

"Reading maketh a full man; Conference a ready man; and Writing an exact man."—BACON.

The Elizabethan

EDITORIAL.

There are three types of contributor to the "Elizabethan": the hounded, the hunted, and the harried. Lest the Reader should think such a denomination tautological, we hasten to distinguish between them. The hounded, foreseeing the editorial spoliation, has already hatched *aliquid vivum ex ovo*. It remains for us to convince him that it is viable and is not too weak a fledgling to soar on the winds of criticism. The hunted is the potential contributor. Our understudy, professional "talent scout" though he is, *ex officio*, has not time to make a fuller bag of this game to be dressed for a more savoury pot. The harried must be plied with some persistence. Prose and verse flow a babbling brook from his Pierian pen; but, not content with being naturally a *rara avis*, he goes to some pains to make himself scarce. Once sighted, he must be worried with as much doggedness as is compatible with the editorial dignity, for he will use every device of fugitive genius to ward off our marauding attacks. We plunge, however, hot-foot on the trail of mistaken reticence and we are able finally to pluck some versicular morsel from his sheaf of cherished progeny. But we are now "out of breath in this fond chase," and led far from our Helicon, so that for want of better inspiration we have recited the chapter of our woe in a precious metaphor.

Nevertheless, the editor is himself a chronicler as well as the master of literary ceremonies. It has become a tradition that he should consign to only too permanent print some casual remarks upon the term which lies behind him.

This term began soon after the start of the heavy aerial bombardment. It has seen the progress of the word "troglodyte" from obscurity, through familiarity, to nauseous triteness. That is more than a little philological history. It is a symbol of the Londoner's reaction to three months of bombing.

In contrast with the works of man's hand, School personnel is assuming a more permanent aspect. There are, however, three new Masters for us to welcome: Mr. Lace, a traveller of no little experience, has taken over from Mr. Laws Mr. Buttery's place at the helm of Room H to guide the Middle School over the hazardous seas of literature; and Mr. Macdonald has filled the gap caused by the departure of Mr. Inns (who did not go until he had shown the Second Fifteen the difference between *velox* and *velocior*). Now that Mr. Pritchard has become Director of Physical Education, Mr. Smith has come to teach in the Manual Training and Art Rooms.

(We acknowledge with thanks and apologies for possible omissions the receipt of the following contemporaries: "The Bancroftian," "The Georgian," "The Masonian," "The Skylark," "The Reading School Magazine.")

THE SLEEPER AWAKES.

Where the sides of Nagow Wudjoo
Steeplly fall in Gitche Gumce,
Slip into the Big-Sea-Water,
There the sleeper lay a-dreaming,
Tossing in his craft of birch-bark,
Cooled by gentle Mudjekeewis;
Mudjekeewis winsome West Wind.
And the wavelets lapping, slapping
On the smooth and weathered sand dunes
"Ewayea " whispered, whispered;
Ewayea soft sleep story.
Then the dreamer turned, and sighing
Let his arm fall limply from him,
Sinking, dropping slowly downward
For a moment poised his fingers
Brushed against the trembling waters.
Plash! they dropped and pierced the surface.
Froze his body hard and stiffened,
With the strange damp chill upon him.
Then like rippings on a wood pond
When the wind breaks through and stirs it,
Thrilled a shudder through his body,
And behold the sleeper risen,
Truth, with daybreak, glowing on him,
Anger's curses breaking from him.
Curses Teuton Pau-Puk-Keewis,
Ranting, canting modern Storm Fool.
Curses wizened dark Iagoo,
Ether-spoiler, the great boaster.
For he is no Hiawatha,
He is just John Bull of Barnet
In his freshly flooded shelter.

Then observe, O patient reader,
This the moral of my verses.
If addicted to Longfellow,
Or his literary co-mates,
Take your latest night-meal lightly,
Book and supper both digesting. . . .

P.D.O.

CATULLUS REQUESTS THE PLEASURE

(Carmen XIII.)

Come, Fabullus, dine with me
In convivial jollity,
If the heavenly powers that be
Give you grace to dine with me.
Come and taste the luscious feast—
Flesh of bird and flesh of beast,
Hunted in the gorgeous East—
These delights are but the least.
For the maiden, when you've chaffed her,
Knows which dish to serve up after—
Wine and wit and winking laughter.
She'll provide it once you've chaffed her.
But all pleasure has its sting,
As a spice to revelling :
All these joys yourself must bring.
Poverty applies this sting,
For your friend Catullus' purse
Is quite empty. What is worse,
My lady spider's laid her curse
On the darkness of my purse.
Still, to compensate your trouble,
I may mend illusion's bubble,
Burst on scythèd fortune's stubble,
With a sign of friendship's double
(Rollicking companionship,
Genuine as any sip
Of wine that ever passed your lip).
Take amends for my harsh quip—
Ointment with bewitching scent,
That deep Venus did present
To my love. I'm sure 'twas meant
For me. She won't know where it went,
Like the fleeting smell that grows
In the air about a rose.
You will cry in such sweet throes—
Jove! Pray make me all a nose!

R.J.B.

ALEXANDER POPE BLACKS OUT

(or "The Dunciad" Up-to-Date).

She comes ! She comes ! the sable throne behold
Of Night Primaeval, and of Black-Out bold !
Before her, London's myriad cries decay;
Bees of the hive Suburbia speed away.
Defensive dragons breathe avenging fires,
Explosive drops and in a flash expires,
As, one by one, at the dread Siren's strain
The safety seekers flee the demon Plane.
The searching beams, as from a secret fount,
Burst from the murk and to the Heavens mount.
Then, awed iconoclasts, as doubting sight,
Each after each goes out, and all is Night.
See th' inhabitants to cave-homes fled,
Mountains of masonry heaped o'er their head.
Philosophers perceive of Thought a dearth,
Shrink from their lofty state, and crawl to Earth.
Townsmen of fellow-townsmen begs defence,
And slumb'rous folk with downy couch dispense.
See how the wingèd Evil near us flies !
In vain ! our spiritual force his strength defies.
The housewife wisely veils domestic light,
Lest it provoke Law's unrelenting might.
Nor public flame nor private now gives sign !
Naught but celestial beacons dare to shine !
Lo ! thy dread Empire, Black-Out, is restored !
Light dies before thy uncreating word :
Thy hand, great Monarch, lets the curtain fall,
And Universal Darkness buries all.

D.A.N.

NATIONAL SAVINGS.

Hitherto the most pressing financial obligation of the schoolboy was paying for his fixture card, and the only too honorary treasurer was an unjustifiably patient sub-prefect. Now duty has called for the development of the National Savings Group, and far more pressing are the exhortations to all alumni to subscribe freely. Of our group Mr. Winter is President, Secretary, Treasurer and Committee—offices which are quite as onerous as they are honorary, especially as Mr. Winter has made an Aschean concession to modern informality in that "Any Time's Saving Time."

In spite of all this alluring convenience and simplicity, the National Savings Group until recently gave such a convincing appearance of being the most exclusive society in the School that an Inter-House Competition was conducted to increase its membership. It is still held so much in awe, however, that the roll stands at only 156. It would seem that nearly 200 others find it easier to gain entry to some rival and more fashionable Cash-in-Hand Club. Of the 156, about seventy are town members. The others, having paid their initial subscription, consider themselves country members and dwell afar off.

The fortune of the Group is indicated on the notice-boards. According to the figures posted in the Crush Hall, funds have hardly swelled in the snowball manner one might have hoped for. One of the House notice-boards bears a thermometer. Since this is, appropriately enough, the Winter term, it seldom registers above 32. On others there are small pieces of paper stating that some number, usually between ten and twenty, is a record, or the worst yet, as the case may be; or there is nothing at all, which blank is sufficient substitute for a blush.

For the School Savings Movement has by no means reached a point where we can sit back contented. Too few of us have deserted the Odeon for Room A. We are still more influenced by the hyperboles of Samuel Goldwyn than by the exhortations of Sir Robert Kindersley. We are generous enough with an occasional collection for charity. Let us show next term what a stupendous effort we can make when we really *GO TO IT!*

A.J.R.

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Next Term begins: Tuesday, 14th January.

Half-Term: Saturday, 1st March, and Monday, 3rd March.

Closing date for "Elizabethan": Monday, 17th March.

End of Term: Tuesday, 8th April.

(These dates may be altered at short notice.)

SCHOOL NEWS.

SCHOOL OFFICE BEARERS.

Prefects: R. J. Beale (*Capt.*), K. J. Miles (*Lieut.*), A. J. Randles, P. D. Olsen, *R. H. Vincent, *F. B. Stitt, *R. M. Godfrey.

Sub-Prefects: J. Weaver, D. A. Nelms, D. McN. Wilson, A. W. Boardley, *P. A. Ward.

Captain of Football: *R. H. Vincent.

Assistant Librarian: *R. J. Beale.

Editor of "Elizabethan": *R. J. Beale.

Sub-Editor: *D. A. Nelms.

Library Committee: P. D. Olsen, D. A. Nelms, F. B. Stitt, *K. J. Miles, *E. R. Dobbs.

Games Club Committee: The Headmaster (*President*), Mr. Harrison (*Treasurer*), Mr. Strugnell (*Chairman*), Mr. Woodland, Mr. Winter, *R. J. Beale, *K. J. Miles, *P. D. Olsen, *R. H. Vincent (*Hon. Sec.*).

*Appointed this Term.

VALETE.—VI: R. J. Beale (*Captain of School, Assistant Librarian, Editor of "Elizabethan," Sec. School Society, Sec. Photographic Society*), R. W. Gunton (*1st XV Colours 1939-40*), J. McKean (*1st XI Colours 1940*), K. J. Parfit, A. J. Randles (*School Prefect, 1st XV Colours 1940*). *Upper Vs:* D. E. Foreman, J. S. Hay, H. E. Tibble. *Upper IV:* D. B. Kite, E. H. Osborn. *Lower IVa:* D. J. Duerden, M. Gough. *Lower IVb:* J. Gordon, D. O. Thomas. *IIIb:* D. F. Cappell, D. J. Newton. *IIa:* B. Booth. *IIb:* D. A. Barnes. *Upper I:* B. Stroud. *Lower I:* J. A. Rouse.

ATHLETICS, 1940.

With the contests for the Junior House Cup, held on the 21st of August, the athletic season was brought to a belated end. They had been postponed from July when the shortening of the summer holiday was first announced, and training was broken off then, to be resumed in more favourable conditions. Unfortunately, with the track and pits out of bounds during the "holiday term," no resumption was possible, and the standard of performance suffered in consequence. Least affected, naturally, were the sprinters, and the times over the shorter distances were generally good. The jumping (especially the long-jumping) showed an advance over recent seasons, but is still not all that might be desired. The walking, without exception, was bad.

The competition for the House Cup was widened by the inclusion of an additional track event in each class. The double-standard system was introduced in Classes I and II for the first time, and points were also awarded for a single-grade standard in Classes III and IV. Underne, for whom W. C. Fillmore won three events in Class I, scored points in almost every event to win the Cup with a comfortable margin over Leicester and Stapylton. The final totals were:—

1. Underne	128 points.
2. Leicester	99½ points.
3. Stapylton	98½ points.
4. Broughton	82 points.

Results:—

CLASS I.

100 Yards : 1 R. C. Pankhurst, 2 D. K. Jervis, 3 R. J. Cooper, 4 G. A. Gibson. Time : 12 secs.
 200 Yards : 1 W. C. Fillmore, 2 D. McKinnon, 3 R. H. Jesson, 4 D. J. Robinson. Time : 27.6 secs.
 400 Yards : 1 R. C. Pankhurst, 2 M. G. Wallace, 3 D. Molyneux, 4 R. C. P. Hatton. Time : 58 secs.
 800 Yards : 1 W. C. Fillmore, 2 G. A. Gibson, 3 D. J. Robinson, 4 M. A. Wheelans. Time : 2 mins. 20.8 secs.
 Half Mile Walk : 1 R. J. Cooper, 2 J. R. Sterry, 3 R. C. P. Hatton, 4 C. Shepherd. Time : 4 mins. 36 secs.
 100 Yards Hurdles (3ft.) : 1 D. K. Jervis, 2 M. A. Wheelans, 3 M. G. Wallace. Time : 19.2 secs.
 High Jump : 1 W. C. Fillmore, 2 R. J. Cooper, 3 R. C. Pankhurst, 4 B. L. McKean. Height : 4ft. 7ins.
 Long Jump : 1 M. G. Wallace, 2 R. B. Whittington, 3 R. C. G. Mildren, 4 E. I. Welch. Distance : 15ft. 7¼ins.
Class I Score : Underne 72, Broughton 50, Leicester 26, Stapylton 23.

CLASS II.

100 Yards : 1 S. H. Perkins, 2 J. W. Britton, 3 N. Pooler, 4 K. G. Payne. Time : 12.6 secs. (Class Record).
 200 Yards : 1 S. H. Perkins, 2 J. R. Miller, 3 B. M. Hibbard, 4 M. J. M. Morgan. Time : 27.4 secs.
 375 Yards : 1 J. A. Townley, 2 N. Pooler, 3 G. A. Francis, 4 J. S. Weaver. Time : 57.2 secs.
 750 Yards : 1 D. L. J. Cadney, 2 N. G. Scriven, 3 G. Phillips, 4 J. F. Legg. Time : 2 mins. 21.2 secs.
 Half Mile Walk : 1 R. T. Wheelans, 2 J. Gordon, 3 G. J. Wenham, 4 A. R. Downie. Time : 4 mins. 27.6 secs.
 100 Yards Hurdles (2ft. 9ins.) : 1 V. E. Parry-Jones, 2 N. G. Scriven, 3 J. S. Weaver, 4 M. J. M. Morgan. Time : 19.8 secs.
 High Jump : 1 M. J. M. Morgan, 2 D. J. D. Shepherd, 3 D. L. J. Cadney, 4 V. E. Parry-Jones. Height : 4ft. 2ins.
 Long Jump : 1 S. H. Perkins, 2 J. R. Miller, 3 J. Gordon, 4 J. A. Townley. Distance : 14ft. 4½ins.
Class II Score : Leicester 67, Underne 38, Stapylton 22, Broughton 18.

CLASS III.

75 Yards : 1 M. Williams, 2 P. Wells, 3 D. L. Haxby, 4 R. F. King and N. A. O. Swabey (tied).
Time : 9.8 secs.
200 Yards : 1 D. L. Haxby, 2 A. N. Bradbeer, 3 A. H. Acason, 4 N. A. O. Swabey. Time :
30 secs.
400 Yards : 1 M. Williams, 2 A. N. Bradbeer, 3 P. Wells, 4 R. L. Butler. Time : 65.4 secs.
Class III Score : Stapylton 37½, Underne 1, Leicester ½, Broughton 0.

CLASS IV.

75 Yards : 1 D. W. A. Bruce, 2 J. E. Kearey, 3 J. Boddington, 4 M. J. Flanagan. Time :
10.2 secs.
200 Yards : 1 J. E. Kearey, 2 R. H. Wadge, 3 J. L. Goodall, 4 T. Lloyd-Evans. Time :
30.8 secs.
375 Yards : 1 D. W. A. Bruce, 2 D. H. Thomas and J. L. Goodall (tied), 4 J. D. Hughes.
Time : 67.8 secs.
Class IV Score : Underne 17, Stapylton 16, Broughton 14, Leicester 6.

CRICKET.

When the last Editor wrote that, as he had taken advantage of the holiday term to issue the "Elizabethan" late, reports of cricket would not appear anachronistically in December, he was not quite right. For, although no regular matches could be played in the holiday term, there were two games of a "Club" nature played by a mixed side of boys and Masters. The first was Away, at Knebworth Park, on a perfect day made even more memorable by the generous hospitality of our old friend Major Saunders. We made our total of 175 all out in the very quick time of an hour and forty minutes, Mr. Winter (59), Mr. Inns, the Headmaster, Vincent, and McKean all scoring rapidly. Shearly bowled unchanged, taking seven wickets, and gave us a comfortable victory. The other match was a whole-day one on Stapylton against a side, mainly Past and Present Georgians, brought by the late R. P. Nelson. Mr. Winter got another 50 and, with Mr. Thomas, put on over 100 for the first wicket, and when we declared at 257 Miles had played an admirable not-out innings of 74. In spite of a furious 80 by Vere-Collins, this total was too much for our opponents.

But we shall always remember this match, because it was the last time Robert Nelson came to Stapylton. Owing to inoculation for the Marines, he had to be content with skippering his side from the Pavilion. Yet, as he was killed so shortly afterwards, Stapylton was, perhaps, the last cricket ground that he visited. If so, it was very appropriate, for he once made what we believe is the highest individual score ever hit on the ground. Surely many O.E.'s will remember that hurricane 180, when he was a boy at St. George's. This year, too, he made the highest individual score on the ground, 90 against us for the Gentlemen of Herts. To very many of us Stapylton will always bring memories of the magnificent cricket of this modest and friendly enemy.

FOOTBALL.

As we go to press the season is more than half through, and it has so far been a pretty good one. In spite of the war, we have been able to get together quite a full and useful fixture list for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd XV's, and for Colts, and very few fixtures have yet been scratched. The 1st XV, without any great record of victories, has played good and pleasant football, its weakness being the youth and inexperience of an otherwise willing back division. Injuries and illness have so far caused less trouble than in many previous seasons, nor have there

been so many problems of selection, with the undesirably frequent changes that have been seen in some past seasons. This has meant an improvement of team work in all sides. The 2nd XV and Colts XV are good sides that have done well, and there is much keenness and promise in the 3rd XV. This augurs well for the future; but there are two serious weaknesses. One is in kicking, where we have not a drop kicker worth the name, and hardly a dependable place kicker—a matter that can be put right for next year by practice. The other weakness is the old one in fly-half play. For this position, it is essential that a player should be able to think quickly, move quickly, kick quickly, and handle well. But if only those who feel they have these essentials would realise that fly-half is THE position (like wicket keeper or cover point in cricket) and would *think* themselves into being ready to play there, instead of being content to consider themselves merely as centre or wing three-quarters, a part of the trouble at least would be overcome.

FIRST FIFTEEN.

v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. On Stapylton. 9th October. Lost 0—26.

We started off with a snap and almost gave ourselves the confidence which we always need so much. For five minutes the pack was heeling briskly, and the three-quarters were making their attacks in a way that must inevitably have brought scores before long, if it had been kept up. But our grasp of the initiative soon disappeared. Beckett could not reach even Stitt and Olsen in the line-out, and St. Albans began to get the ball out and to attack. Their passing was good and they usually had an extra three-quarter in their full back. Our tackling was poor, especially in the centre, and after the falsely auspicious start our attack moved in circles instead of in straight lines. The scrum quickly tired through lack of training, and was soon disheartened through lack of experience. St. Albans scored 13 points in each half.

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v. ST. GEORGE'S, HARPENDEN. On Stapylton. 26th October. Lost 11—14.

As always, a pleasant game; but to lose it yet again by one score was, this time, a tragedy. For we fear we must say that it was entirely due to Boardley's failure to make an easy tackle, on no less than four occasions, that George's got the only tries they really looked like getting. For, though their backs were better than ours, our pack controlled the game—despite some slow heeling.

We pressed for some minutes, but George's wing was missed the first time they really got the ball. We attacked again, Ward put in a good run, and Powell made the score level with a fine penalty from long range. Another blunder then let George's go ahead; and though we pressed for the rest of the half our backs fumbled and were poorly together. At the start of the second half George's were given two more tries. Then the pack made a sustained effort and the backs wisely supported them by kicking. As a result of this continual pressure Vincent made half an opening for Powell, who scored with a fine run. Then a great rush by Stitt, Weaver, Mortimer and Wilson was stopped only on the line, and Turner slipped over from the resultant heel. A try behind, with a few minutes to go, we kept up the pressure, and in the last second of the game Vincent and Powell made the best opening of the day: only to see the hapless Boardley drop the scoring pass.

School: G. B. Hanson; A. W. Boardley, R. H. Vincent, D. E. A. Powell, M. B. Tripp; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; F. B. Stitt, J. Weaver, P. D. Olsen, P. B. Mortimer, A. J. Randles, D. McN. Wilson, K. J. Miles, E. W. Manthorpe.

v. HABERDASHERS' SCHOOL. Away. 2nd November. Won 12—3.

This match, our first win, was played in a drizzle, which made the backs' handling of the ball extremely difficult. The forwards played consistently well, giving their backs much of the ball. Turner's "service" to his three-quarters was very quick and accurate, and had it not been for a certain lack of determination they must certainly have scored frequently. Haberdashers scored first with a try which was unconverted, but the School forwards by persistent rushes took play into the opposing half and Powell went over to touch down. At this point forward play became unnecessarily strenuous due to an obvious lack of kicking

in the centre, but on our wings the constant thrust of Tripp and sound play by Tarbox soon resulted in tries from these players. Pressure continued but play became lethargic and somewhat scrappy, till new-found energy made the School forwards extremely dangerous in the final ten minutes. Olsen touched down the try which closed our score, but, like the others, this went unconverted.

School: G. B. Hanson; M. B. Tripp, D. E. A. Powell, R. H. Vincent, E. W. Tarbox; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; J. Weaver, A. J. Randles, T. W. F. Pay, F. B. Stitt, P. D. Olsen, D. McN. Wilson, K. J. Miles, P. B. Mortimer.

v. A "BART'S" HOSPITAL XV. On Stapylton. 6th November. Lost 10—14.

Though the strong wind drove the rain across a saturated ground throughout the match, and though our opponents were well together, and faster and heavier at all points, it was a good game, and we did well to keep it so close. In the first half we were rather at sea with our opponents' greater experience in the bad conditions, and were lucky to be only eight points down at half time. In the second half, with the wind, the forwards went off with a fine burst, supported by fairly good kicking in the centre. After a good run by Powell, Turner slipped away for an excellent try which Powell converted. Our opponents were not disposed to see their lead challenged, and their backs added two very good tries. But we were not done with: after Vincent had tackled the back in possession, and Tarbox had put in a long dribble, and Powell had hit the bar with a good shot at a penalty goal, Stitt collected a few forwards in a really fine rush that brought a converted try. But we could not get another score. Forward, Olsen was very sound, and Stitt played well, getting good support from Weaver, Mortimer and Randles. Of the backs, Vincent showed tireless defence, Turner and Tarbox were sound, and Powell played his best game so far.

School: G. B. Hanson; E. W. Tarbox, R. H. Vincent, D. E. A. Powell, M. B. Tripp; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; F. B. Stitt, P. D. Olsen, J. Weaver, D. McN. Wilson, P. B. Mortimer, A. J. Randles, K. J. Miles, T. W. F. Pay.

v. ST. GEORGE'S, HARPENDEN. Away. 13th November. Lost 3—17.

The return match with St. George's was played with even more vigour than the previous game. The ground had dried considerably, and it was obvious that the backs would have a fair share of the ball.

The School pressed hard for the first five minutes, but St. George's scored in the corner after their centres had found our backs out of position. St. George's scored two more tries in the first half, converting one of them. Then Turner and Tripp used the blind side to good account and Turner put Wilson over for an excellent try. During the second half St. George's backs again scored twice, but the School towards the end pressed hard, and it was bad luck that we were unable to score again.

Of the backs, Tripp, Turner and Tarbox played well, and they with Thurgood showed their willingness to tackle. The whole of our back division were slow up on their opponents when the latter were in possession and this was the real cause of our defeat. In the forwards, Olsen played a very good game indeed. He was well supported by Stitt, Wilson and Mortimer, but the scrum as a whole did not play up to their usual form.

School: R. J. B. Thurgood; M. B. Tripp, D. E. A. Powell, P. S. McGreal, E. W. Tarbox; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; E. W. Manthorpe, D. E. Foreman, T. W. F. Pay, F. B. Stitt, P. D. Olsen, D. McN. Wilson, K. J. Miles, P. B. Mortimer.

v. OLD ELIZABETHANS. On Stapylton. 16th November. Drawn 6—6.

The weather was perfect, in spite of greasy conditions, for the Past v. Present match. And though the war and, especially, the tragedy of the previous night in Barnet, lessened the number of onlookers, there was still a good few; and enough of the old touch-line "yell," so noticeable in this of all matches, remained to remind us of other days. A pleasant game, but we were lucky to draw. Though we had the better of the tight, the "Past" got plenty of the ball from the line-out, where Adams and Robertson were too good for us; and their outsides, by swiftly changing the direction of the attack the instant it was halted, often had our defence utterly beaten; but once Lockwood slipped when he was clear, and at other times passes were dropped. J. H. Heard gave his side the lead with one of these changes of direction so unexpected that no one even got near him in a long diagonal run. Soon afterwards our best movement sent Tarbox away for what would have been a try but for Lockwood's unusual speed, and then when we set up a strong attack, Lockwood most courteously got off-side and Powell made us level with an easy penalty.

After half-time the "Past" got the ball from the scrums and L. Heard had his backs continuously moving. A mixture of stout defence and dropped passes saved us for some time, but at length Knibb went over. Our pack then got on top for a bit, and, though the backs were beaten for pace and passing power, Ward kicked well, and from a touch near the corner flag some determined work by Manthorpe and Mortimer gave us the equalising try. The rest of the game remained even. The backs, though outclassed, kept their heads, and the scrum played well, Olsen especially so.

School: R. J. B. Thurgood; M. B. Tripp, R. H. Vincent, D. E. A. Powell, E. W. Tarbox; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; J. Weaver, J. Moyes, E. W. Manthorpe, F. B. Stitt, P. D. Olsen, P. B. Mortimer, K. J. Miles, D. McN. Wilson.

Past: D. R. Rogers; J. F. Lockwood (*Capt.*), D. L. Knibb, J. H. Heard, D. E. Jenkins; S. A. J. King, L. R. Heard; G. H. Bygrave, J. V. Spicer, T. E. Adams, J. P. McCarthy, P. J. Richards, P. E. Whitaker, G. C. J. Winchester, A. M. Robertson.

v. BANCROFT'S SCHOOL. Away. 23rd November. Won 8—3.

We were well pleased by our first match with Bancroft's. The ground was greasy on the surface, there was a nip in the air, and play was correspondingly keen. Both sides attacked strongly, and defended with equal stoutness. Bancroft's made more appearances in our own "twenty-five" than we did in theirs, largely because of the fine touch-kicking of their three-quarters, and notably of the wings; but the School forwards, though they often had to retreat from well inside their opponents' half, never flagged, and cleared several serious positions. Among the outstanding points of the first half was a fine inter-forward passing movement, which took the ball most of the way up the field, and was the more remarkable because this branch of tactics is usually missing from School play. But the pack made a poor show in scrums and failed to give the outsiders anything like their share of the ball. In the second half Bancroft's kicked a penalty, which proved to be an inspiration to the School, for they thrust hard, and scored by a strong cut-through from Powell, who also converted his try. Shortly after we scored again, when Wilson snapped up a loose ball near the line and went over. Some minutes before the end of the match Thurgood, who had played a gallant and intelligent game, was unfortunately injured.

School: R. J. B. Thurgood; M. B. Tripp, R. H. Vincent, D. E. A. Powell, E. W. Tarbox; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; E. W. Manthorpe, J. Weaver, A. J. Randles, F. B. Stitt, P. D. Olsen, P. B. Mortimer, K. J. Miles, D. McN. Wilson.

v. WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. 27th November. Lost 6—8.

The side was without Stitt and Thurgood, and as Mortimer was at full back the scrum lacked a lot of its shove; but Miles was hooking well, and the School had a fair share of the ball during the first half. We pressed hard at the start and it was rather unlucky when Watford heeled the ball quickly from a loose scrum and their far centre ran round our three-quarters from inside his own twenty-five to score under the posts. After that the backs defended strongly until the interval. The School was then five points down, but had the slope behind them for the next half. Unfortunately, Powell, who had been injured just before half-time, had to retire when play was resumed, and Beale, who had played an excellent forward game, went on to the wing. With our weakened pack playing well, Turner got the ball out to Tripp on the blind side. The pass inside put Weaver over for an excellent try. The School continued to press, and Turner, again using the blind side, dummied and scored a well-deserved try. Again the kick failed. Watford then played very hard, and held us in our twenty-five. The scrum was now tired, and with their eight men to our seven Watford were getting most of the ball. The resultant try was almost inevitable. Turner played his best game so far, and Olsen, Beale, Weaver and Miles were notable among our forwards. To lose by two points with a man short, and that the only real place-kicker, was certainly unlucky.

School: P. B. Mortimer; M. B. Tripp, D. E. A. Powell, R. H. Vincent, E. W. Tarbox; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; J. Weaver, T. W. F. Pay, E. W. Manthorpe, P. D. Olsen, A. J. Randles, D. McN. Wilson, K. J. Miles, R. J. Beale.

v. A ROYAL ARTILLERY XV. On Stapylton. 4th December. Lost 6—17.

Lockwood skippered our opponents, who were a fast and powerful side. So the result of this hard-fought game does us no discredit—especially as we were below strength forward, and sadly missed Powell in the centre. Lack of pace and cleverness in the backs was the trouble—though all played hard and tackled well. In the pack, Olsen and Weaver played a

fine game, and Miles out-hooked his man. But the heeling was a little slow, and this was too much of a handicap to the outsides, who rarely looked like scoring.

We had the wind in the first half and did most of the pressing. But the Gunners scored first with a well placed punt up for the wing. Turner made the scores level by slipping away from the scrum for a clever and determined try. We continued to press in the second half for a while; then the Army got three quick tries. But we were not done with. Ward put in a good run and kick and Olsen made a grand tackle of the back to put us in an attacking position from which Turner kicked a penalty. We continued to press till the last minute, when the Gunners cleared their lines and Lockwood scored a dashing and clever try.

School: P. B. Mortimer; A. W. Boardley, R. H. Vincent, E. W. Tarbox, M. B. Tripp; P. A. Ward, A. J. S. Turner; P. D. Olsen, J. Weaver, D. McN. Wilson, A. J. Randles, K. J. Miles, E. W. Manthorpe, R. J. Beale, B. W. Richards.

SECOND FIFTEEN.

v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. Away. 9th October. Lost 3—22.

The team suffered through lack of experience as a combination, but, even so, should not have been so easily defeated. The pack played well and the backs had a fair share of the ball; but they were so slow and weak in defence that a keen St. Albans attack always went through. The team was entirely re-organised after this match.

v. ROYAL MASONIC SCHOOL. Away. 23rd October. Won 26—8.

An uninspiring game with mediocre back play on both sides. Our forwards were better in attack than in defence. The score was 8—8 after a scrappy first half. Only once after half-time did Masonic look like scoring, and then a fine forward rush soon took the play right up to their twenty-five. It was kept there; and a proportion of our three-quarter movements inevitably met with success.

v. OLD ELIZABETHANS' 'A' XV. Home. 26th October. Won 15—5.

A light-hearted game, but enjoyable. It began slowly, but Galley Lane soon rang with the familiar cry of "Feet on, O.E.'s," and poor falling resulted in a try by Stow which Odell converted. Our backs were more of a combination, but had no need of defence, for the O.E.'s could not hold the ball. We should have scored more than five times but for the defence of Hossack, the O.E. full back.

v. HABERDASHERS' SCHOOL. Home. 6th November. Won 41—3.

Such a win was nearly deserved. The forwards played coherently and unselfishly in obviously forwards' weather. The backs generally justified this service by fairly good control of a slippery and heavy ball. The attack in the centre was keen and straight, but the wings were still too shy of the touch-line.

v. BANCROFT'S SCHOOL. On Stapylton. 23rd November. Won 12—11.

The hardest and most enjoyable game so far. In the first half our weakened and out-weighted pack heeled well, and all our scores came before the interval. The heavy Bancroft's forwards later pressed hard, and our exhausted pack had to heel in defence. Three-quarter play was not generally up to standard. Line-out work was hopeless.

v. WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. On Stapylton. 27th November. Lost 18—19.

A good game, in which Watford, after being over ten points up at half-time, only just survived a fine rally by the School. With a weakened scrum we did well to make the result so close, and lost because of our very poor place-kicking, for we scored more tries than our opponents—some of them under the posts! Line-out work was again hopeless.

THIRD FIFTEEN.

v. ROYAL MASONIC SCHOOL. Away. 23rd October. Won 8—6.

v. ST. ALBANS COUNTY SCHOOL 1st XV. Home. 30th October. Won 17—6.

v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. Away. 13th November. Lost 0—26.

v. WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away. 27th November. Lost 0—38.

v. ST. ALBANS COUNTY SCHOOL 1st XV. Away. 30th November. Lost 5—16.

COLTS FIFTEENS.

- v. ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL, HARPENDEN. Home. 26th October. Won 41—0.
v. ST. ALBANS COUNTY SCHOOL. Home. 30th October, Won 32—0.
v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. Home. 13th November. Won 5—3.
v. BANCROFT'S SCHOOL. Away. 23rd November. Lost 0—25.
v. WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home. 27th November. Won 18—3.
v. ST. ALBANS COUNTY SCHOOL. Away. 30th November. Drawn 3—3.

CHRISTIAN UNION.

President: Mr. PEARCE. *Secretary:* R. GREENFIELD.

Like most other School activities, the Christian Union has been affected by war-time conditions, and it has been thought advisable to discontinue, for the present, the afternoon meetings—a regrettable step, since they were much enjoyed by those who attended them. The prayer meetings which were started last term have been continued, and since the new School hours have made the lunch-hour inconvenient they are now held before morning school. As soon as conditions permit, the afternoon meetings will recommence.

R.G.

LIBRARY NOTES.

Mr. G. W. Murray has kindly forwarded a number of books from the bequest of the late Major R. V. Murray, M.C., R.I.A.S.C., who was always a generous donor to the Library. They include some very welcome additions to the sections on French literature and sailing ships. The following leaving gifts have been made:—

Ernest Protheroe	The Book of Ships	H. E. Tibble.
D. Nichol Smith (Ed.)	Shakespearian Criticism	F. V. Preston.
W. M. Thackeray	Vanity Fair	F. V. Preston.
J. M. Barrie	Dear Brutus	W. S. Henderson.
Arthur Waley	The Way and its Power	D. A. Rudd.
Charles and Mary Lamb	Great Stories from Shakespeare	A. H. Wadge.
J. F. C. Westerman	Overdue	A. H. Wadge.
W. S. Gilbert	The Bab Ballads	C. C. Turner.
Charlotte Haldane	Music, My Love!	C. C. Turner.
G. V. Dowding	Practical Television	W. T. Smith.
Fournier D'Albe	The Moon-Element	W. T. Smith.
Talbot Booth	Ships and the Sea	G. T. Parkyn.
Sir J. A. Thomson	The Ways of Insects	J. McKean.
J. M. Barrie	Half Hours	J. McKean.
G. M. Fenn	Devon Boys	J. McKean.
J. Verne	Their Island Home	J. McKean.

It is gratifying to see how great a proportion of boys leaving the School make such a presentation. As a result of these accessions, the number of books actually in stock stands at 4,853. During part of this term a record has been kept of the number of books issued. The averages *per diem* stand at 24 fiction and 12 non-fiction. These numbers are good, in view of the limited time available for a boy to use the Library, but they could be larger.

R.J.B.

CHess CLUB.

President: Mr. STRUGNELL.

Coach: Mr. WOODLAND.

Captain: R. H. VINCENT.

Secretary: A. J. KNOX.

War conditions have made it impossible to play any matches this term, and so Chess activities have been limited to practices which have been held once a week. We are again indebted to Mr. Woodland for his assiduous coaching of the team, and although the standard of Chess this year is not yet up to that of last year it seems probable that it will be much improved by the end of the season. House Chess Captains should remember, however, that if School Chess is to survive the war more fellows in the middle and junior school must be encouraged to study this genial science.

R.H.V.

SCHOOL SOCIETY.

President: Mr. PEARCE.

Secretary: R. J. BEALE.

The new time-table has allowed opportunity for meetings after School. On 29th November Mr. Lacey gave the first part of a lecture on Patagonia. The attendance was not good; this was a pity, for his "true traveller's tales" were worth hearing. The second part will be given later, and should be even more interesting, as it will be "fully illustrated."

The Society has also used its organization for more altruistic works. It has received and dispatched two parcels of comforts for the Forces, one for the Fleet Air Arm, to Sub-Lieut. N. D. M. Parsons, O.E., and the other to a R.A.F. station. The British Red Cross Society has appealed for reading matter for hospitals not only in this country but also in the near and middle East. The School Society will welcome and dispatch any books or magazines in good condition. They should be given to Mr. Pearce.

R.J.B.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

President: Mr. CHIRGWIN.

Secretary: R. J. BEALE.

The departure of Mr. Wall with his enlarger, the advent of air raids and the refusal of the dark room to become adequately light-tight, have been an obstacle strong enough to make the functioning of the Society extremely difficult. It is intended to circulate a folio of prints for criticism, lest enthusiasm and photographic appreciation should flag.

The Society decided to make a presentation to Mr. Wall, and a duplicate set of Hockett Cup prints has been sent to him, mounted in a portfolio made by members. Photographers will remember that Mr. Wall left before he could see the fruits of his instruction:

R.J.B.

HOUSE NOTES.

BROUGHTON.

Housemaster: Mr. STRUGNELL.

Prefect: R. J. BEALE.

Sub-Prefect: P. A. WARD.

For several years our seniors have been few and far between, and the departure of P. J. Richards has made them seem even fewer and farther between. The steadfast band who remain have turned their hand to all trades with commendable keenness. Tripp has been initiating many a tyro into the mysteries of the oldest

game in the obscure holes and corners to which the Chess Club insists on resorting. We entertain fair hopes for successful results in this direction next term. We congratulate P. A. Ward on his recent appointment as sub-prefect, and E. P. Bull on his matriculation. We are pleased to note that the following members of the House have played in the XV—P. A. Ward, M. B. Tripp and R. J. Beale. R. M. Tiller and R. C. Pankhurst have been given their Colts colours. Finally we would urge the House to improve its National Savings effort.

R.J.B.

LEICESTER.

Housemaster: Mr. WINTER.

Prefects: K. J. MILES, P. D. OLSEN, R. H. VINCENT,

R. M. GODFREY.

Sub-Prefect: J. WEAVER.

As always, the Michaelmas term offers little opportunity to write of House activities, but a pleasing number of fellows have represented the House in School teams. R. H. Vincent is to be congratulated on his appointment as Captain of the XV, for which P. D. Olsen, J. Weaver, P. B. Mortimer and K. J. Miles have regularly played. They have been awarded colours for the season. Colts XV colours have been awarded to R. J. Cooper, N. T. Hughes and R. C. G. Mildren. Congratulations are also due to P. D. Olsen, R. H. Vincent and R. M. Godfrey on their entry into the Prefects' Room. Other House news is restricted to that of academic successes. P. D. Olsen and F. V. Preston have gained Oxford Higher School Certificates, while R. M. Godfrey achieved London Higher School Certificate with Inter. B.Sc. In the School Certificate examination, certificates were awarded to R. W. Gunton and D. J. Worsfold, while C. Howson and K. J. Parfit gained exemption from matriculation. Finally our best wishes are offered to P. E. Whitaker, A. W. Bullett—now at London University—and F. V. Preston, who left us at the end of last term.

K.J.M.

STAPYLTON.

Housemaster: Mr. VAUGHAN THOMAS.

Prefect: F. B. STITT.

Sub-Prefects: D. A. NELMS, A. W. BOARDLEY.

The term has been uneventful as far as House activities are concerned, though it is pleasing to note that we are well represented in Senior Rugby and should give a good account of ourselves in the coming House matches. We congratulate F. B. Stitt on being appointed a School Prefect and Vice-Captain of the XV, and on his Colours, and we condole with him in his spell of enforced inactivity. We congratulate also: A. J. S. Turner, on being re-awarded 1st XV Colours; D. E. A. Powell, a new Colour; E. W. Tarbox and E. W. Manthorpe, who have played regularly in the XV; and J. Wells and J. C. Opperman, on their Colts Colours. McKean deserves our thanks for labouring manfully at Chess practices with the very raw material at his disposal.

Academically, we have acquitted ourselves well, and the following are to be congratulated on their examination successes: R. K. E. Torode (Higher Certificate with Inter. B.Sc.), F. B. Stitt, D. A. Nelms (Higher Certificate), R. T. Baker, A. E. Davidson, J. McKean, A. H. Perks, D. E. A. Powell and R. J. Wright (School Certificate). Finally, the number of National Savings contributors has been much smaller than might be expected. We shall hope for an improvement next term, when, with the varied opportunities for House enterprise, we must make an even greater effort than previously to maintain the standard which has been set.

D.A.N.

UNDERNE.

Housemaster: Mr. PEARCE.

Prefect: A. J. RANGLES.

Sub-Prefect: D. McN. WILSON.

The Michaelmas term is usually uneventful so far as House activities are concerned, and this term has been no exception. The House has been reasonably well represented in the School XV's, and should be very successful next term in the House matches. We congratulate D. McN. Wilson and A. J. Randles on gaining 1st XV Colours; other members of the House who have appeared in the XV are G. B. Hanson and T. W. F. Pay. The only House rivalry this term was over National Savings, in which the House has made the best show of affluence. We congratulate G. J. Alwin and P. D. Partner on their exemption from matriculation and P. Flitter and E. J. Smith on gaining their School Certificates. Finally we wish good luck to D. McN. Wilson, who succeeds to the House Captaincy, and also to the various House teams next term.

A.J.R.

OLD ELIZABETHAN ASSOCIATION.

NOTES AND NEWS.

N. W. Bradstreet (1930-1935) has passed the final examination of the Society of Incorporated Accountants.

G. H. S. Matthews (1909-1911) has been elected a trustee of the Old Elizabethan Trust, in place of A. R. Samuels, deceased.

All communications in regard to the Trust should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, W. D. Hart, "Fenlake," 57, Byng Road, Barnet, though there may be some delay in replying, as he is at present on active service.

OBITUARY.

We regret to report that Pilot Officer Felix Stafford Gregory, R.A.F.V.R. (1932-1936), was killed in action over the Thames Estuary in September, aged 21. Endowed with unusual good looks and great charm of manner, Gregory was a popular figure at school. Ill health in those days prevented his taking full share in all activities, but he made something of a mark as an unusually good Captain of the 2nd XI. He left when in the Lower Sixth to enter the British Thomson Houston Co., and from there went into the R.A.F. at the outbreak of the War and had been Commissioned about two months before his death. His mother wishes to collect a small Spitfire Fund which will be added to the Potters Bar Fund as a dedication to his memory, and will be particularly grateful to receive contributions, however small, from his friends, at "Standwick," Heath Drive, Potters Bar.

A career of unusual scientific promise has been cut short by the untimely death on the 20th November of Raymond William Larwood Palmer (1929-1935), aged 22. In school he was, perhaps, not greatly known outside his own circle, for he was of the quiet, neat, and precise type that concentrates mainly on work. A consistent winner of Form prizes in his Junior days, he later carried off some of the major prizes in the Sixth, Matriculated when only fifteen, and passed Inter. B.Sc. when barely seventeen. He then left to go into the Government Telephone Research Station at Dollis Hill, where, in the normal course of events, his considerable ability and his capacity for work should surely have taken him far.

We also regret to report the death from meningitis while on service of Aircraftman Clement Albert Ratcliff (1929-1937). Something of a tartar in Junior Forms, he developed into a most likeable, cheery youngster, with an irresistibly perky smile. Very keen on the playing field, and also very modest, he was showing the greatest promise as a batsman in the 2nd XI, and as a Hurdler, when he left to go into the family business as a Sports Outfitter. He had been serving only a month when he died, aged 19.

The many O.E.'s who have passed through the hands of Mr. Stephens during his twenty years' Mastership here will sympathise deeply with him in the death of his elder son, George Edward Stephens (1934-1939). Although in the difficult position of being the son of a Master at the School, Stephens managed to get a great deal of fun out of school life and was well liked. He had many interests, particularly music, and those who sang alto in the Choir during his time will know how much they owed to his natural musical ability and unselfish team work when preparing for School Concerts. After passing School Certificate he went to Northampton Engineering College, where he entered on his new studies with the greatest enthusiasm. He was killed when bombs fell on Wood Street.

It is with regret that we have to announce the death, on 16th November, 1940, of Hugh De Bock Porter, O.B.E., as a result of shock, after an illness lasting some months. Mr. De Bock Porter was appointed a representative of Jesus Hospital on the governing body of the School in October, 1923, but he was obliged to resign in the following year in consequence of pressure of other work. He was, however, re-appointed in July, 1937, and continued to serve until May, 1939, when ill health compelled him once more to resign. Although the periods of his service were not long, Mr. De Bock Porter did much useful and valuable work for the School. It may be mentioned that he presented one of our Athletic Cups.

MARRIAGES.

On 19th August, 1940, at the New Barnet Baptist Church, Peter Charles Richards Hagger (1927-1932) to Eileen (Billie) Olney.

On 19th October, 1940, at the Parish Church of Prestatyn, North Wales, Allan William Plowman, B.A. (1926-1934) to Norma Mary Haigh.

On 19th October, 1940, at Holy Trinity Church, Lyonsdown, Roy Maurice Wright (1933-1936) to Nancy Jean Clark.

On 2nd November, 1940, at Barnet Parish Church, Gordon Dennis Palmer (1926-1934) to Florence Constance Rose Webster.

On 3rd November, 1940, at Potters Bar Parish Church, Howard William Cecil Alloway (1928-1934) to Jessie Rand.

On 9th November, 1940, A. H. Hawkins (1917-1923) to Phyllis Hiorns.

On 12th December, 1940, in Munro College Chapel, Jamaica, J. R. Bunting, B.A. (Master, 1938) to May Hope Sturdy.

OLD ELIZABETHAN CRICKET CLUB.

Several matches were played at the end of last season by teams composed of Old Elizabethans, and, at a meeting held on 25th September, 1940, the Club was put on an official basis. Considerable enthusiasm for cricket has been apparent of recent years among the younger O.E.'s, and, in spite of war-time conditions, it was considered opportune to provide what the Old Boys have lacked for some years—a Cricket Club.

If the Club is to function actively during war-time, its players must be drawn from O.E.'s above and below military age, with whom the Hon. Secretary, B. F. G. Stow, 33, Greenway, Totteridge, N.20 (HILLside 4960), would be pleased to get in touch.

B.F.G.S.

OLD ELIZABETHAN RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Club has this season been running one fifteen, which has so far had a very successful career. It is hoped that we shall be able to continue for the rest of the season, but this is dependent upon obtaining fixtures and accommodation. The results of matches are as follows:—

Played, 6. Won, 6. Points for, 116; against, 26.

v. THE SCHOOL. Won, 16—6.

v. AN ARMY XV (Watford). Won, 19—0.

v. WARTHOGS. Won, 27—8.

v. W. A. DANSIE'S XV. Won, 31—3.

v. AN ARMY XV (Whetstone). Won, 14—9.

v. BARNET R.F.C. Won, 9—0.

Members are asked to "look" for potential local forces' sides, and to make known any influx of units who could field a representative team: it is our duty and privilege to share in organised sport with those in uniform.

Any O.E. on leave can always be sure of a game at short notice on application to the Acting Hon. Secretary, L. R. Heard, or the Captain, A. M. Robertson.
L.R.H.

OLD ELIZABETHAN ATHLETIC CLUB.

Despite the difficulties of the war and the loss of nearly all its officials and members of previous years, the Club kept going through the 1940 season, and even increased in strength. Fixtures were hard to get, but there were two inter-club meetings arranged by Shaftesbury Harriers and Polytechnic Harriers, in addition to a match with Latymer Upper School and the annual match with the School. The office of Secretary was filled in turn by K. E. Harris, R. G. Smith, J. V. H. Spicer and E. N. H. Shearly, but the post must again find a new occupant when activities are resumed in 1941.

The loss of C. A. Ratcliff was a sore blow to the Club. He was one of the first members, and always one of the most enthusiastic. He had carried the Club colours in competition probably more times than any other member, and the last occasion, in the match against the School, was only a very few weeks before his death.

K.L.W.

THE HEADMASTER TO O.E.'s.

November, 1940.

Dear Elizabethans,

Normally, by this time of the year, both Speech Day and the Annual Dinner have taken place; and my formal report at the former, and my much more informal speech at the latter, have served to pass on to you a review of our School for the past year. I am writing this letter in the hope that it may take the place of that review for you.

Even in normal times, last year would have been called a good one; and it really was admirable in view of the difficulties with which the School was faced. The war and the black-out were, in themselves, sufficient strain. But the war inevitably led to a number of changes of Masters which affected nearly every subject, and, as Masters were called up at short notice on odd and irregular dates, and some of the temporary Masters did not stay, so that some Forms and some subjects had as many as three Masters during the year, you may guess that it was a little difficult for work to keep going properly. On top of this, the black-out and the severe winter combined to spread epidemics more heavily than I have ever known, to say nothing of a case of serious illness which, in Michaelmas term, quarantined about half of the top Forms. In spite of this, we had a University success (Hibbert, in Modern History at Worcester College, Oxford), much the best Higher Certificate results we have yet known (ten out of fourteen, with five "Inters" out of seven possibles), and 100 per cent. successes in School Certificate on *both* occasions in the year. So that, you see, the wartime work vintage was up to, and even transcended, the fruitiness of peacetime.

Of course, all these illnesses and war conditions had their effect upon sporting matters, especially as many of our opponents were not by any means so affected by them as ourselves. But the footer was good. The 1st XV suffered most, and there was insuperable difficulty in building up anything like a back division. But although it lost ten matches to three won and one drawn, it was only once badly beaten (by St. Albans) and it played two very close matches with St. George's and drew with Haberdashers'. The war led to several of our opponents scratching, and gaps were filled in with Army sides to whom we gave creditably close games though they were usually above our weight and pace. And as all the other teams did thoroughly well, the season was not at all a bad one, all things considered. The Athletic season was terribly hard hit by the prolonged winter and by opponents scratching because they could not raise teams. Nor had we any chance to show whether we could hold the Public Schools' Cup, because the Meeting could not be held; but it would seem that we were not much behind the level of other years, for, thanks largely to the energy and work of Mr. Strugnell and Mr. Woodland, a Meeting of Hertfordshire Public Schools was held on Stapylton, and, though we had the advantage of being on our own ground, we seemed, even so, to be predominant among our opponents—Haileybury produced some good athletes who outclassed us in one or two events, but of the Open Events we won the Mile, the Walk, the 220 Yards, the Discus, the Javelin, and the Hurdles. We also won two of the three other matches that took place. If the footer and athletic seasons were rendered a little disappointing by scratchings, weather and accidents, we had a full and good cricket season. The XI was very uneven, but it did well, winning six matches, drawing four and losing four. St. George's were beaten, we drew with Aldenham and Watford (in the latter case having much the better of things) and lost rather badly to St. Albans and the Haberdashers'. We also lost rather badly to the Gentlemen of Herts, but these were the only blots on an otherwise good season, and the other XI's were very successful. Incidentally, we now regularly run a 3rd XI and XV with a small programme of fixtures, as well as *two* Colts sides.

You will see, therefore, that when happier times come and the O.E.'s are able fully to resume and perhaps even extend their sporting activities, they should have good material on which to draw.

So far, I am glad to say, the school has not materially suffered greatly from the war. The roof is a little pockmarked with shrapnel, some of the rougher playing fields are growing vegetables, and there are sandbags round the lower classrooms and odd-looking protective material over the windows. But if these are all the penalties we have to pay in wartime we shall be very lucky.

I am sorry I cannot give any particular news of Old Boys' successes; but O.E.'s have not been very good in letting me know of them. Of course a few people are excellent in this respect, but it is from the information of a very few that we have been able to compile and keep going the lists of those serving. Even if I cannot answer every letter that is sent to me, O.E.'s may be sure that, whatever their age, generation, and school record, I shall always be heartily glad to hear from any of them what they are doing and any news they can give of any other O.E.'s. I am only sorry that the censorship prevents me from publishing the one or two extremely informative and entertaining letters that I have had—especially that from the O.E. who was sent on a route march to a non-existent church to find how long it would take for Church Parade.

Yours sincerely,
E. H. JENKINS.

OLD ELIZABETHANS WITH H.M. FORCES (Revised List).

(This list is a complete re-issue and revision of previous lists. We apologise for errors and omissions, and shall be glad to make corrections and additions—whether the O.E. concerned is a member of the Association or not. Particulars can be sent to the Editor of the "Elizabethan," at the School, or to Cecil Tripp, Ganwick Corner, Barnet.)

KILLED IN ACTION OR DIED ON SERVICE.

CAVE, R. ...	1928-1934	Stoker ...	R.N.
GREGORY, F. S. ...	1932-1936	Pilot Officer ...	R.A.F.
HUBBARD, W. C. ...	1930-1934	Telegraphist ...	R.A.F.
MALCOLM, P. W. L. ...	1925-1933	Sapper ...	R.E.
RATCLIFF, C. A. ...	1929-1937	Aircraftman ...	R.A.F.

MASTERS.

J. BROOK, B.A. ...	1938-	2nd Lieut. ...	R.E.
A. F. BUTTERY, B.A. ...	1938-	Officer Cadet ...	Signals O.C.T.U.
A. F. E. COTTON, B.A. ...	1938-	Flight Lieut. ...	R.A.F.
J. C. H. GOVER, M.A. ...	1938-	2nd Lieut. ...	R.A. (A.A.)
S. C. INNS, B.A. ...	1940	Signalman ...	Royal Corps Signals
O. M. MATHEWS, B.Sc. ...	1932-1936	Officer Cadet ...	R.A. O.C.T.U.
S. MOORE COULSON ...	1932-1939	Captain ...	Leicestershire Regt.
G. W. MURRAY ...	1927-1935	Pilot Officer ...	R.A.F.
H. M. SNASHALL, B.Sc. ...	1939-	Sergeant (P.T.) ...	R.A.F.
M. P. L. WALL, B.A. ...	1939-1940	Pilot Officer ...	R.A.F.

OLD ELIZABETHANS.

ADAMS, R. G. ...	1931-1936	Private ...	London Scottish
ADEY, G. C. J. ...	1934-1937	O.D. ...	R.N.
ALLOWAY, H. W. C. ...	1928-1934	Gunner ...	R.A. (A.A.)
ANDREWS, A. ...	1935-1938	W/T Operator ...	R.A.F.
BAKER, K. F. ...	1932-1937	Gunner ...	R.A.
BATES, R. S. C. ...	1912-1915	Major ...	Indian Army
BAYNES, L. L. ...	1930-1933	? ...	?
BENNETT, N. H. T. ...	1927-1937	Signalman ...	R.N.V.R.
BEST, P. ...	1930-1936	Writer ...	R.N.
BISHOP, R. H., M.C. ...	1910-1915	Major ...	London Scottish (Gordon Highlanders)
BLACK, J. ...	1919-1925	? ...	?
BONNER, W. C. ...	1932-1937	Private ...	Royal Marines
BOSWELL, R. ...	1923-1931	Lance Corporal ...	Queen's Royal Regt.
BOWELL, G. ...	1923-1928	? ...	R.A.O.C.
BRADSTREET, N. W. ...	1930-1935	Gunner ...	R.A. (A.A.)
BREWER, G. P. M. ...	1929-1936	Gunner ...	R.A.
BUGDEN, J. ...	1929-1936	Section Leader ...	Pioneer Corps
BULLETT, K. D. ...	1926-1935	Cadet Rating ...	R.N.V.R.
BUNCE, L. W. ...	1930-1933	Private ...	R.A.M.C.
BURTON, J. ...	1925-1930	Sergeant Pilot ...	R.A.F.V.R.
BUSWELL, J. ...	1932-1937	Gunner ...	R.A. (H.A.C.)
CHEETHAM, G. L. ...	1925-1934	Officer Cadet ...	R.A. (O.C.T.U.)
COBDEN, A. R. ...	1931-1937	Gunner ...	R.A. (A.A.)
COFFIN, G. A. V. ...	1931-1934	Sapper ...	R.E.
COLEMAN, A. D. ...	1933-1939	Midshipman (E) ...	R.N.
COLLINS, A. B. ...	1933-1936	L.A.C. ...	R.A.F.
COOKE, R. ...	1930-1936	Private ...	R.A.O.C.
COOK, W. O. ...	1921-1926	Lieutenant ...	R.N.V.R.
COOMBER, A. C. K. ...	1932-1938	Midshipman ...	R.N.R.
COOPER, K. J. ...	1933-1938	Aircraftman ...	R.A.F.V.R.
COTTRELL, A. J. ...	1935	Sapper ...	R.E.
COULDRIDGE, L. ...	1930-1933	Gunner ...	R.A.
COWTAN, F. E. ...	1933-1939	Naval Airman ...	Fleet Air Arm

DALTON, G. S. ...	1927-1931	2nd Lieut.	Royal Corps Signals
DAVIS, Osmond ...	1904-1906	Gunner	R.A.
DEAMER, M. R. ...	1925-1932	Aircraftman	R.A.F.
DIXON, P. ...	1935-1939	Private	Royal West Kent Regt.
DODD, E. F. ...	1931-1936	Private	Middlesex Regt.
DONALD, J. H. ...	1922-1930	? ...	?
DONALD, W. G. ...	1922-1927	Lieutenant	R.N.V.R.
EWING, E. J. ...	1931-1934	Aircraftman	R.A.F.V.R.
FARRELL, V. L. ...	1926-1932	Aircraftman	R.A.F.
FERNIE, W. E. ...	1924-1933	Corporal	R.E. (?)
FLOWERS, D. T. ...	1931-1937	Officer Cadet	O.C.T.U. (Cavalry)
FOREMAN, C. C. ...	1926-1933	2nd Lieut.	R.A.
FRISBY, E. E. ...	1929-1934	Sapper	R.E. (Lon. Engineers)
FRY, A. W. ...	1890-1896	Paymaster Com.	R.N.R.
FULLER, B. J. ...	1931-1937	O.S.	R.N.
FULLER, F. E. G. ...	1928-1934	Gunner	R.A.
GARNER, R. S. J. ...	1909-1915	Gunner	R.A. (A.A.)
GASELEE, F. W. J. ...	1917-1922	Bombardier	R.A.
GEAR, F. G. R. ...	1930-1934	2nd Lieut.	?
GEAR, P. A. E. ...	1930-1935	O.D.	R.N.V.R.
GIBSON, W. M. ...	1932-1938	O.S.	R.N.V.R.
†GLADWIN, K. B. ...	1932-1933	Aircraftman (?)	R.A.F.
GOODING, E. R. ...	1923-1929	2nd Lieut.	R.E. (Transport)
GRIFFITHS, H. C. ...	1930-1936	2nd Lieut.	Royal Berkshire Regt.
GROVE, J. R. ...	1931-1937	? ...	R.A.F.
GUNN, W. J. ...	1924-1931	Trooper	County of London Yeomanry
HAGGER, P. C. R. ...	1927-1933	Rifleman	?
HALLETT, R. W. ...	1930-1935	A.B.	R.N.V.R.
†HARRIS, G. G. ...	1928-1936	Gunner	City of London Yeomanry
HARRIS, L. T. N. ...	1916-1924	Sergeant	R.A.F.
HART, W. D. ...	1916-1923	Flight Lieut.	R.A.F.
HARVEY, A. R. G. ...	1927-1930	? ...	R.A.F.
HARVEY, B. C. G. ...	1928-1930	? ...	R.A.F.
HATT, R. H. W. ...	1930-1936	Sergt. Pilot	R.A.F.V.R.
HAWKE, V. L. S. ...	1928-1937	Sapper	R.E.
HAYTER, D. ...	1925-1934	Aircraftman	R.A.F.
HAYWOOD, M. F. G. ...	1936-1938	W/T Operator	R.A.F.
HEMPHREY, B. P. ...	1929-1931	Aircraftman	R.A.F.V.R.
HENDERSON, E. R. ...	1930-1938	Private	Gordon Highlanders
HENDERSON, F. A. ...	1930-1937	Private	Gordon Highlanders
HENRY, S. R. ...	1915-1917	Corporal	Middx. Yeomanry
HERBERT, L. O. W. ...	1920-1925	2nd Lieut.	R.A.
HIBBERT, A. J. ...	1929-1936	Sub-Lieut.	R.N.V.R.
HOLMES, H. G. ...	1927-1933	O.D.	R.N.V.R.
HORE, L. W. ...	1918-1925	Private	R.A.S.C.
HOWARD, K. A. ...	1931-1936	Gunner	R.A.
HOWGATE, M. A. G. ...	1927-1934	Gunner	R.A. (A.A.)
HUGHES, D. L. ...	1932-1937	Pilot Officer	R.A.F.
HURRY, E. G. ...	1929-1936	Corporal	A.A. Div. Signals
JACKSON, Stuart ...	1919-1927	Leading Aircraftman	Aux. Air Force
JEFFERIES, F. W. ...	1916-1923	2nd Lieut.	R.A.
JEFFERY, R. J. ...	1930-1936	Private	Queen's Royal Regt.
JONES, E. M. ...	1928-1935	? ...	?
JONES, S. W. ...	1925-1933	? ...	Military Police
JONES, W. A. N. ...	1927-1934	2nd Lieut.	Herts. & Beds. Regt.
KEENE, C. J. ...	1926-1932	Driver	R.A.S.C.
KEMP, K. H. ...	1922-1927	Lance Bombardier	R.A. (A.A.)
KEMPTON, G. A. ...	1929-1932	Private	Wiltshire Regt.

KERBY, J.	1926-1932	Flying Officer	R.A.F.
KINGSMILL, G. H. W.	1929-1931	Rifleman	London Rifle Brigade
KINGSTON, H. G.	1934-1937	Private	Pioneer Corps
KNIBB, D. L.	1934-1939	Aircraft Apprentice	R.A.F.
KNIBB, G. R.	1931-1937	Sapper	R.E.
KNIBB, T. E.	1931-1937	Trooper	County of London Yeomanry
LAILAW, H. D.	1928-1933	Sergeant Pilot	R.A.F.
LATTIMER, H. M.	1914-1920	Captain	R.E.
LEAK, T. E.	1928-1931	? ...	?
LEWIN, L. H.	1931-1936	Gunner	R.A.
LIENARD, H. S.	1928-1936	Corporal	R.A.O.C.
LIGHTFOOT, E. J.	1931-1938	Rifleman	K.R.R. Corps Cadets
LITTLE, S. C.	1926-1931	Private	R.A.S.C.
LLOYD, T. H.	1925-1931	Private	Middx. Regt. (A.A.)
LOCKWOOD, J. F.	1928-1938	2nd Lieut.	R.A.
LOFTUS, E. J.	1922-1928	Signalman	Middx. Yeomanry
LOFTUS, P. B.	1930-1934	Signalman	Middx. Yeomanry
LOUGH, H. S.	1926-1931	Telegraphist	R.A.F.
MACK, J. A.	1929-1934	Gunner	R.A.
MacLEOD, V. A. M.	1934-1937	Gunner	R.A.
MALLOCH, C. R.	1931-1936	Private	K.R.R. Corps
MANSFIELD, E. J.	1931-1937	Telegraphist	R.A.F.
MANTHORPE, J. A.	1934-1939	Aircraft Apprentice	R.A.F.
MATANLE, A. R.	1933-1937	Aircraftman	R.A.F.V.R.
METSON, G. H.	1920-1926	Lieutenant	Royal Corps Signals
MILLER, R. T.	1931-1936	Aircraftman	R.A.F.
MILLS, J.	1928-1932	Aircraftman (?)	R.A.F.
MORLEY, J.	1931-1933	Private	Royal Corps Signals
MORTLOCK, M. J.	1927-1934	Private	?
MYERS, E. J.	1928-1933	Flying Officer (?)	R.A.F.
NANKIVELL, E. J.	1926-1934	Gunner	H.A.C.
NELMS, G. R.	1927-1932	Leading Aircraftman	R.A.F.
ODELL, R. E.	1932-1938	Leading Airman	Fleet Air Arm
OGDEN, A. H.	1933-1934	Signaller	Middx. Yeomanry
OGDEN, J. A.	1926-1933	Sergeant	R.A. (A.A.)
OSBORNE, G.	1922-1929	Cadet Rating	R.N.V.R.
PALMER, E. V.	1924-1930	Sapper	R.E.
PALMER, G. D.	1926-1934	2nd Lieut.	Essex Regt.
PARSLEY, F. J.	1922-1927	Private	R.A.O.C.
PARSONS, N. D. M.	1931-1938	Sub-Lieut.	Fleet Air Arm
PASSINGHAM, R. W.	1931-1936	Signalman	R.N.
PATERSON, S. C.	1925-1932	Private	R.A.S.C.
PATTINSON, A. F.	1929-1934	Corporal	Grenadier Guards
PLOWMAN, A. W.	1926-1934	Signaller	Royal Corps Signals
PRICE, J. L.	1930-1936	Lance Corporal	Suffolk Regt.
RICHINGS, L. J.	1928-1937	Aircraftman	R.A.F.
SCOTT, J.	1922-1924	Sub-Lieut.	R.N.V.R.
SCOTTON, R. P.	1929-1932	Lance Corporal	R.A.S.C.
SEARS, A. V. T.	1930-1935	O.D.	R.N.V.R.
SHARPE, F. H.	1924-1930	Gunner	R.A.
SHAYLER, G. W.	1927-1930	Gunner	R.A.
SHEARLY, E. N. H.	1929-1940	Naval Airman	Fleet Air Arm
SHEARS, E. R.	1922-1929	Gunner	R.A.
SHORT, J. H.	1922-1926	Sergeant Pilot	R.A.F.
SHRIMPTON, H. G.	1927-1933	Gunner	R.A. (A.A.)
SKINNER, J. V.	1932-1938	Officer Cadet	R.A.O.C.T.U.
SLOUGH, R. W.	1932-1937	Rifleman	Queen's Westminsters
SMITH, A. A.	1927-1933	Private	R.A.S.C.

SMITH, A. M.	...	1927-1932	...	Gunner	...	...	R.A.
SMITH, D. C.	...	1928-1937	...	Trooper	...	...	Middx. Yeomanry
SMITH, R. G.	...	1932-1939	...	Aircraftman	...	...	R.A.F.
SMITH, S. C.	...	1928-1934	...	Sergeant Observer	...	...	R.A.F.
SMITHERAM, A. E.	...	1918-1920	...	Private	...	...	Calcutta Scottish A.F.
SOANE, E. H. R.	...	1927-1934	...	Corporal	...	...	Grenadier Guards
SPRANG, C. R.	...	1928-1934	...	Lance Corporal	...	...	K.R.R. Corps
STANLEY, N. E.	...	1926-1933	...	Private	...	...	R.A.S.C.
STARBUCK, A. L.	...	1926-1933	...	2nd Lieut.	...	...	Herts. & Beds. Regt.
STENT, D. H.	...	1926-1934	...	Driver	...	...	R.A.S.C.
SUTTON, P. R.	...	1933-1937	...	? ...	...	...	?
†SWANN, H. K.	...	1927-1931	...	Private	...	...	Queen's Royal Regt.
TATE, J. A. W.	...	1926-1933	...	Private	...	...	R.A.S.C.
TAYLOR, P. E.	...	1930-1936	...	Aircraftman (?)	...	...	R.A.F.
THOMAS, P. H.	...	1931-1937	...	Midshipman	...	...	R.N.R.
TOMKINS, L. E.	...	1929-1933	...	Pilot Officer (?)	...	...	R.A.F.
TOONE, P. G.	...	1925-1934	...	L.A.C.	...	...	R.A.F.
TOWLER, A. G.	...	1931-1937	...	Gunner	...	...	R.A. (A.A.)
TURNER, P. J.	...	1928-1933	...	O.D.	...	...	R.N.V.R.
TURTON, D. W.	...	1927-1935	...	Bombardier	...	...	R.A. (A.A.)
VALENTINE, R. L.	...	1927-1937	...	Lance Corporal	...	...	London Scottish (Gordon Highlanders)
WAKELING, P. E.	...	1931-1936	...	? ...	...	...	R.A.
WESTON, N. A.	...	1898-1906	...	Major	...	...	R.A.S.C.
WISE, H. B.	...	1928-1934	...	A.B.	...	...	R.N.V.R.
WRIGHT, H. Harvey	...	1919-1924	...	Sergeant	...	...	Grenadier Guards
WRIGHT, R. M.	...	1933-1936	...	Sub-Lieut.	...	...	R.N.V.R.

SERVANTS.

BONNER, F.	...	1929-	...	Private	Leicestershire Regt.
HARPER, N.	...	1940	...	Gunner	R.A. (A.A.)

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