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SCOUTING AT WESTMINSTER

THIS year is notable for two landmarks in the history of the Westminster School Scout Troop, first, the twenty-fifth anniversary of its foundation, and second, the admission to the troop of the 300th scout.

The first official moves towards starting a troop were made in the Play Term of 1930, but it was not until the following Election Term that the troop actually came into existence with P. S. Peak, O.W., as the first Scoutmaster. On July 20th, 1931, the first Investiture took place and Scout uniform was worn for the first time by members of the school. In the early stages, the troop was subject to restrictions in age and numbers, since it had to run in competition with the corps and what was previously the only alternative—P.T. However, using borrowed equipment, camps were held at Storrington in Sussex, and as the troop became more popular it was allowed to expand. It can be inferred from the records of the Scouts in those early years that the troop must have been both enthusiastic and efficient for, in 1933, only two years after the foundation of the troop, a complete patrol of seven Scouts was sent to the Jamboree at Gödöllő in Hungary, while three other more senior Scouts joined the British Contingent Headquarters as cooks. Another international link was made when, in 1935, a camp was arranged for twenty German boys from Hitler's school. An extensive programme of visits and outings was arranged for them and while they were in London Westminster Scouts acted as their hosts. In 1937 an official Rover Crew was started which superseded an O.W.W. Scout club which spent most of its time criticising the School Troop and which was finally exterminated

by the Headmaster. At the Coronation, the Scout basement was equipped with radio and a canteen and was used as the headquarters of the Rovers, whose job it was to act as ushers to the arriving guests.

Apart from the early camps when experience was being gained, most Scout camps have been held in the more remote and mountainous areas of the British Isles. The most ambitious camp, however, ended in tragedy. For the first and only time the troop camped abroad, at La Grave in the French Alps. The site was surrounded by magnificent peaks and many expeditions took place. On one of these R. H. Henderson, K.S., on the way down ran on ahead of his party and, missing his way, fell over a 150 ft. precipice and was killed.

During the war it was difficult to hold camps, partly because the troop was divided and partly because of rationing. However, by undertaking to perform "National Service", extra rations could be obtained and a camp was held every year though the number in attendance was relatively small. The "National Service" involved was usually some kind of unskilled Forestry work such as carrying logs or clearing bracken.

Preparations are now in full swing for this year's camp at Dinas Mawddwy in Merioneth.

Although its future is a little uncertain, the troop is flourishing at present. After a slight drop at the beginning of the school year due to the new arrangements for new boys on Friday afternoons, numbers are now up to full strength with a waiting list.

There are three Queen's Scouts in the troop making the total of past and present up to seven,

by some standards perhaps rather a low figure, but then, with a full school timetable, it is difficult to spend more than the Friday afternoon parades on Scout work.

During the Play Term, what tends to become a rather boring succession of instruction periods was relieved by visits to places of interest such as the Royal Mint and the Law Courts. A Field Day was held at Frylands Wood, where as well as the usual firelighting and cooking, some Scouts did a survey with chain and prismatic compass, while others built a most efficient aerial ropeway. In January and again at Easter a small party visited the Snowdon Group Headquarters at Llanberis and a number of good climbs were done.

A start was made on the redecoration of the main room of the basement, and this is nearly completed.

In the Lent Term a series of three weekend camps was held, the majority of the troop going to at least one, in the grounds of the home of Dr. G. R. Y. Radcliffe (O.W.). We were lucky with the weather and managed to do quite a lot of forestry work, felling, etc. Teams were entered for the Westminster District First-Aid Competitions, the Junior team successfully defending the cup won last year, and the Senior team also winning the Ambulance Shield.

This term another Night Op. was held in the First Field Day, and one patrol has been to camp at Gilwell. A Patrol competition was held which involved signalling, first-aid, pitching tents at speed, etc., and was won by the Ravens led by Hole. The Senior Patrol, formed at the beginning of the year from ex-P.L.'s and others not coming to camp has done excellent work in the preparation for camp.

Scouting at Westminster has always been a little out of place and unorthodox, but the best proof of its value is its record of activities unbroken for twenty-five years. "The Scouts" are thought of by many Westminsters as a collection of people who have somehow avoided doing corps, and, on the basis that they enjoy themselves, they are thought slack and inefficient. The troop is as good as its members are prepared to make it, since its success depends on their own initiative and enthusiasm. Summer camp is a magnificent opportunity for those of us spending most of the year in London, to get away from the town and spend a week or more exploring the countryside. Unfortunately the present S.M., Mr. Moor, is leaving at the end of this term, and unless another master is prepared to take over, the future of the troop is most uncertain, camps, for example, being out of the question without a master in charge.

A FAMILY OF RUSSEL

A FEW years ago Mr. L. E. Tanner found in the library of an English hotel a volume of anonymous eighteenth-century letters; the author was clearly an Old Westminster and a painter, living in Rome. Shortly afterwards an American lady, finding the table at which she had been placed in an hotel dining-room too draughty, asked if she might join me at mine; she was in England to collect material on Eustace Budgell, 1686-1737, whose father was at the school under Busby, and she suggested that I might find useful material in Budgell's magazine *The Bee*. The clues from those two sources led to the information in this article.

On August 7th, 1685, at Dallington, in Sussex, there was baptized a Richard Russel; he was a son of the vicar, also Richard, by his fourth wife. In 1698 he was admitted to University College,

Oxford, and, after graduating, was ordained deacon in 1705, and priest in 1709. Early in the following year he was instituted vicar of Alfriston and, later in the same year, of Selmeaton also. Soon afterwards he married Juliana Frankwell, of Eastbourne, whose family owned some property in the neighbourhood. Their first son and second child, Richard, born on December 18th, 1714, was baptized at Selmeaton on the 28th.

Russel was a strong Tory, and after the impeachment and sentence of Dr. Henry Sacheverell he wrote and printed some political verses entitled "The Impeachment". There are two such sets of verses in the British Museum; according to Richard Rawlinson, himself a nonjuror, who collected information about the nonjurors, it was that set the full title of which is *The Impeachment, or The Church Triumphant* which was Russel's.

In view of his political opinions it is not surprising to find that on the death of Queen Anne he found himself unable to take the oath of allegiance to George I, and in 1715 he resigned both his livings: he was, as he tells us in a farewell sermon, which he printed, allowed by his successor to continue to reside until January 1715-16.

Without an assured livelihood, to keep his growing family he turned to writing, translating and editing various works; in 1725, Hearne tells us, "he drives a farm".

He formed an acquaintance with Hilckiah Bedford, also a nonjuror, and in December 1718 went to Oxford bearing a letter of introduction from Bedford to Thomas Hearne, another nonjuror. Bedford was already keeping a boarding-house, and it may be that it was at his suggestion that Russel came to live in College Street in 1726, taking as boarders a few boys coming to the school; in 1732 he moved to Smith Square, where he remained until 1745.

The Admission Books do not record the boys' boarding-houses before July 1735: his last recorded boarder was admitted in January 1742: between those two dates thirteen boys entered his house. His name appears in the list of Ushers, etc., given in *The Record of Old Westminster*, but Mr. Russell Barker failed to identify him.

When *The Grub Street Journal*, one of the semi-literary magazines of the time, was started in 1730 he was one of the editors; he was principal editor from 1731 until the magazine came to an end in 1738. He died on January 3rd, 1756.

He left three sons, Richard, James and William, with several daughters, of whom Elizabeth married Dennis Bond of Cowley Street, who appears in *The Record*.

None of the boys can be found in the Admission Book, but this is not surprising as it was common for the sons of masters and others connected with the school and Abbey to be excused school payments. We know from Hearne's Collections that one of the boys was at the school in January 1728-29. Richard is known to have been at Westminster and appears in *The Record* as "at school under Freind eight years". James, who was the anonymous writer of the letters printed as *Letters from a Young Painter Abroad to his Friends in England*, the volume found by Mr. Tanner, left England to study painting in Italy. He was a good correspondent. The first letter was written from Paris in November 1739, and his journey through France and Italy can be traced until he writes from Rome in the following February.

The letters did not appear in print until March 1746, when the first of the seven parts which make

up the first volume was registered at Stationers' Hall; the last was registered in September 1747. They were reprinted, with a second volume, in 1750. Copies of some further letters, 1747-1753, are among the manuscripts in the British Museum.

The letters contain references to James having been at Westminster and to some of his school-fellows whom he met again in Rome. The references suggest that Richard and James may be identified with Russel major and Russel minor who appear in Under School lists and School lists from 1727-28, when both were in the Third, until 1733, when both were in the Sixth, one of them leaving before and the other after August in that year. Both are marked as exempt from payment of school fees.

In Rome James studied painting under Imperiali and though he never attained distinction he was at least a competent artist, but he seems from his letters to have been more interested in classical antiquities than in painting. He settled permanently in Italy, living mostly in Rome, and died in August 1763, it is said at S. Casciano nei Bagni, Tuscany. His collection of paintings was sent home to England and was advertised to be sold in *The Public Advertiser* of February 9th, 1769.

From references in the letters Mr. Ralph Edwards was able to trace at Shardeloes, Bucks., a "conversation piece" painted and signed by James, who included himself in the background: it was painted for William Drake, 1724-1796, an Old Westminster, and was reproduced in *The Burlington Magazine*, xciii, p. 126 (April, 1951). An anonymous "conversation piece" with the Coliseum at Rome in the background, reproduced in the *Country Life Annual* for 1956, was exhibited in The Winter Exhibition of the Royal Academy 1955-56; formerly supposed to be the work of Sir Joshua Reynolds, it is now tentatively attributed to Russel.

It is uncertain whether William, the youngest, was at the school. His brother James, writing to him in 1749, refers to "the great aversion you formerly used to manifest with regard to the Westmonasterian discipline, and the terrible apprehension it gave you." This leaves it uncertain whether the discipline was exercised upon William in person or merely upon his elder brothers; there is, at least, a Russel in the School list of 1731, in the First, and in the Third in 1734; he was exempt from paying school fees.

William was apprenticed in 1735, and became a bookseller near Temple Bar, publishing his brother's letters. His business career was not successful.

J. B. WHITMORE.

CRICKET

WITH only two matches remaining the team has yet to be victorious, yet in spite of this lack of tangible success the side may be said to have done well rather than badly. In batting and fielding the team is stronger than last year while the bowling is the same as last year, neither better nor worse.

Two School matches have been played since the last report was printed in *The Elizabethan*, against Lancing and Tonbridge. In the match against Lancing, played at Lancing on a delightful day, we won the toss and made a good start which was consolidated well by the early batsmen, especially D. J. A. Delmotte and A. G. Gordon who scored 59 not out and 35 respectively. When Gordon was out after lunch when the total was 162, the position seemed good with every prospect of becoming even better; unaccountably, however, four wickets fell for the addition of only eight runs. Fortunately, as it was to prove, M. J. Hyam stayed with Delmotte while twenty runs were put on for the last wicket, so that a total of 214 was finally reached. Nevertheless a fine opportunity of putting ourselves in a winning position had been squandered for no valid reason.

Before tea was taken, Lancing faced a few overs and lost a wicket to Bonavia who was bowling with decided venom. After tea, however, Lancing scored more easily and they reached a 100 without further loss whereupon Delmotte, sensing that they were about to go all out for the runs, set a more defensive field. At this juncture Lancing lost two quick wickets to Hyam and from that time onwards they made no appreciable effort to make the runs. They batted as though they had been instructed to hit bad balls only and it was most creditable that neither Hyam nor Delmotte bowled many; the result of this safety first policy by Lancing resulted in a tame draw, which was a pity, especially as better things had been promised earlier in the afternoon.

Losing the toss against Tonbridge, Westminster was asked to field on a wicket which gave no help of any description to the bowlers. Yet within a few minutes Delmotte had snatched two wickets and very nearly a third. In spite of this early encouragement we were to have a long day in the field and when Tonbridge declared at 252 for six wickets it was necessary to score the runs needed for victory in rather more than even time, a very fair declaration on an easy pitch.

When we lost three wickets for 25 Delmotte and R. G. Spry came together and they scored

fluently so that victory was once again discernible even though it was still very much on the horizon. When, however, the partnership was broken the innings foundered and from 87 for three wickets the total became 118 for nine wickets. With 45 minutes left for play all seemed lost. The last pair, Hyam and Bonavia, had other ideas and proceeded to bat with a mixture of good luck and skill until Hyam was l.b.w. with only fifteen minutes remaining for play.

Without doubt the most striking feature of this season's cricket has been the batting of Delmotte. He has had scores of 40, 81, 45, 49, 68, and 59 not out, several of these innings being authoritative expositions of batsmanship which it would be difficult to overpraise. J. F. Mortimer, J. W. Myring, A. G. Gordon, A. Naylor Smith, N. C. Roope and R. Brown have all made scores of over 40, so that Delmotte has not been without support.

The bowling was not so strong as the batting, though when backed by good fielding it looked quite good. As last year the brunt fell on Hyam who though perhaps more accurate than before was only once able to find the damaging spot which is the key to penetrating bowling. Though J. F. Mortimer was not quite so successful as last year this was made up by the improvement shown by Bonavia, Naylor Smith and Delmotte all of whom have bowled well on occasions.

The fielding has considerably improved and on one or two appearances was really good. All but three of this year's team are due to leave so that next year's team is likely to be young and inexperienced, perhaps they will have a better rub of the green than this team has had.

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FENCING—A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

THIRD PUBLIC SCHOOL VICTORY SINCE THE WAR

THE standard of fencing this year has been high, and as a direct result we have more than made up for the defeats we incurred last season : in particular, credit should go to C. W. Redgrave, who fought extremely well throughout the season and was placed in all three Final Pools of the Public Schools' Championships.

At the end of the Play Term we lost only A. L. Garden, but J. M. Goldman was prevented from fencing during most of the Lent Term owing to a wrist injury. We started the Lent Term by beating Dulwich College and Merchant Taylors, but against the Oxford Assassins we hardly fared as well : the Oxford team was a strong one, and only Redgrave seemed able to deal with the much more experienced fencers. C. F. Rye did well to win two of his three epee fights, but this he did more perhaps by luck than judgment ; the match was lost 2-7, 4-5, 2-7.

Our match against Eton was an unfortunate and less excusable affair ; we won the Foil 5-4, but in the Epee we were beaten soundly by opponents who showed themselves much faster on their feet while they still fought more carefully and more scientifically than we did, only A. F. Oliver managing to win a fight. In the Sabre we failed to save the day, and the match was lost 9-18.

A fortnight later the First Team had recovered from its defeat, and beat Tonbridge 11-7, and Pangbourne at Pangbourne 8-1, 3-6. The following week we fought the last match of the term, when we beat Brighton College in grand style, 8-1, 6-3 : Redgrave won his six fights, and M. Makower, who had been fighting consistently well towards the end of the term, four out of six. The Colts also gained their first victory of the season, 7-2, and W. F. Jenner deserves special mention for a good record throughout the year ; had the other members of the team fought as enthusiastically as he, the team result might often have been very different.

The Public Schools' Fencing Championships were held this year at the University of London, and the numbers of entrants were if anything a little below last year's figures. Contrary to previous years, we knew the opposition from St. Pauls and City of London would not be very great, but Dulwich and Eton had strong aspirations to the Graham-Bartlett Cup ; Winchester would be penalised by their absence of epeeists.

C. W. Redgrave, having won all three weapons in the School Championships this year, fought both intelligently and effectively throughout the competition and fully deserved to reach all three

finals ; in the Foil he came second to D. A. Young of Dulwich, though the honours were very equally divided ; in the Sabre, however, he came top of the Final Pool in a very tense finish. A. F. Oliver also showed his best form during the competition, though he only managed to reach the Fourth Rounds in the Foil and Sabre ; in the Epee, however, he was promoted easily through the four rounds to the Final Pool, where he came top equal with V. H. Wells of City of London, and only lost on the barrage.

M. Makower in the Fourth Round of the Foil, and J. M. Goldman in the Third Round of the Epee, were both perhaps unlucky not to reach the Semi-Finals, but throughout luck seemed to be doing all to hinder Westminster and a number of fencers went down on hits for. C. F. Rye and E. L. Gray both fought very successfully in the Epee, coming fourth and sixth respectively in the Semi-Finals. D. O. Brown fought well in the preliminary rounds of the Junior Foil, where Jenner reached the Third Round, but the former perhaps became tired and went down in the Semi-Finals ; in any case he is eligible for this section again next year.

Junior Foil

Semi-Finalist ... D. O. Brown—6th.

Senior Foil

Finalist ... C. W. Redgrave—2nd.

Epee

Finalists ... A. F. Oliver—2nd (after a barrage).

C. W. Redgrave—6th.

Semi-Finalists ... C. F. Rye—4th.

E. L. Gray—6th.

Sabre

Finalist ... C. W. Redgrave—1st.

Points for the Graham-Bartlett Cup :

Westminster 37, Dulwich 30½, Merchant Taylors 27, Winchester 23, etc.

C. W. Redgrave has been elected Captain of Fencing for the season 1956-57. He succeeds J. M. Goldman, to whom a large measure of the credit for our results must be owing. Though not a conscious stylist, he has fought always with intelligence, the reason for his consistent improvement : he will be a great loss to the team. A. F. Oliver has agreed to remain in office next term, he has been a reliable and efficient Secretary, and deserves the sincere thanks of the Club for all the work he has done in the past.

Colours awarded :—Pinks to A. F. Oliver, Thirds to E. L. Gray, Colts to W. F. Jenner.

CHESS SOCIETY

This year, the Chess Society has been far more active than at any other time since its refoundation in 1951. Four School matches have been played, the results of these were:

v. Merchant Taylors	Drawn 3 -3.
v. The Staff	„ 2½-2½.
v. The City of London School	„ 3 -3.
v. Highgate	Lost 2 -4.

In addition, a second team played at the City of London and lost 0-5. These results are encouraging compared to those of 1955, during which we won four games out of three matches. The most successful member of the team was F. R. Lucas (GG.) who won three games out of his four, although he was twiced placed low in the team order as a tactical manoeuvre.

There have been several tournaments inside the school. The first was the annual competition for the Barton Cup. This petered out during 1955, but this year we finished it in two terms. The winner was S. Simons (WW.) who beat F. R. Lucas in the final. The inter-house competition, run on a points basis, was won jointly by Busby's and Wren's with 11½ out of 20. Finally, a lightning tournament was held, and opened to all members of the school. Ten seconds were allowed per move, and even if the result was not academically ideal chess, it was enjoyed by all. Simons beat J. A. Land Q.S. in the final.

The committee of the society was: Captain of Chess ; J. A. Land; Secretary; S. Simons; F. R. Lucas, J. M. Goldman (AHH.) and M. J. Hyam (RR.).

SQUASH

SQUASH, although a game not favoured by many at the school, had its most successful season. The number of fixtures were increased and although only two matches were won out of the eleven played, several individual games were closely contested. Enough interest was even raised to enter a pair for the Lonsdale Cup, the Public Schools' Doubles Championship.

A junior team, which was formed for the first time, beat Dover College; a success which was

most encouraging, as it shows that in the future the school may yet produce some outstanding players. Those who wish to play are greatly handicapped by the fact that there are no school courts and they therefore have to play at a nearby block of flats. Mr. Zinn once again helped with his great enthusiasm and kindness in giving hints and advice on the game, and it is hoped that with them next season will be even more successful.

ELIZABETHAN CLUB

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SWIMMING

THE team was greatly handicapped by losing two of its chief members last year. However, during the winter some comparatively hard training was done by some members of the team under a full-time coach. This, in some cases, has shown to have been of some avail, but still far too much responsibility is put on the shoulders of the first string, as the second string does not always come up to expectation. R. A. Chanter had trained hard by improving considerably at breast-stroke and diving and G. D. M. Frizelle must also be noted for supporting in the diving. E. Raw continued his backstroke and freestyle ; in the latter style he had good support from a junior, M. D. Brough, who should be of note in future seasons. Good support for the breast-stroke was also lent by another junior, C. Doxat, who also should improve with time and perseverance. Four matches have so far been held, the two against Mercer's and an O.W.W. team were won and the two against Forest and Allyn's were lost ; the latter match was lost on the two relays after being level on the individual events. A team was entered for the Public Schools' Medley Relay Competition, but failed to qualify for the final. Unfortunately the school has no bath of its own, but it is sincerely hoped that in the very near future the money will be raised to build one.



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THE WATER

THE 1st and 2nd VIII's took part in Chiswick Regatta where the 1st VIII having beaten Bedford Modern and Putney Town lost to Vesta R.C. by 1 length in the semi-final of the Junior-Senior eights event. Vesta R.C. went on to win the event from Lensbury R.C. by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths. In the Junior Eights event the 2nd VIII was beaten by Cygnet R.C. in the final by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

After Chiswick the 1st VIII rowed up river to Molesey where they stayed until Reading regatta. During these weeks on calm water the VIII gained much pace. After ten days at Molesey they rowed at Walton Regatta where they drew Twickenham R.C. The race was rowed on Friday evening in not very pleasant conditions. The School led off the start and for the first half of the course maintained a $\frac{3}{4}$ -length lead. However, Twickenham put in a spurt which brought them level and at the beginning of the enclosure Twickenham led by $\frac{1}{2}$ a length. The School put in a last spurt which failed by two feet to get past Twickenham. Twickenham lost to Lensbury R.C. by $\frac{1}{2}$ -length in the semi-final of the Junior-Senior

event having caught a crab a few yards from the finish. In the first round of the Junior-Senior VIII's event of Reading Regatta the School drew Hertford College and Lincoln College, Oxford. The 1st VIII had the disadvantage of the first bend and Hertford made the most of it. Hertford gained a length's lead after one minute over Lincoln who led the VIII by $\frac{3}{4}$ -length. The VIII put in a spurt just after halfway which took them past Lincoln and within $1\frac{1}{4}$ -length of Hertford. Hertford won by a length and went on to win the event, beating, on the way, St. Edward's School by $1\frac{1}{2}$ -lengths in the semi-final and Exeter College Oxford by 1 length in the final.

The VIII left for Henley on Friday, June 29th, having achieved very little in the way of concrete results ; on form it was above the average standard of School eights. The draw which was held on the Saturday proved to be very disappointing for the School. It is the second year running that the VIII has drawn the very powerful Shrewsbury crew who won the Princess Elizabeth Cup last year. On the first day of the regatta there was a

devastating head wind blowing down the course which was greatly to Shrewsbury's advantage, for the School was giving away 8 lbs. per man to their opponents. The start was protected by Temple Island but though the VIII led Shrewsbury by a few feet when the two crews emerged into unprotected water above the island, Shrewsbury's weight began to tell. At the barrier Shrewsbury led by $\frac{3}{8}$ -length after just over two minutes rowing. Shrewsbury using their superior weight and greater power in the head wind were able gradually to increase their lead. At the finish they led Westminster by just over 4 lengths. In the next round Shrewsbury met Eton, who had beaten last year's finalist Oundle easily, and after an excellent race Eton won by $\frac{3}{4}$ -length. In the final Eton beat St. Paul's by $\frac{3}{8}$ -length.

Though the results of this year's 1st VIII have been disappointing up till now, the after term regattas may yet provide them with an opportunity of proving themselves. Whether or not the VIII manages to establish itself during these after-term regattas, a great deal of gratitude must be given to Mr. Hamerton who has coached the crew so magnificently from the beginning of March. Mr. Hartley is also to be thanked for coming so far to give the VIII invaluable assistance.

The 2nd VIII this year proved to be well above the average standard. Having won all their league races with comparative ease they were entered for the Public Schools Eights at Marlow Regatta. Here they were very unlucky to draw Eton, the eventual winners, in the first round. Also drawn with them in the first round was Emanuel 1st VIII who came second in the Schools Head

of the River Race. Eton led from the start and soon had 1 length lead over Emanuel, who led Westminster by $\frac{1}{2}$ -length. At the halfway mark the 2nd VIII put in a spurt which brought them a canvas in front of Emanuel and about $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths down on Eton. Eton went away to win by 2 lengths and Westminster beat Emanuel by $\frac{1}{2}$ -length. Eton went on to win the event beating everyone else by more than two lengths. After Marlow the 2nd VIII had a private match with St. Paul's 2nd VIII which the School won after a very close race by $\frac{1}{2}$ -length.

The 3rd and Colts VIII's had a fairly successful season but the Colts did not show their previous form when they raced at Pangbourne Colts regatta. The Junior-Colts A won all their league races and are to be congratulated on coming top of the Junior League. The Junior-Colts B also did well losing only one of their races, and that against a heavier crew.

Mr. Rogers and Pickering who coached the Junior-Colts A and B VIII's respectively, have done a great deal in raising the standard of the Junior crews, which provide an important foundation if a boat club is to be successful in the future.

First Eight: Bow, J. F. Hewitt; C. L. Fisher; D. O. Lloyd-Jacob; P. P. G. B. Bateson; J. C. Meadows; S. C. H. Douglas-Mann; H. H. L. Phillips; Stroke, G. L. Stemp; Cox, M. P. M. Richards.

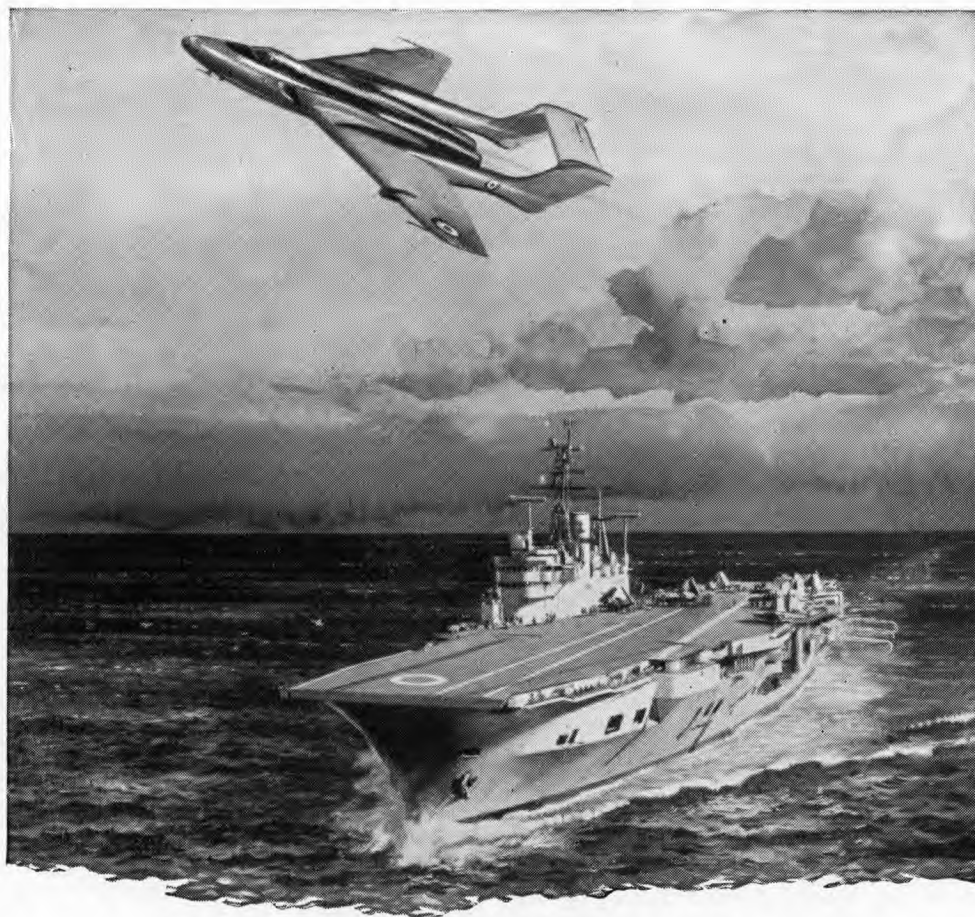
Second Eight: Bow, J. G. Nandris; J. C. Bartlett; J. A. Macfarlane; M. E. T. Holmes; H. P. Duley; D. V. W. G. Franzini; E. G. H. Davison; Stroke, R. C. MacCormac; Cox, D. R. Harrod.

THE ELIZABETHAN CLUB

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1956

1955 £		£	s.	d.	1955 £		£	s.	d.
122	PRINTING, STATIONERY AND POSTAGE	124	4	9	5	9 ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS	4	14	6
8	INSURANCE	7	10	0	3	2 LIFE SUBSCRIPTIONS (proportion)	6	14	5
61	INCOME TAX	57	11	8	607	TERMLY INSTALMENTS (proportion)	638	8	10
21	HONORARIUM—Miss Francis	21	0	0	133	INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS (Gross)	133	5	0
	GRANTS:				2	POST OFFICE DEPOSIT INTEREST, 1955	1	16	6
200	The Elizabethan	200	0	0	3	PROFIT ON CLUB DINNER	—		
275	Games Committee	300	0	0	—	RESERVE FOR PINK BOOK WRITTEN BACK	180	0	0
10	O.W. Record	10	0	0					
				510	0	0			
	SPECIAL GRANTS:								
—	The Elizabethan	60	0	0					
—	Games Committee	120	0	0					
				180	0	0			
20	RESERVE TOWARDS COST OF NEXT PINK BOOK	—							
36	EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR	64	12	10					
<u>£753</u>		<u>£964</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>£753</u>		<u>£964</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>3</u>

Notes: The Club holds £300 3½% War Stock under the Henderson Bequest, the interest on which provides prizes to go with the Henderson Challenge Cups. There is a Cash Balance of £21 9s. 4d. under this heading in account with the Bank.
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**THE ADMIRALTY,
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Queen Anne's Mansions, London, S.W.1**

BALANCE SHEET—31st MARCH, 1956

1955 £		£	s.	d.	1955 £		£	s.	d.
4,527	CAPITAL FUND:				4,720	INVESTMENTS as valued at June 1st, 1945, or			
151	Balance April 1st, 1955 ..	4,679	3	2		at cost if purchased since ..	4,722	2	5
	Add: Termly Instalments					£100 Australia 3½% Stock 1964-74			
	(proportion) ..	159	12	2		£450 3½% War Stock			
	Life Subscriptions					£100 3½% Savings Bonds 1955-65			
	(proportion) ..	1	13	7		£1,300 3% Savings Bonds 1960-70			
4,679						£2,000 3% Savings Bonds 1965-75			
						£350 3½% Treasury Stock 1977-80			
						500 National Savings Certificates			
						£73 1s. 9d. Post Office Savings Bank			
						Deposit			
274	INCOME ACCOUNT:				2	Add: Interest on Savings Bank Deposit ..	1	16	6
	Balance April 1st, 1955 ..	310	6	2					
	Add: Excess of Income over								
36	Expenditure for the	64	12	10	4,722	(Market Value of Investments at March	4,723	18	11
	year					31st, 1956, was £3,849 19s. 1d. (1955			
310						£4,406))			
						SUNDRY DEBTOR:			
	SUNDRY CREDITOR:					Termly Instalments	271	19	0
	The Elizabethan (estimated)					BALANCE AT BANKERS	291	10	0
180	RESERVE FOR PINK BOOK ..				447	A. CLIFFORD FEASEY, Hon. Treasurer			
£5,169		£5,287	7	11	£5,169		£5,287	7	11

HON. AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the above Balance Sheet of The Elizabethan Club dated March 31st, 1956, and the accompanying Income and Expenditure Account and have received all the information and explanations I have required. I have verified the Investments and Balances at Bankers. In my opinion the said Balance Sheet and Accounts are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Club's affairs at March 31st, 1956, according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the Books of the Club.

City-Gate House, Finsbury Square,

London, E.C.2.

May 18th, 1956.

WILFRID M. ATWOOD, Honorary Auditor,

Chartered Accountant.

GAMES COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS, 1955-56

1954-55 £		£	s.	d.	1955-56 £		£	s.	d.
275	RECEIPTS				70	SECTION GRANTS:			
	The Elizabethan Club Grant ..	300	0	0	120	Cricketer	85	0	0
	The Elizabethan Club Supple-				50	Football	110	0	0
	mentary Grant	120	0	0	20	Golf	50	0	0
49					10	Squash	20	0	0
	Balance being excess of Payments				35	Fives	15	0	0
	over receipts				5	Boat Club	15	0	0
						Lawn Tennis	10	0	0
						Shooting	10	0	0
					310				
					13	Pasda	315	0	0
					1	Postages, etc.	11	19	1
						Balance being excess of Receipts over Pay-	2	1	6
						ments	90	19	5
£324		£420	0	0	£324		£420	0	0

RECONCILIATION AND STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

	£	s.	d.
BANK			
Balance from last account	3	6	10
Add Excess of Receipts over Payments during the			
year	90	19	5
Balance at Bankers	£94	6	3

Audited and found correct.

WILFRID M. ATWOOD,
Chartered Accountant.

N. P. ANDREWS, Hon. Treasurer.

P. G. WHIPP, Hon. Secretary.

ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31ST, 1955

Receipts	£	s.	d.	Payments	£	s.	d.
To Balance brought forward from last Account ..	93	3	11	By Printing and Stationery	10	3	3
„ Profit on Westminster Ball 1955 as per attached				„ Cheque Book	10	0	0
Account	214	16	1	„ Balance carried forward to next			
				Account, being:			
				Cash at Bank	320	17	3
				Less amount owing	23	10	6
					297	6	9
£308	0	0		£308	0	0	

K. C. KEYMER,
(Hon. Treasurer)
A. L. LEIGHTON,
(Chairman)

Examined and found correct.

A. R. C. FLEMING,
Chartered Accountant, Hon. Auditor.

May 1st, 1956.

THE WESTMINSTER BALL, 1955

	£	s.	d.
To Sale of Tickets	958	7	0
„ Donations	103	15	6

£1,062 2 6

	£	s.	d.
By Dorchester Hotel Account	636	4	2
„ Sydney Lipton's Orchestra	94	10	0
„ Printing and Stationery	43	8	4
„ Postages	15	6	9
„ Advertising	8	5	0
„ Entertaining	32	12	2
„ Gratuities	6	10	0
„ Donation to Westminster House Boys' Club	10	10	0
„ Profit on Ball, carried to Entertainments Committee Account	214	16	1

£1,062 2 6

NINETY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

To be presented to the Annual General Meeting on
Monday, October 15th, 1956

The General Committee presents its 92nd Annual Report.

The Committee deeply regrets to record the death of C. A. Ablett, C. H. Bompas, E. R. J. R. Cousins, W. S. Hopkyns, Dr. W. H. R. Jeremy, C. R. Julian, E. W. Lane-Claypon, J. E. Lloyd, A. A. Milne, Sir David Page-Wood, Rev. H. C. Paxon, A. E. Rice-Oxley, Rev. W. S. A. Robertson, J. G. Shaw-Scott, W. R. Trotter-Stead, M. M. F. Wingate and S. C. Woodhouse. During the year 65 new members have been elected, and at March 31st, 1956, the membership of the Club was 2,852.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Club held on October 3rd, 1955, Dr. G. R. Y. Radcliffe was elected President in succession to Sir Robert Wilkinson. W. E. Gerrish and A. C. Feasey were respectively re-elected Chairman and Hon. Treasurer, and Raymond Plummer was elected Hon. Secretary in succession to D. M. M. Carey. J. A. C. Spokes (1944-49) and F. D. Hornsby (1945-50) were elected new members of the General Committee.

The Annual Dinner of the Club was held at St. Stephen's Club, Westminster, following the Annual General Meeting on October 3rd, 1955, and was attended by 81 members. The retiring President, Sir Robert Wilkinson, presided and the guests included the Dean of Westminster, The Head Master, Assistant Masters and the Bursar.

The Accounts of the Club for the year ended March 31st, 1956, including those of the Entertainments and Games Committees, are attached to this Report. Following the decision taken at the Special General Meeting of the Club on June 28th, 1955, that the printing of the Pink Book be suspended *sine die*, the Committee decided to credit to the Income and Expenditure Account the amount of £180 shown in the Balance Sheet at March 31st, 1955, as a Reserve for the Pink Book and to allocate therefrom additional grants of £60 and £120 to *The Elizabethan* and to the Games Committee respectively. During the year the Committee also decided to appoint a standing Sub-Committee under the chairmanship of Sir Robert Wilkinson to carry out periodical reviews of the Club's Investments and Finances.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Entertainments Committee, A. L. Leighton, E. R. B. Graham and K. C. Keymer were re-elected Chairman, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer respectively. Major and Mrs. R. C. Orpen were Presidents of the Westminster Ball held at the Dorchester Hotel on November 4th, 1955, and a most successful evening was enjoyed by 470 Old Westminsters and their ladies and guests.

The Games Committee report a very successful year and a greater number of members are playing an active part in the various Clubs than for many years. At the Annual General Meeting held on July 13th, 1955, P. G. Whipp, W. J. Gerrish and N. P. Andrews were re-elected Hon. Secretary, Assistant Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer respectively.

The O.W. Football Club celebrated its 75th Anniversary on October 14th, 1955. M. W. Thompson relinquished the Hon. Secretaryship of the Football Club at the end of the year, and the Club is grateful to him for all his work over many years. He has been succeeded as Secretary by F. D. Hornsby. The Club again entered for the A.F.A. Senior Cup, A.F.A. Surrey Senior Cup and the A.F.A. Junior Cup. After defeating Lancing Old Boys in the 1st Round of the Arthur Dunn Cup, the 1st XI was defeated after extra time in the following round by the Old Ardinians.

The O.W. Cricket Club reports a very successful season, and nine matches were played during the Fortnight at Vincent Square, which was well supported by many other members of the Club. C. C. P. Williams captained Oxford against Cambridge at Lords in July 1955.

The Spring and Autumn meetings of the O.W. Golfing Society were held at Sudbrook Park Golf club, Richmond, and at Swinley Forest Golf Club. After defeating Eastbourne and Malvern in the Halford-Hewitt Cup at Deal, the Society was defeated by 3 matches to 2 in the quarter-finals by Winchester. T. J. Davies won the Welsh Championship at Harlech and represented Wales in the International matches at Royal Birkdale Golf Club. A. C. Grover has retired from the Hon. Secretaryship and the present flourishing state of the Society is largely due to his untiring efforts over many years. He has been succeeded by F. N. Hornsby.

The Elizabethan Boat Club again entered Eights in the London Rowing Club's Invitation Regatta in December and in the Head of the River race in March.

The O.W. Squash Racquets and Fives Clubs played their usual large number of matches, and the Squash Racquets Club again entered for the Londonderry Cup in which they were defeated by King's College School, Wimbledon.

For the first time for many years the O.W. Lawn Tennis Club entered a team for the D'Abernon Cup, but after defeating Sherborne the Club was defeated in the quarter-finals by Charterhouse.

The O.W. Shooting Club held a number of fixtures and took part in the Veterans' Trophy and the Veterans' Tankard competitions during the National Rifle Association meeting at Bisley.

By Order of the Committee,
R. PLUMMER,
Hon. Secretary.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of THE ELIZABETHAN CLUB will be held at St. Stephen's Club, Westminster, on Monday, October 15th, 1956, at 6.30 p.m.

R. PLUMMER,
Honorary Secretary.

July 15th, 1956.

AGENDA

1. To approve the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on October 3rd, 1955.
2. To receive the General Committee's Report.
3. To receive the Accounts for the year ended March 31st, 1956.
4. Election of Officers.*

The General Committee desires to propose for appointment:

As Chairman: Col. B. Stuart Horner.
As Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C. M. O'Brien.
As Hon. Secretary: Mr. R. Plummer.

5. Election of General Committee.*

Under Rule 13, Mr. W. J. Gerrish and Mr. F. B. Hooper are ineligible for election.

The General Committee desires to propose for appointment:

†1922-27 Mr. J. D. Carleton.
†1919-24 Mr. K. C. Keymer.
†1939-44 Mr. K. G. Allison.
†1932-37 Mr. D. Kleeman.
†1909-14 Mr. A. L. Leighton.
†1913-17 Mr. N. P. Andrews.
†1930-35 Mr. D. M. M. Carey.

†1944-49 Mr. J. A. C. Spokes.
†1945-50 Mr. F. D. Hornsby.
1908-14 Mr. A. C. Feasey.
1948-52 Mr. P. J. Morley-Jacob.
1947-52 Mr. J. Porteous.

6. Any other business.

* The name of any other Candidate for any of the Club Offices, or for the General Committee, must be proposed and seconded in writing and forwarded to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Raymond Plummer, 55-61 Moorgate, London, E.C.2, so as to reach him not later than Monday, October 8th, 1956.

† Member of 1955-56 General Committee eligible for re-election.

MEMBERSHIP

The following, having become eligible under the rules, have been elected honorary life members:

Col. H. St. J. Carruthers (Bursar), Messrs. C. J. Crumpler, F. I. Kilvington, R. E. Wigram and Dr. H. F. Garten (Assistant Masters).

ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner of the Club will be held on Monday, October 15th, 1956, at St. Stephen's Club, Westminster, at 7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

A notice containing full particulars will be sent separately to all members who have attended a Club Dinner since 1945. Any other member who wishes to receive this notice is requested to inform the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Plummer, 55-61 Moorgate, London, E.C.2, not later than September 15th, so that a copy may also be sent to him.

OLD WESTMINSTERS

Mr. Glen Byam Shaw is to produce *Othello* at the Shakespeare Festival this year.

The Antiquaries' Journal for April contains an article by Mr. J. S. P. Bradford, F.S.A., on his field reconnaissance of Rhodes.

Mr. J. O. Woodward has been appointed Keeper of the Department of Art at Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery.

Mr. W. E. Gerrish has been elected President of the Royal Philatelic Society.

Mr. M. A. Marshall and Mr. D. J. D. Miller have been placed in the first class in Part I of the Classical Tripos at Cambridge.

Mr. P. J. Bucknell has been called to the Bar.

Sir Ronald Howe is retiring next January from the office of Deputy Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police.

PETHERICK—On June 15th 1956 to Mary, wife of I. S. Petherick, a daughter.

STRAIN—On June 15th 1956 at St. Alban's to Pamela, wife of Malcolm Strain, a son.

TREBUCQ—On June 1st 1956 at Bromley, Kent, to Janine, wife of Michael Trebucq, a son.

WOODWARD—On June 12th 1956 in London to Elizabeth, wife of Richard Woodward, a daughter.

MARRIAGE

PORTEOUS : CHRISTIE—On June 16th 1956 at Oxford J. Porteous to Catherine Eleanor elder daughter of the Principal of Jesus College, Oxford, and Mrs. Christie.

OBITUARY

BARLOW—On June 1st 1956 A. C. H. Barlow, aged 36.

Arthur Charles Horace Barlow entered Westminster in 1933 and was elected into College in the following year. At Trinity College, Cambridge, he was awarded a first class in both parts of the Law Tripos and was elected to a Research Scholarship. He was called to the bar at Gray's Inn in 1948. In recognition of his work in Common Law he was awarded the degree of Ph.D. at London University. He was for several years a lecturer in Roman Law at King's College.

BIRTHS

DENNISTON—On June 1st 1956 in London to Anne, wife of R. A. Denniston, a daughter.

FAIRWEATHER—On June 19th 1956 at Bridgend, Glamorgan, to Isobel, wife of Alistair Fairweather, a son.

GREGG—On May 25th 1956 in London to Mary, wife of Ian Gregg, a son.

HERRMANN—On May 31st 1956 to Patricia, wife of Frank Herrmann, a daughter.



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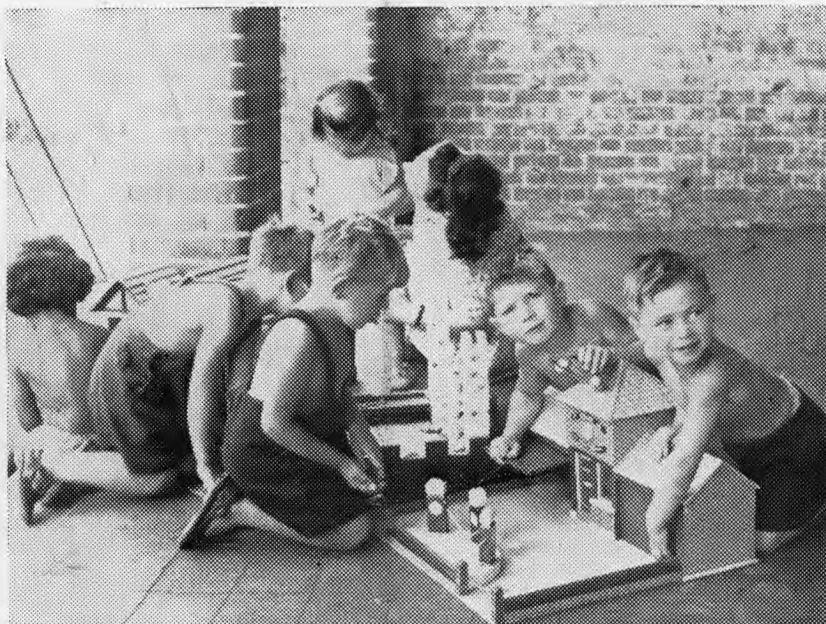
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