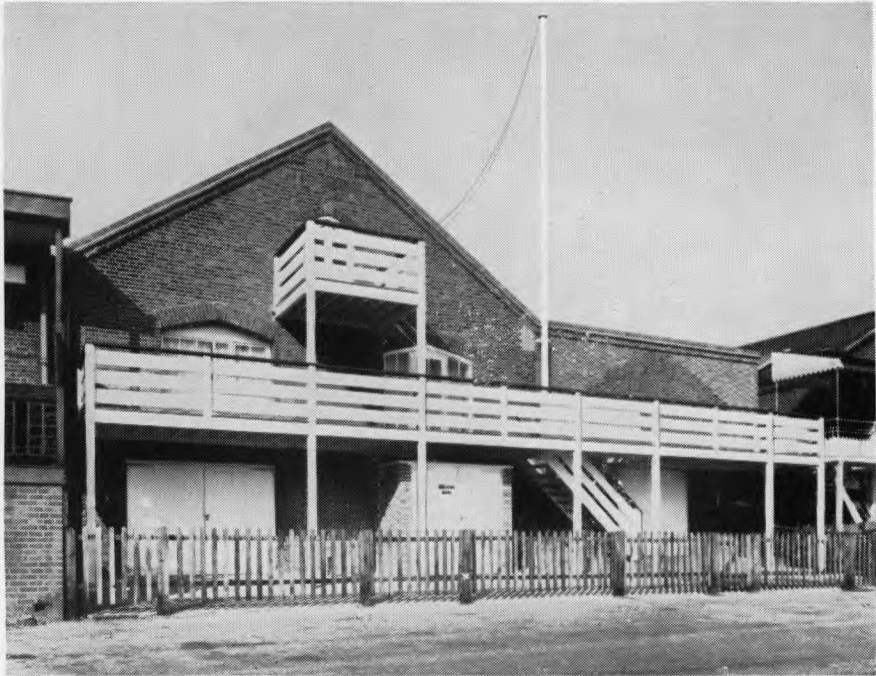


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The following have been appointed School Monitors:—

- R. G. S. LA TROBE BATEMAN, Head of Busby's.
R. M. BENNETT, Head of Liddell's.
H. BURNS, Head of Wren's.
H. GORELL BARNES, Head of Ashburnham.
H. J. LLOYD.
R. G. M. SPRY, Captain of Cricket.

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M. OVERSTALL has been appointed an Editor of *The Elizabethan*.

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The School Concert will take place Up School on Friday, July 26th. Tickets may be obtained from:—

The Concert Secretary,
3 Little Dean's Yard,
Westminster, S.W.1.

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Another issue of *The Trifler*, the School's literary magazine, will appear in July. Old Westminsters who would like copies should write to the Business Manager, enclosing 2/6.

Address:—

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On Saturday, June 29th, St. Peter's Day, the leaving Head Master, Mr. Hamilton, addressed the School for a short while before handing over his office to Mr. Carleton for the remainder of the term. The Head Master had previously been presented with a pair of candelabra by the School in token of his seven years at Westminster.

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A School Dance will be held again this year in Ashburnham, under official sanction, on Saturday, July 20th.

NEW MASTERS

Mr. Gaunt was educated at Rugby School. After his National Service in the Army he went to King's College, Cambridge, where he read History and English. Earlier this year he returned from a journey with a friend in a Land Rover to India. He is here for this term and will afterwards teach history at Harrow permanently.

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Teaching Geography this term, until Mr. Ross returns, is Mr. Hopkins, a Welshman, who went to a school in Bridgend and read History and Geography at Jesus College, Oxford. He has come out of retirement after teaching for some time at Southfield, Oxford. Before the war he travelled a good deal in the Balkans and Czechoslovakia and he is a fervent supporter of Rugby football.

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Mr. Paine is at the moment up at Trinity College, Oxford, after his education at King's School, Canterbury. He obtained a rowing Blue in 1956 and has only come to Westminster to do a little teaching of Maths. and to help mainly with the coaching at Putney. He is reading Engineering at Oxford and hopes to enter the engineering world when he has left the University. As a recreation he enjoys visiting Art Galleries.

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The only permanent new master is Mr. R. M. Haines, who is teaching History. He went to Bromsgrove School and Durham University, where he read History. After teaching at a prep. school, he entered the realm of historical research. He studied for a D.Phil. at Worcester College, Oxford, and became a sub-editor of the *Victoria County History of Oxfordshire*. He is interested in heraldry, photography, and dabbles occasionally in sailing.

JOHN SARGEAUNT

MANY years ago Mr. Stephen McKenna wrote an article for the *Elizabethan*, of which the theme was that Masters never really retire. He pointed out that one had only, like Cowper, to send one's imagination on a trip backwards to Westminster to see them all just as they were forty or fifty years ago. "The doors of the houses open," he wrote, "and you see Failes, Tanner and Raynor appearing on their steps. Fox comes down from the Library, Nall from Home Boarders." And among these, foremost in remembrance, would be, surely, that tall spare figure striding across Yard with gown floating in the wind and mortarboard at an almost impossible angle known affectionately to generations of Westminsters as "J. S."

No one who met John Sargeaunt, either at Westminster or elsewhere, could fail to be impressed by his unique personality and charm. Dr. Johnson once remarked that "if a man were to go by chance at the same time with Burke under a shed, to shun a shower, he would say—'this is an extraordinary man'". The same might well have been said of J. S. It can have been given to few Assistant Masters at Public Schools to have inspired at their death leading articles in *The Times* and other papers, and to find a permanent place in the pages of the *Dictionary of National Biography*.

John Sargeaunt was born in Northamptonshire on August 12th, 1857—just a month after Ralph Tanner, his friend and colleague at Westminster for over thirty years, whose centenary also falls this year. He was proud of his own and other Northamptonshire families. Indeed, all his life he was deeply interested in people and pedigrees of which he had a profound knowledge. As Dr. Gow wrote of him "when he started to recite a pedigree, his face grew serious and he told us who married whom and who she was, with as much solemnity as if he was reading the lessons in church". From Bedford he went up to University College, Oxford, then under Dr. Bradley, who a few years later was to become Dean of Westminster. There he took a First in "Mods" and a Second in "Greats" and was President of the Union in 1880. After a few years at Inverness College and as VIth Form Master at Felsted, Dr. Rutherford, on Bradley's recommendation, offered him a similar post at Westminster.

It was an admirable appointment. Apart from his qualifications and natural sympathy with older boys, the setting of Westminster, with its classical and historic traditions, appealed to all that was

deepest in him. He felt instinctively that, as Sir Ernest Barker once put it, "no man can serve an institution with a full fidelity of comprehension who has not been fed, or fed himself, on its memories". The result was the publication in 1898 of his brilliant "Annals of Westminster School", which may justly be called something of a classic among school histories.

But J. S., although whole-hearted in his devotion to the School and its interests, had no intention of becoming a mere pedagogue. He was quick to realize the opportunities which a mastership at Westminster offered for contacts with a larger world and the resulting advantages both for his teaching and for the School. As a convinced Liberal he became a member, and eventually one of the best-known members of the Reform Club. With his charm and wit and capacity for friendships he became widely known in literary, political, and social circles. As a member of the Pepys Club, the Johnson Club and of The Club, for instance, he was peculiarly in his element. It was said at the time that he and Mr. Asquith, then Prime Minister and also a member of The Club, had the best verbal memories in London and were the only two who could quote Boswell with complete accuracy. But it was not only Boswell; Sargeaunt seemed to be equally at home in the literature and with the personalities of the seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth centuries.

Some of this learning appeared in the small editions of classical works which he published from time to time, some in his ordinary tabletalk, but it was in his Form Room that he was content to open to the full the stores of his remarkable memory. No one, who had the good fortune to experience it, could ever forget the hours spent in school with J. S., or the distinguished charm and courtesy, with a touch of the *grand seigneur*, with which he treated his Form. He taught largely by digression. The note in the School edition of the text might be consulted—with a quick dive into his pocket for his glasses—but the important thing was what the note suggested to J. S. by way of illustration.

Thus a former member of his Form has recorded one such digression with "Sargeaunt in expansive vein, striding from Wordsworth's 'Solitary Reaper' to Matthew Arnold and the grand manner, from eighteenth-century Whig history to genealogy in general and the county records of Northamptonshire in particular, from anecdotes of undergraduate Oxford to the latest Roman excavation".

He had his foibles, of course, as a good schoolmaster should have. Pedigrees, as we have said, was one, certain phrases and slightly old-fashioned pronunciations of words were another. There was a story, doubtless apocryphal, of a deadlock between himself and a taximan because he wished to go to Gower Street and steadily refused to call it anything but "Gore". He had also a Johnsonian inappreciation of music and all connected with it. A boy reading aloud a line in Pope said "intestine". "That's how they sing it," said J. S., drawing himself up, sinking his chin into his collar, and wagging a forefinger up and down, "we needn't corrupt our English for the sake of musicians. They sing 'in-fine-ite love' don't they? I presume it's a musical term."

Like all great teachers his methods were all his

own and depended largely on his unique personality. There were a few, of course, who could not or would not listen, but for those who were alert with gradually opening minds his teaching was invaluable. Turning the pages of an old diary one finds "J. S. talked as only J. S. can talk", "J. S. quite fascinating," and "J. S. surpassed himself to-day, and even I don't think that I have ever heard quite so many anecdotes and quotations as he delighted us with in one short hour".

In 1918 he retired. "Boys have a right," he said, "not to be taught by a sexagenarian." When he died in 1922 it was truly said of him in the *Elizabethan*, "very many salute in J. S. the kindest, the wisest, the most potent individual influence of their lives. . . a great scholar, a great teacher, and beyond all, a great gentleman."

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

SAD to say, it is becoming a well-established fact that the Informal Concerts which started in such a blaze of glory have dwindled in quality and quantity since their inception. It was because of this that it was thought to be a good idea to introduce an Informal Concert Society. This would impress on people that such concerts still existed and, in putting them in the picture, would also provide a nucleus from which to draw potential performers—and attenders. But then it was said, "if there is to be a society of musicians why not make it a Musical Society?" And so from a comparatively small beginning the Musical Society was formed.

The presidency naturally fell to Mr. Foster, but, in order that they should feel themselves more involved in the Music of the School and because Mr. Foster felt his commitments too numerous to enable him to fill his post completely, a group of masters were invited to become what were styled Vice-Presidents. These were: Mr. Simpson, Dr. Garten, Mr. Keeley, Mr. Zinn, Mr. Kilvington, Mr. Crumpler, Mr. Howard Hollis and Mr. Burns. Their help and encouragement should prove a great benefit to the future of the School's music. C. H. Beard and J. H. Simpson are Joint Secretaries, and it is intended that this post should, in future, fall to their successors as Head of School Music and Concert Secretary. In order to help them with the running of the Society and, in particular, the organization of Informal Concerts a Committee was elected by the Society—P. J. Dunlop, R. E. Nunns, J. I. Willett and T. E. Radice.

The accent of the Society is on *making* music and, with this in mind, membership is confined more or less to those who can take an active part in Chamber Music. But although its chief aims centre round performance, the Society's first meeting was to hear Mr. Raymond Jeremy giving a Recital on the Viola. His programme started with a Marcello Sonata; he then went on to give a brilliant performance of Bach's unaccompanied Chaconne—a feat difficult on the violin, but almost impossible on the viola—and rounded up the evening with a sensitive and moving rendering of movements from Brahms' *Eb* and *F* minor Sonatas.

It is to be hoped that recitals and talks by professional musicians will be a prominent feature of the Society, but it would seem to be a good idea not to limit the talks to outside musicians but to encourage members of the School to address the Society on different aspects of music, possibly with illustrations from gramophone records.

There is no doubt that it is to everyone's benefit that the Music of the School should be consolidated and centred round a Society, and one hopes that it will prove a means of assuring music of the place it has always held in the School and an incentive for boys to play together; for Chamber Music has been described as "the delight of the performing amateur", and the string quartet is universally accepted as the one perfect medium for musical expression.

CRICKET

So far this season Westminster has lost seven and drawn three matches. Some good batting has been seen from Lewis, Naylor-Smith, Spry and de Peyer, who, though lucky, has scored consistently.

The first four matches were all against very strong club sides, and even the Lords and Commons, a side we normally expect to beat, was strong, due to an unexpected admixture from another famous establishment with a similar name.

During these matches considerable improvement was effected, and by the time of the first School match the general standard was sufficient to cause us to hope that we would remain undefeated in school matches at least. Against Radley, a strong side, things went well after a bad start, Radley scoring 319 for 7 dec. and Westminster replying with 190 for 4, Lewis scoring an undefeated century.

Sherborne caused little anxiety, but unfortunately the pitch up Fields makes a result virtually impossible between two sides of comparable strength unless one of them is prepared to throw the match away. As the teams were evenly matched, the result was a draw. Westminster led by 15 runs on the first innings, a figure that rather flattered the Sherborne batting, Wakely taking 7 wickets for 34 runs with a very fine piece of bowling, and Cheyne scoring a very rapid 58, including several sixes. In the second innings Lewis and de Peyer put on about 150 together in a valuable stand, but Sherborne did not appear to make the slightest effort to go for the runs in

their second innings on a pitch that seemed even easier than at the beginning.

Since the Sherborne match every match has been lost and the standard has suddenly deteriorated. This is plainly due to the discouraging effect of unusually strong opposition.

With three matches in six days, every one a defeat by a large margin, it was not an auspicious time for the Lancing match, one of our harder School games this year, and Lancing availed themselves of our bad form by scoring 283 for 3 and then putting us out for 126, with only Naylor-Smith and Lewis showing any resistance.

With a new fixture against the Canadian Public Schools and two more School matches, Tonbridge and Charterhouse, a great improvement will be necessary if our form against Sherborne is to be regained.

The second eleven, never a side to do things by halves, have won two and lost two in a style peculiarly their own. The Colts have also had their ups and downs; they are, however, a lethargic and indifferent side and they will have to readjust their ideas if they are to become cricketers.

The Junior Colts and Under Fourteen are both very strong sides this year, due to the sudden influx of cricketers at the bottom of the School, and they should prove to be the basis of good first elevens in years to come. Wilson, Hall and Broadhurst in particular having shown great promise.

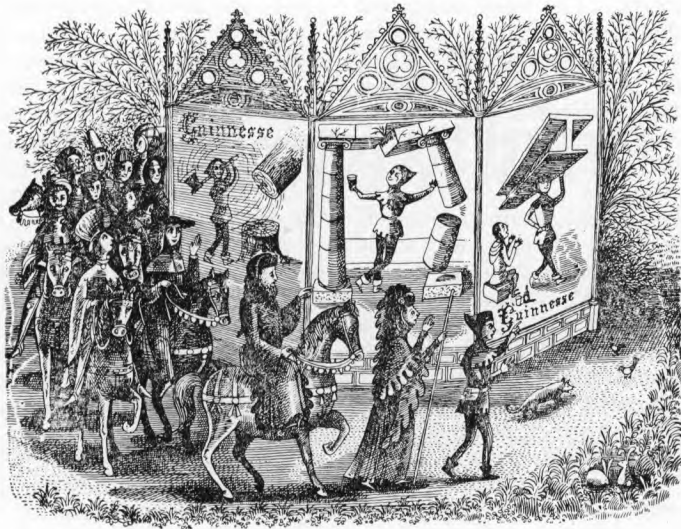
POLITICAL AND LITERARY SOCIETY

SINCE a report last appeared, there have been eight meetings of the Society: three (Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Dr. F. R. Leavis, and Mr. Angus Wilson) at the end of last term, and five this term (Mr. Anthony Sampson, Mr. R. H. S. Crossman, Mr. John Lehmann, Lord Gosford and Mr. J. Grimond).

On March 15th the Society met to hear Mr. Philip Noel-Baker speak on "Disarmament". Mr. Noel-Baker's main thesis was that disarmament should be effected as quickly as possible and that nuclear tests should be stopped. He said that if the weapons now in existence were used there could be no doubt of the results, and

in support of this quoted various statistics, described in detail the effects of the Hiroshima bomb, and spoke of the poison gases which had been stored both in America and Russia. The consistent refusal by Western governments to acknowledge Russia's proposals could only be to their own detriment, continued Mr. Noel-Baker, and disarmament might only be achieved through a more united West. He concluded by hoping that a more enlightened younger generation was springing into being. The thoughtfulness and lucidity of his answers to questions were much appreciated by his audience.

Dr. Leavis, on March 20th, spoke to the Society



A goodman was ther of our companye
 That was a wantoun wight and a merye,
 And eek as strong as eny hors, I trowe,
 For verrily he was nat undergrowe.
 As Alisaunders was his fame gret —
 On everich hoarding wer his dedes set,
 Wher-in this Ercules folk mighten see,
 How with oon strook he felde a mighty tree,
 Or brigges with oon hande shof a-down,
 Or grete girdres bar aboute toun
 Up-on his heed. And al this, as I gesse,
 He owed to that drynk y-clept Guinnessse.

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on "English Literature in the Twentieth Century". Dr. Leavis first dealt with poetry. He said that the dominant influence before the First World War was that of Swinburne. The war itself was a complete break, not only in the general course of life, but also in poetry. The name associated with that break was Eliot's, whom he now, perhaps, rated less highly as a poet than formerly. Yeats was a somewhat more minor figure than Eliot, and there was something unpleasant and bullying in Pound's tone: the one exception was *Mauberry* which did convey what people felt after the war. Dr. Leavis then turned to prose writers and mentioned, favourably, Conrad, Bennett, Forster, Lawrence, and Joyce, who, he said, was magnificent but quite out of the normal run of things. Of Aldous Huxley, Virginia Woolf, and Wyndham Lewis he had not so high an opinion. The meeting was altogether most stimulating and it was a pity that so few members attended.

In contrast to Dr. Leavis, Mr. Angus Wilson talked about writing from his own point of view. Mr. Wilson outlined his own career as a writer, which started after the war with short stories, later followed by his two novels and a play; spoke

about those who had influenced him, Dickens and Zola; the need for the writer to maintain social contact with the non-literary world; about what he felt to be the purpose of the novel, particularly the portrayal of power and changing social structures; and about his own methods of composition. The whole was most illuminating and entertaining, and was much appreciated by his audience.

At the first meeting of this term Mr. Anthony Sampson, who is a past secretary of the Society, and is on the Staff of the *Observer*, talked most entertainingly about Suez from the point of view of Fleet Street. Mr. Sampson first summarized the reactions of the various national newspapers to Suez, then attempted to sketch the historical background to the allied intervention. Lastly he tried to outline the significance of the affair. It had cleared the air for his generation, the younger generation who had been brought up in a largely apolitical atmosphere. It also showed the dangers of insularity and of the attempt to maintain a certain sort of greatness, and by so doing had also shown the need for fresh political thinking.

Accounts of the other meetings this term will appear in the next issue.

SHOOTING

A GOOD start to the Lent Term's '22 shooting promised well for a successful season, but as is so often the case, the standard tailed off towards the end of term and reached its lowest ebb in the *Country Life* Competition when Westminster appeared well below the half-way mark.

A shoulder-to-shoulder match at St. Paul's provided the first fixture of the term: this Westminster eventually won by 18 points (641—623), in spite of being 10 points behind at the beginning of the final detail. The St. Paul's match was followed up by a Postal fixture with Sherborne, which both the 1st and the 2nd VIII's won, the former by 67 points (660—593), the latter by 8 points (596—588). In reply to Westminster's 1st VIII score of 661, Bromsgrove sent up a rather unfortunate and belated 662. However, the 2nd VIII were again successful, beating the Bromsgrove 2nd team by 13 points (627—614). Following a postal *v.* Aldenham, which was lost (661—676), Winchester paid host to both Westminster and the Royal Grammar School, Guildford,

in a triangle match which they won with a score of 653. Westminster came second with 634 and R.G.S. Guildford some way behind with 614. A home match against Charterhouse on March 6th proved to be an unlucky contest as far as Westminster was concerned. Two jams, incurred during the rapid, resulted in the loss of 25 points, and the final score; Charterhouse 667, Westminster 649 might well have been a different story, had those two jams not occurred.

Among the individual performances, N. R. P. Heaton deserves special mention for efforts in the three shoulder-to-shoulder matches, in which he had an average of over 84. For this achievement he won the Bulgin Cup. Runners-up were M. J. Hall and the Captain.

303 ELECTION TERM

With only three of last year's VIII remaining, prospects did not look too bright at the beginning of the season, but with the practice afforded by a two-day stay at Bisley, during the last week of the

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Wett Chamberlayne can "throw open their gardens" (half an acre of weeds and a strong smell of fermenting grass clippings) why not us? To make it more "for the people" there is the suit of genuine stage armour, which we bought specially in Yarmouth, to go with the two Roman pots; and the taxi which took us to the coronation is preserved in the stables and may be sat in for an extra threepence. Old Mr. Carter has taken the split infinitives out of our Guide, which should show a profit now that the back page has been bought by Chez Maison Doris, the Soking dress shop, though the picture they have chosen for their advertisement is rather

a curious one. There is a genuinely newly discovered secret panel which must have been put in to supply the telephone to the top floor, sub-let to Mr. Carter. As he is only seen occasionally at windows we are thinking of saying that that part of the house is shut off, slightly suggesting a family curse, if not an Old Soking Monster.



SCHWEPPEVERESCENCE LASTS THE WHOLE DRINK THROUGH

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Easter holidays, and the weekly Friday visits, some very respectable scores have been obtained, and it is encouraging to find that there is some very promising talent among the younger members.

The London and Middlesex competition was the first match to be shot. A nasty cross wind made shooting quite tricky, and the Cadet pair

did well to come third, their score of 119 was only three points behind the winners. The VIII was somewhat hampered by the absence of one of its best shots, A. G. Cheyne, who was playing cricket, and the final score of 474, which placed us 11th, might well have been increased by another 10 or 12 points. The winning score was 496.

ATHLETICS

IT is difficult to give a clear picture of the past season, for it was certainly an eventful one, with several records and many fine performances.

The first record to go was in the Senior Long Distance, won by R. J. T. Givan in 17 mins. 59.2 secs. This was held, as usual, before the start of the athletics season, this year on February 26th.

During the three weeks which followed, Fields was used on almost every available occasion, and while standards were going on the training list prepared for the coming match with St. Paul's, held at home on March 16th.

Although the team lost, the meeting was a most enjoyable one, and the points were closely contested. Westminster won five of ten events, and Givan carried off the double by winning both the 440 yds. and 880 yds. By chance, opposing Captains met in the Mile, which was won by the home Captain, giving Westminster three victories on the track. On the field the high-jumping of R. G. S. Bateman was of interest, not from a competitive point of view, as he easily won the event, but owing to the increasing heights he attained, which ultimately carried him over 5 ft. 6 in., a very creditable performance in an event at which Westminster is usually weak.

R. H. Bailey provided the highlight of the Colts match by winning both the 100 yds. and 220 yds.; the 10 lb. weight was included as a new event and R. Pettit and J. Alexander took the first two places in it.

The teams' visit to Eastbourne on March 27th was less exciting; nobody did better than was expected though several were rather disappointing. Givan again won the 880 yds. and Bateman the High Jump. In the Discus, D. B. Wilkins threw 124 ft. 4 in. to win by more than 16 ft., though

this came as no surprise as he had previously set up a new School record in heats with a throw of 129 ft. 5½ in.

In the Junior match Bailey again won the 100 yds. and 220 yds., the latter in 24.3 secs.; this was not allowed as a School record owing to the following wind. Westminster's jumpers and middle distance runners were sadly below standard and were not even able to take a second place. Happily, however, Alexander won the 10 lb. weight.

Although the Eastbourne match was a trifle disappointing, School Finals, most of which were on Saturday, April 1st, made up for it and the warm dry weather gave a good start. The performances of Givan in the 440 yds. and 880 yds. were indisputably the highlights with times of 53.2 secs. and 2 mins. 0.9 sec. in each. The Mile, which promised a new School record, was slower than was expected. Givan led from the gun, and when he was "jumped" at the bell by the Captain, who had employed these tactics more successfully against St. Paul's, had no trouble in overhauling him to win comfortably in 4 mins. 43.3 secs.

In the Under 16 Group, Bailey rose magnificently to the occasion, and won the 220 yds. in 24.6 secs., a new School record.

The Bringsty Relay was won by Grants in 28 mins. 50.4 secs., a record, the House Athletic Cup and Standards Cup by Rigauds, and the Henderson Cup for the most outstanding athlete by Givan, who went on to come second in the Schools Challenge Cup 880 yds. in a time of 1 min. 57.3 secs., an achievement most richly deserved; the first three runners beat the existing record of 1 min. 58.0 secs.



*R. J. T. Givan (1st) and G. J. F. Rowland
in the Open Mile Final*
(Photo: L. H. Burd)

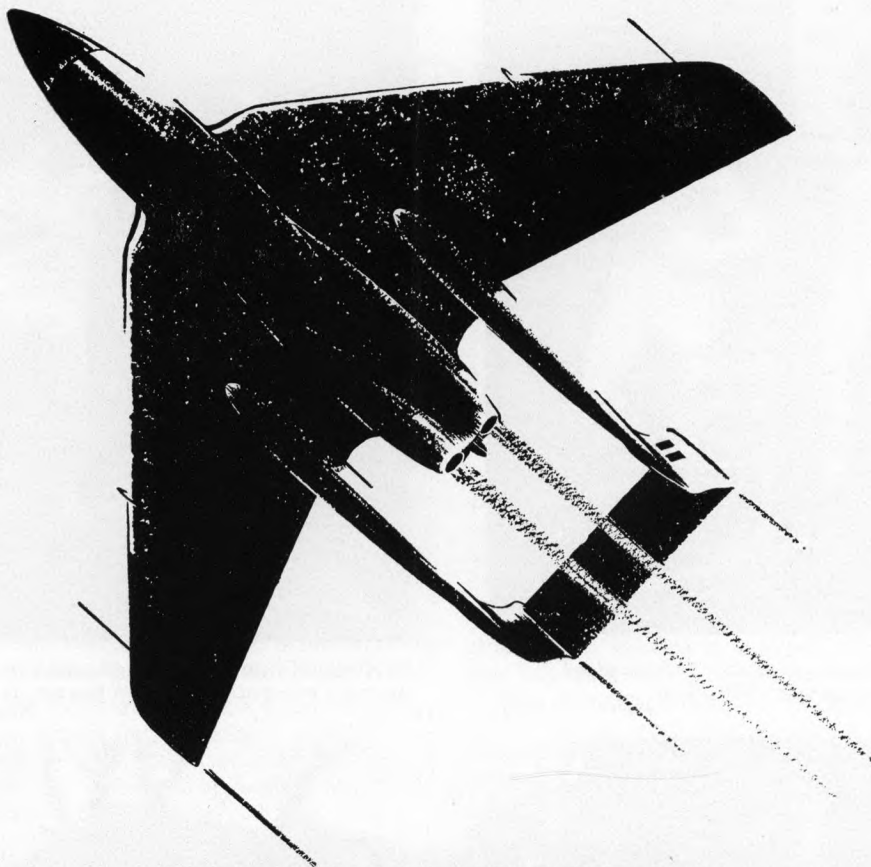


*R. H. Bailey (1st) and J. B. Alexander in the Final of
the under 16—220 yards, which was won in record time*
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C. de Peyer jumping in the High Jump Final

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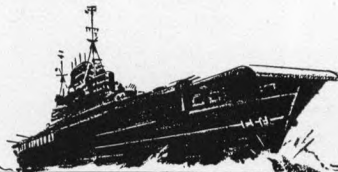
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THE WATER

THE two fixtures during the Lent term were the Reading Head of the River race and the Schools Head of the River race, both of which took place within a fortnight of the end of term, and both of which were rowed in very good conditions. On March 16th the School was represented at Reading by the first two VIIIs; the first VIII started 18th and the second VIII started 25th. Of last year's final order seven crews had withdrawn and as a result both crews started seven places higher than their respective positions last year. The first VIII had a promising row and were paced by Imperial College 1st VIII over the greater part of the course, both crews having overtaken Christ College, Oxford, near the start. The School's final position was 20th, an advance of five places on last year, and also a victory over all other schools in the event. The 2nd VIII were also paced over the major part of the course by Oriol College, Oxford, but were unable to retain their original high position.

The Schools' Head took place on March 27th; the School was fully represented. Here the 1st VIII started 7th and, although they finished 5th equal, they showed signs of rushing in the middle of the course. However, their final position was a substantial improvement on previous years and shows good promise for the future. G. L. Stemp, the Head of the Water, was unable to row at Reading or in the Schools' Head. The major victory of the day was the winning of the Colts Division, the second time the School has done this. The 2nd, 3rd and Junior Colts VIIIs did not retain their original positions but in most cases did as well as was expected in the face of illness.

The first fixture for the 1st VIII in the Election Term was the Vesta Dashes, which in previous years has been won every second year by the School. However, although it was the year for a School victory by past statistics, the VIII lost to Lensbury in the final, not having their blades sufficiently covered.

At the Chiswick Regatta both the 1st and 2nd VIIIs represented the School in the Junior-Senior and Junior events respectively. The 1st VIII won the event quite easily, but lacked rhythm in the early part of the races. This fault is an important one to overcome and it will be a dangerous setback if the VIII cannot be coached out of it. The 2nd VIII also did very well, reaching the final of the Junior Eights, when they were beaten by one length by Quintin. Altogether the Chiswick Regatta was a great success for the School.

The following week-end the 1st VIII rowed in the Junior-Senior VIIIs at Walton Regatta; they defeated Vesta by two lengths in the first round and were knocked out by Beaumont College in the second round. In contrast to the previous week-end this regatta was a great disappointment. The VIII panicked and started to rush when they realized they were no longer in the lead, and the verdict of a win by Beaumont by only one length at the end of the course seemed to reflect Beaumont's slowness rather than anything else.

In the league racing the Colts were the most successful, having won all their races quite easily. They rowed in Junior VIIIs at Horseferry Regatta as well as in the Colts Cup at Pangbourne Regatta.

The 1st VIII rowed in Thames Cup VIIIs at Reading Regatta and in the Princess Elizabeth Cup at Henley. Post-term rowing will follow the usual course, the Westminster Watermen crew rowing at Maidenhead, Henley Town and the Serpentine Regattas.

1st VIII: J. F. Hewitt (bow), E. G. Hay Davison (2), H. P. Dulley (3), J. A. Macfarlane (4), J. C. Meadows (5), D. V. W. G. Franzini (6), G. L. Stemp (7), D. D. Macrae (stroke), M. P. M. Richards (coxswain).

2nd VIII: J. F. McCleary (bow), T. L. Gaillard (2), W. I. K. MacLennan (3), L. Hartland Thomas (4), C. H. Beard (5), B. H. Gibbens (6), D. W. M. Devereux (7), G. G. F. Ward (stroke), D. R. Harrod (coxswain).

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GAMES COMMITTEE

The Annual General Meeting of those interested in the Games of the Club will take place at 6 p.m. on Monday, July 22nd 1957, at No. 4 Whitehall Court, S.W.1, by kind permission of F. N. Hornsby, Esq.

P. G. WHIPP,
Hon. Secretary.

AGENDA

1. Chairman.
2. Minutes.
3. Matters arising.
4. Correspondence.
5. Hon. Secretary's Report for the year to May 1st 1957.
6. Accounts for the year to May 1st 1957.
7. To receive the names of the Section Hon. Secretaries.
8. Election of Officers and Members for the year 1957/58.
9. Any other business.

NOTES:—

1. Any alternative or additional names for election to the Committee should reach the Hon. Secretary at least three days before the Meeting, and such names should be supported by the names of a proposer and seconder.

2. The retiring Committee recommend that the following be elected Officers and Members of the Games Committee for the year 1957/58:—

Hon. Secretary P. G. Whipp
Asst. Hon. Secretary W. J. Gerrish
Hon. Treasurer N. P. Andrews
University Secretary—
at Oxford C. P. Smith
at Cambridge J. D. Crosse

Twelve Elected Members:

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| W. M. Atwood | R. O. I. Borradaile |
| K. J. S. Douglas-Mann | W. E. Gerrish |
| E. R. B. Graham | D. G. Higgins |
| P. G. Houston | R. W. E. Law |
| A. L. Leighton | C. M. O'Brien |
| F. A. G. Rider | M. W. Thompson |

After the General Meeting the Committee will meet to elect two Members as representatives on the Elizabethan Club Committee.

SAILING

The Hon. Secretary of the Games Committee is very anxious to contact all those interested in sailing, in order that a team may be raised to represent the Club in the Old Boys' Sailing Competition.

Please address all correspondence to: P. G. Whipp, 22 Boileau Road, Ealing, London, W.5.

GOLF

Halford Hewitt Cup 1957

I. KING EDWARD'S, BIRMINGHAM

This year Westminster came first out of the hat and were drawn to start the competition against King Edward's, Birmingham.

Having had visions of being able to field a really strong side the Society eventually found themselves without Tudor Davies, Michael Scott and Anthony Hornsby, of those selected. As always, however, disappointments of this kind are more than compensated by the confidence of the team once they are assembled at the Beresford under the enthusiastic captaincy of Pitamber.

Slark and Petherick, as last year, played top and from the start found themselves fighting a hard battle. They were 4 down with 7 to play, and, although they won the 12th and 13th they eventually succumbed by

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3/2. Their opponents had apparently played together 14 times without losing a match.

Our second pair, Pitamber and Robinson, were regarded as a banker (bound by dark blue as well as pink loyalties). They won the first three holes (never looked back) and cruised comfortably home by 5/4. One all!

The greatest credit is due to our third selection, Pakenham Walsh, who had been out of practice due to sciatica, and Denis Ryland, who was playing for the first time. They were two down at the turn and then, playing through the very worst of the weather, fought back to be 2 up at the 13th, and won on the home green.

Barley and Christopher Davies were 2 up at the 7th and thought to be safe, but, as often happens, things went wrong and they lost by 2/1.

And so it fell to Grover and Spencer, who had been 3 down at one stage, to face up to a critical situation, and this they did most nobly. All square with two to play, Grover holed a very long putt on the 17th to win and make them dormy one up, and just when the opposition looked like squaring on the last green, he gave a repeat performance to win the match by one hole. They had done the last four holes in 4, 4, 3, 4.

2. ETON

After halving the first three holes, Pitamber and Robinson became 1 up at the "Sandy Parlour" and thereafter were never down. They were eventually dormy two, and although Scrutton and P. F. Gardiner Hill came back at them at the 17th, a half at the home hole brought Westminster through.

Slark and Petherick against Major Barlow and Marr (of this year's Oxford side) was a really great match, and the Etonians playing immaculately against the wind on the outward half were still 2 up at the 12th. We were then treated to a real fighting finish from Westminster and they won four of the next five holes for victory. At the 16th a shot from a deep bunker by Slark to the middle of the green 70 yds. away, followed by a putt sunk by Petherick, was a sample of our fighting spirit.

Our heroes of the day before, Pakenham Walsh and Ryland had, however, a disastrous morning against very strong opposition in Turnbull and Earle, and the margin of their defeat need not be emphasized.

It was to Barley and Davies that we turned for our third match, and, as we knew that they had been 3 up with 6 to play, we rushed back to greet them, and what we thought was our big moment. It is part of the fascination of this great tournament that we should find that they had actually lost 4 holes in a row and were coming to the 17th one down, when Impey and Gardiner-Hill, determined to rub it in, finished them off by 2 and 1.

Two all! A crisis indeed, with Grover and Spencer, once again the sole hope of the Society, coming to the last hole with all to play for.

Eton drove into the rough on the left and had a hopeless lie from which they had to play out sideways, while Grover put his second just short of the green. Eton were on in three, but Westminster made no mistake and came home to the enthusiastic plaudits of a large gathering.

3. RADLEY

Pitamber and Robinson went straight away from Dexter (the Cambridge Captain elect) and Bruce, halving and winning alternately until 4 up at the turn. They concluded the proceedings on the 14th green by 5/4, when they were only one over fours.

Slark and Petherick lost the first three holes without needing a putter and left themselves with an unnecessarily tough proposition. They recovered, however, and were not only 1 up at the 12th, but could have won the match very shortly afterwards but for a series of short putts which were literally thrown away at the 13th, 14th, and 15th. They eventually went to the 19th, where Petherick slotted from 6 feet, from a perfect pitch from Slark, and the birdie 3 saw them home.

One match only was required, therefore, from the last three and we found that the third, namely, Pakenham Walsh and Ryland had already gone by 4/3.

The fourth, Barley and Davies, who had been 2 down at the turn, came to the last hole all square, closely followed by the fifth, Grover and Spencer, also all square, and then the real excitement began, since both went to the 19th with a large gallery in their wake.

Barley's second to this green was some 12 yards from the pin and their opponents about 3 yds. further away. Radley putted stone dead to the applause of the gallery and then Christopher Davies calmly bowled his into the tin for a birdie 3, and signals were sent to Grover and Spencer, already waiting on the fairway behind, to the effect that their period of torment was at an end.

4. HARROW

Having reached the quarter final for the third time in four years, we had to play Harrow at 12 o'clock noon for a place in the semi-final next day.

Anthony Hornsby came down on Friday evening, and Pakenham Walsh stood down.

Westminster started in great form, Pitamber and Robinson winning the first two holes. They were still 1 up at the 6th, and then Major Blair and Proctor put on some real power golf. At the 7th they had a birdie 3 and followed this with a 2 at the 8th, and although our pair were playing well they found themselves 3 down by the 12th. After this they only lost the short 14th, the remaining holes being halved in par figures, and yet they had lost by 4/3.

Slark and Petherick should certainly have won by a large margin against J. G. Blackwell and Campbell Gray. They won the first three holes, were 4 up at the turn, and in spite of some unfortunate adventures, they eventually won 2/1 through a 15-yard putt by Slark on the 17th green, having been pulled back from dormy four.

Hornsby and Ryland had a grand game against Leonard Crawley and T. F. Blackwell, with never more than one hole in the match. Starting with a 3 at the first, it was always Westminster who had the edge, and they were 1 up at the turn, and all square coming up to the 16th, which they looked like losing after a pushed second by Ryland. However, Crawley's large-headed wooden putter used with a croquet stance, let him down from a yard, and the match was still square. Par figure halves at the last two holes took them to the 19th, where unfortunately, Ryland's drive ended in a bush on the right. Harrow were in the rough on the left, and had to play first. Crawley then played to the edge of the green, and Hornsby chipped out sideways, and although Ryland followed with a lovely pitch 12 feet from the pin, Harrow got down in 2 to win.

While this excitement was in progress, Barley and Davies, who never quite seemed to have the measure of R. A. Proctor and Holland, and were 2 down at the 15th, rallied to come to the last hole only 1 down. The moment was tense, and at the precise moment that Hornsby's putt at the 19th passed the hole, Grover was to be seen in the distance with outstretched hands acknowledging defeat.

THE ELIZABETHAN BOAT CLUB

An Eight was once again entered for the Tideway Head of the River Race, which was rowed this year on March 23rd. The crew had assembled in good time, which was as well, for shortly before the race was due to begin they suffered the misfortune of a broken oar. Another oar was quickly borrowed and the crew was just in time to start in their correct place at 83rd. They settled down well despite this setback. A convincing

row, particularly in the middle part of the course, which counts for so much, resulted in a time of 20 minutes 42 seconds. This placed the crew 54th, higher than the Club had finished before.

The Crew: bow, R. H. B. de Vere Green 2, C. Haccius; 3, D. O. Lloyd-Jacob; 4, R. N. Edwards; 5, S. C. H. Douglas-Mann; 6, R. V. Taylor; 7, J. A. C. Spokes; stroke, K. J. S. Douglas-Mann; cox, E. S. Chesser.

OLD WESTMINSTERS

Mr. J. Spedan Lewis was this year's President of the Classical Association.

Lord Adrian has been elected Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge University.

Mr. J. F. Wordsworth has been elected to an Official Fellowship and Lecturership at Exeter College, Oxford.

Mr. C. J. H. Davies played golf for Cambridge against Oxford.

Mr. J. B. Herbert, Q.C., has been appointed a County Court Judge.

Mr. J. B. Latey and Mr. H. B. Magnus have been appointed Queen's Counsel.

Mr. G. W. R. Morley has been appointed a member of the Law Reform Committee.

Mr. J. R. B. Nairnsey has passed the Law Society's Final Examination.

The Rev. H. G. Dickinson was ordained priest in Salisbury Cathedral on Trinity Sunday.

Canon C. B. H. Knight, honorary canon of Chelmsford, has been appointed canon emeritus.

Major C. A. Harvey, H.L.I., has retired with the rank of Lt.-Col.

Mr. T. J. Barnard was one of the English representatives at the International Music Festival in Paris.

Sir Robert Wilkinson has been appointed a Senior Grand Deacon of Grand Lodge for the current year.

Mr. W. P. W. Barnes has been awarded a Home Civil Service Fellowship to study industry in Canada and Latin America.

Mr. N. L. Lamport-Smith has been appointed Assistant Solicitor to the Hornchurch Urban District Council.

The Hon. Robert Bruce has been appointed manager of the Madras Fusegear Works of the English Electric Co.

Mr. K. J. S. Douglas-Mann has been appointed Personal Assistant to the President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

Mr. M. Haworth-Booth was one of the principal prize-winners at the Royal Horticultural Society's camellia competition.

BIRTHS

ACTON—On May 28th 1957 at Southfield to Daphne, wife of R. G. Acton, a daughter.

BEALE—On March 31st 1957 at Woking, to Doris, wife of Ronald Beale, a son.

BERKINSHAW-SMITH—On March 25th 1957 in London, to Inez, wife of B. C. Berkinshaw-Smith, a son.

CANDLIN—On April 26th 1957 to Rosemary, wife of D. J. Candlin, a son.

COULBORN—On April 12th 1957 at Atlanta, U.S.A., to Anne, wife of Prof. W. A. L. Coulborn, a son.

DEAKIN—On June 2nd 1957 in London to Ann, wife of F. B. Deakin, a son.

DAVIDSON—On April 13th at Chelmsford to Margaret, wife of the Hon. Andrew Davidson, a daughter.

ENGLEHEART—On June 6th 1957 to Esmé, wife of David Engleheart, a daughter.

KINCHIN-SMITH—On May 11th 1957 at East Malling to Rachel, wife of M. Kinchin-Smith, a daughter.

MULLIS—On May 24th 1957 at Beaconsfield to Margaret, wife of Derek Mullis, a daughter.

PLUMMER—On April 25th 1957 at Tunbridge Wells to Elisabeth, wife of David Plummer, a son.

PLUMMER—On March 19th 1957 in London to Susan, wife of Ronald Plummer, a son.

RAY—On March 11th 1957 at Barton-on-Sea to Margaret, wife of Peter Ray, a daughter.

TICKELL—On June 1st 1957 to Chloe, wife of C. C. Tickell, a son.

TURNER-SAMUELS—On March 28th 1957 in London to Norma, wife of D. Turner-Samuels, a daughter.

WAECHTER—On April 18th 1957 in London to Carol, wife of John Waechter, a daughter.

WAKELY—On March 26th 1957 at Polemidhia, Cyprus, to Diana, wife of Lt.-Col. W. H. D. Wakely, a son.

HAMILTON—On June 8th 1957 at Westminster School to Jane, wife of Walter Hamilton, a son.

MARRIAGES

BATESON : TOTTEN—On April 11th 1957 F. D. Bateson to Ann Margaret, daughter of Dr. J. Totten of Northchurch, Herts.

COTTER : DOYNE—On April 22nd 1957 H. J. C. Cotter to Patricia Mary Esther, daughter of the late James Doyne, of Castlerichard, Co. Westmeath.

FANSHAWE : TUPHOLME—On April 27th 1957 at Branksome Park, Dorset, A. F. Fanshawe to Valerie Seymour, only child of Mrs. E. Tupholme of Branksome Park.

GOLDING : SIMPSON—On August 18th 1956 in London, Robin Golding to Claire Rosaline Simpson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Simpson of Sydney, Australia.

KNIGHT : MASON—On May 18th 1957 at Plumpton, Sussex, Canon C. B. H. Knight, M.C., to Catherine Mary, widow of R. M. Mason of Westland, Lewes, Sussex.

NORDON : PLATT—On April 17th 1957 in London, Keith Nordon to Maureen Barbara, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Platt of Nazeing, Essex.

PEARSON : TUTTY—On August 25th 1956 P. C. Pearson to Ann Christine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Tutty, of Wembley, Middlesex.

TAIT : THEOBALD—On December 15th 1956 R. E. Tait to Sylvia Eunice, younger daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Theobald of Idle, Bradford.

ZOEPHEL : MORO—On June 1st 1957 C. C. Zoepfel to Lilian, only daughter of Barone Colonello Alberto Moro of Turin and Baronessa Kitty Moro-Terrosi Vagnoli Dello Scelto of Siena.

DEATHS

CLEVELAND-STEVENS—On June 10th 1957 W. Cleveland-Stevens, Q.C., aged 76.

HACKFORTH—On May 6th 1957 Prof. R. Hackforth, aged 69.

HAM—On April 15th 1957 P. S. Ham, aged 65.

William Cleveland-Stevens was elected to a Queen's Scholarship in 1895. From Westminster he proceeded to Christ Church, where he took a first class in Moderations. He was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn, and became an equity draftsman and conveyancer. He

became a bencher in 1935, and was appointed Chancellor of the diocese of Birmingham in 1937, and later of Truro and of Gloucester. In 1939 he was made Head of the Inns of Court School of Law. During the first war he served in the navy and was present at the battle of Jutland. In the second war he was Chairman of the Enemy Exports Committee and the Contraband Committee. He was made C.M.G. in 1953. He married in 1914 Ann Felicia Strauss, and his two sons were at the School. He was president of the Granite Club.

Reginald Hackforth gained a non-resident scholarship at Westminster in 1900, and was elected Head to Trinity in 1905, where he took firsts in both parts of the classical tripos, was Stuart of Rannoch scholar and Davies scholar, and won the Chancellor's Gold Medal. He was for two years a lecturer at Manchester, but returned to Cambridge as a fellow of Sidney Sussex College in 1912. He was an authority on ancient philosophy and a Platonist, and succeeded Professor Cornford as Laurence Professor of Ancient Philosophy. He was for long editor of the *Classical Quarterly*, and contributed valuable chapters on Sicily to the *Cambridge Ancient History*. He married in 1922 Lily, daughter of H. R. Mines, of Hereford. He saw service in the first war with the Artists' Rifles.

Paul Sison Ham was admitted as a non-resident scholar in 1905. He went on to Downing College, Cambridge. He became an engineer and a director of Ham Baker & Co. of Birmingham. He married Adamina Simpson of Yetholm, Kelso.

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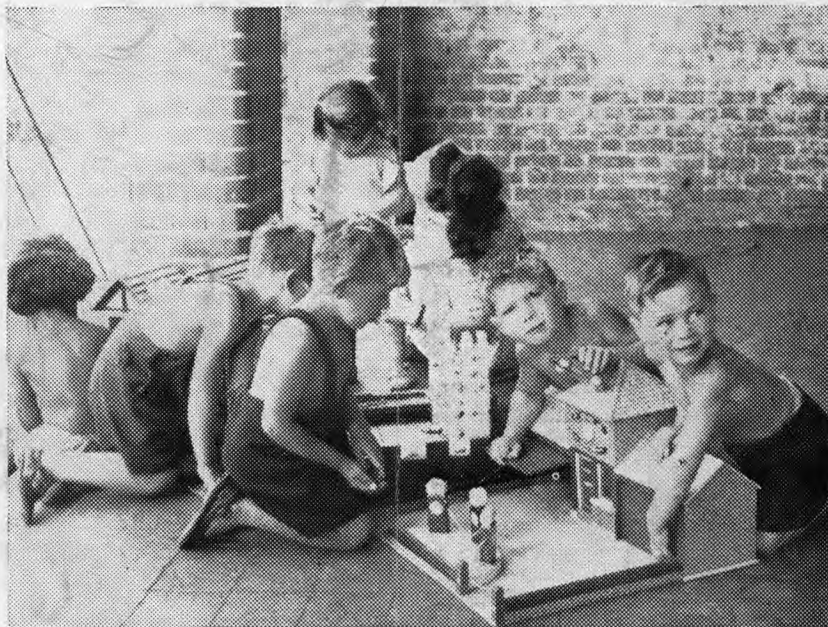
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