Harlow College pre 1939-46 War

(As remembered by J. Hockley: Left 1941)

Staff

Headmasters; E. P Horsey, followed (for one or two months in

34/5 by person (name not remembered), then

K.L. Dames M.A.(Oxon)

Tutors:

Birks (Music), Cairns (French), Castle (German,

P.E. & Athletics), Dames (Latin & corporal punishment!), Harper (English Language & Literature, & Drama jointly with Cairns). Hogg (Geography), Miss Joan Horsey (Art), Robertson

(Mathematics&Sport), Temple, (Sciences), 3 Lady Tutors(names unremembered) for Forms

1 2 & 3. (one married Hogg, one Robertson),

Castle married School Secretary

Accommodation in main building:Dormitories, Library, Staff Room, Classrooms for Forms 4, 5 and later 6, Dining Room, Kitchen, Changing Rooms, Bathrooms, Showers. In the Turret: Office, Castle's flat, (There may also have been other Staff Accommodation)

Detached accommodation:

Forms Upper and Lower Remove and Caretaker's House on Road to College. (Cairns had flat in Caretaker's house.)

North side of playground

Tectum, Scout Hut on Broadway Avenue boundary.

Playing field & Tennis Court,

South side of playground

Science Labs., Dayboys Lobby, Forms 1&2, and some antiquated

and quite disgusting toilets

Behind almshouses

Carpentry and metalwork.

Accomodation added in 1935-8

Form 3 classroom West side of playground, Art Room west of main (Assembly) lawn, Gymnasium behind Almshouses, air

raid shelter under lawn at North end of Almshouses.

Games Sports etc.

Soccer, Cricket, Tennis, Athletics, Cross-country running,

Footer fives, Playground Hockey, & (unofficial) Tectum football

and grudge fights in the Tectum.

Athletics included Long jump, standing Long jump, High Jump, throwing the Cricket ball, and 100, 200, 400, 800yards and one mile races. There was always a P,T. display on Sports Day.

Other activities

Scouts, A,T.C. O.T. C. (1936 A mock election was won by the

Nazi party who were allowed to carry the (disarmed) rifles once

used for O.T.C. drill). Literary and Art competitions.

In Autumn term 1939 teaching times were altered as the College hosted the Clapton Girls high School until they moved to Herts

& Essex High School for Girls in Bishops Stortford

There were far too many Boarders at the College during my years there to list here, and in any case they may possibly be named in documentation already held by the Old Harlovians Secretary. However this may not be so of all the Dayboys, who in those days came from far and wide. Those that I remember as fellow students (including some as accomplices in creating as much mayhem as possible) during part or all of that time are listed below, showing their home town or village.

<u>Harlow</u> Ann Basket and brother, Brown brothers (3), Clark, Collins brothers(2),

Cook brothers(2), Copplestone, Emery, Gemmill brothers (2), Heeley, Hicks, Hipwell, Jones, Maynard, Minall, Negri, Negus, Smith, Soper, Stewart, Thompson, Wilmott brothers (2) the cousins of the Camp bros.

Potters Street Foster, Monk, Simons and sister Anita, Tilley, F. Whitby,

<u>Foster Street</u> Elwell brothers (2).

Housham Tye Tinney.

Matching Tye Hockley.

Matching Green Bowen brothers(2), Owers.

Sheering Chivers (and/or) Norris brothers(2).

Little Hallingbury Marsh.

Bishops Stortford Ashwell, Ayley, Biss, Dodd, Mansfield

Stansted Mountfitchet Kelly.

Sawbridgeworth Pyle, Roe brothers(2), Daynes (Officer Cadet in M.N. killed aged 16 1941)

High Wych Greengrass.

Gilston Clarke.

Roydon Dellow brothers(2), Camp brothers(3), Snawden.

Stanstead Abbots Vyse.

I tend to remember boys who were either contemporary with or ahead of me at the College, and many of those who came during my later years may have been omitted. If this is so then I can only apologise, in my time they were generally known condescendingly either as 'new kids' or 'squirts', rather than by name.