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## ELECTION



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THE PROCESSION UP SCHOOL FROM ASHBURNHAM HOUSE AFTER THE CEREMONY

### THE HEAD MASTER

The Head Master has returned this term, fully restored to health after his long illness and after the leave of absence which was granted him by the Governing Body last Autumn.

### EVENTS

On Wednesday September 29th, the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, Canon Fox preached to the School in Morning Abbey.

On Saturday October 2nd the 2nd XI lost to Latymer Upper School 2nd XI, 0—3.

H. G. Dickinson, M. E. Adie and D. J. P. Wade have been awarded Triplett Exhibitions for three years.

The Dramatic Society will give a performance of *The Importance of Being Earnest*, by Oscar Wilde, on Wednesday December 1st.

The Exeat this term will be from Friday midday to Wednesday morning.

### STAFF CHANGES

Mr. C. J. Pike has left to take up an appointment as Bursar of Ashridge College and has been succeeded by Colonel H. St. J. Carruthers. Colonel Carruthers, who was educated at Charterhouse, comes to Westminster after 33 years' service in India, where he was in the 10th Gurkha Rifles.

Mr. G. B. Preston, who takes Mr. Murray-Rust's place, was educated at Carlisle Grammar School and at Magdalen College, Oxford and is a member of the Achilles Club. He served in the Foreign Office in 1944-5.

Mr. E. G. Hogg, who took the greater part of the Head Master's teaching work last year, has also left.

# WAR AND PEACE

THOSE direct links which remind us of our evacuation are being soon broken. Less than a third of the present staff were there, and the last boys to remember it will have left by next year. By that time, also, we hope the school will have its full complement again, College Dormitory will, we hope, be rebuilt, and we should have the fullest use once more of Green. Materially and numerically the war should be to us a memory.

Some of the differences between our position now and five years ago are really superficial. The bicycling and bussing, the different scenery; these, like the mud that clung to us in those lanes, we have dropped off almost without notice. Others went deeper. There were only boarders in the country; here day-boys form over a third of the school. This entails the difference between a pattern of life based on five full days, and one lived through seven. Others again are a matter for definite choice in the balance of our activities. In the country we perforce played few games, now we play them for much of our time, and with success as well as zeal.

Westminster is nearly at the top of the rebound.

We must analyse our position, and set our course for the future. Some occupations have been built up almost from scratch in the past three years. Others, notably Music and the Essay Society, have felt the cold blast of competition. It is indeed well to press on, but we cannot press on regardless. We must regretfully strike a balance in the distribution of our energies and time.

However that balance is struck, we have done well. Election Dinner and the Latin Play alone have not returned, and we may hope to see them soon. In traditions as in buildings Westminster is flourishing in her heritage. In peace we can face the future confidently.

Yet, even now, black clouds of war seem ready to break over our heads. International abuse would appear to be the diplomatist's first study, peace his last. The world, one might feel, is not doing so well by us as we are by it. Perhaps that is the usual state of affairs; in our position we must expect to give more than we get. But must it come to that? Let us pray and hope, and do all in our power (which could be much) to prevent such a wasteful and worthless catastrophe.



## THE CONCERT

THE audience at a school concert is present not simply to enjoy music for its own sake, but to hear—and we hope enjoy—what the members of the school are doing and can do. From this point of view the concert at the end of last summer term was particularly successful. The programme was varied, yet well balanced, and the general standard of performance was high. The result was a most enjoyable evening.

The first part of the programme consisted of selected items—solo, ensemble, chamber music and house choirs—from the music competition. Of these varied items, two particularly remain on the memory—E. L. Wildner's playing of Chopin's G flat study and the singing by the King's Scholars of Vaughan-Williams' "Nothing is Here for Tears." Wildner gave a most finished and sensitive interpretation—we would like to have heard him again. "Nothing is Here for Tears" was a fine performance judged by any standard, and for a House Choir to have achieved this standard was a remarkable feat. It was a controlled and dignified interpretation of a most moving work. The chamber music—movements from Loeillet's Sonata in F and Mozart's Trio in

E Flat—was enjoyable although in the Mozart the clarinet was somewhat overbearing.

The second half of the programme consisted of orchestral and choral works, beginning with Handel's Water Music. Here perhaps over-literal interpretation of the title by the horns imperilled the success of the work but some crisp and lively string playing successfully pulled things together. Owing to a mishap on the cricket field D. L. Almond was unable to play the oboe and the concerto for oboe and strings (Corelli-Barbirolli) had to be omitted. A. P. Graham-Dixon's playing of the first movement of Mozart's C Minor piano concerto was, however, most enjoyable. He has a pleasing touch and was obviously at home with the composer. Dyson's "In Honour of the City" for choir and orchestra was the main work of the evening. Somehow this work, with William Dunbar's delightfully colourful description of the life of the city, should be more inspiring than in fact it is, and choir and orchestra must be congratulated on a brave effort. Purcell's Evening Hymn and Holst's "Turn Back O Man" were both extremely well sung—a happy choice to round off a most interesting and enjoyable concert.

# THE SCHOOL SOCIETIES

At a meeting of the Modern Languages and Political and Literary Societies on July 9th, Professor J. B. Trend gave one of the most invigorating and enthusiastic talks we have heard. Despite our complete ignorance of his subject (Unamuno and Contemporary Spanish Literature), and despite his generous assumption that we knew all about it, Professor Trend fired us with the eagerness and thrill which this gaunt but most human prophet gave him. Without appearing laboriously planned, his talk sketched a brilliant figure of Unamuno—"a masculine St. Theresa" and in his intuitively passionate soul a thorough poet. The Spaniard in him was haunted by the essential conflict in the southern character between farmer and shepherd, Cain and Abel, and by Spanish words, their sounds and origins, their peculiar allusiveness; he had a theory that names hold the souls of things. Of Unamuno's political activities, Professor Trend merely told of his passionately unpractical ideals. It was his soul, not his life, that he wanted to reveal, and the paper birds which Unamuno made instead of smoking, and the records of his dry, gruff voice touched us more than the abundant names and dates which Professor Trend mentioned. Though

we could say no more than before about Spain or her literature, we felt that we had been brought into personal contact with that seemingly remote culture.

The Modern Languages Society, still young, but flourishing, read several plays in French and German; more might brush up their languages in this way.

There was another meeting, with the Essay Society, to hear P. Webb's Essay on Goethe's "Faust." He had here a difficult task, for most of his hearers had never read the play; but this he partly overcame by basing his essay on a courageous synopsis of the action. It was unfortunate, if inevitable, that the complexities of a drama which "expressed all the experiences of Goethe's life" should have obscured the essayist's exposition of some of the problems in it.

On July 2nd, B. S. Green read an essay on Dostoyevsky, who must be, both as character and novelist, one of the most difficult figures in literary history to write about comprehensively. This was, perhaps, why the essayist described what is easiest and most factual about him, his career. The subtleties and extravagances of his character and work were adequately hinted at, but the essay lacked a concrete basis to give it a fuller success.

## THE DEBATING SOCIETY

THE Society met on July 16th to hold the long-awaited inter-debate with the John Colet Debating Society, St. Paul's Girls School. The motion was "That the power of the State, which is increasing, ought to be diminished." The Proposer (Miss Herbert, President of the John Colet Society) pointed to the spread of bureaucracy as a symptom of the growth of State power. This country could not afford such inefficiency. But the Opposer (A. P. Graham-Dixon) argued that minor flaws in the working of Socialism were inevitable at the beginning. They did not condemn the whole scheme. The two Seconders (S. J. Steele and Miss Sharp) gave further telling examples on their respective sides.

A. M. Allchin derided the inconsistencies in Tory criticism of the Government, while Miss Lang added more examples of bureaucratic incompetence. J. A. C. Spokes believed that Socialism tended to destroy individual initiative and Miss Karger (Secretary, John Colet Society) also criticised Socialist theory. The Secretary (O. Kerensky) pointed to Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia as examples of absolute socialism while the Opposer, summing up, admitted the dangers of too much State control but thought Britain was at the ideal stage. The Proposer could not agree, and

thought there should be a drastic reduction in State power. On being put to the vote the motion was defeated 18—15.

At the end of the Election Term Mr. W. F. Monk was re-elected as President for the coming year, and S. J. Barrett was elected Secretary; J. A. C. Spokes, P. C. Petrie, R. E. Nagle, and N. H. Palmer make up the remainder of the Committee.

There will be an inter-debate with O.W.W. on Wednesday December 15th, on the motion "That loyalty to truth must conflict with the modern State." Those hoping to attend are asked to write to the Secretary.

### THE NEXT CONCERT

The School Concert will be given up School at 7.45 p.m. on Tuesday December 14th. Any O.W.W. requiring tickets should write to the Concert Secretary, 19 Dean's Yard, S.W.1, before Tuesday December 7th.

The programme will include the Christmas Cantata (no. 63) by Bach, Haydn's Oxford Symphony, and Three Carols by Peter Warlock.

# THE SCHOOL PRAYER BOOK

For the second time since its compilation in 1889, the School Prayer Book has been revised, and copies will be available shortly at the School Book Shop.

The original prayer book, which continued in use until 1930, was the result of Dean Bradley's permission, given in 1884, for a school service to be held daily in Abbey. Seven years previously, Dean Stanley had arranged for a daily service at 7.45 a.m. for the Queen's Scholars and boarders, but before that time there was no morning service, and it may seem strange to the present generation of Westminsterers that the School should have got along for three and a half centuries without a feature which has become part of its daily life, and that long after Arnold at Rugby and Thring at Uppingham had made the school chapel the centre of their teaching, religion at Westminster should have been confined to attendance at the Sunday services in Abbey.

The 1889 Prayer Book was dedicated by Royal Command to Queen Victoria. It consisted of the Latin services contained under the heading *De Cultu Dei* in the Elizabethan Statutes, of the

service for the Commemoration of Benefactors drawn up by Rutherford, and of daily morning services arranged for every day for a fortnight and drawn largely from the Book of Common Prayer. The rest of the book consisted of the Communion Service and the Order of Confirmation, the Psalter, and of a hymnal containing 111 hymns, 85 of them by Old Westminsters.

This general arrangement was continued in 1930, and has been retained in the 1948 revision; but in the present edition a good deal of matter which is readily obtainable in the Book of Common Prayer has been dropped. In compensation, several prayers of distinctively Westminster character have been added (including a collect for the Translation of St. Edward the Confessor), and the Commemoration Service has been re-arranged. The hymn *Urbs beata* has been added, together with a prayer for the Faithful Departed, and the service now concludes with a solemn *Te Deum*, to be sung, according to the custom followed at the last Commemoration, when the clergy are grouped in front of the High Altar before the final Blessing.



## THE WATER SCOUT CAMP

ONCE again there was a good entry (130) for the School Regatta, and practice for the events began immediately after Henley. Conditions throughout the last fortnight of the term were rougher than last year, but the standard remained high. One record was broken on the final day when P. C. Pearson won the Senior Sculls in 4m. 45s. Grant's won Senior and Junior-Senior Fours, while Junior Fours was won by Busby's for the third year in succession, and the Double Sculls, after some good races in the early rounds, by J. A. C. Spokes and J. W. G. Leigh-Clare. The Halahan Cup finally went to Grant's, who had 62 points, with Busby's second (35) and Rigaud's third (30). Town Boys won Lamprobatics by two lengths.

We were very pleased that the Dean of Westminster was able to watch some of the races, and he very kindly gave away the prizes.

About ten schools participated in an inter-schools regatta—organised by Mr. Fisher, and held on the last Monday of term—in which Westminster distinguished itself by winning five of the six events. The prizes were presented from the Westminster School Boathouse by the High Master of St. Pauls.

THIS year we were once more able to go oversea.

Mr. Wilson was unfortunately prevented from coming, but we were glad to have Mr. Spaul with us again and kept him busy as medical adviser. We were fortunate in having good crossings both ways and more so in the generous assistance of Mr. M. A. Robinson (O.W.), who solved all our transport problems.

We arrived in a heat-wave, but the weather deteriorated later. Food was of course plentiful, and if our stomachs proved themselves a trifle unadapted to it, the cooks on the whole rose to the occasion. Being on a regular camping-site, we had far greater amenities at our disposal than previously, though our proximity to civilization was not without its drawbacks; the beard competition had regretfully to be abandoned. Ample compensation however was at hand in Dublin (fourteen miles in a bus), where visits to Trinity College Library and the Abbey Theatre were combined with other, less strictly "cultural", activities. Dublin however was not the only attraction. Numerous expeditions were made, some for a night or two, mostly south into the mountains. One enterprising party however succeeded in reaching Galway. Altogether our fortnight passed very pleasantly and very rapidly.

# LIONEL JAMES

## AN APPRECIATION

THE name of Lionel James, whose death was recorded in the June issue, is inseparably connected with the development of Monmouth School during this century. To this object he devoted, during twenty-one years as Headmaster, all his energy, experience and scholarship.

James was Captain in 1886-7, and was elected head to Christ Church. From there he went, in 1892, to Radley, where he taught for sixteen years. His enthusiasm was felt in nearly every school activity—in his teaching, in sport, in his founding and support of school societies, and in the Latin, and later Greek, plays. His kindness and friendliness, his inclination to see the best in everybody, and his unselfishness, combined with an obstinate determination, made it impossible that he should not be respected, and he left Radley his debtor.

In 1906 he became Headmaster of Monmouth School. During the next twenty years he gave his whole heart to the job of raising it to the standard of the great public schools. His success was shown by a new spirit and a heightened standard

of scholarship. A new science building, new class-rooms, and three new houses were finished during these years. At the same time he paid great attention to the spiritual and moral well-being of the school.

During the last years of his life he wrote two books, based on the life and writings of William Sewell: *A Founder's Faith*, extracts from his writings, and *A Forgotten Genius*, in which James reveals himself as the scholar and the enthusiast, who found it hard to acknowledge any fault in his hero.

Through these books and a *Study on the Psalms and Songs of Zion* is written Lionel James' character, at the root of which lay his religion, which guided him through a full and energetic life. Throughout his life he was a loyal Old Westminster, and was a frequent visitor to the school and to Old Westminster gatherings. By the many friends he made at Westminster, Radley and Monmouth, his death will be particularly regretted as the passing of a man whose energy did much for anything in which he interested himself.



## THE UNDER SCHOOL

THE defeat of Arnold House School early in June was followed by First and Second XI games with the Choir School, who won both matches comfortably. A check of the scores in the return game with Arnold House made the Under School win by two runs. On July 7th a match against the Fathers was played at Vincent Square. The school was out for 64 and the Fathers got the runs in the last over with six wickets in hand. The Master and Mrs. Young were afterwards At Home in Ashburnham House. The season ended with a win over a junior Westminster XI containing a number of old boys, the school scoring 66 and Westminster 50. Noble, the captain, Owen, Blume and Griffiths were the best of the school XI while Pope was always safe in the field.

Ten of the senior boys left in July, including the captain, R. D. Pope. He entered in September 1943 and was the last of the foundation members.

An Under School camp was again held in the Isle of Wight this summer. Two parties of twelve boys spent three weeks under canvas.

Mr. R. E. Wigram has joined the Staff in place of Mr. Buchanan and the Monitors for the term are T. R. Noble (Captain), W. Anderson, R. K. Franklin and S. E. P. Hayward.



## PUPPETS

Last term a performance was given up School of "*Master Peter's Puppet Show*," a puppet opera by de Falla. The story was, briefly, of how Don Quixote came to an inn, where he found Master Peter's Puppet Show. He witnessed the performance, but, on being dissatisfied with it, grew angry, and, hurling abuse at both Master Peter and the puppets, cut all the puppet strings. The scenery, painted by P. Webb and F. D. Bateson, was bright and cheerful, and provided a perfect setting for the puppets, and the fact that costume could not be provided for the performers was more than compensated for by the singing. The opera was preceded by a short and amusing glove-puppet show.



# THE OLYMPIC GAMES



Photo: Bushell

D. S. WALKER IS SEEN COXING IN HIS FIRST RACE AGAINST YUGOSLAVIA AND THE U.S.A.

WESTMINSTER had the honour of being represented in the Olympic Games when D. S. Walker was asked to cox the English Coxed Pair. He went down to Henley at the end of the term to practice with the crew from Thames Rowing Club. The first race was against Yugoslavia and the U.S.A.; from the start it was evident that Yugoslavia would win, but Great Britain came

second. In the repêchage on the following day the race was against Denmark, who won by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lengths and went on to win the event. Aged only sixteen, if not the youngest competitor on record, Walker was surely the youngest this year.

Other participants in the Games, though not actually contestants, were P. Webb and F. D. Bateson, who took official part in the organisation of the fencing.

## CRICKET

IN a match against the Butterflies the school batted first and were soon in trouble. Only some hard hitting by D. M. Steward enabled the score to reach a meagre 46, which total was soon overtaken, for the loss of three wickets, and they were eventually dismissed for 94 (S. L. H. Clarke 4 for 22, D. J. P. Wade 4 for 36).

The school played the Old Westminsters up Fields on July 17th. After a bad start, C. C. P. Williams dominated our innings and had scored 75 not out when J. R. Wall declared at 149 for 7. Against aggressive bowling by Wall, Wade and Clarke, the O.W.W. were never settled, and wickets fell regularly. The final score was 62 for 7 (Wade 3 for 34, Wall 2 for 20, Clarke 2 for 13).

Aided by an uncertain pitch up Fields, the bowling averages have been unusually good: Clarke took 29 wickets for an average of 9.9,

Wade 31 for 10.6 and Wall 19 for 11.2. The batting averages have been correspondingly bad, only Williams exceeding 20 (28.3). Although the batting was inconsistent, it is interesting that the highest scores made up Fields were by the school. The fielding was good throughout the season. Of the Pinks, five will remain next year.

On paper the Colts did not have a good season either (matches 5, lost 4, drawn 1) but they also had some close finishes, losing, for instance, by only one run to Aldenham. K. J. M. Kemp, a very promising fast bowler, was the outstanding colt, taking 25 wickets for an average of 4.8. In the last match, Harrow colts scored 66 for 8 (Kemp 3 for 13, G. N. P. Lee 5 for 30) and Westminster colts 56.

Grant's beat College in the final of Seniors and Rigaud's in the final of Juniors. Town Boys won Lamprobatics by 46 runs.

# THE ART EXHIBITION

THE annual Art Exhibition took place on Wednesday, July 21st. The new art room provided a very much better setting for the pictures than the cramped, rather ill-suited quarters of a year ago. The standard of work was on the whole improved, and the number of boys represented was more than twice that of the previous year. Mr. Barclay-Russell, Assistant Art Inspector, L.C.C., adjudicated, spending rather more than two hours giving some very constructive and sympathetic criticism. He professed himself very well pleased with the exhibition in general and said that it showed considerable variety.

Among the paintings A. P. M. Woodward's (H. B.) really well-designed oil-painting of a jungle scene took first prize. It was an ambitious piece of work, excellently carried out. The pattern of foliage, tree stems, sky and sea knit together with a competence worthy of far greater experience.

The second prize went to F. D. Bateson (K. S.) for his well-composed poster-colour painting of a street scene. The colour was extremely good,

and the whole scene lively and well drawn. The third prize fell, not among the painters, but to R. M. Barker (B) for a very pleasing lino-cut design.

A further prize was awarded to R. B. Kirk (K. S.), a keen and very able student of painting who will do much to advance the standard of work in the art room. His work is very competent and vital, even though, as Mr. Barclay-Russell observed, at times he inclines towards the literary rather than the pictorial.

Generally speaking, the standard of colour in the exhibition was good, the design very adequate. Mr. Barclay-Russell emphasised the need to experiment in two-dimensional design as well as in three, pointing out the achievement of the East in this convention, particularly that of the Persians. To confine oneself to the three-dimensional convention of the West was to deny oneself a rich field of expression.

The points for the house competition were: Home boarders and Ashburnham 58, King's Scholars 53, Busby's 50.



## LAWN TENNIS

AFTER beating Lancing the school finished the season with two very enjoyable matches: one against Queenswood girls' school, where masculine prestige was saved by winning the odd game in the last match, and one against the Public Schools L.T.A., which was lost. Seniors was won by Homeboarders and Ashburnham who defeated Busby's in the final.

This year's captain is J. J. Potter (A. H.), one of last year's first pair. The chief anxiety is again the problem of courts. The most satisfactory permanent solution would be the construction of three *en-tout-cas* hard courts up Fields: these need no upkeep and would be available for play more often than grass courts as they are not so affected by weather. Unfortunately these courts would cost about £1,500; to have less than three would prevent the school entertaining other teams to matches, and we should be very little better off than under the present system.

Hiring involves long journeys to distant courts, which have different types of surface: and the most serious objection to it is that it is hard to obtain courts of any kind on a Saturday afternoon, one of the two station days. If any O.W.W. know of courts that may be used on Saturdays, the Captain of Tennis would be very grateful for the information.

## GOLF

The O.W. Golfing Society kindly entertained the school team at Sundridge Park on September 20th. The first competition for the School Cup presented by Mr. R. S. Barnes, was held in the morning; it was won by C. J. H. Davies, with a nett score of 74. The Society gave the team a very good lunch, and in the afternoon played them. The Old Westminsters won  $2\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ .



## CONTEMPORARIES

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following, and apologise for any omissions:

Alleynian, Blue and Gold, Bradfield College Chronicle, Brightonian, Cantuarian, Carthusian, Chicago Latin School News, Cholmeleian, City of London School Magazine, Deerfield Scroll, Dunelmian, Eton College Chronicle, Felstedian, Gower, Grotonian, Haileyburian, Log, Meteor, Mill Hill Magazine, Milton Bulletin, Radleian, Rossallian, St. Edward's School Chronicle, St. Michael's Magazine, Sedberghian, Sotoniensis, Stonyhurst, Taylorian, Tonbridgeian, Wellingtonian, Wish Stream, Wykehamist.

## BIRTHS

- ANIDO—On March 10th, 1948, at Harrington Harbour, Quebec, to Barbara, wife of the Rev. J. D. F. Anido, a son.
- ARIS—On June 10th, 1948, in London, to Margaret, wife of G. B. Aris, a daughter.
- BANG—On August 12th, 1948, in London, to Betty, wife of C. L. Bang, a son.
- BATTEN—On July 7th, 1948, in London, to Mary, wife of Dr. H. H. E. Batten, a son.
- DIACK—On July 1st, 1948, to Mary, wife of P. G. A. Diack, a daughter.
- DUNCAN—On July 12th, 1948, to Betty, wife of R. F. Duncan, a son.
- EGGAR—On August 29th, 1948, at Guildford, to Ann, wife of Major R. A. J. Eggar, a daughter.
- ELLISON—On June 22nd, 1948, to Jane, wife of the Rev. G. A. Ellison, a daughter.
- HANCOCK—On June 17th, 1948, at Osterley, to Audrey, wife of A. T. Hancock, a son.
- HARVEY—On July 13th, 1948, in Glasgow, to Peggy, wife of Major C. T. Harvey, H.L.I., a son.
- JOHNSON—On July 4th, 1948, in London, to Peggy, wife of H. D. Johnson, F.R.C.S., a son.
- KANN—On May 15th, 1948, to Lilian, wife of P. W. G. Kann, a son.
- KINCHIN-SMITH—On June 28th, 1948, at Bromley, Kent, to Rachel, wife of M. Kinchin-Smith, a daughter.
- KNOWLES—On August 2nd, 1948, at Croydon, to Joan, wife of G. C. Knowles, a son.
- LONSDALE—On September 10th, 1948, at St. John's Wood, to Allison, wife of Lt.-Col. E. H. G. Lonsdale, M.B.E., R.A.S.C., a son.
- MACDONALD—On August 10th 1948, at Lacey Green, Bucks, to Kathleen, wife of Group Captain D. M. T. Macdonald, a daughter.
- MILNE—On September 11th, 1948, at Istanbul, to Marie, wife of I. I. Milne, a daughter.
- PATTERSON—On August 31st, 1948, at Birmingham, to Ila, wife of M. L. Patterson, a son.
- RADCLIFFE—On August 29th, 1948, at Minehead, to Marigold, wife of Major G. L. Y. Radcliffe, K.S.L.I., a son.
- RAIKES—On August 7th, 1948, at Mold, Flint, to Audrey, wife of Victor Raikes, M.P., a daughter.
- SPILLER—On July 23rd, 1948, at Limpsfield, Surrey, to Margaret, wife of R. H. Spiller, a son.
- WILLIAMS-TREFFGARNE—On August 22nd, 1948, to Bee, wife of A. R. H. Williams-Treffgarne, a daughter.

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- MONK—On August 16th, 1948, to Kathleen, wife of W. F. Monk, a daughter.
- WILSON—On August 29th, 1948, to Madge, wife of J. M. Wilson, a son.

## MARRIAGES

- AGGS : WRIGHT—On September 18th, 1948, at Holy Trinity Church, Prince Consort Road, Daniel Aggs to Jessica Alison, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wright, of Storrington, Sussex.
- BRASHIER : PITT—On September 18th, 1948, at Christ Church, Ealing, Michael Hugh Brashier to Eleanor Rosemary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Pitt, of Ealing.
- BROWNING : BEESTON—On July 31st, 1948, the Rev. Wilfrid Browning to Elizabeth Beeston, of Cranmore House, Aldershot.
- COLE : GOODERED—On April 13th, 1948, at Merton, James Parmiter Cole to Aileen Maude Goodered.
- CROFT : NICKLIN—On August 10th, 1948, at Christ Church, Oxford, Antony Julian Croft, to Margaret, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Nicklin, of Erdington, Birmingham.
- FOWLER : WYNNE-WILLIAMS—On August 14th, 1948, at St. Mary's, Greenstreet Green, Kent, William Edward Anthony Fowler to Jocelyn Margaret, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wynn-Williams, of Ruthin, North Wales.
- GERRISH : GREENSMITH—On June 12th, 1949, at St. Mary's, Oatlands, William Jack Gerrish, only son of W. E. Gerrish (o.w.), to Ann, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Greensmith.
- GUNN : ROGERS—On July 7th, 1948, at Oxford, Battiscombe George Gunn to Constance Anna Rogers.
- SCARAMANGA : SALWEY—On August 9th, 1948, at Worthing, George John Scaramanga to Adrienne Joyce Salwey.
- WILLETT : PARKER—On August 30th, 1948, Arnold Theodore Willett to Mrs. Audrey Parker, of Fairwarp, Sussex.
- WOODGATE : MURPHY—On June 22nd, 1948, at Emmanuel Church, South Croydon, John Thornicraft Woodgate to Patricia Margaret Murphy.

## THE WESTMINSTER BALL

The Westminster Ball was revived for the first time since the war on July 13th, and rather more than four hundred persons gathered at the Dorchester. They had been told they would get a buffet supper. This was one of those agreeable understatements to which Westminsters are accustomed when Mr. E. R. B. Graham is responsible. They got, in fact, a first class supper and an excellent running buffet to follow.

Mr. Graham was heard to lament that he was disappointed that the ball was not of the dimensions of previous occasions, but the number and brilliance of those present were a fitting tribute to the exceptionally hard work that he had put in.

# OBITUARY

We announce with deep regret the deaths of the following Old Westminsters :

WILLIAM LEWIS BAILEY was born in 1894 and was at the school from 1907 to 1911. He was called to the bar and later worked at the League of Nations in Geneva. He died last year at the age of 53.

PHILIP MANLEY BENDALL was admitted in 1897. He became a member of the Stock Exchange, and went out to Malaya to plant rubber. He returned in 1915 and served with the London Regiment in France and the Near East. He was awarded the M.C. and again went out to Malaya after the war. He married Maude, daughter of M. P. Betts, of Mentone.

GEORGE GABRIEL SCOTT GILLET was admitted as a Queen's Scholar in 1887 and went up with a history scholarship to Keble College. In 1898 he was ordained to a curacy in London, and subsequently became domestic chaplain to Earl Beauchamp and to Viscount Halifax. In 1911 he was made rector of Madresfield, and was for ten years in South Africa. He returned to England and became editorial secretary to the S.P.G. From 1935 to 1938 he was rector of Chaffcombe, Somerset. He was the author of *Politics and Religion*.

GORDON WILKINSON GOODHART was the second son of Sir James Goodhart, Bart, and came to Westminster as a non-resident Queen's Scholar in 1895 and studied medicine. He received his training at Guy's Hospital and at Freiburg and Berlin. He served in the first world war in the R.A.M.C., and afterwards became clinical pathologist at University College Hospital. He was president of the Medical Society of London and of the Association of Clinical Pathologists. In 1909 he married Alice Stransham, daughter of Lt.-Gen. W. P. La Touche, of the Indian Army.

CHARLES MEYER HALFORD entered the school in 1895 and went up to New College, Oxford. He was called to the bar at the Inner Temple and practised in Alexandria and Cairo. Later he became a Judge in the Sudan.

HENRY RICHARD BELCHER HICKMAN was at Westminster from 1879 to 1883 and went up to Christ Church. He studied medicine at St. George's Hospital and took his M.R.C.S. in 1894. He became an Ophthalmic Surgeon and Lecturer in Physiology at Bristol. He married in 1895 Margaret Kate, daughter of J. H. Thompson, of Brampton, Carlisle. He was 82 years of age.

STRATFORD DONKER AIRD JOLLY was born in 1881 and admitted to Westminster in 1896. He had a varied career, partly as a sculptor, exhibiting both in the Royal Academy and in France, partly as an explorer, visiting Peru, the Amazon, and

British Honduras. He went on various treasure hunts in Cocus and Sacambaya, and was the author of a book entitled *Treasure Trail*. In the first world war he served in France and took a commission in the R.A.F. He married in 1933, and is survived by his widow.

FREDERIC CHARLES LOUIS ARTHUR BELLOC LOWNDES (he assumed the surname of Belloc-Lowndes in 1935), the son of the late Mrs. Belloc Lowndes, the novelist, entered the school in 1911, and went to Sandhurst in 1915. He was commissioned to the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry and served in France and Russia. He was twice wounded and was awarded the M.C. In the last war he was in the Pioneer Corps but in 1941 relinquished his commission on account of ill-health. He leaves a widow and two children.

GORDON MILES STAVELEY OLDHAM, who died recently at the age of 62, entered Westminster in 1898, and went up to Christ Church three years after he left school. He was ordained in 1909 to a curacy at Newington, Surrey, and was for a time curate at St. Michael's, Chester Square. He was attached as a chaplain to the Welsh Guards during the 1914-18 war, and served abroad. He was mentioned in despatches and given the O.B.E. Since 1925 he had been vicar of Ramsey. He married in 1916, Hilda, daughter of the Hon. W. H. Curzon. A correspondent writes : " May I be allowed to pay a tribute to the memory of two lifelong friends, Phil Bendall and Miles Oldham ? They were dissimilar in many ways, for one was a man of the world, with a somewhat Rabelaisian sense of humour and a zest for the good things of life, the other a parson, merry indeed, but earnest and idealistic, and of a simple Tractarian piety ; yet alike in this that there were never two men more loyal, more unselfish or more conscientious. Both were tried by ill fortune, Phil by unmerited financial losses and crippling ill-health in the last years of his life, Miles by the death of an only child killed in action. Each was sustained by an ideally happy married life, and going through the vale of misery used it for a well and the pools were filled with water."

BERTHON FLEMING PENDRED was born in 1872 and admitted in 1887. He studied medicine at Guy's Hospital and took his M.R.C.S. in 1896. For the greater part of his life he practised at Loughton. He married Eleanor, daughter of Hugh Fleming, of Streatham.

CHARLES RITCHIE, second Baron Ritchie of Dundee, was among the most prominent Old Westminsters of the century. His connexion with the Port of London Authority dates from its formation in 1909 until his retirement from the Chairmanship in 1941. His devotion to the work

of that body was untiring, and he gave his full time to studying the problems of its various departments and procuring the necessary accommodation and equipment to render London the best organized port in the world. He came to Westminster in 1879 and matriculated at Trinity College, Oxford, in 1884. He began his career as private secretary to his father, and a member of a Dundee jute firm, and in later life he maintained his association with the industry. His eldest brother, who was five years his senior at Westminster was killed while at school by a bicycle accident, and Charles succeeded to the barony in 1906. In 1929 he became a Governor of the school. To the Westminster boys of the 'thirties, however, he was more than a mere name, for every summer he would invite a party for a trip to the Port of London and entertain boys and masters to tea on the launch. He married Sarah Ruth, daughter of L. J. Jennings, M.P., and is survived by three sons and a daughter.

DOUGLAS MACGREGOR WALLIS, who died at the age of 64, was admitted to the school in 1898. He served in the first world war, when he held a commission in the K.R.R.C., and was wounded in 1917. He was a member of the Union Discount Company. His death took place in Kenya.

THOMAS HUNTER STEEN WYLLIE was up Ashburnham from 1923 to 1929, and was a non-resident King's Scholar. At Christ Church he won the Chancellor's Prize for Latin Verse and the Gaisford Prize for Greek Verse. In 1934 he became an Assistant Principal at the War Office. He was gazetted 2nd Lieutenant in the R.A. in 1943.

A correspondent informs us that the death occurred in 1946 of ROBERT WILKINSON NEWNHAM-DAVIS, M.R.C.S., who was at Westminster for a little over a year from May 1883. He studied at St. Mary's Hospital and practised in London. He was 77 years of age.

We also record with deep regret the death of Mrs. C. H. Fisher. She died in Westminster Hospital on October 11th.

## OLD WESTMINSTERS

The Rev. W. H. Aglionby, Vicar of St. Saviour's Ealing, has been appointed a Prebendary of St. Paul's and the Rev. Guy Beech an Honorary Canon of St. Alban's.

The Rev. W. R. F. Browning has been appointed to the charge of St. Richard's, Hove, and the Rev. W. T. A. Philpot has become Vicar of Tregony with Culy, Truro.

Sir Max Page has been made an Officer in the Legion of Honour by the President of the French Republic.

Mr. P. L. Shinnie has been appointed Commissioner for Archaeology by the Sudan Government.

Mr. W. A. Pantin has been elected a Fellow of the British Academy.

Mr. D. F. Pears and Mr. H. Lloyd-Jones obtained First Classes in Literae Humaniores; Mr. Lloyd-Jones has been elected a Fellow of Jesus College, Cambridge, and Mr. Pears a Lecturer at Christ Church, Oxford.

Messrs. J. E. J. Hayward, D. H. Lines, N. L. Macassey and B. M. Turner-Samuels have been admitted Solicitors.



## THE ELIZABETHAN CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND DINNER

The Annual General Meeting of the Club was held up School on Friday October 1st. Viscount Davidson presided. Sir Robert Wilkinson, Mr. A. Clifford Feasey and Mr. D. M. M. Carey were re-elected Chairman, Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary respectively. Mr. J. R. H. Chisholm, Mr. R. M. O. Havers and Mr. W. R. van Straubenzee were newly elected members of the General Committee.

This meeting was preceded by a Special General Meeting at which it was unanimously decided that the subscription for Life Membership for those who leave the school without payment under the termly instalment system should be raised to a maximum of twelve guineas.

The Dinner was held in Church House Restaurant, Dean's Yard. A record number attended (170) and the guests included Sir Wilfred Eady, Lord Kilmaine, Secretary to the Pilgrim Trust, Mr. H. M. Parsons, Prime Warden of the Goldsmiths' Company, and the Dean of Westminster. Members assembled in Ashburnham House before dinner and adjourned there later in the evening.

## SHOOTING

This year the Old Westminsters were represented in the Public Schools Veterans' Challenge Trophy at Bisley. The team was:—Major N. W. McCaw (captain), R. J. Drury, R. G. West, D. C. Calder, J. C. Power. Old Westminsters who are interested in rifle shooting are invited to communicate with Major McCaw at Clutha House, 10 Princes Street, S.W.1.

# THE GAMES COMMITTEE

MR. W. E. GERRISH

In appreciation of his services to O.W. games between 1935 and 1947, over eighty O.W.W. recently subscribed towards a present for Mr. W. E. Gerrish on his retiring from the Hon. Secretaryship of the Games Committee.

The presentation of a silver cigarette case was made on July 21st, before dinner, which was held at Whitehall Court, with Mr. Norman Andrews in the chair.

## FOOTBALL

A full programme of matches has been arranged for two sides this season, and the Club meets the Old Reptonians in the first round of the Arthur Dunn Cup on December 18th. It is hoped to play at Vincent Square. The date of the A.F.A. Cup match has been changed to November 13th. More playing members are urgently required, and those interested should write to the Hon. Sec., M. W. Thompson, Kenmuir, Bickley Park Road, Bickley, Kent.

## FENCING

Five matches have been arranged for the coming season. In addition, it is hoped to enter for various London cups. Those interested should write to the Hon. Sec., N. J. P. Brown, 17 Denbigh Road, Faling, W.13.

## SQUASH

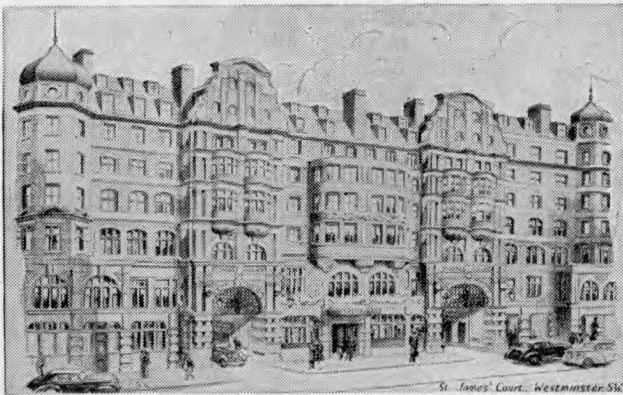
Nineteen First V and two Second V matches have been arranged, including matches against Hampstead, R. N. C. Greenwich and three Old Boy sides. In addition it is hoped to play again in the Londonderry Cup. The Club, however, is still urgently in need of playing supporters, who are asked to write to the Hon. Sec., P. A. Jessel, 7 Nepean Street, Roehampton, S.W.15, Telephone Putney 5030).

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