

**THE
HARLOVIAN**



**The Magazine of
Harlow College,
Essex**

Vol. 9 No. 7

Summer, 1939

THE HARLOVIAN

Vol. 9, No. 7.

SUMMER, 1939.

SCHOOL OFFICERS

Captain of the School: A. G. ROSS.

Prefects:

G. B. BUIST, D. M. DESPREZ, P. F. DOUGLASS, G. B. E.
GUINN, R. E. WYKES, R. BROWNE, J. H. JONES,
P. G. STEWART.

Sub-Prefects:

R. C. EBSWORTH, H. N. HARTREY, T. G. M. SILVESTER,
G. E. VALENTINE.

Football Captain: A. G. ROSS.

Vice-Captain: R. E. WYKES.

Captain of Beatty House: G. B. BUIST (1938),
H. N. HARTREY (1939).

Captain of Nelson House: A. G. ROSS.

Captain of Keyes House: J. H. JONES (1938),
R. BROWNE (1939).

Captain of Rodney House: P. G. STEWART.

SCHOOL NOTES

The War Memorial Literature Prizes:—

The winners of the Literature prizes for the Winter Term were: Va, Cook; Vb (1) Phillips ii, (2) Jackson, (3) Copleston; IV (1) Dodd, (2) Dixon, (3) Hockley; U.R. (1) Watson, (2) Stephenson, (3) Valder; L.R. (1) Phelps, (2) Graham i, (3) Hullett; III (1) Buist ii, (2) Horton, (3) Collins ii; II (1) Parnell, (2) Rowe ii, (3) Overton.

For the Spring Term: Va (1) Cook, (2) Stewart, (3) Wilson; Vb (1) Phillips, (2) Copleston, (3) Moses; IV (1) Dodd, (2) Grant, (3) Dixon; U.R. (1) Stephenson (2) Mason, (3) Valder; L.R. (1) Graham ii, (2) Graham i, (3) Payne ii; III (1) Buist, (2) Baldock; II (1) Kemp, (2) Harrison, (3) Hicks.

* * * *

The Headmaster's Prizes for Neatness. These prizes in the Autumn Term were awarded to: Stewart (Va), Barrow (Vb), Dodd (IV), Stephenson (U.R.), Davis (L.R.), Buist ii (III); and in the Spring Term to: Wykes (Va), Elphick (Vb), Hutchins (IV), Hannah (U.R.), Short i (L.R.), Newton (III).

* * * *

NEW BUILDINGS.—Through the co-operation of Mr. Horsey, and by the earnest desire of Mr. and Mrs. Dames to ensure the unceasing progress of all our activities both social and scholastic, we have been able to erect two new buildings which have considerably enhanced the School's possibilities. The smaller of these new buildings now houses Form III and serves as the Art Room in particular. The building formerly devoted to Form III has now reverted to its original design of two rooms, one of which has been assigned to the Form Va and the other will serve as a Geography Room where the Episcopes can have permanent quarters. The larger building, occupying the site of the old and disused orchard takes the form of a gymnasium, a long and keenly felt want in the School. This gymnasium, besides bringing the School into line with the most modern requirements in physical education, provides a happy playroom, allowing ample space for the playing of badminton, quoits, bagatelle, table tennis and billiards while permitting in addition to the usual romping of the younger boys. Indeed the building has proved a paradise for the whole School, and is by far the most popular innovation for a very long time. In time it is hoped that we shall be able to establish a permanent stage and so possess a theatre which will be accessible without the lengthy preparations which have hitherto obtained.

WIRELESS.—The School's radiogram has been transferred to the gymnasium and the Sunday evening concerts of selected music, directed alternately by the Headmaster and Mr. Harper, can be enjoyed in an atmosphere of a much greater comfort than has been possible till now. The central heating of the building and the generous supplies of deck chairs and mats permit an enjoyment which was never poss-

ible either in the schoolroom benches or on the formal hardness of the dining-room chairs. To replace the radiogram in the School proper, a new wireless set has been installed so that the School broadcast programmes can still be utilized; and it is our earnest hope that our boys will, in enjoying these new departures, take care to respect the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Dames on their behalf, and show themselves worthy of the sums spent on them by doing all in their power to use and not merely abuse the School property.

* * * *

THE EPISCOPES.—The acquisition of this machine, which projects on to a screen enlargements of pictures, etc., as well as small solid objects, we owe, as with all our latest acquisitions, to the initiative of Mr. Dames. The episcopes will be of very marked value in illustrating School lectures, but in addition has already proved itself a successful means of entertainment of an evening. Mr. Dames was able to take us on tour with him and Mrs. Dames by projecting a pictorial diary of their itinerary last summer through Belgium, Germany and Italy, and the use of the episcopes for this purpose left on the minds of the audience an infinitely more vivid and arresting picture than mere words could have done. The lighter fancies of Major Castle when gathered up on postcards and thrown on the screen enabled us to spend some amusing half-hours in gentle irony at our neighbours' expense. Certainly the possibilities of the episcopes are very great, and we shall continue to find new ways in which it can be turned to profit.

* * * *

CINEMA.—The season has been a full one, headed by six Talkie shows. Four of the latter were of an educational nature, quite the best being that presented by the G.P.O., who, during the Winter Term, gave us two shows in one day. In a varied programme the films that stood out were that dealing with the Meteorological Office, with an excellent storm, and the run of the Night Mail from Euston to Glasgow. The Austin and Ford Motor Companies gave us most interesting films dealing with their products, made more amusing in the latter case by the fooling of Claude Hulbert. A similar type of show was that given by the Dunlop Rubber Company. Selfridges again most generously provided us with two shows, or one should say, one and a quarter. In the Winter Term we should have seen "The Great Barrier," but the barrier was so big that we could not see the film, except by standing on our heads and lip-reading. We think that Mr. Farnfield had something to say to the film department when he returned

to Town after a rather perilous drive through the fog. However, they made up for it in the Spring Term in excellent fashion with a Jack Hulbert comedy, and we are as usual very grateful to Selfridges for these entertainments.

The usual silent programme has been billed weekly on the School Pathé, but it is becoming increasingly difficult to get good films from the libraries, and we had to do several repeats. "Midshipman Easy" made us laugh when we should not have laughed, and George Formby in "No Limit" when we should. Most of the other programmes consisted of "shorts" of the humorous type, too numerous to mention.

Finally, by the generosity of "Miss Jessie," we were able to put on a two-hour show of full-length comedies on the last night of term. On this occasion the machine used was a Kodascope, the property of Mrs. Dames, and we are looking forward to many good shows, both of an educational and amusing type, with this machine next season, since this library gives far greater scope.

* * * *

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN.—The Gilbert and Sullivan "Club" met weekly during the Winter Term and the opera played was "The Mikado," perhaps the favourite of all these operas.

* * * *

NEW DEGREES.—With pride and pleasure we record that Mr. Hogg has now taken the degree of M.Sc., and Mr. Harper that of M.A.

GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE.—We offer our sincere thanks to the following for their recent gifts: Mr. Jones for 2 guineas to the Library, Miss Briggs for 10s., and Mrs. Phillips for 7s. 6d. to the Acting Account; Miss Keeley, Miss Kerans and Mrs. Hogg for costumes; Mrs. Malbert, Mr. E. P. Horsey, J. Henfrey and Mason for books; Mrs. J. Elwell for costumes and books; Mr. Hicks for a complete stage set; J. Grundy for a gramophone record.

* * * *

MATRON.—We have had to say "Good-bye" to Matron Davis during the Spring Term, when she was suddenly called on to care for her parents; but though she was only a short time with us, she established herself as a favourite in the sick-room, and we hope for happy days for her. Now we welcome Miss Parkes as Matron, and trust she will enjoy her stay in Harlow.

ART PRIZE.—For the second year running, Soper has been awarded the Bishop's Stortford Art Society's Prize for entries under eight years of age. Also at the Children's Academy held in the Guildhall, London, three of our entrants, Ritchie, Dellow and Willy, have been awarded First Class Highly Commended, while Dellow has the added distinction of being the first Harlow boy to have his drawing hung in the Exhibition.

* * * *

THE ACADEMY PLAYERS.—During both Autumn and Winter Terms we had visits from the Academy Players, who gave us excerpts from Shakespeare at one performance, and Shaw's "Arms and the Man" at the other. Their playing was very much enjoyed, and their portable theatre created much interest. We shall hope for more visits from "strolling" players, and one could hardly pay less to be so entertained, especially under one's own roof. And the educational value is undoubted.

* * * *

CONFIRMATION.—On Tuesday, April 4th, the following candidates were presented to and Confirmed by the Bishop of Chelmsford at St. Mary's Church: H. G. Daynes, A. J. Hicks, J. S. Power, E. A. Silcox, R. E. Simons, D. J. Smith.

SCHOOL JOURNEY

During the Easter holidays Mr. Cairns, with Mrs. Hogg and myself, went to Paris for a week, and with us came a party of twenty-four boys.

We were extremely fortunate in having very good weather nearly all the time, and this helped to make what in any case must have been an interesting trip into a most enjoyable experience.

Among other places of interest, we visited the Panthéon, the Sorbonne, and Notre Dame. On our second day (Wednesday) we took a whole-day trip to the famous Palace of Versailles, and for some of the party it was the most enjoyable day of the week. Here we saw the Hall of Mirrors, the beautifully laid-out gardens and the more intimate charm of the Trianons.

On Thursday we all ascended the Eiffel Tower and saw the whole of Paris from above; but we did not all come down together, as two boys were left behind and had to wait for

the next lift! The afternoon found us at the Hotel des Invalides, where we were able to see Napoleon's tomb.

We were up very early on Friday, as we had been invited to visit the factory of M. Morel at Epernay, in the Champagne country. Here we saw all the processes necessary to make grape-juice into the finest champagne, some of which we were able to taste. From Epernay we paid a flying visit to Rheims, where we saw the restored Cathedral.

On Saturday morning we went to the Louvre, where we naturally made sure of seeing its three best-known exhibits, the Venus de Milo, the Winged Victory and the Mona Lisa. Sunday was our last day, and in the morning we went to the Arc de Triomphe, but as it rained in the afternoon, we had to go to a museum instead of walking in the Bois de Boulogne.

On Monday morning we felt extremely sorry to leave the Hotel de l'Odéon, our home for the past week. On the boat we felt even more regret at having to return to England!

W. H. H.

SALVETE

Alcock, C. J.; Aptaker, J.; Aptaker, B.; Bicknell, D. R.; Butcher, L.; Breit, J.; Camp, M.; Chapman, N. D.; Cowie, E. W. L.; Davies, E. S.; Dickinson, P. W.; Forbes, A.; Gane, R. A.; Gemmill, J. O.; Green, M. R.; Hamsher, G. D.; Holloway, J. H.; Kemp, J. J.; Kemp, D. P.; Kohn, R.; Long, F. X.; Marsh, R. W.; Muffitt, J. A.; Moses, G.; Newton, J. P. L.; Parnell, J. D.; Payze, R. A.; Pegrum, N. F.; Power, J. S.; Russell, R. J.; Sheppard, W. L. H.; Short, K. W.; Short, G. E.; Shone, R. D. C.; Shoults, J. R.; Silcox, E. A.; Stephenson, G. F. C.; Tapley, P. E.; Tate, A. C.; Tinney, C. J.; Watson, R. V.

VALETE

Ashwell, G. P.; Dellow, S. N.; Elliot, H. M.; Fells, R. F.; Foulds, J.; Greengrass, G. V.; Grundy, J. W. E.; Groves, M. C.; Jefferys, G. G.; Linton, H. C.; Lockyer, N. F.; Mayfield, A.; Minall, R. H.; Negri, L.; Owers, M. S.; Richards, C.; Thomas, P.; Vallé-Jones, A.; Vyse, —.; Walford, P.; Whitehouse, G. F.

HOUSE REPORTS

NELSON HOUSE

These two terms have been very successful for our House. In football our 1st XI won the cup without losing a game, and had only three goals scored against them in the course of six games.

In fives again we succeeded in carrying off the cup, thanks to the ability of the Juniors.

In dramatics our House again excelled itself, the play being "The Invisible Duke," which was afterwards chosen for one of the School plays given in public, with almost the same cast.

This Spring Term we won the football knock-out competitions, having only one goal scored against us. Also in soccer sixes our prestige was upheld by again winning the cup. Next term we hope to retain the cricket cup and have a successful run in other activities.

A. Ross (Captain).

BEATTY HOUSE

In dramatics we were very successful with a production of "The Ghost of Jerry Bundler," for which a large measure of credit goes to Desprez i. In the Winter Term our football was successful owing largely to the encouragement of the captain, G. Buist. Beatty was sorry to lose both Buist and Desprez at Christmas.

In the Spring Term we have been very successful at football. By beating Keyes we qualified to play Nelson in the final. Unluckily, after a very close game, we were beaten. In the 2nd XI we have been even more successful by winning the cup. In the soccer sixes we were placed second to Nelson.

Our most impressive victory this term was the Junior cross-country, which we won by a large margin. For this victory we must thank Elphick (1st), Biss, Grundy, Cullum, Franklin and Tullett.

Thanks are due to our Housemaster, Mr. Castle, the football captain, P. Douglass, and the vice-captain, J. Elphick, who have all done extremely good work for the House this term. May we look forward to a very successful Summer Term as regards cricket and Sports Day.

N. Hartrey.

KEYES HOUSE

Keyes House was sorry to have to say "Good-bye" to Jones. He was a keen House captain and brought honour to his House by passing exceedingly well in the Senior School Certificate. Keyes wish him all success in the Civil Service examination which he sat in January.

Keyes 1st XI did not fare well in the football season. They showed that they have ability, however; for in a match against Nelson, the winning House, they drew 2—2. The 2nd XI was much more encouraging. They were at the top of their fixtures—a well-deserved reward for their ability, and, above all, their keenness.

Keyes was second in the Junior cross-country. Dellow put up a very fine show, finishing two seconds behind Elphick, the winner. We hope to see him doing great things for his House in the future. Gilbert and Elwell ran well, being placed fourth and sixth.

There is no doubt that there is much Junior talent in Keyes, which speaks very well for the future. We hope to see a day when Keyes House will hold all the cups. But it is futile just to hope. Everyone can do something to help to achieve this goal. It is not just an idle dream—it can be done, it must be done, and it will be done.

R. D. Browne.

RODNEY HOUSE

We can again congratulate ourselves on a successful soccer season, although perhaps we did not do so well as last season. But, considering we have lost such players as Snawdon, Vallé-Jones, Owers and Negri, we have done reasonably well. In the 1st XI last term we did not repeat our performance of the corresponding term of last season, of coming first in the House Competition, but we did come second. Considering that Nelson, who came first, retained from last season such players as Ross, Wykes and Valentine, our team did well. Ripley kept goal admirably and was rewarded by replacing Valentine in goal for the School XI. We welcomed into our team, with open arms, Wells, who has again become a day-boy and has played very consistently. Willmott i, Simons and Whitby have all played well, while some of the younger members of the team, Muffett in particular, showed great promise. The 2nd XI again fared badly, chiefly owing to lack of enthusiasm.

As usual, at the end of the Autumn Term we produced a one-act play. This time it was "Shivering Shocks," and the chief characters were portrayed by Ripley, Wells and Stewart.

In the Spring Term we were drawn against Nelson in the Knock-out Competition, and were defeated. We fared better, however, in the soccer sixes. The 3rd and 4th sixes did not fare too badly, but the 2nd six did well, while the 1st six were winners of the competition, by winning two and losing none. One match against Nelson was not played and had to be counted as drawn. The 2nd six owes its success mainly to Muffett and Gemmill. The latter is in his first term and is a young player of great promise. Wells and Stewart played regularly for the School 1st XI during the season, with the addition of Ripley this term. Willmott i played in several games this term.

It can safely be said that Rodney did more training for the cross-country (Senior) than any other House, and it is a pity that the race has been postponed until next term. We fared moderately well in the Junior cross-country by coming third in the final placings. Our first boy home was Gemmill, who came eighth, and who, in this sphere also, shows promise for the future.

It is to be hoped that Rodney sports activities will be of as high a standard next term as they were in the corresponding term of last year.

THE FOOTBALL SEASON

With a 9—0 win to their credit, over-confidence crept into the team, and the next four matches were lost. In three of these four games the School had seventy-five per cent of the play, yet failed to win. Approach work was good, but not one of the five forwards had that great attribute of a footballer—steadiness in front of goal. However, after half-term, after many positional changes in the team, and the defence playing very well, no more games were lost until the last one against Charing Cross Hospital, and we may therefore say that the 1st XI had a pretty successful season up to Christmas.

Games played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals for.	Against.
13	5	8	0	52	46

With 52 goals for and 42 against, it is obvious that five wins does not accurately represent the strength of the XI, and with a little more luck on our side the wins might easily have

changed places with the losses, making the games won 8 and the games lost 5.

The 2nd XI and Under 13 XI have done much better, and with their game included the results read:—

Games played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals for.	Against.
20	10	9	1	85	55

After the Christmas holidays, with perhaps the Christmas cheer still doing good work, the 1st XI had a very successful time. Of the ten games played, only two were lost, and the details for this term read:—

Games played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals for.	Against.
10	7	2	1	27	25

Thus the final results for the 1st XI make much happier reading than the first half of the season suggested:—

Games played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals for.	Against.
23	12	10	1	109	71

The 2nd and Under 13 XI had only a few games in the second term, but with their results added to those of the 1st XI the final results were:—

Games played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals for.	Against.
34	20	13	1	161	93

The leading goal-scorers for the 1st XI were: Moses 27, Browne 34, Ross 17, Elphick 15, Wells 8.

TEAM CRITICISM

Goal

VALENTINE.—Positions well, but owing to lack of height, weak on high shots. Very consistent.

RIPLEY.—Good on high shots, but still needs to watch the low ones in the corner. A strong kick.

Backs

DOUGLASS.—The best back we have had for some time. Is fast, with a good kick and tackles strongly, but faded away towards the end of the season.

SILVESTER.—Has improved considerably but is still very slow. Left foot weak, but with practice will be better. Positions well, but does not yet tackle hard enough.

Halves

BUIST *i.*—Started the season as centre-half but went to right-half, where he has played consistently and well. Left foot still a little weak.

WYKES.—Has played as inside, centre and wing-forward, but found his natural position at centre-half, where he has played very soundly. Perhaps he is a little too fond of dribbling, but as he usually makes his pass this is hardly a fault.

STEWART (Right).—One of the most improved players on the side. Over-kicks a little but tackles strongly, heads well and kicks with either foot.

NORRIS (Left).—A trifle slow, but uses the ball always to advantage. Tackles strongly and works hard.

Forwards

WELLS, O. R.—A much-improved player. Has good ball control and centres accurately. Fast. A weak shot.

ROSS, I. R. (Capt.).—A good worker. Shooting has greatly improved. Very fast with the ball.

BROWNE, C. F.—Plays very well at times but is weak on some occasions. Has good ball control and fair shooting powers.

MOSES, I. L.—Uses the ball well—a very good shot. A scheming player, and not only provides openings for others but makes them for himself.

ELPHICK, O. L.—Started well, faded away and finished strongly. A very good shot with either foot. Good ball control.

HOUSE MATCHES

The boarder houses again carried off the honours in the House games, for although Keyes obtained first position in the 2nd XI games, their low position in the 1st XI series only gave them third place in the final table.

The 1st XI games were on the whole very even. With two exceptions the difference in the goals scored was never greater than two. Unfortunately these two exceptions were both visited on Keyes 1st XI with the result that their goal average has a bad goals against look. Four out of the ten games were drawn, and it was not until the penultimate match that Nelson obtained sufficient points to put them out of danger. In the last game, Beatty obtained sufficient goals to give them second places on goal average.

Results:—

1st Series.—Beatty 1, Nelson 1; Beatty 2, Keyes 1; Beatty 1, Rodney 1; Nelson 9, Keyes 0; Nelson 1, Rodney 0; Rodney 2, Keyes 1.

2nd Series.—Beatty 0, Nelson 2; Beatty 10, Keyes 0; Beatty 1, Rodney 3; Nelson 2, Keyes 2; Nelson 2, Rodney 0; Rodney 0, Keyes 0.

		Goals	
		For.	Against.
1. Nelson	10 pts.	17	3
2. Beatty	6 pts.	15	8
3. Rodney	6 pts.	6	6
4. Keyes	2 pts.	4	25

The 2nd XI matches provided an even closer finish, Keyes eventually scraping home by one point, a drawn match with Rodney. Beatty, who at one time looked like winning, took second place one point behind Keyes.

Results:—

1st Series.—Beatty 2, Nelson 3; Keyes 3, Beatty 2; Beatty 7, Rodney 0; Keyes 2, Nelson 0; Nelson 7, Rodney 2; Keyes 9, Rodney 0.

2nd Series.—Beatty 2, Nelson 1; Beatty 2, Keyes 0; Beatty 6, Rodney 0; Keyes 2, Nelson 0; Keyes 2, Nelson 1; Nelson 3, Rodney 0; Keyes 0, Rodney 0.

		Goals	
		For.	Against.
1. Keyes	9 pts.	16	5
2. Beatty	8 pts.	21	8
3. Nelson	6 pts.	15	12
4. Rodney	1 pt.	5	32

The final placings of the Houses for 1st and 2nd XI combined were:—

		Goals					
		P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
1. Nelson	16 pts.	12	7	2	3	32	15
2. Beatty	14 pts.	12	6	2	4	36	16
3. Keyes	11 pts.	12	4	3	5	20	30
4. Rodney	7 pts.	12	2	3	7	11	38

FOOTER FIVES

During the Winter Term great interest was shown in an inter-House Form competition. Each House was represented by two players from each form in the School, with the exception of Form III, where it was only possible to play singles. Four points were allotted for a win in the doubles and two in the singles. Below are the results:—

Va.—Keyes bt. Beatty 15—8, Nelson bt. Beatty 15—9, Beatty bt. Rodney 15—13, Nelson bt. Keyes 15—9, Nelson

bt. Rodney 15—3, Rodney bt. Keyes 15—9. Form winners: Wykes and Valentine (Nelson).

Vb.—Beatty bt. Keyes 15—11, Nelson bt. Beatty 15—9, Beatty bt. Rodney 15—7, Nelson bt. Keyes 15—3, Nelson bt. Rodney 15—6, Keyes bt. Rodney 15—3. Form winners: Phillips i and Webb (Nelson).

IV.—Beatty bt. Keyes 15—11, Beatty bt. Nelson 15—12, Beatty bt. Rodney 15—5, Nelson bt. Keyes 15—10, Nelson bt. Rodney 15—8, Keyes bt. Rodney 15—1. Form winners: Cullum and Long (Beatty).

U.R.—Beatty bt. Keyes 15—14, Nelson bt. Beatty 15—7, Beatty bt. Rodney 15—12, Nelson bt. Keyes 15—4, Nelson bt. Rodney 15—0, Keyes bt. Rodney 15—6. Form winners: Rolstone and Willis (Nelson).

L.R.—Beatty bt. Keyes 15—5, Beatty bt. Nelson 15—3, Beatty bt. Rodney 15—8, Nelson bt. Keyes 15—9, Nelson bt. Rodney 15—6, Keyes bt. Rodney 15—8. Form winners: Bristol and Hullett (Beatty).

III.—Beatty bt. Keyes 15—10, Beatty bt. Nelson 15—5, Beatty bt. Rodney 15—5, Nelson bt. Keyes 15—13, Rodney bt. Nelson 15—13, Keyes bt. Rodney 15—13. Form winner: Channon (Beatty).

The final positions (House) were:—

				Points	
	Won	Lost	Pts.	For.	Agst.
1. Nelson ...	14	4	54	246	154
2. Beatty ...	14	4	50	243	184
3. Keyes ...	6	12	22	196	235
4. Rodney ...	1	17	4	150	262

THE OLD BOYS' MATCH

The game was played rather later in the season this year owing to the fact that half-term fell on November 5th, the usual date for the game.

Unfortunately several changes in the O.H. team had to be made at the last moment, and the team was not as strong as might be wished. However, with three exceptions, all had played for the 1st XI in their time at School, and an even game was on the books. This did not prove to be the case, the marking of the Old Boys being very slack. We are now beginning to see the fruition of the Essex Coaching Scheme. Whereas the School often had no one to challenge them when in possession of the ball, no Old Boy was allowed much freedom in which to work the ball. The School forward line passed and inter-passed very accurately, and it was not Henfrey's fault in goal that so many shots entered the net. Most of the goals came from shots only a few yards from

goal, such was the accuracy of the School's passing. Dellow for the Old Boys played a wonderful game at centre-half, often marking (and successfully) three members of the School team.

With Mr. Castle on one wing and Elphick on the other, centres came across with bewildering profusion and accuracy. Except for a period in the second half of about twenty minutes, the School were in the Old Boys' half all the time. The final score of 8 goals to 2 represents the School's superiority not only in scoring but in football skill. Ross and Moses scored two goals each, Mr. Castle and Elphick one. The defence had a very satisfactory afternoon, the left being quite as strong as the right for the first time this season. The weather was perfect, although the ground was apt to be rather "gluey," and an excellent afternoon's sports was enjoyed by both sides.

Teams:—

Old Boys.—Henfrey, Brazier, Minett, Langer, Dellow, Maynard, Barnes, Bradbury, Grove, Thomas, Booker.

School.—Valentine, Douglass, Silvester, Buist i, Wykes, Stewart, Mr. Castle, Ross, Mr. Robertson, Moses, Elphick.

ESSEX F.A. COACHING

As has been the practice for the past few years, the Essex F.A. sent us their Football Coach, Mr. White, on three occasions. Two of these were devoted to the first and second elevens and the third to the Junior School. The most evident fact, from these visits, was the immediate success of the first XI. Only two wins had been placed to their credit previous to Mr. White's appearance. After his first visit not a game was lost against School or club sides for the rest of the term. The change from lose to win occurred far too regularly for it to have been coincidence, and we must thank the Essex F.A. and Mr. White in particular for the good work he did.

Unfortunately some of the Junior School did not take Mr. White's instructions seriously when down at the field. These delinquents were in a minority, but it may be forecast fairly accurately that the chances of obtaining coaching next year will not be enhanced by this slackness and bad manners.

Perhaps it would be as well if those boys who are coached realized that Mr. Dames alters the whole School time-table for their benefit, and that they are allowed time off from School. That this coaching is useful there is no doubt. I, personally, know of three or four cases where the mere fact that a boy applying for a post has obtained it because he has been a member of his school 1st XI.

E. A. E. Robertson.



Careers for Boys

BANKING

The pirates and buccaneers of the Spanish Main, the toothless old misers who nightly gloated over their pieces of bright yellow gold, and the Jew, Shylock, would have given much for the facilities now offered by the Bank of England—The Old Lady of Threadneedle Street, as she has been nicknamed.

Keeping Safe the Nation's Wealth

In the "good old days" the bloodthirsty pirates had to bury their ill-gotten booty secretly, often on some remote uninhabited island. They would make little maps, marking the spot where the treasure lay hidden, and then, if they were not killed in sea battles, come back for it. Sometimes the maps would be destroyed and the treasure lost. Misers, too, fearful lest their gold should be torn from them, contrived secret hiding places, sometimes in the walls or under the floors of their dwelling places. Often when their secret was discovered they had to fly for their lives, leaving their treasures behind.

Shylock, too, had his difficulties. A member of an ancient, scattered race, hated, persecuted, and driven throughout the length and breadth of Europe, he dared not hoard his wealth in any one place. So he put his money in many ventures in many lands, in whatever country ducats might be secure and earn him more ducats in interest.

The Old Lady of Threadneedle Street is even more cunning at hiding her treasures than the pirates, misers and Jews of old. She buries her gold deep in the bowels of the earth in the heart of the City of London. Inner walls and steel-lined doors of immense strength encase her hoard of bright bars of gold and silver. At night, when the cavern-like vaults have been closed to the world, a faint hissing sound is heard. It is the sound of water. The chamber which

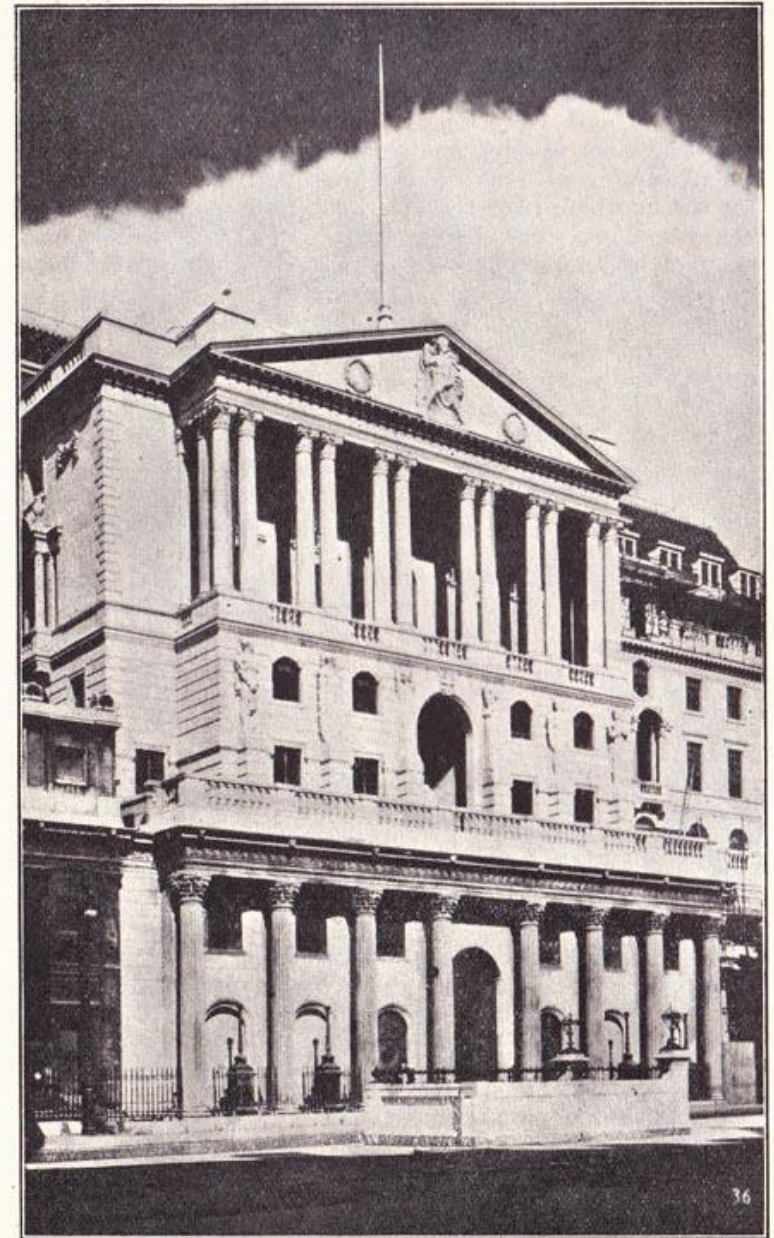
surrounds the inner vaults is being slowly flooded, so that no thief may wrest this colossal hoard from the Old Lady's grasp. Furthermore, soldiers are on duty each night until dawn.

Like the Jews of Venice in bygone days, the Bank of England buys gold bullion from all over the world, and gives coin of the realm or bank notes in exchange. Like Shylock, she pays merchants and other bankers who bank with her a little interest for money deposited in her vaults. Like Shylock, she lends out money at much higher rates of interest than she pays for deposits, to merchants, bankers, and the Government; but not, of course, such harsh, exorbitant rates as were charged by the money-lenders of the Middle Ages.

From Shylock of Venice to the Joint Stock Banks

We have endeavoured to trace an affinity between the early money-lenders and the Bank of England. It is not only a coincidence that Shylock, the Jew, and the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street should have much in common. Ever since the world began to be populated men have possessed a queer instinct to hoard treasure, to possess gold, and have searched the world for secure places for keeping their wealth. Safe places are, however, difficult secrets to keep—hence the pirates' choice of remote, uninhabited islands. Even the Tower of London, wherein the early merchants and goldsmiths deposited their gold for safe keeping, was found unsafe when Charles I attempted to confiscate £130,000 of Spanish gold deposited by goldsmiths for safe custody. Thus, has arisen a universal need for places in which accumulated wealth might be placed with safety. It is the banks of to-day that have become the recognized custodians of individual and national wealth.

The word "bank" is derived from "bancus," the first Venetian bank founded by two Jews in 1400. "Bancus" was the name given to the rude benches over which the "bancherius" did his business—the forerunner of the modern counters. These primitive bankers carried on the work of money exchangers, and later were allowed to accept deposits, provided good security was given. Their business became very similar to that of modern banks. Their deposit certificates—the *contadi di banco*—used as early as 1421, circulated like coin of the realm, and in this respect these primitive banks resembled our banks of note issue.



BANK OF ENGLAND, LONDON, E.C.

It was not until 1694 that banking, as practised on the Continent, came to England. Prior to 1694, when the Bank of England, the first National Bank in Europe, was founded, the business of banking was conducted entirely by the goldsmiths and money-lenders. The most famous of all the goldsmiths was Sir Francis Child (the business which he founded exists to-day), and his clients included Cromwell, Nell Gwynne, the Duke of Marlborough, and William III. But the exorbitant interest charges of these goldsmiths and money-lenders, their carelessness in lending their clients' money without adequate security, and their too frequent practice of putting into circulation light-weight and "clipped" gold coins, brought them into very bad odour. This, combined with political reasons, paved the way for the private banks and, in William's reign, the Bank of England. With the founding of the Bank of England (1694) Parliament assumed responsibility for the national finances. In succeeding years the Bank obtained practically a monopoly of banking business in London as well as the much-fought-for right to issue Bank Notes. The succeeding seventy years saw a great increase in its wealth and power, and after its loans to William III and Anne had enabled England to regain her lost position amongst the great mercantile countries of Europe, its reputation was firmly established. The Bank steadily became the pivot of the nation's financial system, its principal functions being to act as banker and agent of the Government.

A great step forward was taken in the development of banking practice in England in 1833. In this year an Act of Parliament permitted joint stock banks in London. Such banks had already been established outside a radius of sixty miles of the Metropolis. This paved the way for the formation of a very large number of small banks with branches in every large town in the kingdom. Of these, five—now known as the "Big Five"—have gradually swallowed up their weaker rivals, and to-day the boy or girl seeking a banking career will find the choice of a bank mostly limited to the Westminster, the Midland, Barclays, National Provincial, Lloyds, and the Bank of England. The latter is not included in the "Big Five."

Much of the following information may be applied to conditions in Private Banks, but confirmation of details should, in all cases, be obtained from the Bank into which the boy wishes to enter.

Now that we have discussed how the banks have riotously thrust their way into our commercial system, we will come to the more important question as to what opportunities are afforded by these institutions as a career for boys.

BANKING AS A CAREER

[We are indebted to Ernest Sykes, Esq., Secretary of the Bankers' Institute, for much of the information contained in this article.]

In youth we are much inclined to sneer at those who in the choice of their profession have adopted as their slogan "Safety First." We scorn the Bank, the Insurance Office, the Civil Service, and the "City." For us the Army and Navy, Fleet Street, the Stage, or the "Wild and Woolly West" have a fascination that is well-nigh irresistible. It is only when we get older and meet those who have chosen the stormy and adventurous path, that we find many who would give their fortunes for a safe routine job in the City and a quiet little home in the suburbs. Uncertainty of income and adventure are for youth; it is well to remember, however, when embarking on a career, that we are middle aged and old much longer than we are young.

The Boy Who is Wanted

Far be it from us to advise boys to seek the "Safety First" profession. We merely point out that there are as many, if not more, men who have chosen careers offering hopes of adventure and travel who envy the Bank Clerk as there are Bank Clerks envying the adventurous. This brings us to the question of the type of boy most likely to make a success of a banking career.

We must recognize that much of the work, except perhaps that of the higher officials, is of a dull routine nature. But in compensation for this, the hours of work are low and regular compared with those of most professions. The work is not arduous, and the bank clerk may not only leave his office early, but will leave it comparatively fresh. Thus the boy with hobbies and interests not associated with the task of earning a living will be able to devote much spare time and energy to them. There are few banks nowadays that do not have their Soccer, Rugby, Cricket, Hockey, and Tennis Clubs, and provide other facilities for amusement.

Since very large sums of money have to be handled by the bank clerk, he should be painstaking and methodical. He should also be fond of figures and not too ambitious. As British Banks have a reputation for trustworthiness, stability and honest dealing, so these qualities of character are looked for in applicants to this profession.

Schooldays

The boy who wishes to go in for Banking should endeavour whilst at school to matriculate or pass an examination of equal standing. He will then be able to pass on to the higher professional examinations without having first to give proof of a sound general education. Since both the Institute of Bankers, which controls the professional examinations, and the banks themselves lay stress on the need for a sound knowledge of English, Arithmetic, Geography, and either French, German, Portuguese or Spanish, these subjects should perhaps be given special attention during schooldays. The age for entry into a Bank is usually between sixteen and nineteen.

Professional Training

Unlike the professions of medicine and the law, banking has no legal powers to regulate entry into and practice of the profession. Apart from the Entrance Examination, set by the banks themselves, it is unnecessary to take the examinations set by the Institute of Bankers. Once, however, a boy has passed into a bank, every inducement is brought to bear on him by the authorities of that bank to sit for the Institute of Bankers examinations. Most banks nowadays offer ten, fifteen, and sometimes as much as twenty-five pounds to the members of their staff who succeed in becoming Associates of the Institute. Promotion is also reserved to a large extent to those who have passed the Institute examinations.

To be eligible to sit for the Associate Examination, candidates (a) Must be members of the Institute. Only persons on the staff of a bank on the Council's list may be elected members. (b) Must comply with the requirements as to the Qualifying Examination—subjects English (including an Essay), Arithmetic, and Geography. As was pointed out above, candidates who can produce satisfactory evidence of having passed the Matriculation Examination of a University, the School Certificate Examination of the Oxford and Cambridge Schools Board, or some equivalent examination, will be exempt from this Qualifying Examination.

The Associate Examination of the Institute

Before sitting for this Examination, as stated above, candidates must be on the staff of some recognized bank. It is held in the spring of each year, and divided into two parts, called Part I and Part II, extending over a period of not less than two years. The first part is of a preliminary nature, and the second—to be held after a lapse of not less than one year from the first—being of a more advanced character.

The subjects of examination, both Part I and Part II, are as follows:—

Obligatory Subjects.—The Practice and Law of Banking, Economics, English Composition, Commercial Geography, Foreign Exchange.

Voluntary Subjects.—French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish.

Full information regarding the examinations of the Institute can be obtained from The Institute of Bankers, 5 Bishopsgate, E.C.2.

Pay and Prospects

Banking is undoubtedly at the moment an overcrowded profession. The five large banks—Lloyds, Westminster, National and Provincial, Barclays, and the Midland—all have long waiting lists. Those who wish to obtain appointments in any of these should send in their applications before leaving school. Application forms can be obtained from the secretaries of any of these institutions. A personal introduction of some kind is regarded as essential in most banks, but it must be remembered that only the boy who proves himself efficient and hard-working can hope for promotion. An introduction only helps to secure the initial appointment.

The Bank of England also has a long waiting list, and here applicants must produce a director's nomination. In this bank the remuneration is higher and the hours of work less than in any of the Big Five, but against this the work is for the most part of a very dull routine nature, chiefly in connection with the various war loans that have been handled by this institution.

Colonial banks, such as the Standard Bank of South Africa, offer opportunities for those who wish to go abroad. Indian banks are, however, closing their ranks to Englishmen and favouring Indians.

Commencing salaries range from £60-£90 a year for a boy of 17 in London, and £10 to £20 less than this in the provinces. This is an "apprenticeship" wage, and there are annual increments of £10 to £15 until the age of 21. At this age a man would probably be earning £110-£130 a year. The annual increments would now increase until at the age of 32 a man would be earning from £300 to £350 a year. Beyond £375 advancement depends on individual ability, and in responsible posts it would be possible to earn from £500 to £800 a year. Important posts at head office or special branch managerships would bring an annual remuneration of from £1,000 to £4,000.

Employment in the Banking profession is secure and all posts are pensionable, the average pension obtainable being on a very good scale.

Conclusion

We have seen that banking is a career for the painstaking boy of moderate ambition. That it offers a large degree of safety, with fair remuneration, for those who show keenness and aptitude for the work. There are few vacancies and many applicants, so that it is advisable to put one's name on a waiting list before leaving school. Emphasis has been placed upon the need to matriculate or pass some equivalent examination before entering the bank.

For the boy who is prepared to work hard in his office and play hard outside, banking offers prospects at least as good as those in any other clerical profession.

Further information on this career can be obtained from the following:—

Geoffrey Rivington Publications, Ltd. Pamphlet, price 6d.

H.M. Stationery Office, "Banking and the Money Market" (Choice of Career Series), price 4d.

Truman & Knightley, Ltd. (Career Summaries), price 1s. each.

ESSEX COUNTY BADGES

Congratulations to P. Douglass and R. Wykes on obtaining their Essex County Badges for Soccer. They have enabled us to keep up our average of County players (five in nine years). The competition for places was not so keen this year, but we were up against two schools of over 500 pupils each. Wykes played in the unaccustomed (to him) position of right-wing, and considering the infrequency with which he obtained the ball played well—indeed he was the only forward who looked like scoring. Douglass, playing at right-back, was one of the outstanding players on the field, his kicking and tackling being very clean. The score of 1—0 for the Men's side hardly indicated the run of the game, for the School's defence was up against it nearly the whole match. A more accurate value of the play would have been represented by a score of 4 or 5 to 1. But owing to the grand manner in which the defence played they kept the score down, and as far as I know this is the lowest total by which the Men's team has won during all these County games extending over five years.

We are very pleased that Douglass and Wykes should bring distinction to the College, and I am sure that they would be the first to admit that they owe their badge (and all that it entails) very largely to Mr. White and the Essex Football Association, to the former for his able coaching and to the latter for its progressiveness in holding these County matches.

E. A. E. Robertson.

SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY

Postponed from the Spring Term owing to bad weather, the Senior cross-country was run in the first week of the Summer Term. Going was very heavy, and a considerable quantity of water had to be traversed. The times, considering this, were excellent. The first ten men home were: 1, Willmott i, 27 mins. 40 secs.; 2, Hartrey, 27 mins. 45 secs.; 3, Ross, 28 mins. 45 secs.; 4, Simons; 5, Grant; 6, Browne; 7, Moses; 8, Biss; 9, Elphick, 10, Silvester.

House Points:—

1. Beatty: 2, 5, 8, 9, 11, 16 = 51 pts.
2. Nelson: 3, 7, 10, 12½, 14½, 22 = 69 pts.
3. Rodney: 1, 4, 12½, 14½, 17, 25 = 74 pts.

JUNIOR CROSS-COUNTRY

Slightly wet conditions under foot made for slow time, but in spite of the handicap, both Elphick and Dellow put up a very good performance in completing the course in just over 13 minutes. Elphick's time of 13 mins. 20 secs. won.

At the first check (on the bathing-pool road) the order of the first five was Elphick, Dellow, Biss, Elwell ii, Grundy. This order was maintained until the bathing-pool, but at the water-jump Gilbert had moved up to fifth place, the first four remaining in the same relative positions. At the Railway Tunnel the order was unchanged, with Grundy in sixth place. At the final check, however, Gilbert had moved up one place more to fourth and Grundy had passed Elwell to give him fifth place. No more alterations in order took place up the stiff slope to the finishing point, and in a good finish Elphick won by about 10-12 yards.

Beatty did some excellent packing and easily won team points, Keyes just beating Rodney for second place. The first ten home were Elphick, Dellow, Biss, Gilbert, Grundy, Elwell, Gemmill, Cullum, Clark i, Franklin.

Team placings:

- 1st. Beatty: 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 13 = 40 pts.
- 2nd. Keyes: 2, 4, 6, 9, 40, 41 = 102 pts.
- 3rd. Rodney: 7, 11, 16, 22, 23, 24 = 103 pts.
- 4th. Nelson: 12, 18, 20, 21, 26, 27 = 124 pts.

SOCCER SIXES

The Spring Term saw Soccer Sixes take the place of House Matches and some good games were enjoyed. Each House raised four sixes, and although skill was lacking, perhaps in the third and fourth teams it was made up for by the amount of energy displayed.

The following were the results:

1st Six.	Beatty	Won 1	Drawn 1	Lost 1
	Keyes	"	"	"
	Nelson	" 1	" 2	" 0
	Rodney	" 2	" 1	" 0
2nd Six.	Beatty	" 0	" 2	" 1
	Keyes	" 0	" 1	" 2
	Nelson	" 3	" 0	" 0
	Rodney	" 1	" 1	" 1
3rd Six.	Beatty	" 3	" 0	" 0
	Keyes	" 1	" 1	" 1
	Nelson	" 1	" 1	" 1
	Rodney	" 0	" 0	" 3

4th Six.	Beatty	Won 8	Drawn 1	Lost 0
	Keyes	" 0	" 3	" 0
	Nelson	" 1	" 1	" 1
	Rodney	" 0	" 1	" 2

Four points were awarded for a win in the 1st Six, three in the 2nd, and so on. The final positions were:—

- 1, Nelson, 21½ pts.
- 2, Beatty, 17½ pts.
- 3, Rodney, 15 pts.
- 4, Keyes, 6 pts.

THE SCOUTS

The Winter Term was chiefly spent in getting the new recruits through the tenderfoot test. Those successful were Cullum, Spicer ii, Biss, Payne ii, Aptaker i and Willis. We had one or two outdoor meetings when the weather permitted, and these included a large amount of tracking involving the use of Scout signs.

This Spring Term the patrols have been busy with their gardens, which have been much improved. Patrol-Leader Webb has spent a great deal of time putting cinders on the paths around the hut, and they have been very useful indeed because of the wet weather we have been experiencing.

The Kangaroos Patrol, under P.L. Webb, are at present leading in the Patrol competitions, and the Owls Patrol under the leadership of Spicer i.

We shall be holding our annual camp next term and hope that it will be as successful as the last.

THEATRE

The Drama Festival at the end of the Winter Term showed a fairly creditable standard of staging and acting, and the previous experience of the last two years is beginning to bear fruit. But we must not deceive ourselves into believing that we are yet really good at acting. We have much to learn, especially in diction. We have yet no actors who will speak out loudly and clearly ALL THE TIME. Until our actors are willing to open their mouths, use their voices and practise giving words their full value, there will be no perfection.

Form Vb attempted scenes from "King Lear"—obviously over-ambitious, but serving maybe as a lesson in difficulty and having the merit of not being usual. Unfortunately the best actors of the form had already so many rôles in other plays that they were unwilling (with the exception of

Copleston, whose learning ability leaves no doubt) to undertake further tasks. But the cast, though weak, did valiantly and certainly learned their lines, no small credit in itself. There was no prompt given. The players were Whitby, Webb, Elphick, Emery ii, Phillips i, Phillips ii, Copleston and Barrow (the last-named deputizing excellently for Tilley at very short notice). Whitby as Lear spoke too quickly. Copleston lacks grace and flexibility of movement. Directed by Mr. Cairns.

Form IV offered scenes from "A Midsummer Night's Dream," with these players: Cullum, Williams, Chapin, Dixon, Grundy, Grant, Jefferys, Brazier, Seif, Payne i, Whitehouse, Goozee and Mansfield. The plumpness of Cullum's Titania was more an appeal to the eye than to the ear, and asleep on the bank he was more reminiscent of a Walt Disney creation than the gossamer queen. Seif's Puck was quite the most graceful we have seen yet, but his speech leaves much to be desired. Williams, whose dramatic ability was very evident throughout the Festival, still unfortunately rushes his lines and delivers his words with such breathlessness at times as to make his hearers uneasy. But the fooling of the yokels and Chapin's brayings were sheer delight: very promising comedians. Directed by Mr. Harper.

The U.R. presented an act of "The Merchant of Venice." Valder is to be commended for his quick mastery of the Duke's part at 24 hours' notice, in order to replace Ellcock, who managed to appear at the last moment. The cast included Cook ii, Whitewright, Holloway, Rolstone, Ellcock, Firkin, Hannah, Valder, Gilbert, Glasse and Willis. Firkin's Portia was too snappy. He must try not to clip his words so much. Hannah's Shylock had feeling besides being well and clearly spoken. Directed by Mr. Hogg.

Forms L.R. and III, with Mr. Robson as producer, offered "The Legend of St. George" in a simple and naïve form. The play was very amusing, and the extraordinary agility of the Giant (Menhinnick superimposed on Cocks) truly breathtaking. All the actors spoke with commendable clearness, and the whole play was delightfully refreshing. The players were Soper, Collins, Buist, Short ii, Baldock, Horton, Menhinnick and Cocks; the supers were Franklin, Kemp i, Hamshar, Dawes, Payne ii, Elwell ii, Congden and Muffett.

THE HOUSE PLAYS

Of the four House plays, three were good old staggers and one was new. Mr. Hogg is always interesting in his choice of plays, and "The Invisible Duke" was no exception in the

list of his successes. This play staged by Nelson had as its cast Ross, Valentine, Payne i, Silvester, Williams and Pain iii—the same cast as (with one exception) was to perform the play later on in public. Williams (except when his violent acting ate up his words) was very good indeed, and seemed to live the part of the naughty little rebel. Ross has improved in speech. Valentine mumbled rather too much, even allowing for delineation of an aged rôle. Silvester was indescribably comic, and though Payne i seems now to be past his best in female parts, his playing was good enough to forestall a gap in the comedy. The Dekko of Pain iii was attractive, if only by its innate gentleness. A very colourful and highly diverting production.

Beatty offered "The Ghost of Jerry Bundler." Largely thanks to Desprez with his years of stagecraft, Beatty achieved the best set yet seen during a festival. The detail was an object lesson to producers. The cast included Buist i, Forbes, Grant, Jackson, Elphick, Desprez and Jefferys. Forbes was particularly good in his studied creation of tense atmosphere, and Jefferys showed promise as the waiter. Only the failure to fire at the determined moment of the revolver marred an otherwise even production, and that was scarcely the fault of Beatty—rather that of the School property box. We shall hope to remedy this. Altogether we must congratulate Beatty and their producer, Mr. Castle.

"Shivering Shocks" was the choice of Rodney, and was well sustained during the opening dialogue by Ripley and Tate. Later on, as the plot thickened, the quality of speech and acting declined. Ripley is specially to be congratulated on his clear, resonant speech. The rest of the cast, Stewart, Wells, Whitby and Phillips i (we have better things in store for the last-named) struggled manfully, but the interest lagged. Perhaps we have become too familiar with the formula for a thriller and are superior to the schoolboys for whom Clemence Dane confessedly wrote the play.

The attempt of Keyes to stage "The Grand Cham's Diamond" was with the following cast: Browne, Bowen, Emery ii, Hodges and Foster. It was ludicrously incompetent. We hope Keyes will look to its laurels next time.

Mr. Robson's production of the tiny play, "Understudy for the Duke," with Cullum, Copleston and Hicks as his cast, was easily the most perfect piece of the Festival. Its set was excellent; its movement easy and well-timed; its diction clear yet musically modulated, and its feeling came over with complete ease. Copleston, of course, excels in the quiet habit of the ecclesiastics, but we would like to see him attain the

fire of the ranters as well as the humility of the church. Hicks was surprisingly good as the soldier, and if Cullum looked rather too innocent for a French aristocrat, the pretty and pathetic splash of colour he made had full dramatic value. Congratulations, Mr. Robson.

THE J.S.A.A.

Once more, under the good offices of Mr. Harper, the J.S.A.A. staged their own show of two plays—"The Magic Suit," a tale of the popular Mr. Penny, and that difficult piece of Celtic feeling, "Campbell of Kilmohr." The show was a triumph. The first play was really amusing, insofar as we saw boys like Spicer i, Dixon, Waite and Barrow, whom we had suspected of too much timidity, blossom into cigar-smoking "gents" and even a dashing bundle of gigglerly and archness which was Goozee on the boards. Payne i as the barmaid created a rôle which he has failed to forget. Unfortunately it tinges every part he now touches, though in its place it was smart and amusing. Phillips i and Jackson completed the cast.

In "Campbell of Kilmohr" the best acting (words apart) was that of Williams as Morag. Forbes's characterization of Mary Stewart was spirited, if it lacked feyness. Jackson managed to make Mackenzie quite odious, and Webb fought gallantly to maintain the Doric in a welter of failing vowels. Brazier and Spicer i were more and less soldierly in a decorative way. Copleston was the hero.

The ambition of the J.S.A.A. is cheering; its acting grows better and better; it cherishes the tradition and fire of its founder and justifies every time our acceptance of its invitations. Our thanks to the J.S.A.A. and to its redoubtable producer, Mr. Harper.

This year, for the School's annual public dramatic production, Mr. Hogg and Mr. Harper carried their work during past Drama Festivals to a logical conclusion by staging two plays with a younger cast of actors than has been for a long time attempted. A third play by the Staff completed the programme. The production took place in the Victoria Hall on March 25th, and the result of Messrs. Hogg and Harper's tireless and selfless efforts on behalf of the School drew the approbation of both audience and local press.

The casting of the plays was as follows:—

"THE POETASTERS OF ISPAHAN"

by Clifford Bax.

Hallaj, the public letter writer Christopher Copleston.
 Nejrihal, a pastry-cook Eric Forbes.
 Ala'd'din, a perfume-seller Geoffrey Seif.
 Suliman, a barber Gordon Grant.
 Guleesh, a miserly silk-mercator Raymond Webb.
 Ibn-Hassim, a wealthy jeweller John Jackson.
 Silvermoon, his daughter Ronald Payne.
 Slave boy Terence Cullum.

Production by Eric Harper.

"THE INVISIBLE DUKE"

by F. Sladen-Smith

The Duke Alexander Ross.
 The Astrologer Raymond Browne.
 Nekko } clowns attendant on the { Michael Williams.
 Dekko } Astrologer { Rex Pain.
 Francesco, cousin to the Duke Thomas Silvester.
 Emilia, betrothed to the Duke Ronald Payne.

Production by William Hogg.

"COLOSSUS"

by Robins Millar

Miss Gibbons, a secretary Marjorie Hogg.
 Mr. Kellock, a clerk Eric Harper.
 James Barker, the managing director Peter Cairns.
 Thomas Weston, a director William Hogg.

Our thanks for the successful maintenance of the School's public dramatic tradition are due in especial to Mr. Hogg and to Mr. Harper, but for whose unremitting care in coaching the players, devising the sets and skilfully co-ordinating all the complicated detail, the production would have been impossible. We owe thanks also to Mrs. Hogg and Miss Pearl, who produced the costumes; to Miss Griffiths, who helped to sew the curtains; to Miss Horsey, Miss Jessie and Miss Barrack, for lending properties; to the parents of the actors for financial assistance with the costume costs; to Mrs. Castle for her able and willing help with the business side; to Mr. Robson for his hard work on the scenery and headdresses, as well as to the little army of other boys who fetched and carried in the good cause. The play's the thing.

OLD HARLOVIANS CLUB

At a meeting held in London on the 15th of March, called by the Headmaster, the following Officers were elected to re-organize the Association which had passed out of being on the retirement of the Secretary, Miss P. Edwards.

President: E. P. Horsey.

Vice-Presidents: R. Leith and C. Barker.

Hon. Sec.-Treasurer:

H. Bristoll,

“Ridge View,” Great North Road, Brookmans Park, Herts.

Assistant Secretary:

G. E. C. Maynard,

“Dunelm,” Old Road, Harlow.

Hon. Auditor: W. Malbert.

Committee:

B. R. Brown, R. Coleman, S. N. Dellow, E. H. Friend, The Headmaster, J. Henfrey, J. C. P. Howis, J. H. Jones, C. Lawrence, D. Malbert, R. Prior, G. Richmond.

The following rules were drawn up and passed:

1.—The Club shall be called the “Old Harlovian Club,” and Old Boys, and past and present masters, shall be eligible for membership.

2.—The objects of the Club shall be to promote intercourse between the Old Boys, to maintain the interest of Old Boys in the School and to promote its welfare in every possible way.

3.—There shall be a President and Vice-Presidents.

4.—There shall be a Treasurer-Secretary.

5.—There shall be a resident Assistant Secretary.

6.—Every Harlow College boy, on leaving School, shall be invited to join the Club by the Secretary.

7.—The subscription shall be 5s. per annum. After five payments the member shall automatically become a life member. Alternatively, at the outset, the payment for Life Membership shall be one guinea.

8.—Every member shall receive a copy of each issue of “The Harlovian.”

9.—The Club shall be managed by a Committee consisting of the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries, and twelve members, to be elected annually, but eligible for re-election. Four to form a quorum.

10.—The Club shall have power to elect certain Vice-Presidents for life.

11.—The Secretary shall summon a meeting of the Committee at least three times each year, one of which shall be at the School on Speech Day.

12.—The accounts of the Club shall be audited annually by someone not a member of the Committee.

13.—There shall be an annual Dinner held in London, or an annual Dinner and Dance, at the discretion of the Committee, at a place to be decided upon by the Committee.

14.—The duties of the Committee shall include the organization of all games against the School, and the appointment of Captains and Vice-Captains of the various teams.

15.—A list of members of the Club, with addresses and dates of their time at the School, shall be printed and sent to all members.

16.—Members shall notify any change of address to the Secretary.

17.—There shall be an Old Harlovian Editor to the Magazine, elected by the Committee as occasion arises, to deal with all correspondence from Old Boys, in connection with the Old Harlovian section of the Magazine.

18.—Invitations to School functions, such as Speech Day, shall be sent to all members by the Secretary.

19.—None but members of the Club shall be eligible to play in Old Harlovian matches against the School.

20.—The Secretary shall summon a general meeting annually, and a special general meeting, if called upon to do so either by the Committee or on the written request of not less than twelve members.

21.—Ten days' notice of the Special General Meeting, stating the business to be brought forward, shall be sent to each member. No other business shall be discussed at that meeting. The quorum at such a meeting to be twenty.

22.—The rules of the Club can be altered only at a general meeting.

Thirty-five Old Harlovians were present at this meeting, and it was felt that a satisfactory start had been made in the right direction, since discussions were entered upon with enthusiasm. It now remains for the Secretary to acquaint all

Old Boys, who can be traced, of the revival of the Club, and it is hoped that all those with whom he corresponds will not be tardy in their replies, but will attempt to make his heavy burden lighter.

Instructions were given to the Committee to proceed with the matter of choosing a design for the Old Boys' colours.

Before the meeting was closed a vote of thanks was passed to Miss P. Edwards, for her untiring work in the position of Secretary of the Association during the past fifteen years.

A vote of thanks was also passed to the Headmaster for his efforts in bringing together the present meeting.

NEWS OF OLD HARLOVIANS

APPOINTMENT OF SUB-EDITOR: At the meeting held recently in London to discuss the refounding of the Old Harlovians' Association, Mr. Horsey consented to accept the office of Sub-Editor. His duty will be to collect and arrange for publication in the Magazine, news of Old Harlovians. News can be sent either to Mr. Dames, who will forward it to the Sub-Editor, or direct to Mr. Horsey at his present address, Baythorn House, Harlow. Even postcards will be gratefully received, and short letters more gratefully still. But best of all are long letters from which extracts can be printed. Nothing in a School magazine interests Old Boys so much as news of this kind of their former schoolfellows; so, Old Harlovians are earnestly requested to do all in their power to make this feature of "The Harlovian" a success.

* * * *

Mr. L. W. SMITH writes from Stoke Grange, Clandon Road, Guildford: "I went to Harlow College so far back as 1863 . . . The Rev. C. J. Goulden was the only Headmaster I knew. My experience ended when Harlow College came to an end as a High Church semi-public school. It failed though Woodard, Lancing and others of a Church character prospered. I enjoyed my three years there and made many friends whose names tell who were the supporters of the Harlow College venture. There were three Prynnes of St. Peter's, Plymouth, five Jenners, the Bishop's sons, two Fortescues, nephews of Archbishop Tait, who gave a tepid approval (but not so Mrs. Tait), and cousins of Soapy Sam, Bishop of Oxford, Dean Gregory, Canon Rhodes Bristow, and no doubt the Hon. Charles Wood, afterwards Lord Halifax and Head of the English Church Union, Palmer of the *Church*

Times, and other rebels against the Holy Protestant Establishment of the Mid-Victorian era. At St. John's Church in the grounds hard by, we frolicked with vestments, and blue and red cassocks. Fortescue swung incense (till he burnt a carpet), and I sang the treble solo of the creed in the *Missa de Angelis*. We kept saints' days as holidays and had extra pudding, cricket matches and theatrical performances. We venerated the good priest of St. John's—Mr. McLeod—who refused to have his name put on his tombstone, such was his *Kumility*."

* * * *

Older Old Harlovians will be pleased to hear that, accompanied by his wife, S. W. EDWARDS will be arriving in England at the end of May, on business which will occupy him for some weeks. It must be nearly thirty years since he took up his abode in Australia. There, we are glad to say, he has been very successful, and now holds an important post in the society which deals with music copyright as concerns public performance by radio or gramophone. It is as the Australian representative of the society that he has been sent to an international conference to be held in London. He has long been looking forward to re-visiting Harlow, and no Old Harlovian could look forward to a warmer welcome than that which awaits him. His headquarters in London will be: 8 Chesterfield Gardens, Curzon Street, W.1.

* * * *

RAY KEMPTON writes from Maison Garangiotis, Port Said: "I am doing my second year in Egypt and like the life and post very much. I have no regrets for having resigned from the P. and O. Company, where one was nearly always at sea and away from home. If I had remained with them I should still have been Second Officer, holding no hope of promotion for a good many years to come. It took me nearly six years to obtain a nomination for the Canal Company. They had over 1,000 qualified men on their list, and there are seldom more than four vacancies a year; and next year there will probably be only one. We were not without our share of excitement during the recent crisis—the defence of Port Said was nearly the same as it was in the time of Disraeli: no guns, no gas masks. However, they sent a cruiser to look after us, and two troopships arrived with 3,000 or 4,000 men aboard. My wife volunteered her services at Navy House and worked on the Admiral's staff, while I carried on with my normal routine. There was a German ship here at that time, and she was moored in a very favourable position for blocking the Canal. The Naval Authorities were a trifle suspicious

about her, more particularly as she had been in the port for two months effecting an engine repair. I had to move her to a safer place, a task made very unpleasant by the Captain, who was very angry and said he knew he was suspected. When I refused to have a drink with him, he completely lost his temper, and wanted to know if I thought it would be poisoned. The ship passed here again last week, and I saw him again, and we parted the best of friends. My eldest brother is now Captain of Marines in the new cruiser, H.M.S. *Manchester*. They passed through Port Said the other day. My youngest brother, John, has just been appointed to H.M.S. *Tartar*; that ship will escort the King to Canada."

* * * *

DAVID RINTOUL (c/o I.C.I. (Malaya) Ltd., P.O. Box 284, Singapore), who was at the College from 1921-1924, writes: "Remembering the Lobb family at Harlow, I expected to find one or two of them in Malaya, but there is not a single one left here. Do you know what they are all doing? During the Christmas week-end I had staying with me a rubber planter, who told me his father was at Harlow. He was born in 1863, so presumably was at Harlow say in 1874. His name was Landon. The son, the man I know, was at Felsted, which isn't far away, is it? . . . This country has much to be said for it. The climate is not desperately hot, but it is rather unpleasantly monotonous. We have had a nice break, though for the last fortnight—a "cold" Christmas. On the night of December 26th the temperature fell to 73 degrees F.—about five degrees below the normal minimum. The days were correspondingly cooler, and everyone was going about with a long face and muffled up in woollen pullovers. Now everyone has a cold. So far I have been remarkably lucky in that I have not had to spend all my days in Singapore. After three months here I went to Kuala Lampar for 10 days, and managed to stretch my stay to six months. I was engaged on agricultural advisory work. Unfortunately I celebrated Christmas Eve by landing in hospital with malaria. Last July I spent looking after our one-man office in Penang, while the normal slave was in hospital. I arrived just in time for some Chinese anti-Japanese riots, which were good entertainment while they lasted. I borrowed the uniform of the man I was relieving and paraded with the volunteers. We were allowed to do nothing but assist the police in raids on sleeping houses from 3 a.m. to 6 a.m. to arrest the reputed ring-leaders. I was amused to receive by registered post two-and-a-half months later the sum of £3, being my pay for that night's work from the Government. Although we are only

67 miles from the Equator we have plenty of grass. We can even grow two varieties of fine grass that make excellent golf greens, so that our golf courses are a great deal better than most in England."

* * * *

R. ALEXANDER, who left Harlow and returned to Australia, is now a fully-fledged chartered accountant, and has been sent to England by his firm to study English methods for a year. He brought with him a charming Australian wife. They spent a week-end at Harlow recently, and derived great pleasure in exploring the College, looking at the various improvements, and most of all in examining together Bob's cubicle and seats in the dining-hall and class-room.

* * * *

H. W. PADDICK (Hadleigh, Burford Road, Hoddesdon), on leaving Harlow in 1933, was articled to a solicitor. After working at this somewhat heavy profession for a year or so, he realized that he had histrionic ability, though he had never given any signs of it at School. He felt sufficient confidence in himself to throw up the law and go into training for the stage at the Embassy Theatre, Hampstead. His confidence was justified, as for the last year he has been playing the leading parts at the Playhouse, Newcastle, and has played opposite Phyllis Neilson-Terry. Harlow College has already produced one distinguished actor—Herbert Marshall. We send H. W. Paddick our best wishes, and hope he will be equally successful.

* * * *

C. D. B. WHITE (The Cottage, South Mimms: 1923-1929), began his career on leaving School by joining the Mercantile Marine. Not finding this to his taste he next went in for rubber planting in Malaya, a part of the world which seems to have a special attraction for Harlovians. He has evidently done well there. He flies an aeroplane, and was recently granted six months' furlough, during which he visited the College in a most dashing S.S. car. May his good fortune continue.

* * * *

Judging by the number of official testimonials the past and present Headmasters are asked to write, the R.A.F. must be a very popular profession. We can add to the list of Old Harlovian R.A.F. members mentioned in former numbers of the Magazine, the names of H. MORGAN-GRAY (119 Kennington Park Road, S.E.11: Jan., 1933—July, 1934), O. B. PARKER (c/o Mrs. Claypole, 49 Chalfont Road, Oxford: 1924-1932), and A. H. WHITE (1902-1909).

J. W. COOK (1925-1931), writes from the R.M.S. *Khandalla*, in which he is now 3rd Officer. He has recommended the School to his Chief Officer for his son, and tells us that he will himself be back in England next Christmas, after spending three-and-a-half years on the Indian coast. His address now is: 3rd Officer, R.M.S. *Khandalla*, B.I.S.N. Co., Ltd., c/o Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Strand Road, Calcutta, India.

* * * *

The following Old Harlovians have recently visited the School: C. D. White, R. N. Tarling, F. Lecren, J. W. Grundy, A. Watts, P. Thomas, J. Bradbury, A. V.-Jones, S. N. Dellow, D. and L. Stock, H. Minett, J. Langer, L. Barnes, J. Henfrey, R. Prior, G. Drane, K. C. Constable, H. Elliot, J. Humphrey, B. Brown, B. and S. Browne, J. Norris, Crozier, Chater i, Chater ii and A. Watts.

Miss Kerans, Miss Ward and Mr. Rhodes have also paid us a visit.

* * * *

Mr. E. DYER, formerly on our School staff, has recently become engaged to be married.

* * * *

J. W. E. GRUNDY has joined the Staff of Martin's Bank in the City.

* * * *

R. PHILLIPS has begun work with an engineering firm in Sunderland, Co. Durham, and his brother, Vivian, is now attending the Bede Collegiate School in that town.

* * * *

Before the next number of the Magazine appears, several Old Harlovians between the ages of 20 and 21 will have joined the Army. An account of their first impressions could not fail to be of the greatest interest to present Harlovians, most of whom will also be joining in a few years' time. The Editor, therefore, appeals earnestly for letters from members of the newly-enrolled militia.

* * * *

The Past v. Present Cricket Match is to take place on Saturday, 1st July. Will those wishing to play please send in their names to the Secretary of the Old Harlovians' Club as soon as possible? Mr. and Mrs. Dames hope that a good number of Old Harlovians not playing in the match will take this opportunity of re-visiting their old School, but will give them warning of their coming.