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THE PAST AND THE FUTURE.

The greatest war in history is all but at an end ; after over four years of unparalleled effort, victory has at length crowned our arms. And what is to be the result ? Out of all this turmoil, after all these sacrifices, a better world must emerge. Grandiose schemes are in the air, statesmen talk of reconstruction, and idealists of an everlasting peace. Yet none of us, be he ever so humble, must fail to take his part. The future of the world is in the hands of the rising generation, and it must start now to prepare itself for its task. There is no sphere which cannot be improved, and it is the duty of everyone to assist in that in which he finds himself ; if it is small, it will prepare him for the future.

Grant's, too, is by no means perfect ; if it does not need reconstruction, yet it always needs capable hands to govern it,

and it should be the ambition of every Grantite to rise to the head of the House, and, in the words of the Head Master, leave the place better than he found it. The boys of Grant's come and go in quick succession, and therefore everyone must be ready to assume a position of responsibility, and no one should be incapable of doing so. Twelve fellows left us last term, all of whom have successfully helped to build up Grant's; they have left us all the great task of carrying it on, and we must prove ourselves worthy of that task. Some of us shine in the classroom, some on the playing-field, some in the realm of art and literature; some of us perhaps do not shine at all; but we can all work hard, and work steadily, set an example to our fellows, and by a spirit of emulation bring out the best that is in all of us.

We have won a great victory, and we have cause to rejoice: but let us not rest on our laurels; let us rejoice but not exult, and let us keep a strong hand on our rejoicing, for we have as great a struggle still before us. One menace has been defeated, others have still to be faced, and it is *our* duty to face them. Those who are gone did not fail the world; let us not fail it either.

CRICKET SENIORS.

Unfortunately owing to a succession of untoward incidents, chiefly influenza and bad weather, it was impossible to play off the final of Cricket Seniors against Home Boarders: accordingly it was agreed that we should each keep the Shield for half the year, but that the year should not count in the list of victories, and that no names should be engraved upon the Shield. This was certainly not a satisfactory result, but it was the only one possible.

The following is the list of colours up Grant's at the end of last term:—

<i>Pinks.</i>	<i>Pink and White.</i>
H. J. Salwey.	E. G. Buckley.
G. L. S. Kohnstamm.	
E. W. St. G. Spencer.	
<i>Thirds.</i>	<i>House Colours.</i>
T. H. N. Ballantyne.	N. A. Garrard.
A. P. Main.	J. R. Peacock.
	G. T. Swann.

THE HARVEST CAMPS.

Three harvest camps, each of three weeks' duration, were held this summer, one at the end of the term and two in the holidays, all at Broadoak, a Sussex hamlet about eight miles inland from Hastings. About fifty boys attended each camp, among whom Grant's was well represented, all those who were eligible volunteering. The work was on the whole interesting and hard, a daily average of eight hours being done, and often we felt that we were really essential to a successful garnering of the harvest, though at times, of course, especially in wet weather, the farmers had enough men of their own for the work on hand.

At the first camp hay occupied our chief attention, while in the holidays we employed ourselves in harvesting; cutting, binding, shocking, and stacking—all manner of harvests, wheat, oats, barley, and beans; and some of us thought that the horses and cattle would have a more varied diet in the coming year than we should. Other time was spent in hoeing what seemed interminable rows of turnips and mangolds (perhaps the most odious job), in sheep tending, cattle driving, and occasionally potato lifting. It was fine healthy work; the heavier tasks were given to the stronger boys, and though we were always glad when the day's work was done, we set to with a will in the knowledge that we were at last doing something really useful to our country, and were earning a noble groat for each hour's toil.

Apart from the work itself there can be no doubt that all, or nearly all, thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and for this we owe our thanks to Captain Willett, who let the rules be as light as possible while still maintaining the necessary discipline. The food, after the first few days, was sufficient, though we all felt that the mid-day ration, which improved later, was rather small. If the fault lay anywhere it was rather with the higher authorities than with our own arrangements: the cooking of the Army cooks, three in number, descending from an A1 sergeant to what we imagined to be a Z50 scullion, was quite good, and when they complained of having too much work, a perfectly preposterous notion, and went on a semi-strike, we put them to shame by cheerfully relieving them of some of their labours in addition to our routine work.

Amusements there were in plenty: a gramophone with many tunes ranging from the sublime to the ridiculous (I dare not mention their names); divers parlour games, and sundry rougher games, such as blanket tossing, in which casualties were luckily confined to the blankets. For those who felt inclined

there were excellent cycle rides, but for the most part we were too tired after our work, except on half holidays, when most of us went down to the sea to bathe.

We suppose that this is the last harvest camp the School will attend, and many of us who took part in it have just missed the Army: it is therefore with all the more satisfaction that we can look back upon the fact that we did do something at any rate of that which was in our power to further our Empire's cause.

PRO PATRIA.

We have to record with deep regret that four more Old Grantites have given their lives for their country:—Captain Herbert Stanley Todd, M.C., The East Surrey Regiment; 2nd Lieut. Leslie Imroth, The Hampshire Regiment; Major Edward Alexander Morgan Bindloss, The Warwickshire Regiment; and 2nd Lieut. Maurice Humphris Garrett, The London Regiment.

Captain Todd was the elder son of Mr. H. C. Todd, of Horley, Surrey, and was up Grant's as a half-boarder from September, 1912, to Election, 1914. Although he was barely of military age, he joined the Public Schools Battalion, and was given a Commission in the East Surrey Regiment. He served in France and Italy and proved an exceptionally brave and efficient Officer. He became a Captain at the age of twenty, and was awarded both the Croix de Guerre and the Military Cross for gallantry in the field.

2nd Lieut. Leslie Imroth was the only son of Mr. G. Imroth, of Johannesburg, and was up Grant's from September, 1910, to Christmas, 1910. He obtained a Commission in the Hampshire Regiment, and died at Johannesburg on November 7th from wounds received in action nearly a year before, on November 30th, 1917.

Major Bindloss was the son of the Rev. Edward Bindloss, and came to Westminster as a Home Boarder in 1888. He later transferred to Grant's and left in 1892. He served throughout the war in the Warwickshire Regiment and was killed in action in July, 1918.

2nd Lieut. Maurice H. Garrett was the son of Mr. Lewis Berry Garrett, and was up Grant's as a Boarder from 1899 to 1901. He joined the Artists' Rifles and had only recently been given a Commission in the 15th Batt. the London Regiment (Civil Service Rifles) when he was killed in action on September 2nd, 1918.

HISTORICAL NOTE.

The following communication has been received from the Rev. A. F. Pope, who was up Grant's from 1852 to 1858, and Head of the House from 1855 to 1858. It is interesting to recall in connexion with this that it was an old Grantite, Dr. A. Martin Leake, who was the first man to receive a bar to his V.C. :—

DEAR SIR,

I think it may interest you to know, in connection with a letter to the *Morning Post* a few days ago, that the first V.C. awarded to a man after death was given to a Grantite. Bankes and Grosvenor were two men who sat next to me up Grant's in 1857, always together, either sailing in a half-decker or driving railway engines. The engine to which Grosvenor ultimately devoted his attention was the Liberal Party, which made him Lord Stalbridge. The Westminster, of course, were an old Whig family.

But Bankes came to less peaceful fields. When I was in India in 1869, I met both at Singapore and at Simla, Waterhouse, the chaplain in whose arms Bankes died. He had lost both arms and both legs, and had five wounds in his body. Waterhouse spoke of his uncomplaining, unconquerable pluck, but no physical strength could stand up against such a strain and such depletion as that. He and his brother officers charged the mutineers, and for some reason or other, perhaps it was a very hazardous charge, their men did not follow them, and did not get up to them until they were cut to pieces. The military authorities considered that he had led as a man should lead, and they gave a V.C. to his mother. Well, now that English boys are gladly giving their lives round Malplaquet and Oudenarde, Agincourt and Crécy, I should like the boys up Grant's to know this, and to take my word for it that it is often a leader's business and duty to go where his men will not follow. It is the crown of crowns. The battle of Inkerman was won by that precise act.

Yours sincerely,

A. F. POPE.

O. T. C.

Owing to the prevailing epidemic of influenza in July and August last, the annual O.T.C. Camp had to be cancelled, much to the disappointment of many members of the House.

If the drill cup is to be won next term, the whole House must work hard, as there are very few fully trained cadets remaining, and the squad will have to be filled up from the younger members of the House: it must be thoroughly understood that keenness is essential. This term the moderately efficient cadets have paraded in "A" squads, which were usually taken by members of the commission class. The less efficient cadets and recruits have paraded in "B" squads, of which there are eight with about twenty cadets in each; two N.C.O.'s instruct each squad in squad drill and a few rifle exercises. The "A" squads paraded on Mondays and Thursdays, the "B" squads on Tuesdays and Fridays. On the whole great keenness has been shown in both.

The N.C.O.'s in the House this term are Sergt. E. G. Buckley, Lance-Corpls. M. F. Prance and C. M. Cahn, Act. Lance-Cpls. P. J. S. Bevan and A. P. Main, Band-Corpl. W. J. Amherst and Band-Lance-Corpl. J. R. Rea.

E. G. B.

HOUSE NOTES.

We were unfortunate enough to lose at the end of last term eleven members of the House: H. J. Salwey (H.B., O.C.B.), P. R. Rea (H.B., O.C.B.), A. C. Morgan (R.G.A., O.C.B.), T. H. N. Ballantyne (R.M.C., Sandhurst), N. A. Garrard, G. R. Reitlinger (Middlesex Regt.), E. W. St. G. Spencer (A.S.C., O.C.B.), A.M.U., Buchanan, F. E. Ruegg (Cambridge Univ., O.T.C.), E. G. Robey, and L. E. Bowron. Their loss is at present quite irreplaceable, but their services were too many to be presented here at length. We wish them all the best of luck.

We extend a hearty welcome to eleven new boys who have come to take their place: A. W. Hamilton, D. J. Fevez, E. T. Holmes, C. O. Mounsey, D. J. Osborne, I. M. Main, S. R. Finn and R. A. Nathan (boarders), and F. A. Loder, W. L. Hartley and W. N. McBride (half-boarders).

C. M. Cahn is Head of the House this year: he is assisted by C. T. E. Sutton and P. J. S. Bevan (boarders) and E. G. Buckley and N. A. Mackintosh (half-boarders).

A. P. Main, W. J. Amherst, F. J. Thorold, C. P. Buttar and P. E. Samuel have come up into Middle, and J. H. Dullely, A. McL. Symington, Z. D. Berry, P. A. Moritz, S. F. Jacomb-Hood, J. R. Rea and J. R. Peacock into Outer.

Our heartiest congratulations are due to P. R. Rea and H. J. S. Salwey on being elected to Christ Church and Triplett Exhibitions respectively.

N. A. Mackintosh has played regularly for the first eleven, while C. M. Cahn, F. J. Thorold, E. G. Buckley, J. R. Peacock and G. T. Swann have all played for the second. To the two last we owe our congratulations on House Colours. Also to P. J. S. Bevan on rowing pink and whites and his town boy cap, gained at the end of last term.

In the O.T.C. E. G. Buckley has been promoted Sergeant, W. J. Amherst, Corporal, and M. F. Prance, C. M. Cahn, J. R. Rea, P. J. Bevan and A. P. Main, Lance-Corporals.

SENIORS.

GRANT'S *v.* ASHBURNHAM.

Lost 1—6

The first round of Seniors was played on Wednesday, December 4th, when we unhappily suffered defeat at the hands of Ashburnham on Big Game ground by six goals to one. It was a decisive and not unexpected defeat, but had not our Captain, Mackintosh, been away, he would probably have succeeded by his speed in several times penetrating our opponents' somewhat weak defence. Grant's won the toss and elected to defend the hospital end, but Ashburnham immediately carried the ball into our half; after a few minutes, however, Cahn and Weinberger took the ball down the field for us, and play continued in the centre for some time; then Bate got the ball and scored with a shot that gave Thorold no chance about ten minutes after the kick-off. From the restart Ashburnham again pressed, but Grant's kept up a sound defence, and after Bate had put in several shots, which were well saved by Thorold, Hartley, who

was playing well, passed right up to the forwards, who carried the ball to the Ashburnham goal and play was more even for some time. Soon, however, our opponents returned to the attack, and though we made some rushes, in one of which Cahn nearly scored after some good work in front of goal, the play was for the most part in our half, and several corners were given against us, which were well taken by Atwood, but all cleared. Atwood, who was playing excellently, eventually scored a second goal with a magnificent shot from the left wing. Half-time came soon afterwards with the score at 2-0 against us. This was quite good, and due to the energetic work of the whole team, especially to the fine play of Thorold and Peacock and the half-line altogether; the inside-forwards were fair, but the outsides, though they received some good passes, never got really going.

From the restart Ashburnham made a fruitless rush, Symington cleared, and for some time Grant's kept up a pressure on the opposing goal. Then Ashburnham played with renewed vigour, while Grant's seemed rather fatigued by their previous efforts, and, as a result of Bate sending the ball across from the wing, it was pushed in after a mêlée in front of goal. Soon afterwards Atwood added a fourth goal after a run down the wing. After this the Grantite forwards made determined efforts to get away, and Swann and Buckley made some useful runs down the right wing, but though Cahn and Weinberger put in shots, Munro, who was playing an excellent game at centre-half, succeeded in keeping us at bay. Again Ashburnham attacked, and in spite of the efforts of our defence, Bate shot a magnificent goal from almost the back line. Grant's, however, continued to play pluckily, and after the ball had been taken down the right wing, Cahn ran through the opposing backs and scored our only goal. Again the forwards, headed by Cahn, made several rushes, but were too hard pressed to score, and before the end Bate added yet a sixth goal with another splendid shot. Ashburnham continued to press up to the end but our defence, in which Peacock, Jacomb-Hood and Symington played a prominent part, prevented them from adding any further score.

The result of the match was certainly to be deplored, but when it is remembered that our opponents' team contained three Pinks, while ours did not contain even a Third, it was not at all a discreditable performance. Perhaps, owing to the great amount of work that each one had to do individually, the team were apt to lose their positions and seldom showed any skilful

combination, yet, with the exception of Thorold and Peacock, there was no great individual talent.

The teams were made up as follows :—

G.G.—F. J. A. Thorold ; P. J. S. Bevan, A. McL. Symington ; S. F. Jacomb-Hood, J. R. Peacock, W. L. Hartley ; G. T. Swann, E. G. Buckley, C. M. Cahn (Capt.), C. H. Weinberger, C. T. E. Sutton.

A.H.H.—F. McLeary ; H. P. Doulton, G. B. Keiley ; H. A. Gilbert, H. H. Munro, H. N. Rudge ; C. M. Scott, T. I. Bate (Capt.), W. E. Newall, A. H. T. Chisholm, W. M. Atwood.

CRITICISMS.

N. A. Mackintosh played centre-forward for the School, and was our House captain, but was unfortunately away from the match against Ashburnham, when his turn of speed would have been invaluable.

C. M. Cahn, in Mackintosh's absence, captained the side extremely well. Playing with great energy and scoring our only goal, his dash and determination were a great asset to the side. He is very good at taking the ball down the field, but should try to get started quicker and shoot sooner.

F. J. A. Thorold was excellent in goal : he was thoroughly reliable and made some splendid saves against Ashburnham. He has the knack of knowing exactly the right moment to run out.

E. G. Buckley played back for the 2nd XI., but went up to his original place of forward in Seniors. He dribbles fairly well, but never seems to bring his efforts to a successful finish.

J. R. Peacock at centre-half was the best player on the side. A natural footballer, and still a junior, he should prove a great asset both to the School and House in future years. His tackling and passing are excellent, but his kicking at present lacks power.

G. T. Swann was rather disappointing at outside-right, but made some useful runs. He centred and occasionally dribbled well, and worked very hard. He is not afraid to use his head.

S. F. Jacomb-Hood was very energetic at right-half, and was well worth his place in the team. He was opposed by Atwood in Seniors, who was playing excellently, but he marked him well, and gave him plenty of trouble. He and Swann might have combined better.

C. H. Weinberger made a clever inside-forward. He is at present handicapped by size, but is still quite young, so should be very valuable during the next three years.

W. L. Hartley played left-half, and for a boy of fourteen showed great promise. He is very big, is energetic, and can kick from any direction, but should try and improve his passing.

C. T. E. Sutton at outside left was quite good though rather slow and clumsy. He was quite energetic, but must get on to the ball quicker when attempting to run down the wing.

P. J. S. Bevan is a very hardworking back, who makes good use of his weight. He is handicapped by sight and should try to improve his kicking.

A. McL. Symington played left back, coming into the team in Mackintosh's absence, and thoroughly justified his inclusion. He is heavy and a fairly good tackler, but his kicking, though powerful, is unreliable.

MARRIAGES.

Smyth—Williams.—On July 23rd, Major-General Nevill M. Smyth, V.C., C.B., to Olwen, eldest daughter of Sir Osmond Williams, Bt., of Castle Deudraeth, Merionethshire.

Rae-Fraser—Grieve.—On Sept. 19th, Captain George Gerald Rae-Fraser, R.A.F., to Elinor Vera, only surviving daughter of William Grieve, of Rockcliffe, Dalbeattie.

Lambton—Desmond.—Recently, Arthur Lambton, to Maria Daisy, daughter of the Rev. H. M. E. Desmond, Chaplain to the Guards Brigade in the Crimea.

Hopwood—Money.—Recently, the Hon. Frank Hopwood, R.N.V.R., younger son of the Rt. Hon. Lord Southborough, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., to Miss Audrey Money.

DEATHS.

We regret to have to record the death of an old Grantite, Martin John Da Costa Ricci. He was the son of the late John Barnes Da Costa Ricci, himself an old Grantite, and was a half-boarder up Grant's from 1906 to 1910. Too delicate to serve actively during the War, he was for a time in The United Arts Rifles, but died of septic pneumonia, following influenza, on November 6th, in his 26th year.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of THE GRANTITE REVIEW.

DEAR SIR,

Though I hesitate to rake up a subject so often harped upon, I would like to voice the clamant need for the restoration of the wire between yard and Mr. Raynor's garden. I believe that 40 per cent. of the balls "skied" would be saved were this in an efficient state. Now wire netting will be once more obtainable, there should be no difficulty in remedying this, and posterity will perhaps thereby find a reduction in the charge for "skied" balls.

Yours faithfully,

MILES H. PRANCE.

(The matter is receiving our earnest consideration.—ED.)

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