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### Editorial.

This magazine, unlike its predecessor has been compiled entirely in the busy *atmosphere* of Maidstone. In October we were still thinking rather in the terms of hay-making and fruit-picking, of trench-digging and adventure. Now however, we have settled down to an organized life in our new surroundings. A three-mile journey to School, and, in fact, School every day, are now again taken as a matter of course. Latin in a crypt and maths. in the hall of a Unitarian chapel ; P.S. in M.G.S. library and bicycles in a garage. This is our new life. But lest it be imagined that the billeting districts have lost their earlier importance in our minds, we have included lengthy reports from Boxley, Detling, Sandling and Weaving, where a healthy industry and a flourishing club life appear to predominate.

By the time of publication, we shall, in all probability, have been transferred to the old Girls' Grammar School in Albion Place ; at the moment all is for us a matter of speculation. There we shall at least all be together, thus simplifying the whole School administration, and we shall be able to regain once more something of the old School atmosphere. Tradition will once again be imparted from the old to the young, from the sixths to the fifths and removes. We can but regret that so many of our former members have temporarily either chosen, or been forced, to sever their connections with the main body of the School. This loss is especially noticeable in the senior forms, and our School teams are consequently lamentably weak. Nearly all the activities that occupied us at Dulwich are nevertheless being continued in one form or another : Football, Fives, Chess, Shooting, Swimming and O.T.C. are to-day forming a valuable part of our School life.

With such a motive power to make the best of things and to go on trying, there is no need for us to make excuses. Rather are we justified in praising the spirit that moves so many to uphold the good name of the School in the place of its exile.

## School Notes.

### OLD BOYS' HONOURS AND APPOINTMENTS.

T. T. GINN (bn, 1924-33), Passed Final Examination of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries.

C. S. PICKARD (bn, 1928-36), awarded the Goldsmiths' Company Research Scholarship.

M. H. WHITE (tn, 1931-38), Keble College, Oxford, Honours in Classical Moderations (not classed owing to the war).

### SCHOOL NOTES.

All Old Boys serving with the Forces are asked to send particulars of rank etc. to Sir John Maitland, at the School. It will be a convenience if House and School dates are added.

By the time that this issue is published, we hope to be occupying the old Girls' Grammar School premises in Albion Place. Hitherto we have been working in three sections, the VI Forms at Maidstone Grammar School, the V's and Removes at the Congregational and Unitarian Chapels.

Towards the end of last term Major S. R. Hudson joined His Majesty's Forces. He has since been released from service. 2nd Lt. L. A. R. Shackleton has also left us to serve with the Forces.

We congratulate H. H. Hoskins (c) on winning the Thomas Wall Scholarship to Brasenose College, Oxford.

The following are the Officials for the term :—

School Captain : B. C. R. Parker.

School Prefects : R. M. Seelig, G. H. Reeve, W. F. Belsham, W. A. D. Baker, R. E. Cook.

House Prefects : J. R. Dickson (b), H. S. Thorley, L. J. Fyson (bn), H. H. Hoskins, D. G. Bickford-Smith, T. C. G. Williams (c), J. E. Silvester, R. A. Bowden (d), P. Branwell, J. R. Hobbs (r), R. K. Jones, M. M. Prouten, R. A. Veale (s), H. C. Hooper (t), D. R. Taylor (tn).

Captain of Fives : R. W. Stevens.

Captain of Swimming : R. M. Seelig.

Captain of Shooting : R. K. Jones.

Captain of Athletics : G. H. Reeve.

Captain of Chess : R. M. Seelig.

Secretary of the Fifty Club : H. H. Hoskins.

Secretary of the Music Club : L. J. Fyson.

The Editors of the Edward Alleyn Magazine this term are B. C. R. Parker and R. M. Seelig.

## VALETE.

*V.I.C.*

J. L. ALEXANDER (b) : House Prefect 1936 ; School Prefect 1937 ; House Captain 1937-8-9 ; M. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1937 ; Football 1937-8-9 ; Secretary 1938-9 ; Cricket 1937-8-9 ; Vice-Captain 1939 ; Old Boys' Most Improvement Prize 1937 ; Kingswell Fielding Prize 1939 ; Athletics  $\frac{1}{2}$  Colours 1938-9 ; Fives 1938-9 ; Alleyn Old Boys' Jubilee Memorial Prize 1936-7-8-9 ; Headmaster's Divinity Prize (2nd) 1939 ; Headmaster's Greek History Prize (Lower VIth) 1936 ; Canon Carver's French Prize (Lower VIth) 1936 ; Callaghan History Prize 1937-8 ; Upper VIth English Prize 1937 ; Duke of Devonshire Essay Prize, 3rd place 1939 ; L.C.C. Travelling Scholarship to France 1938 ; W. H. Rhodes Canada Educational Trust Tour 1939 ; Thomas Wall Scholarship, Brasenose College, Oxford ; L.C.C. Senior County Scholarship ; Alleyn Exhibition ; Librarian 1936-7-8-9 ; Editor Edward Alleyn Magazine, 1937-8-9 ; C.S.M. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1936.

C. A. F. BUYSMAN (t) : House Prefect 1936 ; School Prefect 1938 ; House Captain 1937-8-9 ; M.H.G. 1934 ; H.S.C. 1937 ; Athletics  $\frac{1}{2}$  Colours 1938-9 ; Water-Polo  $\frac{1}{2}$  Colours 1939 ; Fives  $\frac{1}{2}$  Colours 1939 ; Secretary 1939 ; Intermediate Fives Cup 1939 ; M.P.'s. Prize for Classics 1939 ; Senior County Scholarship, Keble College, Oxford ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1936.

A. F. DANIELS (s) : G. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1938.

P. DAVE (b) : House Prefect 1937 ; G. 1936 ; Music Prize 1938 ; Art Certificate 1937 ; Founder's Prize for Art 1938.

G. E. HUDSON (r) : House Prefect 1937 ; School Prefect 1938 ; House Captain 1938-9 ; M. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Verse Prize 1936-7-8-9 ; Callaghan History Prize 1939 ; Collins Prize for Reading 1939 ; Editor Edward Alleyn Magazine 1938-9.

A. S. JENKINS (r) : House Prefect 1937 ; School Prefect 1938 ; M. 1936 ; H. S. C. 1938 ; Prefect in Charge of Cricket 1939 ; Headmaster's Divinity Prize 1938 ; Boger Scholarship, Pembroke College, Cambridge ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

*U.VI.M.*

J. H. D. BATE (t) : House Prefect 1939 ; M. 1937 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

A. E. CAVE (c) : House Prefect 1938 ; M. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Secretary, Modern Language Club 1938-9 ; Secretary, Music Club 1938-9 ; Conductor of 2nd Orchestra 1938-9 ; Training Scholarship, King's College, Cambridge ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1936 ; Silver Bugle 1936.

A. F. DUNNING (b) : House Prefect 1937 ; School Prefect 1939 ; House Captain 1939 ; M. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Headmaster's Divinity Prize (Lower VIth) 1937 ; Canon Carver's French Prize (Lower VIth) 1937 ; Canon Carver's French Prize (Upper VIth) 1938-9 ; Canon Carver's German Prize 1939 ; L.C.C. Travelling Scholarship to France 1938, to Germany 1939 ; L.C.C. Major Establishment 1939 ; C.S.M. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

J. FENNER (tn) : House Prefect 1938 ; School Prefect 1939 ; M. 1937 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; House Captain 1939 ; Athletics 1939 ; Victor Ludorum 1939 ; Headmaster's Divinity Prize (Lower VIth) 1938.

D. H. F. HALL (r) : House Prefect 1938 ; Ashburton VIII 1938-9 ; Donegall Medal 1939 ; Collins Cup 1938 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1939.

B. J. W. HAMILTON (c) : M. 1938 ; Football 1939 ; Chess 1938-9.

T. E. MARRIOTT (r) : H.S.C. 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

P. R. NOAKES (c) : House Prefect 1937 ; School Prefect 1938 ; House Captain 1938-9 ; School Captain 1939 (Sept.—Oct.) ; G. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; Cricket 1939 ; Bowling Prize 1939 ; Editor Edward Allyn Magazine 1939 ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

A. E. ODLE (c) : House Prefect 1937 ; School Prefect 1939 ; House Captain 1939 ; M. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Chess 1937-8-9 ; Secretary 1938-9 ; L.C.C. Travelling Scholarship to France 1939 ; Spring Prize 1937 ; C.S.M. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

D. A. PEGRAM (bn) : M. 1939 ; President, Poster Club 1939 ; Poster Club Prize 1939 ; School Art Prize 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

G. L. F. PHILCOX (tn) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1937.

R. C. K. SAFFERY (bn) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1938.

B. C. R. SMITH (s) : House Prefect 1935 ; School Prefect 1937 ; School Captain 1938-9 ; M. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1937 ; Cricket 1935-6-7-8-9 ; Vice-Captain 1938 ; Captain 1939 ; Old Boys' Most Improvement Prize 1936 ; Bowling Prize 1938 ; Batting Prize 1939 ; Football 1937-8-9 ; Fives 1937-8-9 ; Secretary 1937-8 ; Captain 1938-9 ; Athletics † Colours 1939 ; Spurgeon Cup 1939 ; Headmaster's Divinity Prize (2nd) 1939 ; Edward Allyn Masonic Lodge Prize 1939 ; King's Camp 1939 ; Editor Edward Allyn Magazine 1938-9 ; Gregory Prize 1939 ; C.S.M. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1936.

D. G. WILSON (r) : G. 1937.

#### *U.V.I.S.*

C. A. BAGGLEY (d) : House Prefect 1938 ; M. 1937 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1938 ; Verse Prize (3rd) 1937 ; Allyn Old Boys' Jubilee Memorial Prize (2nd) 1939 ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

A. CHINNECK (bn) : House Prefect 1938 ; M. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1938 ; Smith's Prize for Chemistry 1939 ; L/Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1939.

P. C. B. COX (r) : House Prefect 1939 ; M. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1937 ; Secretary, Scientific Society 1936-7-8-9 ; Civil Service, Executive Grade, 26th place ; L/Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1939.

B. G. HART (b) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; Smith's Prize for Chemistry 1938-9 ; Entrance, Reading Agricultural College.

S. H. JENKINS (r) : House Prefect 1939 ; M. 1937 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1938 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

S. F. JONES (tn) : House Prefect 1937 ; School Prefect 1938 ; House Captain 1938-9 ; G. 1936 ; Cricket 1937-8-9 ; Fives 1938-9 ; Secretary 1939 ; Chess 1936-7-8-9 ; Secretary 1937-8 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

I. G. MCKINLEY (s) : House Prefect 1935 ; School Prefect 1937 ; House Captain 1937-8-9 ; M.H.G. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1937 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1936 ; Ashburton VIII 1937-8-9 ; Captain of Shooting 1938-9 ; Gregory Prize 1939 ; Smith's Prize for Mathematics (2nd) 1937 ; Smith's Prize for Chemistry 1938 ; Smith's Prize for Mathematics and Physics 1939 ; Civil Service, Executive Grade, 4th place ; C.S.M. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1936.

W. S. MORGAN (d) : House Prefect 1938 ; House Captain 1939 ; M. 1937 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

D. O. RAMSAY (t) : House Prefect 1937 ; School Prefect 1938 ; M. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Football 1936-7-8-9 ; Captain 1938-9 ; Cricket (2nd XI) 1938-9 ; Captain 1939 ; Water-Polo 1939 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1938 ; C.Q.M.S. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

E. A. VARRALL (d) : House Prefect 1938 ; M. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1939 ; Civil Service, Executive Grade, 8th place ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

A. E. WHITEING (t) : House Prefect 1939 ; House Captain 1939 ; M. 1937 ; Chess 1937-8-9 ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

#### *U.VI.E.*

A. H. ANGUS (tn) : House Prefect 1939 ; House Captain 1939 ; G. 1938 ; Cricket (2nd XI) 1939 ; Fives & Colours 1938-9. Captain 1939.

B. H. GIBSON (d) : House Prefect 1936 ; School Prefect 1937 ; House Captain 1937-8-9 ; G. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Athletics 1937-8 ; Victor Ludorum 1938 ; Cricket (2nd XI) 1938-9 ; Economics Prize 1938 ; Geography Prize 1939 ; Singing Prize 1939 ; Choral Scholarship, Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge ; C.Q.M.S. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1936.

T. C. KEATES (s) : House Prefect 1938 ; M. 1935 ; H.S.C. 1938 ; Football (2nd XI) 1937-8-9 ; Economics Prize 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

R. D. SCRASE (tn) : H.S.C. 1939 ; Instructor (2nd class) R.L.S.S. 1939 ; Greek History Prize 1938 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

A. D. VEALL (s) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1936 ; H.S.C. 1939 ; Cricket 1939 ; Football (2nd XI) 1937-8-9 ; Captain 1938-9 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

R. L. YOUNG (bn) : House Prefect 1938 ; G. 1937.

#### *L.VI.M.*

J. K. ALEXANDER (d) : G. 1937.

A. P. BAYLEY (s) : M. 1939.

H. A. BOND (bn) : M. 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1939.

L. J. E. FORWARD (s) : M. 1938.

D. R. GILLATE (s) : G. 1938 ; Athletics & Colours 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

R. HANNAFORD (r) : M. 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1939.

S. W. G. HILL (c) : Football 1939 ; Cricket (2nd XI) 1938-9.

K. P. B. HOVEY (c).

R. C. MILLAR (t) : G. 1939 ; Boxing 1937-8-9 ; Secretary 1938-9 ; Football (2nd XI) 1939.

N. V. ROUSHAM (bn).

P. W. SWANN (tn) : M. 1939 ; Founder's Prize for Art 1936.

D. F. O. TURNER (c) : M. 1939.

B. W. E. WEDDERBURN (c) : M. 1939 ; Spring Prize 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1939.

W. S. WILLCOCKS (s).

#### *L.VI.S.*

C. A. M. BARBOUR (c) : House Prefect 1938 ; G. 1937 ; Football 1938-9 ; Water-Polo & Colours 1939 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1938 ; L/Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

P. L. BISGOOD (bn) : M. 1938 ; Water-Polo 1939 ; Swimming  $\frac{1}{2}$  Colours 1939 ; Award of Merit, R.L.S.S. 1939 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1939 ; L./Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1939.

J. C. CAIRNS (b) : House Prefect 1939 ; Ashburton VIII 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

A. CAREY (d) : M. 1939 ; Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1939.

R. J. WRAITH (tn) : G. 1938.

#### L.VI.E.

D. C. BROWN (t) : M. 1938.

R. A. BLACKWELL (tn).

J. BURMAN (t) : Cricket 1939.

G. B. COX (r) : G. 1938.

P. J. DUMMER (b) : G. 1939.

D. H. FERDINANDO (b).

D. R. GIBSON (d) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1938 ; Cricket (2nd XI) 1939.

H. T. GREEN (r) : G. 1939.

C. B. LYON (t) : G. 1939 ; Football 1937-8-9 ; Secretary 1939 ; Cricket 1939 ; 2nd Class Champion, Athletics 1938-9.

V. J. ORROM (t) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1938.

C. J. NOLAN (s) : Cricket 1939 ; L./Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

H. W. SMITH (tn) : G. 1938.

K. A. SPRING (r) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1938 ; Ashburton VIII 1937-8-9 ; Secretary of Shooting 1938-9 ; Ashburton Medal 1939 ; Verse Prize 1937, 1939 ; School Art Prize 1936 ; Headmaster's Divinity Prize 1939 ; Oxford Allyn Art Essay Prize 1939 ; Sgt. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

D. J. STEVENS (c) : House Prefect 1939 ; G. 1938.

P. G. WALFORD (s).

P. A. WATERS (d) : G. 1939.

In the present circumstances the Editors have found it impossible to complete the Valette of boys below the VIth form, and have confined it to the few given below. It is hoped to publish a final list when it is certain who has definitely left School.

#### V.A.

B. J. W. FOX (b) : Football (2nd XI) 1938-9 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1938.

R. L. WARREN (c) : Football (2nd XI) 1938-9.

#### V.B.

B. B. S. CLERICI (s) : Football (2nd XI) 1938-9 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1938 ; Award of Merit, R.L.S.S. 1939.

R. P. SAGE (t) : Cricket 1939 ; Football (2nd XI) 1938-9 ; Fives  $\frac{1}{2}$  Colours 1938-9 ; Instructor (2nd class) R.L.S.S. 1938 ; L./Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1938.

F. W. STEVENS (d) : Athletics 1939 ; Award of Merit R.L.S.S. 1939 ; Orchestra Prize 1938.

#### V.D.

J. E. KEECH (tn) : Football 1937-8-9 ; Secretary 1938-9 ; Captain elect 1939 ; Cricket 1938-9 ; Secretary 1939 ; L./Cpl. O.T.C. ; Cert. A. 1937.

B. PLUMRIDGE (tn) : M. 1939 ; Instructor R.L.S.S. 1939.

Owing to the evacuation it is very difficult for Housemasters to keep in touch with House matters, and they would therefore be very glad to hear from Old Boys of their Houses, especially those in the services.

### House Notes.

#### BRADING'S.

Housemaster :	Former Housemaster :
Mr. H. Gregory.	Mr. S. J. Brading.
House Captain : J. R. Dickson.	

In football the 1st XI, although hampered by its youth and lack of weight, has gained some very creditable successes, partly due to the skill of P. D. Howard, A. C. Hanna and D. A. Heyhoe. The 2nd XI however was rather weak.

We are unfortunate in losing the services of our House Captain, A. F. Dunning, and many others. We wish them every success. Congratulations to J. R. Dickson on his appointment as House Captain.

#### BROWN'S.

Housemaster :	Former Housemaster :
Mr. R. L. Taylor.	Mr. E. C. Brown.
House Captain : R. M. Seelig.	

Though the results were never too encouraging, our standard of football was greatly improved during the term. Only one match was won and two drawn, yet our losses were usually by a small margin. The half-back line was always strong with Saffery at centre-half, but the forward line rarely made use of its chances. Fyson played some good football whenever his services were available. The second team lost only one match.

To our several leavers, who include R. C. K. Saffery and R. L. Young, we wish every success. Congratulations to L. J. Fyson on his appointment as House Prefect.

**CRIBB'S.**

Housemaster :  
Mr. L. H. Jones.

Former Housemasters :  
Mr. A. E. Cribb.  
Mr. W. R. Morgan.

House Captain : H. H. Hoskins.

Last term we were very sorry to lose the services of two School Prefects, P. R. Noakes the School Captain, and A. E. Odle our House Captain. We also said goodbye to B. J. W. Hamilton and S. W. G. Hill, both of whom had recently been awarded their School Football Colours. We wish them and our many other leavers a very successful future.

In league football we met with great success, our teams only suffering one defeat each. The keenness of the players was particularly noticeable.

Finally, congratulations to H. H. Hoskins, our newly-appointed House Captain, on winning the Thomas Wall Scholarship and to B. J. W. Hamilton and T. C. G. Williams whose appointment as House Prefects was announced early in the term.

**DUTTON'S.**

Housemaster :  
Mr. C. E. Hack.

Former Housemaster :  
Mr. F. Dutton.

House Captain : R. E. Cook.

We were sorry to say goodbye to our House Captain W. S. Morgan, but we wish him and all other leavers every success.

Our greatly reduced numbers left very few players from whom to choose our two football teams, but all these must be congratulated on their determined efforts on the field.

We congratulate R. E. Cook and R. A. Bowden on their appointment as School and House Prefects respectively.

**ROPER'S.**

Housemaster :  
Mr. F. A. Rudd.

Former Housemasters :  
Mr. A. J. Roper.  
Mr. F. Linnell.

House Captain : W. A. D. Baker.

In the Football League last term we fared only moderately well, but the House 1st XI did at times play some very good

football. The members of the team were for the most part much younger than usual and should provide the nucleus of a good side in the future.

Congratulations are due to W. A. D. Baker on his appointment as School Prefect, and to P. Branwell and J. R. Hobbs on their appointment as House Prefects.

We were all sorry to lose E. H. Hooke, our popular House Captain and School Football Captain. To him and to all leavers we wish every success.

### SPURGEON'S.

Housemaster :

Sir John Maitland Bart.

Former Housemasters :

Mr. J. Spurgeon.

Mr. L. C. Kingswell.

House Captain : G. H. Reeve.

Despite the many difficulties which have beset the house throughout the past term, particularly its dwindling numbers, it has been pleasing to note the fine way its members have fitted themselves into their new and strange surroundings and, though never meeting as a whole House, have preserved that unity which has so long been the key to their success. A good standard has been maintained in football; in running, an even better one will be needed if last year's success is to be repeated, and this means that each individual must give his keenest support.

It was with regret that we said goodbye to many valuable and keen members of the House last term. We wish them all a very successful future.

Finally we congratulate B. C. R. Parker on his appointment as School Captain and R. K. Jones, M. M. Prouten and R. A. Veale on their appointment as House Prefects.

### TULLEY'S.

Housemaster :

Mr. S. R. Hudson.

Former Housemasters :

Mr. S. J. S. Tulley.

Mr. J. V. H. Coates.

Mr. R. M. S. Pasley.

House Captain : H. C. Hooper.

We are glad to have Mr. Hudson back with us after his short period of military service. Mr. E. N. Eccot is still at Deal with the Junior School.

We were sorry to lose many valuable members of the house including A. E. Whiteing our House Captain, C. B. Lyon our able Football Captain, J. Burman, and R. C. Millar. To these and all other leavers we wish every success.

We must congratulate the first eleven, who maintained an unbeaten record, while the second eleven did fairly well. Despite the loss of so many useful players we hope to continue the good work this term.

### TYSON'S.

Housemaster :  
Mr. C. F. Tyson.

House Captain : D. R. Taylor.

Although our activities have been confined to football, we have achieved reasonable success. In spite of the fact that our small numbers made it necessary to play the whole House in football, this system worked well, as all the members of the House pulled their weight.

We must congratulate R. W. Stevens on his appointment as School Fives Captain. Tyson's has its usual high number of representatives in the School teams.

Last term we lost many valuable members of the House, including A. H. Angus, our House Captain, R. A. Blackwell, D. Fowler and the two Furlong brothers. To these and to all others leavers we wish every success.

### Group Notes.

#### BOXLEY.

*Groupleader :*  
Mr. C. E. Hack.  
*Masters :*  
Mr. B. E. G. Davies.  
Mr. E. L. Franklin.  
Mr. J. A. Taylor.

*Prefects :*  
A. E. Odle.  
T. C. G. Williams.  
B. J. W. Hamilton.

We arrived in Boxley on September 2nd, nineteen strong, and increased during the next month to thirty-two. This is a select company compared with the big groups of Sandling and Weaving Street.

Early on, a thrilling cricket game was played against Sandling in which masters exhibited their skill to the delight of the spectators. Later on football games were played against Sandling and Detling ; but apart from this there were no organised inter-group games.

Before school began, towards the end of September, the chief activities were digging, harvesting and plum-picking. This last was indulged in with gusto. They were fine plums ! Minor activities included removing the effects of one villager from one cottage to another and carrying beds to billets in the black-out.

A darts competition in which nearly everyone took part was won by Mr. Franklin. The Boxley Group for the most part had dinner together ; whether this is a good thing is a moot point. Finally on December 9th, a concert was held at Boxley School. The music is discussed elsewhere but the highlights of the evening were two sketches, in one of which Mr. Davies took part ; the audience received him appreciatively. In the other Mr. J. A. Taylor and T. T. Menzies took part in a "Master v. Pupil" sketch which was enjoyed by all.

### DETLING.

*Group leader :*  
Sir John Maitland.  
*Masters :*  
Mr. S. Inledon.  
Mr. W. J. Smith.

*Prefects :*  
W. A. D. Baker.  
P. Branwell.  
R. C. K. Saffery.  
J. E. Silvester.

One by one we arrived, we late-comers, and found to our great consternation that we had to report every day at Boxley, to which unhappy place a daily diggers' squad had to make its way. Digging was bitter-sweet ; it had one definite compensation in the form of Sir John Maitland, our C-in-C, wielding a pick and shovel very skilfully. Indeed we sometimes wondered if he had not missed his vocation. Soon however, the Boxley excursion ceased, but our joy was short-lived, for at the same time school started. Once we had this centre of our own a pressing need was felt for a club at which our stalwarts could spend their evenings playing darts, table tennis and shove-ha'penny or even doing their work. Our success in this direction was due to the enthusiasm of Mr. Inledon, who had joined us at the end of the digging season, and the kindness of Miss Large, the local schoolmistress, who granted us the use of the schoolroom.

At the club, which meets three times a week, we played the village Boys' Club at darts and table-tennis ; inevitably they scored an easy victory at darts. We hope for some more such interesting evenings.

We at Detling are very happy ; we have enjoyed the past term and now we have a whole new year in front of us to which to look forward. The new year gives promise of many things, the most important of which to us at Detling is perhaps the joy of renewed digging activity. Anything may happen in this new local agricultural boom : we may even see Mr. Inledon behind a plough. Who knows ?

### SANDLING

*Former Groupleader :*

Mr. W. H. Hutt.

*Groupleader :*

Mr. C. F. Tyson.

*Masters :*

Mr. M. C. Crewe.

Mr. N. G. Evans.

Mr. H. Gregory.

Comr. A. D. Lacy, R.N.

Mr. C. J. McClymont.

Mr. P. W. Norris.

*Prefects :*

M. M. Prouten.

J. R. Hobbs.

J. R. Dickson.

H. C. Hooper.

R. E. Cook.

G. H. Reeve.

*Former Prefects :*

A. E. Whiteing.

P. Dawe.

A. F. Dunning.

P. R. Noakes

On the 2nd September, 1939, some sixty or seventy Alleyn's 'Vackies' coasted down to 'somewhere in England' (hereinafter mentioned as Sandling). Thanks to the kindness of the reception, these political exiles were soon at home in their rural surroundings. As is usual with Alleyn's, organisation was the order of the day and under the expert leadership of Mr. H. (hereinafter mentioned as Group-leader) many activities were inaugurated. These included digging under the casual guidance of Mr. C. (foreman) and the more energetic assistance of the Kent Council Digging Expert, Mr. Voysey ; a Swing Sextet, despite the rhythmic conducting of Mr. Noakes, A.O.B., unfortunately 'petered' out. This however did not put an end to the musical activities of the Group. Some half way through the Autumn term, the 'Auld Barn Klubb' began its restive existence ; this was chiefly due to the generosity of Dr. Ponder and some unknown benefactors. The function of the Club is to lighten the dark

evenings, and it was so successful that on one never-to-be-forgotten occasion, one member, after unsuccessfully charging a herd of bullocks, gained the gate in record time. The climax to the Club's autumnal activities (Pinga-Ponga, Singa-Songa) was the concert organised by Prouten. This was of a thoroughly spontaneous nature, each act being composed as the preceding one was being played. In fact, for the evening, school was forgotten and we enjoyed ourselves without our ties on. On the succeeding nights, the Sandling Singers were in a benevolent mood and enforced their harmony on the terror-stricken inhabitants who, believing the cause, if not the performance, to be worthy were fleeced to the tune of forty-four shillings.

In all this, no mention has been made of the excellent amenities of Sandling. These include an efficient police division, at the sight of which we all 'tremble'; also a magnificent 'bus service, except for one week in November, when, for some unaccountable reason, southbound 'buses failed to stop between the 'Lower Bell' and the 'Running Horse.'

One further point; in case anybody should feel scandalised by the Christmas activities of the Sandling Singers, we reproduce the following, the original of which may be seen on application to H. C. Hooper.

"Pray accept my personal thanks for your generosity in so promptly responding to my Broadcast Appeal for the Sailor and his dependants through King George's Fund for Sailors.

Baldwin of Bewdley."

### WEAVING.

*Group leader :*

Mr. L. H. Jones

*Former Masters :*

Mr. M. C. Green.

Mr. R. L. W. Jones.

Mr. J. H. G. Pell.

Mr. L. A. R. Shackleton.

Mr. R. H. D. Young.

*Masters :*

Mr. F. M. Goldner.

Mr. F. A. Meerendonk.

Mr. E. F. Upward.

*Prefects :*

B. C. R. Parker.

R. M. Seelig.

E. H. Hooke.

W. F. Belsham.

A. H. Angus.

D. G. Bickford-Smith.

R. A. Bowden.

H. H. Hoskins.

R. K. Jones.

W. S. Morgan.

D. R. Taylor.

H. S. Thorley.

R. A. Veale.

R. L. Young.

Although September was a "farmer's month" for the boys at Weaving, the centre of gravity quickly changed from the F. and G. to the School House once we had the kind permission of Mrs. Hammond to use the latter as a club room. Despite the draw-back of the inevitable "penny sub" for which so many gave up their chocolate ration, the club soon became very popular. The times were extended to give everyone a chance to come along, and the number of amusements was continually increasing. But perhaps the most popular were the organised evenings. At the first of these, a Whist Drive ably organised by Bickford-Smith, Martin and Stacey won first prize. This proved so popular that a second Whist Drive was held towards the end of the term, when Green's score of 98 on twelve hands topped the list.

The 'pièce de résistance' however was the Christmas Fireside held on December 20th. Lyon started the sing-song in which many old favourites were rendered, but, despite repeated clamours for a certain gentleman present to sing a solo, the audience itself could produce no talented individual audacious enough to risk the cat-calls of the assembly.

R. K. Jones' efforts at monologue recalled a famous comedian who was always "dreaming oh his darling love of thee." Father Christmas (C.B.L.) then appeared via an unconventional entrance, through his distribution of prizes was quite in the tradition. His exit was the occasion for much jollification in the shape of streamers and balloons.

When quiet was again restored, Mrs. Hammond was presented with a box of chocolates in recognition of her many services to us during the term.

The musicians, to wit Craven (piano), Brace (violin), and Bradban (drums) then entertained, and Craven also played a solo on the piano accordion: "Rhapsody in Blue."

Next on the programme was an "I want to be an Actor" item. The chosen hero was Eayrs, who manfully fulfilled his part as Horace Foolsmate. The heroine was ably represented by Martin; he reproduced that certain maiden tremor most admirably. But perhaps the most representative character was Mr. Goldner who was chosen by a huge majority as the villain, Bishop Checkmate. Hero and villain played a game of chess for the heroine, during which they fell sound asleep, giving the heroine the chance to overpower the Bishop.

Seelig then gave us "Mr. Cohen on the 'Phone," after which there was another short item by the band. To lowered lights and a terrifying atmosphere, disaster in the shape of the 'Monkey's Paw' was introduced. Hoskins and Seelig took the characters, and thrilled the audience with the exciting dialogue.

After this a less refined though highly entertaining playlet, the "Rowland Ruby," was performed by Cooper, Small, Jobson, Jessup and Beale, and the evening ended in another sing-song, marshalled by Belsham, during which Lanchbery, a visitor, was kind enough to entertain us at the piano.

The table tennis competition was justly won by Hooke, the runners-up being Bowden and Thorley. The chess competitions were won by Wilson and Side. Lectures on this game were given throughout the term by members of the School team billeted in Weaving, for which many boys were very grateful.

With so many and so varied amusements, we were well able to forget for a time our old homes in Dulwich and even to be thankful and proud that we were members of the Weaving Group.

### St. Clare Notes.

We desire henceforth to substitute the above title for "Junior School Notes" for we include so many undeniable Seniors that our former title is inapplicable. Why, one of our Prefects turns the scale at some 11 stone! All goes well as our readers will see from the subjoined sober and restrained account of our activities up-to-date.

The prefects for this term are :—Stow, S. W. J. (Head Boy), Bell, N. D., Hall, A. N., Dann, R. W., Dann, L. R., Johnson, A. S., Stafford, A. V., Osborne, D. B., Knocker, A. W., Snowden, C. G. P., Hanna, M.

Football has had to take the form for the most part of Inter-Form matches, for sports afternoons have had to be allocated to groups of forms. From these encounters have emerged three quite good teams, the Fourth forms providing an under 14 eleven, the Shells under 13 and the Thirds under

12. To give variety the Fourths XI played the Shells and were defeated by 3—2 but won the return match in convincing fashion by 6—0. The Shells defeated the Thirds by 5—4 and by 6—2.

As recorded below we were able to arrange two matches with Tormore Preparatory School. The first match was limited to teams of boys aged under 13 years, and ended in a draw 3—3 which was satisfactory as Tormore had an unbeaten record. On our own ground on December 16th our under 12 team scored a decisive victory over Tormore School under 12 by 6 goals to 1, our forwards proving far too fast for our opponents. However not only was the game enjoyable, but a pleasant social meeting followed in the form of a sumptuous tea.

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We feel sure that there are many readers of this magazine who will be interested in the adventures through which we passed last term. We went first to the Lenham district where we were scattered over a wide rural area, and during the fortnight we were there, learnt more about life in the country than we had ever learnt before. Fortunately the weather was fine and we were able to do all our work and play out-of-doors. Among other useful activities we dug potatoes, we picked beans, we weeded the church yard, we supervised a lending library, and we played a cricket match against James Allen's Girls' School.

On September 15th we started for Deal and here we were billeted in various houses in Deal and Walmer. St. Clare School was placed at our disposal, but as the air raid protection had not been passed by the authorities we had to work in shifts for a time. Four forms had to be accommodated at the Central School in Deal. We had very little in the way of books and equipment for the first few days until the arrival of two lorry loads from London. After a time the authorities gave permission for the whole school to be accommodated at St. Clare and work has been proceeding normally ever since. We are very fortunate in our new home, for, although we have not the same accommodation as at Dulwich, it is sufficient for our needs. There are also good playing fields and a very large school garden which we are cultivating. We have had some interesting and enjoyable experiences—Lady Willingdon

invited a party to inspect Walmer Castle ; Canon Tonks, the vicar of Walmer, has given a series of lectures in Walmer Old Church on the history of the district ; we attended a performance of "Tobias and the Angel" in Walmer Parish Hall and a most interesting Nativity Play in the Parish Church. On December 21st we gave a Carol Service in the Church which was attended by many of the local residents.

Whenever weather has permitted we have played football—our two most enjoyable games being those against Tormore School.

A number of boys did not go home for Christmas, and for these a special programme was arranged, including country walks, ping-pong and chess competitions and above all a glorious Christmas party with Christmas tree, balloons and paper hats complete.

Of course we are very much looking forward to the advent of the fine weather, when we shall be able to take full advantage of the joys of seaside and country. There appears to be a little doubt in the minds of some people as to the safety of this area and in December enquiries were made of the Ministry of Health on the subject. The reply was that "Deal including Walmer is still a reception area and there is no intention of removing evacuees from the borough."

### Football Notes.

As can well be imagined, Football during the Advent Term was carried on under rather difficult conditions. At first we had only one, and later, two pitches available for use. In addition, the necessity for boys to return to their billets for lunch, and the early black-out made two relays of games on half-days impossible. In these circumstances School football had to be sacrificed for House games, in order to give as many boys as possible exercise. The usual House League Competition was carried out with two teams instead of four, the first team being representative while the second eleven was changed every match in order to give most boys games. The first half of the programme was almost completed and it is hoped that by the end of the season, the Houses will have played each other twice.

School football has inevitably suffered, but three very enjoyable games were played. Against Ardingly College we were very unlucky to lose in the last minute to the strongest team Ardingly have had in recent years, and on their own ground. In all the games E. H. Hooke (captain), C. B. Lyon (secretary) and S. W. G. Hill played excellently, but they have now unfortunately left. R. W. Stevens is improving rapidly and J. H. Boait works tirelessly. Under normal conditions we should have had a team of the usual standard.

The 'Under 15' has had two very good games and contains some players of promise.

I must express our gratitude to the Maidstone Grammar School Sports authorities for their kindness and assistance throughout the term. By providing us with every facility in the matter of grounds and changing accommodation, and in every way, they have made it possible for us to carry on our games efficiently and effectively.

S.I.

### SCHOOL FOOTBALL REPORTS.

SCHOOL v. 143RD BATTERY, R.A. (a) *Wednesday, October 25th*  
*Result : lost 3—0.*

Against a faster, heavier and better-trained side the School were soon penned in their own half. The defence offered strong resistance, but was given very little respite in the form of counter-attacks by the School forwards, and it was a credit to the backs, centre-half and goal-keeper that at half time the School were only two goals down.

In the second half, even with the slope in their favour the forwards were again disappointing and the R.A. goal was seldom in danger, while the marked superiority of the R.A. wing-halves kept the play almost continuously round the School goal. The defence, playing very well indeed, conceded only one more goal.

Hill playing at centre-half, Hamilton in goal, and Hooke and Millar at back played steadily under relentless pressure and showed a remarkable understanding for their first game together. Of the forwards Lyon alone was ever a danger to the opponents.

SCHOOL v. ARDINGLY COLLEGE (a)      *Thursday, November 9th*  
*Result : Lost 2—1.*

On a sodden pitch the School kicked uphill, but play was very even. Both sets of forwards played very well, but were met by quick, decisive tackling by the defences. Both sides missed chances however, and at half-time there was no score.

After half-time, a long clearance down the centre deceived Hamilton, and the opposing centre-forward had no difficulty in scoring. The School rallied strongly, and after several attacks Lyon picked up a loose ball and beat the Ardingly goalkeeper with a good shot. Play was again even but shortly before the end our opponents scored with a fine shot from a free-kick about thirty yards out. In the closing minutes the School fought hard and were unlucky not to equalise.

The forwards showed a welcome improvement in this game, the best of them being Lyon. The defence also played well, Hooke, Hill and Hamilton being outstanding.

SCHOOL v. WESTMINSTER CITY SCHOOL (h)  
*Result : Drew 4—4*      *Saturday, December 16th*

The Westminster outside-right first scored with a good shot from the edge of the penalty area. This only served to rally the School, however, and they drew level when Hooke, at right-back, put in a shot from his own half which the goal-keeper failed to gather. The School inside forwards were now playing delightful football and goals were scored by Stevens and Holdstock, but several other opportunities were missed.

In the second half, the School forwards showed less skill and Westminster soon scored with a good shot from their left-winger. The forwards revived a little and it was not long before Lyon headed a good goal to restore the School's two-goal lead. Westminster fought back hard and soon drew level. The play then became fast and furious, but both defences held out and a very enjoyable game ended in a draw.

The School forwards played by far their best game, with Lyon, Stevens and Boait outstanding. The defence did not play as well as previously, but nevertheless put up a satisfactory display.

### O.T.C. Notes.

Owing to the transference of the School to Maidstone and the difficulties of assembling there, Alleyn's School O.T.C. made a late start. At first companies paraded separately on Wednesday mornings, and afterwards, when a complete school programme was undertaken, there was a full battalion parade on Friday afternoons. Certificate "A" work, which is considered by the War Office to be increasingly important now, began immediately and it is expected that an examination will be held this term.

A circular was sent out toward the end of last term stating the financial difficulties of the O.T.C., due to the shrinkage in numbers ; to maintain efficiency, full support will, it is hoped, be given by all.

The following officers have been called up on active service : Major S. R. Hudson to the H.M.P.C., who has since been recalled ; Major E. C. Eayrs ; Captain J. H. G. Pell to an O.C.T.U. ; Lieut. R. H. D. Young to an O.C.T.U. ; and 2nd/Lt. L. A. R. Shackleton to an I.T.C.

### Fives.

Owing to the kind hospitality of Maidstone Grammar School, we were able to continue our Fives almost as in normal times. At the beginning of the term a system of group Fives was introduced to take the place of the House system.

Matches have been arranged for the School IV, which, though rather young, is showing great enthusiasm and should prove a strong combination.

Although we have temporarily lost the services of Mr. Pell, our Fives master, we thank Mr. J. A. Taylor for his able supervision, and can look forward to a useful term. We ask all players to co-operate during these difficult times.

### Swimming.

There is a weekly practice at Maidstone Baths for any who wish to attend. Last term only a few stalwarts appeared on most occasions, but it is hoped that others will come this

term. There is a good opportunity to learn the crawl stroke and to throw the polo ball. At present the practice is being held on Thursdays at 3.0 p.m. in the 1st class baths.

### Shooting.

But for the good offices of the Bearsted and Thurnham Rifle Club, who offered us, through their genial Hon. Sec., Mr. J. L. Ollett, the use of their Club Room and Range, Shooting would probably have disappeared for the duration.

Here on two afternoons per week we assemble : on Tuesdays for League Match Shooting, and on Thursdays for practice.

Fortunately for us, the County of Lancaster Rifle Association decided to run a Public Schools' postal League, and this adds considerably to the interest of the weekly shoots.

Up to the time of going to press we have shot against the following schools :—

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponents</i>	<i>We</i>	<i>They</i>	<i>Result</i>
21st Nov.	Denstone "B" .. ..	368	350	Won
28th Nov.	Tonbridge "B" .. ..	373	351	Won
5th Dec.	University College .. ..	380	382	Lost
12th Dec.	Highgate .. ..	382	356	Won
19th Dec.	Denstone "A" .. ..	378	368	Won

At the end of the 5th round, our position in the League Table was 2nd, and as there are nine more rounds, we hope to finish well up.

If the Donegall Medal is available this year, it will go to the individual with the highest average in these league matches, but if not, we are assured by Mr. Evans that there will be an aggregate prize.

During the evening of the 6th December, we had a friendly shoulder-to-shoulder match against Bearsted Boys' team, and were very lucky to win by one point. The individual scores were :—

ALLEYN'S				BEARSTED.			
D. W. Bryan .. ..	96	E. F. Harnett (Capt.) ..	94				
L. J. Daniels .. ..	96	C. Drake .. ..	93				
R. K. Jones (Capt.) ..	93	B. Palmer .. ..	92				
J. E. Silvester .. ..	92	D. C. Horn .. ..	92				
F. H. Wooldridge .. ..	90	R. W. Usmer .. ..	90				
P. Bryan .. ..	79	A. J. Snook .. ..	84				
Total .. ..	546	Total .. ..	545				

P. Bryan had the misfortune to let one shot go before he was ready. We hope to shoot the return match within the next few weeks.

Thanks to the careful guidance of Mr. Evans, who presides at all meetings, and the hearty co-operation of the team, we have had a very successful term, and look forward to an equally successful Spring term.

### Chess Club.

Last term we were by no means inactive, despite the difficulties of our present surroundings. Meetings were held regularly at the School House, Grove Green. The time was mainly devoted to match practice, of which we were badly in need.

Despite the loss of Odle, Whiteing, and Hamilton, all members of the first team, we were by no means weak, as several younger players are showing promise. Our own champion, L. C. Walters, has distinguished himself in the London Boys' Chess Championship, in which he was a very good second. We offer him our heartiest congratulations.

The results of last term's matches were :—

- Oct. 11th v. Wanderers won, 4—0.  
20th v. Wanderers lost, 1—4.  
Nov. 16th v. Maidstone Grammar School Staff drew; 4—4.  
Dec. 6th v. Wilson's Grammar School lost, 3—5.

In this last match the catering was ably supervised by Mrs. L. H. Jones, for which we were very grateful, as her help greatly added to the enjoyment of the afternoon.

The second team had one match against a Maidstone Grammar School team, and it ended in a draw, 3—3.

We hope to have a number of matches this term, and also to arrange some form of House competition. The School championship has already been started and is progressing slowly.

### Music Notes.

To begin by congratulating the orchestra upon its enthusiasm during last term under exceptional difficulties, is obviously the correct opening. The wind sections have

established themselves in spite of the loss of their leaders, including W. S. Morgan and D. H. Fowler, and the younger members have assumed the responsibility as if used to it. The strings, although sorely depleted, are nevertheless surviving.

We began the musical activity of the term with a concert given in the hitherto strange surroundings of Maidstone Grammar School. In spite of this setback, the orchestra acquitted itself ably, and the concert included a brilliant performance of the Concerto in G Minor by Saint-Saëns, the piano part played by N. A. Spurdens. Besides this we gave Mendelssohn's Overture, "The Hebrides"; a selection of songs from the "Maud" cycle, by Arthur Somervell, sung by L. J. Fyson; and the Symphony in D Major, by Haydn. A very boisterous performance of this last work concluded this pioneer concert in our new colony.

The next concert was given in aid of the Troops' "Comforts" Fund. The music was interspersed with plays. The whole concert was very successful, the lighter type of music being well accepted by the audience. The music performed was The Children's Overture by Roger Quilter; a group of Mozart, consisting of two Minuets in D and G, and the Turkish March; some Old English Songs; the famous Polonaise in A by Chopin; and the Nocturne and Wedding March from Mendelssohn's Music to "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

The Music Department, which had already settled at a certain Women's Institute at Boxley, is now to be transferred to the depths of the Dunning Hall in Week Street, a place of assembly more convenient to all.

The Wind and String Classes are again functioning under their instructors who come down regularly from London. Both are held on Thursday afternoon and although they are small at the moment, we are hoping that anybody who is interested in any instrument will come forward to uphold the tradition of years gone by. All are welcome to receive the expert instruction of these masters.

As we are unfortunately separated from our "female" performers, the Junior School, by a great distance, we were unable to give the usual Christmas Opera, although urged to do so from all sides. When we are re-united with our next generation, we hope to resume this practice.

We have under rehearsal Dvòrák's E Minor Symphony, the Carnival des Animaux of Saint-Saëns and Vltava by Smetana. The choir are to sing Cherubini's Requiem at the end of term while the Juniors have in preparation the Stabat Mater of Pergolesi. The Festival of the Nine Lessons was sung in Walmer Parish Church on December 21st, and Epiphany Carols at Boxley on January 14th.

We shall begin the coming term with a confidence born of success in what we have undertaken so far, and of pre-meditated success in what we are to attack in future days. We owe this confidence to the unceasing activity and enthusiasm of the Director of Music, and to the response and co-operation of the whole Music Club. Let us hope that we shall increase and flourish.

### The Scientific Society.

Owing to the evacuation the Scientific Society has endured a whole term of complete inactivity—during which, however, certain members have made good use of the small but efficient dark room at Maidstone Grammar School.

While we hope to start regular meetings as soon as possible, when all members of the fifth and sixth will be made welcome, it is unfortunately very improbable that there will be any visits to places of scientific interest while the school is at Maidstone.

### Modern Language Club.

*President :*

Mr. G. E. Dodd.

*Chairman :*

G. H. Reeve.

The Club's activities, like those of practically every other section of the school organisation, have been severely hampered by the circumstances of evacuation. Many keen supporters have left, including last year's Secretary, A.E. Cave, and Mr. Bickford-Smith is at Deal. During the Advent Term one very interesting meeting was held; our new President kindly invited about ten of the senior German-speaking members to a tea-causerie to meet Mr. Berger, a distinguished Austrian refugee; an extremely charming evening ensued, for which we are very grateful to the President and Mrs. Dodd.

It is hoped that more meetings will be arranged during the coming term.

## Poetry.

### (WITH APOLOGIES TO S.E.11).

Any time you're Weav'ring way,  
 You can hear us all who say  
 Happy are the Weav'ring folk  
 Doing the Weav'ring walk.

Why not come down Weav'ring Street ?  
 You will find it quite a treat ;  
 Detling, Sandling we can beat  
 Doing the Weav'ring walk.

Everyone's proud and happy  
 That he's a Weav'ring chappy.  
 Why don't you come and stay here,  
 Work here, play here ?

So—

Any time you're Maidstone way,  
 Not to Boxley you will stray,  
 But to Weav'ring stalk  
 To do the Weav'ring walk.

### VAMPIRES.

The children of the night are howling,  
 Eyes bright, glaring red,  
 Heralding the approach of vampires—  
     Living dead.

Stalking silently and swiftly,  
 Images of death  
 Their dark, closed, bloodful lips are guarding  
     Foetid breath.

The village folk are watching, staring,  
 Faces ashen gray ;  
 What can they 'gainst quickened corpses ?—  
     Only pray !

Suddenly a baby whimpers  
 Crawling in the mud,  
 And the small sound gives the vampires  
     Lust for blood !



## Edward Alleyn and Dulwich.

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A short respite for a bite, at noon, and occasional long drinks from one of the barrels provided, sent the reapers all to work again, and after dusk the dog-tired people would make their way home as best they could, staring at the sunset and hoping for another fine day to follow. After the finish on Saturday the reapers and helpers all dined in the hall of the College and no doubt enjoyed a merry evening.

Shakespeare wrote the Harvest Home scenes of "The Winter's Tale" out of his own experience, and none of the high-born gentry who have been charged with the paternity of his plays could so have done.

That Edward Alleyn became diligent, to the extent of having a passion, for the culture and extension of the productivity of his estate is borne out in this very imperfect but precious Diary (five years only) by the entries setting forth relatively immense sums expended in opening up fresh areas of woodland for pasture or for growing grain. Not content with cutting down the trees and bushes, he had the roots completely dug out and removed. In "Cokers," 15 acres of "rough" were grubbed and ditched and afterwards sown with barley. "Ling's coppice," 10 acres, was dealt with in much the same way, and the total cost in labour for the 25 acres was almost £80, say £500 now-a-days.

In September 1620 further grubbing took place in "Furzie Fields," and in another part of "Cokers" and much of the resultant timber and roots was "burned" or "coaled" to provide charcoal for the house, as well as for use in brick and tile making, fifty sack-loads costing £34. For grubbing in "Gowins" and in "Fering coppice," the stacking of 578 stacks of roots, cleaving and "coaling" the great, and sorting the small, the total cost was £153.

During the five years included in the Diary, the expenditure on work of this kind amounted to £400, (at least £2,500 at the present day).

The bringing into cultivation of these additional plots of land led to a demand for extra tithes on the part of Sir Edward Bowyer—owner of the rectory and tithes of Camberwell parish. A friendly settlement would have been reached by

arbitration, which our Founder greatly favoured, but both principals died before a decision was reached, and the dispute, in spite of interim settlements, dragged on till the close of the 17th century, with much expense to the College.

Enough has been adduced from the Diary to make it clear that Edward Alleyn brought into the management of his estate all the intensity and zest that was characteristic of him in everything he undertook, and he set an example that unfortunately was not altogether followed by his successors : perhaps it was hardly to be expected.

His love of the countryside and of the tranquillity it brings is nowhere better exemplified than in the thoughtful foresight exhibited when he wrote No. 109 Item of the Statutes of the College signed only two months before his death, and added to within the last week of his life :—

“109. Item. I especially prohibit and forbid, for all succeeding times to come, that any timber trees fitt for shadow or shelter be cutt and felled in any of the grounds adjoining or lying neere to the west, south, and southwest ptes. of the said colledge.”

There is still, I believe, a special sub-Committee of the Estates Governors “for Trees,” so that it would appear this pious provision of our Founder still holds good, so far as modern conditions will admit.

F.A.M.

### Alleyn Old Boys' Club Notes.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Old Boys whose subscriptions for the current year are still outstanding are asked to submit them without further delay to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Norman Lloyd, Hilltop, Fountain Drive, S.E.19.

(It is now open to annual subscribers to pay a five years' subscription in advance for 10/-).

#### NEW MEMBERS.

All applications for membership should be sent to Mr. Norman Lloyd, Hilltop, Fountain Drive, S.E.19.

**COMMUNICATIONS.**

During the period of hostilities, Old Boys are requested to address any communications which should have been sent to Mr. W. S. Arnold to Mr. Norman Lloyd, Hilltop, Fountain Drive, S.E.19.

The Editors have received a letter from Pilot-Officer A. V. Randall, R.A.F.V.R. (t, 1910-19). He is utilising the French he learned, to cement the Entente Cordiale, and profiting by the football we taught him.

We shall be very glad to receive other letters from Old Boys serving with H.M. Forces.

**BIRTHS.**

SCADENG—On 29th July, 1939 to Mary (nee Allen) (J.A.G.S.) wife of H. Scadeng (t, 1922-30) a daughter (Margaret Mary).

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE FROM OCTOBER 1st, 1938 TO DATE.**

The Committee held four meetings during the Club Year 1938/39, on October 26th, January 26th, April 26th, and July 25th. The routine business of the Club was conducted at these meetings, but there were three items of business which seemed to need special attention, and the following sub-committees were formed to give adequate consideration to the items in question :

**1. SUB-COMMITTEE ON CLUB OUTFITTING.**

Messrs. N. B. Balaam, Norman Lloyd, E. C. Robbins, R. W. Hill, L. B. Clover.

This Sub-Committee met on half a dozen occasions, and had interviews with the Headmaster, Mr. Spring, and with Mr. Belt, the manager of the school shop. The action taken by the Sub-Committee has resulted in an improvement in sales through the school shop and consequently an increase in the Club's share of the profit on these transactions.

2. SUB-COMMITTEE ON ADDRESSING MACHINE.

Messrs. R. L. Lydall, J. W. Nye, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, Asst. Hon. Secretary.

Difficulty had been experienced for some considerable time with the machine used for addressing the envelopes for the issue of magazines etc. A number of meetings were held and the difficulty was finally solved by the acceptance of an offer made by Mr. R. L. Lydall, that Lydall and Son Ltd., the Club printers, would undertake this work at a purely nominal charge.

3. SUB-COMMITTEE FOR SOCIAL FUNCTION TO BOYS LEAVING SCHOOL.

Messrs. L. B. Clover, R. W. Hill, N. B. Balaam, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, Assistant Hon. Secretary.

This Sub-Committee was elected to carry out the arrangements resulting from the adoption by the Committee of a recommendation made by Mr. R. L. Lydall that a supper should be held at school towards the end of the summer term, when the boys leaving school could be invited to meet the Officers of the Club and members of the Committee.

This Sub-Committee held several meetings and made all necessary arrangements with the result that a supper was held at school on the evening of Speech Day, Friday, July 28th. This supper proved a great success. About 70 were present and many of the boys went on from the supper as guests of the Committee to the Athletic Club Pavilion at Burbage Road.

All agreed that this innovation was undoubtedly worth while and should become an annual Club function. It is hoped by this means to stimulate the enrolment of boys leaving school, not only to the Central Club but also to the affiliated athletic sections.

The Annual Dinner was held in November, 1938, and the Annual Concert on the 15th April, 1939, and both these Club functions were well attended.

Founders' Day in June brought a good attendance of Old Boys to the school, and the usual cricket matches between Club and School were played. The festivities of the day

did not end with close of play at school, as large numbers of Old Boys went on to the Athletic Club in the evening and continued their "do you remembers" till the law of the land necessitated someone saying "time gentlemen please."

No Club function has been held since Founder's Day.

On the outbreak of war the Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs. S. H. Clark, J. V. H. Coates, A. F. Day, W. S. Arnold and Norman Lloyd, who were elected by the main Committee on the 29th September, 1938, with powers to manage the whole of the affairs of the Club in the event of a National Emergency, took over the control of the Club under their terms of reference. The Sub-Committee has not met since the outbreak of war because of the blackout difficulty, but members of the Committee have kept in close touch with the President, Mr. A. F. Day.

Owing to heavy pressure of work as one of the four members of the Emergency Committee of the Metropolitan Borough of Camberwell, the Treasurer was unable to complete the balance sheet as at 30th September 1939. After consultation with the Auditors, the Treasurer has arranged to carry the accounts to March 31st 1940, when the accounts from October 1st 1938 to March 31st 1940 will be put before the Emergency Sub-Committee for approval prior to Audit. The accounts should be available for insertion in the April issue of the magazine.

The Hon. Treasurer has received the following letter from the Chairman of the Athletic Club :

185, Upland Road,  
S.E.22.

24th November, 1939

"Dear Norman,

At a recent meeting of an Emergency Committee appointed to control the affairs of the Athletic Club it was decided to offer to the Central Club, facilities to hold Meetings or any small function which the Old Boys' Club might desire.

It was also decided to keep the Club going as a Social Centre for all Old Boys serving with the Forces and with Civil Defence bodies, whether members of the Club (Athletic) or not, and to play such games as it might be possible to arrange.

I am not sure whether you are still the officer to whom this letter should be addressed, but, in any case I shall be very glad if you will bring it before your Committee for them to consider and record.

With all kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Charles W. Burman,  
Chairman''

The Emergency Sub-Committee thank the Athletic Club for their offer of hospitality and hope that as many members as possible will take advantage of this offer, and that the Pavilion at Burbage Road will prove to be a meeting place during this war period for those home on leave and also for those still left in London.

Our Hon. Secretary and Asst. Hon. Secretary were called up on the outbreak of war, and so for the present all communications should be addressed to : Norman Lloyd, Hilltop, Fountain Drive, S.E.19.

N. L.

### Alleyn Benevolent Fund.

The times of stress and difficulty through which we are now passing enforce us to make many economies which we should not make in normal times and the tenor of our daily life has to be adjusted to meet the prevailing conditions. How much more difficult must be the lot of those who find life hard even in peaceful times, and it is with these in view that the Committee of the Benevolent Fund appeals.

It is hardly surprising that there has been a reduction of income. As the Annual Dinner was cancelled the usual collection could not be made, and the Committee earnestly appeals to all Old Boys for their support.

The Fund became a really active force for the relief of those in need as a result of the Great War, and the Committee foreseeing the possibility of heavy calls on the Fund, desires to see the work carried on undiminished during the present war and after.

If you have contributed to the Fund in the past, please do not withdraw your support, but, if you cannot send us as much as usual, we shall be very grateful for what you can spare.

To all who have not previously subscribed, the Committee would suggest that a subscription or donation would be a practical method of showing sympathy to Old Boys and their dependents to whom this war may bring severe hardship.

Please send any sum, large or small, to the Hon. Treas., L. A. Coles, 16 Oakfield Gardens, Beckenham, Kent or to the Hon. Treas. A.O.B.C. with your Club Subscription.

L.A.C.

### Edward Allyn Lodge.

During the war, the Edward Allyn Lodge, No. 4328, proposes to meet on the third Saturday in January, March, September and November, instead of on the normal dates, at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street. Brethren from overseas or from the provinces who are in London with the Forces or for any other reason and who would care to be present at any meeting are invited to communicate with F. Linnell, Esq., 133, Rosendale Road, Dulwich, S.E.21, who will give them the necessary information.

### Athletic Club.

It has been decided, in view of the present situation, to incorporate the notes of the various sections of the Athletic Club under one heading.

We should like all Old Boys to know that the Club is still functioning, and we are at present running as many games of football each week as is possible. The usual subscription for football has been suspended, and in its place players pay 1/6d. for each game. While league games and cup matches for the season have been cancelled, we have had many enjoyable friendly games against old friends of ours and also several new fixtures against the Services (Police, Balloon Barrage, etc.).

The Tennis Club continues to function normally, although we have had very disappointing weather this winter season. We hope, however, that when the worst of the winter has passed we shall see a good number of our members playing again and also any other Old Boys who are interested.

It is hoped to start Cricket as usual in May, and we trust that all members and other Old Boys who are able to play, will do so this season. It is intended to circularise members with regard to this later.

In conclusion, we should like to recommend the Club as a social centre. The whole pavilion is now blacked out and the Club is open every evening. Any Old Boy who finds himself at a loose end these dark evenings will be very welcome at Burbage Road, and if he is unable to be a playing member, he may become an honorary member for a small nominal subscription. We particularly invite Old Boy members of His Majesty's Forces. It is hoped to run dances and other social functions at the pavilion in the near future.

### Football Club.

Although the War has cancelled League Football and taken many of our members we have been able to keep the Club going. We have fixed up matches each Saturday for two sides, with some of our old opponents and also with some Service teams, the game with the 904 Squadron Balloon Barrage being particularly enjoyable.

Will anyone wishing for a game in the future communicate with R. Allsop, 28 Danecroft Road, S.E.24.

We conclude with a word of thanks to all those who have assisted in refereeing and catering and done much to make Saturday afternoons enjoyable.

R.A.

### Rifle Club.

Once more the Editor reminds us that it is time to prepare a few notes for yet another copy of the magazine. Unfortunately, like the Minister, we have very little information to impart.

On Saturday afternoons at the School Range, you will find the Club still very active and we take this opportunity of extending a most hearty welcome to those Old Boys who have as yet not joined H.M. Forces or been evacuated.

The two teams which we entered in the City of London League are shooting fortnightly matches with results that

surprise even ourselves, but we are assured by the Clubs against whom we shoot that we are considered excellent shock troops. Our many wellwishers will be pleased to hear that we have yet to face our first defeat.

In common with other sections of the Old Boys' Club, we are steadily losing many of our members. To these and our President, N. G. Evans (in exile near Maidstone) we wish the very best of luck and a safe and speedy return.

The Censor forbids us to mention addresses, but our Secretary, R. H. Edwards, 50 Burbage Road, S.E.24, will be pleased to help intending correspondents.

### 15th November, 1939.

The third Wednesday in November—a date that has peculiar significance to the President of the Alleyn Old Boys' Club—so much so that it was hardly necessary even to record it in his diary as the date of the Annual Dinner.

For more than two long years has this day loomed before me, causing mingled feelings of pride and foreboding. How many times in my waking moments have I pictured myself rising to address the company to propose the toast of "The School"? To him who possesses the gift of after-dinner speaking this is the occasion on which full play can be given to his oratorical faculty, but to those like myself who are not so gifted it presents alarming misgivings. Efforts to compose the speech I should use on this occasion never got beyond "Mr. Headmaster and Gentlemen." How should I proceed? Many are the times I have heard this toast given by my predecessors in office but how unhelpful is the memory of those speeches! The vexed question of what I should say after "Gentlemen" was never really solved although many ideas became jumbled together in my confused thinking. Should I:—

- (a) Develop a grievance, say, against the Governors for the way in which the affairs of the School had been conducted?
- (b) Parade the great accomplishments of the boys.
- (c) Give minute details of the activities of the Old Boys' Club and its affiliations.

- (d) Demonstrate how the efforts of the Club had been devoted to its main object as shewn on p. 2 of the Membership Card, viz. "To maintain a friendly intercourse between the Old Boys and the School."
- (e) With becoming modesty, pass lightly over my own personal activities in the affairs of the Club.
- (f) Indulge in sentimental reminiscences and so on.

Alas "the Day" never came—other forces deemed that there should be no Annual Dinner for 1939 and all the confused thinking has ended where it began.

The Headmaster, Mr. Henderson, it was announced on Speech Day, must be congratulated on his forthcoming appointment (October, 1940) as Manchester Reader in Religious Education in the University of Oxford. This announcement meant that the Annual Dinner of 1939 would be the last of these occasions which Mr. Henderson would attend as Headmaster. Great would have been my responsibility for making due acknowledgment of Mr. Henderson's services to the School and to wish him success in his new sphere of activity. It will, I am sure, be a matter of much gratification to us all that Mr. Henderson is resolved to continue his association with the Old Boys and we may look forward with pleasure to his company at our Annual Dinners when they are resumed.

Another matter to which I should have felt bound to make reference is the decision of the Committee to limit the Presidential toast to "the School." For many years the toast has appeared on the programme as "The School and the Club." It is not for me here to go into the pros and cons of this decision except to say that it is a decision of which I entirely approve. I am old enough to remember the days when the Annual Dinner Programmes disclosed three toasts and their consequent replies, viz. The School—The Club—The Athletic Clubs. Then followed a long period when the toast list shewed only one toast "The School and the Club" with replies in turn by the Headmaster and the Secretary of the Club.

The relation of this sequence of changes would have provided an opportunity to indulge in reminiscence. The incident occurred many years ago at the Holborn Restaurant when I had been entrusted with the reply to the toast "The Athletic Clubs." I had been able to arrange matters so

that I sat at the head of a wing table with a company comprised mostly of my own pals more or less prominent in the Athletic Clubs at that time. My supporters had promised to give me their enthusiastic support and I envisaged myself making my points in reply interposed with hearty "hear hears." Our old friend Woolrich proposed the toast in felicitous terms to which I devoted my whole attention. To my dismay when I rose to reply and looked along my table the seats were empty, my enthusiastic supporters had disappeared—where I know not! I got through my reply as best I could but it seemed to me a very tame reply. As soon as decency permitted I too disappeared in order to find out what had become of the former occupants of the seats at my table. I traversed passages in the Restaurant until there came to my ears strains of dance music. A clue; I followed it, and my search ended at the entrance to a ballroom. From my vantage point I saw my quarry, lots of 'em, giving the support promised to me, with strong right arms encircling the waists of a corresponding number of attractive partners in a dreamy waltz—they danced waltzes in those days.

There has been nothing and I am afraid there cannot be any function that is capable of taking the place of the Annual Dinner so long as the War continues. It has not been practicable even to hold the Annual General Meeting.

The affairs of the Club have been entrusted to an Emergency Committee consisting of Messrs. Coates, Clark, Arnold, Norman Lloyd and A. F. Day. There is little that can be done by this Committee in the absence of any opportunities to carry out the programme of the Club but there is much that can be done by the members individually, if not collectively, in furthering the objects of the Club during the War. The second of these objects is stated as follows in the Membership Card :

(b) to promote and affiliate Athletic and other Associations of Old Boys.

It is the proud boast of the Alleyn Old Boys' Club that no other Old Boys' Club can shew a greater achievement in this direction. Examine your Membership Card for confirmation of this boast! The affiliated Clubs have anxious days before them. Many of the active members are already called to H.M. Forces. Others are doing their bit on the Home Front. The goodwill and the assets of the Clubs are

sound enough to withstand the shocks of War. The Officers who are carrying on in "the emergency" can be relied upon to do all that is physically possible to preserve the Club's possessions until peace comes.

In the effective execution of their self-imposed tasks the Emergency Officers will lack money more than anything else.

This anticipated shortage can and must be met. The parent association's means are limited but it will do all that is possible out of its available funds to assist the Affiliated Clubs in their difficulties as they may arise, but much can be done by individuals throughout the Club's membership by maintaining their subscriptions if not in full to the greatest possible extent. There must be many Old Boys who will receive this Magazine and will, I hope, read these notes, who have not maintained their membership to the Affiliated Club or Clubs to which at one time they belonged. To them I would appeal to revive their old associations by becoming honorary members. By the payment of their subscriptions they would relieve the respective Hon. Treasurers of much anxiety.

To those who may be in some doubt as to the direction in which to apply their generosity I would suggest donations be sent to the Hon. Treasurer of the Parent Club—Mr. Norman Lloyd, "Hilltop," Fountain Drive, S.E.19 to be earmarked to "Affiliated Clubs Emergency Fund." The proceeds of this Fund will be applied strictly towards the domestic requirements of the Affiliated Clubs arising out of the War.

A. F. DAY.

### Steady Progress.

The steady progress in the membership and influence of the Old Boys' Club has been achieved at the cost of much work and thought. We can increase the membership and influence of the Club by taking every opportunity of bringing the Club to the attention of all Old Boys who are not members.

A membership application form is printed on page VI.

### Next Issue.

Contributions, whether of personal, general or literary interest, are welcomed, and all copy should be sent to the School Editor, or to the Old Boys' Editor, R. L. Lydall, 73, Park Hall Road, Dulwich, S.E.21 on or before May 8th, 1940.

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