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#### SCHOOL OFFICERS

School Captain:

M. Drain.

Prefects:

B. R. Baggott, R. A. Baldwin, M. A. Calcutt, A. D. Dixon, J. Farrell, T. M. Grant, D. G. A. Rand, J. Sheldrake, R. B. B. Summers.

Sub-Prefect:

J. Cook.

Football Captain:

D. G. A. Rand (Autumn). M. A. Calcutt (Spring).

Cricket Captain:

M. Drain.

Beatty House Captain: M. Drain.

Nelson House Captain: D. G. A. Rand (Autumn)
R. A. Rand (Spring and Summer).
Rodney House Captain: J. Sheldrake.

#### SCHOOL YEAR 1947-48

When the school year began in September, there were three new members to welcome to the Staff: Miss Mayes, who had come to take over Mrs. Graham's duties with the small boys, Mr. O'Friel in the place of Mr. Bull, for Geography and English, and Mr. Elphick, for Gym and Games: the only new master, incidentally, who has not had to spend his first week learning the difficult geography of the College buildings. Occasionally he would remind us that he had been a boy at the school: "in my time, the Junior Cross-Country ran along this side of the embankment," or after the Houses had been reshuffled at the beginning of the new year and he had become Beatty's Housemaster: "I have always been Beatty of course, but in my time, they used to be blue." We shall miss his merriment very much now that he has left us at the end of the year.

House Matches were not long in starting and it was worth the trek downhill to Anderson's Farm to the football field of fuller extent and far better turf than the School ground. In fact, it was the greatest misfortune that the School was to suffer in all the year when the use of this new field was lost. By that time, fortunately, the House Matches were over and the honours had gone to Nelson, who won the Cup: the only one they were to wrest from Beatty. Shortly afterwards, Denis Rand, the Nelson House Captain, was called up, and his House never seemed to recover from their loss for the rest of the year.

Back in School, the badminton racquets were brought out in the long evenings, and there was plenty of table tennis, for Mr. O'Friel had organized competitions and seen that both day-boys and boarders had an opportunity to get to the

tables in the dinner hour and after school.

Then, promptly every second Tuesday at seven o'clock—the talkie apparatus focussed on the screen, the benches set in order and prep. pushed forward an hour—the boys filed into the Gym. to see the films brought down from London. Saturday, too, usually saw an escape from Silent Reading to a Twenty Questions programme arranged by Mr. Levy, or to an occasional Quiz with book token prizes.

One new sight about the School in this term was the sudden appearance of the Boy Scouts' khaki, for Mr. Jones' efforts brought back to life the moribund Xth Harlow Troop, and the Scout Hut once again became a hive of activity after School, with smoke coming out of the chimney, the smell of

cocoa from the door. Later in the year, small green Wolf Cubs were to be seen in the wilderness round the Park nosing out the trail under Miss Stanley's care.

Only one play was attempted in the year, and that was the "Sultan of Baghdad," just before the Christmas holidays. Miss Booker's settings of the great golden Mosque and the scarlet Throne Room provided a gorgeous background for the antics of the play: a play that excused itself as far as possible from the fairy-tale and descended to local clap-trap that would only be comprehensible to the school: for who would be able to enjoy Webster in the Bath Night scene, or share in the merriment when the Ugly Sisters complained they had missed the bus, if they had not lived in Harlow College?

And so the first term came to an end to the lilt of the merry little tunes that Mr. O'Friel had written for the play being whistled from the changing rooms, hummed in the dormitories, and occasionally after Lights-Out pom-ti-pommed

from the Staff Room.

No, if you wanted a real play—you would have to wait for the first day of the new term when the Rev. White brought over the Potter Street Players and treated us to the "Ghost Train." An eerie gas-jet that fluttered in the waiting-room set the atmosphere for the dark and mysterious happenings that were to follow, and our matter-of-fact Gym became peopled with hysterical women, Cornish stationmasters and a most delightful old lady with a taste for parrots and strong drink. But the real crescendo of excitement came when the gun-running express screeched through the back wall of the Gym with a fifty-mile-an-hour roar, flickering itst lights into the waiting room and leaving us astounded and rather pleased. We saw the film later, but we preferred the play, and we are glad the Potter Street Players are getting ready to come again.

#### Spring Term

Too soft a winter means mud in Harlow: worse, it seems to preclude a good summer. Certainly most boys would prefer storming their way through a snow-fight in gum-boots and sweater in 1947 to gazing over the railings at a water-logged playing field in 1948. Of course, if you were a very small boy there was infinite amusement to be got out building dams in the paths and sailing miniature boats of your own construction, but for the rest, you either had to accept the boredom or find a way out. Some to the Art Room then, and some to plan the production of a play, which they would have

got as far as producing had not the weather changed in time to make it possible to get round the countryside once more.

It was about this time that Mr. Elphick remarked that in his time the Junior Cross Country had run along the other side of the embankment. At the moment when the remark was made, Mr. Elphick was under the observation of a party of Scouts who, from dry land, were watching him jump from tuft to tuft over the flooded meadows. But the waters went down and Mr. Elphick had his way. The Junior Course was made into a genuine cross-country all the way, and the Senior run was put back on the towing path route. The ground was still soggy when practice began but it was good to be able to get out into the open again. Boarders left their tuck boxes and dayboys caught a later train home to chase each other round the field paths and under the bridges.

When the day of the races came it seemed generally expected that Porter of Rodney would come in first in the Senior, but nothing else seemed very definite. Calcutt's swollen ankle was a woe to Beatty, and Nelson did not seem to have had many practices. In fact, even while the race is in progress it is hard—because of the scoring—to calculate which House is doing best until more than half the runners are already home. On the Junior Course, down by the railway bridge Brown II of Keyes was leading Hotter of Beatty, and they were so well ahead that one of them was bound to win, but as they vanished round the bend into the final stretch it might have been either—for at one point Hotter did pass Brown, but Brown's longer legs carried him past the post first.

In the Senior, Alan Porter, running with a beautiful action and emulating his uncle's prowess on the track, came in an easy first. But it was the next three, Heaton of Keyes and Drain and Booker of Beatty, who surprised many even of their own supporters. The final result, however, was to prove the race a Day Boys' triumph for the Junior was won by Rodney's team, and the Senior by Keyes.

The term end meant another change in the Staff, for Mr. Laing was leaving. He had been with us for three years: presided over our breakfast, played the organ for us in chapel, mended our wireless sets and given us daylight tor our prep., quite apart from steering us through the mysteries of sines, cosiness and tangents. No one could ever quite fill the place that he had made for himself in the school.

#### Summer Term

Almost before we had settled down we had a half-day's holiday—in honour of the success of D. S. Bird in the last summer's School Certificate. For winning the First prize for the best Matriculation result from boys in schools under the Independent Schools Association, he has all our congratulations; and for the holiday he earned us—our thanks.

The new Maths. master was Mr. Bowie, and we were all quite astonished when he proved to know all about organ stops as well, but not so astonished as when we found that he was prepared to stand in the middle of the aisle in choir practices and make us sing, because he sang himself.

It was going to be a grand cricket term. New bats cluttered up the corners of the classrooms, the sun shone in the blue sky, and the Field after its Easter rest looked like an old coat returned from the cleaners, familiar and yet fresh, with its patches not yet showing. It was going to be a good swimming term, for who could remember a summer term when it was warm enough to go swimming in the very first week.

But the brilliance faded, the rains came, and the Swimming Pool was not opened. The weekends seemed to have a special attraction for clouds and many school matches had to be cancelled. Findlay II's Under 14 team got through the rain-belt to Saffron Walden, found a fairly dry wicket and won their match under the time limit imposed. Feeling they had missed their Saturday downpour they finished up in the Saffron Walden swimming bath, but they need not have bothered: the thunderstorm broke on the way back.

House Matches played on weekdays seemed to escape the hoodoo, and the matches on the school field were a good after-school spectacle. Beatty lucky in having both the School fast bowlers, had been welded by Drain into an entity, a team; while the other Houses only produced a nucleus of one or two First XI men: stars that were expected to do all the shining and by their brilliance hide the deficiencies of the lesser lights. Beatty were, therefore, bound to drive steadily through all opposition, so that really the more interesting matches were between the other Houses: perhaps the best was between Keyes, who had gone out to field too confidently, and Nelson, who so far had never won a match. Here, as the wickets began to fall, Rand went in to stem the collapse and to the delight of Nelson, began to hit his sixes over the tectum wall. The effect was dramatic for as Nelson went in to field

they had become a team, all of them on their toes. It was then that Snaden astounded himself and everybody else by holding a long catch from Ball, and after he had repeated this performance with an easier catch from Day, the match was virtually Nelson's.

In the lull that followed, the top form devoted forty-eight hours to the task of revising three years' work for the School Certificate, though five minutes before the exam, they were still wrestling with that perennial problem of how on earth the wretched Mary had managed to die twice: once with Calais written on her heart and the other time under the chopper in Fotheringay Castle.

With the Olympic Games ahead, and the field marked out earlier than usual, Sports Heats were started, and with the results of the points gained there, Beatty already showed a lead. On the other hand, Rand had shown a remarkable finishing sprint in the 440 Heat that made it look likely that the Victorum Cup would go to Nelson. Among the Juniors there appeared to be little to prevent Anson II walking off with the Junior Victor Cup for a second year running.

On the day itself, the rain, which had obliterated Mr. Elphick's carefully marked course more than once, held off till after tea. As the results came in for tabulation by Drahtseilbahn to the Library window, Beatty were increasing their comfortable lead with every event, but it remained a ding-dong struggle between Keyes and Nelson for second place. Rand's successes in the shorter distances had held Nelson in front till three-quarters way through the programme, but then the tables turned. Ball and Heaton in the Cricket Ball and the Mile levelled the score, while the Tug of War, won by Keyes (with the help of Mr. Ball, Senr.), meant that for the first time for some years a Day Boy House had beaten the Boarders to second place. Among the little boys too, Burrows claimed another Keyes success. By practicing the Standing Long Jump at home, he is reported to have effected irreparable damage on his father's front lawn, but he was probably forgiven when he stepped up to Mrs. Drain to receive the new Somerville Shield for the best athlete in the Preparatory class.

The last trek down to the station left the classrooms empty and desolate. Even the wisp of paper scudding round the playground seemed friendly in the silence. Then at last the sun came out. Two days later the grounds echoed again with shouts of khaki cadets swarming into their army transport before it steered round the corner past Old Mary's cottage on

its way to camp.

A month later, another excited group on Victoria Station: twenty-five bound for the south of Switzerland: some hardened travellers, some who had yet to say their first goodbye to the white cliffs of Dover. In ten days they would be back from the mountain tops and the sunscorched plain of northern Italy, back to the storms of the Channel and the rain of London.

Soon all will be back and the year will have come full circle once again: with new faces added to those that are known, and others, friends of past years—masters and boys—who will be remembered and missed now that they have

gone.

#### SCHOOL CERTIFICATE RESULTS 1948

At the July examination of the Oxford School Certificate Board, the following boys were successful:—

B. R. Baggott, D. H. L. R. Burridge, J. Cook, C. J. Crouchman, J. M. A. Farrell, T. M. Grant, M. S. Hartfield, A. W. A. Porter, M. J. Smith, D. W. B. Summers, T. Torode.

Of these, Smith, Baggott and Cook gained their exemp-

tion from Matriculation.

#### PRIZE GIVING

As has been the custom during the past few years the School Prizes were presented by the Headmaster at the final School Assembly of the Summer Term. The following were the prize-winners.

Form Prizes.—Va (awarded on the result of the School Certificate). Smith, I. Vb. Dixon, I. IV. Smith, II. Upper Remove. Edmunds, I. Lower Remove. Wallis and Shaw. III. Edmunds, II. IIa. Hill, II. IIb. Howe. I. Careless, II.

Old Harlovian War Memorial Prizes for English Literature:

Va (awarded on results of School Certificate). 1.

Hartfield. 2. Cook. 3. Grant.

Vb. Spring Term. 1. Anson, I. 2. Squires. 3. Pollitt. Summer Term. 1. Pollitt. 2. Stuchbery. 3.

Crouchman, II.

IV. Spring. 1. Williams. 2. Anson, II. 3. Rand. Summer. 1. Smith, II. 2. Findlay, II. 3. Peacock, I.

U.R. Spring. 1. Mackenzie. 2. Graham. 3. Parsons. Summer. 1. Edmunds, I and Parsons. 2. Shipman.

L.R. Spring. 1. Shaw. 2. Haseler, I. 3. Bartlett.

Summer. 1. Wicks. 2. Martin.

III. Spring. 1. Skinner, II. 2. Morgan, I. 3. Jesty.

Seabrook War Memorial Prize for Mathematics: -

Va (awarded on results of School Certificate). Smith, I. Vb. Squires.

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#### ART COMPETITION 1947-48

The Autumn Term Painting Competition has now become an institution, though it started three years ago in a random conversation about the enormously different impressions that a class of twenty odd boys might get from reading one particular poem. A poem was picked out for experiment and each boy painted his picture: translating his own impression of the words into the medium of colour. Each year since then the process has been repeated and the final results arranged in an exhibition by Miss Booker.

For the 1947 Competition extracts from Newbolt's "He Fell Among Thieves" and Rupert Brooke's "Granchester" were chosen. The First Prize was shared by Summers, I, for his "Light on the Laspur Hills," and Baldwin, who used

the lines:

" And there the chestnuts summer through Beside the river make for you A tunnel of green gloom . . ."

The Prize for the Juniors under 14 went to Wallis who

had also picked the lines from Newbolt.

In the Summer Term there were quite a number of entries for the local authority's Road Safety Competition, in which the following boys won prizes:

> Sothcott (Harlow Parish) a Prize of £1. Anson I (Harlow Parish) a Prize of 10s. Crouchman I (Matching) a Prize of £1. Wilcox (Great Parndon) a Prize of 10s.

Two special prizes which had been presented by Miss Jessie Horsey were won by Gibbs and Fish. It seems that Crouchman I's poster won the attention of the judges, for it secured a further prize at a District Competition and was

finally sent on to be exhibited at the Essex Show.

In May, the School entered for the Bishop's Stortford Art Society's competition for school children. In fact the bulk of the exhibits that were on show at Stortford came from Harlow College. It was here that Southcott won a Special Award of Two Gunieas for the best work in the Exhibition irrespective of age or subject. A First Prize in his age-group went to Torode, while Short I, Leech and Farrell won Second Prizes, and Ball and Milton Thirds. Baldwin was highly commended, and the pictures of Summers I, Summers II, Webster, Graham, Anson II and Fish were commended by the judges. In her speech at the exhibition, Miss Martin had a special word of congratulation for Sothcott, Leech and Ball.

Finally at another exhibition, this time in Harlow, at the Vicarage Garden Party, in July, Beaumont, Farrell, Sothcott and Crouchman II all won prizes in their agecategories for their pictues of the new Spire on St. Mary's. Other paintings by Summers I, Crouchman I, and Booker

were highly commended.

The successes that have been achieved in these exhibitions and competitions up and down the district are a tribute to Miss Booker for the time and trouble she has expended over the organization and setting-up of the exhibits, and to the boys who have used both their school-time and their leisure towards this end.

#### FOOTBALL

During the war years we were sadly handicapped by the lack of a football pitch of a full size, owing to the fact that on the outbreak of war the R.A.F. took over the large field which so many Old Harlovians of pre-1939 days will remember. This season, at any rate in the Autumn Term, we were fortunate in being able to have the use of the large field opposite Mr. Anderson's farm, and on this field we were able to have one pitch of the regular dimensions and one pitch of a slightly smaller size. Both these pitches stood up to rain exceedingly well, and would ultimately have become very good pitches indeed, but unfortunately we were not allowed to continue to use them after Christmas. We did not, however, take full advantage of them while we had the opportunity, for the standard of the football, except in the junior teams, was very low indeed-the lowest in fact for many years. The only two victories we had in the Autumn

Term were gained by the "under elevens" at the expense of Brentwood, and it was not until the last two matches of the season that the 1st XI produced winning form. Two very good games were played against the Old Harlovians, the latter winning on both occasions by the odd goal.

Jim Lewis, Walthamstow Avenue and ex-England Amateur International, paid us three visits during the Autumn Term, but advantage was not taken of the very useful advice

which he gave to us.

In the Spring Term we had to return to the small field below the School building and owing to the weather very little football indeed could be played. Attentions were therefore turned to Cross-Country running.

The House Matches were played off during the Autumn,

the results being as follows: -

#### 1st XI. First Series

Beatty	1	v.	Nelson	3
Keyes	0	v.	Rodney	4
Beatty	4	v.	Rodney	0
Keyes	1	v.	Nelson	3
Nelson	1	v.	Rodney	0
Beatty	5	v.	Keves	0

#### Second Series

Rodney	1	v.	Nelson	1
Beatty	10	v.	Keyes	0
Keyes	1	v.	Rodney	3
Beatty	0	v.	Nelson	0
Beatty	1	v.	Rodney	0
Keyes	1	v.	Nelson	3

#### **Final Positions**

		Won	Lost	Drawn	Goals for	against	Pts
1.	Nelson	4	0	2	11	4	10
2.	Beatty	4	1	1	21	3	9
3.	Rodney	2	3	1	8	8	5
4.	Keyes	0	6	0	3	28	

#### 2nd XI First Series

Beatty	3	v.	Nelson	0
Keyes	0	v.	Rodney	1
Beatty	2	v.	Rodney	1
Keyes	0	v.	Nelson	2
Nelson	1	v.	Rodney	1.
Beatty	7	v.	Keyes	0

#### Second Series

Nelson	0	v.	Rodney	4
Beatty	13	v.	Keyes	2
Keyes	1	v.	Rodney	2
Beatty	10	v.	Nelson	1
Beatty	1	v.	Rodney	1
Keves	1	v.	Nelson	2

#### **Final Positions**

		Won	Lost	Drawn	Goals for	against	Pts
1.	Beatty	5	0	1	36	5	11
2.	Rodney	3	1	2	10-	5	8
3.	Nelson	2	3	1	6 -	19	5
4.	Keyes	0	6	0	4	27	1150

Thus Nelson won the Senior House Cup, while Beatty won the Junior.



#### SCHOOL MATCHES

#### 1st XI

v.	Chigwell School	2nd X	I	***	***	Home.	Lost	2-7
v.	Saffron Walden	Friends	Scho			Away.		
v.	Newport Gramn	nar Scho	ol, ur			Away.		
v.	Earls Colne Gra	mmar S	chool			Home.		
	Saffron Walden			ool		Home.	Lost	2-11
v.	Old Harlovians					Home.		
	Saffron Walden		Scho			Away.		
	Old Harlovians					Home.		
	Parndon F.C.					Away.		
v.	Parndon F.C.					Away.		

#### Under 14 XI

- v. Newport Grammar School, under 14 ... Home. Lost 0-12
- v. Saffron Walden Friends' Sch., under 14. Home. Lost 2-8
- v. Saffron Walden Friends' Sch., under 14. Away. Drew 2- 2

#### Under 11 XI

v. Brentwood School, under 11 ... Home. Won 1- 0

#### CROSS COUNTRY

With very little football possible during the Spring Term interest was centred round the House Cross Country Races. As expected, Porter of Rodney, won the Senior, leading unchallenged all the way. He came home at least 100 yards ahead of Heaton (Keyes), who proved to be the "dark horse" of the afternoon. At the station Drain and Booker, both of Beatty, were lying second to Porter, but on the last half-mile they were overtaken by Heaton, who was running very strongly.

The first six home were as follows: -

1. Porter (Rodney). 17 mins. 16½ secs.

2. Heaton (Keyes).

3. Booker and Drain (Beatty).

Ball (Keyes).
 Rand (Nelson).

By virtue of superior packing Keyes beat Beatty by one point in the team race, the results being as follows:—

- 1. Keyes-2nd, 5th, 11th, 12th, 17th, 18th. 65 points.
- Beatty—3rd, 4th, 8th, 9th, 20th, 22nd. 66 points.
   Rodney—1st, 10th, 15th, 16th, 19th, 21st. 82 points.
- 4. Nelson-6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, 25th, 29th. 94 points.

In the Junior Race the three fancied runners were Hotter and Anson II of Beatty, and Stuchbery of Rodney. Hotter gained an early lead, but it was Brown II of Keyes, who shadowed him. These two led all the way from the bathing pool road and were running neck and neck at the finish, when Brown just managed to pull away in the last few yards.

The first six home were sa follows: -

1. Brown II (Keyes). 10 mins. 1 sec.

2. Hotter (Beatty).

3. Payne II (Rodney).

4. Fowles (Keyes).

Philbrick (Rodney).

6. Stuchbery (Rodney).

In the team race Rodney were easy winners, being 15 points ahead of Beatty.

- 1. Rodney-3rd, 5th, 6th, 8th, 12th, 14th. 48 points.
- 2. Beatty—2nd, 7th, 9th, 10th, 17th, 18th. 63 points.
- 3. Keyes—1st, 4th, 13th, 15th, 16th, 22nd. 71 points.
- 4. Nelson—11th, 21st, 23rd, 24th, 27th, 29th. 135 points.

Porter should be congratulated on his winning the Senior Cup and also his training of his Junior team into the first place. For two years Rodney have shown the great value of a keen leader who will take the trouble to train his teams as well as himself. Porter having taken over the mantle of Southgate.

#### PHYSICAL TRAINING DISPLAY

Towards the end of the Spring Term the annual Physical Training Display, now an institution, was held in the Gymnasium, before a number of parents. The attendance was not so great this year, probably owing to the fact that fewer boys were taking part than in former years. Mr. Elphick had concentrated on the better gymnasts in the school, taken from the various Forms, and on the whole the standard was high, though possibly of less interest to the parents than in the three previous years. According to custom the competitions for the Senior and Junior Physical Training Cups had been completed before the "day," and the results were proclaimed as follows:

The "Munns Cup for Seniors-

1, Sheldrake. 2, Beaumont I and Drain. 4, Anson I and Hayworth I. 6, Elcombe.

The "Inman" Cup for Juniors-

1, Anson II. 2, Menhinick. 3, Findlay II. 4, Streeter.

5. Abbey. 6, Martin.

Thus Sheldrake won the Senior Cup for the second year, and was presented with a personal cup by his own parents, while Anson II kept up the family reputation by winning the Junior Cup, which was won last year by his elder brother.

After the Display the spectators moved out to the field where they saw a short display of Corps work; marching, drilling and tactics, organized by Sgt.-Major Crisp and the N.C.Os. of the School Company of the A.C.F., after which the parents were entertained to tea in the Gymnasium.

#### BADMINTON

1947-1948 may truly be said to have been the most successful season we have ever had in the school. The enthusiasm has been great and there have been few occasions when the gym. has not been occupied by some or others of the club, two dozen strong, when it has been available for badminton. In proportion the standard of play has been raised, and in Drain, Findlay II and Hayworth I we have had three schoolboy players who would hold their own against any school side.

We are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Hayworth for the presentation of a Badminton Cup, to be competed for annually in a singles competition. It was generally expected that Drain would have no difficulty in winning this, but Findlay II gave the spectators and Drain a shock by taking the first set from him, before he had really settled down. Drain, however, took control of the game and finally won the match by two sets to one, thus putting his name at the top of the list of winners to be engraved on the cup. Both are to be congratulated on the splendid form which they showed, and the sportsmanship

of their play.

During the Spring Term a friendly match was played between a team brought by the Headmaster and a team from among the boys. In a most enjoyable afternoon's play the visiting side narrowly defeated the boys by 177 points to 167. Mr. Findlay was a most welcome spectator of this match, and arising out of his visit came an invitation to us to take a team across to Ware to play against his club. On this occasion the Staff players—Miss Johnson, Miss Fitchley, The Headmaster and Mr. Elphick, did not cover themselves with glory, and it was left to our two boy players, Drain and Hayworth I, to record our only victories, since they were unbeaten. Findlay II on this occasion transferred his allegiance to his home club.

The thanks of the club are due to Miss Johnson, not only for keeping intact the racquets—no easy task when collisions between beginners are frequent—and for keeping us well supplied with shuttles, but also for giving up her time to coaching the beginners.

#### CRICKET

A very successful season, although the weather was none too kind to us. Matches with Chigwell, Brentwood and Newport were rained off and one or two matches were played in anything but cricket weather.

The 1st XI won seven of the twelve matches played, losing four and drawing one. In all school matches (1st XI, under 15, unler 14 and under 12) twelve matches were won,

five lost, and two drawn.

Early in the season it was mainly a two-man side, Drain and Hayworth I scoring most of the runs and taking all the wickets. Gradually, however, the rest of the team got into their stride, and we saw several fine innings played. The fielding was quite good, but throwing-in and running-between the wickets left much to be desired. When fielding, always "back-up" the wicket-keeper when the ball is being thrown in, and always try to throw the ball full toss to the wicket-keeper and within arm's reach of the stumps. One final word of advice: Never lose heart when your opponents are making a big score, as the standard of fielding tends to drop. It happened once or twice this season, but luckily had no influence on the results.

#### 1st XI

Beatty (33 for 3) beat Nelson (24).

Beatty (54) beat Keyes (38).

Beatty (31 for 3) beat Rodney (22).

Keyes (95) beat Rodney (41).

Nelson (70) beat Keyes (26).

Rodney (69 for 8) beat Nelson (24).

Beatty (Cock House) lost to The Rest by 28 to 29.

#### 2nd XI

Beatty (11 for 2) beat Nelson (10). Beatty (75 for 2) drew with Keyes (40 for 6). Beatty (109 for 6) beat Rodney (19). Keyes (37 for 5) beat Rodney (24). Keyes (23 for 2) beat Nelson (15). Nelson (52 for 6) beat Rodney (43).

#### 3rd XI

Beatty (128 for 1) beat Nelson (14).
Beatty (39 for 6) beat Keyes (13).
Beatty (58 for 4) beat Rodney (31).
Keyes (72) beat Rodney (49).
Keyes (49) beat Nelson (42).
Nelson (46 for 6) beat Rodney (34).
Final Placings. (2nd and 3rd XI's combined for Junior Cup).
1, Beatty. 2, Keyes. 3, Nelson. 4, Rodney.

#### Match Reports

May 15th. v. Great Chesterford C.C. (away). Won. 67-72.

We should have won far more easily, our score at one time being 60 for 5 wickets, but our tail was rather a long one and added only 7 more runs. Gt. Chesterford fared no better, and although they had 50 on the board for 7 wickets they could do no better than finish 5 runs behind.

Drain. 31 and 7 wickets for 28 runs.

May 17th. v. Old Harlovians. Lost by 27 runs.

The Old Harlovians batted first and were soon in trouble, losing 4 wickets for 18 runs. Then D. Clark (28) joined D. Wickham (24) and they put on 43 in very quick time. Apart from Franklin, however, who scored 10, nobody offered any resistance to the School bowling. Drain 4 for 26; Mr. Elphick 5 for 13.

Their total of 83 should have been within our range, but nobody was at ease against the spin bowling of Wickham. Our position looked hopeful at 45 for 3, but we could total only 63. Palmer 16; Hayworth 14; Stammers 15 not out. Wick-

ham 5 for 29; Bodger 4 for 6.

O.H's. fared disastrously in their second innings with 7 wickets down for only 29, but Larking came to their rescue with a stubborn 21 not out. The innings closed at 71; Hayworth 4 for 38. Mr. Elphick 2 for 3) leaving us with 92 to get for victory. This proved to be too much for us, for we could total only 64. B. Henfrey 3 for 8.

May 22nd. v. Saffron Walden Friends' School (away). Lost 130-131.

A very good game. Drain took a wicket with the third ball of the match and Hayworth, bowling in-swingers, followed by taking 4 quick wickets before their score had reached 30. Then Webb, who had been rather subdued, found a staying partner in Cadman, and started to thrash our bowling. In a very well played 81 he hit eleven 4's and two 6's. The innings closed at 131, Hayworth having bowled very well to take 7 wickets for 43 runs. Our batsmen started very confidently and the score crept up until we had 95 on the board for the loss of only 3 wickets. Two wickets fell at that total and three runs later Hayworth was run out, having played a very adventurous 42. When Wickham joined Elcome for the last wicket only 8 runs were needed for victory. A single from Elcome, 2 byes and a mighty swipe from Wickham which nearly went over the boundary made the total 130. Then Wickham in a last do-or-die effort, tried to repeat the same stroke in the next over and was well caught at mid-off. Havworth 43. Drain 19. Calcutt 13. Extras 26.

June 5th. v. Bishops Stortford C.C. 3rd XI (away). Won by 7 wickets.

Rather a scrappy game. Drain, 6 for 21, and Hayworth, 4 for 27, bowling unchanged dismissed them for 48. On a

matting wicket we started off badly, losing 3 wickets for 8 runs. Sheldrake and Drain then came together and playing well took us past their total without further loss. Continuing we totalled 87, Drain and Sheldrake being associated in a stand of 52. Sheldrake 20. Drain 32. Ball 11.

June 6th. v. Sawbridge Youth Club (home). Won by 77 runs.
School 100. Drain 24. Hayworth 20. Palmer 13.
Sawbridgeworth 23. Drain, 9 overs, 6 maidens, 4 runs, 8 wickets.

June 9th. v. Holbrooks Engineering Works (home).

Lost by 58 runs.

Holbrooks 101 for 4 wickets. School 43. Elcome 12.

June 19th. v. Bishops Stortford C.C. 3rd XI (home).

Won by 6 wickets.

Stortford offered little resistance and were all out for 58, Drain taking 9 wickets for 34 runs. Our batsmen had a day out, passing 58 with only four wickets down. Batting on we made 159 for 8, Ball batting very freely for his 68 not out. His innings included 4 sixes. Ball 68 not out. Hayworth 27. Palmer 15. Drain 14. Elcome 11 not out. June 20th. v. A. Deans' XI (home). Won by 7 wickets.

This match was played against a team captained by A. Deans, an Old Harlovian, whom we used to play before the war. Apart from their first three batsmen, who reached double figures, no one else could do much against the school bowling, and they could total only 63, Drain taking 5 for 26 and Mr. Elphick 4 for 6. Palmer was bowled in the second over for 1, and then Hayworth came in to play a very entertaining, if short, innings. With the total at 19 he was caught, having scored 18. With the score at 30 for 3 Sheldrake and Drain settled down to another good partnership, putting on 83 runs before Sheldrake was bowled. At the close of play we had scored 125 for 5, Drain being undefeated with 62. Sheldrake 29.

June 26th. v. Newport Grammar School, under 17 (away). Lost by 48 runs.

Drain took a wicket with the first ball of the match—a vicious inswinger which hit the leg stump. Wickets continued to fall steadily, Drain taking a very good catch at short square leg, to make Newport 70 for 6. He followed it up by clean bowling the next two batsmen, with no addition to the score. We failed, however, to keep a hold on the game, and

the last two wickets added 39 runs, bringing the total to 109. Hayworth 5 for 38. Drain 5 for 47. Our batsmen collapsed against the clever inswingers of Chalk, and it was left to our last pair to save us from disgrace. Coming together with the score at 28 Wickham and Elcome endeavoured to play out time, and they added 33 before Elcome was unluckily run out, with only about 20 minutes left for play. Elcome 17. Wickham 8 not out. Ball 10.

July 3rd. v. Great Chesterford (home). Won by 72 runs. School 103 for 8, declared. Stammers 27 not out. Ball 23. Sheldrake 21. Chesterford 31. Hayworth 6 for 14. Drain 3 for 16.

July 7th. v. Saffron Walden Friends' School (home). Won by 6 wickets.

The best game of the season, although played in conditions more suitable for football. S.W.F.S. started quietly, scoring only 17 in the first ten overs. Then Webb tried to force the pace along, but was caught by Drain off Hayworth. Two more quick wickets fell, but first Baker and Cadman, and then Baker and Woods made useful contributions, enabling them to declare just after tea at 108 for 8, and leaving us 90 minutes to make the runs. We started off badly, losing Palmer in the second over. Then after a bright innings by Hayworth we lost three more wickets in three successive overs. Everything now depended on Drain and Stammers and they certainly rose to the occasion. Playing some delightful cricket Drain proceeded to hammer the bowling whilst Stammers dug himself in. In an unbroken stand of 78 they just managed to beat the clock, bringing the score to 112 for 4. A grand effort-and ample revenge for our one run defeat earlier in the season. Drain 62 not out. Stammers 21 not out. Hayworth 20.

July 19th. v. Harlow C.C. 2nd XI. Drawn.

An evening game, in which we had the misfortune to bat last, in gathering darkness. Harlow 125 for 4. School 88 for 8. Palmer 27. Ball 20. Calcutt 16.

#### Other XI's

Under 15's v. Brentwood School, under 15's.

Lost by 68 runs.

Brentwood 122 for 9 (declared). Booker 3 for 17. Wilcox 5 for 52.

School 54. Stammers 17. Anson II 15 not out.

Under 14 XI v. Saffron Walden Friends' School. Won by 36 runs.

School 70 for 3 (declared). Findlay II 27 not out. Tipton 22. Hayworth II 13.

S.W.F.S. 34. Anson II 5 for 5. Graham 3 for 9.

Under 14 XI v. Bishops Stortford College. Match drawn.

School 68. Tipton 21. Graham 27.

Bishops Stortford 50 for 9. Findlay II 5 for 14. Graham 3 for 10.

Under 14 XI v. S.W.F.S. Won by 3 wickets.

S.W.F.S. 47. Findlay II 5 for 15. Anson II 4 for 24. School 50 for 7. Graham 19. Barltrop 11 not out.

Under 14 v. Bishops Stortford College. Won by 21 runs.

Bishops Stortford College 67. Findlay II 4 for 17. Anson II 3 for 22.

School 88. Findlay II 19. Cracknell 12. Tipton 11.

Barltrop 10. Under 12 XI v. Brentwood Junior School.

Won by 105 runs.

School 115 for 7 (declared). Clarke I 57 not out. Downing 17 not out. Anderson 14.

Brentwood 10. Streeter 6 for 4. Clarke 2 for 0.

Under 12 XI v. Brentwood Junior School.

Won by 94 runs. School 118 for 3 (declared). Anderson 30. Enoch 24 not out. Downing 17. Streeter 14. Extras 29.

Brentwood 24. Streeter 3 for 0. Anderson 3 for 6. Jesty 2 for 4.

Bowling and Batting Averages

#### Batting

79	Innings	Runs	Highest Score.	Not out.	Average
M. Drain	13	284	62 (n.o.)	2	25.8
D. Ball	- 11	149	68 (n.o.)		14.9
S. Hayworth	13	162	42	-	12.4
L. J. Stamme	ers 13	95	27 (n.o.)	3	9.5
A. M. D. Elcon		64	17	5	9.1
D. Palmer	13	116	27	_	8.9
I. Sheldrake	10	89	29		8.9
M. Calcutt	11	52	16	-	5.2

#### Bowling.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. Drain	162	39	404	60	6.73
S. Hayworth	152.	3 35	390	41	9.51

#### Catches.

Drain 6. Stammers 6. Sheldrake 4. Elcome (w.k.) 4. Ball 3. Palmer 3. Hayworth 2. Clacutt 1. Wickham 1.

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	Innings.	Runs.	Highest Score.	Not out.	Average
Findlay II	4	57	27 (n.o.)		19
Streeter	4	16	8	3	16
Graham	3	46	27	_	15.3
Tipton	4	54	22		13.5
Barltrop	3	21	11 (n.o.)	1	10.5
Hayworth II	4	20	13	10 <del>-1-</del>	5

#### Bowling.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	
Findlay II	46.5	21	61	16	3.81
Graham	19	5	35	9	3.88
Anson II	37.5	2 11	72	13	5.5

#### Catches.

Anson II 3. Tipton 3. Stratton (w.k.) 2. Findlay II 1. Cracknell 1.

The "Forster Stephenson" Cup for Bowling, together with the Cricket Ball presented by Mr. Cracknell, was won by Drain, for the second year. He also won the Senior Batting Cup (Graham Cup) and the Fielding Cup (Claydon Cup). The Junior Cricket Cup (Graham Cup) was won by Findlay II. "Fifty Bats" were won by Drain and Ball for their innings of 62, not out, and 68, not out, respectively.

#### Cricket Characters.

M. Drain (Captain) (Colours). A very good all-rounder. Batting and fielding have improved considerably this year. On his day his bowling is almost unplayable.

D. J. Palmer (Vice-Captain) (Colours). Rather a disappointing season with the bat. Must cure his abbit of lifting his head in the air when attacking the bowling. Fielding good.

S. J. R. Hayworth (Colours). Another good all-rounder. Has a very good eye and is always going for runs. Good medium-pace bowler who can swing the ball, either way, but is inclined to pitch them short. Very good fielder. D. F. Ball (Colours). Forcing left-handed batsman, but is too prone to "hang out" his bat to any ball on the off. Very good fielder and useful change bowler, but has seldom been called upon.

M. A. Calcutt (Colours). A good batsman who has been only moderately successful this season. Good in the field.

L. J. Stammers. A very promising left hander, who has played some stylish innings. With more confidence in his batting he should make plenty of runs next season. Excellent fielder.

J. Sheldrake. A batsman in the making who has met with varied success. Lacks confidence to hit out.

A. M. D. Elcome (Wicket-keeper). Takes the ball well on the leg side, but positioning for throwing-in is very bad. Batting greatly improved.

M. W. B. Wickham. Requires more confidence in his batting. Fielding improved in later matches.

M. K. Booker. Has not fulfilled early promise with the bat. Fielding fair.

R. A. Baldwin. Knows all the strokes but cannot put them into practice. Fielding good.

J.H.E.

#### **RESULTS OF THE SPORTS 1948**

Sports Day was on 17th July, 1948. After tea in the Gymnasium, everyone assembled round the Circular Lawn and there the Cups and Prizes for which the four Houses had competed through the School year were presented by Mrs. Drain, mother of the School Captain.

Each winner of the Sports Day events received his medal first, and then Mrs. Drain turned to the large array of cups and prizes which have been presented to the School by parents. Both to them and to the lady who so graciously stood there and presented these trophies the School expresses its thanks for their kindnesses.

Senior Cross Country Cup and Medal (Mrs. Carruthers) to PORTER.

Senior House Cricket (Bodger Cup) to BEATTY.

Junior House Cricket Cup to BEATTY.

Senior Batting Cup (Graham Cup) to DRAIN.

Junior Cricket Cup (Graham Cup) to FINDLAY II.

Senior Bowling Cup (Foster Stephenson Cup) to DRAIN. Cricket Ball for best Bowler (Mr. Cracknell) to DRAIN.

Fielding Cup (Claydon Cup) to DRAIN.

Badminton Cup (Mr. and Mrs. Hayworth) ot DRAIN.
Senior Victor Ludorum (White Cup) to RAND.
Junior Victor Ludorum (Mr. Streeter) to ANSON II.
Preparatory Victor Ludorum (Mrs. Somerville) to BURROWS.
Ansell House Cup for Sports (Senior Event) to BEATTY.
Baldwin House Cup for Junior Sports to BEATTY.
Cook House Cup (Brooks Cup) to BEATTY.

In addition to these, there were other personal prizes which had been presented by Mr. and Mrs. Mackmurdie and

Mr. and Mrs. Bicknell.

For the last two Sports Days, the competitors have been divided into three categories: Seniors, Juniors up to 14 years and the Preparatory class of those below 11. The House positions in each of these groups, together with the number of points scored are tabulated below.

SENIORS.	JUNIORS.	PREPARATORY.
(Ansell Cup)	(Baldwin Cup)	(Somerville Shield)
<ul> <li>L. Beatty 34½.</li> <li>2. Keyes 25½.</li> <li>3. Nelson 21½.</li> <li>4. Rodney 9.</li> </ul>	Beatty 52. Keyes 34. Nelson 24½. Rodney 19½.	Keyes $22\frac{1}{2}$ . Nelson $18\frac{1}{2}$ . Beatty 15. Rodney 7.
Rand (N) 14.	Victores Ludorum. Anson II (B) 14½	Burrows (K) 12

#### Results of Individual Events

(The letters n.s. after a name indicate that no standard was gained in that event by the boy in question.)

- 440 yards, senior. Std. 67 secs.—1, RAND (N); 2, BALL (K); 3, DRAIN (B). Standards: DIXON I (B). NOTTON (N). GRANT (K).
- 440 yards, junior. Std. 78 secs.—1, ANSON II (B);
   PAYNE II (R); 3, ROBERTS (N). Standards: BRAND (B). BARTLETT, FOWLES, GABRIEL I, HASELER (K), WALTERS, WHITE I (R).
- 3. 440 yards, prepartory. Std. 84 secs.—1, BURROWS (K); 2, HODGSON (B); 3, ROSS (N). Standards: JOHNS (B), HOWE (K), RIDGEWAY II (N), PORCHER, SKINNER II (R).

- Junior Cricket Ball. Std. 50 yards.—1, FINDLAY II
  (B); 2, PAYNE II (R); 3, Anson II (B). Standards:
  BRAND, CLARKE I (B), FOWLES, CRACKNELL
  (K).
- Seinor High Jump. Std. 4 ft. 6 ins.—1, Calcutt (B);
   BEAUMONT I (K);
   CARRUTHERS (B). Standards: DRAIN, DIXON I, BALDWIN (B), CROUCHMAN I (K), PALMER (R).
- 6. Preparatory 220 yards. Std. 35 secs.—1, RIDGEWAY II (N); 2, BURROWS (K); 3, HODGSON (B). Standards: JOHNS (B), DIXON II (B), HOWE (K), RIDGEWAY I (N), ROSS (N), PORCHER (R).
- 7. Junior 220 yards. Std. 32 secs.—1, ANSON II (B); 2, BRAND (B); 3, ROBERTS (N). Standards: CRACKNELL, FOWLES, HASELER (K), WALTERS, WHITE I (R).
- 8. Senior 220 yards. Std. 28 secs.—1, RAND (N); 2, BALDWIN (B); 3, DIXON I (B). Standards: GRANT, HEATON, HOPE-JOHNSTONE (K), NOTTON (N).
- 9. 75 yards. Under nine. Std. 12 secs.—1, PRASAD II (N); 2, PENNY (R); 3, RIX (R). Standards: HAYWORTH III (B), PRASAD I (N).
- 10. Preparatory 100 yards. Std. 15 secs.—1, RIDGEWAY II (N); 2, BURROWS (K); 3, HODGSON (B). Standards: DIXON II, JESTY (B), HOWE (K), ROSS (N), PORCHER (R).
- Senior 100 yards. Std. 12 secs.—1, CALCUTT (B);
   RAND (N);
   BALL (K). Standards: BALDWIN, DIXON I (B), HOPE-JOHNSTONE (K), GRANT (K), PAYNE I (R).
- 12. Standing Long Jump, Preparatory. Std. 5 ft.—1, BURROWS (K); 2, DIXON II (B); 3, JOHNS (B). Standards: HODGSON, CARRUTHERS II (B), HOWE, BAILES II, EDMUNDS II, DOWNING (K), RIDGEWAY II, RIDGEWAY I, ROSS, RUSSELL II, SHARPLESS II (N), PORTER II, PORCHER, SKINNER II (R).
- 13. Junior 100 yards. Std. 13 secs.—1, ANSON II (B); 2, BRAND (B), n.s.; 3, ROBERTS (N), n.s.

- 14. Senior Cricket Ball. Std. 65 yards.—1, BALL (K); 2, DRAIN (B); 3, RAND (N). Standards: BALDWIN, HAYWORTH I (B), BEAUMONT I, COOK, DAY (K), NOTTON, SHORT I, SNADEN (N), SHELDRAKE (R).
- Junior High Jump. Std. 3 ft. 10 ins.—1, BRAND (B), Dead-heat second place FINDLAY II and ANSON II (B).
- 16. Senior Relay Race.—1, BEATTY HOUSE; 2, KEYES HOUSE; 3, NELSON HOUSE.
- 17. Junior Relay Race.—1, BEATTY HOUSE; 2, NELSON HOUSE; 3, RODNEY HOUSE.
- Senior Long Jump. Std. 15 ft.—1, CALCUTT (B);
   RAND (N); 3, BALDWIN (B). Standard: DIXON I (B).
- Preparatory High Jump. Std. 3 ft.—1, HOWE (K);
   BURROWS (K); 3, RIDGEWAY II (N). Standards: JOHNS, DIXON II, HODGSON (B), EDMUNDS II, DOWNING (K), RUSSELL II (N), PORCHER (R).
- 20. Old Harlovians' Race. 100 yards.—Won by Mr. ELPHICK in outstanding style.
- 21. Junior Half Mile. Std. 3 mins.—1, PAYNE II (R); 2, CRACKNELL (K); 3, GABRIEL I (K). Standards: ANSON II, BRAND, FINDLAY II (B), HASELER (K).
- 22. Mile Open. Std. 6 mins 20 secs.—1, PORTER (R); 2, HEATON (K); 3, BALL (K). Standards: DRAIN, FINDLAY I, BOOKER, HOTTER (B), BROWN II, BROWN III, GRANT (K), SNADEN (N), TOLFTS (R).
- 23. Tug-of-War. 1, KEYES HOUSE; 2, BEATTY HOUSE; 3, RODNEY HOUSE.
- 24. Sack Race.—1, SHIPMAN; 2, ANDERSON; 3, HODGSON.
- Senior Half Mile. Std. 2 mins. 30 secs.—1, RAND (N); 2, PORTER (R); 3, DRAIN (B). Standard: NOTTON (N).
- 26. Junior Long Jump. Std. 13 ft.—1, ANSON II (B); 2, DUFTON (K); 3, WHITE I (R).

#### ARMY CADET FORCE

Our notes in the last issue of the "Harlovian" were rather on the gloomy side, since we had to report that in the Certificate "A" examination held in July, 1947, all our candidates had failed owing to the insufficient time given to their training. We are now happy to report that in December of 1947 nearly all the candidates who had failed in July succeeded in gaining their full certificates. Those successful were Baggott (81%), Hartfield (76%), Elcome (76%), Drain (74%), Burridge (68%), Farrell (64%), Rand (63%). These are to be congratulated on their success, with very creditable marks, and on their consequent promotions. While we were busy, during the Autumn Term, in working up for this examination, we were at the same time engaged in the Battalion Miniature Range League, our Company producing two teams under the leadership and coaching of Sergeant-Major Roseblade. 1st team: Summers I, Grant, Burridge and Calcutt, and 2nd team: Sheldrake, Drain, Baggott and Hartfield, after a shaky start, owing to the fact that they had not had the practice enjoyed by the other teams, soon proved their worth and were ready to meet all comers. Unfortunately the competion fizzled out after Christmas and we were able to find no opponents.

In October, 1947, we were joined by a record number of recruits, who numbered 15, making our full nominal roll 41. Work proceeded throughout the year with the object of gaining full certificates for those Part I candidates who had done so well in the July, 1947, examination, and on this occasion we had no intention of entering them for Part 2 until they were really ready Sergeant-Major Crisp was ably supported by the N.C.O.'s, C.S.M. Calcutt, C. S. Summers, C.S. Sheldrake, Sergeant Grant, and Corporals Baggott, Hartfield, Elcome, Drain, Burridge, Farrell and Rand, who shared the work of lecturing amongst them, and they had good reason to be satisfied when the results of the examination, taken in July, were issued as follows (Maximum mark 400):— Hill and Liley, 276, Anson, B. W., 270, Short, I, 254, Anson, A. C. and Dixon, 251, Stammers, 248, Findlay, S. H., 230, Summers, D. W. B., 226, Carruthers, 215, Hayworth, S. J. R., 205.

At the end of the School year the following held N.C.O. rank, final promotions being made before the contingent went to camp: C.S.M. Calcutt, C.S.M. Sheldrake, S/Sgt. Grant,

S/Sgt. Summers, S/Sgt. Drain, Sgt. Baggott, Cpls. Burridge, Dixon, Farrell, Hartfield, L/Cpls. Carruthers, Elcome, Hayworth, Hill, Liley, Rand, Short.

The thanks of the whole contingent are due to Sgt.-Major Crisp, whose leadership, enthusiasm and example have brought them to the high standard which they have achieved. We should also like to thank Sgt.-Major Roseblade for the valuable assistance which he has given us, especially in the matter of range work.

O.C.

#### A.C.F. CAMP 1948

- Sunday, 25th July. We arrived at Roman Way, Colchester, at 3.0 p.m. after a very hot journey. We settled down in our tents and had a hot meal.
- Monday. Up at 6.30. First parade at 8.45, and then we went out for Section Leading on the training grounds. In the afternoon there was a R.A. demonstration, after which we had a close look at the 25-pounders, the ammunition, and a small plane which was used as an air observation post.
- Tuesday. Colonel Newman, V.C., arrived and supervised an excercise for us. This was based on the platoon in attack. In the afternoon there was .303 rifle shooting on the 100 yard range for cadets over 16 or with Part I.
- Wednesday. In the morning we had a lesson on the compass and map reading. In the afternoon a party went to Clacton and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.
- Thursday. We marched 2½ miles to the training grounds and practised platoon and sections in attack. Also a team representing the 2/4th Essex fired against other battalions on the Bren and rifle at 200 yards. We finished fourth out of eight. In the afternoon we played the 1st Essex at cricket and won by 8 wickets. A concert was given by the Essex Regiment in the evening.
- Friday. Mock battle on the training grounds with blank rounds. Cricket again in the afternoon against a combined Bucks XI. This we won by 110 runs against 22. At 10.30 p.m. we set out on a compass march and "retired" to bed at about 3.0 a.m.

- Saturday. Up at 6.30 as usual. We were all very tired but we had a slack morning. The over 16's went firing on the 30-yard range with Bren and rifle. Another party went to Clacton in the afternoon.
- Sunday. Up at 5.30. We packed up and left Roman Way at noon, having had a good camp and excellent weather.

  M.D.

#### **LUGANO 1948**

If there had been time, when the boat-train pulled in to a very drizzly Victoria Station on the way back, to have some kind of sort-up of all our impressions—we would most likely have agreed that Lugano was one up on Interlaken. It is true there was nothing to take the place of the magnificent view of the Alps, but we could get to the top of our Lugano mountain by funicular and look down on a panorama of all the places we had visited by steamer; and pineapple tart with whipped cream on top of even quite a smallish mountain like San Salvatore tips and the scales a little against a magnificent peak like the Jungfrau which we merely saw from below.

There was more to do, too. There was a swimming bath in the grounds, there were rafts on the lake, a funiclar to pop you down into the centre of the town practically on to the arcades of the Via Nassa, where those golden fountain-pens could be bought, which write blue at one end and red at the other. There was that magnificent toy-shop where you could watch miniature OO-gauge electric trains dash round their curves, and your pocket-money would reach to a motor-car with four gears and a reverse. It was a long walk down to the station and the town and rather a drag up-hill when you had to be back before they shut the gates at night, but even that stretch of road had its interesting cafés, where the lady behind the bar sang incomprehensible Italian love songs very loudly indeed, while you ate your ices or bought two hundred cigarettes at a time for Father.

The hostel was not an hotel: you had to be your own chambermaid, clean your own shoes, lay the tables, help dry your own and everybody else's plate after meals. But nobody seemed to worry and what is more, nobody dropped anything on the kitchen floor. It was a friendly kitchen with crowds of people all around and delightful smells bubbling out of the pots on the electric stove. It was a good kitchen too,

as you found if you went back with an empty plate feeling Oliver Twistish. We liked Herr Wassmann because he let us off when we wanted to go early to catch the coach to the mountains, and he trusted us because he knew we would do an extra share when we came back.

The snow had gone, of course, even when we went up to the San Bernadino Pass, through shady villages and forests and round hair-pin bends that took your breath away and made you shut your eyes: even up there on the cold stone of the mountains there were only a few streaks of white in the sunlight. But there was sunshine: a different kind of sunshine from ours, with something ultra-violet in it that you could feel, that made the tomatoes in Herr Wassmann's garden as big as grape-fruit and turned the maize along the Italian autostrada into the colour of brown paper.

The trip to Milan made us think. There in the centre of the city was one of the most beautiful cathedrals in the world—and outside it on the Square a rabble of hawkers and beggars and shifty customers who made you keep a tight hold on the moeny in your pocket. You paid for your purchases in thousands of lira, pushed across the counter bank notes the size of an Ordance Survey Map and received change in stacks of dirty bits of paper without even the sight of a nickel coin. It made you start weighing things up, for here was a country with glorious sunshine and with mountains at Lake Como as good as Lugano, yet you could not have milk in your coffee and people stared at the while rolls you had brought from Switzerland in amazement.

Belgium, Luxemburg, France, Switzerland—right from one end of it to the other—it was a long journey with only one break at Basle where Josef Seiler, as immaculate as ever in his striped trousers, met us and took us to his restaurant. But even if we were terribly tired when we reached Lugano in the dark, and felt that the St. Gotthard Tunnel had been overrated as one of the wonders of the world, the next morning woke us to a better mood, with fresh bread and butter on the table, the sun pouring down on the palms and the gay flowers of the garden, a swimming bath and a blue sky, a wallet still comfortably full and an unknown town by the lake yet to be explored.

The Old Harlovians' Club, reformed in April 1947, can justly claim to have had a successful year, culminating in the annual dinner and dance held in London on the 10th April. This was the most tangible sign yet received of the club's renaissance.

A gathering of more than seventy people was welcomed by the President, Mr. Horsey, who, in proposing a toast to the College, Mr. and Mrs. Dames, and the Staff, said that he had always considered a healthy, active, Old Boys' club was a sure sign of any school's strength. He hoped the Old Harlovians Club would continue to flourish as it had done in the past year.

Various generations of Old Boys from 1900-1948 were represented at the dinner and amongst those present were: Miss Jessie Edwardes, Mrs. Curryer (Miss Jessie's sister and secretary of the club for twelve years), R. Leith and C. H. Barker, vice-presidents.

The generosity of S. C. Mee in presenting a bottle of whisky to be raffled resulted in the addition of £5 10s. to the War Memorial Fund.

This was the largest gathering of Old Boys held since pre-war days and it proved to be a most happy and successful reunion. Arrangements are now being made for a similar function to be held next year.

In November and March informal dinners were held in Harlow to coincide with traditional football matches against the College 1st XI. The Old Boys were fortunate, winning both games by a narrow margin. The glorious weather on Whit-Monday enabled two innings to be played in the Old Harlovians cricket match which the Old Boys won, not without a hard struggle at the finish.

Several Old Boys visited the College on Sports Day and the Old Harlovians' Race was won by J. Elphick.

The Annual General Meeting of the club took place in the "Green Man," Harlow, on the 6th March. The President, Vice-Presidents, Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Treasurer were unanimously re-elected to office. The following were elected to the Committee: H. Bodger, R. Coleman, K. L. Dames, J. Elphick, C. Davison, I. Gardiner, A. Jeffreys, R. Lasking, D. Malbert, N. Smith, F. Whitby, J. Jones.

Membership of the club has now risen to 145, nearly 100 per cent increase in eighteen months. Five honorary members have been elected to the club: Mrs. K. L. Dames, Miss Jessie Edwardes, Mrs. Knight (formerly Miss Margaret Horsey), Miss N. Pearl and Miss K. Ward. Many younger members are now serving with the Forces and are thus precluded, for a while, from attending the meetings. The club undoubtedly suffered a setback as a result of the war; many former members can no longer be traced whilst others now live a long way from Harlow; but despite these handicaps a good membership is slowly being built up which may serve as a solid foundation for future generations of Old Boys.

The Committee has been active throughout the past year in arranging the club's activities and in planning the erection of a War Memorial. The appeal for donations has brought in just over £100, most of which will be needed for the tablet. There has been a considerable delay in the progress of this scheme due to the difficulties experienced in trying to find a firm prepared to carry out the work at a reasonable cost. It is now hoped that the tablet will be erected in the Dining Hall, alongside the original 1914-18 one, and ready for dedication by next Easter. Further details will be announced later and meanwhile any further subscriptions to the Fund will be gratefully received by the Hon. Sec., Mr. J. G. Henfrey, "Danehurst," Champion Hill, London, S.E.5.

Finally, a word of thanks must be expressed to all those who have, by their help, enabled the club to pass successfully through the last eighteen months; especially to Mr. and Mrs. Dames for their warm welcome to all Old Boys who visit the College and for their catering arrangements for the teams; to Miss Johnson, College Secretary, who has so kindly taken on the task of duplicating all club circulars, and to C. H. Barker, vice-president, for his unflagging advice and support at all committee meetings and club functions.

May this year prove to be even more successful than the last!

CAPT. HUGH DAVIES wrote last November just before going out to the Gold Coast to a staff appointment in West African Command. He hoped any other Old Harlovian who might be there would get in touch with him, and enquired particularly of MURPHY who was a contemporary of his at school.

- J. A. PARKER returned to his job in the printing trade in Ipswich after 6½ years in the R.A.F. He expressed his intention of visiting Harlow, of which he recalls pleasant memories.
- J. D. ROE is still enjoying life in the Midland Bank, though he says his time is too fully occupied with studying to have any other pastime.
- I. I. B. GOW is now in the Navy, though very much on land, "on" or "in" H.M.S. Excellent in Staffordshire. He hopes to make the Navy his career and has signed on for seven years with the Fleet and five with the Reserve.
- D. R. FIRKIN wrote in May that he hopes to go to the Old Vic Theatre School. He was then acting with the Northampton Repertory Company.
- I. D. GARDINER is to be congratulated on his B.Sc. (Eng.) with 2nd Class Honours. He has now joined the English Electric Coy. at Rugby, on Gas Turbine research and diesel-electric railway traction, where he will assist in doing away with the smoke and grime of Liverpool Street station. He also has designs on a Ph.D.
- N. POLLITT called on us at the end of July. One of our two Bevin boys, he came out of the mines in February and has since then been working in the Ford works at Dagenham.
- G. H. WHITE, now a Sgt., seems to have travelled all over Europe, but is glad to get back to England, to demobilization.
- P. J. CRUSSELL should have finished his time in the Army by the time these notes are in print. He is now thinking of going into the teaching profession, an idea which he scorned when he left school.
- M. CHAMBERS paid a visit to the school in October 1947, resplendent in Naval uniform. He is now a Writer and informs us with great pride that in order to become a Writer he had to pass an examination. He still plays football, and in addition has taken to rugger, and occasionally mixes the two games. At hockey he is playing in goal.
- R. V. WATSON called on us in December 1947. He has served since 1943 in the R.A.F., and is now hoping to embark on an electronic engineering career.

- B. POWER has been in the Army for over 9 months, and in December 1947 he was with the R.A.C. His brother John was then up at the City of London College (Secretarial).
- MONSIEUR HASPOT called at the school during the summer holidays and brought flowers in remembrance of those of his friends who lost their lives in the first World War.
- T. A. COX, who joined a firm of Rock Drill Manufacturers, has been appointed Area Manager in Durban, S.A., to which he sailed in September 1948, accompanied by his wife. We congratulate him on his marriage and his appointment.
- D. RAND writes from Salonika that he is enjoying life in the R.A.S.C. Before leaving this country he met D. F. ROBERTSON at Thetford transit camp. Robertson, after leaving us, proceeded to Bishops Stortford College, for whose 1st XI he opened during his last year.

There has recently been published by the University Tutorial Press an "Introduction to Modern Psychology"—the joint work of Rex Knight, Professor of Psychology, and MARGARET KNIGHT (née Horsey), Lecturer of Psychology at Aberdeen University.

Of greatest interest to Old Harlovians of 1900 to 1935 is the announcement that Mr. E. P. HORSEY celebrated his 80th birthday in September of this year. Our very heartiest congratulations to him on this achievement. All those who respected him as their Headmaster will be glad to know that he still looks very well indeed, though he may not be able to hit one over the roof of the College buildings! Our good wishes also go to Miss JESSIE, whom we also see from time to time.

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