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SCHOOL OFFICERS: Spring Term.

Prefects : F. R. DICKSEE.

M. P. DONNELLY.

H. E. MINETT.

J. MURPHY.

G. RICHARDSON.

E. WELLS.

E. W. R. WOOD.

Football Captain : G. RICHARDSON.

„ *Vice-Captain* : M. P. DONNELLY.

Captain of Beatty House : M. P. DONNELLY.

Captain of Nelson House : G. RICHARDSON.

Captain of Rodney House : E. W. R. WOOD.

Captain of Keyes House : H. E. MINETT.

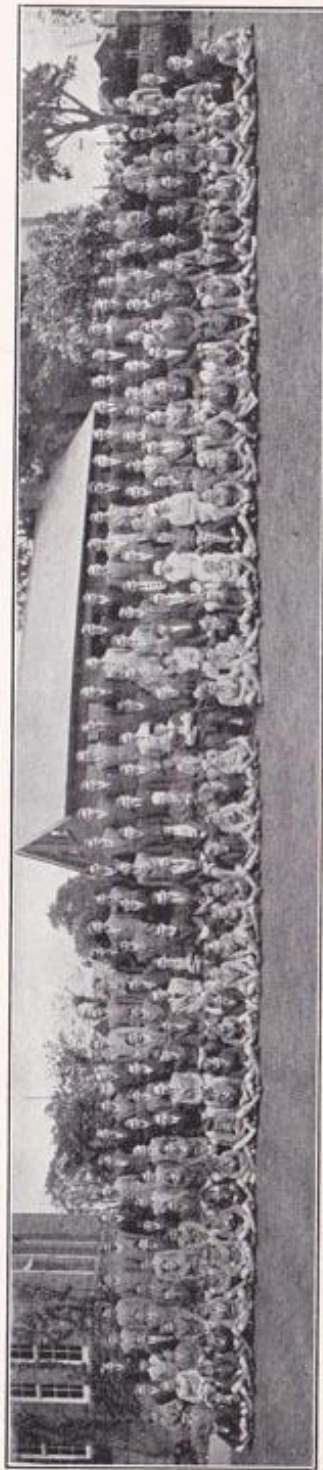


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SCHOOL GROUP—SUMMER, 1935.

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The following are absent from the above group:—

R. AMOS, W. J. AVERY, C. GREEN, J. M. HEELEY, H. G. PKYOR, L. W. RIPLEY.

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THE LATE MR. J. G. HUTHWAITE.

We have received the following letter from Mrs. Huthwaite:—

3, Green Bank,
Baggrow,
Aspatia,
Cumberland.

24/2/35.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

Please accept my thanks for the "Harlovian" and for your very kind tribute to my husband; it is most gratifying to me to know that his work was so highly appreciated.

I had several letters from boys all saying how much they had been helped, not only in school work, but in character, by the example he set, and by his influence in many ways.

His heart was in his work, and he loved his pupils, even while chastising them, as one boy said, who thanked him, "not forgetting the stick." I need hardly say how I miss him. I am, indeed, very lonely.

With my regards to Mrs. Horsey and Miss Jessie, as well as to yourself,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

E. HUTHWAITE.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Sports Day.—We are exceptionally happy to announce that Mrs. Winston Churchill has consented to give away the prizes on Sports Day, June 29th.

War Memorial Prizes.—The War Memorial Prizes for English Literature were gained this term by the following:—

Form V. (1).—E. Wells; P. Isaacson; H. Davies.

Form V. (2).—T. Barrow; K. Constable; B. R. Browne.

Form IV.—E. A. Healey; S. Browne; J. H. Jones.

Upper Remove.—F. E. Harris; H. G. Pryor; G. J. Roberts.

Lower Remove.—A. Moore; H. N. Hartrey; M. S. Barclay.

Form III.—A. J. Kitcher; D. L. Willmott; J. Jackson.

Form II.—K. Muir; D. C. Rose.

Wireless Travel and Science Talks.—During the past two terms the Upper and Lower Removes have been indulging in a series of extremely interesting wireless talks. Both forms unite twice every week, the first time for Science, the second time for Geography.

These talks are broadcast by well-known and experienced men, who make their lectures both interesting and entertaining, and frequently thrilling. Mr. Clifford Collinson is a particular favourite in the Travel Talks. The Science Talks, although perhaps not quite so thrilling, are by no means uninteresting.

Such talks as "Norwegian Whalers in the Antarctic," and "Lumberjacks in Washington State," keep all their hearers deeply interested from beginning to end. Gramophone records are occasionally played, to give the pupils an impression of the actual sounds which are mentioned in the talks.

These talks are, indeed, looked upon as a luxury by both the Upper and Lower Removes, and all sincerely wish that more of their lessons could be by wireless.

F. E. HARRIS.

Lecture on Tanganyika.—Between 40 and 50 boys spent an interesting hour one Tuesday evening during last term in St. John's Church, listening to a lecture on Tanganyika. The lecture, delivered by the Bishop of Tanganyika, was well illustrated by lantern slides.

We were shown first of all the type of country to be found in this part of British East Africa, and later were given an account of the missionary work being carried on there. Photographs of ignorant and diseased natives, particularly the lepers, made all present realise the importance of the Bishop's appeal for workers.

University Sports.—An enthusiastic party, mostly members of the running team, paid a visit to the White City Stadium to see the Oxford and Cambridge Inter-Varsity Sports.

The day was wet and windy, but some extremely interesting contests were witnessed, while two new records were set up, namely, the British pole vault record by Webster, and the Inter-Varsity quarter-mile record by Brown.

To many the most interesting race of the meeting was the three miles, in which the team work was simply magnificent.

Table Tennis.—As is usual in the Spring Term, table tennis has again become one of the most favoured of indoor sports. Several of the boys and most of the staff are experts at the game, and we have seen many exciting matches between them this term. Practically at no time of the day, class time naturally excluded, is the table unoccupied, and there are several of the smaller boys who will surely soon be masters of the art with all the practice which they have. A few evenings ago, instead of late prep., a match was held, between picked teams of six of the Masters and boys. The players were:—Staff—Messrs. Wenham, Rhodes, Compton, Bordas, Dyer, Robertson. Boys—Barnes i., Murphy i., Ofengenden, Ripley i., Hill, Constable. The staff won the match by 22 games to 14, although Barnes i managed to win all his games, whether by good play or luck, we really can't say.

Table tennis seems to have gained a considerable amount of popularity during this term, so let us hope that, unlike so many games which catch on for a short time only, it will long continue in favour.

AN "OBSERVER."

The Harlow College Dance Band.—As two of its members left at the end of last term, it seemed that the band would inevitably fall through unless some new talent was unearthed. This task was not so difficult as it appeared, because Barkham returned to school this term with a clarinet, and also the ambition to play it or "burst" in the attempt. The difficulty of obtaining a lead was hereby overcome, and there just remained a gap in the rhythm section. Donnelly, who has had a guitar for some time, filled up this gap very capably, thus completing the combination, the personnel of which is now:—Barkham, clarinet; Donnelly, guitar; Glegg, drums; and Minett, piano.

Owing to various other events on half-holidays, we have had comparatively few rehearsals, but by this time we are now quite used to playing together and also are improving individually. Twice this term three members of the band have played at small dances in

Harlow, and although it meant three hours playing at a stretch, we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. Our repertoire is gradually increasing, and the favourite number is still "Tiger Rag," without which no rehearsal is complete.

The band will still be complete next term, and although we may not have an opportunity of showing ourselves publicly, we shall continue to pass otherwise wasted half-holidays away, never forgetting the proverbial "Music hath charms."

H. E. MINETT.

This Term's Favourite Hobby.—Every term has a different hobby, and this term's seems to be wireless. About two years ago, under the direction of a radio enthusiast named Chater and under the teaching of Mr. Monk, a Harlow wireless expert, a club was formed, which used to function each Monday night in the laboratory. When Chater left the club did not continue its activities, and no more was heard of it. Some boys suggested starting it up again when the next term came, but nobody seemed keen enough and nothing was done about it. This term, however, somebody brought back a crystal set and interested several of his friends with it. The result of this is that if one goes into Form III. on almost any afternoon, two or three boys can be seen, with earphones glued to their ears, listening for signals. Wireless making is a very interesting and useful hobby, and it is a great asset to the School to have some boys who know something about wireless. There are several good crystal sets going now, and I hope that they will continue in the future.

G. BARKHAM.

Visit of the F.A. Coach.—Mr. White, the ex-Arsenal player, gave us his third and final coaching lesson on February 18th. As were the others, this was also a most interesting visit.

Dribbling between stumps, dribbling with the inside and outside of either foot, &c., were all explained and demonstrated. Afterwards a game was indulged in, mistakes being pointed out from time to time.

The 1st XI. have, I am sure, appreciated these visits, and have, as I can see by their play, taken them to heart; and I think it may honestly be said that the College have at no time played better and more attractive football. The methods instilled by Mr. White will, I am sure, bear fruit in succeeding years.

E.A.E.R.

Limericks.—Although the boys in the Lower Remove may not be budding Poet Laureates, their original efforts in the way of Limericks are praiseworthy, and here is one of them reproduced:—

There was an old man of Peru,
Who dreamt he was eating his shoe.
He awoke in the night
In a terrible fright,
And found it was perfectly true.

[E. MONK, aged 12.]

Appreciation for "The Harlovian."—The following note appeared in a recent issue of "The Halidonian," the magazine of Halidon House School, Slough:—

"We much enjoy the magazines of other schools, and thank Durban Girls' College, Slough Secondary School, Broadgate School, Nottingham, Oxford High School and Harlow College for theirs. In the last we noticed a letter from C. K. Hodges, the brother of our Phyllis Hodges, and much enjoyed the clever article, 'A Running Commentary.' The boys of Harlow College have built their own Scout Hut, 35ft. by 16ft. Why not a Ranger Hut by H.H. folk?"

Athletics.—During the Easter term E. H. Wells was appointed Captain of Athletics, with G. E. C. Maynard as Vice-Captain. They are to be complimented on the way they took charge of the organisation of the Junior Cross-Country Championship.

Valete.

Barclay, A., Copas, E. I., Coxon, P., Frost, D. B., Lowe, J. D., Ripley, K. D., Slater, I. E., Stock, D. L., Stock, K. V., Thomson, D. H., Woodruffe, K. G.

Salvete.

Bakhtiar, Y., Barclay, M. S., Dean, J. P., Dixon, R., Gillespie, J. R., Hipwell, P. J., Macer-Wright, R. J., Page, P. D., Ross, A. G., Samsam, B., Ward, A. J.

OLD HARLOVIANS' DINNER AND DANCE.

The day of this meeting is always a red-letter one in the annals of the School, and February 16th was no exception to the rule. It was held, as usual, at the Palace Hotel, Bloomsbury, and about 80 people were present. No happier re-union has ever taken place. Harlovians of all generations put in an appearance, from veterans of 35 or more years ago, which included A. Nicholson-Lailey, A. H. White, C. Bacon,

R. Leith, J. C. P. Howis, W. Greene, &c., down to D. Stock, who had only been raised to the dignity of "Old" Harlovian for a few weeks. We missed R. G. Payne and H. Bristoll, such regular attendants at these meetings, and many enquiries were made for them.

From 6.30 onwards groups gathered in the reception-room to talk over old days and to give and receive news of present doings. Mr. and Mrs. Horsey and Miss Jessie were being told, on all sides, that they had not changed a bit in the last 20 years, while Mr. and Mrs. Miller were kept busy meeting new friends and renewing acquaintance with those they had met at the two previous gatherings.

The dinner over and the loyal toast honoured, Frank Simmonds, in a most happy speech, proposed the toast of "The School, Mr. and Mrs. Horsey and Miss Jessie, and Mr. and Mrs. Miller."

The band having, by this time, put in an appearance, Mr. Horsey and Mr. Miller replied very briefly, first thanking the Dinner Secretary, Miss P. Edwards, for the excellent way in which all the arrangements for the evening had been carried out, expressing their great pleasure at seeing so many present, and wishing everyone a good time. Before the guests rose from the tables, Mr. Nicholson-Lailey spoke, for a few moments, on the aims of the League of Frontiersmen, a meeting of which he was attending later on in the evening. With so many present who had lived and worked in all parts of the Empire, he felt there would be some ready to help the movement and several interested to hear of it.

Dancing, bridge and reminiscences occupied the company from nine o'clock onwards, until the chimes of midnight brought the evening to a close with the singing of "God Save the King" and "Auld Lang Syne."

OLD HARLOVIANS.

Heartly congratulations to W. H. Rintoul on his marriage on April 5th to Miss Colville Mary Maclean.

Captain Colin C. Whyte, an old pupil and also an old master, is retiring from the Indian Army, and thinking of completing his B.A. degree and resuming his career as a schoolmaster. As he has a real gift for teaching, he should do well. We wish him luck.

We were very pleased to receive a photograph of Teddy Baker, sent from Nelson, New Zealand. He looks very flourishing. It is a long time since we had news of either Teddy or his brother John, and we should much appreciate a letter.

The Royal Air Force has a great and growing attraction for Harlovians. G. A. Cantor is the latest recruit.

The Police Force also promises to become popular. Y. Reynolds and J. Wilson have been members for some time, and now we hear that F. R. Dewhurst also has joined.

Congratulations to F. Vasey on his marriage.

The following Old Harlovians have visited the School since our last issue:—C. Barker (1910—1914); A. Deans (1924—1930); E. Dutton (1918—1925); H. M. Gray (1933—1934); J. Hale (1926—1933); H. Langman (1921—1924); D. E. Rintoul (1921—1924); K. V. Stock (1927—1934); D. L. Stock (1927—1934); and Mr. Taylor.

SCHOOLBOY DEBATING.

Who would imagine that more than 80 boys out of a total of 180 would of their own free will spend their play-time on a fine afternoon in a school-room listening to other boys' first halting attempts at oratory? Yet this strange thing happened more than once last term. The suggestion to form a Debating Society, which originated with Mr. Rhodes, evidently then supplied a want, as they say in the advertisements.

Mr. Rhodes began by calling a meeting and asking Mr. Horsey to start the ball rolling. Mr. Horsey gave the proposed society his hearty blessing. He pointed out how useful, in fact how necessary, it was for everyone to be able to stand up, when required, and express his thought in clear language. He told us of some of his own experiences in a debating society when he was quite young, how once he encountered a youthful M.P., destined to become our great War Premier, Mr. Lloyd George. He gave us some sound practical advice as to how to conduct our society, laying great emphasis on Sir William Harcourt's famous advice to all would-be speakers, viz., "Prepare! Prepare!! Prepare!!!" Then we elected officers as follows:—

President	..	Mr. E. P. Horsey.
Vice-President	..	Mr. D. H. Miller.
Chairman	..	Mr. E. H. Dyer.
Secretary	..	B. Browne.
Committee	..	E. Laster, J. Henfrey, P. Goozee.
Staff Member	..	Mr. R. B. Rhodes.

We decided to ask the Masters to take the leading part in the first debate, to give our younger members a clear idea of how they should proceed. This they very kindly did.

Mr. Robertson and P. Goozee proposed and seconded the resolution:—"That the modern boy is lazy and lacks manners"; and Mr. Compton and B. Browne led the opposition. It was a good omen that

even at this first debate several boys faced the ordeal and ventured to speak. Quite an interesting discussion took place, and the resolution was lost by an overwhelming majority. The boy speakers were Isaacson, Barkham, Gillispie, Packer and Barnes ii.

For our next debate we persuaded Mr. Horsey to move a resolution against Sunday Cinemas, and Mr. Miller to lead the opposition. This was on the whole the debate which excited most interest. Though the opinion was overwhelmingly in favour of Sunday Cinemas, the other side put up a good fight. Several boys spoke well; two were specially good and showed real promise as speakers. These were Isaacson and Humphrey. Humphrey's chief point was:—

"People who go to Church do so either because they have
 " nothing else to do, or because they have in them some sense
 " of religious duty. Those who go because they have nothing
 " else to do are of no use to the Church, therefore let them go to
 " the Cinema, where they can at least find relaxation, comfort,
 " and in many ways education. Those who go to Church from
 " a sense of religious duty will not go to the Cinema even if it is
 " open. Thus Sunday Cinemas, although not taking from their
 " worship those who are religiously minded, provide sensible,
 " cheap and wholesome entertainment for those who otherwise
 " would be walking about the streets or propping up public-
 " houses."

We give this as a very commendable example of clear thinking and clear speaking for a boy only 13 years old.

Lack of space prevents our giving details of the other debates, viz. :—

(a) "England is going to the dogs."

(b) "Which is the most beneficial profession to mankind—
 Clergyman, Schoolmaster, Lawyer, Sailor, Doctor.

We can confidently say that the Society was a great success. It will naturally not meet during the summer term, but we look forward keenly to its meetings in the autumn and spring.

Just one word of caution in conclusion. Don't forget that Debating Societies produce, not only orators, but also alas! bores and wind-bags. To avoid becoming one of these latter, don't speak merely for the sake of speaking. Think over the question carefully beforehand; only stand up when you have something really relevant to say; say it as briefly and clearly as possible, and then sit down at once.

O.B.

SCOUTS.

This term the Troop started at a great disadvantage, for not only had we lost our S.M., who had trained us from the beginning, and been the guiding spirit in the building of our H.Q., but also we

said "Good-bye" to a goodly number of the elder Scouts; some had the gloomy spectre of Exams. looming up before them, and others thought it fashionable to leave the Troop.

Nevertheless, an excellent Term's Scouting is the opinion of all interested in the Troop. The interior of the Hut has been decorated and fitted out in a Scouty manner, and has come in for a great deal of admiration from all sides, while the ground surrounding it has been utilised, both for planting potatoes and as camp kitchens, whilst paths and ditches have been engineered.

But in other directions the Scouts have not been idle. Starting with 16 Tenderfeet and 7 Recruits, we now have 27 Scouts, of whom several have passed their Second Class Tests. One night a week has been given over to Ambulance Work, and we have been very fortunate indeed to obtain the services of Dr. Booth, whom we thank most cordially for his help. Another popular feature has been "gym.," and here again we tender hearty thanks to Messrs. Wenham, Rhodes and Bordas, who have given a great deal of time, and no little energy, to make this a success. Besides this there have been many field games and afternoons spent in Tracking.

A Patrol Competition has been instituted and has done much to add to the morale and keenness of the Troop. It has been very well contested, and the final positions are as follows:—

	Pts.
1 Kangaroo Patrol (P.L. J. Henfrey)	36
2 Cuckoo .. (P.L. P. K. Goozee)	29
3 Owl .. (P.L. J. Seed i)	26
4 Woodpigeon .. (P.L. J. Isaacson)	24

So that after a lapse of nearly 25 years the "Skingley Scout Cup" goes to the Kangaroo Patrol.

We welcome to the Troop this term Ross, Cornley, Hartrey, Russell and Browne iii, and say "Good-bye" to P.L. Isaacson and Scouts Parker i and Emlyn, wishing them all the best at their new Schools.

Besides those people already mentioned, we should like to thank Mr. Dyer for his help in regard to handicrafts, Mr. Cairns for playing the piano for us on numerous occasions, and the rest of the staff for the help and encouragement they have given.

And now a word to the Scouts themselves, to congratulate them on the admirable way they have worked and played, and on the Scout spirit, which pervades the whole Troop, and to wish all, both young and old, "Good Scouting in the future."

P. A. COMPTON, A.S.M.

HOUSE NOTES.

In this term's copy of the "Harlovian," each of the four House Captains has written a short account of the activities and prospects of his own House. It is hoped that this will become a regular feature of the College Magazine. It will act as a record of the achievements of each House, and should do something to inculcate a healthy House spirit in the College.

BEATTY HOUSE.

With the exception of the Senior Cross Country Race, this term has been devoted to Junior Inter-House Contests. Beatty did extremely well in both the Cross Country Races, finishing up first in the Senior and first in the Junior. Those deserving special mention are Hart, who was 4th in the Senior and 1st in the Junior; Curnock, 6th in the Junior; Desprey, 7th (Junior); and Hartrey, 8th (Junior).

In the Junior Football, Beatty beat Keyes in the first round and drew with Nelson in the second. Unfortunately the replay did not take place owing to the influenza epidemic. Curnock played well in both matches, while Desprey, who, up till this term has taken little interest in sport, surprised everyone by holding together the Beatty defence. He should develop into a good half-back in time.

M. DONELLY (*Captain*).

KEYES HOUSE.

The two chief Inter-House Contests this term were the Senior and Junior Cross Country Races. In both events we did well, finishing up 3rd in the Senior and 2nd in the Junior, where we lost to Beatty by only two points—123 to 125. Among the Seniors' camp, Chivers and Bradbury ran well, while the Juniors who distinguished themselves were Dellow (4) and Hone (8) and Dean (12).

The outlook for the Cricket team next term is only fair, and the House is urged to put in some assiduous practice if we are to hold our own with the stronger Boarder Houses. In the Swimming Contest and Athletic Sports next term our prospects are, however, much brighter, and we should more than hold our own.

H. C. MINETT (*Captain*).

NELSON HOUSE.

The House did well in the Junior Football Competition, beating Keyes and drawing 4—4 with Beatty. Illness prevented the replay taking place. Valentine, Brazier and Walford showed great promise. The presence of such promising Juniors is a good augury for next season.

The greatest individual success gained by one of Nelson House was that of Wells in winning the Senior Cross Country in extraordinarily good time. Wells was made Captain of the new Athletic Club. Tree came 9th in this race.

We did not show up to the same advantage in the Junior Cross Country, and our first representative home was Wykes, who was 9th.

We intend to buck up considerably next term and show the College that Nelson, the House which has many times been "Cock" House in past years, is not asleep. We are determined, therefore, to retain the Stansbury Swimming Cup, also to take from Rodney the much-treasured Cricket Cup, and, above all, wrest from Beatty the long and well-held Sports' Cup.

G. RICHARDSON (*Captain*).

RODNEY HOUSE.

The House has been severely handicapped this term through the absence of its Captain from all athletic events, due to his unfortunate accident on the football field last term.

In the College A.F.C. 1st XI. Prior has been a mainstay throughout the season. Among the 2nd XI. and Junior players, Maynard i, Owers and Maynard ii have shown up well.

Maynard i and Manley achieved good performances in coming respectively 3rd and 5th in the Senior Cross Country Race, and in representing the College against Newport G.S. In the Junior Cross Country, Norris i was 2nd and Maynard ii 3rd—an excellent achievement.

C. W. R. WOOD (*Captain*).

THE FOOTBALL SEASON.

As is usual this term, the fixture list is purposely made small so as to ensure plenty of time for House Matches, Soccer Sixes and Cross Country Runs.

Those games we did play, however, were very good ones indeed, and the XI. acquitted itself well.

Our game with Bishop's Stortford Wednesday was unfortunately played with five or six reserves in the side, so the score of 9—2 against does not represent what it would have been if our strongest team had been out.

We had two very enjoyable games against Old Chelmsfordians and Southgate Wanderers respectively. The latter fixture is always looked forward to, and although this year we lost by 4—2, the standard of play of the School team was better than that of our visitors. Their weight, however, told in the end.

Against Earl's Colne the team played better together than perhaps they have done this season, and on an exceptionally heavy ground everyone played right out until the last second of the game, and 3—1 was very encouraging.

FIXTURE LIST.

Old Chelmsfordians	Won 3—2
Bishop's Stortford A	Lost 2—9
Earl's Colne	Won 3—1
Southgate Wanderers	Lost 2—4

Goal scorers:—Prior, 5; Ripley i, 1; Murphy, 1; Compton, 1.

"UNDER 14" XI.

The "under 14" XI. has had quite a busy term, playing four games in all, winning one, drawing one, and losing two, with a better goal average for than against. Indeed, the two games lost were only lost by one goal in each case.

In Valentine, Pryor ii, Owers and Walford we have excellent material for a first XI. in two or three years time.

v. Farbert and Barnard's	Lost 5—6
v. Netteswell School	Lost 0—1
v. Harlow Common (Home)	Won 6—2
v. Harlow Common (Away)	Draw 1—1

Goals for, 12; Goals against, 10.

TEAM CRITICISM.

Richardson (goal). Captain.

Camp (back). Plays a useful positional game. Inclined to kick the ball too far ahead of himself.

Donnelly (Vice-Captain).

Langer. Plays the whole 90 minutes. A little apt to wander, but usually in the right direction.

Barnes. Utility man. Plays anywhere in the half or forward line. Plays football.

Murphy i. A much improved winger. Cuts in more—hence scores more goals.

Prior. Is apparently slow, but uses the ball well, and scores most of the goals. A good shot with either foot.

Ripley. Rather disappointing, but can be very good.

Yahya. A very trustful centre forward. Left foot shot weak.

HOUSE MATCHES.

For the first time for many years the Junior House Matches have not been completed.

The date for the final, which was a replay, was fixed, but external interference, to wit, influenza, was experienced, and neither House could field a full or even half eleven. Thus the Cup has to be shared between Beatty and Nelson. Nelson beat Rodney and Beatty beat Keyes, both easily.

Then came the Nelson v. Beatty match. Until ten minutes from time it looked an easy thing for Nelson, who were leading by 4—1. But Bartlett and Beatty had other ideas. Bartlett led rush after rush

on the Nelson goal, and five minutes from time the score was 4—3. Then two minutes from the end Beatty scored again, making the game a draw of 4 goals each. A very good game indeed.

SOCCER SIXES.

As with the House Matches, so with the Soccer Sixes. We had reached the semi-Final Round, and had only three more matches to play, when it became obvious that with twenty people laid up, the games would have to be left over.

HARLOW v. NEWPORT CROSS COUNTRY RACE.

On Wednesday, March 13th, at Harlow, a Cross-Country Race was contested between the College and Newport Grammar School. For both schools this was the first fixture of its kind, and the event, which was favoured by perfect weather, aroused great interest.

Although Harlow had two men home in the first three, Newport proved to be stronger as a team, and won by 32 points to 46. The individual results were as follows:—1, R. Goulding (Newport), 25 mins. 13 secs.; 2, E. H. Wells (Harlow), 25 mins. 22 secs.; 3, G. E. C. Maynard.

Both Goulding and Wells ran well very, each beating the previous best time for the course. Goulding obtained the lead half-way round the course, using a fine long stride to overtake Wells over a heavy ploughed field. Maynard finished strongly in the 3rd place, running better than he has ever done before. Wright, Gidney, Toner and Westerman (Newport) set a good example of team work to occupy the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th places respectively.

The College have some good runners in the making. To improve, they must, as a team, learn to pack better, and as individuals, to increase the length of their strides.

R.B.R.

CROSS COUNTRY—HARLOW v. NEWPORT SCHOOL

A return fixture with Newport School was held at Newport on Wednesday, March 20th.

Weather conditions were ideal, but the course was, if anything, too hard underfoot. This proved a definite handicap to the Harlow team who, coming from a true "cross-country" course at Harlow, found the succession of paths and lanes at Newport very tiring.

Goulding (Newport), as befitted the holder of the open record for the course, set a fast pace from the start, with Gidney (Newport) hard on his heels, and Wells (Harlow) in the 3rd position.

Half-way round the course Wells passed Gidney, who was followed by Elwell (Newport) and Maynard (Harlow). This proved to be the final order, except that Westerman (Newport) forced Maynard into the 6th place. Manley (10th) was 3rd for Harlow, with Prior (13th), who improves with each race he runs, as our next representative.

Six scored for each side. Newport, with their team safely home in the first eight places, were winners by a greater margin (28 points to 50) than before, their success being due largely to excellent team work. Harlow, with a rather younger and less experienced team, packed less successfully, though Wells ran a real Captain's race, keeping his rival (who is to be warmly congratulated) well within sight all the way; Maynard, too, deserves credit for a very plucky run.

Harlow team:—Wells, Maynard, Manley, Prior, Camp, Chivers, Tree, Ransom, Curnock.

CROSS COUNTRY.

The Cross Country was run over a partly flooded course on Friday, March 8th. The start was a massed one and on a downhill slope.

At the water jump Maynard i was leading, followed closely by Camp and Wells i. This order was maintained at the bathing pool, Manley taking fourth place from Chivers i. At the end of the uphill plough the order was still the same as regards the first three runners, but Hart displaced Manley at fourth at the end of the stubble following.

At the turning on to the main road from Redrick's Lane Wells i took the lead for the first time, Manley again changing places with Hart at No. 4. Camp remained second, whilst Maynard dropped to third place.

Along the half-mile of road Wells i drew away and at the Railway Bridge had a 50 yards lead. The long slope up to the finish enabled him to increase his lead, and he broke the tape a hundred yards ahead of Camp, who in turn was ten yards in front of Maynard i.

The time for the course of $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles was 25 mins. 45 secs. House positions were as follows:—

- 1, Beatty House, 113 pts. (4, 8, 11, 13, 14, 16, 23, 24).
- 2, Rodney House, 116 pts. (3, 5, 10, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22).
- 3, Keyes House, 145 pts. (2, 6, 7, 12, 19, 25, 26, 48).
- 4, Nelson House, 182 pts. (1, 9, 15, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35).

Congratulations to J. A. Chivers and G. E. C. Maynard, who did well in the Jubilee Sports at Netteswell. Chivers won the 100 yards, and Maynard was third in the 5-mile Marathon.

MODERN LANGUAGE TEACHING.

Reprinted from *The Independent School*.

Among the many practical discussions which have at various times taken place among the members of the London Branch of the Independent Schools Association, Incorporated, few, if any, have caused greater interest, or have reached a higher standard, than the one held on Tuesday evening, February 26th, at the College of Preceptors, Bloomsbury Square, W.C. Mr. J. S. Bousfield, the Vice-Chairman of the Branch, presided, since the Chairman, Mr. E. P. Horsey, opened the discussion. His subject was "A Defence of the Old Indirect Method of teaching Modern Languages," while Dr. Thimann defended the so-called "Direct Method."

Mr. E. P. Horsey said that he spoke as one who had had a long experience and might claim considerable success in the use of the old method, and he felt that the conditions which prevailed in so many independent schools made the indirect method the best policy. The comparatively short time which could be assigned to any one subject and the fact that teachers were dealing for the most part with unwilling pupils, who had to be taught in spite of themselves, provided difficulties which, in the teaching of modern languages, he thought could be best surmounted by the use of the indirect method. He had found that after a good grounding for four years in French, and for three years in German, a boy was able to get a good working knowledge for reading and writing the language, to pass the School Certificate Examination, and to attain a considerable proficiency in speaking, provided he had two or three months' residence abroad afterwards. Mr. Horsey then explained his own methods in the teaching of modern languages. He introduced translation from the foreign language almost from the first, and a good vocabulary was built up by the pupils learning six fresh words at every lesson. Moreover, he believed in much learning by heart, in having every exercise written twice, and in retranslation. In the third year free composition was introduced, and in the fourth year oral work. In conclusion, the speaker claimed that the attention of all the pupils could be kept by such means, whereas in lessons by the direct method it would be possible for the majority of the class to be inattentive except for the very short period when it was their turn to speak.

Dr. Thimann, in reply, said that he must admit that he was not working in an independent school, but was teaching modern languages in a State secondary school, and on the direct method. What was the direct method? It was his plan first of all to use the spoken word wherever possible, to teach and explain to the class wherever he could in French or German, and by such a plan he was convinced the interest of the pupil could be stimulated and maintained. He maintained, notwithstanding Mr. Horsey's statement, that the whole form could be kept interested and at work. Of course, the direct method must

be tempered to the needs of the class. It was, he felt, a danger that too much stress was laid on the written word and not enough in being assured that their pupils would be able to use the language when they left school. He did not believe in working any method to death, for after all the aims of all good teachers were practically the same.

Mr. F. J. Whitbread said that he had learnt his French absolutely in the most old-fashioned way possible, but he *had* learnt it! When he left school he had a very respectable knowledge of French grammar and he could "chatter." What he wanted to emphasise was that such teaching had produced a practical knowledge, yet he did not remember any lesson being taken in the direct method; yet his master did constantly make use of French sentences, and expected them from his pupils, too. In conclusion, he expressed the need of thorough grounding if any boy was going to make sound progress.

Miss Bennell said that she had had some experience in the direct method in learning Spanish. Her own view was that an amalgamation of the two methods was the right principle of modern language teaching, and that was the plan which she adopted successfully in her own school. She quite agreed with Dr. Thimann that not sufficient emphasis was laid on the spoken word, and she personally would have been very grateful to London University had it insisted on a thorough knowledge of spoken French. She thought that the wireless was most helpful, because it gave two or three voices speaking French, and the more modern books which were a modification of the direct method made the study of the language more interesting to pupils.

The Chairman summed up the discussion and a very interesting meeting concluded with the usual thanks to the speakers.

ON CHEERFULNESS.

Dear Reader, let me ask you to imagine, if you can,
That you have skipped some dozen years and find yourself a man,
You possibly may notice I'm assuming for the while,
That you are masculine in sex and also juvenile.

Supposing it is otherwise, and you did not enjoy
The enviable privilege of being born a boy,
These verses point a moral one see with half an eye
Which you, however feminine, can readily apply.

Now do some more imagining and fancy that your life
Is shared by a companion who is chum as well as wife,
And then (this takes a bit of doing, but it can be done),
I want you, please, to think that you're the father of a son.

Now just suppose a fairy, all complete with wand and wings,
Had offered to confer upon your son a choice of things
To help him in his later life, what blessing would you choose?
I know full well what I should ask if I were in your shoes.

I shouldn't ask for honours, riches, titles, place or fame,
These wouldn't make for happiness, and that would be my aim.
No. I should beg for something lasting, something which my boy
Would find throughout his life to be a constant source of joy.

I know what you are thinking now. I rather thought you would!
You think that I was going to say I'd ask that he be "good."
You're wrong. I shouldn't ask for that. For egotistic worth
Is not so great an asset as a healthy love of mirth.

These imitation Saints perhaps have happiness, but they
Are frugal in their use of it. They don't give much away!
In fact these gloomy people, the professionally "good,"
All look as though they couldn't smile, and wouldn't if they could.

I'd ask for him the choicest boon that fairies can bestow,
A sense of the ridiculous, ability to show
A keen appreciation of the humour and the fun
Which lies in almost everything that's either said or done.

This fairy gift would please the boy and other people, too,
For I have found that merriment's infectious, haven't you?
And finally, dear Reader, it would make my heart rejoice,
If I could feel assured of your approval of my choice.

F.S.H.

YOUTH ON THE ROAD.

With the approach, as we hope, of summery weather, the thoughts of those who love the open-air turn to hiking and biking and camping. A great army of happy walkers and cyclists will invade the roads of Britain every week-end, and, as the holidays get nearer, for longer periods.

What a grand way of spending a holiday—so much better than idling about in a boarding-house at a coastal resort and coming back having had quite a good time in a way, but having seen and done little really worth while.

There must be many who still do not realise how greatly the opportunities for a roving holiday have been increased during the last few years, namely, by the Youth Hostel Movement. The Youth Hostel Association caters particularly for those who cannot afford or do not care for long-distance luxury tours.

Hostels have been provided all over the country at about a day's walk from each other, and members can stay at these for the amazing sum of 1/- a night. Meals can usually be obtained, but if not, there are cooking facilities. The accommodation is often rough and ready, but it is also clean and reliable, and always given with a cheery hospitality that gives the traveller something to look forward to during his day's journey.

I well remember the first Youth Hostel at which I stayed, during an Easter week-end. We had tramped 20 miles through lovely Kent, and by evening were on the white chalky roads among the low hills of the North Downs. On one side of a rather steeply sloping country lane straggled a number of bungalows, and one of these was the Kemsing Youth Hostel—a long wooden building consisting of the Common Room and a kitchen. Inside were 20 or 30 young people, some sitting in deck-chairs round a roaring log fire, a group round a table playing rummy, a number of others playing ping-pong at the far end of the room, and one strumming on a grand piano in the corner.

We signed the visitors' book, and then the warden said she would show us upstairs! We gasped—and looked up. The roof was only a few feet above our heads! Was it to be a night on the tiles? But we did go upstairs—30 yards up the hillside to where, among the trees, stood two more large wooden huts, and two well-pitched bell tents. A tent for us—but, as a luxury (as campers will think), a plank floor, and a camp-bed, with mattress, pillow and three blankets. After a wash we descended again and ate a good meal.

The night was clear and cold, and every breath of the fresh, woody-scented air seemed to bring health and strength. Once during the early hours I awoke—and through the open flap of the tent I could see, silhouetted against the pale blue of the sky, the slim shadowy forms of tall trees, and, as a background to their twining branches, the yellow circle of the bright full moon.

At seven we were splashing in ice-cold water outside our tent. And soon after eight we were making our way through a colossal breakfast of porridge, eggs, bacon, potatoes, fried bread, bread and butter, and marmalade, and hot tea. And by 10 a.m. we were away. The whole stay had only cost us 3s 9d each!

Such visits are not quickly forgotten. They are ready for anyone who, keen and vigorous, realises the chance has come to see the beauties of his own country with the smallest possible expense and the greatest possible jollity. A map of the Hostels and full details are published in the Y.H.A. Handbook, which can be obtained from the Headquarters, 18, Bridge Road, Welwyn Garden City. The nearest Hostels to Harlow are at Bishop's Stortford, Ware and Buckhurst Hill.

The open-air life is a grand, gay life, brimming with sunshine and good humour. We like to feel with the writer of this verse:—

While sun still shines and wind still blows,
His back can bear the load—
Light pocket and light heart he goes,
Youth upon the road.

R.B.R.

THE ROMAN TEMPLE AT HARLOW.

During the last fortnight of term what might be termed a wave of archaeological interest manifested itself in the College. This was due to the discovery that, within three hundred yards of the College, lay the remains of an old temple of Roman origin dating back to the second and third centuries A.D. Relays of boys visited the site, raked among the surface remains, and were rewarded by the discovery of broken pieces of Roman brickwork and innumerable pieces of unworked flint.

Ever since the eighteenth century it was known that the small oval hill just west of Harlow Railway Station was surmounted by a building of some description dating from Roman times and in 1841, when the modern railway was constructed, Roman coffins were uncovered and re-buried in the Goods Yard at the Station; but it was not until the site was excavated in 1927 that its real character was disclosed.

On the summit of the hill stood a small temple. In the centre was a shrine about 18 feet square; this was surrounded by a square portico or verandah about 9 feet wide. At the present time the trenches dug in 1927 can be clearly traced in the turf, and so some idea of the foundations of these buildings can be discovered. By getting boys to stand on the four inner and four outer corners of the wall foundations, it has been possible to demonstrate the exact lay-out of the temple.

Even more striking than the actual temple site was the discovery of a ditch encircling the entire mound for a distance of over half-a-mile. Nowhere is the ditch so obliterated that it cannot be followed, and only in one place does it appear to have had a recognised causeway. Numerous parties of boys have wandered round this ditch, carefully noting its most salient features on their maps, and speculating, like the writer, as to its exact purpose. In 1927 the excavators were not sure whether it was of mediæval, Roman or pre-Roman origin, but thought that very likely it represented the sacred boundary of the temple site.

Within this boundary is a slight depression at the northern foot of the mound, which appears to be a dried up pond, and this may have been used in connection with the religious rites in the temple. No altar or inscription was found during the excavations to show what religious cult was practised in the temple, and we can merely speculate that some local deity or the genius loci was so honoured. Further digging on the site might produce evidence to reveal his identity.

The Harlow temple is of especial interest, as only eight others like it are known in Britain, although more than fifty have been identified in Gaul. In 1927 a reconstruction of the Harlow Temple was made and presented to the Hertford Museum. The young archaeologists in the College might find it interesting and entertaining work to make a similar model for themselves.

L.P.W.

"ÉCOLÉS ET ÉLÈVES EN FRANCE."

It has been a very long time since I have had the opportunity of writing something in English, and I must say I am a bit afraid of doing so, because I do not know really what I am to tell you, and because as I know that some other "mosses" (as you say) have had the honour of writing in this Magazine, I am afraid of not doing so well as they did.

I could have written here about some of the well-known specialities of my country, i.e., the Foreign Legion, the Riviera, or the wines, but it would have been useless, because you will find all about them in the English novels, and in the most glorious way wrapped in a glamour of which I would never have thought.

So the best thing I have to do is to write about the French Schools and the French boys.

Most of the French Schools are State Schools, and can be roughly divided into technical schools and "Lycées."

The lycées, which are the more important, have been created by Napoleon to make soldiers devoted to him, and therefore conceived with a very strong discipline and no teaching at all which could have led to criticism, i.e., history and philosophy, the boys learn mathematics and science.

On the contrary, the good old Universities, and particularly the University of Law of Paris, which had been created long ago and which still spread abroad the free criticism of humanists of the Renaissance, were suppressed by Napoleon.

Everything has been upset since the 18th century, but some of the original characters remain still in the "lycées" (so strong is tradition, even in France).

We think too much of our schools as jails (we say boxes), the way of teaching is very abstract, and the teachers are too far from the boys. It is very unusual, in France, to address a Master in a personal way even to say "How do you do?"

The teachers makes his lesson "ex cathedra," and when the drum sounds, he just runs away! (till next morning). Sometimes he does not know the names of the pupils in the big forms.

As for the games, the Headmaster does not care, and the teachers are too interested in the brain to be interested in the body and health.

The Sports Master is generally a poor old man who teaches with a bowler hat on his head.

But don't believe that the French boys do not take any exercise at all. Plenty of them join sports' associations. Football, hockey, rowing are very much indulged in, and in summer you can see boys and girls hiking in the woods on Sundays. The Scouts are very much in favour, too.

I think the French boys like the individual games, tennis, swimming, &c., better than the team games, but there is little difference between them and the English boys. They know how to work, but they know how to take their own pleasure, even when they are supposed to be at their books.

E. P. BORDAS.

JUVENILIA.

Four people, or three people and a horse, are the means whereby this article has been evolved, or rather, if those three people and a horse had not been in existence in their respective countries, neither would this article. The three and one are with their reasons:—

- (a) Hitler.
- (b) G. Bernard Shaw.
- (c) Mussolini.
- (d) Golden Miller.

Hitler.

(a) If Hitler had been born an Englishman our arms would be so tired that we should have been incapable of holding a pen. That might have been all for the good.

George Barnard Shaw.

(b) We have been greatly inspired by the polite and restrained manner in which G.B.S. talks of himself and others (of himself mainly). We have tried to model ourselves on him. His modesty has been apparent to us at all times, and what charms us most is the fact that he is so pleasingly anti-British. Having got the best out of his land of birth—he now takes pleasure in boosting up all the other countries. I wonder if England will be good enough for him to die in. It may be a case of "Where's George? Gone to ——!"

Mussolini.

(c) For keeping his one million bayonets in Italy or thereabouts. We should have positively hated all that cutlery in Harlow. Why anyone might cut himself.

Golden Miller.

(d) If G.M. had not been such a hot favourite for the National we should have had our shirt on him. We refrained from backing him, however, as the odds were so short, saved our money, and hence were able to obtain the ice and towel necessary for writing this article.

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"Patience was brought up by an old man who had just died."
A spiritual existence?

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"St. Francis started the Order of the Wondering Friars."
Who started the Three Nuns (Empire)?

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"The engine whistled, seized by a fear of losing the train."
Another Southern train gone wrong.

"The Black Country is in Russia."
Near the Black Sea perhaps?

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"Sugar beet is a plant which is sent to a place called "tate an lyle" and made into sugar."
And we thought we knew our England, too.

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"Jonah was a man who was *supposed* to have been swallowed by a whale."
An unbeliever evidently.

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"The Black Shirts are a band of men with Red ties."
Stalin *will* be pleased.

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"Body line is round about tummy."
Yes, but what round about your tummy.

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Q.: "Where is Arthur's seat?"

A.: "In his coffin."

An excellent example of the embalmer's art.

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"Temperature tells people *weather* the *whaeter* is hot or cold."
Whether you like it or not.

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And thus we come to the end of yet another term, and, thank goodness, to the end of yet another Juvenilia.

Hoping to be with you again when the summer sun beats down on the corrugated brow of
MACONACHIE.

LETTERS FROM OLD HARLOVIANS.

Evanscroft,
15, Howard Road,
Coulsden,
Surrey.
2nd March.

DEAR MISS JESSIE,

I was very pleased to receive the invitation to the Old Boys' dinner' but regret that I shall be unable to come this year, as I have two exams' very close on that date. I only wish I had paid more attention to Mr. Horsey's Latin lessons, as this subject is holding me back in Little-go. I have succeeded in passing in the other subjects. I am progressing with my music and am taking my Diploma this Easter. I shall make music my special subject at the University.

Thank you very much for the "Harlovian." I should like to have it regularly and I enclose P.O. for the year. I was sorry to hear of Mr. Huthwaite's death and also of Mr. Horsey's illness, but glad he is well again. I read all the news with great interest, especially the schoolboy howlers and Old Boys' letters. I often wonder what my contemporaries are doing.

Well, I must close now. Please give my kindest regards to Mr. and Mrs. Horsey and Mr. Cairns, hoping you yourself and all at the old School are well.

Yours very sincerely,

KEITH WICKHAM-JONES.

School House,
Bishopswood Road,
Highgate,
N.6.
10/2/35.

DEAR SIR,

I am very sorry not to have written to you before this, and I have no excuse whatsoever to offer. I am also afraid that I have neglected my half-termly visits rather badly.

School here is much the same as it was at Harlow, except that here we live in separate Houses, each of which contains about forty-five boys. The Houses are situated about a quarter of a mile from the School itself. Each day we have to walk to and from School four times. Here, also, sports play a greater part than they did at Harlow, and we have to turn out twice a day.

You may like to know that I gained my Third Eleven colours for Cricket last season, and that I also play in the Third Eleven Football.

Our football team this year has been quite strong, and defeated a strong "Casuals" team, which contained among others A. A. Fabian, the Amateur International, who is also our games master.

Two of our chaps were chosen to represent the English Public School Shooting Team, which toured Canada, so you see that in the sporting line we are doing very well.

And now a little more about my progress in the learning branch of the School. I have reached the Modern VI. and am specialising in Mathematics—which, as you know, was always my strong point—with a view to a Scholarship at Cambridge in another two years.

I wonder if you have any news of Gatford; he seems to have passed out of existence. I heard that there was someone of that name at Oundle School, but whether that is the same one I do not know.

Hoping that this finds you in the best of health,

I remain,

Yours affectionately,
GEOFFREY G. HARRIS.

519224 G. D. C. Cantor, H.,
Division 3,
T. Depot Squadron,
R.A.F., Uxbridge,
Middlesex.

25/2/35.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

After a long silence I am writing to tell you that I have joined the Air Force. I took this step as since leaving School I have been stuck in an office too much.

Actually I have only been in the Service a fortnight. During that time I have got my uniform, had my teeth examined, had my vaccine test, and have now got to wait three weeks before I can be medically discharged and report for drills and physical training.

After three months of this I am posted to an Aerodrome.

I see from the Magazine that Reg. Tarling is trying to get a commission. I was speaking to our Block Corporal the other day, and he tells me there is a very good chance for him.

Friday morning I was on guard duty from 6.15 to 4.30, and am on again some time this week. This kind of work is not so good, as the Americans say.

Give my kind regards to Mrs. Horsey, Miss Jessie, Margaret, and Mr. and Mrs. Miller.

Trusting, Sir, that you will forgive me for remaining silent so long,
I remain,

Still your affectionate pupil,

H. A. CANTOR.

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The Limes,

Hurst Green,

Sussex.

April 28th, 1935.

DEAR MR. AND MRS. HORSEY,

After receiving your P.C. of the 13th inst., I must just write you and apologise for the continued oblivion. It is not from desire, but due to the genuine pressure of "Paddling one's own canoe."

From the above address you will see I have moved from 131, Napier Road, Gillingham, but the move only took place on the 15th inst.

Corn business in towns to-day is like "flogging a dead horse," so that I have been compelled to find a berth on the road again as a corn salesman. I succeeded in doing this last June, but very nearly decided to close down at Gillingham just before Easter.

The culminating factor in this move was that my wife (wonderful woman) presented me last November 7th, 1934, with twin boys. Whew! we both had the shock of our lives, but now the boys are here we would not part with either of them. Our total family now consists of seven children. We are at least a happy, healthy family, and to be both is a great thing to be thankful for.

Margaret (16), the eldest girl, was top of Napier Road Schools for three years.

John (13), who comes next, is not quite so fortunate, but we can truthfully put this down to an accident in 1932, when he was knocked by a motor-bike. His injuries included two fractures of the skull, with minor abrasions. Six weeks in hospital and six months' convalescence put him behind.

Phyllis (12) has won a scholarship and has been going to Rochester Grammar School, but is now awaiting a transfer. Birdie (10), Jean (8) are coming along quietly, and of course the "Twins." Well! They are bound to come along!!

From this rough sketch of my family you will appreciate the fact it takes all I can earn to keep them going nicely; and I have to admit the boot pinches at times, but nevertheless I am firmly convinced that a "family life" is ultimately the happiest.

I often appreciate the Novae effect of the Harlow training, and it has often made itself felt at the right time.

I do hope you and Mrs. Horsey and Miss Edwards are enjoying good health.

Mrs. Richmond and myself both hope to turn up to a dinner again shortly; we shall not always say "No."

With the kindest of regards to you all.

Very sincerely yours,

GEOFFREY RICHMOND.

P.S.—I do thank you for the Magazine; it is a "good tonic."

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Busselton, W.C.,

February 2nd, 1935.

E. P. Horsey, Esq.,

Harlow College,

Essex.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

I am posting to you a copy of our local paper, with an important notice in it—important to my wife and self—the birth of a son on January 24th, "Benjamin Barry."

You may remember that we lost our first boy, he only lived four hours; but Barry and his mother are both doing well.

I hope in due course to be able to send him to Harlow, though it is a little early to be even thinking of school days for him.

Please convey my very best wishes to Mrs. Horsey, Miss Jessie and Margot.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

B. KEMP KILLERBY.

—————
"The Mount,"

Burton-in-Lonsdale,

via Carnforth,

Lancs.

1/3/35.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

Very much regret delay in answering your letter of the 9th ult., but have been jazzing about in the North of England, and letters have been awaiting my arrival or return as the case may be, consequently yours has only just come to hand.

I greatly appreciate the honour that has been bestowed upon me, but it is highly probable that I shall not be able to attend the Old Boys' Dinner this year, although I shall do my utmost to arrange things accordingly, so please reserve me a place, but I think it will be better for you to allot the toast to somebody else who will be definitely attending the function.

I was very pleased indeed to hear that you have had such a successful operation, and that you are feeling so very much better. Shall be looking forward to seeing you all once again; if I don't happen to recognise you, please attract my attention, but I don't think the ten years off will camouflage you to that extent; however, one never knows.

Very pleased to hear that you are all keeping well and enjoying life, and also to learn that the good old Coll. is still flourishing, as it should be after the affectionate care it has been given.

Kindest regards to all.

Yours sincerely,
W. GREENE.

1210, London Road,
Leigh-on-Sea,
21/2/35.

DEAR MISS JESSIE,

I am writing to thank you for the Magazine. I was particularly interested in the Australian storekeeper's offer, as I am working in an Australian Bank. Does the offer apply to males only, or will any Harlovian do?

Denis and I have decided at the last minute to come to the Dinner and Dance, but we are now feeling rather nervous, as it seems such ages since either of us was at the School. I do hope that we shan't feel too lost.

Talking of Old Boys, Bunny wishes me to ask you if there is a special Old Harlovian blazer, as he is very keen to have one for the summer.

Mother sends her kind regards and wishes to be remembered to Mr. and Mrs. Horsey.

Yours sincerely,
PAULINE FRANK.

"Pembrey,"
Nazeing Road,
Broxbourne,
Herts.

25/2/35.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

Many thanks for the "Harlovian," which I was, as usual, very pleased to receive and "devour" with great interest.

While on the subject of "Harlovians," I wonder if you would be so good as to ask Miss Jessie to render me an account of those forwarded in the past; there must be quite a large number of them now.

I'm afraid there's not much news; the world seems just the same now as when I left Harlow, so I will close now, hoping that you yourself and everyone else at Harlow is in the best of health.

I remain,
your old pupil,

R. E. SELWYN.

The Rectory,
Magdalen Laver,
Ongar,

26/2/35.

DEAR MR. MILLER,

I am glad to be able to tell you that I have been successful in securing the position in the Accountant's office, and that I start work on March 4th.

I have now before me five years real hard work, which, I expect you will say, is rather unlike me; but I shall have to cast off the "old Adam" and get down to it.

I hope to be able to do some writing in my spare time (if I get any), so G.B.S. still has cause to tremble in his socks.

I hope to visit the College when I have settled down in my new sphere, as the parsons say, duly adorned with the "old School tie."

My best wishes to Mr. Horsey and the Staff.

Yours sincerely,
W. T. MALBERT.

Staines Institution,
London Road,
Ashford,
Middlesex.
8th March, 1935.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

The news of the death of Mr. Huthwaite, conveyed by the "Harlovian," came as quite a shock to me, and, I am sure, to every Harlovian who was in touch with him. I consider that he was a great sportsman in every sense of the word, and I know he had a great influence on me both in and out of School. I know my brother also will feel his passing very much when he hears the news.

I am getting on quite well in my present post, but progress seems rather slow. I am rather impatient, I am afraid. These resident jobs are not to my liking, but a non-resident one will doubtless come along one day. It is the latter fact which prevents my coming to the O.H. Dinner to-morrow, very much to my regret. I sincerely hope that you all have a very enjoyable time.

It is very interesting to read of the great strides the College is making, and I shall eagerly examine all the new exhibits when next I visit Harlow. My kindest regards to Mrs. Horsey, Miss Jessie and yourself.

Yours very sincerely,
BOBBY LARKING.

H.M.S. "Conway,"
Rock Ferry,
Cheshire.

March 14th, 1935.

DEAR MR. MILLER,

Thank you very much for the "Harlovian" you sent me.

I hear that Harlow College is progressing greatly, and I am very glad to hear it. I hear also that the Scout Hut is a great success.

I have made a good start on the "Conway" by being placed in the Second Form. There are only three other new boys in the Second Form with me, and they are all older than I am, so my average must be quite high, thanks to Harlow College. I find the Algebra and Spanish particularly easy. The Spanish is more or less like French, which naturally helps me a lot.

I am afraid my first term has not been a great success, because I went into sick bay in the early part of the term with influenza, and now I am at "Conway House," the Sanatorium, with chicken-pox. I am very lucky though that I shall not miss any of the holidays, whereas the boys who come in later on will be here for the holidays.

We break up on April 2nd and go back on April 30th.

Please remember me to Mr. Horsey and the Staff.

Yours sincerely,

DEREK B. FROST.

Lancs. County Police Offices,
Jordan Street,
Preston.

E. P. Horsey, Esq.

DEAR SIR,

No doubt you will be surprised to see that I have changed my address and have been lucky enough to obtain a position in the above Force. I have been here a fortnight now, and am beginning to get accustomed to my surroundings.

At present I am in the offices, but when I am twenty I become a "Bobby" proper. My work consists of receiving and sending messages on the teleprinters. As I have not had much practice at typewriting, I am not very proficient at present. I also have to take these messages to the different departments, and often have to deliver letters in various parts of the town. The hours are 9 a.m.—5.30 p.m., with 1½ hours for lunch, and Saturday afternoon and all day Sunday.

I live in the Police Quarters; there are fourteen others as well, quite a merry company. We have a large dining-room, which also contains some easy chairs. There is a billiard-room, too, for our amusement.

Preston itself is quite a nice town, although there are no very exciting buildings. What with the amusement places and relations living quite near, I am never at a loss what to do.

I hope that you are enjoying and will continue to enjoy the best of health.

Kindly remember me to Mrs. Horsey and Miss Jessie.

Yours respectfully,

F. R. DEWHURST.

2, Salisbury Crescent,
Summertown,
Oxford,

Feb. 17th, 1935.

DEAR MISS JESSIE,

A very quick line to say I am coming to the Old Boys' Dinner on March 9th (?), but have lost the notice from the Secretary. I wonder would you be good enough to reserve me a seat and let her know? As usual, I write when I want something! Betty is prevented from coming by John and our inability to get a watch dog, but I *must* come this year.

I am looking forward to seeing you all and having hectic talks. I'm afraid I shall neither dance nor play bridge!

I'm in a frightful hurry to-day, as a decree has gone forth that we are going for a long walk this afternoon, and my correspondence as usual is miles behind. We are going to Southampton for the week-end next Friday. I am due to *sing* there, which is the world's best joke.

I'm very busy this term producing Fajan's "And So To Bed" for public presentation in Oxford—and it's hard work, especially for this very super-critical spot!

Apart from my job, which is excellent, we haven't settled too well in Oxford. John, of course, settles anywhere, and is the world's naughtiest child.

Well, if you would be kind enough to act the Good Samaritan for me, as you have done so many times—I'll be there in full uniform on the 9th.

With heaps of love from us all, and love to Mr. and Mrs. Horsey.

H. F. P. HARRIS.

40, Chigwell Road,
S. Woodford, E.18.

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DEAR MISS JESSIE,

Many thanks for the "Harlovian," December issue. I have also to thank you for the previous number. Owing to illness I had quite overlooked my obligation of acknowledging it before. Please forgive my remissness.

Am sorry to say that I have been very poorly for some time. Have had to give up most of my musical appointments, owing to increasing deafness and consequent loss of nerve. True! I am taking advice from a West End Specialist, who expresses his opinion that there is hope of my eventually recovering my hearing, but I am rather dubious myself. I have never yet heard of anybody being really cured of deafness. . . . If I could only regain my usual health I would blossom forth and "flourish like a green bay-tree planted by the water's edge." As it is, I have to keep very much in the background. Inferiority complex, no doubt.

I do hope and trust that Mr. Horsey is progressing favourably after his operation. He appears to have had rather a bad time. I was very interested in his letter that appeared in the issue of "The Independent School," *re* Mr. H. G. Wells and Private Schools.

I am afraid that Mr. Wells, like others of the "Communitic Intelligentsia," has a bee in his bonnet, as they say in Scotland, and his views *re* Private Schools should be taken *cum grano salis*.

Lest my letter may appear somewhat disjointed, I will now connect with the paragraph *re* Kemp Killerby.

I remember Killerby well; he was in the choir at St. John's when I was Organist at the Church. If I remember rightly, he inadvertently swallowed a penny or some other coin, and in consequence received the nickname of the "Walking Money Box."

I have known people who have been out to make money, but to have swallowed it afterwards is something of a novelty. However, am very pleased to hear that Killerby has done so well—nothing like grit to make one persevere; but a little capital judiciously handled is, I think a better aid to success.

In regard to the Annual Dinner and Dance on Saturday, March 9th, I received a communication from Miss Phyllis some time ago. I am afraid, however, that I shall not be able to avail myself of the pleasure of being present. I cannot hear what is being said at these gatherings, and I do not wish people to shout at me. Nevertheless, I should like to see you all again.

With best wishes and regards,

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

JOHN J. DALGLIESH.