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A ROYAL PRIVILEGE

Although accustomed to the many privileges of an ancient foundation, Westminster has found during the last month that she has rights more valuable than she ever dared believe. It is not easy now to see the happenings of the last few weeks in their proper perspective, nor are we helped in this by the continued publicity that is being given to the Abbey and its surroundings, but we can realise that during Coronation week we were certainly the most privileged School in the whole country.

On Coronation day itself these privileges reached their zenith and the whole School was given an opportunity of seeing at least a part of a ceremony that is seldom equalled in splendour or significance. The majority of the School were allowed to walk calmly and at a comparatively late hour into a position in Parliament Square that was the envy of thousands of less fortunate people, and from here they had an excellent view of the processions to and from the Abbey. More fortunate still were the Town

Boys who had seats in the Triforium, for they greatly outnumbered the favoured Town Boys of other Coronation days.

It was, however, the glad duty and honour of the King's Scholars actually to assist in this great ceremony and so to represent the School officially before the eyes of the whole world. By chance this honour was greatly enhanced on the eve of the Coronation by a rearrangement of the Regalia bearers that enabled the Captain of the King's Scholars to carry part of the Queen's regalia from the Altar to the Annexe.

We cannot be but grateful to tradition, and for the unceasing work and energy of all who made sure that that tradition was not ignored, for the wonderful memories of that glorious day. We saw a ceremony in which with infinite solemnity and beauty the King and Queen dedicated themselves to the Service of England. We remembered even as we watched that it was by the Royal decree of an earlier sovereign that we were present to add our voices to the loyal recognition "God save King George".

SIT-DOWN STRIKES FOR SCHOOLS

When Bishops have bicycle races round Dean's Yard and the directors of Vickers-Armstrongs meet to propose a vote of thanks to Dick Sheppard, then perhaps the boys of Westminster School will organize a serious sit-down strike. When the one o'clock bell rings they will deliberately restart work with a renewed vigour. Day and night the library and the School buildings will simmer with the scratching of pens. The boys will continue to cover acres of paper at vast expense until at last the bankrupt governing body will consent to longer working hours and more preparation. The Games Fund will be liquidated to pay for more ink, and the Grove Park buses will be used exclusively for fetching books from Foyle's. Boys will be in sympathy with the busmen, too, for under the new regime there will be no time to go home, and therefore no necessity to catch non-existent buses.

Only thus can the School adequately express its pent-up feelings about the bus strike.

At first, when London became denuded of its red monsters, people were satisfied with wreaking their vengeance on London by filling its streets with queer machines that defied description and go (*sic*) by the name of cars. Dean's Yard became an inferno of ancient carriages with names that were household words at our prep. schools, but now belong to companies long since gone into liquidation. Some of the masters arrived on bicycles, but were never seen in action except pushing them through the entrance to the Common Room.

This type of revenge, however, soon lost its meaning, and it only occurred to the literary Editor the other morning how pleasant a sit-down strike would be. The summer term that used to see us free for periods longer than we ever hoped for has at last become as furious in its active interests as a Play or Lent term. Our schedules have been speeded up, and it is time we put ourselves down fairly on a chair and sat. Alas, there is an obstacle to our good

intentions! Lib. was the place to sit and work, but the new rules forbid eating there and so our sit-down strike develops into a hunger strike and that is an action no self-respecting school can take.

No—Bishops are still addicted to cars as never before; Vickers can see nothing in services rendered by Dick Sheppard. As for Westminster, Fields still rings with shouts of "One more goal, Westminster" and "How-zat?" and Lib. is preternaturally silent in out-of-school hours. Busmen, automobile builders, even statesmen may go on strike, but not Westminster—no, no—anything rather than that.

SCHOOL NOTES

M. C. Stuttaford has been awarded a Post-mastership in Classics at Merton College, Oxford.

J. W. Woodbridge represented the London Public Schools against Paris and was a member of the winning Relay Team.

J. H. T. Barley played golf for Kent in the County Championship last holidays. In the English Amateur Championship he was beaten in the second round.

A party of N.C.O.'s were given a privileged position to watch a Coronation Tattoo on the Horse Guards Parade on the evening of May 18th.

Coronation Medals have been awarded to the King's Scholars and several members of the Staff who had duties at the Coronation.

The Madrigal Society will sing Stanford's "Songs from the Fleet" at the concert at Election.

THESES FOR HALL EPIGRAMS

1. *Suum cuique pulchrum.*
2. *κολοιὸς ποτὶ κολοιόν*

Contributions to the Budget should be sent to the Master of the K.S.S., 3 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W. 1, on or before July 10th.

THE CORONATION

THE KING'S SCHOLARS WITH THE REGALIA

One of the most noticeable advantages of living within the precincts of the Abbey was the late hour at which we were able to take up our positions either in a stand or in Jerusalem Chamber. This gave those few King's Scholars whose wont it is to run every morning in Whitehall and the Park no excuse for breaking their custom. The crowds that had gathered overnight in Westminster were thus treated to the sight of six Westminsters, clad only as early morning runners dare to dress, taking their morning constitutional through Whitehall, which was already lined with troops. It was not easy to tear oneself away after breakfast from wandering about the Sanctuary and Parliament Square and from trying the effect of our magic pink pass on the special policemen.

At last all was ready and we filed through Jerusalem Chamber and started on our procession to the Abbey. Presently we reached the Abbey itself and the dazzling scene that the peers and peeresses presented was one that we will never forget. For once the Abbey's real age seemed shown, for here was yet another of a long series of Coronations that started when the Abbey was first built. The people in the galleries might have come from the sixteenth century; it was hard to believe at first that they did not. No sooner had we found this gorgeous scene to be real than our procession started down the church to the West. Our rehearsals had taught us the dangers of the thick carpets and the art of walking slowly without rolling so that we reached the Nave and took up our positions in regular time. As soon as the Regalia bearers, the Captain among them, passed into the Annexe we retreated East to our staircase. This alack was blocked by Gentlemen at Arms, and without hesitating, the juniors led the way back to the theatre and so out of the door through

which we came in. The scene from the triforium wasequallyimpressive and the slow moving trains of the processing peeresses epitomised the beauty and perfectly ordered ceremony of the day. Of the "Vivats" much has been written, both laudatory and otherwise, but their spontaneity has in every case been approved of, and that was the spirit in which they were sung or shouted. More practised pens than mine have described the glamour of that service, the best descriptive writers of the day have done the ceremony full justice, so let these few impressions suffice to tell of the honour given to a King's Scholar at a Coronation.

While part of the School was in the Abbey the remainder were outside, and here are some impressions of a Corporal of the O.T.C., who had a seat from the War Office outside Buckingham Palace :

"We marched from Victoria Station to our position and had the unexpected pleasure of going through the gardens of the Palace. From the Victoria Memorial we had an excellent view of the processions which passed only too quickly. The spectators around us were greatly amused by an American who lay on the ground and slept through the first procession, and only awoke after nearly thirty of the guns which proclaimed the King had been fired.

A party of Indian officers amused the crowd by posing for photographs and signing autograph books.

Although it was raining when the procession returned the pageantry did not suffer, and the crowds stayed and cheered various members of the Royal Family as they appeared at the windows of the Palace. The cheers reached their climax when the King and Queen themselves appeared on the balcony."

The remainder of the School, meanwhile, were in Parliament Square, where they were allotted places by the Office of Works. They assembled in Dean's Yard at 8.40, and proceeding down Gt. College St., crossed Old Palace Yard, thence by the courtesy of the Lord Great Chamberlain they were allowed to pass through the Palace of Westminster and re-crossed from New Palace Yard to their position in Parliament Square.

large collection of people holding periscopes; behind us the stands were packed, and windows in every direction were filled with inquiring faces.

"The position allotted to the School was good; one could see the procession approaching from the far end of Whitehall, and one got quite a reasonable close view, over innumerable heads and through periscopes, as it continued past to the right. The procession was very long, and



The King's Scholars passing the Chapter House in the Regalia procession.

Here are the impressions of one of the Town Boys:—

"Shortly after nine the School assembled in the north side of Parliament Square, a motley crowd of boys, masters, matrons, maids, cooks, gardeners, and the like, all under the title of 'Westminster School.' Across the road was a

everyone was magnificently uniformed. Soon the King's Bargemaster and Watermen appeared in scarlet uniforms with gold braid crowns embossed back and front. A colossal cheer and shouts of 'Bossie' rent the air as watermen in the School saw Bossie Phelps, the King's Bargemaster, and sculling coach to the School,

pass by. People turned in the crowd to see what all the cheering was about, but the King's Bargemaster marched on unperturbed.



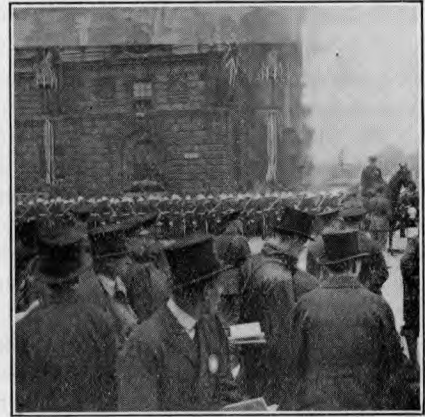
" . . . encamped for the service . . . "

" The King and Queen, in the exquisitely decorated State Coach, were enthusiastically cheered by all. They were closely followed by the Dukes of Gloucester and Kent.

" The procession being finished, some boys spread out coats and mackintoshes on the pavement, and sat back to back on them, or encamped for the service on shooting-sticks, while others just continued to stand. To everyone's great delight, milk was then handed out free and for nothing by delegates from Miss Ridge.

" After a long pause, the sound of voices singing came through the loudspeaker nearby. The ' Vivats ' sounded good and hearty, though a bit husky after the high soprano voices of the choir. The Archbishop's voice came through perfectly, but the King's responses were not so audible. It was difficult to picture the splendid scene inside the Abbey as one stood among boys munching food and sprawling on the ground.

" Three long hours passed before the return procession started. This time the procession passed across our line of vision, and away towards the Embankment. The King and Queen and Royal Family looked splendid wearing their crowns, and everybody, as usual, said that the Princesses looked ' sweet. ' Unfortunately, it had started to rain, and by the time the last of



" . . . a colossal cheer and shouts of ' Bossie ' . . . "

the procession had passed it was pouring. Consequently the ensuing rush for Underground Stations was made under umbrellas."

INSIDE THE ABBEY

THE TOWN BOYS IN THE TRIFORIUM

The notice had said 7 a.m., and as Big Ben struck, the little group, Town Boys in evening dress and School dress, Masters in gown and knee-breeches, moved out of yard.

The great event for which the whole country had been preparing for months had suddenly become a reality, and here we were setting out in the grey light of a misty May morning to take part in the climax. In College Street a parson in full canonicals was an early sign of things to come, and in Abingdon Street a one-way stream of belated cars with glittering occupants showed that the Earl Marshal's rush hour had already started.

" Enter by GREAT NORTH DOOR. Entrance No. 10," the tickets said, and plunging down a canvas tunnel by Henry VII's Chapel we carried out our instructions. Here the rush hour effect was even more pronounced. To the right and left opened out other tunnels down which confused guests hurried or retraced their steps to try again at the next turning. Suddenly a familiar archway loomed ahead, its Gothic niches as incongruous as the entrance to

St. Pancras Station. There was a brief scrutiny of tickets, and we were inside the Abbey.

In a moment the atmosphere had changed from one of rush and hurry to one of stately calm. Not a footfall could be heard on the thick carpets, not a sound at that early hour except a murmur of subdued voices. Half way up the staircase the full view across the transepts suddenly opened out. And what a view! Tier upon tier of seats mounting higher and higher until they almost reached the great rose window, with here and there a splash of crimson or a flash of diamonds to set off the prevailing blue and gold of the damasked

For more than an hour the stream of new arrivals never ceased. Seen from above, the peeresses, their trains dragging slowly behind them, looked like great butterflies crawling over a vivid lawn, and the crimson and ermine of the peers mingled with uniforms of every hue. Gradually the great church filled, and by 8.30 the processional way was almost clear. Below us, and on the opposite side, the choir had arrived; immediately beneath Dr. Bullock and Sir Adrian Boult were marshalling their musicians on the organ screen.

It would be superfluous and almost impertinent to give in these columns any account of the



The State Coach standing outside the Head Master's house during the Coronation Service.

galleries, and below, bathed in a flood of golden light, King Edward's Chair, gaunt and bare in the midst of so much splendour.

On the ground level one effect of the galleries was to make the Abbey look curiously small: at the level of the triforium this illusion disappeared and the immensity of the building could be judged as a whole. The seats allotted to the School were on the north side of the nave in the bays on either side of the organ screen, and by leaning out over the hand rail it was possible to see almost the whole length of the nave and choir. It was an advantage to be able to walk about freely behind the seats, and in the long wait before the service began most people were glad enough to stretch their legs and rest their eyes for a minute from the brilliance of the scene below.

service itself. What is there left to say after the millions of words which have already been written? Every detail of its superb symbolism has already been described in fifty languages, and though, as in all great ceremonies, there were humorous incidents, this is not the place to record them. Impressions, emotions, crowded so fast upon one another that it was almost impossible to sort them out afterwards. By 9.30 the foreign representatives and the Diplomatic Corps had arrived and had taken their places in the choir stalls. Looking down on them it was a shock to realize that here, in our School chapel, at the very hour at which the School service is usually beginning, were gathered the envoys of the whole world. In the Head Master's stall sat the suave representative of the Argentine Republic. Next to him

was the Italian ambassador. From Mr. Bowle's usual place peered out the face of M. Litvinov. And so on up the line. What a curious set of masters they would make was the absurd thought which suggested itself, and one half expected them to rise to their feet to the sound of "Service for Wednesday in the second week." But the train of thought was cut short by a stir in the transepts. The Regalia procession entered and wound its way round the Theatre. To the opening words of the Litany the choir, King's Scholars and clergy turned and began to move slowly down towards the West door. At the third pillar west of the choir screen the King's Scholars opened out and allowed the other members of the Collegiate Body to pass between them to the Annexe, there to deliver their precious burdens to the Great Officers of State. A long wait followed, broken by the arrival of Queen Mary and other members of the Royal family. And then, just before eleven o'clock, the sound of cheering could be heard outside the Abbey. Another pause, and to Parry's anthem, "I was glad," the great procession entered. The appearance of the Queen was greeted by the King's Scholars with cries of "Vivat Regina Elizabetha"—perhaps the very words with which the Foundress had been saluted in the self-same place. There was a thrilling trumpet fanfare, and a great shout rang out, "Vivat Rex Georgius! Vivat, Vivat, Vivat!" The King, as his ancestors before him, had come to Westminster to be crowned, and Westminster was receiving him as it had received his ancestors. For three centuries and more the Sovereign had been thus saluted at his Coronation by his Royal College, but whereas formerly the walls and roof of the Abbey had merely sent the acclamation echoing back, we knew that now the voices of the King's Scholars had passed beyond them and taken flight to the ends of the earth.

THIS WESTMINSTER

All was slow, stately, dignified, quiet and uplifting. "Vivat Regina Elizabetha" shouted the King's Scholars from their lofty perch in the triforium, and with thrilling effect. "Vivat Rex Georgius" they shouted again as His Majesty

entered the choir, and awakened an echo in every heart.—*The Daily Telegraph*.

The greeting came in a flood of rich tone leading up to that thrilling moment when the Queen is sighted by the Scholars of Westminster, and their raw young voices interrupt the polyphony with a brave recitative, "Vivat Regina," to be followed as the King appears with "Vivat Rex".—*The Times*.

Four times the Primate presented him, and voices cried in response, the boys of Westminster School's "Vivats" shrill over all.—*The Daily Express*.

"Vivat Regina Elizabetha," boy's voices rising clear and high like the song of thrushes heralded the Queen's procession.—*The Daily Mirror*.

Who taught the Westminster Scholars to shout "Vivat, vivat Rex Georgius!" as if they were a hard-pressed garrison of Royalists who had suddenly seen their King riding towards them through the ranks of the Roundheads?—*The Sunday Times*.

At once from the triforium flashed a sharp reiterated cry of welcome woven into the fabric of the music; the Vivats of Westminster School.—*The Observer*.

VIEW FROM TRIFORIUM

Until the ceremony began we in the triforium were free to wander along above the nave, rubbing shoulders with the Sixth Form of Westminster School in their white surplices, worn over tailcoats and knee breeches, waiting to shout at the right moment the "Vivat Rex" symbolic of the British people's acclamation of their new Sovereign. With them were the King's Scholars, little fellows eight or ten years old, in scarlet cassocks and muslin neck-frills.—*The Scotsman*.

GERALD HEARD

On Monday, February 22nd, the Political Society met to hear an address by one of the most brilliant and original of modern writers on social questions, Mr. Gerald Heard.

Those of us who remembered the talk he gave us some time ago expected a memorable address, but Mr. Heard far exceeded anyone's expectations in his lucid exposition of profound, yet scintillating thought. The tremendous élan and sincerity of Mr. Heard's oratory carried his audience along on the swift stream of his argument, and his virtuosity in the art of simile drove every point home with extraordinary vividness.

Mr. Heard's general thesis was that a cosmology not resulting in an ethic was meaningless, and that therefore an ethic must be found to fit in with a modern cosmology. He began his talk with a survey of the development of man's consciousness—"History is the shadow cast by the changing mind of man". The first great landmark in this development was in the years round 4000 B.C., when man begins to show a sense of time in the desire to make his mark in the passing years and also in the fear of death. He had realized that life is a perpetual struggle with time. The second great landmark has occurred almost in our own century. Man has become increasingly self-conscious and increasingly individualistic, but only now has he realized the existence of a neglected half of his personality, the subconscious mind. By dividing his mind and losing the community sense of the neglected subconscious, he has gained a vast shell of outer material power, but this power has only exaggerated the incessant struggle of individual and community arising from neglect of the subconscious.

The twofold danger is that man, in confining himself to specialized technical achievement, may lose the power of awareness which distinguishes him from all the other animals, and secondly that this outer power, unbalanced by inward strength and control, may destroy man in disastrous mutual conflict. Man must develop the inner power to match the outer power, and he must ever take new risks to enlarge his range of awareness, for the power of ever varied adventure is not given to the other animals, and it is perhaps the greatest of human gifts.

Only by a conscious technique of control of the subconscious, possibly by something like the Eastern practice Yoga, can he transfer his thought and vigour from his own appetites and pretensions to the well being of the whole vast organism of life. By persistent effort and exertion he must break the shell of habit and slothful stupidity and thus keep in touch with the spirit of all life, which alone can save civilization from disharmony, disintegration and collapse.

Man's duty, said Mr. Heard, as the highest form of animal life which is still developing, is by no means an easy one to perform. The king of life must work extremely hard and suffer much if he is to retain his supremacy. In Mr. Heard's view there must be a small body of men who are willing by their dynamic example to teach and leaven the masses of the people in the harmonious way of life, which considers not only the individual but also the whole organism. If disaster overtakes civilization before their work has taken effect, those who survive must carry on the work in reorganizing the shattered communities of the world through this new psycho-physical technique, and they will carry it on, for they have and hold the secret of dynamic life.

This was the general trend of Mr. Heard's talk. It would be impossible in so short a space to convey an adequate impression of his original, inspiring and constructive analysis of our situation in the world and of our duty towards the world. We can only say that he left us with a new vigour and a new hope.

A CONCERT AT WESTMINSTER SCHOOL

I had the privilege of being one of the audience at the concert given by the Westminster School at the end of Easter Term. It is a great pity that concerts, plays or socials of any description should be unknown in our French lycées. They go a long way towards showing the attainments of boys, and it is needless to point out what incentives they are and the amount of intelligent and willing effort they claim.

But a concert or the production of some classical play by schoolboys are of interest only

in so far as they come up to a high level indeed, and thus may be considered as tests of a really artistic culture. It is not doing things, but doing them well, that counts. The acquisition of primary notions is an evident necessity in life—but it can hardly be said to have any educative influence. This begins only when a direct, personal perception of the beautiful is brought to bear. What matters for the making up of an elite is not the quantity of things taught or actually known, but essentially the preception and appreciation of the beautiful *and* the possibility of communicating it to others.

I am not qualified to give a detailed critical account of the Westminster School concert, but I may boldly say that the results Dr. Lofthouse achieves with the choirs, and perhaps better still with the orchestra of Westminster boys, are just wonderful, considering the elements and time at his disposal. The musical quality of the execution of such a piece as Mozart's overture to *Idomeneo*, by which the concert began, went far beyond what I thought might be expected from a school orchestra. And the choirs, too, especially the tenors, were thoroughly good. Perhaps a greater mellowness and sweetness of tone would be desirable in the soprano—but it is useless to point out the almost impossibility of training to a high degree of perfection voices which retain their unrivalled qualities for so short a period.

A survey of the programme, which included Gluck's solo and chorus of *Furies* from *Orpheus*, Handel's chorus from *Admetus*, Wagner's *Spinning Song* from the *Flying Dutchman*, and the *March and Chorus* from *Tannhauser*, among others, gives one a general idea of the merits of the man who undertook and conducted the performance with such mastery and success. But the reward came at once in the intense joy experienced, by the performers no less than by the audience, throughout the evening. It is not exaggeration to say that:

“Joy took the air and took each breathing soul,
Embracing them to one entranced whole.”

The conclusion to be drawn from the remarks I made above, for all those who were at the concert under review, is that the teaching of music at the Westminster School is a means of attaining to the highest culture as efficient and important as any. But I beg to be allowed to insist upon the trite things I have said by

illustrating them with one instance which seems to me so highly convincing. Are we not bound to say trite things, if we want people to take to heart what they pretend to know but so seldom live up to?

A certain French priest felt sure that the highest culture in one particular direction has a greater influence upon the souls of boys than a general moral or religious education may have. He gathered round himself a number of boys taken out of the poorer families in one of the poorer districts of Paris, Belleville—and he taught them to sing: Plain song, Palestrinian, Religious and Profane music—he put his soul into it and trained “*Les Petits Chanteurs à la Croix de Bois*” to such a degree of perfection that they are known and in demand in many European countries, and in America.

Now, my object is not to discuss their artistic merit, but simply to contend that through music the sanctuary of higher culture has been opened to them and those boys have been made members of the elite—the highest truths, the noblest thoughts, being thus brought within their reach more efficiently and conqueringly than could have been done perhaps in any other way.

May one wish that the lead may be more generally followed, and hope that the readers of these lines will feel a desire to make the acquaintance of “*Les Petits Chanteurs à la Croix de Bois*,” to judge for themselves and realise better the miraculous influence of music upon the souls of men.

G. J. E. MALRIEU,
Professeur agrégé au lycée Lakanal.

BROOKLANDS HILL CLIMB

During the Easter holidays several members of the School spent a very pleasant afternoon holding a hill climb on the Test Hill at Brooklands, which was kindly lent to them by the Clerk of the Course, Mr. A. P. Bradley.

The event was organised by I. McNeil, who had obtained a R.A.C. permit for the competition, and received twenty-two entries. The seventeen cars that started were lined up in the Finishing Straight at 2.30 p.m. and had Competition numbers painted on them in whitewash. At

3 o'clock McNeil started the limit man, J. Upsdell (Austin seven), up the hill with a veritable flourish of his Union Jack. This was followed by a series of excellent climbs, of which the fastest was in 10 secs. by K. Gormly's B.M.W., closely followed by two Invictas. Each car had two climbs up the Hill, and these were timed by M. F. Dowding and S. L. Wagstaff with commendable efficiency and a vastly impressive stopwatch.

Among the "prizes" were two Silver Cups presented by Mr. Charles McNeil and Mr. Gordon Glegg. These were for the winner on handicap and the fastest times respectively. The fastest time made by a member of the School was by L. F. Phillipson in his Ford ten, and he thus came second on handicap. Our thanks are due to Mr. S. C. H. Davis (O.W.), whose valuable assistance made this event possible. After the event Mr. J. Shearman attempted an ascent in his 1901 De Dion, which, though it did not succeed, provided excellent entertainment for the spectators. Altogether this was very enjoyable, and it is hoped to hold the event or a similar one next year.

THE CHALLENGE

June, 1937

The following recommendations for Election have been made—

1. RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIPS IN COLLEGE.

R. W. Young.
 J. A. Kirbyshire.
 C. H. Christie.
 P. F. Alcock.
 J. M. Erde.
 A. J. Henderson.
 J. M. Whiskard.
 J. Corsellis.

2. NON-RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP.

L. A. Wilson.

3. EXHIBITIONS.

A. L. Dorling.
 P. N. Ray.
 K. B. Willsher.
 D. R. Holloway.

ATHLETICS

In reviewing the 1937 season, there are two impressions which seem to stand out. First, that both senior and colts teams were undefeated in their matches, and second, perhaps it should have been first, that a very high all-round standard of performance was necessary to win those matches as will be seen from the details which follow. It is no exaggeration to say that it has certainly been the most successful season Westminster has ever had on the track. It was in 1927 that the first School match was held against Aldenham.

THE SCHOOL SPORTS AND RELAYS.

With a view to making the training period for the Sports rather more interesting, and also in an attempt to make it easier for a boy to decide what events suited him best, it was decided as an experiment to hold House trials this year. As a result of these each House was to enter teams, not exceeding three, for the different School events. The experiment did fulfil its two objects, but it also meant that active interest in the sports was soon over for all but the teams. If the same programme is held again next year something more in the way of Relays will have to be arranged for those not in the teams.

It was at last possible this year to fix dates so that there were bigger gaps between Finals and School matches. These, in the past, have been held much too close together.

Incidentally the weather did its very best to upset all these careful plans, and it was only the remarkable drying powers of Fields that made it possible to go ahead with the programme. The only alteration that was necessary was to hold the Long Distance Race before the House trials instead of after, thereby making it possible to postpone everything one day. Never before have there been such conditions for the race at Putney. Cold, steady rain and a flooded towpath made things extremely unpleasant for the competitors in the early stages, while in front of the boathouses the water was so deep on the road and the sailing boats so numerous that a fast finish was quite impossible. Long, who had been elected Captain of Running but had had to give up the position on account of

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THE CHALLENGE

June, 1937

The following recommendations for Election have been made—

1. RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIPS IN COLLEGE.

R. W. Young.
 J. A. Kirbyshire.
 C. H. Christie.
 P. F. Alcock.
 J. M. Erde.
 A. J. Henderson.
 J. M. Whiskard.
 J. Corsellis.

2. NON-RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP.

L. A. Wilson.

3. EXHIBITIONS.

A. L. Dorling.
 P. N. Ray.
 K. B. Willsher.
 D. R. Holloway.

ATHLETICS

In reviewing the 1937 season, there are two impressions which seem to stand out. First, that both senior and colts teams were undefeated in their matches, and second, perhaps it should have been first, that a very high all-round standard of performance was necessary to win those matches as will be seen from the details which follow. It is no exaggeration to say that it has certainly been the most successful season Westminster has ever had on the track. It was in 1927 that the first School match was held against Aldenham.

THE SCHOOL SPORTS AND RELAYS.

With a view to making the training period for the Sports rather more interesting, and also in an attempt to make it easier for a boy to decide what events suited him best, it was decided as an experiment to hold House trials this year. As a result of these each House was to enter teams, not exceeding three, for the different School events. The experiment did fulfil its two objects, but it also meant that active interest in the sports was soon over for all but the teams. If the same programme is held again next year something more in the way of Relays will have to be arranged for those not in the teams.

It was at last possible this year to fix dates so that there were bigger gaps between Finals and School matches. These, in the past, have been held much too close together.

Incidentally the weather did its very best to upset all these careful plans, and it was only the remarkable drying powers of Fields that made it possible to go ahead with the programme. The only alteration that was necessary was to hold the Long Distance Race before the House trials instead of after, thereby making it possible to postpone everything one day. Never before have there been such conditions for the race at Putney. Cold, steady rain and a flooded towpath made things extremely unpleasant for the competitors in the early stages, while in front of the boathouses the water was so deep on the road and the sailing boats so numerous that a fast finish was quite impossible. Long, who had been elected Captain of Running but had had to give up the position on account of

an examination, just managed to keep ahead of Budgett, who succeeded him in that office. Both H.BB. and G.G. packed well, H.BB. winning the House Cup with 1st, 3rd and 5th places, G.G. getting 2nd, 4th and 6th. It was an exciting start to the Sports even though conditions were so bad.

The match against the German boys from Oranienstein, reported in the last number of THE ELIZABETHAN, came in the middle of the week of House trials. Conditions were slow and our team was of necessity experimental, but we did well enough not only to win, but to indicate the possibility of a strong team for the later matches. It was a most enjoyable match.

Conditions did improve for the School events, but they were still not fast. Even so some good performances were recorded. Woodbridge, who has been so unlucky over illness, having shown such promise in the early stages of the Sports each year, did not disappoint us on this occasion. He won four events—the 100 yds., the Low Hurdles, the Half Mile and the Long Jump. His Low Hurdles time was a record, his 100 yards time has only three times been beaten since the record in 1891, while no better Long Jump has been made in these Sports since 1885.

Stocker's Javelin throw, which now becomes the School record for this event in its third year, is the only other open result of special merit.

Of the Junior competitors, Page-Wood, Ribbentrop and Goatly were outstanding under 16, Goatly's 100 yds. and Page-Wood's Long Jump being specially good. Lever and Lee-Warner each won two events under 14½.

The competition for the House Cup was keen throughout, though H.BB. finally won from G.G. with a 50 points lead. Actually on places there was only 15 points between them, the other 35 coming from standards.

The Relay Cup also went to H.BB. after some very interesting racing. A.HH., who were third, did well to win 5 out of the 6 Junior events. The same scale of points was used as last year, and it was good to see more teams competing than usual in the races. There were still far too many blanks in the Field Events, however.

Mrs. Costley-White very kindly consented to give away the Cups, medals and Relay batons.

The introduction of the House trials gave much more work to the Captain of Running, Budgett, and to the House Athletic Captains. It was only owing to their energy and keenness that the programme was carried through.

WESTMINSTER v. ORANIENSTEIN

One Mile:—

1. Neal (W.), 2. Mechnig (O.), 3. Stewart (W.); 5 mins. 10 secs.

100 yards:—

1. Woodbridge (W.), 2. Budgett (W.), 3. Bartlau (O.); 11.3 secs.

Long Jump:—

1. Bartlau (O.), 2. Woodbridge (W.), 3. Long (W.); 19 ft. ½ ins.

Putting the Weight:—

1. Riecke (O.), 2. Preugschat (O.), 3. Ribbentrop (W.); 38 ft.

Relay A. (880 yds., 440 yds., 220 yds., 440 yds.):—

- 1st. Westminster—(Long, Harston, Budgett, Woodbridge).

- 2nd. Oranienstein—(Mechnig, Preugschat, Przevosnik, Thom); 4 mins., 45.4 secs.

Relay B.—(440 yds., 220 yds., 220 yds., 440 yds.):—

- 1st. Westminster—(Fursdon, Petley, Somper, Hunt.)

- 2nd. Oranienstein—(Anglevitz, Heuche, Kettutz, Schmidt); 2 mins. 51 secs.

RELAY RESULTS

Field Events.—1. H.BB., 53 pts.; 2. G.G., 46 pts.; 3. RR., 30 pts.

Under 14½ Sprint:—1. A.HH.; 2. H.BB.; 3. G.G.

Junior Sprint:—1. A.HH.; 2. H.BB.; 3. K.SS.

Senior Sprint:—1. GG.; 2. K.SS.; 3. H.BB.

Under 14½ Hurdles:—1. A.HH.; 2. H.BB.; 3. RR.

Junior Hurdles:—1. H.BB.; 2. A.HH.; 3. K.SS.

Senior Hurdles:—1. H.BB.; 2. GG.; 3. K.SS.

Senior Low Hurdles:—1. GG.; 2. H.BB.; 3. A.HH.

Under 14½ Medley:—1. A.HH.; 2. H.BB.; 3. GG.

Junior Medley:—1. A.HH.; 2. K.SS.; 3. GG.

Senior Medley:—1. H.BB.; 2. GG.; 3. A.HH.

House Relay Cup:—1. H.BB., 112 pts.; 2. G.G., 95 pts.;

3. A.HH., 77 pts.; 4. RR., 50 pts.; 5. K.SS., 44 pts.

6. BB., 24 pts.

SPORTS RESULTS

Long Distance Race:—House Cup.

1. H.BB. 9 pts. (1st, 3rd, 5th), 2. G.G. 12pts. (2nd, 4th, 6th).

Long Distance Race:—

1. Long (H.B.), 2. Budgett (G.), 3. Neal (H.B.), 4. Woodbridge (G.). Time 15 mins. 59½ secs.

Putting the Weight (12 lb.):—

1. Ribbentrop (A.H.), 2. Patterson (G.), 3. Hunt (A.H.), 33 ft. 11 ins.

Throwing the Discus:—

1. Patterson (G.), 2. Long (H.B.), 3. Urquhart (K.S.), 90 ft. 3½ ins.

Throwing the Javelin:—

1. Stocker (R.), 2. Gawthorne (H.B.), 3. Ribbentrop (A.H.); 138 ft. 4½ ins. (Record.)

High Jump:—

Under 14½.

1. Lee-Warner (B.), 2 (equal). Bell (A.H.), Woodwark (H.B.), Bellinger (H.B.); 4 ft. 3¼ ins.

Under 16.

1. Finn (G.), 2. Trehearne (A.H.); 4 ft. 9 ins.

Open.

- 1 (equal). Patterson (G.), Halsall (K.S.S.), 2. O'Brien (K.S.), Neal (H.B.), Eyre (H.B.), Calway (B.); 4 ft 11¼ ins.

Long Jump:—

Under 14½.

1. Lee-Warner (B.), 2. Hinge (A.H.); 15 ft. 4 ins.

Under 16.

1. Page-Wood (H.B.), 2. Kinchin-Smith (K.S.); 17 ft. 11½ ins. (Record.)

Open.

1. Woodbridge (G.), 2. Long (H.B.), 3. Budgett (G.); 19 ft. 10½ ins.

120 yards Hurdles:—

Under 14½. (2 ft. 9 in.)

1. Lever (A.H.), 2. Casper (A.H.); 20 secs.

Under 16. (3 ft.)

1. Page-Wood (H.B.), 2. Woodwark (H.B.); 19.3 secs.

Open. (3 ft. 3 in.)

1. Long (H.B.), 2. Cunliffe (G.), 3. Hunt (A.H.); 18.9 secs.

220 yards Low Hurdles:—

Under 16.

1. Page-Wood (H.B.), 2. Goatly (A.H.); 30.6 secs.

Open.

1. Woodbridge (G.), 2. Neal (H.B.), 3. Hunt (A.H.); 27.5 secs. (Record.)

100 yards:—

Under 14½.

1. Lever (A.H.), 2. Hinge (A.H.); 12.8 secs.

Under 16.

1. Goatly (A.H.), 2. Page-Wood (H.B.); 11.2 secs. (Equals Record.)

Open.

1. Woodbridge (G.), 2. Budgett (G.), 3. Fursdon (G.); 10.8 secs.

440 yards:—

Under 14½.

1. Hinge (A.H.), 2. Davison (G.); 67.4 secs.

Under 16.

1. Ribbentrop (A.H.), 2. Goatly (A.H.); 59.3 secs.

Open.

1. Budgett (G.), 2. Fursdon (G.), 3. Harston (A.H.); 56.6 secs.

880 yards:—

Under 16.

1. Ribbentrop (A.H.), 2. Kinchin-Smith (K.S.); 2 mins. 28 secs.

Open.

1. Woodbridge (G.), 2. Neal (H.B.), 3. Long (H.B.); 2 mins. 14 secs.

One Mile:—

Under 16.

1. Morris (B.), 2. Kinchin-Smith (K.S.); 5 mins. 29.4 secs.

Open.

1. Neal (H.B.), 2. Stewart (H.B.), 3. Hooper (H.B.); 5 mins. 11.7 secs.

Consolation Race (440 yards):—

Under 14½.

1. Nash (H.B.).

Under 16.

1. Trefgarne (H.B.).

Open.

1. Wheeler (B.).

O.W.W. Race. (100 yards):—

1. J. D. Carleton. 2 (equal). A. W. Eyre, M. H. Matthews. 12.3 secs.

House Athletic Cup:—

1. H.B.B., 272½; 2. G.G., 220; 3. A.H.H., 198½; 4. K.S.S., 104¾; 5. B.B., 69¼; 6. R.R. 62.

WESTMINSTER—C. F. BYERS' TEAM—
ALDENHAM

The date for our fixture with Aldenham at Vincent Square—March 27th—unfortunately was the opening date of one of the Achilles' School tours. Fearing that the touring team would be weakened, our request for an Achilles visit was refused. C. F. Byers, however, came to our rescue and promised to collect a team to complete the triangle. As the Achilles match was scratched, he was actually able to bring stronger opposition than we expected.

In the triangular contest Westminster proved victorious for the first time in this series of matches, though it must be remembered that there was no official Achilles team present. Westminster scored 27 points, Aldenham 20½ and C. F. Byers' team 16½. In the Open match between the Schools the score was Westminster 32, Aldenham 25, and in the Colts match Westminster 26, Aldenham 23. Westminster, in fact, had a good day.

As was expected, in most events the performances recorded in the School Sports were improved on. In the Open events this was most noticeable in the 100 yds., in which Woodbridge returned 10.5 to equal the School record made in 1891. It was good to see such a convincing win in an event that does not usually go to Westminster. Although Long was beaten in

the High Hurdles by this year's Oxford pair, Knight and Scopes—it was a real treat to see them—he took $1\frac{1}{2}$ seconds off his previous time. He also ran a good half mile. Woodbridge gave Westminster two other splendid wins in the Low Hurdles and the Long Jump. The Mile went to the Oxford president, E. B. Teesdale, with Neal a good second, while Knight of Aldenham was just too fast for Budgett in the 440 yards. In fact the High Jump was the only event in which we were quite outclassed.

In the Colts match, Page-Wood also won three events with good performances—the two Hurdles race and the Long Jump. Goatly unfortunately never recovered from a bad start in the sprint, while Aldenham also won the Half Mile and High Jump. That made the score equal, and Ribbentrop gave us the match by getting first place in the 440 yards—a most exciting finish to the contest. Mention should also be made of Howland's effortless weight-putting. What a pity Aldenham do not include this event on their programme.

Our thanks are due to Byers for the trouble he took in getting the team together. His efforts were certainly appreciated by a large crowd. The handicapping was much the same as in previous matches.

RESULTS

OPEN

220 yards Low Hurdles :—

1. Woodbridge (W.), 2. Knight (A.), 3. Byers (C.F.B.), 4. Scopes (C.F.B.); 27.6 secs.

One Mile :—

1. Teesdale (C.F.B.), 2. Neal (W.), 3. Cleminson (A.), 4. Sherrard (A.); 4 mins. 58.6 secs.

High Jump :—

1. Watson (A.), 2. Hobson (A.), 3. Lockton (C.F.B); 5 ft. 4 ins.

100 yards :—

1. Woodbridge (W.), 2. Knight (A.), 3. Fursdon (W.), 4. J. J. Marchant (A.); 10.5 secs.

120 yards Hurdles (3 ft. 3 ins.) :—

1. Knight (C.F.B.), 2. Scopes (C.F.B), 3. Long (W.), 4. Hobson (A.); 16.6 secs.

Long Jump :—

1. Woodbridge (W.), 2. Watson (A.), 3. Oxberry (A.); 19 ft. 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ins.

Putting the Weight :—

1. Ribbentrop (W.), 35 ft. 6 ins. 2. Howland (C.F.B.), 51 ft. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

880 yards :—

1. Long (W.), 2. J. J. Marchant (A.), 3. Harston (W.); 2 mins. 12.9 secs.

440 yards :—

1. Knight (A.), 2. Budgett (W.), 3. Barnes (C.F.B.); 54.7 secs.

COLTS

220 yards Low Hurdles :—

1. Page-Wood (W.), 2. Goatly (W.); 30 secs.

Long Jump :—

1. Page-Wood (W.), 2. Hackett (A.); 17 ft. 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins.

100 yards :—

1. Pockney (A.), 2. Maclean (A.); 11.2 secs.

880 yards :—

1. Mellor (A.), 2. Morris (W.); 2 mins. 19.9 secs.

High Jump :—

1. George (A.), 2. Finn (W.); 4 ft. 11 ins.

120 yards Hurdles—(3 ft.) :—

1. Page-Wood (W.), 2. Pockney (A.); 18.5 secs.

440 yards :—

1. Ribbentrop (W.), 2. Maclean (A.); 59.2 secs.

EASTBOURNE *v.* WESTMINSTER

After our victory over Aldenham, we went to Eastbourne on April 1st, full of hope but rather with the feeling that we preferred home to away conditions. Actually it was a lovely day, the shape of the track at Eastbourne had been greatly improved and the standard reached in almost every event was very high. It was a day of records—6 out of the 14 events and 5 of them to Westminster! Eastbourne's one was in the Weight; this was followed in the Senior match by Long winning the High Hurdles in 16.2 secs. It was hard luck on Empson that he was robbed of almost certain victory by crashing a hurdle. Long kept his head well, however, and fully deserved his win. Neal then proceeded to run an excellently judged Mile, taking $\frac{2}{5}$ sec. off the record, to be followed by Woodbridge doing the 100 yards in the remarkably fast time of 10.4 secs., thus beating the record he had equalled against Aldenham.

If the standard of the High Jump was low—it nearly always is at far as we are concerned at Eastbourne—the reverse was the case in the Long Jump. Woodbridge somehow jumped 21 feet 3 inches, beating the previous best by over a foot. Williams, of Eastbourne, was second with 19 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.—good enough to win in most years. Long meanwhile had won the Half Mile in good time, while Woodbridge

again completed an excellent treble by taking the 440 yards in 53.8, nearly a third record.

The Colts match started with a record 100 yards by Goatly, Page-Wood then winning the Hurdles and Long Jump in quick succession. Kinchin-Smith won the Half Mile, but there our run of successes stopped as both places in the High Jump went to Eastbourne and Scott was too fast for Ribbentrop in a 440 yards, done in just over 57 secs.

RESULTS

OPEN

Putting the Weight—(12 lb.) :—

1. Williams (E.), 39 ft. 3 ins., 2. Patterson (W.), 33 ft. 10 ins. Eastbourne Record.

120 yards Hurdles—(3ft. 3ins.) :—

1. Long, (W.), 2. Grant (E.) ; 16.2 secs. Westminster Record.

One Mile :—

1. Neal (W.), 2. Silver (E.), 3. Wilson (E.) ; 4 mins. 48.6 secs. Westminster Record.

100 yards :—

1. Woodbridge (W.), 2. Grant (E.) ; 10.4 secs. Westminster Record.

High Jump :—

1. Empson (E.), 4 ft. 11 ins., 2. Grant (E.) and Halsall (W.), 4 ft. 10 ins.

880 yards :—

1. Long (W.), 2. Gray (E.) ; 2 mins. 8.6 secs.

Long Jump :—

1. Woodbridge (W.), 21 ft. 3 ins., 2. Williams (E.), 19 ft. 11½ ins. (Westminster record.)

440 yards :—

1. Woodbridge (W.), 2. Grant (E.) ; 53.8 secs.

COLTS

100 yards :—

1. Goatly (W.), 2. Scott (E.) ; 11 secs. Westminster Record.

120 yards Hurdles—(3 ft.) :—

1. Page-Wood (W.), 2. Scott (E.) ; 18.4 secs.

Long Jump :—

1. Page-Wood (W.), 17 ft. 5½ ins., 2. Kinchin-Smith (W.), 17 ft. 2 ins.

880 yards :—

1. Kinchin-Smith (W.), 2. Willett (E.) ; 2 mins. 23.2 secs.

High Jump :—

1. Dunlop (E.), 4 ft. 11 ins., 2. Roberts (E.), 4 ft 6 ins.

440 yards :—

1. Scott (E.), 2. Ribbentrop (W.) ; 57.4 secs.

And so for the first time Westminster were undefeated with both teams—and not because of weak opposition. Budgett, the Captain, deserves great credit for their triumph. It was

definitely a case of the success of the team being of importance rather than that of the individual, which is of such great importance in School Athletics.

HENDERSON CUP AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPORTS

There was no difficulty in deciding that J. W. Woodbridge was the winner of the Henderson Cup. As the previous pages show, he had a truly remarkable season. Seldom, if ever, can a boy have performed so consistently well in such a variety of events, and the three records which he beat were all good ones. He followed this up in the Public Schools Sports by getting 3rd place in the Final of the Open 100 yards (less than a yard covered the first three) and 4th place in the Long Jump. The Sprint was won in 10.4 sec.—a time only twice beaten at this meeting—while two boys jumped over 22 feet in the Long Jump.

Later in the holidays he represented the London Public Schools against the Paris Juniors and was a member of the winning Sprint Relay team.

Goatly did well in the Junior races at the White City, running in the Final of the 100 yards and getting 3rd place in the 250 yards Final. Ribbentrop and Page-Wood were our other representatives.

Possibly next year we may be able to enter a team for these Sports.

M. F. Y.

CONTEMPORARIES

We apologize for any inadvertent omissions.

The Aldenhamian, *Artists Rifles Gazette* (3), *Beaumont Review* (2), *The Blue* (2), *The Blundellian* (2), *Boy Scouts Weekly News Bulletin* (7), *Brighton College Magazine*, *The Cantuarian*, *The Carthusian*, *The Cheltonian* (2), *City of London School Magazine*, *The Clavinian*, *The Cliftonian* (2), *The Edinburgh Academy Chronicle*, *The St. Edward's School Chronicle* (3), *Eton College Chronicle* (6), *The Felstedian* (2), *The Fettesian*, *The Glenalmond Chronicle*, *The Harrovian* (7), *The Haileyburian*, *The Lancing College Magazine*, *The Leys Fortnightly* (3), *The Limit*, *The Malvernian*, *The Meteor* (3), *The Mill Hill Magazine*, *The Orange and Blue* (2), *The Ousel*, *St. Peter's College Magazine*, *The Portcullis*, *The Public Schools' Association of Great Britain* (2), *The Radleian*, *The Reptonian*, *The Rossallian*, *The Salopian*, *The Sedberghian* (3), *The Shirburnian*, *The Stonyhurst Magazine*, *The Tonbridgian*, *The Trinity University Review* (3), *The Wellingtonian*, *Wycombe Abbey Gazette*, *The Wykehamist*.

THE WATER

In the next number of THE ELIZABETHAN there will be an account of some races rowed, and we hope won, against other schools and colleges, and in the one after that an account of the School regatta. It therefore seems the opportune moment for us to give some account of the Water, and to put forward in bold terms our state at the present moment and our hopes and aims for the future.

In the first place we may start by declaring what the ideal of the Boat Club is, and the fundamental principles on which it has been built. We may state, in other words, our creed. The sport of Rowing, and therefore the Boat Club, exists to provide relaxation for the mind, education and exercise to the body, and most important of all, enjoyment as well to the mind and body as to that third mysterious partner in the human personality. That rowing, like any other sport which has an imparted or corporate rhythm as its fundamental basis, performs this last function no one who has been privileged to row in a moderately good eight will deny. That there is some connection between this third member of the human personality and rowing is strengthened by counting up the number of people in the Church who have rowed in their day. That is what rowing exists for, and that is what it achieves, when it is entered into in the right spirit.

We can already hear some readers saying, "Come down to brass tacks, what are you going to do and what is your practical aim?" In practice we wish enjoyment to be our keystone, and because we want everyone in the Boat Club to do everything he wishes to, and not because it is thrust on him.

Another danger we wish to steer clear of is that of substituting for compulsion a grim idea of duty. An eight which goes out on a voluntary station day because they conceive it to be their duty to do so will have only climbed the first few rungs of the ladder, but one that goes out because they look on it as a good 'turn' will have got near the top. It is for that reason that the Boat Club will always foster 'turns,' 'notes,' 'parties,' or whatever current term is applied to those outings and goings on which relieve the normal routine of

its normality; and it is because Watermen have been invigorated by that same spirit that they are often so trying in the evening to those who have not experienced it.

So much for the spirit, now for the method. We do not run the Boat Club in order to produce just the best possible first few eights, but to bring out in each waterman the best of which he is capable, and that is undoubtedly the best method of getting good eights. It is the constant anxiety of the Boat Club Officers that those who through bad coaching in the past, or through illness, or through just not possessing a natural aptitude for rowing, should not stagnate at the bottom; but that if they do always seem to be at the bottom they should know that everything possible is being done for them. That we do not always succeed we know, but we would add a warning to those who may feel that we have not succeeded in their own cases, that one is always inclined to think oneself better than one is, and the only true method is always to consider oneself worse than one can imagine to be possible. We do not hold slavishly to any particular theory, doctrine or ideology of rowing. But we aim to row in that manner which makes the boat go fastest. What that method is the oarsmen themselves, aided by their coach and by the written and verbal experience of other experts, will discover. But we do hold certain tenets, rightly or wrongly. We believe in fixed riggers because they make for ease of practising, they enable a firm beginning to be more easily gripped and they are not so tiring as swivels on the arms and wrists. We also believe in fixed seats as a means of developing the muscles in the back and lengthening the swing; and lastly we think that short slides help the transition from fixed seats to long slides. In completing this part of this article we wish to say that we would like to have still more watermen, and that the best advertisement for Water are the watermen themselves, for we feel that most watermen enjoy themselves, in spite of the few comforts about the Boat-house and the fact that it seems to be tumbling about our ears.

Now for all those 'turns,' 'notes' and 'parties' which took place towards the end of last term. On March 9th four eights went up to



The First Eight about to shoot the Tower Bridge

Kew, the largest number for a long time. On March 11th the first eight went out with Cambridge. The two eights paddled up to Harrod's, the first eight on the inside. They then turned round and had a short burst of rowing on the way back with the tide.

The first eight was asked to pace Cambridge over a part of their full course trial on March 13th, and leave off a part of morning school was obtained to do this; but Cambridge cancelled their outing owing to bad conditions, and the first two eights therefore went up to Isleworth against a strong tide (the conditions having improved by the afternoon) and, having had tea, paddled back. On March 16th Cambridge raced a mile in very rough water and the first eight paced them, unfortunately in an unusual order as Radcliffe was away for an examination.

On March 31st the Isleworth outing was repeated with even greater success than before. Three eights went up to just above Richmond Bridge, stopping at Isleworth for tea on the way back.

For the Boatrace on March 24th a staging was conjured up in front of the Boathouse which enabled everyone to have a very good view, and wirelesses in the dressing rooms made it possible to follow the rest of the race. Afterwards the most excellent lunch was served to about ninety people in the new Boathouse. An unusually exciting race was made more memorable by the fact that we were again represented in each boat. Both M. P. Lonnon and J. C. Cherry were universally regarded as outstanding in their respective crews. It is with great pleasure that we have since heard that J. C. Cherry has been elected President of the O.U.B.C., and M. P. Lonnon re-elected President of the C.U.B.C. The School has not enjoyed such a double distinction since 1841.

LANDING AT BLACK ROD'S STAIRS

Lord Esmé Gordon-Lennox again kindly invited the first eight and visitors to land at Black Rod's Stairs and have tea on the Terrace. Accordingly the first eight, accompanied by the

School launch and a hired one and the second and fourth eights, left Putney at about 2.45 p.m. on May 18th. The eights paddled down in easy lengths of paddling and paddling light, the fourth eight easing and turning round at Battersea Bridge.

The eights arrived off Westminster at about 3.30 p.m., where the second eight turned round and went back. After a short time the first eight paddled on to just below Blackfriars Bridge, where another easy was made, and then on through the Pool to easy and turn round about three-quarters of a mile below the Tower Bridge at Cherry Garden Pier. The conditions were good, the water at times being perfectly smooth and the eight had the tide under them except for the last half mile. This was the lowest point that a Westminster eight has reached from Putney, and the last time an eight starting from Westminster went so low was before 1850.

The eight paddled back upstream, arriving off the Houses of Parliament again at 4.45 p.m. Both crews and visitors were entertained to an excellent tea held in one of the committee rooms of the House of Lords, owing to the doubtful weather.

The eight reassembled at about 5.30 p.m., and doing some excellent pieces of paddling and paddling light arrived back at the boat-house without being eased at 6.10 p.m.

NEW FOURS

The three new clinker fours which have been got for the House fours have been named after the flagships of, or ships commanded by, O.W.W. in famous engagements in the past. The names chosen are:—

Burford. Captain "Old Grog" Vernon, at the capture of Porto Bello, 1737.

Queen Charlotte. Howe's flagship at the Glorious First of June, 1794.

Téméraire. Captain (afterwards Admiral Sir Eliab) Harvey, at Trafalgar, 1805.

FIXTURES FOR THIS TERM

1ST EIGHT

Tuesday, June 8th. *v.* St. Paul's.

Saturday, June 19th. Compete in the Marlow eights at Marlow Regatta.

June 30th—July 3rd. Henley Royal Regatta.

2ND EIGHT

Saturday, May 29th. *v.* Imperial Service College, Windsor, at Putney.

Saturday, June 5th. *v.* St. Paul's.

Thursday, June 10th. *v.* Eton at Putney.

Saturday, June 19th. Compete in the Public Schools' Vase at Marlow Regatta.

3RD EIGHT

Saturday, June 5th. *v.* University College School, Hampstead, at Putney. (1st eight.)

Thursday, June 10th. *v.* St. Paul's.

Tuesday, June 22nd. *v.* Radley and Eton at Marlow.

Tuesday, June 29th. Bow and Stern four *v.* one four from Emanuel College, Wandsworth, at Putney.

4TH EIGHT

Saturday, June 8th. *v.* Westminster City School at Putney. (1st eight.)

Tuesday, June 10th. *v.* St. Paul's.

5TH EIGHT

Saturday, June 5th. *v.* St. Paul's.

SCHOOL REGATTA—July 13th—24th.

W.S.B.C.

THE FIELDS

The weather has not been at its best for the first three matches, nor has the form of the first XI. It is not for us, the deck-chair Press, to bewail the misfortunes that overtake our cricketers, but rather to voice the hope of the School that the team may get their full share of luck in future matches to restore the confidence they have lost in the last two seasons. Against the Butterflies we saw our opponents score a lot of runs thanks to dropped catches, and then a fine second wicket stand by Wilkinson and Gawthorne that only just failed to force a draw. The last wicket fell after some breathless escapes by Hunt when Woodbridge was bowled by T. Garnett. The next week the Free Foresters produced a strong side, and by the time the crowd had come up Fields R. H. Twining had completed a graceful century. Shortly after this he stepped across his wicket before Cunliffe had brought his arm over and could not avoid a ball that was well pitched up and cut his cheek. Wilkinson's wicket-keeping was again one of the features of the match; his leg-side play makes is seem delightfully easy. C. S. Marriot, on a soft wicket, proved altogether too much for the side, who, against their nature, played a subdued game and were skittled out. Gawthorne again played a stylish and confident innings.

Against the M.C.C., a side containing four county players, the School batted first. The batting seemed better and more forceful, but batsmen were inclined to get set and then put up a dolly catch to the slips or gully for no apparent reason. Goatly played a good innings of 27 before he became infected by the epidemic, and the innings closed at 3.45 for 138. The club made the runs with 6 wickets in hand, and the School did well to have 8 of their wickets down for 192. With better weather we look forward to larger scores and more effective bowling.

WESTMINSTER v. THE BUTTERFLIES

Played at Vincent Square on May 8th.

THE BUTTERFLIES.

F. E. Pagan, b Sinclair	.....	.....	8
T. R. Garnett, c Boyle, b Calway	.....	.....	81
K. J. Gardiner, c Stocker, b Sinclair	.....	.....	1
G. de Claremont, c Boyle, b Hunt	.....	.....	31
I. M. Symington, not out	.....	.....	101
A. C. Johnson, not out	.....	.....	53
Extras	.....	.....	2
Total (for 4 wickets)			277

D. A. Bompas, G. P. Rawlings, W. E. Gerrish, W. B. Frampton and A. C. Feasy did not bat.

Bowling. — Boyle, 7-1-46-0; Sinclair 12-1-51-2; Calway 8-2-27-1; Cuncliffe 4-0-31-0; Stocker 12-1-52-0; Neal 91-0-41-0; Hunt 3-0-17-1.

WESTMINSTER.

D. L. Wilkinson, c Gardiner, b Garnett	.....	.....	33
P. Goatly, b Frampton	.....	.....	0
P. P. Gawthorne, c Bompas, b Garrett	.....	.....	40
W. J. A. Boyle, c and b Symington	.....	.....	0
J. D. Stocker, c de Claremont, b Garnett	.....	.....	14
D. F. Cuncliffe, l.b.w. Symington	.....	.....	1
F. F. Calway, l.b.w. Garnett	.....	.....	7
K. G. Neal, b Symington	.....	.....	1
E. H. Sinclair, run out	.....	.....	14
J. W. Woodbridge, b Garnett	.....	.....	6
J. I. P. Hunt, not out	.....	.....	11
Extras	.....	.....	8
Total			135

Bowling. — Frampton 6-2-14-1; Feasey 3-0-9-0; Rawlings 6-0-20-0; Gerrish 6-1-13-0; Garnett 17-1-3-38-5; Symington 15-4-33-3.

WESTMINSTER v. FREE FORESTERS

Played at Vincent Square on May 15th.

FREE FORESTERS.

R. H. Twining, retired hurt	.....	.....	110
Capt. Isherwood, run out	.....	.....	30
P. W. Morrison, c Calway, b Stocker	.....	.....	11
J. E. L. Wright, c Wilkinson, b Calway	.....	.....	44
R. Ravenhill, c Wilkinson, b Calway	.....	.....	5
J. A. Baiss, not out	.....	.....	24
H. C. Patisson, not out	.....	.....	48
Extras	.....	.....	3
Total (for 5 wickets)			275

N. S. Hunter, R. L. Smithers, C. S. Marriott and Commdr. E. W. Sinclair did not bat.

Bowling. — Sinclair 11-2-39-0; Calway 13-0-69-2; Stocker 8-0-30-1; Hunt 40-0-27-0; Boyle 4-0-21-0; Cuncliffe 11-1-33-0; Neal 5-0-37-0; Woodbridge 2-0-13-0.

WESTMINSTER.

P. Goatly, c Patisson, b Marriott	.....	.....	14
D. L. Wilkinson, c Ravenhill, b Marriott	.....	.....	3
P. P. Gawthorne, c Smithers, b Sinclair	.....	.....	24
W. J. A. Boyle, st. Hunter, b Marriott	.....	.....	3
J. D. Stocker, c Ravenhill, b Marriott	.....	.....	0
D. F. Cuncliffe, c and b Smithers	.....	.....	4
F. F. Calway, c Ravenhill, b Marriott	.....	.....	1
K. G. Neal, c Hunter, b Sinclair	.....	.....	6
E. A. Sinclair, st. Hunter, b Marriott	.....	.....	20
J. W. Woodbridge, c sub. b Sinclair	.....	.....	0
J. I. P. Hunt, not out	.....	.....	4
Extras	.....	.....	10
Total			89

Bowling. — Marriott 20-8-33-6; Sinclair 17-6-23-3; Morrison 5-2-4-0; Smithers 5-2-8-1; Isherwood 3-1-7-0; Ravenhill 2-0-4-0; Patisson 2-2-0-0.

WESTMINSTER v. M.C.C.

Played at Vincent Square on May 22nd.

WESTMINSTER.

D. L. Wilkinson, c Symington, b Piggott	16
K. S. Andrews, c Symington, b Winlaw.....	12
P. P. Gawthorne, c West, b Sinclair	16
D. F. Cunliffe, run out	15
J. D. Stocker, c Cox, b Webster	1
P. Goatly, c Gardiner, b Piggott	27
K. G. Neal, c Taylor, b Winlaw	9
J. C. S. Doll, b Winlaw	16
S. J. Hammond, c Taylor, b Winlaw	6
E. A. Sinclair, c Webster, b Piggott	6
J. W. Woodbridge, c Webster, b Piggott.....	1
J. I. P. Hunt, not out	0
Extras	13
Total	138

Bowling.—Sinclair 12-6-9-1; Piggott 18-4-7-34-4; Winlaw 11-1-32-4; Symington 5-1-14-0; Webster 13-3-17-1; Foster 4-0-19-0.

M.C.C.

C. H. West, c and b Woodbridge.....	42
A. N. A. Budmaster, c Doll, b Woodbridge	62
K. G. Gardiner, c Doll, b Woodbridge	7
C. L. E. Cox, c Cunliffe, b Woodbridge	4
J. A. W. Symington, c Wilkinson, b Hammond	21
R. de W. K. Winlaw, c Neal, b Andrews.....	41
N. L. Foster, b Andrews	9
D. A. Bompas, b Andrews	1
W. H. Webster, not out	1
Extras	4
Total (for 8 wickets)	192

J. A. S. Piggott, Commdr. E. W. Sinclair and C. H. Taylor did not bat.

Bowling.—Stocker 6-0-43-0; Hunt 2-1-8-0; Cunliffe 8-0-42-0; Sinclair 3-0-25-0; Neal 3-0-26-0; Woodbridge 6-0-20-4; Hammond 3-0-15-1; Andrews 1-5-0-9-3.

THE LIBRARY ACCESSIONS

Recent accessions to the Library include the following works :

N. Berdyaev : The Meaning of History.
 Henri Bergson : Le Rire essai sur le comique.
 L'Evolution créatrice.
 C. E. M. Joad : Guide to Philosophy.
 S. Freud : Vorlesungen zur Einführung in die Psychoanalyse.
 Bernard Jaffe : Crucibles, lives and achievements of great chemists.
 W. Johnson : Gilbert White, pioneer, poet and stylist.

Presented by J. B. O. Richards, Esq.

J. B. O. Richards : The Heraldic Vade Mecum.
 Carlos Prieto : Spanish Front, 1936.
 E. A. Peers : The Spanish Tragedy, 1936.
 H. J. Chaytor : History of Aragon and Catalonia, 1933.
 T. Jarman : Turkey, 1935.
 C. Hallendorf and A. Schück : History of Sweden, 1929.

Presented by the Hakluyt Society.

The Travels of Peter Mundy, Vol. V.
 B. Croce : Goethe, 1923.
 Winston Churchill : Marlborough, Vol. III, 1936.
 R. W. Pearson : How to see Modern Pictures, 1934.
 Douglas Jerrold : England, 1936 (presented by the author).
 W. H. Dawson : South Africa.
 A. Andréades : History of the Bank of England, 1924.
 J. M. Keynes : General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money, 1936.
 R. G. D. Lafan : Select Documents of European History, 1930.
 H. A. L. Fisher : A History of Europe, 1936.
 Cambridge History of the British Empire, Vol. VIII. (South Africa Rhodesia, etc.).
 Cambridge Ancient History, Vol. XI (The Imperial Peace).
 L. Whibley : Companion to Greek Studies.
 J. D. Denniston : Greek Particles, 1934.
 C. M. Bowra : Tradition and Design in the Iliad, 1930.
 Conyers Read : The Tudors, personalities and politics in 16th century England, 1936.
 H. Peake and H. J. Fleure : Priests and Kings, 1927.
 " " The Way of the Sea, 1929.
 " " The Steppe and the Sown, 1928.
 " " Peasants and Potters, 1927.
 " " Merchants Venturers in Bronze, 1931.

C. E. Smith : Early Man, his origin, development and culture, 1931.
 H. V. Morton : In the Steps of the Master, 1935.
 R. A. Knox : Essays in Satire.
 Joseph de Maistre : Les Soirées de Saint Petersburg.
 Claude Farrère Farrère : La Bataille.
 R. Doumic : Lamartine.
 M. Paléologue : Alfred de Vigny.
 A. Sorel : Madame de Staël.
 J. W. Eckermann : Gespräche mit Goethe.
 Hans Wahl : Goethe und seine Welt.
 Hermann Kurz : Sämtliche Werke in 4 Bänden.
 Ricarda Huch : Der grosse Krieg in Deutschland.
 L. Lienhardt : Einführung in Goethes Faust.
 A. Bielschowsky : Goethe, sein Leben und seine Werke.
 C. E. Mees : Photography, 1936.
 W. L. Bragg : Electricity, 1936.
 G. Fowler : Lecture Experiments in Chemistry.
 Gerald Heard : Exploring the Stratosphere.
 D. P. Wilson : Life of the Shore and the Shallow Sea.
 R. H. and V. Plimmer : Food, Health and Vitamins.
 G. H. Carpenter : The Biology of Insects.
 L. R. Brightwell : The Zoo Calendar.
 A. C. Lant : The Romance of the Rails.
 R. W. Moore (ed.) : The Threshold, 1936.
 W. B. Yeats : Dramatis Personae.
 L. Housman : More Poems, 1936.
 " A Shropshire Lad.
 J. Elyott : The Voice and other poems.
 The Oxford Book of Modern Verse, 1936.
 J. M. Barrie : Dear Brutus. The Admirable Crichton. Peter Pan Mary Rose.
 R. M. Murray : The King's Crowning, 1936.
 W. A. C. and N. H. Wilkinson : The Dragon Book of Verse, 1935.
 P. F. Westermann : On the Wings of the Wind.
 L. E. O. Charlton : War from the Air, past, present and future, 1935.

H. Walpole and W. Parkington (eds.): *The Gateway of Literature, five centuries of great tales, 1934.*
 Seton Gordon and others: *Tales of the Untamed.*
 H. Mortimer Batten: *Tales of the Wild.*
 T. C. Hinkle: *Wild Horse Silver.*
 F. Pitt: *A Naturalist on the Prowl, 1937.*
 Wild Life Studies, 1934.
 H. Williamson: *The Lone Swallows, 1933.*
 The Peregrines' Saga, 1934.
 The Wild Stag, 1933.
 T. A. Coward: *Birds and their Young.*

Presented by Langton Montefiore, Esq., O.W.

E. Bulwer Lytton: *The Complete Works in 30 volumes.*
 H. E. Darby: *Historical Geography of England before 1800.*
 F. Appleton: *English Spanish Dictionary.*
 E. Lasker: *Chess and Checkers.*
 Marshall and Russell: *Physical Education in Boys' Schools.*
 M. V. Brett (ed.): *The Journals of Viscount Esher, 1934.*
 E. Waldmann: *Tizian.*
 Novels and Romances by J. Buchan, H. Walpole, J. Galsworthy
 G. E. Rochester, J. Verne, J. B. Priestley, L. A. G. Strong, etc.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of *The Elizabethan*

MR. HILARY.

Sir,

I was shocked to learn from your March issue of the death of Robert Hilary. In common with all those who came in touch with him, I entertained a lively affection for him and held him in high esteem. Nevertheless, I should not have presumed to add anything to your memoir did it not contain an apparent inaccuracy which I desire to correct.

You say: "A love of cricket, though his disabled lung prevented him from playing any longer himself, made his support and advice valuable to the elevens"; thereby implying that he himself never played the game while at Westminster.

This, as you will recognise, was not in fact the case, and I feel I have a peculiar duty to say so, since by mutual consent Robert Hilary and I regarded ourselves as each other's "rabbits." Among my most vivid recollections of Vincent Square, along with Elson's "Come to it, sir!" and Donald Knight's stentorian "Naow!", is that of the sense of helpless inferiority created in me by the elegant sweep of Hilary's left arm. Since those days I have met many left handers—they seem to be particularly plentiful in this part of the country—but never have I experienced the same mental domination, never have double figures seemed so unattainable, never has the faster one coming over with the arm done its job so inevitably. But I almost always had my revenge. Hilary could never resist temptation in the form of a high slow ball. Out he would go with only one eye on the ball and the other on the pavilion clock. And with attention thus divided he often missed and he had gone so far that there was no getting back. If he happened to connect and Arthur Cook held a long catch in front of the screen, I felt I had been cheated of my proper victim. Those were good days and the memory of them is one which does not fade.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. HARVEY ROBSON.

51, Westgate Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

April 14th, 1937.

UP COLLEGE ?

Dear Sir,

Mr. Henderson junior in saying "in" College seems to be talking English, his father in saying "Up" College is talking Townboy, a horrid patois. Westminster in my day said "Down" College with an accusative, and having got into its ablative was "in" College.

I hasten to say "in my day" because there is always a K.S. of William the Fourth's time ready to correct the inaccuracy of his juniors. Or Mr. Tanner may

write to say he can find no use of "sub" in the Muniment Room in the sense I indicate.

I wonder where is the meridian or sea-level from which points of altitude were taken. Perhaps School Yard. Thence one would go up School or Rigaud's or Library. And from the lower part of College one would obviously go up Dormitory. Why "Up" Fields, is it uphill? Why not "Up" Hall (quite a few stairs)? "Up" Abbey may occur in slipshod Townboy but not in pure Westminster. Why "Up" Water, does this recall the slope of Westminster Bridge, surely one ferried across before the Embankment? This and "Up" Gym may be false analogies. But "Down" College surely because one fell down steps into it.

Townboys may reply that Rigaud's, Field's, Sut's, etc., even School were good things and therefore higher, and they rose on their dead selves to get to them. College, I can hear them saying, marks a descent. Very well, why does (or did) one say "Down" Town?

Yours faithfully,

Q. S.

CORONATION OF KING GEORGE VI.

Sir,

You kindly printed a letter from me in your March issue anent the Coronation of King Edward VII. It brought a delightful reply from my contemporary John Poyser, who corrects me in one point. It was Sir Frederick Bridge, the Abbey Organist, who gave us the signal. I knew he was in charge, but I thought perhaps that Sir Hubert Parry might have been conducting his own anthem.

The Service this year was relayed in my village church, and I should like to congratulate the present Westminsters on the precision and power of their "Vivats." Also—as an old-fashioned old gentleman—to express thanks that the pronunciation was the old traditional Westminster Latin, and not this modern Italian jargon!

Yours sincerely,

Cecil B. Howard Knight.

Feering Vicarage, Kelvedon, Essex.

SHOULD WESTMINSTER RUSTICATE ?

Dear Sir,

I send you a copy of an extract from the *Calcutta Gazette* of June 22nd, 1797, which I came across this evening in the file in the Imperial Library of Calcutta.

You may find room for it in the *Elizabethan*; I wonder whether any of your older Westminsters can tell us what "ancient ruins" are here referred to?

I am, Sir, your humble servant,

R. H. PHILLIMORE.

13, Wood Street, Calcutta.

April 1st, 1937 (absit omen).

From the CALCUTTA GAZETTE of June 22nd, 1797.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL

This famous Seminary, it is said, will by authority of Parliament, be removed to Blackheath, the scite (*sic*) where the late Sir Gregory Page Turner's noble mansion once stood.

To remove this famous parent of classical education from its present situation to a proper distance from this metropolis, is to a proposal from one of the heads of the Church in the House of Lords; and as the measure must be attended with the most salutary consequences to the rising generation, there can be no doubt of its being carried into effect.

Two hundred thousand pounds would complete a proper school, with all the necessary apartments; and this is a sum so small in comparison to the benefits which must follow, that there cannot be a doubt of the Representatives of the nation most freely granting it.

In point of salubrity of air, there cannot be a better spot, than the vicinity of Blackheath; and the Park of the late Sir Gregory affords ample space for cricket, for bat and ball, or any other School-boy exercise.

The intention is to enclose so much ground as may be found requisite, by a high wall, and that no scholar shall be permitted to go out without a passport from the Headmaster. By these means, all intercourse with improper persons of either sex will be prevented, and the morals as well as the health of the pupils, preserved.

All the rights of the foundation are to accompany it to the new school, with the Masters, Ushers, and other servants at the time of removal.

The place where the school now stands, and the adjacent ruins to be rebuilt, and converted into Barracks for the Guards, by which the inhabitants of Westminster will be relieved from the most intolerable grievance—billeting of soldiers—a system not only oppressive to the Publican, but destructive to the morals and discipline of a soldier.

(There is no reference to the source of this item of news; other English news in this issue of the *Gazette* is dated December 16th, 1796.)

OLD WESTMINSTERS

The King has been pleased to approve that the dignity of a Viscounty be conferred upon the Rt. Hon. Sir John Davidson, G.C.V.O., C.H., C.B., M.P.

Lord Justice Greene has been appointed Master of the Rolls.

In the Coronation Honours List Mr. W. R. Birchall received a C.B., and Mr. F. N. Ashley a C.M.G.

Sir Hugh Stephenson has been appointed one of the Advisers of the Secretary of State for Burma.

Mr. G. H. Guillum Scott has been appointed Chancellor of the diocese of Oxford.

The Principal of Brasenose has been appointed a member of the Law Revision Committee.

Dr. C. C. J. Webb is to receive the Honorary Degree of D.D. at Glasgow University.

Mr. Kenneth Macmorran, K.C., has been appointed Chancellor of the diocese of Lincoln.

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUBS.

It is with great pleasure that we record that Mr. J. C. Cherry has been elected President of the O.U.B.C., and Mr. M. P. Lonnon re-elected President of the C.U.B.C. for the coming year. It is nearly a century since Westminster provided the presidents of both universities, the last occasion being in 1841, when the Oxford president was J. J. T. Somers-Cocks and the Cambridge president C. M. Vials.

BIRTHS

BLACK.—On May 4th, the wife of A. A. Black, a son.

BYAM-SHAW.—On April 14th, the wife of James Byam-Shaw, a daughter.

CASHELL.—On March 15th, the wife of Dr. Willoughby Cashell, a son.

DYSON.—On December 8th, 1936, in Durbam, the wife of Watson Dyson, a son.

GORMAN.—On April 29th, at Toronto, the wife of R. W. P. Gorman, a daughter.

KNIGHT.—On May 6th, the wife of G. B. Knight, a son.

MORLEY.—On March 20th, the wife of Godfrey Morley, twin sons.

SAMUEL.—On April 26th, the wife of M. F. J. Samuel, a son.

SALVI.—On April 6th, the wife of G. U. Salvi, a son.

YOUNG.—On April 7th, the wife of Murray Ferguson Young, a son.

MARRIAGES

BAKER—WHEELER.—On April 10th, the Revd. George Arden Baker to Veronica Mary, second daughter of the late Mr. F. W. Wheeler, F.S.I., and Mrs. Wheeler, of 23, Seymour Road, S.W.

HISCOX—TILLINGHAST.—On April 3rd, Wilfred Guy Hiscox to Norah Early, daughter of Mr. G. Tillinghast and the late Mrs. Tillinghast, of Wallington, Surrey.

HUNTER—PARK.—On August 8th, 1936, Francis Trevor Hunter to Audrey Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. C. N. Park, of Scarborough.

KENDALL—LAWSON.—On March 6th, Dr. David Kendall to Wilfrida Laura, daughter of Arthur Stanley Lawson, of Quebec.

NOTCUTT—STANNARD.—On April 10th, John Walter Notcutt to Elaine Margaret, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Montague Stannard, of 6 Langland Gardens, N.W.

PEAK—McCRIMMON.—On May 6th, Paul Sever Peak to Marjorie McCrimmon.

THOMAS—NOAKE.—On March 20th, John Humphrey Kenneth Thomas to Olga, only daughter of the late Mr. W. G. Noake and Mrs. Noake, of Sandford Orcas.

 OBITUARY

May has brought great sadness to the Elizabethan Club in the death of two of its most eminent Vice-Presidents. In P. G. L. Webb, whose death, at the age of 80, took place on May 5th, the Club loses a classical scholar of ability who had distinguished himself in a long career in the Civil Service and one whose appreciation and knowledge of music had only one other competitor in his affections—his zeal and loyalty to Westminster. He was a member of the original committee which founded THE ELIZABETHAN sixty-three years ago, and the many letters in these columns which have since appeared above his name are evidence of his continued interest in its welfare.

PHILLIP GEORGE LANCELOT WEBB, was the son of the Revd. Benjamin Webb, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Well Street, and Prebendary of St.

Paul's, by his marriage with Maria Elphinstone, daughter of the Revd. William Hodge Mill, Canon of Ely. He came to Westminster in 1867, the year in which his elder brother, E. J. Webb, was elected Q.S., and in 1871 he stood out for College and was himself elected. Both E. J. Webb and the youngest brother, C. C. J. Webb (the present Oriel Professor of Christian Philosophy at Oxford), were elected head into College, the latter having the distinction of being the last Liberty Boy so elected. Philip Webb's name did not top the list of Minor Candidates, but he was elected head to Christ Church in 1875, whence he duly took his degree four years later. On coming down from Oxford he entered the Patent Office, becoming successively Private Secretary to the Comptroller-General, Chief Clerk, and Assistant Comptroller of Patents. During the War he served as Establishment Officer, Ministry of Munitions, and from 1916 to 1919 as Deputy Controller of Petrol, Board of Trade. He was made C.B.E. in 1918 and C.B. in the following year.

Webb's interest in music dated from his Oxford days, and in 1882 he was appointed hon. secretary of the Handel Society, a position which he continued to hold until 1934. The Music prize which he founded at the School gave him great satisfaction, and, with a merry twinkle in his eye, he would say, "I am now eligible for inclusion among the Benefactors." This was at the time of the issue of the Record of Old Westminster. It is rather amazing to think that the P.G.L.W. we all knew with two grand pianos in his drawing-room was the founder of the O.W. Football Club, but those who were present at the jubilee dinner of the O.W.F.C. will remember this side of his versatile genius and the speech he made on that memorable occasion. His wide range of interests included architecture, Italian painting, and poetry, and the volume of his poems which he published in 1927 and his excellent translations of Heine and Goethe remain as memorials of his own deep thoughtfulness and exquisite poetic gift.

His loss to the Committee of the Elizabethan Club will be great, as he seldom missed a meeting, and his advice and criticism were always valuable. His illness, fatal from the start, lasted but a few weeks, and he was able to receive his friends for short visits to within a few days of his death.

The death of Sir George Sutherland, on May 11th, after a long illness borne with great fortitude, removes from the Club a man of quite another type for which Westminster has been equally famous—the man who goes to seek success in other climes.

GEORGE HENRY SUTHERLAND was the son of Mr. H. H. Sutherland, of Wetherby Gardens, South Kensington, by his marriage to Anne Sinclair, daughter of Mr. George Dunnet, of Thurso, Caithness. He entered Westminster in 1878, and on leaving went straight out to India, where he became a very successful man in commerce. He was President of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce in 1900-1, and was twice sheriff of Calcutta in 1901 and 1908, receiving the honour of knighthood in the latter year.

On his return to England he joined the London office of his firm and became director of several of the most important companies with interests in the East. A liberal supporter of anything to do with the School, his unostentatious cheque was always to the fore when any appeal was made. Especially when he was a member of the Committee he often contributed to items of expenditure which the Committee had decided should be done "when funds permit," and in this way he was largely responsible for work done at the instigation of the Sub-Committee on Arms up School. He became a Busby Trustee in 1920. Besides his success and achievements Sutherland was a man of quiet refinement and culture, always faultlessly dressed, and he was in every way an O.W. of whom the School could be proud.

SIR JAMES WILLIAM RITCHIE, BT., who died on May 8th, at the age of 68, was the elder son of Sir James Ritchie, sometime Lord Mayor of London. He was admitted in 1880, and on leaving went up to Lincoln College, Oxford. He was for some years Deputy Commandant-in-Chief, Metropolitan Special Constabulary, and was created a baronet in 1918 and awarded a C.B.E. in the Birthday Honours, 1935.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER ROBERTSON was the eldest son of the late William Robertson, Parliamentary Agent, of Parliament Street, Westminster. He came to the School in 1884, and in 1889 went up to Christ Church. In 1901 he was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple. He subse-

quently joined the North-Eastern Circuit. He died on May 7th, aged 65.

CHARLES GORDON GRANT WINTER was the son of Charles Albert Winter, J.P., of Hyde Park Square, London. He was admitted in 1884, and on leaving went up to Clare College, Cambridge. He subsequently was attached to St. Mary's Hospital. He died on March 18th, aged 66.

ELIZABETHAN CLUB

The Elizabethan Club paid for the cleaning of the Crimean Memorial in Broad Sanctuary just before the Coronation. The Committee undertook this as an emergency measure while at the same time denying liability for the Memorial and its upkeep.

The Club was represented at the funeral of Mr. P. G. L. Webb by the Hon. Treasurer. A chaplet with pink carnation cluster was sent from the Club. The Rev. Dr. Costley White took the service.

At the Memorial Service to Sir George Sutherland, the following O.W.W. were present:—Sir Edward Knapp-Fisher, Capt. R. S. Barnes (representing O.W. Golfing Society), Mr. Peter Winckworth, The President and Hon. Treasurer of the Elizabethan Club. A wreath was sent from the Club to the funeral in Scotland.

O.W.W. DINNER

The Elizabethan Club Dinner is to be held on Thursday, July 8th. The price of tickets is 10s. exclusive of wine.

THE ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE

As it is hoped that a large number of O.W.W. will attend the Elizabethan Club Dinner (Thursday, July 8th) and welcome the Head Master, it has been decided not to have a second dinner this year.

There will therefore be another Westminster Ball, which will be held at the Dorchester Hotel on Friday, December 17th.

E. R. B. GRAHAM,
Hon. Secretary.

WESTMINSTER BALL, 1936

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance brought forward from Westminster Dinner, 1935	45	3	7			
Less Revision of Pink Book—printing Dinner A/cs, etc.	7	14	0			
	626	10	0			
„ Sale of Tickets	15	1	0			
Less: Returns				611	9	0
„ Donations				10	11	2

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PAYMENTS

	£	s.	d.
By Dorchester Hotel " Ball " A/c.	383	12	6
„ Dorchester Hotel " At Home " A/c.	5	5	6
„ Jack Jackson's Orchestra A/c.	66	3	0
„ Coldstream Guards " At Home " A/c.	9	9	0
„ Coldstream Guards " At Home," 18th December, 1936, A/c.	30	19	0
„ Printing, Stationery and Notices	33	7	10
„ Postages	17	10	10
„ Staff Gratuities, 2nd December and 18th December	12	16	0
„ Advertising	6	17	3
„ Sundry Expenses	2	9	10
„ Roll of Pink Silk for Stewards' Badges	1	12	0
„ Donation to School Mission	5	5	0
„ Balance carried forward to next account, being Cash at Bank	84	2	0
„ Actual Profit on Ball, £46 12s. 5d.			

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12th March, 1937.

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The Elizabethan Club was founded in 1861 and is confined to Old Westminsters. In 1923 it was amalgamated with the Old Westminsters' Football and Cricket Club. Parents of boys in the School are given the opportunity of securing the eligibility of their sons for life membership of the Club by a system of termly payments. This is rapidly identifying the Elizabethan Club with the body of Old Westminsters. Its objects are to preserve the associations and to further the interests and prosperity of the School, to promote the intercourse of Old Westminsters, and to encourage games, sports and athletics amongst Old Westminsters. The Hon Secretary, G. E. Tunnicliffe, Esq., 15, Arundel Street, W.C.2, will be pleased to give any further information.

THE SCHOOL MISSION

The Mission was founded in 1888, and began work as a Boys' Club in Soho. In 1891 it moved to Westminster.

It maintains a Club at Napier Hall, Hide Place, Vincent Square, for working boys of the Westminster district. The Club is managed by a Superintendent who will welcome visits from present or past Westminsters on the nights when the Club is open (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, except from July to September, when the Club opens only one night a week). The Mission also assists in the maintenance of the Westminster Company, 1st Cadet Batt. London Regiment, "The Queen's," at Lammas Hall, Battersea, where Westminster visitors are also welcome.

Regular help from young O.W.W. in the Boys' Club and as officers of the Cadet Company is much needed. Further information will be given by the Hon. Secretary, Captain B. Stuart Horner, 3, Harcourt Buildings, Temple, E.C.4.

Contributions towards the expenses of the Mission may be sent to the Assistant Honorary Treasurer, Findlay Rea, Esq., 20, Smith Street, Chelsea, S.W.3.

OLD WESTMINSTERS' LODGE, No. 2233

This Lodge was formed in 1888, and consists of Old Westminsters. It meets at Westminster School four times a year—in March, June, October, and December. It is the senior Public School Lodge belonging to the Public Schools Union, which holds an Annual Festival at each school in turn.

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