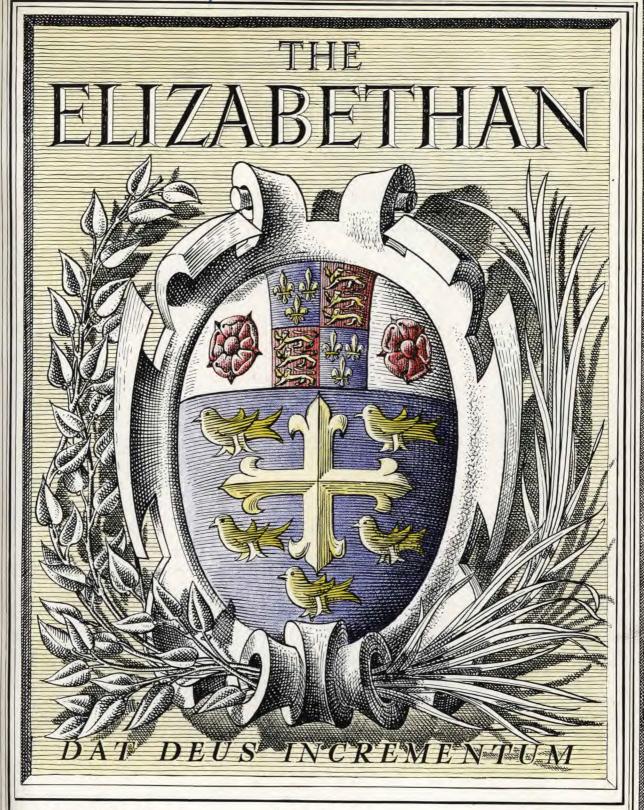
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THE 1947 THROW

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

March	5th	Four-way boxing match against	March	2
		Felsted, Berkhamstead and	,,	2
		Aldenham. (The first since the war).	>>	2
,,	6th	The "Bringsty" Relay on Wimbledon Common.		
44.7	8th	Junior and Senior Long Distance		2

Races on Wimbledon Common.

15th Boxing match against Lancing.22nd Head of the River Race (Mortlake)

to Putney).
22nd Long Distance Match with Felsted.

March 26th Eastbourne General Match (away). ,, 27th The Finals.

,, 27th 12 p.m. School Confirmation in
Abbey, to be conducted by the
Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of
London.

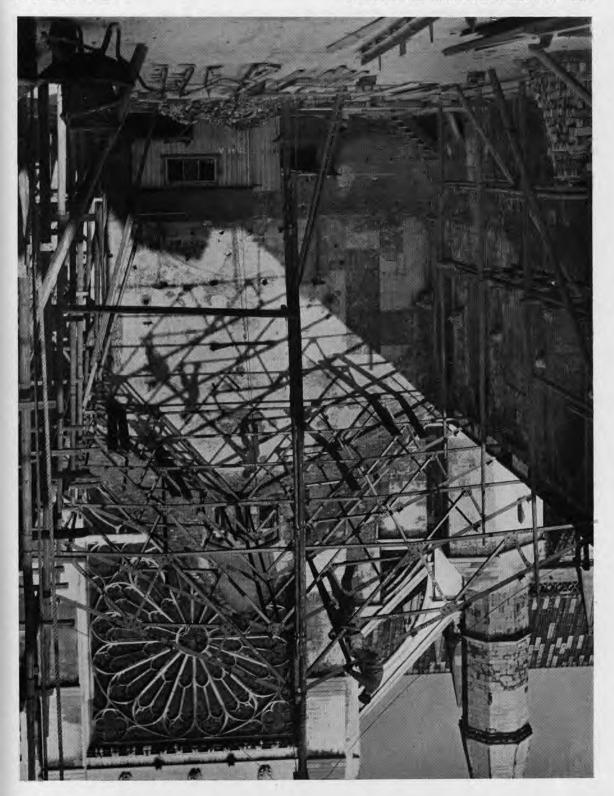
" 28th General Match with the Achilles Club at Herne Hill.

39th House Relay races and the prizegiving at Grove Park.

" 31st 6.30 p.m. The School Concert.

Will all O.WW. wishing to attend the concert kindly write to "Westminster School Concerts,"

19 Dean's Yard enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope for the ticket.



BACK TO NORMAL

FIRST FRUITS OF RECONSTRUCTION

A FTER a year of hopes our return to normal is beginning to become fact. This has been impressed upon us by two recent events, the first of which concerns THE ELIZABETHAN itself. The Editors have great pleasure in announcing the return to a more frequent publication. Henceforward THE ELIZABETHAN will appear twice every term. It has worried the Editors in the past no less then their public, that news should have to appear sometimes six months old and that THE ELIZABETHAN should serve not to convey the unknown but to recall the known and forgotten. Moreover we hope that its more frequent appearance may yet further strengthen the bonds between Old Westminsters and the School.

The second concrete manifestation of reconstruction is the roofing of School. This has progressed remarkably quickly considering that only four men have been working on it and they through the worst weather of the year. The new temporary roof is of a composite asbestos material. Quite apart from the sentimental associations of being once more able to use School as a building instead of as a rifle range or a football practice ground (which are among the many uses to which it has recently been put), School is the only building which we possess, which can comfortably hold the whole school, and there are now 200 of us. But not only is this heartening in itself; it is, we hope, an earnest of further reconstruction in the near future. Fields, long since fenced off from intruders, has been flattened but is still awaiting ploughing and returfing. Though the concrete slabs have disappeared from



THE NEW ROOF GROWS

Photo: L. H. Burd

Green hardly a blade of grass relieves its uniformly brown surface. Nor are these our only cares. But we can now at least be thankful that a begining has been made.

SCHOOL NOTES

We are very glad to have the Head Master back once more after his recent illness. He officially returned on the last day of the Play term.

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A collection was taken on St. Andrew's day in Abbey on behalf of the Westminster Hospital. The collection amounted to £15. 5s.

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The Senior Orations Prize at the end of the Play term was awarded to C. R. T. Edwards and the Junior Orations Prize to T. P. Hole.

R. G. Anderson, Head of Busby's, has been appointed a School Monitor.

The following new school officers have been appointed:

Head of the Water—H. McC. Buckler. Secretary of the Boat Club—A. G. Morton.

Secretary of Athletics—F. R. H. A.

Secretary of Athletics—F. R. H. Almond. Captain of Fencing—S. L. H. Clarke.

Leader of the Scout Troop—B. C. Berkinshaw-Smith.

SCHOOL CONCERT

MUSIC BY BACH AND HANDEL AT ROYAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC

ONE of the chief characteristics of past School Concerts has been the obvious enjoyment of both conductor and performers in their work, and the concert on the 7th December, 1946, was no exception. One was once again struck by this atmosphere of enjoyment, which is born of complete confidence of choir and orchestra in their conductor. That Arnold Foster is a first rate conductor and choir trainer is an established fact, but one still marvels at the ease with which he obtains what he wants from the performers, with the minimum of fussy gesticulation. They seem to understand him perfectly, and Westminster School is indeed fortunate in its association with him.

The polished playing of the opening item, Beethoven's Egmont Overture, made one feel that here was a style of music well suited to this

particular group of players.
"Christmas Day" (Choral Fantasy on Old Carols) by Holst is a charming and skilfully arranged selection of well-known carols, which was very well sung. Lack of "bite" or attack in the introduction of some of the carols is the

only criticism.

Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto" No. 2 was a noble effort on the part of the four boys who played the solo instruments. All were good but one noticed in particular the strong playing of S. E. Smith and of the very promising young trumpeter C. J. Lummis, who was perhaps a little over enthusiastic in the Allegro Assai. Andante was a model of poise; the Continuo was quietly played on the piano and was truly an accompaniment to the other instruments.

The two carols "Past Three O'Clock," arr. Greaves, and "Wassail Song," arr. Vaughan Williams, gave us another real breath of Christmas and were excellently sung, good enunciation adding much to the enjoyment of the listeners.

Knowing but little of the work of Glinka, one hesitates to judge on such short acquaintance, but in this programme he seemed to be rather out of keeping, and the music, in spite of a high standard of performance appeared rather trivial

in comparison with the other items.

The second half of the programme was occupied with Christmas music from Handel's "Messiah." The whole performance was a joy, the choir attacking the choruses with vigour and certainty, with the orchestra in perfect accord. Continuo was extremely well played by an accomplished O. W., C. Kingsley Smith, and afforded finish and fulness of tone.

The use of strings only in the Pastoral Symphony was a happy idea and very effective.

The singing of Miss Gertrude Cadogan (Contralto) was mellow and tuneful, and showed

evidence of sound musicianship.

A. H. R. Martindale's perfect treble must have touched all listeners. This unaffected type of singing is the product of our Cathedral Establishments, one of our prized possessions, handed down to us from the past. As one listened one could not but reflect upon the depressing outlook facing those responsible for the maintenance of this tradition. While expenses increase endowment incomes steadily fall and everywhere the advocates of retreat seem to be winning. If we allow this heritage to pass we shall lose the highest form of the singing art and those who follow us will be the poorer for our failure to maintain it.

The Concert ended with this singing of the

School Song and the National Anthem.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO THE KING

CHRISTMAS CARD was sent to His Majesty A The King by the Captain of the School with the following inscription:-

To The King, our Royal Visitor,

With humble duty and loyal greetings from the King's Scholars and Town Boys of Westminster School.

(Signed) ANDREW DAVIDSON,

Captain;

to which the following reply was received from Major Edward Ford, Assistant Private Secretary to The King:

Sandringham, Norfolk. 26th December, 1946.

Dear Captain of the School,

I am commanded by The King to thank you for the Card which you have sent to His Majesty as Visitor of the School from the King's Scholars and Town Boys of Westminster.

His Majesty much appreciated the loyal sentiments which you expressed on their behalf and sends his best wishes to all the members of

the School for 1947.

Yours sincerely, EDWARD FORD.

PANCAKE GREAZE

CEREMONY IN PARTIALLY RE-ROOFED SCHOOL



THE PANCAKE GREAZE
From The Illustrated London News of March 19, 1859

The 1947 Greaze was the first of its kind attended by the present Dean of Westminster, and there was a large attendance of visitors on February 18th to see him present the guinea to the winner, G. R. Smith, the candidate from the Fourth Form. The ceremony was broadcast.

It is a pity that the early history of the Greaze is not better documented, for nowhere in England is there a stranger blend of dignified ceremonial and slapstick. The austere, silver-maced procession up School, contrasting so strongly with the rough-and-tumble which follows, is a modern innovation, and the winner used formerly to go round to the Deanery to receive his guinea. But by the 1850's, as the illustration above shows, the Greaze was already a fashionable entertainment, and although the first person to mention it is Jeremy Bentham, who was at school from 1755 to 1760, it is hard to believe that so crazy a ceremony was the product of the prosaic eighteenth century.

In 1937 the Greaze was for the first time broadcast, and in 1939 a description of it was again on the air as part of the B.B.C. newly instituted propaganda service to Germany. On the home front, too, the Greaze has frequently served the cartoonists as a peg for political satire. Sometimes the Chancellor of the Exchequer has been the target, and Strube has more than once depicted the battered face of his Little Man (or the British taxpayer) peering out from below a pile of scrambling government departments. A year or two before the war it was the Liberal Party, then engaged in fierce controversy about Lloyd George's leadership and policy, which was the butt, when Low depicted the Head Master explaining the ceremony to a group of sightseers which included Lord Baldwin and Mr. Ramsay "Yes, we celebrate it weekly MacDonald. now the contestant who secures the largest piece of Mr. Lloyd George wins

The historic pancake bar which has already done duty for at least two centuries has been once more hoisted to its old position, thanks to the liberality of those Old Westminsters who responded to Mr. E. R. B. Graham's appeal in the

last issue of THE ELIZABETHAN.

THE FIELDS

FOOTBALL

The following matches have been played:

1st xi v. highgate at highgate. MATCH DRAWN 1—1.

This was the first school match of the season, and was played on a pitch ankle-deep in mud. Westminster took some time to settle down and in this time Highgate pressed hard and only the excellent covering of Law and Murray saved the team from a quick set-back. Once Westminster settled down the Highgate defence were given a hard time. A long shot was badly taken by the Highgate goalkeeper and Almond F. on the left wing made certain. The Westminster attack continued until half-time, failing because of bad finishing by the forwards.

Almost immediately after the resumption of play Whitelegge was injured and had to be helped off the field. Highgate immediately attacked and scored. From this time on our defence played a magnificent game, tackling with great

zest and accuracy.

1st XI v. LANCING AT LANCING. WON 4—1.

The pitch at Lancing was in beautiful condition. As at Highgate Westminster took some time to settle down. Lancing attacking from the start were soon rewarded by a very neat goal from their centre-forward. This had the effect of steadying the Westminster defence which began to play as it had at Highgate. A hard fight ensued for supremacy after Guymer had equalised. This was unfortunately settled by the Lancing centre-half who headed the ball into his own net; after which the score remained steady until the half-time whistle.

The next half showed up the finishing of the Westminister forwards. Though continually in front of the Lancing goal-mouth only two more goals were scored, the first by Graham-Dixon who was deputising for the injured Whitelegge, from a centre from Almond F. on the left wing, the second by Almond D. with a good first time shot from a corner by Graham-Dixon.

1st xi v. old carthusians at grove park. Lost 1—4.

This was the first match to be played by the First Eleven at Grove Park since the war. The ground was not in good condition owing to the recent rain. Only nine of the Old Carthusian team turned up, but Graham-Dixon, who was 12th man began to play for them. Westminster made a very sharp attack resulting in Almond D.

putting in a beautiful shot which literally scraped the cross bar.

Slightly disheartened by this the team proceeded to let nine men and a reserve run round them, which resulted in a lovely goal for the Old Carthusians. At this juncture the missing pair appeared thus making up the full Old Carthusian team. Westminster retaliated and scored with a lovely shot from Almond F. Having drawn level Westminster again let the initiative slip from their hands and were immediately two goals down.

Westminster started the second half with some fast passing and tackling and for most of this half were on the attack. Again bad finishing showed up the forward line. Throughout the Old Carthusians had been making dangerous raids which the defence had so far dealt with effectively, but ten minutes from time they failed and a well taken shot put Westminster three goals behind.

1ST XI v. CHARTERHOUSE AT GROVE PARK. LOST 1—10.

The match started with Westminster playing downhill and slightly on top probably due to their knowing the ground, which was not in good condition. This even fight continued for about twenty minutes when Charterhouse scored a gift goal. This was due to our goalkeeper failing to pick up cleanly in front of the Charterhouse forwards. This did not unduly disturb Westminster who were contesting every step. Ten minutes later the Charterhouse left wing received the ball while unmarked and in the penalty area, and making full use of this he put in a really good shot. Westminster was still not badly worried and continued to play well as a team. During a Charterhouse attack which finished on our goal-line Wade, our goalkeeper, received a bad kick on the knee-cap. After some good passing and team work Almond F. on the left wing gave the ball to his inside who scored. Thus at half time the match was not nearly lost, the score being 2-1 to Charterhouse.

The second half started with a hard attack by Charterhouse. The centre forward put in a bad shot which Wade, owing to his now badly-swollen knee, was unable to reach. This was repeated and Wade retired. Almond F. from the left wing became goalkeeper. This turn of events seemed to disrupt the team completely and although at times the Charterhouse team was stopped by hard tackling goals came easily. After the eighth goal Momchiloff handled the

ball, the penalty being well taken by the Charterhouse centre forward. One more goal was then put in before the final whistle.

1ST XI v. O.WW. AT GROVE PARK. LOST 1—4.

Westminster kicked off and began attacking hard but the O.WW. hit back and with a sudden rush brought the ball back to the school half. After about twenty minutes J. Trebucq scored, the defence being badly at fault. The O.WW. continued to press but the school left wing suddenly broke away and Almond F. scored with a low drive in the left hand corner completely beating the goalkeeper. This state of equilibrium was not to last very long however. D. F. Cuncliffe scored with a long drive which beat Kelemen who was deputising for Wade and who had done some fine work up to this point.

After half time the marking and tackling of the defence became slightly better and the forward line saw more of the ball but as in previous matches finishing was weak. Twenty minutes from time J. Trebucq, the Old Westminsters' centre forward, was given the ball, beat Carmichael and scored most convincingly. The defence became very unsteady and O.WW. put in another

goal just before time.

COLOURS.

The following colours were awarded during the season:

Pinks: G. Ll. Law, F. R. H. Almond. Pink and Whites: H. L. Murray, I. S. E. Carmichael, D. L. Almond. Thirds: D. J. P. Wade, I. N. Momtchiloff.

Colts: G. R. Smith.

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ELECTION, 1947

ELECTED TO CHRIST CHURCH, OXFORD

R. J. H. Williams (History).
D. S. Whitelegge (Mathematics).
J. C. Chippindale (Hinchliffe Scholarship for History).

S. E. Smith (Science).

ELECTED TO TRINITY COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE.

M. G. Baron (History).
M. I. Charlesworth (Classics).
J. F. Kelemen (History).

FENCING

This term, having lost Cox to the army, we hope to have five, possibly six school matches with the Public Schools Championships at the end of term. This year's entry will be larger than last year's and we hope more successful. Seniors and Juniors are also to be fought off during the term.

WESTMINSTER v. POLYTECHNIC (HOME).

At the end of last term there was one match on Saturday, November 30th, Westminster v. Polytechnic (Home). Result: Westminster won by seven fights. This match was arranged by M. Morel, who is also the Polytechnic instructor, and was our first match against experienced men fencers. Owing to the steadier style of our opponents the fighting was of a higher standard than in the School matches. The foil was better than before and we won quite easily by 11 fights to 5. The epée, however, was more closely fought, ending in an $8\frac{1}{2}$ to $7\frac{1}{2}$ win for us. Results: FOIL: C. W. Roxbee Cox, 2 wins; S. L. H. Clarke, 4 wins; P. Webb, 3 wins; F. D. Bateson, no wins; K. R. Ruppel, 2 wins. Won 11-5. EPEE: C. W. Roxbee Cox, 1 win; S. L. H. Clarke, 4 wins; P. Webb, 2 wins; F. D. Bateson, 11 wins; K. R. Ruppel, no wins. Won 81-71.

WESTMINSTER v. ST. PAUL'S (AWAY).

With Webb ill we suffered a drastic defeat in the epée which lost us all hope of winning the match on Saturday, February 1st. The two foils and the sabre were very close however. The standard of fighting was not very good, though Beard did well in the sabre, winning all his fights, but no one else distinguished himself. Results:

FOIL: S. L. H. Clarke, 2 wins; J. F. Kelemen, 2 wins; I. N. Momtchiloff, no wins. Lost 4-5. EPEE: S. L. H. Clarke, 2 wins; F. D. Bateson, no wins; I. N. Momtchiloff, no wins. Lost 2-7. SABRE: S. L. H. CLARKE, 1 win; J. F. Kelemen, 2 wins; R. W. Beard, 3 wins. Won 6-3.

SECOND FOIL: F. D. Bateson, 3 wins; R. W. Beard, 2 wins; K. R. Ruppel, no wins; P. C. Petrie, 2 wins. Lost 7-9.

S.L.H.C.

BOXING AT THE UNIVERSITIES

A move to lift University boxing into a loftier position in the sporting calendar is being made by Ian Abrahams, Captain of the Cambridge University Boxing Club. Abrahams, who was Captain of School Boxing in 1939-40 and spent four years in the Navy, believes that University boxing suffers from comparison with professional fights and that efforts must be made to popularise the sport. Field Marshal Montgomery and Air Marshal Tedder have promised to be at the ringside of the Corn Exchange, Cambridge, on March 6th when the Cambridge team meet Oxford.

MR. JAMES RADFORD

MEMORIES OF "YE OLD MASTER"

In the 543rd issue of the elizabethan Sir Charles Fortescue-Brickdale gave a true and sympathetic picture of Mr. James Radford, who taught drawing in the School both in and after his own day, to which, I think, the following letter from "Ye old master," as he liked to call himself, adds some illuminating touches: its occasion was my having written to thank him for having taken home to mount, as his kind custom was, my drawings which he and Scott had chosen as deserving one of the prizes.

"Dear Yglesias,

Your very kind letter of 8th inst., found me at Ludlow busy with Pencil and Rod. I am glad you received your last drawing and I think it most kind and thoughtful to acknowledge its receipt. My last Term was a very short one, and one to be ever remembered by me, on leaving you, and my other good pupils. How very kind of you all to remember" Ye old master" in such a splendid way. Ye Testimonial Time-piece, I shall ever value for your sakes. Ye kind masters did not forget me. Dr. Scott came well to ye front. They presented me with the most beautiful Illustrated Copy of ye Testament I ever saw, with a most touching inscription in token of their esteem followed by their kind Autographs and headed by Dr. Scott. I am indeed proud of my 18 years' connection with Westr. School.

I have not escaped the very hot weather, and felt it difficult to sketch, and in consequence of ye rivers being so low Fishing has been next to Nil. This is a very quaint place surrounded by fine subjects for ye pencil. Ye castle is a splendid one and very extensive. There are many old ½-Timd. Houses and a grand cruciform Parish Church. Wishing you pleasant holidays and good sketching.

Believe me, my good Pupil, Yours very sincerely, James Radford, Aug. 21, 1884."

His particular pleasure that Dr. Scott had joined in the parting gift from the masters, was no doubt due to the fact that the latter had emerged to do so a year after retiring in August, 1883; but in my own mind I could not help connecting it with one of the visits Scott used to pay to "the first room in College," as Brickdale styled it, to look at the work we were doing under Radford, who held his class there, and if any of it showed much merit, to reward it with "Principes" (Maundy Money), as he also did when some particularly good exercise in prose or verse was "shewn up"

by one's form master or for a good "school epigram" at Election-tide. On this occasion (which an old diary dates as March 2nd, 1883) Scott brought with him Mr. (afterwards Sir J. L.) Pearson, with a great roll of his designs and plans for the new buildings about to be commenced on the site of "Turle's House," to ask Radford's opinion as to the lighting and accommodation of the room for his drawing classes, with which, as well as with the considerate courtesy of the act, the old gentleman seemed highly delighted. Alas! When the buildings were nearing completion in July, 1884, his appointment was terminated, and it was his successor and not he who was to enjoy the North light and improved accommodation of the new class-room.

And I might add that not many of Radford's pupils either saw the inside of that room except those few who in the modern Fifth or the Army Class had to take geometrical drawing, most of the rest of us electing to change from drawing under a new master we did not know, to singing under Mr. Ranalow whom we all, whether singers or not, had long known, liked and respected. And Scott must have shown Pearson's design to us also, for, in a letter I wrote home describing the incident, is a rough sketch quite recognizable as what was actually erected, excepting that I drew the gable over the arch into the Dark Cloister instead of adjoining the wing of Ashburnham House.

A slightly older Westminster than myself, F. G. Thorne, has just written to me: "I have pleasant memories of Radford, and of a Strawberry Tea the dear old man gave some of us at his house in Sheffield Terrace, Campden Hill."

F. M. YGLESIAS.

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CONTEMPORARIES

We acknowledge the receipt of the following and apologise for any omissions: Aldenhamian, Ardingly Annals, Bradfield College Chronicle, Carthusian, City of London School Magazine, Durban High School Magazine, Eton College Chronicle, Fettesian, Gordonstoun Record, Gower, Haileyburian and I.S.C. Chronicle, Marlburian, Meteor, Milton Bulletin, El Nopal, Ousel, Penn Charter Magazine, Roedean School Magazine, Rossallian, Sedberghian, Shirburnian, Sotoniensis, Taylorian, Tonbridgian, Wellingtonian, Wykehamist.

CONSUL SMITH

A WESTMINSTER LINK WITH CANALETTO



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A VIEW OF WESTMINSTER BY CANALETTO (1697-1768)
ONE OF CONSUL SMITH'S COLLECTION
RECENTLY EXHIBITED AT BURLINGTON HOUSE

Westminsters who have visited the Exhibition of the King's Pictures at Burlington House may have noticed in the Catalogue, that a number of them are described as having been bought by George III from "Consul Smith."

Joseph Smith is noted in The Record of Old Westminsters, where he is identified with "Smith—, in under School lists 1715 and 1716"; this identification of him is inaccurate and the

mention of him is quite inadequate.

According to the Dictionary of National Biography he was born in 1682, so he was probably at school in the early part of Knipe's Head Mastership, but may possibly have entered the School under Busby. He settled in Venice as a merchant and began to build up a library and collection of pictures: a catalogue of his library was printed in 1705. In 1740, the Duke of Richmond wrote to the Duke of Newcastle recommending him for the post of British Consul at Venice on the advice of Thomas Hill (K.S. 1697, q.v.) pointing out that Smith had

been at Westminster "which crowns the recommendation." He was appointed and held the post until 1760.

He became a patron of Canaletto, and no doubt his patronage and his introduction of that artist to English travellers accounts for the latter's popularity in this country: of the thirty-nine pictures by Canaletto shown in Gallery XI at the Exhibition, no less than thirty-eight came from Smith's collection: of the total of five hundred and six pictures of all periods in the Exhibition over seventy had been collected by him.

His collection of pictures, drawings, gems and books was bought by the King in 1762: the books formed the nucleus of the library presented by George IV to the British Museum and known as the "King's Library." Smith formed a second library which was sold in 1773.

He died in 1770 and was buried in the Old Protestant Cemetery near San Niccolo del Lido

at Venice.

J. B. WHITMORE, F.S.A.

SPEAKING IN LATIN

THE ENGLISH TRADITION IN PRONUNCIATION

In a paragraph on last November's Commemoration Service, the Roman Catholic weekly, UNIVERSE, commented: "Noting that Westminster School enjoys the unique privilege this month of holding a Latin service in the Abbey, the London Evening Standard's Diarist missed the interesting point that when Queen Elizabeth re-founded this ancient Catholic school, care was taken to make its Latin pronunciation quite unintelligible to the rest of Christendom. This may be a good thing, but it doesn't help the modern traveller in difficulties abroad, from China to Peru, where a bit of Latin is often useful."

The story that Elizabeth caused the pronunciation of Latin to be changed in Westminster and other schools is a myth that dies hard. There is no doubt that the Englishman's Latin pronunciation immediately before the Reformation differed considerably from the present Westminster pronunciation, as heard at Latin Prayers and in the Commendatio at Commemoration, but the "old" pronunciation can be attributed to deliberate Protestantism only if we ascribe all changes in English phonetics to the same cause. Erasmus makes it clear that in the 1520's Latin was pronounced on national lines in all Western European countries, and the counter-Reformation which aimed at securing uniformity of worship never secured uniformity of pronunciation. the Vatican Council of 1870, reporters had to be specially trained to record the speeches of ecclesiastics with French, Spanish and other national pronunciations of Latin. "Gallus sum, et Gallice loquor," retorted the Bishop of Poitiers angrily when some Italian bishops called out that they could not understand him; and even today, in spite of the efforts of Pius X who commended the adoption of the Italian pronunciation as an aid to the restoration of Gregorian music, the French curé and the Canon of St. Peter's retain the distinctive overtones of their own tongues.

The change from the medieval English pronunciation of Latin to the nineteenth century pronunciation was a natural development with nothing artificial about it. In the seventeenth century, when Italy was every educated Englishman's second country, the Italian pronunciation naturally had its advocates. Milton used it, and Evelyn when he attended Election at Westminster in 1661 complained: "And no less is to be blamed their odd pronouncing of Latin, so that out of England none were able to understand or endure it." But these were exceptions, and if there has

been a break with tradition, it is due not to Queen Elizabeth but to the Head Masters' Conference. A letter in THE TIMES in January 1938, from Mr. Lionel James (O.W.) described the summary proceedings at the Conference of 1906 when it was decided that English public schoolboys should in future say Kikero. It was not in itself a sudden innovation, for the Universities had been carrying out scholarly experiments for over thirty years, and the Westminster Prologue for 1873 pokes gentle fun at their efforts. But by insisting on the use of a pronunciation which had never been alive, the Head Masters of 1906 ensured that Latin should be henceforth a truly dead language, and writers to THE TIMES ranging from Sir Richard Livingstone to Professor Julian Huxley and from Mr. G. M. Young to Dr. C. A. Alington have deplored their action. "His Majesty's Judges will not permit the speaking of the Latin tongue after that fashion in the King's Courts" said the Lord Chief Justice when Mr. Ambrose Wick submitted that an order of the Chimmey Magna justices was ooltrah weerayse, and needless to say, A.P.H. (and Mr. Haddock) had the last word about it. But what is good enough for PUNCH is not always good enough for the public, and it is easy to share Mr. Lionel Curtis's indignation when he was informed by his publishers that his famous CIVITAS DEI was not selling because both customers and booksellers were too shy to choose between saivitas deai and keeweetas dayee.

Westminster, which until 1922 held to the traditional English pronunciation as expounded by John Sargeaunt, is today bi-lingual. There is the language of ceremony, of the Play, of Commemoration, of Latin Prayers; and there is the language used in school which, although professedly "continental," is like no Latin heard on the continent and resembles nothing so much as robust Churchillian French. It may be that such Latin is useful, as UNIVERSE suggests, for exchanging pleasantries with the ticket-collector on French trains, but a cigarette and the international "O.K." will often achieve equal results. Even on more formal occasions it has been found possible to rub along without the help of the Head Masters' Conference. In his "Letters from High Latitudes," Lord Dufferin records how on his visit to Iceland in 1856 his health was proposed by the Bishop "in a magnificent Latin oration of some twenty minutes." He replied in the same language. "Viri illustres,"

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POLITICAL AND LITERARY SOCIETY

MR. CLIVE BELL AND THE DARTINGTON REPORT

The Society met on December 9th to hear Mr. Clive Bell read a paper entitled "Thoughts provoked by the Dartington Report." His essay discussed the various methods of art education, and the conditions necessary for the creation of art.

Mr. Bell first censured the committee of the Dartington Report for trying to treat artists as civil servants. They were right to concern themselves chiefly with art education, but they had not realised that the best way to encourage the appreciation of art was to teach not drawing but artistry. The habit of looking at works of

art was bound to give pleasure, or at least some culture, and he suggested that the Universities found schools and give degrees in artistry.

This however would not stimulate the creation of art. The artist needed a world of low wages and low prices, as the demand of his work was always small; his work must be the expression of his whole existence, not the "half holiday of a civil servant." Personal freedom and the imaginative view of life were essential to him, neither were offered by a Socialist and science-ridden age.

E.R.E.

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THE DEBATING SOCIETY

THE PRESS . FAGGING . CONSCRIPTION

THE Society met on the 8th November to debate the motion "That this House considers the freedom of the Press is greatly abused and that some reform is necessary." Proposer: A. M. Allchin, Seconder: C. C. C. Tickell, Opposer: A. P. Graham-Dixon, Seconder: P. Webb. The Proposer accused the Press of not performing its duty—to report and to comment upon the news. He wanted a check upon the unlimited powers of the Press Lords. The Opposer feared that any control would increase distortion of the news and said that the laws of slander prevent abuse. Only small items of news are wrongly reported and these mistakes are usually corrected. Other speakers criticised the space given to types of news, such as crime, and it was suggested that a news-sheet should be issued by the Goverment, and published in every newspaper. The motion was defeated by six votes to five.

On the 22nd of November, the Society met to debate the motion "That fagging is an essential part of Public School education." The Proposer, O. Kerensky, described the values of fagging as assistance to busy seniors and good discipplinary training for the fags. The Opposer, M. E. Adie, described fagging as a disappearing tradition, which was very open to abuse by the

seniors and bad for both sets of boys. Other members upheld communal fagging, but believed that a Public School could give its own type of education without fagging. The House agreed with the latter argument and defeated the motion by eight votes to six.

On the 6th December, the meeting took the form of impromtu debates, and was very

successful.

The first meeting of the Lent Term was held on 24th January, to debate openly the motion "That this House considers that conscription is neither necessary nor desirable at the present moment." Proposer: R. J. H. Williams, Seconder: R. E. Nagle, Opposer: O. Kerensky, Seconder: H. A. L. Murray. The Proposer considered that the expense and interruption of education were bad necessities with conscription; also disarmament is the only sure foundation for peace. The Opposer described a conscript army as necessary to continue the occupation of Germany and Japan and as a useful opportunity to learn citizenship and to gain training. Other speakers supported the Opposer and denied that there was any real general interruption in education.

S.T.S.

OLD WESTMINSTERS

Sir Alwyn Crow has been appointed head of the scientific and technical services of the British Supply Office in Washington.

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The President and Council of the Royal Society have awarded the Copley medal to Professor E. D. Adrian, o.m., f.r.s., for his researches on the nature of nervous activity. Professor Adrian has also received the honorary D.Sc. of London University.

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Mr. J. D. H. Dickson has been given the honorary degree of Doctor of Music at Edinburgh University.

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In the New Year's Honours List Mr. H. M. Hake received a knighthood, Mr. T. C. S. Keely the O.B.E., and Mr. H. A. Carless the C.I.E.

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At Grey's Inn Mr. E. F. R. Whitehead has been awarded the Bacon Scholarship and Mr. M. V. S. Hunter a Holker Senior Exhibition.

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Lt.-Col. C. Macfarlane, Intelligence Corps, has been made an Officer of the Legion of Merit (U.S.A.).

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We regret that we omitted to record the award of the O.B.E. in January, 1946 to the late Mr. L. H. Chidson.

Mr. C. H. Gibbs-Smith has been promoted to a keepership in charge of Circulation and Museum Extension at the Victoria and Albert Museum.

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At the Advent Ordinations the Rev. W. T. A. Philpot was ordained priest, and Mr. V. D. Wakeford was ordained deacon.

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Dr. Hugh Clegg, deputy editor of THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, has been appointed editor.

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Group-Capt. D. H. Johnson, R.A.F.V.R., has been awarded the Medal of Freedom with Bronze Palm (U.S.A.).

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In the New Year's Honours a knighthood was conferred on Mr. M. W. Watkins formerly a Mathematics master at the School, and now in the firm of John Lewis and Co.

THE TIMES of November, 29th on the occasion of the centenary celebration of the Hakluyt Society, devoted a leader to the fame of Richard Hakluyt, whose interest in travel began as "a youth and one of her Majestie's scholars at Westminster that fruitful nurserie." The occasion will also have recalled to many Westminsters of the older generation their affectionate memories of Sir Clements Markham, most loyal of Old Westminsters, who was president of the Hakluyt Society from 1883 to 1909, and edited no fewer than twenty-nine of its publications.

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The great collection of Thackeray's letters and private papers now being published by Mr. Gordon N. Ray has revived the memory of Archdeacon John Allen, whose place in the literary history of the Victorian era was overlooked by the editors of the RECORD OF OLD WESTMINSTERS, in spite of the biography published in 1889. Allen, who was the intimate friend and correspondent of both Edward Fitzgerald and Thackeray, was, in Mr. Ray's words, an "unpractical, guileless divine, whose determined innocence was the delight and despair of his friends." Not an author himself, he yet attained to the fame aere perenniius as the undoubted original of Major Dobbin in VANITY FAIR.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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CENTRAL REGISTER of all O.W. addresses will in future be kept at 17 Dean's Yard. If you wish to receive notices of Elizabethan Club functions or of forthcoming events at the School, or if you wish to receive THE ELIZABETHAN regularly (free to all members of the Elizabethan Club), please notify any change of address immediately to the Addresses Secretary, 17 Dean's Yard, S.W.1. Many Old Westminsters have changed their address during the war without notifying the School or the Elizabethan Club, and therefore have not received their copies of THE ELIZABETHAN. They will not see this notice. If you hear of any such, you will be helping the Elizabethan Club if you will send in their names and addresses.

ABADY—On November 20th, 1946 to Anna, wife of H. T. Abady, a son.

ANGELO-On November 3rd, 1946 to Kay, wife of R. H. Angelo, a son.

ASQUITH-On December 26th, 1946 to Vivien, wife of S. R. Asquith, a son.

BLAIR-On November 26th, 1946, at Lymington,

to Mary, wife of J. H. Blair, a son.

BUDGETT-On November 20th, 1946, at Sutton, to Patricia, wife of H. A. Budgett, a daughter. CORRIE-On December 18th, 1946, at Brill, Bucks., to Barbara, wife of J. A. G. Corrie, a son.

CRUFT-On December 5th, 1946, to Margaret,

wife of John Cruft, a son.

DRIBBELL—On September 26th, 1946, in London, to Giuliana, wife of J. Dribbell, a son.

DRURY-On November 19th, 1946, in London, to Enid, wife of Paul Drury, a son.

EASTON-On November 4th, 1946, at Sutton, to

Marie, wife of L. Easton, a son.

EATON-On December 5th, 1946, at Chatham, to Georgina, wife of S. Eaton, a son and a daughter. EVANS—On November 8th, 1946, at Enfield, to Frances, wife of the Rev. Harington Evans, a daughter.

FOSTER—On December 30th, 1946, in Dublin, to Joan, wife of Lt.-Col. N. L. Foster, D.S.O., a son. HOME-On November 27th, 1946, in London, to Evelyn, wife of P. J. D. Home, a daughter.

KEYMER-On December 6th, 1946, at Purley, to Margaret, wife of K. C. Keymer, a son.

MacBRIDE—On November 12th, 1946, at Caterham to Shirley, wife of Capt. G. E. D. MacBride, a son.

MCNEIL-On December 14th, 1946, at Poona, to Jean, wife of Major C. McNeil, a daughter.

PHILBY—On November 11th, 1946, in London, to Aileen, wife of H. A. R. Philby, a daughter. SMITH-On October 21st, 1946, in London, to Mariamne, wife of R. A. Smith, a son.

WESTMINSTER TEA

THE Westminster Tea, held at the Hyde Park Hotel on January 9th, was attended by some 120 Old Westminsters and their guests, amongst whom were Lord Davidson (President of the Elizabethan Club), Sir Adrian Boult and Colonel H. M. Davson (Chairman of the Entertainments Committee). The Dean of Westminster, who was the guest of honour, spoke briefly, recalling the fact that this was the first occasion on which he had attended a Westminster Tea as Dean. The Head Master and Mr. D. C. Simpson (Master of the King's Scholars) gave short accounts of the previous term's events. Mr. Graham's announcement that there would be a Westminster Ball next December was warmly applauded.

MARRIAGES

BUNTING: BLEWETT—On November 16th, 1946, at Great Malvern, C. E. Bunting to Margery Joy, only daughter of Mrs. H. R. R. Lvster, of Upton-on-Severn, and the late Mr. E. R. Blewett, of Bristol.

DUTTON: ASTLETT-On October 5th, 1946, at Beckenham, T. W. Dutton to Doreen Astlett. HOLMES: SKINNER—On November 5th, 1946, at Zaria, Nigeria, E. T. Holmes to Catherine Edith Mary, widow of Lt.-Col. M. Skinner.

HOWELL: THOMAS-On December 28th, 1946, at Copthorne, Sussex, Lt.-Col. A. E. Howell,

to Lilian Irene Myfanwy Thomas.

OLFDIELD: CHILVER-On December 6th, 1946, at the Brompton Oratory, B. T. Oldfield to Stella May Chilver, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Marshall, of Hailsham.

CORRECTION.

In correction of an entry in our last issue, Mr. Silvanus Nicol, whose second marriage we recorded, though the father of an Old Westminster, was not himself at the School.

O.WW. GAMES COMMITTEE

Secretary: W. E. Gerrish, Esq., Woodlands Hill, Woodlands Road, Surbiton.

FOOTBALL.

The O.WW. were beaten by the Old Brentwoods in the first round of the Arthur Dunn Cup. The match was played at Grove Park on a frozen ground that was covered with several inches of snow. Old Brentwoods scored an early goal, but within ten minutes M. Trebucq equalised, and there was no further score in the first half. Soon after the interval Old Brentwoods scored from a penalty. O.WW. then failed with two penalties and Old Brentwoods scored two further goals, and the match was lost 4-1. So far eight games have been played, four won and four lost, 28 goals scored against 16. Future fixtures include Alleyn's School, Old Brentwoods, Brentwood School, Bank of England and Old Ardinians. Next season it is intended to field two sides every week, and all those wishing to play, if not already in touch, are asked to communicate as soon as possible with the Hon. Secretary, M. W. Thompson, Esq., "Kenmuir," Bickley Park Road, Bickley, Kent.

SOUASH RACKETS.

Old Westminsters v. Old Paulines at Ealing on December 5th, 1946.

P. W. Kann lost to D. E. J. Hunt 5-9, 6-9, 3-9. P. A. Jessel lost to D. Fraser 6-9, 4-9, 3-9. J. Horry beat W. Gratez 9-7, 5-9, 9-4, 6-9, 9-1.

J. H. Latey lost to H. Paine 4-9, 6-9, 10-9, 3-9. Would any Westminsters past or present interested in Squash Rackets please communicate with the Hon. Sec. P. A. Jessel, Esq., 7 Nepean Street, Roehampton, S.W.15.

OBITUARY

We record with regret the deaths of a number of Old Westminsters.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR REGINALD BARNES, K.C.B., D.S.O., whose death occurred in retirement at Sidmouth at the age of 75, was at Westminster in 1886, and had a distinguished military career. He was gazetted to a commission in the 10th Hussars in 1890, but first saw active service in the employment of the Spanish Army in the Cuban insurrection of 1895. In the Boer War he commanded the 2nd Imperial Yeomanry, and was present at the relief of Ladysmith and of Mafeking, and was awarded the D.S.O. After serving as A.D.C. to Lord Kitchener and holding various other appointments, he was in command of the 10th Hussars when war broke out in 1914. He was twice wounded in the early months of the war, and by 1916 he had risen to the rank of Major-General, and commanded the 32nd and 57th Divisions. He received frequent mention in dispatches and was awarded the Croix de Guerre. In 1919 he was made K.C.B. In 1921 he married Gunilla, widow of C. D. Wijk, of Sweden, and retired to farm his property at Stoke Canon. Their son was killed at Tobruk in 1941.

News has been received that STEWART CHARLES WALSH BERANGER, who was up Ashburnham from 1930 to 1935, lost his life on May 21st, 1944. He was a French national, and enlisted at the outbreak of war in the 206th French Infantry Regiment. He was captured by the Germans and imprisoned in a camp at Bruck-sur-la-Mur, but was shot while trying to escape. His father has sent £100 to the War Memorial Appeal in his memory.

JOHN STEPHEN BERGER, whose death took place on December 15th at Hythe, in his 71st year, was the son of Major-General E. A. Berger, and was at the School from 1889 to 1892. He was married.

PAUL LIDGETT BUNTING was up Homeboarders from 1941 to 1944, and joined the Fleet Air Arm. In the following year he attended a Short Course at Cambridge. While at school he showed very considerable musical talent, and was a promising young violinist. He met his death as the result of an accident while serving with the Royal Marines in September last.

Westminster as a non-resident King's Scholar in 1910. He won the Mure scholarship in 1912 and was elected head to Trinity in 1914. During the first World War he served with the R.A. for a time in France, and then in Macedonia. He was mentioned in dispatches and was given the M.B.E. After the war he returned to Cambridge and took a first class in the Classical tripos part

I, following this with a second class in Modern Languages. In 1926 he was called to the bar at the Middle Temple. He then went out to the Straits Settlements in the employ of the Asiatic Petroleum Company. During the last war he commanded a battalion of the Straits Settlements Volunteer Force, and was awarded the O.B.E. He married in 1927 Joyce Mary, daughter of the Rev. C. G. Wilkinson, of Tasmania.

MAJOR ASTLEY LANGRISHE COOPER-KEY was born in 1886, and was at Westminster from 1901 to 1902. He joined the Militia and received a commission in the Middlesex Regiment. During the 1914-1918 War he served both on the Western Front and in Gallipoli. He became Assistant Provost Marshal of the Southern Command and of the Army of the Rhine, and Deputy Assistant Director of Transportation in the Inter-Allied Navigation Commission.

SIR DOUGLAS JAMES JARDINE, who died on December 11th at the age of 58, had a notable career as a colonial administrator. Admitted to Westminster in 1902 he proceeded to Trinity College, Cambridge, and started his career as a clerk in the Secretariat of Cyprus. By 1916 he had risen to be Secretary to the Administration of Somaliland, and while in that appointment he accompanied the mission to Abyssinia for the Queen's coronation in 1917, and also took part in the expedition against the Mad Mullah. After serving in Nigeria and Tanganyika he became successively Governor of North Borneo, Sierra Leone, and the Leeward Islands, relinquishing this last appointment on grounds of ill-health. He was twice married.

HAROLD MCKENNA was the eldest of three brothers who were all at Westminster, and entered the School in 1893. From Christ Church he was called to the bar at the Inner Temple and went on the Oxford Circuit. In 1927 he was appointed a Metropolitan Police Magistrate, first at the Greenwich Court, then at Lambeth and Marylebone, and finally from 1936 at Bow Street. Though he had the reputation of dealing severely with certain classes of offenders, he was well-known for his wide understanding and sympathy with the varied types with which he was confronted and in conjunction with the Probation Officers he took infinite pains with first offenders. In 1916 he married Gwladys, daughter of Mr. Martin Edwards of Usk.

GEORGE EDWARD MOORE, who died last October in his 62nd year, was a journalist on the staff of the Press Agency. He was at Westminster for two terms in 1899 and 1900. He is survived by his widow.

We have recently received news of the sudden death on July 22nd, 1945, while awaiting demobilization, of CAPTAIN JOHN WINDRUSH NEWMAN. R.A.O.C., who was at Westminster from 1915 to 1918. He was in the R.A.F. at the end of the first World War, and was subsequently in business in India. In the last war he took part in the evacuation from Dunkirk, served in Egypt and in Syria, and was mentioned in dispatches for his services during the retreat from Arras to Dunkirk. In 1941 he married Joan Mould.

and admitted in 1884. After three years he transferred to St. Paul's, went up to Trinity College, Cambridge, and was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn. He became an equity draftsman and conveyancer. He married in 1901 Laura Mabel, daughter of Mr. W. S. Andrews, of

Chislehurst.

and went into College in the following year. On leaving school he joined the Bombay Burma Trading Corporation and worked first in Rangoon and later for many years as local manager in Moulmein, where he also held the post of Consul for Siam. He married Florence Isabel, daughter of George Roberts, of Hobart. He was 68 years of age.

PHILIP HUMPHRY WYATT, whose sudden death on December 19th, occurred in his fifty-seventh year, was at Westminster from 1901 to 1908, and became an architect. He was devoted to the School, and untiring in the interest and energy he expended on Old Westminster games.

A correspondent writes: "Playing a robust game at back, he was a member of several Arthur Dunn sides and right up to his 40th year a stalwart in the 'A'. Perhaps it was as counsellor rather than player that his best work was done. He was a member of the Football Committee in 1911 and again from 1919 to 1930. Rarely missing a meeting, his one wish was to build a team to win the Arthur Dunn, and under his guidance and judgment this aim was nearly achieved.

"His interest in Westminster School and O.WW. did not stop at games. He was a member of the Elizabethan Club Committee for several years, a member of the original War Memorial Committee and of the Entertainments Committee. His geniality and a great gift for friendship, added to a fertile mind, endeared him to Westminsters of all ages, and many will have recollections of Saturday evenings after Football at his Bloomsbury home.

"By profession an architect, he served in the R.A.S.C. throughout the first world war reaching the rank of Lt.-Colonel and being awarded the O.B.E. In the last war, despite indifferent health, the Home Guard found him a most enthusiastic Quartermaster with original and successful ideas about field ovens and similar

improvisations.

"The sympathy of very many will go to his wife and daughter who have so consistently supported Westminster games and functions. To those of us who knew him as architect, Westminster, and friend, his passing will leave a gap indeed.

"At the Memorial Service held at St Margarets, Westminster on January 8th, 1947, a large

number of O.WW. were present."

OLD WESTMINSTERS' LODGE No. 2233

THERE was a large attendance of members and visitors at the autumn meeting which, by permission of the Head Master of the School, was held in Ashburnham House on November 1st. Among the sister Lodges represented were Charterhouse, St. Paul's, Clifton and Haileybury. W. Bro. Sir Robert Wilkinson, the Master of the Lodge, announced that valuable ornaments for the Lodge to replace two lost when London was raided by air had been presented by W. Bro. J. A. Waley Cohen who, although not a member of the Lodge had visited it several times, and by W. Bro. H. L. Geare. These had been accepted with great pleasure. He recalled that much of the furniture of the Lodge was destroyed during the War and that since then it had been necessary to borrow equipment from other Lodges.

Subsequently 53 members and guests dined in College Hall. Much satisfaction was expressed by speakers at the resumption of meetings at

the School.

W. Bro. W. J. N. Burch returned to the care of the Lodge the Silver Loving Cup presented to the Lodge by the Charterhouse (Deo Dante Dedi) Lodge No. 2885 which he had rescued from the School during the blitz of 1940 and taken with other treasures into exile. The Worshipful Master renewed the token of friendship by drinking out of the Cup with the W. M. of the Charterhouse Lodge. W. Bro. T. S. Smith, the Master of the Charterhouse Lodge referred to the great heritage which the School had in its associations, and emphasized the happy relationships which had long been maintained between Charterhouse and Westminister. The football and cricket matches with Westminster had always been regarded at Charterhouse as great events.

All inquiries respecting the Lodge should be addressed to the Secretary, H. Leslie Geare, Esq., Grays Inn Chambers, 20 High Holborn, London,

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he began, "insolitus ut sum ad publicum loquendum, supplico vos credere quod multum gratificatus et flattificatus sum honore tam distincto." Unclassical? Certainly. And in the the wrong pronunciation, of course. But if Latin is to be a living language, it must be allowed to take a few liberties sometimes. In the august Sheldonian last year the Public Orator permitted

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himself to salute the Desert Rats and their great leader with the words Monte ubi parturiente, Libys sua fata novat Mus.

It was not the late Mr. J. G. Barrington-Ward speaking, although he had deputised for the Public Orator during the war, but in that echo of a famous satirical verse we recognise the true spirit of the Westminster Epilogue.

EXPENDITURE

No.

THE ELIZABETHAN

REVENUE ACCOUNT

For the year ended December 31st, 1946.

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Certified that the above account has been audited and found correct.

R. JOHNSON. W. J. N. BURCH.

Westminster, January 14th, 1947.



NEW APPOINTMENT

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