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THE CHRONICLE

It is with great pleasure that we produce *Have Mynde* after a lapse of four years. During the period 1942 to 1945 war conditions made it impossible for us to publish a *School Magazine*, but we kept our records for those years and now they are being printed in a separate volume.

In the early part of this School year we had several changes of staff. Miss King left in July last to become an Inspector of Schools. We are sorry that she has since had to resign from this appointment owing to ill-health, but are glad that she is now well again. Our second Mathematics mistress, Mrs. Merchant, left at Christmas as her husband was being released from the Army. These two mistresses have been replaced by Miss Osborn and Miss Turner.

We gave our congratulations and good wishes to Miss Wood who is now the Head Mistress of the Church High School for Girls, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. We were glad to welcome Miss Ruby James back to the school as Classics mistress. She was not able to come to us until January, and we were grateful to Mr. C. J. Vincent for the help that he gave us by taking Latin in the Senior Forms throughout the Autumn Term. The School Certificate girls also had the privilege of Scripture lessons with Miss Avery, the Principal of St. Christopher's College. In the Spring and Summer Terms, the Upper Sixth Form girls have enjoyed weekly talks with the Archdeacon of Chester, who has spared time out of his busy life to come to us. Miss E. C. Williams and Miss Osman have been succeeded by Miss Balls and Miss Belderson.

In the Preparatory Department we have been delighted to welcome back Miss Foulkes, who has returned to us after an absence of five years. She joined up as a F.A.N.Y. in September, 1940, and has since seen Service in various places including Scotland, and North Africa. Unfortunately, we had to lose Miss Bellis who had taken Miss Foulkes's place during the war. Miss D. K. Dobie came to us in September, 1939, as an assistant House Mistress. After the Boarding House was closed, she gave us invaluable help over the difficult problem of greatly increased numbers for school dinners. Her place in the Preparatory Department has been taken by Miss Joseph, and as School Bursar by Miss Christopherson.

The first event of the Autumn Term was a G.T.C. Officers' Training Course held at the Queen's School on the

evenings of October 2nd to the 5th. On the opening night we had the pleasure of welcoming Miss K. Curlett, the Director of the National Association of Girls' Training Corps. We are proud of the fact that she is an Old Girl of the Queen's School.

On Friday, October 12th, Miss Fenton, a member of the Staff of the Jerusalem Girls' College, came and spoke to the Senior Girls about the work of that School.

Our School Harvest Festival was held on Wednesday, October 17th. The generous supply of flowers, fruit, vegetables, and other produce brought by the Staff and girls was taken to the Chester Royal Infirmary for the use of the patients.

The School celebrated the end of the War in Japan by holidays on November 2nd and 6th, added to our half term holiday on Monday, November 5th.

On Monday, November 12th, practically the whole of the upper school went to the City Grammar School for one of the Chester Schools Music Society Concerts given by the Boyd Neel String Orchestra.

On Wednesday, November 14th, Dr. Moore, a representative of the Franco British Society, spoke to the fifth and sixth Forms on "La Vie Scolaire." That same afternoon Miss Maggs and Miss Baxter took a party of girls to see the International Ballet in Liverpool.

On Thursday, November 29th, the Lower Fifth Forms went to the Refectory to a lecture given by Miss Frances Pitt on "Films of Nature and Country Life." We were grateful to the Chester Society of Natural Science, Literature, and Art for the invitation to the lecture.

On Friday, November 30th, Form IV Upper A gave a form party at which the Staff, Heads of Houses and Prefects were guests and on Wednesday, December 12th, Form V Upper held a party and dance.

During the Christmas holidays, beginning on December 17th, twenty-two of the Senior girls helped in the Post Office with Christmas mails.

A Student Christian Movement Conference was held at the King's School on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, February 13th, 14th, and 15th, and twenty-four Queen's School girls took part in this.

On Wednesday, February 27th, Mr. Townroe, the Secretary of the United Associations of Great Britain and France, came and spoke to our Senior girls about conditions in France. We were glad to welcome girls from the City High School and the Convent on this occasion.

On Saturday, March 23rd, the Removes and IV. Lovers took part in a Folk Song and Dance Festival held in the Refectory.

On Wednesday, March 22nd, a number of Queen's School girls were confirmed in the Cathedral by Bishop Tubbs who had given much time to preparing them for Confirmation.

A Music Festival was held in the Refectory on Saturday, March 30th, and Forms IV Upper and V Lower took part in it.

It had not been possible to have a Prize Giving in the Town Hall during the War, and our first public Prize Giving since the Autumn of 1938 was therefore a great event. We were grateful to Mr. Stork, the Head Master of the Royal Naval College for coming on April 2nd and giving away the prizes. The college was evacuated to Eaton Hall, and is to return to Dartmouth shortly.

On Wednesday, April 3rd, Miss Maggs and Miss Hicks took a party of Sixth and Upper Fifth Form girls to a performance of "The Mikado," in Liverpool.

In April Miss Gee with the help of Miss Shutt again took a party of girls for a tour in the Lake District. She has arranged a Spring expedition to the Lake District or to North Wales for the last sixteen years.

We have in mind various plans for further extensions to our School Building in the not-too-distant future, and for this purpose we have opened a Fund. During Race Week we opened our Playing Field as a parking place, and Miss Baxter, with the help of Miss Foulkes, Miss Ayrton, other members of the Staff and many of the Senior girls, was responsible for the arrangements. We raised the surprising sum of £302. 10s. for our Building Fund.



Photo by J. Gregg

Race Week, 1946—The Queen's School Playing Field as a Car Park

Our Annual Commemoration Service was held in the Cathedral on Thursday, May 6th. We were grateful to Mr. Steed, the Rector of Barnes Parish Church, who came to us from London to preach, and to all who gave us their help on that occasion.

On Tuesday, May 28th we were glad to welcome Mrs. Wise, the Organising Secretary of the Women's Employment Federation, who spoke on careers for girls to the Senior girls in the afternoon and to parents in the evenings.

The Summer Term Concert of the Schools Music Society was held on Tuesday, June 4th and was given by Keith Falkner (Baritone), and Ernest Lush (Pianist). The concert which was to have been held in March was postponed owing to Keith Falkner's illness.

At the time of going to Press, we are looking forward to the Old Girls' Meeting and Garden Party on July 13th.

M. T. NEDHAM.

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The following Gifts are gratefully acknowledged:—

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Carol	Ann Avery and Beryl Ennion

N.B.—The Carol was written by Beryl Ennion and the music was composed by Ann Avery. It was broadcast at Christmas, was one of fourteen winners in the B.B.C. Northern Children's Hour Carol Competition, and was placed second in the competition for the St. John Ambulance Cadet Musician Cup awarded by Sir Adrian Boult and Jan Kerrisson.

GIFTS TO THE REFERENCE LIBRARY

Complete works of Longfellow	Miss D. K. Dobie
Careers	June Bemrose
Deeds which should not pass away. <i>Whitton</i>	Moyna Gordon
The Houses of Parliament. <i>Wilde and Pope-Hennessy</i>	Joan Hardy
Virginia Woolfe. <i>Joan Bennett</i>	Beryl Jones
Elizabethan Plays and Players. <i>G. B. Harrison</i>. ... ..	..
Four Quartets. <i>T. S. Eliot</i> ... ..	..
Complete Verse and Selected Prose. <i>John Donne</i> ... ..	..
Collected Poems. <i>Walter de la Mare</i>	Sonia Kletz
Flowers in Britain. <i>L. J. F. Brimble</i>	Gillian Vincent
Bird Flight for Bird Lovers. <i>J. Parham</i> ... ..	..
Exploring England. <i>C. S. Bayne</i> ... ..	..
Countryside Mood ... ..	..
Barchester Towers. <i>Anthony Trollope</i> ... ..	..
Ralph the Heir. <i>Anthony Trollope</i>	Mary Fletcher
Round the Year. <i>B. Melville Nicholas</i> ... ..	..
London's Natural History. <i>R. S. F. Fitter</i>	Dorothy Davies
England is a Village. <i>C. H. Warren</i>
The Snow Goose. <i>Paul Gallico</i>
Cornwall and its People. <i>A. K. Hamilton Jenkin</i>



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V Lower B	— Kathleen Harris Eileen Brearley	Miss Dickson Miss Dickson
IV Upper A	— Barbara Hurst Jean Walley	Elvira Hewitt Prize Elvira Hewitt Prize
IV Upper B	— Judith Harrison Elizabeth Hyde	Col. W. E. Brown Col. W. E. Brown
IV Lower A	— Daphne Burkitt Jeanette Knox Margaret Williamson Naomi Rough	John Thompson Memorial John Thompson Memorial Mr. & Mrs. Noel Humphreys
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SCRIPTURE.

Senior	— Alison Smith Hazel Thomas	Sandford Memorial Sandford Memorial
Middle School	— Patricia O'Connell	Sandford Memorial

ART.

Edna Offley	William Davies Memorial
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MUSIC.

Senior	— Estelle Cohen	William Davies Memorial
Junior	— Diana Shaw	

NEEDLEWORK.

Senior	— Christine Henry	Dorothy Travers Memorial
Middle School	— Mary Wood	Dorothy Travers Memorial
Junior	— Judith Walker	

GYMNASTICS.

<i>Senior</i>	— Joan Hardy Dyllis Johnstone-Hogg	Mrs. Davies Jones
<i>Middle School</i>	— Mary Wood Violet Cadman	
<i>Junior</i>	— Joan Cottrell	

GAMES.

<i>Senior</i>	— Pauline Storrar Dyllis Johnstone-Hogg	Mrs. Davies Jones
<i>Middle School</i>	— Doreen Lewis	

GYMNASTICS CUP.

Form IV. Lower A.

HOCKEY CUP.

<i>Senior</i>	— Westminster House
<i>Junior</i>	— Sandford House

LACROSSE CUP.

<i>Senior</i>	— Westminster House
<i>Junior</i>	— Sandford House

TENNIS CUP.

<i>Senior</i>	— Thompson House
<i>Junior</i>	— Thompson House

SUCCESSES DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1944-45.

Hastings University Scholarship	— — —	Beryl Jones
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Geography, Chemistry, Biology, subsidiary Latin		Marion Thornton

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OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

School Certificate

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HOCKEY.

Autumn Term, 1945.

	1st XI	2nd XI	Junior XI
G.	A. Mottram	M. Robins	M. Robins
R.B.	M. Meacock	M. Meacock	B. Hurst
	or	or	
	G. Storrar	G. Storrar	
L.B.	P. Storrar, Capt.	R. Kenyon	P. Holland
R.H.	M. Weaving.	S. Spencer	J. McLean
C.H.	D. Lewis	Mgt. Gerrard	B. Gilchrist
L.H.	V. Gilchrist	J. Williams, Capt	O. Elsley
R.W.	E. Offley	C. Roberts	H. Yates
R.I.	G. Langman	E. Davies	E. Martinson
C.	J. Phillips	B. Sarson	J. Thomas
L.I.	E. Martinson	J. Walley	J. Phillips
L.W.	M. Gerrard	A. Avery	A. Avery

Colours were awarded to:—M. Weaving.

HOCKEY FIXTURES.

Sept. 29—	Sir John Deane's	1st XI ... H	Draw	1—1
Oct. 6—	Grove Park	1st XI ... A	Draw	3—3
" 13—	Hawarden Gr. School	1st XI ... H	Draw	1—1
" 20—	Hawarden Gr. School	2nd XI ... H	Won	5—0
" 27—	Lowther College	Junior ... A	Draw	2—2
Nov. 10—	City High School	1st XI ... H	Lost	1—2
" 10—	City High School	2nd XI ... H	Won	1—0
" 17—	Merchant Taylor's	1st XI ... A	Won	2—1
" 17—	Merchant Taylor's	2nd XI ... A	Won	1—0
" 24—	Lowther College	1st XI ... H	Lost	5—2
" 24—	Grove Park	Junior ... H	Won	2—0
Dec. 1—	Merchant Taylor's	1st VI ... H	Draw	0—0
" 8—	Howell's School	1st XI ... H	Cancelled	
" 15—	City High School	1st XI ... A	Won	4—1
" 15—	City High School	2nd XI ... A	Won	2—1

HOUSE MATCHES.

Senior Matches were won by Sandford House.

Junior Matches were not played.

HOCKEY.

Form Criticisms.

Form III:

This Form made a very promising beginning. They practised well with their stickwork and were most energetic in a game.

Remove A.

This Form have many players with plenty of energy and speed. They must learn to listen carefully to coaching and to keep in their places.

Remove B.

Most of the members of this Form must try to put more energy into their game. Stickwork showed promise.

IV Lower A.

It took this Form a long time to settle down to play hockey as a team. Towards the end of the term passing and positioning improved a great deal. With effort on the part of every girl this could be a good Form.

IV Lower B.

A good Form with many keen players. Stickwork improved during the term although hitting still needs practice.

IV Upper A.

A good keen Form with a number of fast players. Defence players must now learn to intercept the ball on the run instead of waiting for it.

IV Upper B.

A keen Form but lacking in speed and energy. Stickwork was quite good.

V Lower A and B.

Players in these Forms possess ability and quite good stickwork, but were disappointing in a game. They must all put much more energy and determination into their game.

V Upper A and B.

Although members of these Forms do not possess much ability for games, they played keenly and showed improvement during the term.

VI:

On the whole a good keen set of players with speed and good stickwork.

1st XI.

The 1st VI began the term with a completely new forward line and two new halves. By far the weakest part of the team was the inability of the forwards to get the ball into the goal, although they had many opportunities. Passing improved a great deal, but the poor shooting spoilt the effectiveness of good passing. The defence played a steady game and were reliable. Pauline Storrar, the School Captain, played a very good game throughout the term and was chosen to play for Cheshire County 2nd XI.

LACROSSE.

Spring Term, 1946.

1st XII		2nd XII	
G.	M. Meacock	J.	McLean
P.T.	A. Mottram	O.	Elsley
C.P.	P. Storrar, Capt.	R.	Kenyon
3M.	V. Gilchrist	P.	Heilbrun
R.D.W.	G. Langman	S.	Spencer
L.D.W.	G. Storrar	D.	Lewis
C.	J. Thomas	A.	Brittain
R.A.W.	E. Martinson	E.	Offley
L.A.W.	J. Phillips	S.	McMillan
3H.	M. Weaving	M.	Gerrard, Capt.
2H.	J. Williams	J.	Jenkinson
1H.	D. Osterfield	H.	Yates

Colours were awarded to:—

M. Meacock, A. Mottram, G. Langman, G. Storrar,
M. Weaving, J. Williams.

LACROSSE FIXTURES.

Feb.	2—Liverpool University	1st XII ... H	Won	4—3
"	16—Wirral County School	1st XII ... H	Won	6—0
"	16—Wirral County School	2nd XII ... H	Won	3—1
Mar.	2—Liverpool P.T.C.	1st XII ... H	Cancelled	
"	9—Moreton Hall	1st XII ... A	Draw	5—5
"	16—The Occasionals	1st XII ... H	Lost	1—0
"	23—Calder High School	1st XII ... H	Won	7—2

HOUSE MATCHES.

Senior Matchés were won by Sandford House.
Junior Matchés were won by Westminster House.

LACROSSE.

Form Criticisms.

Remove A.

Girls in this Form worked well with their stickwork; cradling and catching reached a fair standard, but the game was spoilt by poor picking up.

Remove B.

Most members of this Form worked well with their stickwork, but there are some players who must realise that they cannot play in a game until their stickwork has reached a high standard.

IV Lower A.

Stickwork throughout this Form improved and towards the end of the term they played quite a good game. Passing needs practice.

IV Lower B.

This Form possesses some good keen players and the stickwork throughout the Form was quite good. Swerving needs practice.

IV Upper B.

The good stickwork possessed by most members of this Form was ineffective in a game, because of lack of speed and energy. Defence players must learn to mark and body-check.

IV Upper A.

This Form will soon produce some useful members of the school team, if they continue to work at their stickwork and speed up their passing. The attacks were more forceful than the defence who must try to be more effective in intercepting and body-checking.

V Lower A and B.

Again this Form possess ability, but their game is dull. Stickwork is quite good, but this is useless without speed and determination.

V Upper A and B.

This Form has not produced many Lacrosse players, because they did not master their stickwork lower down in the school. Those girls who do play have improved and there are one or two useful members of the school team.

VI.

Many members of this Form play a good fast game with quite good stickwork. There are a few players who must still try to improve their catching and passing.

1st XII

Although the team had six new members at the beginning of the term, they soon settled down and made a good team.

Stickwork improved a great deal and passing at times was very good. Shooting was not good to begin with, but this improved.

The defence were determined; they body-checked well and were quick and neat in picking up.

TENNIS.

Summer Term, 1945.

1st VI	2nd VI	Junior VI
1st couple		
N. Jones	} V. Gilchrist	{ J. Thomas
M. Wood	} G. Langman	{ J. Phillips
2nd couple		
M. Meacock, Capt.	} P. Burgess, Capt.	{ D. Hodson
J. Williams	} D. Johnstone-Hogg	{ E. Martinson
3rd couple		
M. Johnstone	} E. Davies	{ M. Roberts
D. Maddock	} B. Noakes	{ M. Weaving

TENNIS FIXTURES.

May	5—Sir John Deane's	1st VI ... H	Won 62—37 games
..	12—Liverpool University	1st VI ... H	Lost 6—3 events
..	26—Moreton Hall	Junior ... A	Lost 6—1 ..
June	2—Birkenhead High School	1st VI ... H	Won 8—1 ..
..	2—Birkenhead High School	2nd VI ... H	Won 82—53 games
..	2—Birkenhead High School	Junior ... H	Won
..	9—Lowther College	1st VI 2nd VI ... A	Lost 5—4 events
..	23—Merchant Taylor's	2nd VI ... H	Won
..	30—Howell's School	1st VI ... H	Won 9—0
July	7—Moreton Hall	1st VI ... H	Lost 6—1

HOUSE MATCHES.

Senior Matches were won by Thompson House.

Junior Matches were won by Thompson House.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE CADETS.

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL CADET NURSING DIVISION.

Last Summer about sixty Cadets took part in the Victory Parade and forty Cadets attended the Empire Youth Service and Parade. Margaret Gibbons was chosen to read one of the passages from 'The Pilgrim's Progress' at the Cathedral Service.

Dr. Freeman very kindly came again to judge the House First-Aid Competition which was won by Westminster House.

Cadets Vennie Gilchrist and Barbara Sarson are to be congratulated on the help they gave when a house caught fire in Boughton. Cadet Ann Avery must also be congratulated on her success in gaining second place in the Kerrison-Boult Cadet Musicians' Competition. She went up to London to receive her prize from Sir Adrian Boult. Cadet Estelle Cohen gained a Highly Commended Certificate in this Competition. Cadet Hylda Davies gained a Highly Commended Certificate and Cadet Anna Mottram gained a Commended Certificate in the Cadet Authors' Competition.

Next year there is to be a Cadet Artists' Competition.

During the year 20 Cadets gained their Preliminary First-Aid Certificates and 28 Cadets gained their Preliminary Home Nursing Certificates.

Cadets Barbara Sarson and Estelle Cohen have done useful work during the year in the Infirmary.

CAROL

ANN AVEP-7.

Stars shone brightly on that night
So long ago,
As they watched the Holy Child
Sleeping below.
Angels sang His praise on high,
Told of His birth,
How He brought goodwill and peace
To men on earth.

Shepherds, keeping vigil near
Over their sheep,
Left them, to adore the Child
Who lay asleep.
Thou who came so long ago,
Hear us, we pray;
Make us glad to welcome Thee
This Christmas Day.

BERYL M. ENNION, 1945.



THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL ST. JOHN AMBULANCE CADETS.
EMPIRE YOUTH SUNDAY, 1945

Photo by N. V. Beaman

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

At the General Meeting held in the Autumn Term, an anthology of nonsense was read, and much enjoyed. In the Spring Term, two very successful meetings were spent in reading the play "Trelawney of the Wells," a comedy by Pinero.

JOAN WILLIAMS, (Secretary).

THE GRAMOPHONE SOCIETY.

This newly-formed Society has functioned successfully throughout the year and we sincerely hope that it will continue to do so. Recitals of varying character have been given to appreciative listeners.

An admirable recording by Jascha Heifetz of the Beethoven Violin Concerto, Elgar's "Enigma Variations," and the César Franck Variations, have proved to be items of outstanding popularity. Constant Lambert's "Rio Grande," however, was not so enthusiastically received.

One week, by request, we had a "Jive" programme, but the behaviour of the classicists was such, that the experiment was not, nor is it likely to be, repeated.

We should like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have kindly lent records.

MARGARET GIBBONS.

CYNTHIA ROBERTS.

THE HIKE.

At nine o'clock on Tuesday, April 9th, eighteen of the Sixth Form together with Miss Gee and Miss Shutt met outside the General Station. We were all feeling energetic and ready for a good hiking holiday in the Lake District.

We arrived at Windermere soon after one o'clock. There we divided up into small parties. Six of us went to Bowness and rowed on the lake after which we walked over Orrest Head to Troutbeck Hostel. This is called High Cross Castle and is practically surrounded by woods; formerly it belonged to a man who committed suicide, so not unnaturally many weird stories have grown up in connection with it. That evening a number of us went out for a walk—at least that was what we had intended—but the bright moonlight and the eerie shadows cast by the trees produced a perfect atmosphere for playing ghosts!

The following day, after eating a hearty breakfast and performing our hostel duties, such as sweeping or washing-up, we set off to Patterdale where we were to stay two nights.

The weather was glorious, and our steep climb up the mountain side was rewarded by a wonderful panorama—the lower hills to the south, Windermere, the Langdales, the rise up to the Kirkstone Pass and many higher mountains to the north. In the afternoon we walked along the top of the mountain range, over Ill Bell and Thornthwaite Crag; from here some of us descended while others went further along. And what a descent! To say the least of it, it was rather steep. Our methods of progress were varied and some even fantastic. We wished we had gone with the other party, thinking we might have come down more easily, but we only learnt later that, if anything, the place which they had chosen was worse, and that all of them—with the exception of Miss Gee who had more respect for her clothes—had slithered down. After reaching the main road we had to walk about another two miles, so that you may well guess our joy when we saw the hostel ahead.

The day at Patterdale was cold, but Miss Gee and about eight of us, undaunted by the weather, attempted to climb Helvellyn by Striding Edge. On our upward journey we met a number of people who had already turned back, but we plodded on. At mid-day we stopped and huddled under mackintoshes to eat our lunch which consisted of very thick sandwiches provided by the hostel. Fortified by these we set off again, feeling like mountaineers trying to gain an unconquered summit. There was an atmosphere of complete desolation: several hundred feet below us on our right was Red Tarn looking black, deep and forbidding; the shaly mountain side rose up to our left; the howling wind nearly blew us over at times and the clouds raced across the sky. Ahead of us we just caught a glimpse of the Edge and then it vanished. Now we were beginning to feel very cold, so we decided to turn back, and although we had not reached the top, we were not without some feeling of satisfaction.

The next day, Friday, we went over the Sticks Pass to Keswick. We spent several hours in the mist finally emerging to overlook a sunlit valley stretching from Thirlmere to Derwentwater.

We did not like Keswick hostel very much; it was large but unimposing. The six of us in our bedroom liked it less by the following morning, having been disturbed in the middle of the night by a noise which suggested the throwing of tin cans and the rattling of corrugated iron.

Saturday night was spent at Grasmere hostel, so on Sunday morning the majority of the party went to the service



SKELWITH BRIDGE, WESTMORLAND—LANCASHIRE

in Grasmere Church before leaving for Elterwater where we spent the last two nights.

We had heard a rumour that we should have to wash in the river at Elterwater owing to a change in the water supply; but I think we were all rather amazed when we arrived there to see several people already by the river. About half-an-hour later we followed suit, trooping across a field carrying our soap, towels and sponge bags. Strange to say we were all very enthusiastic about washing that evening as it was warm and sunny, though next morning we were not so keen. But we decided that the river had its advantages: there was plenty of room, no need to queue, and if nothing else, this washing procedure must have been a source of considerable amusement to the local inhabitants. We thought it funny, too, especially when Joan's soap and flannel floated away.

The food at Elterwater hostel was extremely good, and we had enormous helpings. Rosemary showed her appreciation by scraping the pudding pan, as there wasn't a second helping left for her.

Throughout the week we had been encouraged to take a biological interest in the wayside, but this was carried to an extreme when one party arrived with a black snake-like object about a foot long; it was a slow worm which they had christened Delilah. Being somewhat suspicious of practical jokes Miss Shutt, Genevieve and I undid and thoroughly searched our beds before venturing into them. Even then we did not feel too happy, and cautiously explored the corners of our sleeping sacks with our feet before settling down to sleep.

This type of holiday rarely ends without something of this nature happening, and I think the climax was reached on the last night when three of us had to go to bed in our underclothes as our pyjamas were missing.

There are many more incidents which I could record if space allowed me to do so, but I think it only remains for me to say that we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, especially the nights at Elterwater. We arrived back in Chester on the evening of Tuesday, April 16th, feeling perhaps a little tired and very dishevelled, but none the less happy and much the better for our holiday.

MARGARET MEACOCK (Form VI Upper).

THE PILGRIMAGE

"As I walked through the wilderness of this world, I lighted upon a certain place . . . and I laid me down in that place to sleep: and as I slept I dreamed a Dream."

—John Bunyan.

And behold, as I slept, I heard the sound of footsteps, as yet far off; which as they came nearer I perceived to be a multitude of people, intent on their journey as though they were on a pilgrimage to some distant land. And as it was dark, and I did not know where I was going, I stayed where I was, to see if I could find out whence they had come and whither they were going.

Now as I stood watching them, I saw that they came from out of a terrible cloud, through which I could see nothing for that it was so dark; and all the light they had was given by the candle each man held in his hand. So I cried out to them in a loud voice, and said, "Stop, good pilgrims!" (for such I believed them to be), "And tell me where you have come from, and for what place you are bound." And even as I spoke, I saw, standing beside me, a shining figure in the darkness; and stretching out his hand, he said, "Do you see that cloud from which these people have come; and the candles they hold in their hands?" I said, "Yes, I do." "Well, then," said he, "That is the cloud of sorrow which hides the whole world: these pilgrims are men, women and children, who have given up their lives, while the rain fell from the cloud to earth: their candles burn with the fire of Faith, and without them they could not have come."

"But," I cried, "Where are they going? For the way may be dangerous, and I can see no road." "They are going to the Celestial City," said the Shining One; "Their road is the way of Peace, which the world does not know; for them the way is clear, for they are guided by Hope."

And I looked, and behold, the multitude had passed, and the Shining One was gone.

And I ran, as fast as I could, and tried to follow the light of the pilgrims: but I had no candle, and I could not see the road.

And behold; I awoke from my dream; and I wept.

JOAN WILLIAMS (Form VI Lower).

TRANSLATION OF HORACE: ODES, BOOK 4, No. 7.

Spring will come! The country smiles anew,
The leaves burst forth, the dark rough boughs to hide,
The grass, once dead, is green and sprayed with dew,
And the once-swollen rivers now subside.

Hand-in-hand the nymphs now venture out,
And with their sisters run and play and shout;
But as the cruel seasons quickly flee,
We know no hope for immortality.

Spring will go! and summer cannot last,
And burnished autumn, too, be quickly past,
While in the distance lifeless winter looms,
Killing with bitterness the last sweet blooms.

A shining moon brightens the winter sky,
But naught can light old age as it goes by:
Follow our aged ancestors we must,
Alas! who dwell on earth are but as dust.

SHEILA JACKSON (Form V. Lower A).

NIGHTMARE

I went to bed one night, to dream. I dreamt that I was lying in bed, listening. I could hear the clock ticking and somewhere a dog barked but apart from that all was silent: I could almost feel the silence. Then I knew that someone else was in the room standing behind me and I lay there, waiting. I tried to cry out, but my throat was dry and parched and I could not utter a sound. I tried to move, but I was stiff and tense, my hands wet and clammy. I was paralysed and all I could do was to lie there, helpless and wait. Then—strength! It seemed as though someone was thinking of me and trying to reassure me. From then onwards the danger seemed past and I heard the person move away, brushing lightly against my calendar on the wall.

Then I awoke—all was dark. I lay there for what seemed hours between horror and reality and at last I dared to turn over. There was nothing there but impenetrable blackness and gradually I fell asleep

In the morning I laughed at the dream I had had, but then I saw on the floor an upturned calendar

S. JACKSON (Form V Lower A).

LE LAC DES CYGNES

The lake was as calm as the Gobi, beneath the morning sky,
The sky was turning yellow, like a new ripe field of rye,
The rocks were a deep, deep purple before the sun did wake
And a stately swan came gliding—

Gliding—gliding—

A stately swan came gliding across the crystal lake.

He'd a crown of jewels on his head, and he held his head up
high,

His feathers were white and glossy and he'd a twinkle in his
eye,

His beak was black and amber, and his white neck long and
thin,

He swam with an elfish twinkle—

His bright eyes all a-twinkle,

His jewelled crown a-twinkle, although the light was dim.

Dru-la, dr-ula came the music as the harpist began to play,
And the light grew slowly stronger, though as yet it was not
day,

But the rocks were black and sullen, so indignant and opaque,
And a swan princess came a-dancing,

Dancing—dancing—

A swan princess came a-dancing across the crystal lake.

A group of swans came a-dancing led by their princess,
She'd a jewelled crown that glittered with a stiff and frilly
dress;

She beckoned to some cygnets floating like thistledowns:

Across the stage they floated—

Floated—floated—

Across the stage they floated in their shining pearly
gowns.

The swans go back in fear making swishing sounds with
their feet,

The young prince lifts his bow: "Shoot not!" she doth en-
treat.

Thus does she entreat him with a frightened look in her eye,
And then she points to the corner—

The huddled group in the corner—

The frightened group in the corner awaiting the reply.

The prince falls in love with the princess so fair and kind is
she;

The prince is about to embrace her when the evil magician we
see,

And the light turns a sinister green over the purple lake.

The magician waves his arms,

His skinny, evil arms;

His wicked, wicked arms over the girls did shake.

The girls turn again to swans, as a faint light heralds the dawn,

The maids are swans again at the sign of the rising morn.

Alas! the swans glide away, as the sun begins to wake,

And the stately swans are gliding—

Gliding—gliding—

The stately swans are gliding, away across the lake.

MARY WOOD (Form IV Upper B).

BED-TIME

Little Jane sat on the floor playing with her dolls. She was trying on a paper hat on each doll, till she found which one it fitted best. She brushed a floppy plait away and stared hard at Teddy. The little hat gave him a jaunty air, but it would flop over one eye. Jane jabbed it fiercely over one ear, but it fell again. She was quite exasperated, her eyes filled with angry tears and her face went a dull crimson. Just as she was about to let forth a yell, Mother called, "Bed-time, Jane, dear. Put your dollies away and come upstairs." "Let me put the dollies to bed, too, Mummy," said Jane. "Well, don't be long," Mother replied.

The annoying hat forgotten, Jane began the important task of putting her children to bed. She pulled out the pram and squashed a rag-doll and a very old Teddy into one end, first carefully beating up the pillows as she had seen Mother do. Then she put a sailor doll with thick woolly curls and a doll in a net frock whose hair was rapidly coming off in at the other end. The rest of the dolls went in a big cot, tucked in tightly at both ends, with their toes under each others' chins. But her baby doll was put in a cradle of its own. After she had put her toy dog to guard the sleeping dolls, Jane carried the cradle, with her best Teddy sitting on the coverlet, upstairs.

The blue cradle holding the baby doll went by the bed, where Jane could take her dolly out as soon as she woke up. Teddy took the place of honour, though, for when she had said her prayers, Jane climbed into bed with Teddy in her arms "I have put all my dollies to bed, mummy," she said, "and now Teddy and I are going to sleep as well."

PATSY CLABROUGH (Form IV Upper A).

EARLY MORNING

Up on the hillside,
I stopped to look
At the valley's splendours
Of field and brook.
The fields of barley
And ripening corn,
All added their glory
To the beauty of morn.
The long, rich grass
Which the cows were eating;
The wind which whistled
A morning greeting;
The three tall larch trees,
Like ladies of state,
Were swaying and sighing,
And down by the gate
My little pet puppy
Was barking at me,
"Come in for breakfast
Dear Mistress," said he.

WENDY WILLIAMS (Form Remove B).

MY SWING

Daddy made a swing for me
In our biggest apple tree.
You should see me swinging high
O'er the wall and up to the sky.

Sometimes my swing is an aeroplane:
I fly to China and back again—
Sometimes a ship on the stormy seas,
I stand on the deck in the rustling breeze.

But best of all I like to pretend
My swing is a horse and my best friend,
And, as it gallops o'er distant lands,
I talk to it and it understands.

JEAN COX (Form Remove B).

DAWN

The cock crows,
The wind blows,
The rain beats down on the roof.
The owl who is wise
To the belfry flies,
And the horse stamps his heavy hoof.

Fresh smells the hay,
At break of day,
Not a bird can be seen in the sky.
The ducks they quack
And are answered back
By a grunt from the pig in the sty.

ROSELYN CREWE (Form Remove B).

BIRD SONG

Come, brothers, come,
The spring is now here,
Come, build new nests
For the coming year.

The winter is over,
Gone is the snow.
Green are the trees,
The world is aglow.

There is plenty of food
To last us the year,
So, come, brothers, come,
For Springtime is here!

GILLIAN MANN (Form Remove A).

OUR CAT AND DOG

I have a little cat and dog;
Their names are Frisk and Jump;
They sit together on the mat
Without a growl or grump.

They play together all the while—
I don't know what they play.
It may be tick or hide-and-peek
Or gathering Nuts-in-May.

First, Frisk the cat climbs up a tree
While Jump barks down below.
Then Frisk jumps down upon the lawn
And running off they go.

They eat together off one plate
And drink from the same bowl,
But if Frisk takes too large a share
Just then our Jump may growl.

One is black and the other brown
One thin the other fat,
And so they live quite happily
Both on the same old mat.

DIANA GREENHALGH (Form III).

AUNT JEMIMA

Aunt Jemima's always saying,
"Don't do this," and "don't do that,"
Even if I only try to pat our little cat.
Dear Aunt Jemima,
Did you never, really ever,
See a cat and want to pat it?
See a ball and want to bat it?

JEAN HOPWOOD (Form II).

MARY'S PETS

Young Mary Jones, who was fourteen,
Had always been extremely keen
To own just any sort of pet
That she would be allowed to get.

Her uncle lived in queer Bombay
And he came sailing home one day.
He'd heard her wish and with a grunt
Gave her an Indian elephant.

In a week it ate ten tons of hay,
And Mary found it did not pay,
So to a Zoo our friend was sent,
And now white mice are Mary's bent.

MARGARET ROBINS (Form V Lower A).

A LITTLE RABBIT

I saw a little rabbit,
But he had a funny habit,
Of bobbing his tail up and down.
I said, "Little rabbit,
What a funny habit,
To bob your little tail up and down."

He said, "Oh, you see,
It is just like me,
To bob my tail up and down."
I said, "Oh, I see!
It looks as funny as can be,
To watch you bob your tail up and down."

DIANA MULLOCK (Form I).

THE HEDGEHOG

The Hedgehog he has spikes and spines,
He counts his spikes in eights and nines.
And all day long he's in the wood,
Hunting and eating all things good.
The Hedgehog babies in their nest
Talk about the things they like the best.
One says grubs and t'other says snake,
Next says milk and last says cake.
Mr. Hedgehog likes to see
A happy, healthy, family.

JENNIFER WILLIAMS (Form I).

THE BIRDS

I hear birds singing
In trees green and cool,
The skylark is swinging
Above the blue pool.

The Robin's creamy song
Bursts forth from the male,
And when days are long
Sings the nightingale.

VALERIE WILLIAMS (Form III).

THE STARWORT

I saw you in the long green grass;
All drenched with recent rains;
Your small white face was lifted up—
The star of country lanes.
You're such a simple little flower,
And no one sings your praise.
You hide yourself from prying eyes
In quiet woodland ways.
I like you more than buttercup;
Or campion, by far;
I like you for your modesty,
Oh wild white country star!

BERYL M. ENNION (Form V Upper A).

BROADCASTING HOUSE, MANCHESTER

It was about 4-40 p.m. on April 6th, when I arrived at Broadcasting House, Manchester. This branch of the B.B.C. is rather insignificant-looking, only a flag flying on the roof denoting the importance of the building.

That day, a Nature Quiz between teams of children in Manchester and Belfast, and a popular variety programme called "Stuff and Nonsense," were being broadcast.

I went up in the lift to the second floor, where I was introduced to Nomad, the Children's Hour Naturalist. A few minutes before 5 o'clock, Nomad, the Quiz Team, one of Nan Macdonald's secretaries, and I, went up to a small studio. The walls were sound-proof, and appeared to be made of cork. In this room the floor of which was thickly carpeted, were two pianos, a microphone on a crane, two clocks, several chairs, and switches. Next to the studio, and with a glass partition between, was a tiny control-room, where an electrician sat during the broadcast.

Nan came in a second or two before 5 o'clock, and gave us a few hurried instructions; then the red light flashed on at both ends of the studio, showing that we were on the air. Nan said: "This is the Northern Children's Hour. Hello, children!" I was very thrilled to be in the studio when she said this, because previously, of course, I had only heard her on the wireless at home.

Immediately afterwards, Nan gave me the Silver Pencil and Certificate, and I was almost too excited to hear what she said as she made the presentation! Then she announced the Quiz. When it was over, we all went downstairs and on to the balcony of a large studio, to watch the "Stuff and Nonsense" programme. It had already started, and there was a large audience of children, who joined in the comic songs, and, like myself, thoroughly enjoyed the show. Later, I managed to obtain the autographs of all the Children's Hour celebrities who were there. These included Muriel Levy, Doris Gambell, Violet Carson, and Hugh Morton, who plays, besides other rôles, the part of the amusing Welshman in the present ITMA series.

BERYL M. ENNION (Form V Upper A.)

STRAWBERRY JAM

There was once a greedy little boy whose name was Little Sam,
Who had a dreadful appetite for strawberry jam.
He would eat it on his porridge, his pudding and his bread,
And he wouldn't take his medicine but strawberry jam
instead.

For school, he would have "strawberry" upon his sandwich
lunch,
And his face would fill with ecstasy as he smiled at every
munch.

His face grew red and spotty, his body round and big
Till he looked more like a jamjar than a greedy little pig.

One night as Sam lay in his bed, and running through his
thoughts
Were pots and pots of strawberry jam of different shapes and
sorts,

Suddenly, in the darkness loomed a shape so large and crude,
The most frightening of all bogeys "The Minister of Food."

The spirit lighted on the bed of trembling little Sam.
"You have," he roared, "been wasting your coupons for my
jam,

And so, just as a punishment, which I warn you, you will get,
I will turn you into something which you will soon regret."

Sam felt his legs a-shrinking, he was going fat and round
And he felt his body growing small and getting near the
ground.

His arms and face soon disappeared and soon the "darling
lamb"

Had turned into a jamjar which was full of strawberry jam.

MARY WALLING (Form IV Lower B).

RIDDLE-ME-RE

My first is in Half
And also in Whole,
My second in Salmon
And also in Sole.
My third is in Convent
And also in Nun,
My fourth is in Doing
And also in Done,
My fifth is in Duchess
And also in Duke.
My sixth is in Robin
And also in Rook.
My whole is embroidered
On something you've seen.

My first is in Water
And also in Whale.
My second in Pitcher
And also in Pail,
My third is in Seed
And also in Sow,
My fourth is in Reindeer
And also in Doe.
My fifth is in Gorse
And also in Broom.
My sixth is in Fame
And also in Doom.
My whole is completing
A motto, well-known.

JEAN NEWNS AND BETTY GILCHRIST (Form IV Lower B);.

SCHOOL:

THE CLOAKROOM.

"The benison of hot water.....
The good smell of old clothes and other such."

Brooke.

THE ABSENTEE MONITRESS.

"We think to go one way and return another
and see as much as we can."

Samuel Johnson.

LESSONS:

"The oldest and the youngest
Are at work with the strongest."

Wordsworth.

THE LIBRARY.

"Where I maie reade all at my ease
Both of the newe and olde
For a jollie good booke whereon to looke
Is better to me than Golde."

Anon.

GYM.

"And on and on without a pause
Untired they bounded still."

Macauley.

"As head and heels, upon the floor
They floundered, all together."

Tennyson.

HOMWORK.

"But half of our heavy task was done
When the clock struck the hour for retiring."

Wolfe.

EXAMS.

"O these are hard questions for my shallow wit
For I cannot answer your Grace as yet."

Anon.

MARGARET MACDONALD (Form IV Upper A).

TOOLS.

Ever since I was "so high" tools have had an irresistible attraction for me. I remember, long before I had any tools of my own, eagerly watching my father doing some odd job—putting up a kitchen shelf, mending the garden gate, or repairing the dog-kennel.

Sometimes I was allowed to hold his tools, and to hand them to him as he wanted them. I used to love watching the bright implements as they lay in my hands; even when I was still quite young I knew most of the names of the tools in my father's tool-box.

Then, one day, some kind person gave me a miniature carpentry set (I still possess the remnants of it). What did it matter that the hammer-head came off continually, that the saw would not cut, and that the edge of the screw-driver was far too wide to fit any screw? It was my very own tool-set.

From then on the collection grew. I must have spent pounds on nails and screws. Every week found me poring over the nail-counter in Woolworth's, counting out screws and measuring nails. After every new purchase, I said to myself "Well, I'm sure my tool-box is really complete now. I think I've got everything I could possibly want. Now let me think; Oh! I haven't got a fretsaw!" (or whatever it happened to be), and the next week-end would find me in the tool-shop again.

It is generally understood that tools are made solely for men and boys to "monkey with." People are very wrong. The garage, where my tools were kept was, at the best of times a rather damp, cold place; but every week-end (when I was not buying new fitments) found me "in the garage." It became a stock phrase. Whenever any member of my family asked "where's.....got to? I haven't seen her since

breakfast!"—the answer nearly always was, "Oh! she's probably in the garage." And an exceptionally loud "bang" from that direction would reassure them.

My father gave me a book, one birthday, called "New Woodwork from old." From that day forward anything remotely suggesting a bit of old wood was set upon, and was hacked, sawed, filed, and banged until it eventually emerged as a wall-bracket, a gardening-basket, a bookcase, or a new mouse-box for my white mice. Those mice were, and still are, my faithful companions whenever I am in the garage. I would open their box and let them loose to run about as they pleased. At the other end of the bench to their cage was my overflowing tool-box. They loved to play in there. I kept my nails and screws separate, and the screws, being more costly than the nails, were kept in small brown paper bags, each bag containing screws of different dimensions and numbers. The mice liked the taste of paper-bags. Often when I picked up a bag, the screws fell out through a mouse-chewed hole in the bottom!

I am still collecting tools. Every birthday and Christmas brings a new, complicated tool from my father. I still love to pore over the nail-counter, although the choice in nails is not nearly as extensive as in pre-war days; and every Saturday afternoon still finds me "in the garage," banging, filing, drilling and hammering. Tools (and mice) are so companionable. You can vent your spite on tools, they do not mind what you say to them, and they do not answer back. They remain efficient, smooth, sharp and infinitely interesting, for as long as you care to use them, and then, when you are called away to tea, they can be packed back into their box, each in its own place, to wait until they are wanted again. They will not grow impatient, no matter what goes on in the busy world outside.

Tools are useful to man—they make good companions, too, to men—and girls.

LORNA PLEWS (Form V Upper A).

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

Over £2,000 worth of Savings Certificates has been purchased during the present School year by members of the School Savings Group. The greater part of this has been saved by small weekly purchases of stamps. A considerable sum has also been spent on stamps which have not yet become complete certificates.

There are more savers in the Lower than in the Upper Forms.

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF PAST AND PRESENT PUPILS.

Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting took place on Saturday, July 14th, 1945.

Miss Nedham took the chair at 3-15 p.m. and in welcoming all present, mentioned especially the Staff and Form VI who, it appeared according to a recently-found copy of the rules, were Honorary Members of the Association.

Over seventy members arrived during the afternoon, making a total of over 100.

Apologies were received from many members including Miss Clay, Miss Buckle, Mrs. Evans, Miss Jameson, the Hon. Treasurer and the Hon. Assistant Secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The list of new members was read:—Life:—Christine Griffiths, Sheila Wilson, Sheila Houghton, Diana Stone, Lia Low, Joan Bentley, Mary Bateman, Nan Jones, Priscilla Evans, Barbara Walker, Gwyneth Walker and Joan Pickard.

Transferred from annual membership:—Noreen Higgins, Joan Siddall, Constance Irvine (Fisher).

Annual:—Dorothy Martin, Jill Lemon, Patricia Thompson, Ishbel Ross, Patricia Fear, Betty Todd, Helen Parker, Mary Sellars, Grace Lloyd, Myra Hilditch, Gaynor Evans, José Klein, Kathleen Ashworth and Mary Milton.

Their election was proposed by Evelyn Higgins, seconded by Nellie Day and carried unanimously.

Election of Officers for 1945-46.

The officers being willing to serve again, they were re-elected *en bloc*, with the addition of Joyce Holland Williams as Assistant Treasurer on the proposal of Joan Mowle, seconded by Muriel Lobban and carried unanimously.

Election of Committee Members.

Sybil Trubshaw tendered her resignation from the Committee as she felt that the more recent Old Girls should be represented.

The Chairman here remarked that the school dates of the Officers and Committee together covered a large part of the life of the school, but S. Trubshaw's resignation was

accepted and the four other members—Nellie Day, Erica Done (Lewis), Evelyn Higgins and Betty Oldham (Carbutt) being willing to serve again were re-elected *en bloc* on the proposal of E. Higgins, seconded by Clara Plews. Nanette Broster was elected as the fifth member, proposed by C. Ayrton, seconded by Felicity Blake.

Reports.

The Hon. Treasurer's report was read and its adoption was proposed by Miss Hilda Giles, seconded by Susan Seller, and carried.

After some discussion, it was resolved to invest £20 of the balance.

The Hon. Cot Fund Treasurer read her report and begged for more subscribers from more recent Old Girls. Her plea was supported by Miss Nedham who said that the present girls contributed largely, through their Charities' Fund. The adoption of the report was proposed by Susan Seller, seconded by Dorothy Johnstone-Hogg, and carried.

Have Mynde.

Miss Nedham had again to announce with regret the impossibility of publishing the magazine, but she hoped that sometime during the next year we could have the yearly records, 1942-45, printed and the magazine published as usual.

Evening Party.

After much discussion, it was proposed by Evelyn Higgins and seconded by Jean King (Cottrell), that the Committee should arrange an evening party either before or after Christmas

Under 'any other business,' the question of appointing sub-secretaries for smaller groups was brought up and discussed. The Association was growing and it was thought that it might be easier to make and keep contact if a secretary was appointed from each year's or several years' leaving group.

It was proposed from the Chair, seconded by N. Day, that it should be tried for one year and then discussed again.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Miss Nedham for taking the Chair, proposed by Josephine Newitt, and carried with applause.

Officers for 1945-46.

Hon. Secretaries: C. Ayrton, P. Waymouth; Hon. Treasurers: E. Hird-Jones, J. Holland Williams; Cot Fund—Hon. Secretary: D. Edwards; Hon. Treasurer: M. Dickson. Committee: N. Broster, N. Day, E. Done, E. Higgins, B. Oldham, M. Gibbons (Form VI); Group Sub-Secretary: B. Noakes.

Tea was served in the cloisters and playground and afterwards the sale of surplus food realized 12s. 6d., which was given to M. Dickson for the Cot Fund.

A Treasure Hunt arranged by B. Oldham and D. Edwards was won by Brenda Kerslake.

The Tennis Match between Past and Present girls arranged by P. Waymouth resulted in a win for the Old Girls by 6 events to 3.

ASSOCIATION NOTES.

Greetings to all members after five years without a magazine. It will probably take a little time to get under way again—to revise addresses and make a complete list of members—but these should be in the 1947 magazine, if everyone will help.

The Hon. Secretary would be very much obliged if anyone hearing complaints or knowing of cases either of incorrect addressing or of not receiving Association communications would report the matter and send the correct address if possible. Many of the addresses, particularly of Honorary and Life Members, are known to be inaccurate now.

The Hon. Secretary is very conscious of the fact that there are many marriage and birth announcements missing from the magazine. She does her best with the help of the "Times," the local papers and kind friends, but it would be more satisfactory to everyone (including the Association) if these announcements could be sent in by those whom they concern.

And please would members bear in mind that the Editor and all who read the magazine would appreciate contributions from them? There must be many who, during these momentous years, have travelled far and seen and experienced much. Please may we hear something of these experiences in "Have Mynde" 1947? Contributions can be received now.

During the war years, those members in and near Chester have been glad to have an opportunity of meeting together each summer at the Annual General Meeting, and we have had very successful gatherings.

In the 'black out,' an evening meeting was not possible, but one was proposed for last winter and left to the Committee to arrange. For various reasons this did not materialize, but it is hoped that members' wishes can be carried out this year, either by a simple dinner or supper, or by a party at school. This will come up for discussion at the Annual Meeting in July.

There has been, during the year, news, both direct and indirect, of Old Girls serving the country and the community in their several ways, and we have been glad to see at school those, who, when leave has brought them to Chester and the neighbourhood, have had time to pay us a visit. The beginning and end of term generally brings a group of the more recent Old Girls back from their training schools and colleges to see how we are getting on.

One of our most interested visitors was an Old Girl who had not been in Chester since she left school—Kathleen Curlett—now Director of the National Association of Training Corps for Girls. Her first visit was in the Summer holidays, while she was inspecting in the district, when the Hon. Secretary showed her over the school, and later, in the Autumn, she attended the inaugural meeting of a G.T.C. Conference which held its evening meetings for one week in the Queen's School.

These notes close with good wishes to all members, but perhaps particularly to those whom demobilization is setting free to return to their pre-war occupations or to occupations new and untried.

LONDON BRANCH.

After consultation between Miss Day and the Secretary of the London branch, the funds of the branch, amounting to £3 4s. 6d. were handed over to the Association in February, 1940, and the Hon. Treasurer opened a separate account for them. At the Annual General Meeting in 1941, it was proposed, seconded and carried by the four members of the London branch present that the amount, then standing at £3 6s. 3d. should be absorbed into the general funds of the Association.

It is thought now that members living in or near London may like to re-form the branch, and they are asked, if they so wish, to send their names to the Hon. Secretary.

BIRTHS.

- Blackwell**—On February 8th, 1946, to Diana (Stennett), wife of Cecil Blackwell, The Mynd, Alvechurch, Worcester, a daughter.
- Nicholson**—On March 8th, 1946, at Cornwall Park, Newton Stewart, to Sylvia (Davidson) and Howard Nicholson, a sister (Anthea) for Lorraine.

MARRIAGES.

- Andrews—Robinson**—On June 16th, 1945, in Eccleston Parish Church, by Canon, Hobson, Roy Williamson (Engineer-Officer), second son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Ravenswood Avenue, Rock Ferry, to Barbara, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Eccleston, Chester.
- Bennett—Walley**—On April 23rd, 1946, in Waverton Presbyterian Church, David Lynn Bennett (Canadian Forces), to Marion, eldest daughter of Mr. P. P. Walley and the late Mrs. Walley, Cotton Abbots, Waverton, Chester.
- Reynolds—Griffiths**—On April 1st, 1946, in the Lady Chapel of Chester Cathedral, Thomas Reynolds, second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Reynolds, 18 Park Road West, Curzon Park, Chester, to Juanna Christine Griffiths, only daughter of Mrs. Griffiths and the late Mr. F. G. Griffiths, Rosslyn, Hoole Road, Chester.

DEATHS.

- Allington-Hughes**—On May 22nd, 1946, suddenly, at Bryn-y-Groes, Gresford, Kathleen Frances Allington-Hughes, M.B.E., J.P., in her 68th year.
- Baker**—On July 20th, 1945, at Roedean, Johannesburg, South Africa, Katharine Baker,
On the Staff, 1914-1917.
- Bell**—On February 14th, 1946, at Thorn House, Lache Lane, Chester, Gertrude (Thompson), wife of C. L. Bell, Esq.

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL FUND, 1945—1946.

RECEIPTS.				£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS.				£	s.	d.
School Collections	—	—	—	26	13	6	Waifs and Strays Society	—	—	—	10	0	0
"	—	—	—	27	19	3	Chester Blind Welfare Society	—	—	—	3	0	0
"	—	—	—	34	17	10	Prof. Classes Aid Council	—	—	—	3	0	0
Sale of House Badges	—	—	—	13	8	8	Miss Smallwood's Society	—	—	—	5	0	0
							Council of Social Welfare	—	—	—	3	0	0
				102	19	5	Fund for Bombed London Parishes	—	—	—	10	0	0
							Affiliation Fee British Drama League	—	—	—	1	1	0
							" Youth Hostels Association	—	—	—	1	1	0
							House Badges	—	—	—	18	8	0
											£54	10	0
Bank Balance from last year	—	—	—	£75	15	10	Bank Balance.	—	—	—	£124	5	1
In hands of War Savings Association	—	—	—	25	0	0	In hands of War Savings Association	—	—	—	£25	0	0
											149	5	1
				£203	15	1					£203	15	1

Examined and found correct, ALFRED AYRTON. 13th June, 1946.

THE CHESTER QUEEN'S SCHOOL COT. FUND ACCOUNT.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FROM 13TH JULY, 1945, TO 20TH JUNE, 1946.

	RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.		PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.
To, Balance brought forward ...		.. 16 16 10	By Chester Royal Infirmary Subscription ...		25 0 0
„ Subscriptions and Donations ..		... 15 8 0	„ Printing, Postages and Stationery ...		1 2 10
„ Interest on £20 (3½% War Stock) 0 14 0			26 2 10
„ Bank Interest 0 1 0	„ Balance in Bank carried forward ..		6 17 0
		£32 19 10			£32 19 10

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