brought with him a reporter from Worcester who gave us a "write-up" in one of the county newspapers on all that the School was doing.

In spite of all the work there was occasionally spare time, and some used this to cycle to places of interest or visit the cinema in Tenbury, whilst others played football. Arrangements were made to play one or two "soccer" matches against local teams. Later, when early darkness did not permit of outside activities, the hall became a busy centre of entertainment in the evenings with reading, writing, cards and sing-song to the accompaniment of the village piano.

The camp organizer, Mr. Anderson, would like to express his many thanks to the Head Master and Mrs. Denn's for their support and valuable help; to Miss Green for her efficient supervision of the dining room while she was with us; to Miss Denton for her noble and cheerful help in the kitchen; to Miss Slater who so ably took up the burdens of the dining room when Miss Green left; to Mr. Parren for his unsparing labours as chief cook for the first three weeks; to Mr. Jecny who so efficiently took over these duties till the end of camp; to Mr. Lowther for his great work in the fields and his help in the camp. A word should be said about the untiring efforts of D. Watkins, L. T. P. Wood and R. P. Handford who, throughout the camp, worked unsparingly and with great success as orderlies.

J.T.C. Notes.

Already the Corps has established one or two records this year. In spite of the usual exodus of Cadets at the end of the summer term and the departure, since then, of one or two who have gone to join H.M. Forces, our strength, including some sixty juniors, is now 226. This is the highest figure we have ever reached, and is, of course, easily our best for the Michaelmas term. Mr. Gatley has again done noble work and, since September, has enrolled no fewer than fifty-seven recruits—another record for this term and within a few of our record for any whole year. Of course, numbers alone don't make the Corps; it is the quality of the work that really counts, and it is the duty of all members to see that our high traditions are maintained. This can only be done by regular attendance and earnest effort on the part of every Cadet. While it will be difficult to improve on last year's excellent report and the record created in Certificate "A" passes, we must make this our aim.

Meanwhile, work goes on apace in preparation for the next Certificate "A" examination, which will probably be held in February, but much still remains to be done, and candidates must leave nothing to chance. Early this term arrangements were made

for two field-days, but, unfortunately, on both occasions, atrocious weather compelled us to cancel everything, and no opportunity of carrying out our plans has occurred since. It is hoped, however, that better luck will attend us next term.

Under Mr. Jecny, assisted by Sergeant E. G. Williams and Corporal F. T. Morley, regular shooting practice is being carried out, and already a fair number of Cadets have qualified as first-class shots.

Word has been received from the War Office that arrangements have been made for Manchester Sub-District to give us some assistance in our training, and already we have had a visit from Major Palmer, while Colonel Lloyd, D.S.O., hopes to come along at an early date. This does not mean, however, that we have ceased our connection with the Manchester Regiment with whom we have been so long associated.

Through the kindness of the Officer Commanding a unit near by, the post-Certificate "A" Cadets and N.C.O.'s have had an opportunity of negotiating with more or less success the grim obstacles of an assault course.

At an examination for Part II. candidates the following Cadets passed and thus qualify for War Certificate "A": G. A. Anderson, H. K. W. Barrow, D. Bickerton, D. W. Bowett, D. Buckland, G. Carbert, N. Collighan, E. P. Cosslett, T. H. Dakin, R. Davidson, G. J. Derbyshire, R. L. Edwards, I. H. Fildes, A. M. Flett, J. W. N. Glover, G. A. Haines, H. W. Hall, R. P. Handford, G. D. Hansom, H. G. Harvey, J. R. Hooley, G. Jones, H. A. Jones, J. F. Kay, D. R. Lane, T. Lawrence, G. Lees, A. W. Lindsay, K. G. McGhee, J. M. Mather, B. Mead, J. Midgley, F. T. Morley, J. T. Norris, A. Ogilvy, K. Z. Ord, P. Sanig, B. F. Sayers, F. A. Spooncer, J. S. Stacey, G. A. Suley, D. M. Surry, E. J. O. Taylor, S. C. Thomas, W. G. Timperley, J. R. Valentine, D. Watkinson, L. Webster, P. B. Wightman, G. Wilkinson, N. F. Worrill, K. A. Worthington, H. Yates.

Shooting for the Ratcliffe Cup (individual) and the House Shield was carried out at the end of the summer term. There was keen competition and some good targets resulted. In the end the Ratcliffe Cup for the best shot in the Corps went to Cadet J. T. Norris, while the House Shield was won by Fraser House.

Army P.T. courses are being held under the Northern Command during the Christmas holidays and will be attended by some members of the Corps. Similar courses were held last August when the following underwent training: Corporal F. T. Morley; Lance-Corporals G. A. Anderson, J. R. Hooley, J. F. Kay, B. Mead, F. A. Spooncer. Good reports of their work were received.

The following promotions have been made: To be Company Sergeant-Major, Sergeant P. H. Richards; to be Company Q.M.S., Sergeant M. Broady; to be Sergeants, Corporals A. R. Hall, E. G. Williams, D. K. Partington, G. T. Shirlin; to be Corporals, Cadets F. T. Morley and T. H. Dakin; to be Lance-Corporals, Cadets K. G. McGhee, G. A. Anderson, T. Lawrence, B. Mead, J. R. Hooley, P. B. Wightman, G. Wilkinson, J. W. N. Glover, F. A. Spooncer, P. W. Watkins, G. Jones, J. F. Kay.

We are always pleased to see past members of the Corps at School; the following have attended on a Friday while home on leave and have given valuable help with the parade: Lieutenant F. G. Higgins, R.A.; Flying Officer N. W. Wood, R.A.F.; Cadet N. G. Bullivant, O.C.T.U.; and Lance-Corporal D. Huxstep, Black Watch.

In concluding these notes we should like to express here our regret at the departure of Second Lieutenant D. M. Parren, and take this opportunity of thanking him for his help during the past year.

Lacrosse, 1943-44.

Of the two games played this term, both against Manchester Grammar School, the first was drawn and the second lost. In our first match we managed to draw at eleven goals all, after making a present of three goals to our opponents in the first five minutes. We had six reserves on the team for the return game, and again scored eleven goals but could not prevent twenty being scored by our opponents, mainly because we had four reserves on the defence.

With a full side and a little more determination by all the team, all through the game, very few matches should be lost, but the side needs plenty of 'crosse handling practice, particularly in passing, which should be from the shoulder. The team for our first match was P. H. Richards, A. R. Hall, F. A. Spooncer, E. P. Cosslett, A. M. Flett, T. Lawrence, M. Hazell, D. Watkins, J. C. Unsworth, E. G. Williams, B. A. Grimshaw, G. J. Derbyshire.

SECOND TEAM.

Only two matches have been played this term, and both have been won. The team, at full strength, was much too powerful for Cheadle Hulme School, but, with six reserves, had little to spare against Manchester Grammar School

The standard of play is not very high. With two exceptions the 'crosse handling is poor, but weight, pace, and a measure of determination have brought some success.

The following have played: D. A. Anderson (captain), J. F. Kay, G. Jones, J. R. Winson, P. Sanig, D. Bickerton, J. T. Norris, J. N. Brookes, N. Fletcher, I. A. Carter, I. M. B. Darroch, D. A. Robertson, W. G. Gibson, F. T. Morley, T. Wrigley, H. W. Hall, N. I. Cross, H. G. Brocklehurst.

RESULTS.

Oct. 20.—v. Cheadle Hulme SchoolA W 23-1
Nov. 20.—v. Manchester G.S.A W 8-6

UNDER 15.

Two games have been played this term, against Manchester Grammar School (20—0) and Cheadle Hulme School (10—6). In both, energy and determination contributed largely to our success, but the handling was poor. Much catching and passing practice is needed before we can hope to have a really good junior team. The following boys have played: S. H. Burling, A. F. Crowther, A. A. C. Darroch, J. C. Edwards, D. R. Gibson, A. Godson, G. A. Harrison, P. Harrison, P. W. Howard, B. A. Maguire, P. Milgate, A. G. Shuttleworth, A. J. Standring, K. H. Storry (captain), R. M. Threlfall, E. W. B. Ward, A. Wilkinson.

Football, 1943-44.

October 2nd, v. M.G.S. Away. Lost 13—15.
We got a good share of the ball from the first dozen scrums and scored twice; then, by means of forward rushes and a penalty goal they crept up to 12—8. We scored again after good work by Anderson and Watkins and led 13—12. A penalty for off-side missed the goal, but, as some of our side had charged, the kick was taken again, this time successfully, and we just lost. Our centre attack was most promising, but our tackling generally was not decisive enough.

Team: B. A. Grimshaw; D. Watkins, F. A. Spooncer, A. R. Hall, I. A. Carter; N. Fletcher, E. G. Williams, D. K. Partington, A. M. Flett, G. S. Todd, W. G. Gibbon, G. A. Anderson, K. G. McGhee, G. T. Shirlin, P. H. Richards.

October 9th, v. SALE G.S. Away. Lost 5—34.
Our outsides had many chances but usually dropped the ball or passed it to our opponents, who were quicker on the ball and made the most of their

chances. Our tackling was weak. Team as last match.

October 13th, v. KING EDWARD VII. SCHOOL, LYTHAM. Away. Won 18-17.

The score at various stages was 5-0, 5-5, 10-5, 10-8, 10-11, 13-11, 13-14, 13-17, 18-17, the whistle blowing immediately after the last score. Our opponents scored five times to our three, and we were lucky to win. Our defence is by no means sound, and the handling of the other outsides with the exception of Williams leaves much to be desired.

Team: Richards played back and E. P. Cosslett joined the forwards.

October 16th, v. SALE GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1ST XV. Home. Drawn 3-3.

Owing to the wet and muddy condition of the ground this game was confined almost entirely to forward play. The teams were matched very evenly, though, towards the end of the game, our forwards were not as quick on the ball as they might have been, and the last ten minutes of the game were spent on the defensive in our own twenty-five. Sale scored at the end of the first half, due to a breakthrough by their fly-half. We equalised by a penalty goal at the beginning of the second half. There was no further scoring, though our line was in danger once or twice in the last ten minutes.

October 23rd, v. CHEADLE HULME SCHOOL. Home. Won 30-3.

For the first time our forwards got more than their share of the ball, and from set and loose scrums alike fed our outsides continuously throughout the game. We kept up an incessant attack which our opponents found it difficult to stop. Hall had to retire early in the game and our reconstituted three-quarter line dropped passes, but the score mounted steadily. At the very end an interception and the absence of a back let our opponents in.

Team as last match.

November 6th, v. BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL. Away. Lost 8-21.

Playing with a strong wind we scored in the first minute and again soon after. Though our line was often in danger we changed over leading 8 to 0. The second half was spent largely in our twenty-five, and a foolish kick enabled them to open their score; they kept up the pressure, and fifteen minutes from time the score was 8 all. But towards the end our team were very slow in getting back to help the defence and our opponents scored three times more.

Team: P. H. Richards; D. Watkins, E. P. Cosslett, F. A. Spooncer, I. A. Carter; N. Fletcher, E. G. Williams; D. K. Partington, A. M. Flett, G. S.

Todd, W. G. Gibson, G. A. Anderson, K. G. McGhee, G. T. Shirlin, G. Wilkinson.

November 13th, v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. Lost 0-24.

The game was played in a storm of rain and hail. They scored four times in the first half; then they kept the ball in the scrum and their heavy pack pushed us many times over our line; they scored twice more.

Team: P. H. Richards; T. Wrigley, D. Watkins, F. A. Spooncer, I. A. Carter; N. Fletcher, E. G. Williams; D. K. Partington, K. G. McGhee, G. S. Todd, W. G. Gibson, G. A. Anderson, P. B. Wightman, G. Wilkinson, G. T. Shirlin.

November 24th, v. ROSSALL SCHOOL 2ND. Away. Lost 0-3.

The ground was very wet and a strong gale blew across it; in consequence it was difficult to play open football. Except for one or two runs the game was confined to forward rushes. We had rather the better of the first half, and Sanig only missed scoring by inches. But in the second half they pinned us in our twenty-five and from a rush scored the only try.

Team: P. H. Richards; T. Wrigley, D. Watkins, E. G. Williams, J. F. Kay; N. Fletcher, P. Sanig; D. K. Partington, A. M. Flett, G. S. Todd, G. A. Anderson, W. G. Gibson, G. T. Shirlin, E. P. Cosslett, K. G. McGhee.

December 4th, v. KING'S SCHOOL, MACCLESFIELD. Home. Lost by 1 goal, 1 penalty goal and 5 tries (23) to 1 penalty goal (3).

The game was bright and open, and both sides tried to play football, but our opponents showed the greater keenness in backing up both in attack and defence.

Team: D. Bickerton; D. Watkins, P. H. Richards, F. A. Spooncer, I. A. Carter; N. Fletcher, E. G. Williams; D. K. Partington, A. M. Flett, G. S. Todd, G. A. Anderson, W. G. Gibson, E. P. Cosslett, G. Wilkinson.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

So far the season has been somewhat disappointing in that the success which the team has merited has not been achieved, due largely to injuries and illness and to the calls upon our players by the first team. On two occasions, in the return matches against Burnage and against Manchester Grammar School, we were able to reverse the results of the first match through being able to field stronger teams, and against Audenshaw we almost repeated this. The

team has shown promise, although they find difficulty in staying for the full time, whilst tackling and kicking need practice.

The team has usually been chosen from: G. Wilkinson (captain), D. Bickerton, N. I. Cross, J. F. Kay, T. Wrigley, G. Lees, G. J. Derbyshire, P. Sanig, B. A. Grimshaw, P. Shires, J. R. Hooley, H. Morgan, J. N. Brookes, P. B. Wightman, J. C. Unsworth, M. Broady, J. S. Stacey, T. H. Dakin.

The following have also played: P. W. Watkins, T. Lawrence, K. Z. Ord, J. Midgley, J. T. Norris, M. Hazell, J. R. Winson.

RESULTS.

October 2nd, *v.* MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. Lost 11—20.

October 13th, *v.* BURNAGE HIGH SCHOOL 1ST XV. Away. Lost 10—34.

October 27th, *v.* BURNAGE HIGH SCHOOL 1ST XV. Home. Won 11—6.

November 6th, *v.* KING'S SCHOOL, MACCLESFIELD. Away. Lost 15—24.

November 13th, *v.* MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. Won 14—3.

November 24th, *v.* AUDENSHAW GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1ST XV. Away. Lost 0—50.

November 27th, *v.* AUDENSHAW GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1ST XV. Home. Lost 8—12.

UNDER FIFTEEN.

Ten matches have been played so far, and of these four have been won and six lost. The three-quarters have been slow and unskilful in handling; in the early part of the season their tackling was also weak and ineffective, but there has been an improvement in recent games, largely due to the efforts of S. H. Burling and J. P. Chilton. The forwards have not excelled in the set scrums, but under the vigorous and skilful leadership of the captain, D. R. Gibson, they have played well in the loose. B. A. Maguire has been particularly noticeable among the forwards, while E. B. Price, at fly-half, has tackled persistently. P. Harrison has been outstanding at full-back, both in his tackling and in the help he has given in attack.

In addition to those already mentioned the following have played: H. S. Brown, G. J. Dunston, J. C. Edwards, F. G. Halliwell, C. A. A. Hughes, P. D. E. McClinton, R. W. A. McCormick, J. N. McManus, P. Milgate, J. S. Nesbitt, A. J. Standring, K. H. Storry, R. M. Threlfall, E. W. B. Ward, D. R. Wood.

RESULTS.

October 2nd, *v.* MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. Won 58—0.

October 9th, *v.* SALE GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. Lost 0—17.

October 13th, *v.* BURNAGE MUNICIPAL HIGH SCHOOL. Home. Won 12—6.

October 23rd, *v.* CHEADLE HULME SCHOOL. Away. Lost 0—3.

October 27th, *v.* BURNAGE MUNICIPAL HIGH SCHOOL. Away. Won 12—0.

November 6th, *v.* KING'S SCHOOL, MACCLESFIELD. Home. Lost 6—15.

November 13th, *v.* MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. Won 58—0.

November 24th, *v.* AUDENSHAW GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. Lost 11—16.

November 27th, *v.* AUDENSHAW GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. Lost 11—16.

December 4th, *v.* KING'S SCHOOL, MACCLESFIELD. Away. Lost 8—24.

The Library.

Throughout the term the Library has proved of great value to the Upper School, and more particularly to the Sixth Forms in their study periods, the numbers present at any one time being sometimes as high as thirty. Since September about 500 books have been taken out, a figure which, of course, does not include books used only for reference. As it is becoming increasingly difficult to have books bound in these days, readers are asked to handle volumes carefully. It would also be of help to the Librarian if borrowers would see to it that all books are returned to the correct shelves when their purpose has been served. It is hoped that new volumes will be added to the Library next term. We take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. W. E. Turner, Mr. A. B. Haward, Mr. G. Lindsay, and P. Grantham, VI. S.U., for gifts of books.

House Games.

House games have been played on fourteen of the twenty possible days, the other matches having to be cancelled owing to weather conditions. The attend-

ances have been good for the seniors, and it has been comparatively easy to make up senior teams even when there have been School matches.

The standard of play on Junior House games has been vastly improved, due to the juniors' keenness and to practices held at four o'clock by House Prefects. Prefects and senior boys have helped with the refereeing of games.

Heywood began the term well, and came to the top of the House League, but soon Fraser began to catch up, and now, as last year, they lead the field. The positions at present are:—1, Fraser (64 points); 2, Heywood (56 points); 3, Whitworth (54 points); 4, Dalton (51 points); 5, Byrom (42 points); 6, Gaskell (33 points).

The Final Rounds of the "Knock outs" have been played, and it is here that Gaskell senior team shows its true worth. Having regained its School team players, which form a high percentage of its strength, it proceeded to vanquish all comers. In the Finals Gaskell beat Byrom 46—6. Heywood Juniors by their keenness defeated Fraser 8—3 in a good and interesting game.

Fraser have many useful players in the seniors, who, although not outstanding, combine well and form a strong team. Their junior team is heavy, and they win many of their matches by their enthusiasm.

Heywood have only a few seniors on School teams and so have an advantage over some of the other Houses. The juniors are very keen and have maintained a high standard of play throughout the term, winning almost all their matches.

Whitworth seniors present a formidable three-quarter line, ably helped by a heavy and efficient scrum, whenever lack of School matches permit them to field their full team. Their junior team is too small to combat the other heavier teams, but they show pluck and determination.

Dalton has a strong senior team, but matches are lost by lack of combination. The juniors are rather small, but several players show skill in the three-quarter line.

Byrom have a heavy senior team who are very keen, but lack skill. Their junior team is small and unable to combine effectively.

Gaskell are badly hampered by the absence of their numerous School players, and this perhaps explains their humble position in the League. The junior team lack skill, but show promise of doing better.

Senior House Colours for football have been awarded to the following:—

BYROM: A. F. Crowther, P. D. E. McClinton, R. W. A. McCormick, J. S. Nesbitt, B. E. Peers, E. B. Price, K. H. Storry.

DALTON: H. D. Ellenor, B. D. Etchells.

FRASER: R. W. Crouchley, B. A. Maguire, I. A. Carter, K. G. Allen.

GASKELL: H. S. Brown, S. H. Burling, P. Harrison, A. Salmon, B. M. Wood, L. T. P. Wood.

HEYWOOD: G. J. Derbyshire, J. M. Mather, E. G. Smith, N. I. Cross.

WHITWORTH: B. Mead, G. Carbert, D. L. King, H. G. Brocklehurst, D. R. Gibson, A. J. Standring.
D. K. P.

Parents' Association.

The Committee have met since the last Annual Meeting of the Parents' Association, and the various items brought up by the parents at that meeting were thoroughly discussed. Decisions on all questions were arrived at, and resolutions were agreed upon as to how best to carry out the proposals.

The Committee greatly appreciated the very keen interest shown by the parents at the Annual Meeting, and were pleased to see so many parents get up in the body of the hall to ask questions and to put forth constructive proposals. The conclusion was come to that more interest was being shown in the work of this Association, and that the last Annual Meeting was a great success.

A suggestion put forward by a member that we should form an Old Members' Association was considered by the Committee, who thought it was a good suggestion, but that the moment was not opportune owing to war conditions. It was proposed and agreed upon that, before the next Annual Meeting was held, due notice of the meeting should be inserted in the local papers inviting parents of Old Boys to attend. The attendance of these parents may give the Committee something to work upon in the forming of such an Association. We feel that many parents are interested in the School after their boys have left and taken up a career, and it would be of great interest to the Committee to hear from parents of Old Boys how their sons are progressing, especially from those who have taken advantage of any assistance from a member of the Advisory Panel on Careers for boys.

W. H. GRANTHAM, *Hon. Secretary.*

