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HEAD MISTRESSE'S LETTER

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL,

JUNE, 1948.

It was a great pleasure to be able to welcome Miss Nedham to our first Prize Giving since her retirement. The frequent magisterial duties which bring her to Chester afford us a happy excuse to make claims upon her time. She also paid her first official visit to the colony which she planted in Liverpool Road, when she attended the Dedication Service in February, soon after the Junior Department had taken up residence there.

Colonisation betokens vigorous growth. How stimulating the transplanted Juniors find the wide open spaces of Nedham House they prove by their literary and artistic output. Indeed, Seniors, learning that cookery lessons are part of the normal curriculum there, and that Form III has decorated the cloakroom with mural paintings, have been known to wish that they could begin their education again.

Whether this migration has any significance for the main school, beyond larger numbers, can only be hazarded. That the increased cubic feet of air per person promotes higher thought is open to question. One can but report progress. Musical talent abounds, and has led to a very satisfactory development of choral singing and to a revival of the Music Society, although with the few string-players at present available, Miss Whittam's dream of a school orchestra is unlikely to be realised. The Art Room is refreshingly alive to modern trends; while to redress the balance between old and new, Greek has been re-introduced into the Sixth Form, and IV Lower have recently demonstrated the dramatic possibilities of first-year Latin. These are only some of the activities which appear interesting to one who is yet a novice in the Queen's School tradition.

All past and present pupils, especially those who have been members of the Preparatory Department, will appreciate the school's sense of loss at Miss Wakefield's approaching retirement, and will wish her every happiness in the future. At the same time we welcome Miss Foulkes as her successor, and know that the Preparatory Department will prosper under her care.

E. N. MACLEAN.

THE CHRONICLE.

At the beginning of the Autumn Term we welcomed Miss MacLean, our new Head Mistress and four new members of the Staff: Miss Bridge, Miss Reynolds, Miss Drabble and Miss Hall.

On Wednesday, October 15th, we had our annual Harvest Festival. There was a fine display of fruit, vegetables and flowers; after Prayers the produce was taken to the Chester Royal Infirmary.

Girls from IV Upper upwards had the pleasure of attending the concert arranged by the Chester Schools' Music Society at the City Grammar School on October 24th.

On November 6th, Miss Rountree and Miss Belderson took a party of girls from the Upper Fifth and Sixth Forms to see the French play "Le Voyage de M. Perrichon" at New Brighton.

On November 12th, a party from the Sixth Form visited the Atomic Energy Exhibition which was shown on a special "Atomic Train," at the General Station.

Miss Hicks and Miss Balls arranged for the visit of a large party of seniors to the Royal Court Theatre, Liverpool, to see "Macbeth," on Saturday, November 15th.

November 20th was Princess Elizabeth's wedding day, so we, with the rest of the schools, enjoyed a holiday.

On November 24th, several of the Junior Forms went to the City Grammar School to see a one-man performance of scenes from "The Merchant of Venice," given by John Trevor.

During this term the whole School collected clothes and money for the "Save Europe Now" Fund.

At the end of the term the Sixth Form organised the Christmas Post: the proceeds were contributed to the Charities Fund.

In the afternoon of December 15th, the main school sang Christmas music and on the last day of the term, December 17th, we took part with the King's School in a service held in the Cathedral. Bishop Tubbs preached an interesting sermon.

This year each house gave a party, Sandford and Westminster Houses holding theirs at the end of the Autumn Term, when Hastings House also gave a party for the juniors in Forms I, II and III. Thompson House and Hastings House held their parties at the beginning of the Spring Term, an unusual attraction for the girls returning from their holidays.

Miss Bridge and three of the Higher School Certificate candidates from the Upper VIth Form spent part of the Christmas holiday, from January 6th to 9th, in London, where they made visits to the National Gallery to study the paintings of the Italian and Spanish Schools.

On January 15th, two demonstrators from the Chester Gas Company operated a film about the transmission of heat. Forms V Upper A and B were present at the demonstration.

A performance of "Toad of Toad Hall," given by the City High School on January 27th, was very much enjoyed by the girls who saw it.

The Junior School moved into Nedham House at the beginning of the Spring Term, and a dedication service was held there by Archdeacon Burne on February 2nd. Miss Nedham was present. We are very proud to have two photographs of Miss Nedham, one in the School Hall and one at Nedham House.

On February 14th, Miss Balls took a party from the middle school to see "Julius Caesar", at Liverpool.

Mrs. Irene Bennett came to the school on February 19th, and gave a lecture on Elizabethan music.

During the Spring Term Miss Baxter took parties of girls to watch an International Lacrosse Match and a Territorial Lacrosse Match, and Miss Turner took a party to a Territorial Hockey Match.

On March 5th, most of the Lower School saw the film "Great Expectations" at the Odeon Cinema, whilst most of the Upper School went to the Grammar School for the term's concert of the Chester Schools' Music Society.

Members of the VIth Form invited the Staff to join them in a visit to the Metropolitan Ballet in Liverpool on March 6th, and arranged a very enjoyable afternoon.

At the Chester Music Festival, held on March 13th in the Town Hall, both senior and junior choirs received good criticisms. Ann Avery earned high praise for her performance of Brahms' Rhapsody in B Minor.

Miss Norwood, the Regional Controller of Juvenile Employment in Manchester, spoke to the senior girls about careers on March 8th. She was accompanied by Miss Powell, Juvenile Employment Officer for Chester.

The girls who were confirmed in the Cathedral this year were prepared by Bishop Tubbs. The service was held on March 17th.

Several girls attended and enjoyed the performances of "Saint Joan" given by the Grammar School on April 1st and 2nd.

Members of the School Music Society gave a concert for the rest of the school at the end of the Spring Term.

During the Easter holidays, Miss Gee, Miss Rountree, Miss Reynolds and Miss Foulkes conducted the seniors on their annual hike in the Lake District. This is one of the most enjoyable expeditions connected with school and we are very grateful to the mistresses who organise it.

Thursday, May 20th, was a very important day for the Queen's School. In the morning Prize Giving was held informally in the School Hall. Miss Nedham very kindly came to give away the prizes. In the afternoon we went to the Cathedral for our Annual Commemoration Service. The Rev. L. F. Harvey, Headmaster of The King's School, gave the address.

On Tuesday, June 1st, the senior girls from Forms IV Upper upwards attended a concert sponsored by The Chester Schools' Music Society, at the Grammar School. The programme consisted of folk songs and music.

On Thursday, June 3rd, Miss Mary Macaulay gave an interesting and helpful talk called "The Adventure of Growing-up," to the Vth and VIth Forms.

A House Music Competition was held on Wednesday, June 9th. This was made possible by the energetic organisation and hard work of Miss Whittam, Miss Ayrton and the other music mistresses. We are also very grateful to the Rev. E. J. G. Foster of the Chester Diocesan Training College, who came and adjudicated the competition for us. The Music Cup was awarded to Sandford House.

MOLLY CAVILL (Form VI Lower A).
PATRICIA CLABROUGH (Form V Upper A).

NEDHAM HOUSE.

Nedham House, so called after Miss Nedham, is situated on Liverpool Road and is the Junior Department of the Queen's School.

We first came to Nedham House to plant bulbs in the front garden. The dining-room was then being built and the cellar was going to be turned into a cloakroom. The dividing wall had been taken out to make the hall a larger room for prayers, music, and gymnastics.

The whole building was in complete chaos. Workmen and their tools were everywhere, the floor boards were loose and the wallpaper was hanging from the walls; no gas or electricity had been put in and all the floors were strewn with lumps of cement and plaster. In fact, we wondered whether it would ever be ready.

However, the alterations have been made, so that now on the ground floor are the hall, the First Form room, Form III B room, the kitchen and dining room. Upstairs are the Staff Room, Form III A room, Form II room, Miss Maggs' sitting room and the library.

The house has a large garden. The front lawn is used as a netball pitch. We planted bulbs round the borders. The back garden is being slowly put in order. There is an orchard where we have great fun on the swing and see-saw. Below the orchard is a rose garden and our school gardens where we do all the gardening.

We began school at Nedham House on Wednesday, January 14th. Only Form III was there, as the other Forms did not start till the following Monday. When we arrived we had an exciting time going over the building. About a week after the beginning of term we had a Dedication Service, conducted by Archdeacon Burne. Miss MacLean, Miss Nedham, Mrs. Burne and Mr. Brown were present. Mrs. Brown was unfortunately not well, and was unable to come.

Miss Maggs is in charge of the Junior Department. Miss Drabble and Miss Hall are Form Mistresses of Forms I and II. Miss MacLean takes prayers on Thursdays, and Miss Whittam and Miss Balls visit us from the Senior School. Miss Holland-Williams comes to us for part of the week. Miss Maggs has Anna Mottram to help her with secretarial work. Miss Maggs and Anna are always very busy.

Miss Christopherson supervises the dinners. Mrs. Senior cooks very good dinners and we all enjoy them. Mrs. Willets helps Mrs. Senior. Mrs. Lloyd also comes in to help. Mr. Coy does gardening and odd jobs. He lives in the grounds with his wife, who helps in the school. Recently Mr. Martin has come to help us with our gardening.

There are now ninety-five children in the school,

Besides the usual lessons, Forms III has swimming on Fridays and Forms I and II on Tuesdays. Miss Maggs takes us all and on Tuesdays Miss Goodchild helps too. We have also Free Activities, in which there are many different groups. In the Spring Term the Acting Group did the Court Scene from "Toad of Toad Hall," produced by Christine Jones.

Every Friday afternoon some of Form III cook. So far they have made scones, biscuits and sponge cakes. Eleven people are making either glove puppets or marionettes.

Some house decorating has been done by various members of Form III. Nearly all the floors have been stained, the cloakroom, which was black and very dull, has been painted yellow, and the art group is now planning to paint pictures on the walls. Furniture is being made out of old boxes. We also have clay modelling and gardening.

We are all very happy at Nedham House.

FORM III A.

GIFTS.

The following gifts are gratefully acknowledged:-
Electric Film Projector Miss Nedham. Miss Buckle. Miss Desgratoulet. Miss Jameson. Music Cup Miss Whittam.
Electric Clock (Science Room)
Gramophone records Mrs. Bryant.
Gramophone records Mary Wood, V Upper B. Vaulting buck Pauline and Gillian Storrar.
Microgram (electric gramophone) Girls from Form VI Lower.
Music for the Music Library Estelle Cohen, VI Upper.
Ping-pong equipment Jean Newns, V Lower B.
GIFTS TO NEDHAM HOUSE.
A Bible Miss Nedham.
A picture
Two stools for the library
Mrs. Evans.
Dorothy Iball. Arlette Birchall.
Denise Macdonald.
Denise Macdonald. A swing
A see-saw has been kindly lent by Colonel Scriven;
GIFT TO THE PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT.
Electric Clock Miss Nedham.
GIFTS TO THE REFERENCE LIBRARY.
Old Cheshire Churches. Raymond Richards Miss Nedham Famous Women, H. and D. L. Thomas Jean Walley Boucher. Macfall Diana Davies The Oxford Book of English Verse of the Romantic Period
English Country Crafts. N. Wymer Joan Jenkinson
GIFT TO THE FICTION LIBRARY.
Les mervailles qui vous entourent Miss Rountree.

THE PRIZE GIVING AND COMMEMORATION SERVICE.

An informal Prize Giving was held in the School Hall, on Thursday, May 20th.

Mrs. Brown was in the chair.

We were very pleased to see again Miss Nedham, who had kindly consented to present the prizes.

After the presentation, Miss Nedham said how glad she was to renew her contact with the school, and told us of many of the interesting things she had done since she retired last summer. After the head-girl, Pamela Heilbrun, had proposed a vote of thanks, the Prize Giving was concluded with the hymn "Let us now praise famous men," sung by the whole school.

In the afternoon, at 2-30, the annual Commemoration Service was held in the Cathedral by kind permission of the Dean and Chapter. We were grateful to the Rev. L. F. Harvey for the interesting address he gave. Pamela Heilbrun read the Lesson; Ann Avery at the organ played the voluntaries, and accompanied the choir in the anthem, "A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester." The service was ended by the choir singing Boyce's "Alleluya."

PRIZES.

Form VI Upper.	F	Millio.	
Bioroga —		_	Cynthia Roberts Hilary Turnell
Form VI Lower. FORM PRIZES			Ann Avery Margaret Weaving Alwyn Twaits
Form V Upper. FORM PRIZES			Barbara Hurst Judith Harrison Edith Eisinger Glenda Shone
FORM PRIZE ENGLISH	·	<u>—</u>	Daphne Burkitt Patricia Clabrough
Form V Lower B. FORM PRIZE			Nicole Brouet
Form IV Upper A. FORM PRIZES	<u></u>		Jean Ballard Rosemary Kelly Ursula Morris

Form IV Upper B. FORM PRIZES	—	Personal	Mary Walling Pamela Veale Shelagh Roberts
Form IV Lower A. FORM PRIZES		er-vest	Rosemary Falconer Patricia O'Hara
Form IV Lower B. FORM PRIZES	<u></u>		Marina Williamson Patricia Melhuish
Form Remove A. FORM PRIZES	_		Jill Ryder Patricia Williams
Form Remove B. FORM PRIZES			Ann Davies Cynthia Moulds Valerie Williams
Form III. FORM PRIZES	-		Jennifér Lobban Brenda Wheeldon
Form II. FORM PRIZE DICTATION	******		Deidre Moore Dorothy Iball
Form I. FORM PRIZES	*****	Advitord	Peveril Jerome Janet Higginson
Preparatory. FORM PRIZES	- .		John Innes Gaynor Wentworth Jane McLoughlin
	SPECL	AL PR	IZES.
SCRIPTURE ESSAY ART MUSIC	the state of		Helen Morris (to be held over until next year) Martha Pyman Ann Avery Estelle Cohen Mary Wood
GYMNASTICS— Senior — Middle School Junior —	3*************************************		Janice Allman Margaret Weaving Joan Cottrell Judith Walker
Games Cup and P Middle School Junior	RIZE	********	Genevieve Langman Maureen Challinor Diana Shaw Sheila Hooper
GYMNASTICS CUP. Form IV Lowe	er A	_`	Brenda Cox

TENNIS CUP			+
Senior			 Joan Thomas (Hastings). Elsbeth Jones (Westminster)
Junior	_		 Elsbeth Jones (Westminster)
SINGLES TEN	INIS CUP	s	
Senior			 Margaret Roberts
Middle	School		 Betty Gilchrist
Junior	.		 Mary Hancock

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Higher School Certificate.

Betty Davis, Helen Morris, Cynthia Roberts, Hilary Turnell.

Special Subsidiary Subjects.

Ann Avery, Estelle Cohen, Sheila Cryer, Hylda Davies, Beryl Ennion, Doreen Garth, Margaret Gerrard, Kathleen Harris, Pamela Heilbrun, Ann Howell, Mignon Kletz, Lorna Plews, Joan Thomas, Alwyn Twaits, Margaret Weaving.

OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

School Certificate.

Jean Armstrong, Anne Brittain, Molly Cavill, Constance Cook, Gillian Crossley, Olive Elsley, Barbara Hurst, Sheila Jackson, Elizabeth Lewis, Jean MacLean, Joyce Pickering, Martha Pyman, Margaret Robins, Glenda Shone, Jean Walley, Yvonne Woodhead, Brenda Ashford, Edith Eisinger, Judith Harrison, Dorothy Hodson, Elizabeth Hyde, Rachel Jarman, Margaret Jones, Ivy Longmire, Shirley McMillan, Susie Morris, Pauline Park, Joan Phillips, Barbara Sarson, Barbara Titley, Margaret Venables.

MUSIC.

For the fifth year, we have been able to send some 150 girls from the Senior Forms to the concerts arranged by the Chester Schools' Music Society. The programmes have been interesting and varied, given by the following artists:—

Autumn—Michael Head (baritone) and David Martin (violin).

Spring —Florence Hooton (violoncello) and Wilfrid Parry (pianoforte).

Summer—Eve Maxwell-Lyte (Folk songs of the world) and Joan Davies (pianoforte).

Towards the end of the Autumn Term members of the main school sang extracts from 'The Messiah' (Handel), which included the choruses: 'Glory to God', 'For unto us'; the Arias 'He shall feed His Flock', 'Rejoice Greatly' and several of the Recitatives.

We ended the term with a service in the Cathedral, in conjunction with The King's School, at which many favourite carols were sung. We hope this may become an annual event.

This year we have formed two voluntary choirs (for which audition is necessary), each of about 50 voices. Both entered for the Chester Music Festival (non-competitive) on March 13th, and were highly commended by the adjudicator, Dr. Frederick Wood. The 'own choice' songs were:—'

Senior—(a) A Prayer of S. Richard of Chichester. L. J. White.

(b) Our youth like Springtime, soon must pass. Bach

Junior—(a) Flocks are Sporting.

Carey

(b) Leonidas.

Martin Shaw

Ann Avery, who entered in the Open-Piano Class (competitive) was greatly praised for her performance of Brahms' Rhapsody in B Minor. gaining 95%. At the request of the Adjudicator she played again at the closing ceremony.

We had a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Bennett of the Oxford University Press, who lectured on Elizabethan Music. Mrs. Bennett (through the kindness of the Director of Education and the Curator of the Museum) was enabled to use, for her illustrations, the unique Chest of Recorders belonging to the City of Chester, the only complete set surviving in this country. Mr. Bennett sang songs of the period.

On May 20th, we had our Commemoration Service in the Cathedral. This was preceded by the Prize Distribution in the morning, which ended with the singing of Vaughan Williams' setting of 'Let us now praise Famous Men'.

At the Cathedral the senior choir sang the Anthem, 'A Prayer of S. Richard of Chichester (L. J. White), Holst's unaccompanied setting of the 'Easter Alleluya' hymn tune, the descant to the Crimond setting of Psalm 23 and the service ended with a three-part Alleluya of William Boyce (1710—1779). Ann Avery played the organ before and after the service and for the anthem. Our thanks are due to Mr. Boyle who played for the remainder of the service, as usual.

On June 9th, we had the House Music Competition. The Rev. E. J. G. Foster, Mus. Bac., Lecturer of Music at the Chester Diocesan Training College, very kindly came to adjudicate.

For some weeks before hopeful sounds of enthusiastic choirs and soloists, seizing every opportunity for preparation, could be heard in all parts of the building.

The test songs were (a) Who is Sylvia? (Schubert).

(b) 'Tis pretty to be in Ballinderry (arr. Moffat).

Each House had its own Conductor and Accompanist:

Hastings-Mabel Chimes and Beryl Ennion.

Sandford—Lorna Plews and Estelle Cohen.

Thompson—Ann Avery and Hazel Morris. Westminster—Margaret Hughes and Elaine Parker.

In addition to the choirs there were 99 entries in the individual classes (piano, vocal, string, wind, composition, etc.) and the best of these were chosen, by preliminary tests, to perform on the final day, thereby scoring additional points.

Mr. Boyle, very kindly, judged the original melodies and compositions and gave a constructive detailed report to each entrant. Unfortunately it was only possible to hear one of these on the day as the necessary combinations of instruments for the others were not available.

It was evident that much careful thought and effort had been given to the preparation of both choir and individual entries, and the Heads of Houses are to be congratulated on the successful result.

The Music Cup was awarded to Sandford House.

G. M. W.

HOUSE MUSIC COMPETITION.

The Rev. E. J. G. Foster, Lecturer in Music at Chester Training College, acted as adjudicator.

The highest level of attainment was reached in the solo pianoforte groups. In the Junior section intelligent control, phrasing, and gradation of tone were marked in the playing of Lovelock's 'Arabesque' by Marina Williamson, and of Carroll's 'To a Sea-bird' by Ann Davies. Mention should also be made of the promise shown by Patricia Ellis.

Middle School performances lacked the control of this younger group. The winning competitor, Margaret Williamson; played with great facility and some delicate nuances, but the tempo was much too hurried.

In the Senior group there was a high standard of musical integrity in an intelligent performance of the last movement of Beethoven's Sonata in C Sharp Minor by Ann Avery. Estelle Cohen showed talent and a sense of style in her playing of Brahms' Rhapsody in G Minor, and Lorna Plews gave a poised and satisfying performance of a Beethoven Scherzo and Trio.

There were entries for violin, flute, fife and recorder in the string and wind section, and Mr. Foster encouraged the development of this branch of school performance.

In the vocal section tone and diction were good in both solos and choral work. Breath control was weak in some of the solos, but conductors secured some excellent phrasing from their choirs. Particularly sensitive accompaniment for the Thompson House Choir was provided by Hazel Morris.

Original compositions were judged by Mr. Malcolm C. Boyle. The most interesting entries submitted were those of Ann Avery—a sextet for strings, flute and oboe, that merited performance—and a song-setting by Hazel Morris.

A high standard of choice and accuracy was shown in all sections of the Festival and the Choir conductors, Lorna Plews, Ann Avery, Mabel Chimes and Margaret Hughes won special praise for choir-training that showed thoroughness and some artistry.

R. C. J.

THE MUSIC SOCIETY.

The Music Society was revived during the Spring Term, with membership open to the whole of the main school. Meetings have been held in the dinner-hour on Mondays, and programmes have consisted chiefly of gramophone records of classical music, by Beethoven, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Tchaikovsky, and other composers.

A lecture by Miss Ayrton on the woodwind instruments of the orchestra, and records of "Peter and the Wolf," by Prokofiev, which were introduced by Miss James, proved two of the most popular programmes.

The Meetings in the Spring Term concluded with a Concert given by members of the Society, before the whole School.

A. AVERY (Chairman).

B. Ennion (Secretary).

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

At the end of the Summer Term, 1947, the Upper Fifths were invited to a General Meeting, held in the garden, at which Shaw's St. Joan was read.

The opportunity was taken of presenting to Miss Nedham a travelling clock as a gift from the School.

Three General Meetings have been held during the year, one in the Autumn Term, when "The Importance of Being Earnest," by Oscar Wilde, was read, and two in the Spring Term. "The Apple Cart," by Shaw, was read at the first of these: the second consisted of an Anthology of favourite pieces of prose and poetry.

MOLLY CAVILL (Secretary).

TENNIS.

Summer Term, 1947.

1st VI	2nd VI	Junior VI		
1st Couple	1st Couple	1st Couple		
J. Thomas (Capt.)	M. Weaving (Capt.)	M. Armstrong		
M. Roberts	O. Elsley	J. Knox		
2nd Couple	2nd Couple	2nd Couple		
G. Langman	M. Pyman	M. Hancock		
J. Phillips	G. Storrar	B. Cox		
3rd Couple	3rd Couple	3rd Couple		
B. Gilchrist	M. Kinsey	D. Shaw		
P. Heilbrun	D. Hodson	M. Challinor		
1st VI colours were awarded to Margaret Roberts.				

1st VI colours were awarded to Margaret Roberts.
Senior House Matches were won by Hastings House.
Junior House Matches were won by Westminster House.

TENNIS FIXTURES, 1947.

Grove Park, Wrexham	ist VI	H.	Lost
Birkenhead High School	1st VI	Α.	Lost
Birkenhead High School	2nd VI	Α.	Lost
Hawarden Grammar School	1st VI	H.	Lost
Old Girls	1st VI	H.	Lost
Sir John Deane's	1st VI	Α.	Lost
Moreton Hall	1st VI	H.	Lost

SINGLES TENNIS TOURNAMENTS.

SENIOR CUP.

Margaret Roberts beat Genevieve Langman in the finals.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CUP.

Betty Gilchrist beat Marion Kinsey in the finals.

JUNIOR SCHOOL CUP.

Mary Hancock beat Norma Peacock in the finals.

1st VI Criticism.

The 1st VI this year were an entirely new team and at the beginning of the year lacked confidence.

All these players have good easy strokes and services, but they did not make good match players, because they were not sufficiently energetic, with the result that they could not position themselves to play their strokes correctly.

With the very valuable coaching from Mr. Kelly all the players improved, especially in net-play and volleying, and the team gained more confidence by the end of the season.

Junior VI Criticism.

I should like to make special mention of these young and most promising players.

They have listened carefully to coaching and have put in much practice on their own.

They are energetic and alert on the court and when they have improved their net-play and gained more force in their strokes, they should become a very good 1st VI.

School Tennis Criticism.

I am glad that many girls are now using the courts in the dinner hour and after school.

The standard of tennis in the present IV Lowers has improved a great deal through practice.

Girls in Remove A and B who are just learning must make a very great effort to produce their strokes correctly, not only during their coaching time, but on every occasion when they play on a court.

Many girls in the senior school lack confidence in their game, because they do not put in sufficient time in practising.

HOCKEY.

Autumn Term, 1947.

	1st XI	2nd XI	Junior XI
G.	M. Robins	J. Wilcoxon	J. Wilcoxon (Capt.)
	P. Holland	J. MacLean	M. Armstrong
	O. Elsley	M. Pyman	U. Morris
	M. Weaving	B. Sarson	L. Robins or D. Shaw
	(Capt.)		
C.H.	B. Gilchrist	S. McMillan (Capt.)	S. Jenkins
L.H.	M. Roberts	J. Knox	J. Knox
R.W.	H. Yates		C. Jarman
R.I.	E. Parker	J. Newns	J. Newns
C.	J. Phillips	E. Jones	E. Jones
L.I.	M. Gerrard	B, Čox	B. Cox
L.W.	V. Cadman	J. Curle	V. Cadman

1st XI colours were awarded to Margaret Robins, Joan Phillips and Margaret Roberts.

Senior House Matches were won by Westminster House.

Junior House Matches were won by Sandford House.

HOCKEY FIXTURES, 1947.

Sir John Deane's	1st XI	н.	Lost 2-5
Howell's School, Denbigh	1st XI	Н.	Draw 2—2
Hawarden Grammar School	lst XI	Н.	Won 5-4
Chester, City High School	1st XI	H.	Won 3-1
Chester, City High School	2nd XI	H.	Won 4-1
Merchant Taylor's School	1st XI	Α.	Lost 14
Merchant Taylor's School	2nd XI	Α.	Lost 3—5
Hawarden Grammar School	2nd XI	Α.	Won 3—0
West Kirby	1st XI	Α.	Lost 3—6
Grove Park, Wrexham	1st XI	Α.	Won 2-1
Grove Park, Wrexham	unior XI	Α.	. Won 20
Chester, City High School	1st XI	Α.	Lost 3-4
Chester, City High School	2nd XI	Α.	Won 31

1st XI Criticism.

The team had some keen and quick forwards whose passing improved during the season, but this passing rarely resulted in a goal, because of poor shooting.

The 'defence played a determined game, but were not always reliable, because they lacked control when intercepting the ball; they so often put the ball straight on to the sticks of the opposing halves.

Joan Phillips played a very good game throughout the term.

Margaret Robins in goal played very reliably and Margo Weaving and Margaret Roberts were determined and reliable defenders.

Margo Weaving was chosen to play for Cheshire County 2nd XI.

Form Hockey Criticisms.

Remove B.

Most members of this Form made a good beginning, those girls who practised hard with their stickwork were useful in a game.

Remove A.

Too much valuable practice time was wasted by this Form with the result that their stickwork did not improve very much during the Term.

IV Lower B.

Although this Form had not the same speed as the A's, they were enthusiastic and showed a marked improvement during the Term. Their game will improve when they are faster and can hit harder.

IV Lower A.

A good enthusiastic Form who worked hard and with interest at their stickwork with the result that they played a good fast game.

IV Upper A.

There are a number of good keen players in this Form who, if they continue to improve their stickwork, should make valuable members of the school teams. A few members of the Form must not be content to let all the work be done by the enthusiastic members; they must learn to make their contribution

IV Upper B.

This Form showed improvement during the Term, but will never play a really good game while so many players are slow on their feet.

V Lower A.

This Form are capable of reaching a good standard of play as the Form as a whole is keen. Their standard is, at the moment, only fairly good, because they do not apply what they learn during their coaching. Forwards must try to be quicker on to the ball and defence should practise intercepting.

V Lower B.

A number of girls in this Form could be really good players if they would make more effort. Many girls have speed, but do not use it. Defence players must learn to back up their forwards.

V Upper A.

This Form could be outstandingly good, if only the girls who are not team players would try to reach a higher standard.

Many of these non-team players possess speed and quite good stickwork, but they lack determination.

V Upper B.

This Form has two distinct sets of players; one set are quick and continue to improve, the other set have allowed themselves to become slow and lazy with the result that the Form only plays a fair game.

VI Lower A and B.

Apart from team players in these Forms, this set of players is disappointing. They possess quite good stickwork and have a good knowledge of positioning, but they do not play energetically.

LACROSSE.

Spring Term, 1948.

1st XII	2nd XII .	Junior XII
C.P. O. Elsley 3.M. M. Roberts	M. Price S. McMillan P. Holland	P. Hall J. Wilcoxon S. Jenkins D. Shaw
L.D.W. J. Knox C. E. Parker	M. Robins	A. Seymour J. Knox U. Morris M. Hancock
R.A.W. M. Gerrard L.A.W. J. Phillips 3.H. H. Yates 2.H. J. Thomas 1.H. A. Brittain	J. Newns. J. Wilcoxon V. Cadman B. Cox	V. Hitchin V. Cadman B. Cox J. Boswell
	J. Curle or B. Hurst	

1st XII colours were awarded to Joan Phillips. Senior House Matches were won by Hastings House. Junior House Matches were won by Westminster House.

. LACROSSE FIXTURES, 1948.

Calder High School	1st XII	Α.	Lost 3-12
Hovlake Ladies	1st XII	Н.	Draw 5-5
Moreton Hall	1st XII	H.	Lost 3—8
Wirral Grammar School	1st XII	A.	Lost 910
Wirral Grammar School	2nd XII	Α.	Lost 06
Lowther College	1st XII	H.	Won 5-2
Liverpool P.T.C. B XII	1st XII	Α.	Lost 46
Howell's School	1st XII	Α.	Lost 3—6
Howell's School	2nd XII	Α.	Lost 1—2
Liverpool Ladies	1st XII	H.	Lost 35
Lowther College Liverpool P.T.C. B XII Howell's School Howell's School	1st XII 1st XII 1st XII 2nd XII	H. A. A. A.	Won 5—2 Lost 4—6 Lost 3—6 Lost 1—2

1st XII Criticism.

This team realized during the term the importance of continual training in order to keep up the speed and energy required during matches.

Stickwork throughout the team was good, but the play, of the team was often spoilt by ineffective shooting and by poor body-checking.

The attacks did, at times, achieve very thoughtful and quick passing, but they did not always keep this up continuously through a match.

Margo Weaving changed from attack to defence play and was most reliable and helpful in that position.

Joan Phillips was a quick, untiring attack player who had a very good shot.

Lacrosse Form Criticisms.

Remove B.

This Form made a satisfactory beginning; there are a number of keen, energetic players whose game should reach a good standard, if they practise hard with their stickwork.

Remove A.

It is a great pity that this Form wasted so much of the extra games time given to them and did not persevere with their stickwork.

They did show by the end of the Term much more keenness and quite good ability.

IV Lower B.

This Form practised well and their stickwork reached a satisfactory standard. Defence players must now learn to mark their own players instead of trying to defend the goal.

IV Lower A.

The standard of catching and cradling in this Form was very good; their game will be faster when all girls can pick up the ball first time.

This Form made full use of the extra games time given to them with most satisfactory results.

IV Upper B.

This Form showed improvement throughout the Term, but they have not yet reached a very high, standard as picking up is poor and throwing needs much more practice.

IV Upper A.

This Form play with energy and keenness; when defence players learn to be more effective with body-checking, and attacks learn to pass quickly, this Form should play a very good game.

V Lower B.

There are too many girls in this Form who have not mastered their stickwork and are therefore useless in a game.

The other members of the Form have quite good stickwork, but they are not energetic or determined enough to play a really good game.

V Lower A.

The stickwork of this Form was quite good and they should play a really good game when the attacks learn to dodge more effectively and defence players can intercept more quickly.

V Upper A and B.

There are some good individual players in both these Forms, but there is too much difference between members of the team and the other girls to make Form games of much value either to the team players or to the rest of the Form.

VI Lower A and B.

The stickwork in these Forms was quite good, but their game lacked speed, effective dodging and body-checking.

THE LAKELAND HIKE.



On Monday, April 19th, a happy party of thirty-three girls, with Miss Gee, Miss Foulkes, Miss Rountree, and Miss Reynolds, met at Chester Station for the Lakeland Hike. It was a glorious day, and the fresh breeze blowing in through the open windows of the train gave many people an appetite for lunch, so that long before we arrived at our destination, Windermere, they had eaten their sandwiches and were complaining of feeling hungry again!

At Windermere we separated; Party I (the less energetic), which consisted of fifteen girls and Miss Rountree and Miss Reynolds, leaving the others to begin their tour of the Lakes by a longer route, made their way to the Esthwaite Hostel, near Hawkshead—formerly the residence of Francis Brett Young, the author—where the first two nights were

to be spent. The road ran beside Esthwaite Water, and while some of us were having tea on the bank, we were joined by a hungry swan who insisted that we shared our sandwiches with him!

The next day, most of us visited Coniston Water, and though the weather turned out wet we had good views of the surrounding landscape. Two members of the party, feeling in particularly good form, went all round the Lake and altogether walked about fifteen miles.

. The Museum at Coniston proved very interesting, not so much from the prehistoric exhibits or souvenirs from Ruskin's home, but because we discovered an ancient stone xylophone. Everyone tried her hand at playing it, but the effects produced therefrom were not exactly musical, owing to the fact that there were no semi-tones and several notes were missing!

At Hawkshead we visited the Grammar School Wordsworth attended, and inspected the desk on which he had carved his name.

The way to Elleswater, our next stop, led "over the hills and far away," past a remote and very lovely tarn hemmed in by slopes covered with dark pines and young green larch trees. We arrived at Elleswater some time before the hostel was due to open; several local inhabitants showed great astonishment at seeing a row of eight dusty hikers sitting on the grass at the roadside, busily making up their arrears in correspondence. That night, careful searches were made by candlelight for cockroaches, as we had been warned that they also resided at the hostel, but fortunately none were found lodging in the same bedrooms.

The next day, Thursday, we split up into two groups to go to Grasmere, where we were to stay until Saturday morning; several people, because of the rain, went by bus, while the rest staunchly set out along the road. Later in the day, some of us climbed the rocky path to Easedale Tarn, a very bleak and gloomy place where we narrowly escaped being drenched by a storm. Four members of the party who remained in Grasmere found at the end of the afternoon that they were running short of money, so ingeniously ordered tea for two as they could not afford to pay for four!

On Friday, six brave people decided to climb Helvellyn, while the rest explored Grasmere and visited Dove Cottage and Wordsworth's grave. It was at Grasmere that two of our party were exchanged for two casualties of the longer route.

We climbed Helvellyn by way of the Dollywaggon Pike, past Grisedale Tarn. We met two members of Party II who had lost the rest of their party by going down the wrong track. Although we were disappointed that we did not know where the highest point of Helvellyn actually was, we were fortunate in having a splendid view from the upper slopes. Since it was too bleak to stop for lunch, we decided to make the descent as soon as possible. A bitterly cold gale had sprung up and moreover it began to rain. We lost the path and struggled for what seemed miles down very steep, very boggy ground. At length we reached the road, and walked into Grasmere hungry, wet, and tired, reasonably proud of the distance we had covered since the morning.

. The next day we walked to Ambleside and were greatly impressed by the beautiful scenery around Grasmere and Rydal.

Most of us spent the last day, Sunday, on or around Windermere, under a cloudless sky. When we returned to the large Ambleside hostel for supper we were joined by Party II, and eagerly recounted our adventures to each other, finding as much to talk about as if we had been parted for several weeks instead of only one! That evening several people retired early—in order to sew up and hide the pyjamas of other members of the party!

The last morning, Monday, we made our way back to Windermere and caught the train home. Our holiday in the Lake District had ended all too soon, and we looked forward eagerly to our next visit, convinced that youth-hostelling is the best way of seeing the countryside!

BERYL M. ENNION (Form VI Upper).

LAKELAND SCRAPS

Many people enjoy the beauty of the Lake District, but it takes the Youth Hosteller to appreciate its more amusing aspects. The road from Ambleside to Grasmere, for instance, might not be very exciting of itself, but when it is traversed at a dangerous speed in a high explosive lorry with five people in the cab and two of them sitting on a box of T.N.T., it has its thrills.

Grasmere itself provided many incidents. We had our meals there in a converted barn to the strains of Ave Maria sung in a deep bass by the warden. Another of his songs had a chorus of "Yo heave ho," and this was most disconcerting when we were heaving porridge into our mouths.

Conrad was the small son of the Grasmere warden and he very solemnly showed us round his house which consisted of a members' kitchen, dormitories and the like and was built in a tree. I am afraid we sadly shocked the good folk of the 'village by attending Church on Sunday without hats. It was a good thing we refrained from our natural inclination to sing the "O worship the King" descant to "Disposer Supreme."

Longthwaite was another hostel on the list. This was by far the most satisfactory since it had hot water and a ghost. The hot water was to be had in the form of a 6d. bath, and the ghost—ah, but that is a long story.

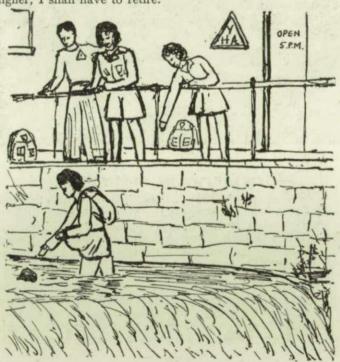
In 1938, a Great Gable climber had an accident and was brought to the Longthwaite Hostel in a sorry state. He was so covered with blood that they put him in the bath and so washed him, and, as the blood and water flowed away it made the usual gurgling sound. The climber, unfortunately, died in the common room. Now this ghost haunts the bathroom and if you wake in the middle of the night you can hear the gory bath water gurgling away. Naturally, there is a stream just under the dormitory window.

When we arrived at Longthwaite the warden passed us on his motor bike and suggested that we carried two dustbins up to the Hostel. One of the party was so tired that she jumped inside and was carried—as you can see in the sketch.



Some of us ventured to climb Scafell Pike while we were at Longthwaite. We were told to keep under the cliffs and, being sensible girls, followed this advice. Imagine our surprise when an agitated shepherd started to call and gesticulate. Since he seemed a bit worried and we couldn't hear a word he said, we thought we would scale the scree and, after some feats of gymnastics which would probably have astounded Miss Baxter had she been there to see them, we arrived at the summit of the ridge. Later, we were startled to see what we should have had to climb except for the help of our kind shepherd.

Keswick was another hostel worthy of mention. Here the hostel was built over the river which ran beneath the verandah and under the dormitory windows. When a person says something annoying, it is customary to hurl some article of clothing at the offender. This was the sad fate of a certain grey sock which missed its target and went sailing out of the window into the river. Several interested spectators saw two members of the party fly down the stairs and on to the verandah. The warden, hearing their cries of anguish, grabbed one of them by the hand and raced her to another part of the river where she could wade in and rescue the sock. The warden's only remark was "If you lift your skirts much higher, I shall have to retire."



After supper that evening we decided to go "chipping" and accordingly set off armed with enough money to buy sixteen lots of chips. When we returned to the hostel, the more respectable members of the party sat in the common room to gorge, while the not-so-respectable ones who had only pyjamas on under their coats sat on the river bank. (This is the first I've heard of this. D. Gee).

The last night at Ambleside was naturally a riotous one, since the two parties were together for the first and last time. We ended our hike with a great expenditure of effort by travelling from Ambleside to Windermere—in a motor boat.

JOAN THOMAS (Form VI Upper).



HITCH-HIKING IN DERBYSHIRE.

In the summer holidays of 1947, ten of the Sixth Form decided to go hiking in Derbyshire. The problem was finance, so after considerable discussion, the plan of hitch-hiking was adopted. This would, we thought, save money. What we omitted to think was that hitch-hiking would provide us with memories for life!

One bright September morning we set off from Chester with light hearts and heavy packs. Splitting up into parties of two and three, we walked gaily along the Chester-Manchester Road, extending excited thumbs to each passing vehicle. Sheila, Joan and I saw an army lorry approaching,

and, expecting it to be crammed with troops, we continued walking and made no signal. The lorry, however, was empty, and slid into the kerb. A voice shouted, "You want lift?" and we yelled "Yes." A soldier in Polish Army uniform fell out of the cab and said, "I go only little way to crossroads, but you can come." We climbed into the lorry and it was driven at furious speed to the crossroads, where we alighted gratefully. Our next "lift" was a red lorry. The driver said that although he was travelling to Sheffield, he would alter his route and go through Glossop for our convenience. We accepted his offer with alacrity, and after he had shared our sandwiches with us, we set off for Glossop in high glee.

Arriving in Glossop, we again started walking, until a truck had been successfully "thumbed." In we clambered, amongst a mass of bottles, flasks and wolffe jar; all full of chemicals. There being no room for Sheila, she sat on the extended tailboard. The road was extremely rough, and it was only a merciful Providence and our combined efforts at holding on to her which permitted her to end the journey at all. We were thankful when the truck crashed to a standstill in Hayfield, and after we had extricated ourselves from test-tubes and shaken the potassium from our shoes, we started the climb over Jacob's Ladder into Edale. Alwyn. Mary and I found it exhausting and collapsed every few yards to mop our streaming faces. I hit upon the idea of placing a moist flannel over my head; the sight of this so amused Alwyn and Mary that they could not stop laughing. They tried it themselves, and the sight of us all with face flannels draped over our faces created an outburst of helpless giggling which prostrated us on the hillside for twenty minutes.

We eventually staggered into Edale, and started the four-mile walk to the hostel. As we tramped wearily along in the dust, the slither of wheels announced an unasked lift—music in the ears of lazy hikers! We piled into the car which drew up behind us, and were driven to the gate of the hostel. Pauline and Gill watched us alight from our chariot and told us indignantly that *they* had walked the four miles; however, they confessed that, had there been anything on wheels in the vicinity, they would have come in it.

Our visits to Edale, Millerdale, Hartington and Buxton hostels were very enjoyable. We walked between hostels, hitch-hiking only when tired or pressed for time. One "lift" stands out vividly in my memory, however. Hurrying back

to Hartington hostel late one afternoon, Margo and I obtained a lift in a confectioner's van. We sat in the cab with the driver and his mate. Talk centred on holidays and we were asked if we liked Blackpool. We replied that we preferred hiking. At this, a look of appalled astonishment manifested itself on the faces of both driver and mate. "What, yer doan't like Blackpool?" said the mate in horrified tones. "Not much," we murmured, wishing that the subject had never been raised. "Ee, they doan't like Blackpool!" uttered both in unison, regarding us pityingly. For the rest of the journey, they both dug each other in the ribs at short intervals and muttered, "Doan't like Blackpool!" Margo and I felt we had made a glaring faux pas and were relieved when Hartington was reached. We both treasure the memory of the mate, hanging out of the cab window, shaking his head sorrowfully, and muttering, "Doan't like Blackpool!" as "Wilson's Cakes" disappeared up the hill.

On the Sunday, everyone went to a country chapel. The sermon was preached by an earnest gentleman who assured us that the only certain thing about the future was its uncertainty. The hymns were accompanied by a wheezy harmonium which burst forth loudly on the "pp" lines and softened magically when "ff" was required. Ten youth hostellers achieved a pious demeanour with difficulty.

Derbyshire people, we found, were extremely helpful, so helpful in fact that we had merely to open a map in order to produce at least three village ancients who would ask where we wanted to go; no matter where we were, they would direct us down a "green lane," which, they inevitably assured us, was the quickest and prettiest route. After allowing ourselves to be thus directed a number of times, we concluded that the Derbyshire idea of a "green lane" was the roughest, steepest and longest track to nowhere. We took to lurking about until the road was clear, and then furtively sneaking under the nearest hedge to consult our map.

Eight enjoyable days were spent in this way. We met many interesting people, among them a party of French students and a party of Danish hikers. At Hartington hostel, Pauline's cutlery was taken by a young Dane who thought that all cutlery was for communal use; the ensuing conversation between Pauline, who speaks no Danish, and the Dane, who spoke no English, was most instructive.

Hitch-hiking home, we again split up into parties. The vehicles we travelled in could not have been more varied.

Hylda, Pat and I covered the slopes of the Cat and Fiddle (between Buxton and Macclesfield) perched precariously on the back of a brick lorry, while Mary and Alwyn favoured a neat Standard. Drivers were unfailingly helpful and kind, stopping to point out our route when they dropped us, offering to go out of their way for our convenience, and often refusing to take any food which we offered them.

We arrived home after a wonderful holiday with vaguely twitching thumbs and with the firm opinion that lorry-drivers are rightfully called "Gentlemen of the Road."

PAMELA HEILBRUN (Form VI Upper).

THE WYF OF CHESTRE.

A good wyf was ther of bisyde Chestre,
In alle the toune she was the verie beste.
Of patchyng clothes and swich she was so clevere,
The "makke-do-and-mende" classe beat her nevere.
In alle the parisshe wyf ne was ther noon
That in the queue bifore hire sholde goon,
An if ther dide, certeyn so wrooth was she
That she was oute of alle charitee.
Thryes hadde she been to Dutton's for some spamme,
But founde no moore thanne sossyges and hamme.
At Woolworths hadde she been, and alle arounde,
Seekynge for biscweets, twelfe poyntes a pounde.

Now in the warre whan that the syrenne sounde, She was the fysst to sheltere undergrounde. Wardenes at fronte doore hadde she tenne, To telle hir put hir lyghte oute agen. She knytted scarves and sokkes and the lyke. Fulle wel she satte upon a three-wheeled byke, And trundelled gaily uppe and doune the citie, But sometymes she fell off, and that was pitie. She wore an auncient costume, not fyne, For it was boughte in nynteene-twentie-nyne. Hir broode hat was som-del queere and straunge, 'Twas lyme greene, with featheres of oraunge, And alle arounde ther were some ribbouns reed: Precariously it satte upon hir heed. This hat, alasse, hadde caused much fusse-Twyes hadde it been y-flattened by a busse, Yet thynketh it me, it was the latest fashioun, And for this kynde the ladies have a passioun.

She joyned the "Healthe and Beautie" Legue for wommen,

And played golf eche Sondaye, and went swymmynge. She reade much lyterature—"The Odes of Horace," "The Pilgrim's Progresse," Shaw, and Edgar Wallace, Preestley and Dikkens, Poe, and R.L.S., (Sometymes she thoughte she myghte turne authoresse). She lyked alle bookes, but murder-thryllers moste; She tooke "The Lystenere" and "Picture Poste." In sooth, she was a goodley Chestre wyf: She was a worthie womman alle hir lyf.

BERYL M. ENNION (Form VI Upper).

QUIDLIBET.

They were there, but where, I know not, Far lost in the dark, vast space,
Gone for ever.

Gott in Himmel, where am I?
Abysmal caverns swirl around my understanding,
Peripatetic.

Ubiquitous blackness wells about all, Oblivion enshrouds, but not this, Gargantuan.

(Having dabbled in modern poetry the Lower Sixth Form finally discovered that it had no rhyme or reason; some of them decided to try their hand at writing modern verse, and fooled the rest of the Form by reading it aloud under the pseudonym of Reginald Victor Blaines).

MARGARET ROBINS
MOLLY CAVILL
YVONNE WOODHEAD
BARBARA HURST
(Form VI Lower A).

HEARD ON THE BEACH.

On the sands near the pierrot troupe sat two women:

"As I was saying, Elsie came here last year. She said she'd had a glorious time... Oh yes, it's nice here, there's so much to do and... What's that you want Gladys?...

Nothing to do! Go and watch the pierrots . . . You've been there? Well build a sand castle then . . . No? Then go and play with Tommy or buy yourself some sweets . . .

Never happy unless they're eating, are they? . . . Yes. It's nice here. Our landlady's very decent. We board ourselves though. That reminds me, I must buy some sausage, or something, for breakfast. We've eaten our bacon ration. It is difficult . . . Oh! look at Baby. She'll be in the water. Excuse me I must go and fetch her . . .

"Oo aren't children a trial? She was almost in. Now, now, dearie, don't worry; you didn't quite fall in. Did Jean leave you, then? isn't she . . . Yes? . . . What! . . . Tommy's what? . . . Putting sand down a lady's back . . . Oh! Tomee, come here you naughty boy . . .

Don't ever do a thing like that again . . . Well you deserve a smacking. Stop crying, you're making Baby cry too . . . Yes, our boarding house is very select and I'm very pleased with it . . . The sands are crowded. Still, it's nice to see folks so happy. Joe's gone off to the bowling green. He loves bowling . . . What do you want Jean? . . . Pop?

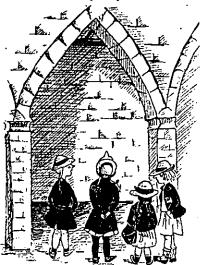
No, you can't have any, you've had two bottles already. Fancy leaving Baby too. Go away . . . Isn't the fat ration shocking? It hardly goes anywhere. I was only saying to Elsie the other week, I don't . . . Jean! you naughty girl you've bought that lemonade . . . Tommy, stop hitting that little boy with your spade. Come here, and go with Jean to see Punch and Judy. Take Baby, Jean. Don't lose your money like you did yesterday. Don't be late for tea and . . . Tommy, don't take that bucket of . . . Oh! go away.

though, the sun's so hot. I love a holiday. I wouldn't miss one for worlds. No worries, no shopping, such a nice change and . . . Oh look! Gladys' right at the end of that pier. She'll fall in the water . . . Oh, I must . . . Gladys . . . "

MARY WALLING (Form V Lower B).

HEARD IN SCHOOL.

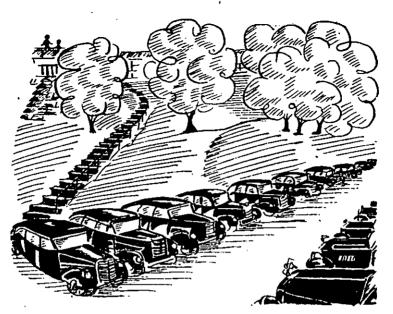
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Juniors looking at the cloisters:-- "Gothic, I think!"



Girls passing the lobby room on National Savings' Day:—
"Are you coming to be saved?"



Small child looking over the walls at the car park:—
"How did all those cars get down the steps?"



"Were the Romans exceptionally careless, dropping all those coins?"



Harassed Kindergarten mistress trying to explain a problem in arithmetic:—

"If there were sixteen people in Bollands and four vacant tables, how many people would sit at each table?"

Five-year-old:--"There'd be a queue!"

THREE LITTLE NIGGER BOYS.

Three little nigger boys
Lived in a jungle hot,
One day they caught a tiger,
But what a shock they got.
When these three little nigger boys
Were all having naps,
This angry jungle tiger
Took their best Sunday caps.
These three little nigger boys
Awakened with a start,
One began to cry at once,
He broke his little heart.

The other little nigger boys, Did not know what to do, One got his mama's carving knife And cut himself in two.

The last little nigger boy, Was so sad alone, He ran through the jungle, And dropped down dead at home.

These three little nigger boys, Were now quite dead. Their mama's got three nigger girls. Why! Oh just instead.

PEVERIL JEROME (Form II).

THE WIND.

The wind in Jan,
Blows cold and frightens man.

The wind in Feb, Blows the spider's silky web.

The wind in March, Blows the tall larch.

The wind in April, Blows the daffodil.

The wind in May, Blows almost every day.

The wind in June, Blows a sweet tune.

The wind in July,
. Blows gently by.

The wind in August, ... Blows the dust.

The wind in Sept, Blows leaves we've swept.

The wind in Oct,
Blows hard before it will stop.

The wind in Nov,
Blows out the warm stove.

The wind in Dec, Blows snow and makes a mess.

ANNE KINMONT (Form III).

HOPPITY RABBIT'S BRAVE DEED.

Once upon a time in the Land of Popper lived a little rabbit. His name was Hoppity Rabbit. He had a brother named Skippety Rabbit. Their greatest enemy was Freddie Fox, who lived in the next wood. He used to take their food whenever he could. Hoppity didn't know what to do, but soon he thought of a plan. He would go to the old Wise Woman.

So next day he put on his best hat and coat and set out. He hadn't told Skippety of his plan because he did not want anyone to interfere. Soon he came to the cottage where the Wise Woman lived. He knocked rap, rap, rap, on the door. "Come in," said a squeaky voice. Hoppity opened the door and went in . Inside the cottage was a little table, a bed and a cosy arm chair and a glass jar with coloured bits of paper at the bottom. Kneeling on the floor was the Wise Woman. She was looking into the jar. "Good af, afternoon," said Hoppity, feeling terribly frightened all at once. "Gud afternoon, wot yer wan" said the Wise Woman looking up. "I was wondering whether you could tell me how to get rid of Freddie Fox, please? He keeps stealing our food," said Hoppity taking off his hat." "Well, well, well," said the Wise Woman getting up." "Well, well, well, another person complaining of Freddie, eh? Well the best thing you can do is to wait a minute while I look where 'e is now. Yer con sit on the flur."

Hoppity sat down and watched the Wise Woman. She picked up the jar and threw it into the air, at the same time muttering some magic words which sounded something like "Bond Bo Queen wern go. Where do you go?" She caught the jar and looked into it. She saw Freddie Fox walking along in his own wood. The Wise Woman beckoned Hoppity over to her side. "I'll catch 'im for yer if yer give me yer tail." Hoppity got a shock but said that he would go home and cut it off for her and sew another one on, for he had an idea.

He ran back home and fished out an old powder-puff and ran back with it. The old woman was delighted and not being able to see very well did not know the difference. She put on her cloak and picked up a jar with "Balloons" on it. Hoppity asked whether he could go with her to catch Freddie and she said he could if he behaved himself. So they set out.

Soon they saw Freddie walking towards them, so they hid in the bushes and waited for him. When he went by, the Wise Woman took something out of the jar marked "Balloons" and threw it at him. Suddenly Freddie shot up

into the air and came down again with such force that he went right into the earth. "Well that's the end of him," said the Wise Woman. "Let's go home," said Hoppity. "All right," said the Wise Woman, and they went home.

Skippety and all Hoppity's friends were very glad he had been brave enough to go to the Wise Woman.

BARBARA FRENCH (Form I).

SONG OF A PREFECT ON MILK DUTY.

(With apologies to W. B. Yeats).

I will arise and go now, and go to the Cookery Room, And a small skewer take down, of shining steel 'tis made, Three prefects Will I have there, all working in the gloom, And pop the tops in the milk-stiff glade.

And I shall have no peace there, for peace comes not at all, Instead, from the arch of the cloisters, the queue fast grows in length;

There straws are all a-squelching, and bottles line the wall, And hands are full of a gouging strength.

I will arise and go now, for always night and day,
I hear the white milk lapping with low sounds by the sink;
While I stand on the staircase, or on the games-field play,
I hear it still—the School's own drink.

PAMELA HEILBRUN (Form VI Upper).

BRIDGES.

In days of old (So we are told) Bridges were made of wood; But rivers are strong And things went wrong, And they didn't last as long As they should. "So let's have stone, For it won't creak or moan," Is what men said When the bridges fell; And that's what they told Their masons bold. Who built them ever so well. They were better than fords, Though too narrow for hordes, Taking traffic for many a day. "Now let's have steel That'll carry a wheel New-painted in colours so gay." STROMA MACDONALD (Form Remove A).

RECIPE FOR A LACROSSE TEAM.

Ingredients-

Twenty-four girls (Assorted positions). One field.
One ball.
Twenty-four lacrosse-sticks.

Twelve red bands.

Method-

Take the twenty-four girls, well seasoned with practice, place them on the field and mix well with twenty-four lacrosse sticks, twelve red bands and one ball.

Carry out this process every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evening, or as often as required, and then choose the best twelve.

Dress these in short navy skirts, white Aertex blouses and red knee-length stockings and leave until Saturday.

If Saturday's result is a win or a draw, sprinkle liberally with red and blue girdles and preserve-for future occasions. If however the recipe is not successful the first time—try again.

BARBARA TITLEY (Form VI Lower B).

WARDENING.

Many of us have enjoyed a Youth Hostelling holiday, but few realise how much the enjoyment depends upon the wardens who run the hostels. Some may think wardens have nothing to do from 10 o'clock, when the hostellers depart, until 5 o'clock, when the next batch arrives. How untrue this is I soon discovered while working at Shrewsbury Youth Hostel during the Easter holidays.

The Shrewsbury hostel is typical of many of the larger hostels. The staff consists of the warden and his wife, an assistant and, during busy periods an extra assistant—the situation I was filling this Easter.

Soon after 7 o'clock breakfast preparations were well under way; I laid the tables, helped to make toast, if it was required, and sorted the hostellers' post from the warden's. We had our breakfast and cleared away before serving the hostellers at 8 o'clock.

The first job after the hostellers had left was washing the sleeping sacks. I usually did this with the assistant warden —it took two of us to use the mangle, which was apt to be temperamental. The sleeping sacks had to be inspected to see that nothing was inside; someone slept with a peg one night! We also had to sort out the ones used by men who had put hair-oil on the pillows. Afterwards we prepared as much of the supper as we could; the rest of the morning was spent in dusting and other domestic duties.

In the afternoons I was free until tea, by which time the hostellers had begun to arrive. When it was getting near to 5 o'clock they would walk up and down, stopping in the centre of the window to look very pointedly at their watches. Usually the warden had to leave his tea to let them in.

Work in the kitchen started again about 6 o'clock; my main occupation was preparing the eternal custard and gravy, but I also laid tables, cut bread for packed lunches and told bed-time stories to Rosemary, the warden's small daughter.

After supper I prepared packed lunches with two or three hostellers according to the number required. By the time we finished it would be 9 o'clock and we would retire to the sitting-room for a very welcome sit-down, but even this was disturbed for the warden by late arrivals.

A week of assistant wardening is as enjoyable, if not more so, than a week's hostelling and makes one appreciate more fully the amount of work which lies behind the organisation of a Youth Hostel.

MARGO WEAVING (Form VI Upper).

JESUS.

Standing in the market-place Jesus watched the children play, Where the Eastern sunshine rose, All on a merry summer's day.

As He watched the children's games All His heart went out to bless, He was glad to see them there, And He shared their happiness.

JUDY SMITH (Form II).

IL PLEUT.

Il pleut si doucement ce soir, Si lentement que tout s'endort. La lune au ciel sur son fond noir Vient remplacer le soleil mort; La lune au ciel, sur son fond noir, Sourit vers moi, et seule alors Vient la première étoile de nuit. La pluie rafraîchit bien les fleurs; Tout est serein, sans aucun bruit Sauf l'horloge sonnant les heures. Calme dans l'air reste le vent; Au ciel reste la seule étoile. La neige tombe maintenant— Toute la terre un brillant voile. Bientôt l'aurore fraîche arrive. Le ciel devient plus clair et bleu. Le monde recommence à vivre, Les oiseaux à chanter un peu, Et bientôt 'n'y a plus de silence; On écoute quand l'oiseau chante.

RUTH MATTHEWS MARY ALLWOOD (Form V Lower A).

HARRY.

(A translation from Latin verse).

Poor Harry's was a cruel fate, To mis-pronounce the aspirate, He spoke of 'honours' duly earned, Or of a 'hambush' he had learned. Useless to point these errors out, He felt 'word-perfect' there's no doubt. For Harry's sire, and grandsire too Had spoken thus, as Harry knew.

To everybody's great content, Harry to Syria was sent, No longer did folk dread to hear Words mis-pronounced as yester-year. When travellers a message brought, How Harry's fault a change had wrought, The Ionian sea had changed its name, And now the "Hionian" became!

MARY C. HUGHES (Form IV Upper B).

MY FIRST VENTURE INTO HOUSEKEEPING:

with Father's permission!

My sense of duty made me urge my mother to take the chance of a three weeks' holiday in France.

I had to keep house, with the almost daily assistance of 'Mrs. H.' This meant feeding my Father, myself and Potter, our cat (expecting kittens, an added responsibility).

One day returning after coping with the complications of rationing and points I stumbled over a brick end and fell over, breaking my precious egg ration. The only way I could see out of this dilemma was to have six poached eggs for one ıneal.

Father was out to lunch, so I had only to cook in the evening. When Father came home I always had to walk with him in the garden; this is a normal procedure in our house. One day I left everything ready for tea and we went into the garden.

When we returned we found that we had left the silver teapot on the hot-plate and had melted a hole in the bottom.

After each course Father would insist on rushing into the kitchen and washing the plates, his great dread being a pile of washing up. We shook the table cloth after the meal and put it on again for the next and set it. Father said he would have to invent a scheme for the crockery to dry in position on the table.

On Saturdays before coffee we walked in the garden until clouds of blue smoke issuing from the kitchen window reminded us that we had left the milk on and it had boiled

Now Mother is home and once more reigns supreme, any slight mishap is greeted with cries of 'Now when we were housekeeping . . .

ZOE GOODHALL (Form IV Lower A).

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

"Fallen Fame" by Noah Plaws. "Use More Vim" by Grace Inques.

"Bad Manners" by Caesar Bunne.

"The Innocent Maiden" by D. Muir.

"The Long Journey" by Haggard Ryder. "Religion" by Neil Downe.

"The Inquest" by Gaston Mundai.
"The Harsh Rule" by Anne Arky and Ruth Lesse.

"The Preacher's Reward" by M. T. Pugh,

"The Empty Plate" by K. Keaton.

CRYSTAL BURKITT HYLDA DAVIES BERYL ENNION ANN HOWELL (Form VI Upper).

SWANSONGS.



Illustrated by Anon.

"Now bear this in mind."

MISS ROUNTREE.

"My dear child - THINK!"

MISS AYRTON.

"I'll write it down in my little book."

Miss Trubshaw.



"THERES NO NEED TO...,"

MISS OSBORNE.

MISS WHITTAM.

Girls, open your teeth!"

"Now girls, take it from the commonsense point of view."

MISS GEE.

"Have you read the works of _____?"
Miss Belderson.

"Are those school gym-shoes?"

MISS BAXTER.



"I really think we'll have to plough through a little more of that deadly Caesar today."

MISS IAMES.

FORM VI LOWER.

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

As in the country generally, the total amount saved during the year has decreased, but a number of girls continue to bring regular weekly contributions. These girls are well distributed in the Senior School.

The Junior School now have their own group working separately at Nedham House and the Preparatory Department are always steady savers.

D. T.

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

Annual General Meeting and Re-union, 1947.

The Annual General Meeting and Re-union took place on Saturday, July 5th.

Miss Nedham took the chair at 3-10 p.m. and welcomed all those present. There were about 120 members of the Association making a total of about 160 with Staff and Forms VI (Honorary Members).

Many apologies were received from Old Girls and from former members of the Staff including Miss Clay, Miss Desgratoulet, Miss Duckworth, Miss H. Giles and Mrs. Merchant.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Three points arising from them were:—

- (1) the reviving of the London Branch on November 2nd, 1946.
- (2) the evening party on December 6th, 1946.(3) the Group Secretaries.

Miss Nedham here reported that this year the playing field used as a car park for the Races had brought in only £178, as the weather was bad and we had had to close the field early. With last year's £300 and the sum from the Sale of Work in November the Building Extension Fund now stood at £870.

New Members.

The list of transfers and that of new members was read and the election of the latter proposed by E. Done, seconded by D. Edwards and carried.

Life:—Gillian Barlow, Lilian Pratt (Eldridge), Muriel McNaughton, Marion Walker, Jean Tarras, Ann Richardson, Joan Wilson (Hollingsworth), Margaret Eastwood (Hart-Davies), Myra Oakes (Wilson), Helen Peate (Caunce), Gladys Higham (Davies), K. Mary Wood and Elspeth Stalker.

Transferred from annual membership:—Doris Williamson, Kathleen Ashworth, Marjorie Cull, Mary Milton, Patricia Warneford, Nancy Waugh, Ethel Brandreth, Gwen Greenway and Dorothy E. Evans.

Annual:—Barbara Ashmore, June Duckett, Joy Gibbon, Margaret Gibbons, Pauline Storrar, Edna Offley, Hilda Whitehead, Dorothy Osterfield, Susan Woodcock, Joyce Carden, Vennie Gilchrist, Kathleen Curlett, Mrs. Garnett (Wakefield), Patricia Gustard, Dyllis Johnstone-Hogg, Gladys Lawrence (Howitt), Joan Bennett, Phyllis Pestall (Lindop), Beryl Burton-Wood and Nesta Packham (Lewis).

Election of Officers.

As the work of the Hon. Treasurer was now eased by the appointment of Group Secretaries, there was no longer any need for an assistant, as J. Holland-Williams was relieved of her duties with many thanks for her help.

The officers were then proposed *en bloc* for a further year's service by Mrs. Nicholl, seconded by M. Brodbelt, and elected unanimously.

Election of Committee Members.

Four of the existing members of the Committee were nominated for re-election. N. Day having expressed her wish to retire. To them were added M. Lobban, G. Phillips, C. West and D. Partington.

A ballot was taken and the result was that N. Broster, E. Done, E. Higgins, B. Oldham and M. Lobban were elected.

Hon. Treasurer's Report.

The Hon. Treasurer after reading the report said that we had been rather extravagant during the year; the two magazine volumes, the December party and the London Branch November meeting were rather exceptional. But our last year's balance in hand had been increased by the repayment of Defence Bonds in May, which saved us from bankruptcy, and left us with £27 odd in the bank for the next year. The Hon. Secretary drew attention to the fact that a very large proportion of the expenses of the London meeting was the advertising in the two London papers—The Times and The Daily Telegraph—£11. 7s. 6d.—more than half the total expenses of £20. 1s. 9d. This was due to the rise in rates, particularly in The Telegraph.

The adoption of the report was proposed by Sheila Timmons, seconded by Cicely West, and carried.

The raising of the Life Membership subscription was again discussed, and it was proposed by Hilda Whitehead, seconded by Doris French and supported by others that it should be £2. 2s. (two guineas) beginning next year—i.e. after May 31st, 1948. This was carried unanimously.

Hon. Cot Treasurer's Report.

The Hon. Cot Treasurer then read her report which was adopted unanimously on the proposal of E. Hird-Jones, seconded by Joyce Lea.

Magazine.

A vote of thanks for so kindly and ably editing 'Have Mynde' was proposed to Miss Hicks by Gladys Phillips and carried with applause.

Any other Business.

After giving out a few notices, the Hon. Secretary announced the most important business of the afternoon, which was to give Miss Nedham a practical expression of affection and good wishes from the Association on her retirement.

It was the suggestion of several members of the Committee that the gift should take the form of a brooch or clip ornament, and this was made to Miss Nedham, who after consideration suggested a ring.

The Hon. Secretary then called on Mrs. Nicholl as the oldest member in the gathering to present to Miss Nedham a single-stone diamond ring set in platinum, together with a cheque and a list of names written and beautifully illuminated by Miss Desgratoulet. The sheets of names had been tied together between blue linen boards bearing the School Arms in gold on the front.

Mrs. Nicholl made a happy and informal little speech to which Miss Nedham replied equally happily and informally.

She, then in her turn, on behalf of the Association, presented Miss Doggett with a cheque with good wishes for her retirement after thirty-two years as Art Mistress. Miss Doggett replied expressing her pleasure and thanks. Later. she too had a list of contributors made by Beryl Burton-Wood and tied between blue linen boards stamped with the School Coat of Arms.

Here the official account of the meeting ends, and the Hon. Secretary regrets that there appears to have been no vote of thanks to Miss Nedham for having taken the chair. But, perhaps quite naturally, after the unusual excitement of the two presentations the meeting broke up, and everyone turned to tea and talk.

After tea, which was served in the Hall, there was a Tennis match between past and present girls—4 couples from each—which resulted in a win for the Old Girls.

Officers.

Hon. Secretary, Catherine Ayrton; Hon. Asst. Secretary, Phyllis Waymouth; Hon. Treasurer, Enid Hird-Jones. Cot Fund—Hon. Secretary, Doris Edwards, Hon. Treasurer, Mabel Dickson. Committee—Nanette Broster, Erica Done, Evelyn Higgins, Muriel Lobban, Betty Oldham, Form VI Representative. Group Secretaries—Betty Oldham, Doris Williamson, Betty Noakes, Margaret Meacock and the Hon. Secretary.

List of Members.

We are hoping, during the coming year, to print, in pamphlet form, all the names and addresses of members. This will be revised, added to and reprinted every two or three years, and each member will, receive a copy, as it is published.

In view of this, it would be very helpful if the Hon. Secretary could have changes of address as soon as possible.

She is very grateful for those sent during the year.

Can anyone supply the present addresses of the following Life members? Constance Bateman, Irene Howard-Brown, Joan Dale (Lewis), May Fellows (Gould), Peggy Gray, Marjorie Kraemer (Cattrell), Winifred Lee, Edith Roberts (Wilkins), Irene Swift (Pinfold), Joan West (Siddall), Pamela Knott, M. Edwards (Lloyd-Jones), Betty Foden, Patricia Jackson, Hilda Keeling (Drinkwater), Kathleen Linaker (Proud), Eveline de Courcy Meade, Mary Onions, Gladys Roxburgh (Dutton), Faith Whitehead (Power), Bessie Watt (Lorimer—formerly in Alexandretta), Brenda Hodgkinson (Strong).

Subscriptions.

Life-£2. 2s. 0d. (two guineas).

Annual—3/- (2/6d., if more than one member of a family belongs).

The School Magazine will be sent to life members as a matter or course, to annual members when the subscription for the current year has been paid, and to Hon. members as requested, on payment of 1/6d. to the Hon. Secretary.

The Committee much regrets that it has had to adopt this . last charge.

Surplus Magazines.

There is a stock of surplus magazines for most of the years since 1900. These are shortly to be sent for pulping.

If any member would like any back numbers, will she apply as soon as possible to the Hon. Secretary, sending 6d. for each copy.

BROOCHES.

It is hoped that we may be able to get again the school badge-brooches at a not-too-prohibitive cost. The Hon. Secretary is making enquiries and will report at the Annual General Meeting.

LETTERS TO MEMBERS.

To all Old Girls of the Queen's School.

This year seems to me to have slipped by so quickly that I was surprised when I heard that Have Mynde is already at the printers and I realised that I must hurry up with my letter to you.

My chief desire is to thank you once again for the lovely diamond ring, given to me last July, and for the booklet with the names of the donors so beautifully inscribed. They are both a great joy to me and I wear the ring whenever possible.

I like to feel that the School, in the widest sense, includes all those who have served it faithfully in the past as well as those who are doing so now. We have good reason to be proud of our traditions and the rapid growth and development now taking place speak well for the future.

Many of you will have the pleasure of meeting Miss MacLean at the next Annual General Meeting, some of you for the first time. I know that she will enjoy getting to know you and I feel sure that it will be a happy occasion. My best wishes to you all.

M. T. Nedham, 27 Pembroke Crescent, Hove, 3, Sussex.

May I, through the medium of 'Have Mynde,' express my grateful thanks to all members of the Old Girls' Association including Miss Clay and fellow members of the Staff, for the wonderful parting present given me at the Old Girls' Meeting last July? I should have liked to write to each one of you, but alas! I have not got your addresses. The beautifully scribed and bound 'list' gives me constant pleasure, and whenever I handle it, fills me with very happy memories and with gratitude to Beryl Burton-Wood who did it so well.

The cheque has been paid into my account at the bank, to be used, possibly in two years' time, to go to Italy and so fulfil a life-long wish. So perhaps in 'Have Mynde' 1950, I shall have the joy of giving you an account of what I did and saw—a joy made possible only through your combined very generous gift to me on my retirement.

'Retirement' to me is a lovely word, and I had no idea life could be so delightful and that time could go even quicker than when I was in harness—Shall I ever find time to do all I want to do each day?

Yours affectionately,

G. Doggett.

As most members know, the Association contributes money each year for a prize. The Hon. Secretary has received letters of thanks this year from Maureen Challinor and Diana Shaw.

THE LONDON BRANCH OF THE OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION.

Since the meeting re-forming the London Branch of the Old Girls' Association in November, 1946, two very small tea parties have been held, both at the Y.W.C.A. Central Club.

It was not found possible to arrange a meeting in November last year, so the next general meeting was held on Saturday, 21st February, 1948, again at the Y.W.C.A. Central Club, Great Russell Street. In spite of the snow and consequent travelling difficulties, sixteen members were present, and after tea provided by the Y.W.C.A., Miss Nedham took the chair at a short meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, agreed and signed, and then Miss Nedham read a telegram of good wishes from Miss MacLean, a telephone message from Mrs. Roberts, and gave us verbal messages from Miss Simpson and Mrs. Vernon.

The main item on the agenda was the election of a new secretary. Two nominations had been received, Marjorie -

Harry was nominated by Mona Kelly and seconded by Hazel Ashmore, and Susan Woodcock was proposed by Mary Bateman and seconded by Marion Thornton. Neither of the nominees was able to be present, but as there were no further nominations, a vote was taken in their absence, and Marjorie Harry was unanimously elected. It was arranged that if, by any chance she was unaware that she had been proposed, and was unable to accept the position, Susan Woodcock should become secretary. (Owing to pressure of other work, Marjorie Harry was unable to accept office, so Susan Woodcock has become secretary and any further subscriptions should be sent to her at Canterbury Hall, 12 Cartwright Gardens, W.C.1).

Miss Nedham suggested Peggy Pirrie should be coopted on to the committee, which otherwise remained the same, and we are very grateful to Miss Desgratoulet for her suggestion that committee meetings be held at her flat.

Betty Dent asked whether meetings could be held in the milder seasons of the year when members were not so likely to be prevented from attending by weather conditions.

Irene Naylor asked whether anything had been done about the "end of the war" dinner which had been discussed at the last general meeting, and Miss Ayrton explained that her committee in Chester had not felt able to organise such a large function.

That finished the business of the meeting, and then Miss Nedham told us about the new house in Liverpool Road to which the Junior School had moved, and the difficulties that had had to be overcome before it was ready and Miss Ayrton told us that it had been named Nedham House after Miss Nedham whose idea it was. We hope that the Juniors will be very happy in their new home.

Miss Nedham also showed us the ring which was presented to her by the Association on her retirement, and which she said she had made a point of wearing especially so that we could see it.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Peggy Pirrie for her period as secretary and another to Miss Nedham for taking the chair.

A. M. P.

BIRTHS.

Allen.—On May 4th, 1947, to Joy (née Broster), wife of Christopher Allen, a daughter, Penelope Jane.

Bennett—On March 20th, 1948, at Chester Nursing Home, to Margaret (née Brown), wife of R. C. H. Bennett, 23 Eaton Road, Chester, twins (son and daughter).

Pimlott-On March 19th, 1948, at Scunthorpe Maternity Home, to Mary (nee Kydd) and Harry Pimlott, a son (John Lewis).

A brother for Elizabeth.

Shaw-On September 6th, 1947, at the Weston Nursing Home. Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Sheila (née Hughes), wife of Bruce Shaw, a daughter, Susan Elizabeth.

Witton-Davies—On October 12th, 1943, at St. David's, to Mary (née Rees) and Carl Witton-Davies, a daughter, Bridget,

Witton-Davies-On November 26th, 1945, to Mary and Carl Witton-

Davies, St. George's Close, Jerusalem, a daughter, Catherine. Witton-Davies—On February 9th, 1948, to Mary and Carl Witton-Davies, St. George's Close, Jerusalem, a sister for Bridget and Catherine (Anne).

MARRIAGES.

Humphries—Little—On September 2nd, 1947, at All Saints' Church. Hoole, Geoffrey Little, Woodville, Parkgate Road, Saughall, to Margaret Elaine, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Humphries, 24 Shavington Avenue, Hoole, Chester.

Johnston-Houlbrook-On September 6th, 1947, at Christ Church, Willaston, by Canon Wilkinson and the Rev. Harry L. Crabb, William Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Houlbrook, Upton, Chester, to Vera Catherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Sydney Johnston, Willaston, Wirral.

Morgan-Arnold-On April 28th, 1948, in the Lady Chapel, Chester Cathedral, Patrick R. J. Arnold, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arnold, 12 Nassau Road, Barnes, London, to Pamela, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morgan, Broxbourne,

only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morgan, Broxbourne, Earlsway, Chester.

Oakes—Davies—On August 23rd, 1947, at Chester Cathedral, Peter John Davies, only son of the late Dr. J. E. H. Davies, D.S.O. and of Mrs. Davies, 26 Liverpool Road, Chester, to Myra, widow of Flt.-Lieut. Charles Oakes, R.A.F.V.R., and younger daughter of Mrs. C. B. Wilson, Hoole Village, Chester.

Payne-Jackson—On November 13th, 1947, at Laxey Parish Church, I.O.M., by the Rev. F. Haymer, W. Elliot, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Jackson, Park Llewellyn, Maughold, I.O.M., to Mona, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Payne, of The Dhoon, Maughold and grand-daughter of the late Thomas Payne, of Mickle Trafford, Chester.

Scott—Siddall—On September 11th, 1947, at St. Mary's Church.

Scott—Siddall—On September 11th, 1947, at St. Mary's Church, Handbridge, James Davies Siddall, son of the late Mr. W. W. Siddall and of Mrs. Siddall, Queen's Park, Chester, to Cynthia Olive Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Scott, Landrick, Lache Lane, Chester.

Shutt-Harvey-On September 13th, 1947, at the English Presbyterian Church, Prestatyn, John, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Harvey, Coombebury, Caterham, to Margaret Alice, daughter of the late Dr. Shutt, and of Mrs. E. Shutt, Calder,

Prestatyn.

Waghorne—Grace—On August 29th, 1947, at Chester Cathedral, John Lee Grace, elder son of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Grace, Oak Lea, Hoole Village, to Pamela Margaret, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Waghorne, 12 Kilmorey Park, Chester.

DEATHS.

Chown-In May, 1948, suddenly at Treloyham, St. Ives, Cornwall, Edith Roger Chown (nee Eastwood-later Mrs. Gibson).

On the Staff 1927-1931.

Holmes—On December 10th, 1947, at Wantage, Amelia Holmes, late Headmistress, Queen Anne's School Caversham, aged 86.

On the Staff about 1882.

Jameson-On September 22nd, 1947, at Chester, Lucy Ethel Pedby

On the Staff 1905—1940.

Kitching-On February 22nd, 1948, suddenly, Mary Isabella (May), dearly loved sister of Marjorie Swire, Brookside, Penyfford.

Meacock-On May 24th, 1948, Ruth Margaret, daughter of Mrs. and of the late Mr. G. W. Meacock, West Winds, Lache Lane, Chester, aged 20.

Seller—On February 22nd, 1948, at 85 Hoole Road, Chester, Mary

Helen Seller, aged 77.

Vernon-On May 5th, 1948, in hospital, Alice Vernon (Brown), of 7 Cheniston Gardens, W.S., aged 82.

IN MEMORIAM.

MISS L. E. P. JAMESON.

It was with a sense of great loss and deep regret that I heard of Miss Jameson's death in September of last year.

I had known her for more than thirty years and had always valued her friendship. In recent years while working in close association with her and seeing her almost daily I had come to appreciate very highly her many sterling qualities. She was a most helpful colleague and a warm and true friend.

After she retired from the Queen's School, she joined the National Savings Movement in the City in the early years of She at once set herself the task of forming a Savings Group in every Street in Chester. This she accomplished with characteristic thoroughness and perseverance and continued to keep full and accurate records of all these groups. till about two years ago when failing health made it necessary for her to relinquish some of her duties.

During these years she gave freely of her time and energy and her example was an inspiration to us all. She endeared herself to everyone with whom she came in contact and it was by her own personal influence that many problems were solved and difficulties overcome.

Yet in some ways she seemed to belong to the more formal and less hurried years in which she grew up. A garden was always a joy to her, she loved books and read widely, but it was the human interest that appealed to her and the centre of her life was ever the Queen's School where she had spent so many happy years. In her the School has lost one of its staunchest supporters.

M. C. C. G.

MISS JAMESON.

Anyone who passed through the Queen's School during Miss Jameson's long period of service will agree that from first to last she was one of the outstanding personalities of the school. The remembrance of that tall sinuous figure restlessly patrolling the classroom, or bending with a slight Edwardian droop over the aspidistra which used to adorn the Upper Third form-room, the backward tilted head, the gleaming gold-rimmed spectacles which were said to reflect everything that went on, even behind her back—all will remain for many generations of old girls among the liveliest recollections of their early days.

·By nature, Miss Jameson was a lover of her creaturecomforts-though, I think, few of us at school realized the fact. But in her teaching she seemed to be endowed with some inward, secret source of energy which drove her on unflaggingly, even when she was physically exhausted. She could galvanize a class even of reluctant girls into unwonted activity, requiring of them a certain standard of achievement which had to be reached. Nor was it enough that one knew one's work: it must be presented according to certain carefully formulated rules, and where those rules were not observed the work was unfailingly returned for correction. It was not an easy standard to live up to, but, looking back, one realizes the value of her methods in building up those qualities of clarity and orderliness of thought, of a sense of form, of self-discipline and self-restraint which she herself greatly admired.

As we grew older, we found in her a wise and understanding counsellor, whose knowledge of girls and their capacity and of the opportunities open to them in contemporary life were always at our disposal. Long after we had left school she continued to follow our activities with increasing interest, and I doubt whether anything gave her greater pleasure that to visit the homes of her old girls and to watch the growth and development of their children.

Being human, she had her fads and fancies, which we at school were quick to mark and to remember; but her personal idiosyncrasies were so essential a part of her character that without them Miss Jameson would have ceased to be herself for hundreds of us who worked under her. The range of her knowledge was unusually wide, her interests, constantly extended by foreign travel, were varied and stimulating. She was a shrewd observer, a witty talker, a faithful friend, and a most loyal and devoted member of the Queen's School.

MARGÁRET MEACOCK.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Margaret Meacock, Head Girl of this school 1944-1945, who will long be remembered for her untiring efforts in everything she undertook in connection with school life.

Her name appeared each year on the Prize List and in all games she played a very active part. A Cadet more keen than Margaret could not have been found in the School. St. John Ambulance Division and Sandford House thrived under her leadership. She played no small part in the activities of the Library, Literary Society and in the revival of the Dramatic Society and, after she left school for College in 1946, she still had, to the very last, a keen interest in the activities of the Oueen's School.

Her natural charm, kind-heartedness and good humour gained for her a large circle of friends by whom she will be sadly missed.

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					R.S.P.C.A	10	Ŏ	
					S.S.A.F.A	5	Ô	
					Gobowen Orthopaedic Hospital	25	0	
					· Sunshine Homes for Blind Babies	3	0	
					Cheshire War Memorial Garden	5	0	
		-			Affiliation Fee-			
•					Merseyside Youth Hostel Association	1	1	
	•				British Drama League	1	5	
•					Presentation—			
					G. Whitworth, British Drama League		10	
Total Receipts		158	9	6	Total Disbursements •	106	6	
Bank Balance last year					Balance in Bank			
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THE CHESTER QUEEN'S SCHOOL COT FUND ACCOUNT.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FROM 17th JUNE, 1947, TO 4th JUNE, 1948.

RECEIPTS.	£	8.	đ.	Payments.		£	8.	d
To Balance at Bank—brought forward from last Account, Midland Bank, Ltd.		7		By Chester Royal Infirmary Subscription, Printing, Postages and Stationery		25	0 17	
" Donation—Queen's School Charities Fund	12 12	0	0			25	17	(
,, Interest on £20 (3½% War Stock)		14	0	,, Balance at Bank, Midland Bank Ltd., carried forward	•••	4	17	;
			<u>.</u>			_		
£	630	14	3			£30	14	

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS— JUNE, 1948.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d	l. <i>£</i> , s	s. d.	PAYMENTS.	£, s.	d.
Subscriptions Redemption of Defence Bonds Dividends :— War Loan Defence Bonds Funding Loan Bank Interest		2 2 2 16 8 10	47 1 20 0 4 0 4 5 1 £73 1	4 0, 6 8	May, 1947-Receipt Books Advertisements Loose leaf booklet Paper for presentation booklets Printing and envelopes Postages Magazines (480 at 1/6d.) Re-union Tea May, 1948-Queen's School Prize Flowers (Miss Jameson's Funeral)	6, 15 9 4 2 12 5 12 6 0 4 15 1 1 1 1	0 6 6 3 6 0 8 0
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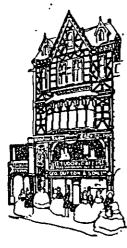
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