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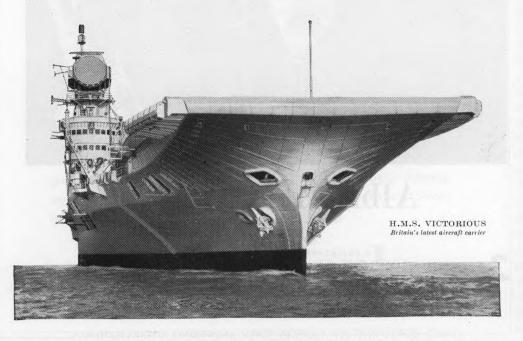
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A WESTMINSTER NOTEBOOK

The installation of the Rev. E. S. Abbott, Warden of Keble College, Oxford, as thirty-fourth Dean of Westminster took place on Monday, November 30th. A fuller notice will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. Anthony Grover, O.W., came up School on Monday, November 2nd to beg a Play in honour of his appointment as Chairman of Lloyds. The Play was granted as an addition to the Exeat.

We would like to congratulate Mr. R. M. Haines, on his being awarded the Degree of Doctorate of Philosophy in the University of Oxford. The title of his thesis was *The Administration of the Diocese of Worcester* 1300-1350. We understand that part of his researches—on the Calendar of Bishop Bransford's Register (1339-1349)—is to be published by the Worcester Historical Society.

Field Day was held this term on Friday, October 16th. The Naval section visited H.M.S. Collingwood, the electrical training centre, but the R.A.F. section enjoyed a more strenuous field day than usual, joining the Army in its tactical training on Bagshott Common.

In answer to the appeals of the World Refugee Year organization, the Ladies of the School held a Bring-and-Buy Sale in Grant's Hall on October 29th. It was well attended by Canons, Masters, and members of the School, and the goods donated were sold for a total of £140.

At the same time, it was suggested that a large sum might be collected and the appeal given some local publicity if those who had been abroad recently were asked to contribute any foreign currency left over when they came home. The organizers are not sure that any bank will be willing to change the money collected; rupees and dinars, as well as francs and dollars have been handed in. But the equivalent of over £25 was collected in one House alone, and this encouraging response perhaps indicates that the School might be prepared for a more orthodox appeal as well.

Dr. H. F. Garten's latest book, *Modern German Drama*, has recently been published by Methuens. Dr. Garten has, of course, already written a monograph on Gerhart Hauptmann and a book on Georg Kaiser, both of whom he knew personally.

G. G. Lewis is appointed Editor of The Elizabethan.

We apologise for an accidental omission in our last issue. F. S. PAGAN has been awarded a State Scholarship, in addition to the other members of the School who were mentioned in the Notebook.

Commem was held this year in King Henry VIII's chapel by the Queen's Scholars. The Sub-Dean, the Rev. Canon Adam Fox, attended the service.

In an attempt to improve the School's singing in morning Abbey, the seating has been re-organized on a system of rotation by houses, so that those who previously sat far back in the Transepts will be able to move nearer the organ; the Queen's Scholars and Busbites, who have been driven from their comfortable Choir stalls to the obscurity of the Latern, are not entirely convinced that the innovation is sound.

However, it has certainly improved the singing of the Abbey Choir, which has moved to a position where it can follow the organ as well as lead the School. The Choir is to sing two choruses from the Messiah during Advent, and on the last Monday of term, by kind permission of Canon Stancliffe, Mr. Byrt is again conducting a Carol Service in St. Margaret's.



THE DEAN'S INSTALLATION

The installation of Dr. Eric Abbott as Dean of Westminster took place on November 30th. H.R.H. the Princess Margaret attended the ceremony, and the High Steward of Westminster (Lord Halifax) was also present. The service was attended by the whole school, and the Head Master, the Under Master, and the Queen's Scholars, as part of the Collegiate Body, took part in the procession.

The new Dean, who is 34th in succession from William Boston, who became Dean in 1540 after the dissolution of the Benedictine monastery, is aged 53 and has been Warden of Keble College, Oxford, since 1956. He has been Canon and Prebendary of Lincoln Cathedral since 1940, and Chaplain to King George VI and to the Queen since 1948. He was Warden of the Scholae Cancellarii, Lincoln from 1936 to 1945, but many years of his life have been spent in Westminster, for he was Curate of St. John's, Smith Square, before the war, when Canon C. S. Woodward (later Bishop of Gloucester) was Rector, and from 1945 to 1955 he was Dean of King's College, London, and lived in Vincent Square.



THE CLASSICAL SOCIETIES

The John Sargeaunt Society has met twice so far this term. At the first meeting on October 26th, D. R. Myring read to the society his paper on the "Meditations of Marcus Aurelius" which had recently won the Head Master's Prize. After an appreciative description of Stoicism in the Roman world, his paper proceeded to a detailed analysis of the Meditations, revealing a deep familiarity

with this work and impressing the audience with its extreme genuineness and seriousness. In fact, it seems an excellent idea that the first meeting of the year should be devoted to a reading of the winning thesis submitted for the Head Master's Prize.

The Society met for the second time on November 16th when Mr. D. A. Raeburn, of

Alleyn's School, spoke on the psychology in Euripides' characterization, with particular reference to Electra herself in the "Electra". Mr. Raeburn is an old and faithful friend of ours, having frequently visited us in the past; and it was he who delivered to the John Sargeaunt Society that memorable talk on the "Agamemnon of Aeschylus", which he was then producing at Bradfield College. In the present address his relentless and revolutionary analysis of Electra's behaviour and his impressive interpretation of one of Euripides' women characters, who has for so long puzzled the scholars, was enthusiastically received by a large and appreciative audience. In a word, it seems that the society is thriving under its joint secretaries for this year, R. A. Hitchman and C. P. C. Metcalf.

The Junior Classical Society held its annual Brains Trust on November 2nd. There was a record attendance of the Society, and the Society's Guest Brain was Mr. S. Lushington, whose wisdom was received with delight and admiration by the company. It was a lively meeting, accompanied by the enthusiastic participation of all, and many provocative questions from the floor. The management of the Society is in the evidently capable hands of C. J. G. Brown and T. D. B. O'Hagan.

As December 20th draws ever closer, both Societies are busy devising and producing various entertainments for the great Cena Classica which promises to be every bit as enjoyable and erudite on its third birthday as it has been throughout its previous history.

MODERN LANGUAGES SOCIETY

A r last the moment of truth, at last the dawn of understanding breaks in upon our clouded minds. At last the barriers of prejudice have been surmounted, for we have been finally disabused. Such may have been the impressions of the more gullible amongst those who attended Dr. Macfarlane's lecture on Corneille on November 4th, but those familiar with the revolutionary talks that University dons like to spring on unsuspecting schoolboys, will be more reserved in their appreciation.

What then did Dr. Macfarlane say to cause such a furore?—briefly this. Corneille cannot be packaged as a playwright depicting solely a struggle between passion and reason. Nor does he write purely for dramatic effects, but is deeply concerned with producing a full-scale psychological portrait, around whom the other characters evolve. He sees the majority of Corneille's characters as concealing selfish interests under a mask of altruism (sic) and using others as instruments of their passion. The love that characters bear for each other is only a sign of their bad faith. They are all at a distance from reality and try, for the most part unsuccessfully, to see into themselves. They deceive themselves all the time, and think that their pride is really only determination. At the end of the play the characters' better qualities emerge, and they are nearer self-knowledge.

So far so good, you may say, but the strange thing is that all these points refer only to one play —Cinna. All his other plays show significant deviations.

The other lecture on November 20th on "Berlin" and its effects on Anglo-German relations was more what we expected. It was very specialized, perhaps even too specialized, for the speaker, Dr. H. Jaeger, is a political journalist, who knows his subject backwards.

He began by an explanation of the background of the problem, and expressed the opinion that Russia had provoked the question, so as to distract the West from her own difficulties with a growing China. Back in Berlin the Russians want to close the escape route from East to West as it is disrupting the East German economy. Mr. Macmillan's journey to see Mr. Khruschev broke the ice, however, and negotiations are now possible, although right up till now Adenauer, like Dulles before him, had hated the idea, thinking it meant disengagement at the expense of Germany. No such thing! says Mr. Macmillan: only thinning out garrison strength. In short, basically, relations between countries have always been good, but not always good between Britain and Adenauer. Everything's fine now, but we must negotiate.

We all went away happy-well, almost.

WESTMINSTER IN 1820

THROUGH the kindness of Mr. P. C. Smythe we are able to print below some interesting reminiscences of his great-uncle William Smythe of Methven, Perthshire, who was at Westminster early in the last century. William Smythe, who was born in 1803, was the second son of David Smythe, Lord Methven, an Ordinary Lord of Session. He was admitted in 1816, got into College a year later, and became Captain of the School in After Oxford, where he got a First in Classics, he was called to the bar, and for more than thirty years he was Convener of Perthshire. He lived to be nearly 90, and he dictated these notes to his daughter shortly before his death.

"In September, 1816, I went to Westminster. Mr. Harrison took me up to Westminster by sea. I was boarded first at the house of Mrs. Packharness in Great Dean's Yard and remained there till I got into College at the end of the following year. There was a competitive exam for which you stood and it lasted for three or four weeks; it was called 'The Challenge'. Dr. Page was then the Head Master—he died in that office—and was succeeded by Dr. Goodenough, afterwards Dean of Wells. There were about 45 of us at Mrs. Packharness's; and there were five other Boarding Houses in my time. Mrs. Packharness and Miss Stelfox* were both sort of half ladies, and had been governesses; Grant, Bull† and Smedley and one whose name I do not recollect were the others.
"The College boys held their heads rather high and

looked down on the boarders-quite different to Eton where at that time the Oppidans flouted the Collegers. The head boys at Westminster were always College boys. When the boys in the Boarding Houses used to set to work and devour everything on the tables it was called a 'broxia' or 'brozier'. I do not know about the spelling as I never saw the word written.

"When I went up I was placed in the Under Fifth; Mansfield; was there with me; we went up to West-minster in the same month. My brother Patrick was in the same election, a year junior to me. When I got into College I was a 'junior', we did not call it 'fag'. My juniorship only lasted about half a year and then I became what was called Second Election, and then you did not fag. As juniors we had to clean shoes, brush coats, make and mend fires, make the beds (there was a woman bed-maker, but they always required to be done over again). Then we had to buy things for cooking, go to the butcher, the baker, the grocer, to get all our materials and we learned how to cook, even pancakes and omelettes, and a great many other useful arts. In fact we could have taken a place as experienced maids of all work. Of course owing to all this there was very little school work done during junior year. We always had to attend during school hours, but the masters knew the

* Miss Stelfox succeeded Mrs. Packharness as Dame of the Centre House on the Terrace of Dean's Yard.

† The Rev. Henry Bull, Usher 1819-21, when he became Under Master.

‡ William David Murray, 4th Earl of Mansfield, 1806-98. A near neighbour of the Smythes'.

customs of the place and did not expect well-prepared lessons. But I was lucky in only having half a year from Xmas to Whitsunday.

"The College at that time gave dinner, and so called supper. But many of the boys got their food at boarding houses and so were called half boarders and I always got my breakfast till I was a Senior at Mrs. Packharness's. The Seniors in my time breakfasted in College Hall and provided their own breakfasts, and the fags got the remains of their masters' tea etc. The Foundation provided dinner and they always dined in College Hall where there was a Seniors' table. Then they had their evening meal in College and that, as a rule, they provided themselves. It was certainly a long way to go from College to College Hall; all down the Cloisters and past the Dean's door. There was a kitchen place under College Hall and it was my business when Captain of the School to go down and see the meat weighed. They would bring in a whole carcase of a sheep and I had to see that it was properly weighed and cut up.

"The College room was entirely given over to the boys and served as bedroom, parlour, kitchen and everything. There were three fireplaces shared by the ten Seniors and each Senior had five boys attached, second election, third election and juniors. There was a table generally on each side of the fire—four at each table. The dormitory was divided among the Seniors; each had his 'house' which was enclosed by green curtains. There was his bed and his second election bed, his washstand and basin and a chest for holding things and his bureau. The junior boys slept wherever they could in any vacant place, only the Captain's junior slept in the Captain's house, which was larger than any of the others. The junior boys always had to go and wash down in what they called 'the back way' where there was a great stone trough in which they did all their washing. The second election boys had a wash-stand in College. The arrangements were certainly very incomplete, but there was always plenty of water. It was bitterly cold often in College. There were many broken panes of glass through which the fresh air of heaven came in and it is a fact, as your Uncle Patrick used to relate, that we used to empty jugs of water down the middle of the dormitory and keep ourselves warm by sliding on it when it froze.

" In my time it was the finest oligarchy that could be conceived. The Seniors had complete control over everyone except one another. The Captain had a certain preponderance in their Councils, but no actual power; no one dared dispute their authority. There was not much bullying; the connection between the Senior and his juniors was such that they were bound to obey, but he was also bound to protect. Sometimes there was an offensive boy who got bullied, but it was usually a case of Lord and Vassal, Protection and Obedience. strange thing was that the Seniors never fought among themselves. They stood on their rights and there were certain traditional laws which never varied.

"We were locked up during Winter at six or sixthirty and you went to bed when you liked and were your own master. There was a servant called 'College John ' who stood outside the door when we were locked up and who used to be sent on errands. There was a grating on the top of the door through which goods could be passed. Nothing was prohibited—wine, rum and shrub were drunk. John was really the servant of the Dean and Chapter and if anything had been seriously wrong he would have been bound to report it. The Second Master was supposed to have control of the College, but he never came without due warning. If he had, he would certainly have been kicked out. He ought to have come every night to read prayers, but he did not. About half an hour before the time, the servant knocked at the door and said 'Gentlemen, he comes. To rights'. Then everything was arranged and put in order, and not till then was word sent to him that we were ready and he came in and read prayers.

"We saw nothing of the masters except actually in school hours. Your Uncle Patrick had a story of how he and Eden§ broke out one night and made their way to Vauxhall Gardens and the first person they encountered there was one of the Westminster Masters. He said

never a word nor, of course, did they.

"There were no lights provided by the College and only a limited allowance of wood which we always had to supplement, and we bought our own tallow candles. No modern improvement to my mind comes up to the invention of matches; you can hardly now imagine the discomfort we used to undergo. When I was at Westminster reading for my exam. as King's Scholar and when the candles were all put out at ten o'clock, we used to have the tinder box ready and have a dark lantern and read by that light. The tinder box was in two compartments, one held the flint and steel, the other the charred linen which comprised the tinder. You held the flint in your left hand, striking it with the steel which was shaped something like a little door handle. The sparks from it dropped on to the tinder below causing it to light though not to flame. To get a flame you applied a sulphur match which would burn when applied

§ Robert Eden, 1804-86, later Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

to a spark, though it would not burn by merely striking and at last, often after tedious delay, you would get your light. After a time there was an invention brought in called German tinder, a brown thing like a sponge which was supposed to ignite more easily. We burned rushlights and farthing dips, horrid things which required constant snuffing. In the Abbey they used to burn fine wax candles. Of course, under these circumstances it was a great object not to let fires out and in most kitchens they used to put on a great piece of coal, called the feeding coal, which kept the fire alight all night.

Lessons were prepared in College and the school room, where the classes were, just adjoined the College. As far as Westminster teaching went we did nothing but Latin and Greek, neither French, writing nor arithmetic, were taught. There was a man called Stewart who taught writing, arithmetic and very poor mathematics on half holidays; you might get French in the same way, but all these things were extras. There was a little recitation at Westminster, but nothing like Eton; there, boys had to get up fifty lines before breakfast and recite them after; not much religious instruction. There was always Greek Testament on a Monday and the Lower School had an explanation of the Catechism which they learnt: and we had to do what was called Bible exercise every week. This consisted of turning into Latin verse some subject taken from the Old Testament, either a psalm or such a piece as the Song of Deborah. This was generally on a Saturday and had to be ready on Monday.

"There was not much given in the way of prizes at Westminster. I have a small volume of Greek plays, handsomely bound, and a couple of small volumes (Plautus, I think) which Goodenough gave me. Besides that there were marks for which small, very small, sums of money were given. I gave your Aunt Cammie the first silver threepence which I earned in that way: I also gave her the medal of King George IV which was

given us on his Coronation."

FOOTBALL

At the beginning of the 1959 season, one might well have expected to see the rise of a good and successful 1st XI. The side was almost unchanged from that of the previous year and boasted ten pinks. There could be no excuses of inexperience, building for the future, or lack of weight. The defence was unchanged, and the forward line was strengthened by the arrival of two new players, Smith and Broadhurst. Everything seemed set for a favourable season.

The first three matches were duly played and Westminster had yet to suffer a defeat. Twelve goals were scored, much to the amazement of the few critical observers who ventured up fields. The Dulwich Hamlet Juniors game was perhaps the most praiseworthy. A strong Dulwich side was handsomely reduced and beaten by 4 goals

to 2. The form of the 1st XI on that particular occasion augured well for the future; the hard ground suited the new style of play adopted this season. Wing halves cooperate and play together with the other members of their "triangle", the wing-man and the inside-forward. For once there seemed to be cohesion between forwards and defence; for once the forwards seemed able to put to good effect movements originating in the Westminster penalty area.

Perhaps this unexpected yet well-deserved victory led to undue optimism. Certainly the next fixture, against Chelsea Juniors, badly shook our confidence; 0—5 was the result, and the speed and skill of these young professionals, playing together for the first time, taught us a lesson that we were

not likely to forget.

The next fixture was the away match against Aldenham. Seconds before the kick-off Hall, at centre-forward, had to retire because of a leg injury, incurred the evening before, and the consequent reshuffle of the forward line did not help matters. Nevertheless, for the first half of the game, Westminster showed themselves to be by far the better side. But Aldenham took the initiative after half-time, and with vociferous support from the spectators came near to scoring on numerous occasions. Yet, a beautiful goal by Smith, just before the final whistle, brought Westminster their first away win for many a day. Spirits were then high and we had hopes of remaining unbeaten in school matches during the rest of the season.

The following Thursday was a day of disaster. A home match against Queen Elizabeth College, Guernsey, a large number of supporters, and unbounded confidence, everything seemed in our favour. But from the kick-off Elizabeth College took advantage of some strangely lethargic play from Westminster, and before anyone had much idea of where they were, the ball had been almost casually put into the Westminster net. It was not until ten or fifteen minutes later that Westminster realized that they were already a goal down. But before matters could be put right, further defensive errors were responsible for two more goals against us. And furthermore, before half-time, Pettit was injured and remained for the rest of the game a helpless passenger on the left wing. When Roy was also carried off soon afterwards, and with Hall almost unable to run, Westminster was reduced to eight fit men, and there were fears of a ten goal defeat or worse. But fortunately, under the inspiration of Alexander, the eight survivors proceeded to reveal the comparative weakness of their opponents. Continuous pressure eventually led to a goal just before the finish, and this gallant performance did Westminster much credit; one only wished that a similar spirit had been shown in the first half.

The next match two days later was a disappointing affair. Although Westminster won 3—0 against St. Stephen's, this was due more to the comparative weakness of the opposition than to any inspired play on Westminster's part.

Perhaps the most important game of the season is that against Repton and, in this year's match, an early goal by Broadhurst, beautifully taken,

was enough to keep Westminster ahead until half-time. As the game progressed, however, Repton took command, and for most of the second half, it was only sound, defensive play, desperate at times, which kept the score, at the final whistle, to a goal apiece.

The next school match, played at home against Lancing on November 14th, was lost 1—5, a score flattering to Lancing. Indeed, for much of this game, there was little to choose between the two sides. At half-time the score was only 1—2, and, during the first ten minutes of the second half, there was opportunity enough for a quick equalizer. As time dragged on, however, things went from bad to worse, and, in the last ten minutes, a very weary Westminster defence unfortunately conceded another three goals.

The last match to date, against Highgate, was eminently satisfactory; the defence, greatly strengthened by the return of Pettit at centre-half, easily kept the Highgate forwards at bay and the Westminster forward-line always looked menacing. Although there was no score at half-time, Westminster had the game well in hand, and two fine goals by Hornsby and one by Smith were a fair measure of our superiority.

In retrospect, we can look back with some satisfaction at our results: played 12, won 6, lost 4, drawn 2. Our two school defeats may partly be attributed to injuries, although the defence has tended to panic under pressure. All in all, the season has so far been a successful one.

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THE RETIREMENT OF MR. AND MRS. BROCKLESBY

MR. AND MRS. BROCK, who have been in charge of the boathouse since 1932, retired at

the end of September.

Twenty-seven years in the life of a school covers many generations both of masters and boys, and Mr. and Mrs. Brock were at Westminster with four Head Masters, three masters-in-charge of

Water and well over a thousand boys.

Brock was an Oxford man and although his first loyalty was to Westminster rowing, at Boat-Race time he could always be seen watching the Oxford crew with anxious and sometimes quizzical eyes, and it was the cause of great personal satisfaction to him in his last year when Oxford won the Boat Race, with an Old Westminster coach and an Old Westminster in the crew. For several years he had helped Dick Tallboys, the Oxford Waterman, with the University crew at Putney.

He had served his apprenticeship at Oxford, and when he came to the Tideway he was confronted with problems which do not exist on the Isis. Damage from salt water and driftwood makes necessary a good deal of repair work, and it was often only his skill and initiative in emergencies which enabled school Regattas to be rowed to time, especially as it always seems that July

produces the heaviest driftwood.

From the day that a boy first went on the water until he left the School, he was constantly under Brock's supervision. Brock examined him for his dinghy and sculling tests, taught him how to bring a boat to the stool, the correct way to carry a boat, or in later years at Henley, how to put a boat in the river from a raft rather than a stool. There must

be many who have reason to be grateful for his patience, and for the time he gave so ungrudgingly to rowing at Westminster. When the Westminster Watermen were started in 1955, he volunteered to go away with the crews during the holiday regattas, a source of comfort to the coach and crew, but at a great sacrifice of his personal leisure after a busy term. Very few people who row at regattas really appreciate the amount of time which a conscientious waterman spends getting his boats to and from the regatta. They load the boat at Putney, and when they arrive at Henley, there is the boat rigged and ready. They know nothing of the early start and the late return, often in the small hours of the following day; even then, Brock had a long walk home ahead of him.

Mrs. Brock started the tea-room soon after her arrival, and from small beginnings has created the very efficient service which the Boat House now has. It would be impossible to count the number of teas she has served over the years, but perhaps her greatest achievement was to provide over a thousand teas after the 1954 Schools' Head of the River Race, although the inconvenience of the old tea-room might have tried even her powers of organization. In 1957, by the generosity of the Westminster School Society, a well-equipped and well-heated new tea-room was opened and provided with a new set of china; it was a just reward for many years spent in the old one, which was cold, damp, and liable to condensation in winter. The old room was refurbished and provided Brock with a workshop which he had always lacked.

To every Old Westminster oarsman, Mr. and



Photo: L. H. Burd

Mrs. Brock represented something solid in a changing world. Those who came back always asked first of all: "How are Mr. and Mrs. Brock?" Tea for a thousand, lunch for ten who had been pacing a University crew, an enormous meal for twenty-five scullers who had sculled up to Richmond on Ascension Day or St. Luke's Day, six hundred for the Regatta finals or the Schools' Head, a bouquet of pink carnations for the official guest at the School Regatta (and a measure of sympathy for the florist if the colour deviated from Westminster to Leander), they were all the same to Mrs. Brock. Her only comment on such occasions was: "I've laid in a returnable slab-cake



Photo: L. H. Burd

and a half-tin of biscuits just in case." Nothing can repay what the School owes to Mrs. Brock; even those to whom she referred as "the runners" received the same hospitality and consideration, and often medical treatment from her Red Cross Box.

Thanks to the Governing Body's appreciation of their services, Mr. and Mrs. Brock now live in comfortable retirement at Putney. We shall miss them very much, and can only hope that they will visit us as often as possible. At a tea party at the Boat House on December 19th, Mr. and Mrs. Brock were presented with an engraved salver and a cheque, subscribed for by past and present rowing masters and boys.

ELIZABETHAN CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

On the invitation of Lord Rea, the Annual General Meeting of the Club was held at the House of Lords on Friday, October 23rd, 1959. In the absence of the President, Mr. W. E. Gerrish, O.B.E., abroad, Lord Rea, O.B.E., D.L., presided.

The 95th Annual Report of the General Committee and the Accounts of the Club for the year ended March 31st, 1959, were approved and adopted.

Mr. N. P. Andrews was elected Chairman of the Club and Mr. C. M. O'Brien and Mr. Raymond Plummer were re-elected Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary, respectively. Mr. D. M. M. Carey, Mr. D. O. Lloyd-Jacob and Mr. C. de Peyer were elected new members of the General Committee.

ANNUAL DINNER

Whatever their political views the members of the Elizabethan Club were pleased at the return to Parliament in the General Election of Mr. Geoffrey Stevens, who sponsored the use of the Harcourt Room of the House of Commons for the Club's annual dinner on October 23rd. Lord Rea took the chair.

This was the first dinner for some years at which there was no Dean of Westminster as the guest of the Club. There was at the time, of course, no Dean to be invited, but the members missed the familiar presence of Dr. Alan Don. However, there was at least a Head Master to invite; Mr. Carleton, as an Old Westminster, takes Old Westminsters into his confidence on these occasions, and in his speech gave a full review of the last year and an outline of his plans for the future. Inevitably a part of his speech, and of the vice-president's speech which preceded it, was taken up with tributes to Sir Henry Tizard and Dr. Radcliffe. The evening's tributes to Dr. Radcliffe were the more moving because the more personal; only a year before he had presided at the same annual dinner and he was a man known and admired by everyone in the room.

MEMBERSHIP

Th	e following	new members have been elected:-
Hono	orary Life M	ember: MR. G. A. SHEPHERD.
R	1955-59	BAILEY, ROGER HAYWARD, 3 Ascott Avenue, Ealing, W.5.
W	1956-59	BEDELL, STEPHEN MAXWELL, Flat 2, Millers Cottage, Trumpet Hill, Reigate Heath, Surrey.
R	1954-59	BENNETT, ADRIAN JOHN MOBERLEY, 26 Edwardes Squares, W.8.
R	1954-59	BRINTON, ROLAND, 54 Addison Ave., W.11.
G	1955-59	BROADBRIDGE, NICHOLAS MILTON, Avalon, Godolphin Road, Wey- bridge, Surrey.
G	1954-59	CHINN, RICHARD NAPIER, 77 Kenwood Drive, Hayes Lane, Beckenham, Kent.

G	1954-59	CORCORAN, JOHN ANTHONY, Turken-	C 1954-59 ROBERTSON, CHRISTOPHER ADRIAN,				
		schanzplatz 7, Vienna XVIII, Austria.	16 Greenhays Drive, South Woodford, E.18.				
A	1955-59	DAVIES, CHARLES JOHNES, 35 Clifton Hill, St. John's Wood, N.W.8.	G 1954-59 RICHMOND-WATSON, ANTHONY EUAN, Wilmer House, Ham Common,				
A	1954-59	DERMOTT, BRIAN ARTHUR ROFF, I	Surrey. B 1955-59 RHYS-ROBERTS, TIMOTHY PENRHÔS AP				
R	1954-59	Heathside, Esher, Surrey. DEVEREUX, DAVID WILLIAM MERVYN, 17 Gardnor Mansions, N.W.3.	B 1955-59 RHYS-ROBERTS, TIMOTHY PENRHOS ap ESMÔR, Old Factory House, Llan- belthian, near Cowbridge,				
A	1955-59	DOXAT, CHARLES, 2 Sutherland House, Marloes Road, W.8.	Glamorgan. C 1954-59 SHERWOOD, PETER LOUIS MICHAEL,				
R	1954-59	DUTTSON, CHRISTOPHER RONALD,	101 Philbeach Gardens, S.W.5. R 1954-59 SUTTON, GUY CHRISTOPHER, Brook				
R	1954-59	Woodpeckers, Aldeburgh, Suffolk. EBSWORTH, JULIAN ROBERT RAYMOND, Litania, The Crescent, Farn-	Farm, Frant Forest, Tunbridge Wells.				
R	1954-59	borough, Hants. FRANZINI, DENYS WILLIAM VICTOR GRAY, 75 Cornwall Gardens, S.W.7	R 1954-59 WALKER, PETER SHEROD DUGUID, Pine Close, Western Way, Ponteland, Northumberland.				
R	1954-59	FREEMAN, JOHN, 27 Hill Road, Haslemere, Surrey.	THE WESTMINSTER BALL				
W	1956-59	GARNER, GRAHAM HOWARD, 38 The Green, Kew, Surrey.	The Westminster Ball will be held at Hurling-				
L	1955-59	GROSE, JAMES WELLINGTON, 75 Old Church Lane, Stanmore, Middle-	ham on June 10th, 1960.				
		sex.	GOLFING SOCIETY				
L	1958-59	HARSCH, JONATHAN HENRY HANUM, 12 Hanover Terrace, W.I.	The Autumn meeting of the O.WW. Golfing Society with the School was held at Richmond Golf Club,				
В	1954-59	HAWORTH, JAMES DAVID STEWART, Preswylfa, Penmaenmawr, North Wales.	Sudbrook Park, on Monday, September 21st. The perfect weather had made the course very dry and good scoring was difficult.				
G	1954-59	INGHAM, JOHN SERGEANT, 28 Madeley Road, W.5.	In the morning, a medal round-off handicap was played for the Society Challenge Cup (holder: D. G.				
В	1954-59	KENDALL, MATTHEW GILES, 123 Home Park Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19.	Coaten). The winner was D. A. Roy after tying with J. Kirkup with score of 71 net.				
A	1955-59	LOVENBURY, HOWARD TATTON, Saffrons, Furze Field, Oxshott,	The Gardiner Hill Salver (holder: D. Harrison) for the best scratch score of the day, was won by M. G. Hornsby with a scratch score of 80.				
В	1954-59	Low, NICHOLAS PHILPOT, 3 Langham House, Ham Common, Richmond,	In the afternoon, in a match of singles, the Society beat the School by $3\frac{1}{2}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$. Results were as follows:—				
G	1954-59	MACFARLANE, CONALL, 35 Hamilton	O.WW. Result School Result				
R	1955-59	Terrace, N.W.8. MACHIN, JOHN VESSEY, Claylands,	A. G. Gordon I J. Freeman o				
G	1955-59	Worksop, Notts. MCKINLAY, ALEXANDER CRAWFORD,	Dr. Hallett I D. C. McLardy o				
	- 500	Allermuir, Clifford Road, Ilkley, Yorks.	J. M. Hornsby $\frac{1}{2}$ D. B. Wadham-Smith $\frac{1}{2}$				
С	1953-59	MACLENNAN, WILLIAM IAN KEITH, CO Herons Lodge, Heronsgate, Rick-	ELIZABETHAN BOAT CLUB The Annual General Meeting of the club will be held				
В	1954-59	mansworth, Herts. MAKIN, CLIVE ROBERT, 10a Arthur Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19.	at the School boathouse at Putney at 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 26th, 1960, by kind permission of the Master in				
C	1954-59	MARTIN, ROGER JOHN ADAM, 16 Park View, Winchmore Hill, N.21.	charge of the Water. The meeting is open to all Old Westminsters interested in the activities of the club, and				
W	1956-59	MENZIES, NORMAN HAY, 66 Troy	is taking place immediately after the Head of the River Race in which it is hoped the club will be represented.				
W	1954-59	Court, W.8. o'Connell, John Valentine Edmund FRANCIS, Hostery House, 5 Barton	AGENDA 1. Minutes and matters arising. 2. Report of the Year.				
В	1954-59	Street, S.W.I. ORR, WILLIAM MCLEAN, Maryhill,	3. Accounts. 4. Election of Officers and Committee.				
L	1958-59	Welcomes Road, Kenley, Surrey. PATRICK, JULIAN WILLIAM ORDE, 21 Cottage Avenue, Hamilton,	5. Plans for the coming year. 6. Any other business. Nominations for any Office or place on the Committee				
C	1954-59	Ontario, Canada. PRAG, ANDREW JOHN NICHOLAS WARBURG, 6 Dean's Yard, S.W.I.	should reach the Secretary in writing before the Meeting, together with the names of the proposer and seconder.				
C	1954-59	77 1	The Director's House, British Museum, London, W.C.1. GUY FRANCIS, Hon. Secretary.				
		Service and Servic	237				

SHOOTING

The Club once again took part in the Veterans' Trophy and the Veterans' Tankard during the National Rifle Association Meeting at Bisley. The first team scored 238 points, which was 2 points more than last year when the Trophy was won by the Club for the first time on record. However, the Club was beaten into second place by Marlborough, who scored one point more.

The Club entered three teams to qualify for the team prize, but at the last minute only two teams were able to shoot. The Third team was one man short. This was a great disappointment, as the standard of shooting has generally improved and, given the required teams, the Club might very well have won the prize.

Once again the Club is indebted to Major McCaw for

all his help with equipment and coaching.

Would all new members please note that the Hon. Secretary, Mr. David F. Knight, East House, Home Place Oxted, Surrey, is very anxious to be contacted by anyone interested in this sport.

OLD WESTMINSTERS

While every effort is made to collect information from the pages of the Press, it would be of great assistance if Old Westminsters would send notices, particularly of marriages, appointments and distinctions to the Editor, or to Mr. D. C. Simpson, for inclusion in *The Elizabethan* and the *Record of Old Westminsters*.

In addition to those already recorded, the following M.P.'s were returned at the General Election:—

Mr. F. M. Bennett (Torquay) Mr. L. R. Carr (Mitcham) Dr. A. Glyn (Clapham)

Judge J. B. Herbert, Q.C., has been transferred from Brentford and Uxbridge County Courts to Westminster County Court.

Major T. H. Baker-Cresswell has been made a Justice

of the Peace for Northumberland.

Mr. J. P. Willsher has been sent as Process Manager to start up the new sugar refinery at Toronto, and had the privilege of conducting the Royal visitors round the factory.

Mr. Arnold Clark, of the British and Foreign Bible Society, recently presented the Archbishop of Canterbury with the millionth copy of the Society's Jubilee Bible.

OBITUARY

BELL—On July 9th 1959, E. A. Bell, aged 75.
DOHERTY—On October 20th 1959, F. C. Doherty, aged
66.

TIERNEY—On October 9th 1959, at Singapore, T. F. Tierney, aged 53.

TIZARD—On October 9th 1959, Sir Henry Tizard, G.C.B., A.F.C., F.R.S., aged 74.

Edward Allen Bell, brother of the late Bishop of Chichester, entered Westminster as a Queen's Scholar in 1898, and was elected to Christ Church in 1903. From 1910 to 1920, with an interval of two years when he held a commission and was serving abroad with the army of occupation in Germany, he was a master at Giggleswick School, and during that time he published a history of the school from its foundation in 1499. After a few years at Eton he was appointed Head master of St. Bees, where he remained until 1935. He became interested in the Oxford Group, and left to devote himself to its religious work.

Francis Cecil Doherty was a non-resident King's Scholar up Homeboarders, and was elected to Christ Church in 1911. He saw service in the first world war both abroad and, after being invalided home, at the Ministry of Munitions. He was an assistant master at Radley and at K.C.S. Wimbledon until he was appointed Head master of Oakham in 1929. He went to Lancing in 1935, and it is to a large extent owing to his imperturbable kindness and goodwill that Westminster's sojourn there during the first year of the war was accomplished with the minimum of friction and with the happiest memories. He married Marjorie, daughter of George Sargent of Chelmsford.

Thomas Fane Tierney was admitted in 1920. He studied medicine at Barr's, and at once developed an interest in radiology, and was appointed assistant radiologist, and later senior radiologist at Charing Cross Hospital. During the war he served in the R.A.M.C. in the Middle East. In 1951 he went out to Southern Rhodesia to engage in private practice, but was forced

Rhodesia to engage in private practice, but was forced to give up owing to bad health. He went to the Far East and later received an appointment in government service in Singapore. He leaves a widow and three children.

Sir Henry Thomas Tizard, G.C.B., A.F.C., F.R.S., was one of the leading scientists of his day. A Queen's Scholar at Westminster and a demy of Magdalen College, Oxford, he took a first in Mathematical Mods. and in Natural Science. It was his experience as a fighter pilot in the 1914-1918 war which determined the direction of his life. His researches into the internal combustion engine and the operational use of aircraft led to his becoming chairman of various committees under the Air Ministry which were concerned with the development of our scientific organization, and it was in great part owing to his prescience and energy in the development of radar that the R.A.F. were able to win the Battle of Britain. His career was divided between Government service and the academic world. He began as a fellow of Oriel; in 1929 he was appointed Rector of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, and in 1942 he was elected President of Magdalen, the first scientist to hold the office. After the war he was chairman of the Defence Research Policy Committee and of the Scientific Advisory Policy Committee. With all this he yet found time to serve on the Governing Body of the School, and the loss of Radcliffe and Tizard within a few months might seem as serious as any the School could have suffered. Acute penetration, unbounded energy, disconcerting commonsense, utter modesty-these were the characteristics that many will remember.

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