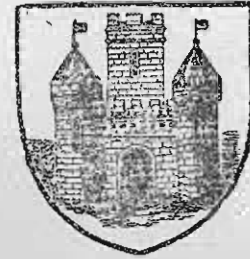


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EDITORIAL.

Many changes have taken place again since July, the most important being the arrival of our new Headmaster, Mr. Cottrell, at the beginning of term. By now all our feelings of strangeness have worn off, and we already feel as if he has been with us for a much longer period than three months. He must certainly have discovered by now how much we hope that he and his family will be happy here, and that the School will prosper under his leadership.

Miss Davies, too, we feel, is settling down happily among us. It has been a difficult task for her to come to a new school as Senior Mistress, but events have shown that she has surmounted these difficulties, and we hope that she too will be very happy and contented here.

It was a great blow to the School to lose Mrs. Robinson and Mr. Simmons, both of whom have gone to new posts ; Mrs. Robinson to a boarding school in Harrogate, and Mr. Simmons to become Headmaster of the Hedge End Modern Secondary School at Southampton. Mrs. Robinson's work here was made very difficult by her long daily journey from Milford, but she managed to get to school in all but the worst weather. Mr. Simmons will be greatly missed both in the Masters' Room and in the classroom. His cheerful smile, his powerful voice singing bass at prayers, his lively quick-steps at the piano in school parties—we remember all these with the greatest pleasure and regret. We wish both him and Mrs. Robinson every success and happiness in their new posts.

We are glad to have with us since half-term Mr. Greenwood, who has taken the place of Mr. Simmons, and Mr. Howells, who has replaced Miss Jones. Both are settling down well in the cheerful and comfortably smoky atmosphere of the Masters' Room.

It was a pleasure this term to remove from the magazine cover the item "Masters on War Service." The first to return, at the beginning of term, was Mr. Haines, who is obviously as delighted to be back as we are to see him again. He was followed a few weeks later by Mr. Cleaver, who has visited us many times during his periods of leave from the R.A.F. Last came Mr. Devereux, who, we know, has been anxiously awaiting his release for many weeks. So the Masters' Room is itself again, its occupants rather more cramped than they have been for the past few years, but still

looking forward hopefully to that apparently unattainable ideal, a new and larger room.

Once again we express our warm thanks to Mrs. Norah Davies, who deputised for Mr. Devereux from the beginning of term until his return towards the end of November. She is always so ready to help us out in an emergency that it is now almost taken for granted that she can come whenever required. We do, however, realise the sacrifice she is making by coming so willingly to our assistance, and we are very grateful to her.

CHRISTMAS.

Dashing here and dashing there,
Now Christmas time is in the air.
Time for all to dance and sing,
Time for joyous carolling.
Time for cards and pretty things,
Time for merry bells to ring.
Time for snow all glistening white,
Time for fires burning bright.
Time for holly berries red,
Time for feasting so 'tis said.
Away with cares and let's be gay,
On this joyous Christmas day.

PAT JEFFERIES, IIB.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

HIGHER CERTIFICATE.

P. I. Morgan—English, History, French (with distinction).
L. C. Davies—English, History, French.
A. J. Owen—Chemistry, Physics, Pure and Applied Mathematics (Subsidiary).

SCHOOL CERTIFICATE.

V.G.—Very Good; C—Credit; P—Pass; L.M.—London Matriculation Equipment; W.M.—Welsh Matriculation Equivalent.

G. R. Brown (5c, 4p), J. E. Chi'd (6c, 3p), L. T. Cole (4c, 4p), R. J. Colley (6c, 3p), S. M. Croft (4c, 5p), E. C. B. Evans (7c, 2p), M. I. Garlick (3v.g., 5c, L. and W.M.), E. M. Griffiths (1v.g., 8c, L. and W.M.), W. J. Griggs (6c, 1p), R. J. James (1c, 6p), M. John (1v.g., 2c, 6p), T. John (1v.g., 4c, 4p), R. Ll. Jones (9c, L. and W.M.), R. E. Kelly (4c, 3p), F. G. Lovering (4c, 4p), P. F. Maynard (4 v.g., 4c, L. and W.M.), A. G. Moffat (2v.g., 6c, 1p), W. J. Neil (4c, 2p), E. R. Perkins (2v.g., 4c, 1p), A. G. Phillips (7c, 2p, L. and W.M.), V. M. A. Phillips (1v.g., 6c, 1p, L. and W.M.), G. M. Preece (4v.g., 5c, L. and W.M.), J. Rees (3c, 6p), P. C. Rogers (4c, 5p), J. D. Ross (1c, 5p), C. E. Sabido (1c, 5p), I. D. Scourfield (6c, 3p), W. A. H. Smith (2v.g., 5c, 1p, L. and W.M.), E. M. South (5v.g., 3c, L. and W.M.), G. I. M. Sutton (6c, 2p, L. and W.M.), I. M. Thomas (1v.g., 3c, 4p), S. M. Thomas (4c, 2p), G. D. Tucker (1c, 5p), D. A. Vaughan (6c, 2p), S. E. Voyle (8c, L. and W.M.), F. G. Wainwright (2c, 4p), W. J. Wells (8c, L. and W.M.), N. C. Willcocks (4v.g., 5c, L. and W.M.), D. E. J. Williams (5c, 3p), G. M. Williams (2c, 6p), M. Williams, (7c, 3p).

SUPPLEMENTARY CERTIFICATE.

S. G. Canton—Latin (v.g.), D. J. Clarke—French (c.), M. M. Cunningham—History (p.), L. C. Davies—Latin (c.), A. B. Finch—Latin (c.), D. M. John—Biology (c.), M. M. Jefferies—Arithmetic (c.), Needlework (c.), J. E. Paterson—Latin (c.), C. A. Roberts—Art (v.g.), R. E. Sabido—French (p.).

ROYAL SOCIETY OF ARTS.

Pass—50 per cent. and over. Credit—70 per cent. and over.
Stage II. P. E. Morris—Typewriting (First-Class); M. L. John—Typewriting (First Class).
Stage I. W. Mathias—Typewriting (c.), Book-keeping (c.), Shorthand (p.); M. J. Watson—Book-keeping (c.); J. D. Carr—Typewriting (p.).

PRIZE DAY.

Prize Day, held on November 28th, was a great success from every point of view. The speaker was Mr. R. M. Lockley, the distinguished ornithologist and writer, who gave a very interesting talk, mainly concerned with his life on Skokholm. He disclosed some interesting facts about his "Robinson Crusoe" existence amongst the birds and wild life of the island.

We were very pleased and honoured that Mrs. T. H. Jones could be present to distribute the prizes. Seeing her on the platform brought back many pleasant memories of our late Headmaster, Mr. Jones, to whose great personality and influence many references were made during the proceedings.

In his report Mr. Cottrell mentioned the successes of past and present pupils and declared himself very pleased with the condition of the school. He expressed the hope that, at the next speech day, he would be able to give an account of his own achievements.

The duties of chairman were ably performed by Alderman Gwilliam, whose ability as a speaker impresses us more on every occasion.

Various forms rendered musical items which added to the success of the day.

PRIZE LIST.

II5.—1, F. A. Mortimer; 2, M. E. Cole. II7.—1, F. N. Thomas; 2, N. F. Smith. II8.—1, M. C. Kenniford; 2, B. A. Davies and W. R. Lewis.

IIIC.—1, R. W. Arthur. IIB.—1, M. I. Thomas. IIIA.—1, J. C. Maynard; 2, M. Phillips and A. J. Evans.

IVB.—1, A. E. Waterman. IVA.—1, M. Davies; 2, R. J. Palmer.

VB.—1, A. E. Barnikel.

VA2.—1, T. John, School certificates.—L. T. Cole, S. M. Croft, E. C. B. Evans, R. J. James, M. John, R. E. Kelly, J. Rees, J. D. Ross, C. E. Sabido, I. M. Thomas, S. M. Thomas, G. D. Tucker, F. G. Wainwright.

VA1.—1, N. C. Willcocks; 2, G. M. Preece (and Science prize given by Mr. J. H. Garnett). Extra Form Prizes.—M. I. Garlick, E. M. South (and French Prize, given by Mrs. Norah Davies), and P. F. Maynard. School Certificates.—E. M. Griffiths (and Cookery Prize, given by Miss B. Williams), R. Ll. Jones, A. G. Phillips, V. M. A. Phillips, W. A. H. Smith, G. I. M. Sutton, S. E. Voyle, W. J. Wells, G. R. Brown, J. E. Child (and Needlework prize), R. J. Colley,

W. J. Griggs, F. G. Lovering, A. G. Moffat, W. J. Neil, E. R. Perkins (and Woodwork Prize, given by Mrs. David), P. C. Rogers, I. D. Scourfield, D. A. Vaughan, D. E. J. Williams, G. M. Williams, M. Williams.

Lr. VI. Arts.—1, C. M. Lewis and B. Sherlock. Supplementary Certificates.—M. M. Cunningham, A. B. Finch, M. M. Jefferies, C. A. Roberts. Lr. VI. Science.—1, G. C. Johnson. Supplementary Certificates.—D. J. Clarke and R. E. Sabido. Nursing VI.—1, D. M. John (prize given by Mrs. Powell Rees). Commercial VI.—1, W. Mathias. R.S.A. Certificates.—M. J. Watson, J. D. Carr, P. E. Morris and M. L. John.

Upper VI.—Form Prizes given by Mr. William Roblin and Higher Certificates.—P. I. Morgan, L. C. Davies and A. J. Owen. Supplementary Certificates.—S. G. Canton, L. C. Davies and J. E. Paterson.

SPORTS DAY.

The School Sports were held on Monday, July 23rd. Glyndwr House, presumably, enjoyed themselves to the full, but it was a poor day for the other two Houses, as it was obvious very early in the day that they might as well have stayed at home. The result speaks for itself, the final points being :—Glyndwr 202; Tudor 89; Picton 81.

Details (figures in brackets representing standard points):—

100 yards, Boys 14–16.—1, W. Smith (T.); 2, J. Evans (G.); 3, L. John (P.); T., 2; P., 2; G., 3).

80 yards, Junior Girls.—1, Elaine Preece (T.); 2, Rose Collings (T.); 3, Margaret Elliott (G.). (T., 6; P., 7; G., 8).

Throwing the cricket ball, Junior Boys.—1, A. Waterman (G.); 2, A. Skone (G.); 3, K. Davies (T.). Distance 76 yds. 2ft.

100 yards, Senior Girls.—1, Audrey James (G.); 2, Marion John (P.); 3, Margaret Cunningham (T.). (T., 5; P., 4; G., 4).

Sack Race, Junior Boys.—1, G. Cook (G.); 2, A. Panton (T.); 3, A. Richards (G.).

Throwing the rounders ball, Junior Girls.—1, Margaret Elliott (G.); 2, Ray Thomas (G.); 3, Antonia Sabido (T.). Distance 64 yds. (T., 1; G., 2).

100 yards, Senior Boys.—1, G. Brown (G.); 2, J. Brock (G.); 3, A. Phillips (P.). (G., 2).

High Jump, Senior Girls.—1, Sylvia Canton (G.); 2, Ivy Garlick (P.); 3, Iris Thomas (P.). Height 3ft. 11½ in. (T., 4; P., 3; G., 3).

80 yards, Junior Boys.—1, G. Cook (G.); 2, A. Skone (G.); 3, S. Wells (T.). (G., 2).

Egg and Spoon Race, Junior Girls.—1, Maureen Bermingham (P.); 2, Rosina Goodrick (G.); 3, Rose Collings (T.).

High Jump, Senior Boys.—1, D. Cowdry (G.); 2, D. Vaughan (G.); 3, A. Phillips (P.). (T., 6; P., 5; G., 7).

Throwing the cricket ball, Senior Girls.—1, Sylvia Canton (G.); 2, Audrey James (G.); 3, Margaret Evans (T.). (G., 2).

440 yards, Senior Boys.—1, G. Brown (G.); 2, D. Cowdry (G.); 3, W. Smith (T.).

Long Jump, Junior Boys.—1, G. Polhill (G.); 2, J. Walters (P.); 3, K. Davies (T.). Distance 14ft. 4ins.

Sack Race, Senior Girls.—1, Iris Thomas (P.); 2, Mildred Norman (P.); 3, Joan Rees (T.).

High Jump, Junior Girls.—1, Margaret Elliott (G.) and Rose Collings (T.); 3, Pauline Tucker (P.). Height 3ft. 8½ in. (T., 3; P., 3; G., 2).

150 yards, Senior Girls.—1, Audrey James (G.); 2, Marion John (P.); 3, Margaret Cunningham (T.).

Long Jump, Senior Boys.—1, G. Brown (G.); 2, D. Cowdry (G.); 3, A. Owen (T.). Distance 16ft. 7in.

Relay Race, Junior.—1, Glyndwr; 2, Tudor; 3, Picton.

Potato Race, Senior Girls.—1, Ivy Garlick (P.); 2, Marion John (P.); 3, Audrey James (G.).

High Jump, Junior Boys.—1, J. Evans (G.); 2, A. Skone (G.); 3, T. Baker (P.), and L. Davies (T.). Height 4ft. 1½ in. (T., 5; P., 2; G., 5).

Sack Race, Junior Girls.—1, Claire Thomas (G.); 2, Margaret Hannam (G.); 3, Norma Shears (P.).

Throwing the cricket ball, Senior Boys.—1, J. Brock (G.); 2, C. Roberts (G.); 3, W. Mathias (T.). Distance 93 yards.

Three-legged Race, Junior Girls.—1, Elaine Preece and Rose Collings (T.); 2, Pauline Tucker and Maureen Bermingham (P.); 3, Linda Barker and Rosemary Young (T.).

Relay Race, Senior.—1, Picton; 2, Glyndwr; 3, Tudor.

DIDO.

The queen o'ercome with love divine
Sleeps not, disturbed by thoughts sublime.
For visions of Aeneas' worth,
Course through her mind; his noble birth
Gives rise to heavenly hope.
Scarce has Apollo risen from the sea
Than to her sister she her cares confides;
But Jupiter, his orders disobeyed,
Sends down his son with errand undelayed
And bids him tell Aeneas his command.
The wretched queen is filled with hate;
And while the Trojan tends his fleet
She, blind with fury, in the heat
Of passion, foretells a bitter war
Between her race and his, for evermore.
But when she sees the Trojan ships,
At sail upon the morning sea
She, maddened by the hateful sight,
Ascends the funeral pyre,
And drives the fatal dagger to her heart.

B. C. ARTHUR, VI.

A HOLIDAY IN SWITZERLAND.

We left Victoria by the boat train on a Saturday morning for Dover, where we boarded the boat for Ostend. We arrived at Ostend in the afternoon, after a very enjoyable crossing, and, as our train to Basle did not leave until the evening, we had tea at Ostend and wandered round the old harbour, the wonderful seafront, and some of the old narrow streets in the town.

At last it was time to board the train, where they gave us a marvellous dinner. We went to sleep and were awakened at Basle.

It was now six o'clock on a lovely spring morning. Our train did not leave for some time, so we walked around Basle. We came to one of the famous bridges over the Rhine and looked across the frontiers into France and Germany. We returned to the station by tram. Basle Station is a big international junction with trains labelled for all parts of Europe.

We found our train for Montreux. This was electric, as are most Swiss trains because of the plentiful electricity generated from the mountain streams. During our journey from Basle to

Montreux we skirted the shores of Lake Neuchatel, following the valleys between the mountains.

Montreux is on the shores of Lake Geneva. One of the first things we did was to board a paddle steamer. These ply along the lake, and on them one can go short or long journeys for a few pence. We could go to Vevey, the next town, where Nestle make much of their chocolate, or in the other direction up the lake to where one finds a little landing-stage overshadowed by the Castle of Chillon, which is still furnished with its ancient furniture. Further along the lake from Chillon, one could go by train or steamer to where the houses were built on struts with the cows living underneath or in the downstairs part.

One day, armed with a picnic lunch, we set off by motor coach for Geneva. It was lovely driving along the shores of the lake with the mountains towering above us all the time. Part of the shores of Lake Geneva are in France, so after driving for some time we reached the frontier post where with very little formality, we were allowed to cross the frontier. We reached Evian-les-Bains where we inspected the big baths for which the town is famous, and then drove to Geneva where we visited the famous Palace of the League of Nations, and saw the rooms presented to the League by various nations, with wonderful mural paintings. The building impressed me on seeing it with the whiteness of the stone against the blue lake. Inside it is very beautiful. We were taken to a room inside the building used as a cinema, to see films showing the work of the League. We also saw something of Geneva itself. We returned round the other side of the lake through Lausanne, where we had tea, and finally returned to Montreux.

We had a great many trips up the mountains. One took us to Roche de Neys, by electric train part of the way to Glion, and then in a little mountain train pulled by an engine up from the sunshine of the lake to the heavy snow of the mountain top. On another day we went to Les Avants to see fields covered with what we thought was snow, but afterwards found to be really masses of narcissi.

It was a most exciting holiday with so many things to see and do. Not the least enjoyable were my visits to the ice-cream man with his barrow down by the lake. He used to give me about six different flavours in my little cardboard cup every morning, for which I paid him only about two-pence in English money.

MICHAEL AIDIN, IIB.

A RESCUE.

The following incident occurred on a spring day in the mining community of Pentre, in the Rhounda Valley. A member of the local fire-brigade was taking a walk on the mountainside in his off-time. He was last seen when he left his home at about eleven o'clock.

At about six that night his friend set out to look for him with his own dog Prince. The dog tracked his master to a huge crack in the mountain-side. The friend set Prince on guard and went back to the village for aid. In answer to his call, about ten colliers, himself, and two or three boys climbed the mountain-side armed with a few strong ropes, colliery lamps and a few other implements, including a stretcher.

These cracks in the mountain-side differ in size. Some may be hundreds of feet deep, while others may be only forty or fifty feet deep. The cracks are supposed to have been caused at the time of the depression, when the colliers dug into the mountain-side for coal. Then the mountain fell back into the level which the collier

had cut, thus causing these narrow holes which sometimes stretch for miles, sometimes for yards. These are about two feet wide with a considerable amount of loose turf on the sides of the hole.

When the rescue party arrived, Prince was still on guard. The rescuers shouted down the hole but received no answer. So a collier named Griffiths made the descent. He found that when he reached about a yard away from the fireman he could not go any further, because the hole was getting narrower, so he returned to the surface. Then a boy named Thomas made the descent and succeeded in reaching the injured man. With the aid of a lamp he discovered that the man had become wedged between the side and the projecting stone, and, if he had fallen six inches further away on either side, there would have been no hope of getting him out. Thomas saw that his right foot was hurt and his face badly injured. Thomas had no other rope so he undid his own and tied it around the unconscious man, under his armpits, and ordered the party a hundred or so feet above him to pull, while he himself stood on a ledge six inches wide and leaned on the opposite side of the hole, levering the man out of the hole and keeping him free of obstacles.

He then waited for about five or ten minutes in his precarious position for the rope to come down to him again. When he finally reached the top again he was gasping for breath after having been down for nearly half-an-hour.

The rescuers carried the wounded man on a stretcher down to his home, where he progressed very well, and he is now serving in the army fit and well again.

T. LEWIS, IIIA.

VARIATIONS ON THE THEME

"THINGS I LIKE."

The following are the things I like ;
Riding to school on my battered bike ;
Staying in bed on Saturday mornings ;
Paying no heed to teachers' warnings ;
Playing leap-frog upon the turf ;
Swimming in and out of the surf ;
Football, of course, and likewise hockey ;
And occasionally a game of croquet ;
Rounders too, in doses small ;
Playing tennis with a nice new ball ;
Frosty days and falls of snow ;
Crossing the ferry when tides are low ;
Keats and Shakespeare I don't despise ;
Neither things like tarts and pies ;
Collecting stamps both large and small
Learning poetry not at all ;
Reading books I do adore,
Always crying for more and more ;
Going to Milford upon a bus,
To hear " Twelfth Night " or something wuss ;
Writing letters to the press,
Abusing teachers more or less ;
Whistling, crooning, dancing, jiving,
Bathing, boating, skating, sliding ;
In such strain I could go on for ever,
Chanting, chattering, like Teunyson's river ;
But, " Tempus fugit," I needs must pause,
So I send my poem with a principal cause ;
If these few lines thy mind may move,

Then bear with me and accept my love ;
For a Rupert Brooke I'll never be,
You try it yourself and then you'll see. Anon.

Autumn, that plays upon her mellow lyre
The song of warmth and melody of riotous blaze
Of bronze and russet, crimson and dull maize.
The thudding hoofs of horses and the fire
That wreathes their nostrils, like the lingering mists
That bathe the mountains ; their graceful stance
And proud arched neck ; and the twinkling dance
Of cream flecked waves, which gently kiss the stubborn
shore.

The shining silk of placid waters,
Their coal green depths, their secrets and their shade.
The fragrant scent of wild narcissi and the staid
Tones of tolling bells and chanting choristers ;
Playful kittens, the first soft pall of snow,
Sleek country villages with pompous inns
And well-fed tramps. These are the things
That I have liked and will continue so to do.
GLENYS PREECE, VI.

This world is full of lovely things ;
The glory which each passing season brings ;
The scent of clover and of new-mown hay ;
Light scudding clouds upon a summer day ;
The rugged cliffs that stand so firm and tall ;
The ever-changing sea in calm or squall ;
The golden sun that shines on us by day ;
The shady trees that shield us from its ray ;
The bounteous harvest of the gathered corn ;
The twittering of birds at early morn ;
The twinkling of stars on a frosty night ;
The warmth and welcome of a fireside bright ;
Bewitching music, laughter gay and free ;
So many lovely things life holds for me.
BARBARA DAVIES, IIIA.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

At the time of going to press we have only had two meetings this term. However, we hope that there will be at least one more meeting before the holidays begin. The first of these meetings, held on October 23rd, consisted of impromptu speeches, some of which were very amusing indeed. On November 6th we held a Brains Trust. The questions ranged from "Should jazz music be taught in schools?" to "Is it right that party politics should enter into the Municipal Elections?" Thanks are extended to those members who were on the Trust and who answered their questions so well. It was pleasing to note the number of pupils who attended these two meetings.

PLAY READINGS.

So far there has been only one reading this term—"The Bishop's Candlesticks." This, however, was very successful.

D. Roch gave his usual polished performance as the Bishop. Peggy Athoe, with a great deal of vigour, played the part of the nagging Persome, and B. Arthur gave a very convincing portrayal of the gruff convict. The part of the scatter-brained maid was very well taken by Audrey Finch, while D. Vaughan, A. Phillips and R. Jones were very realistic as the sergeant and the gendarmes.

SCIENCE SOCIETY.

The first meeting of the Science Society was held on Thursday, October 19th, when Mr. Haines, whom we were glad to welcome back to school this term, gave us an interesting talk on Explosives. Mr. Haines, who knows so much about Explosives as he has been doing research work on them during the war, made all present realise how extensive and important a part the work has played in the war. Many times he made our eyes open wide in wonder.

Our next meeting on November 15th took the form of an illustrated talk on Snakes, by R. Sabido of the Sixth Form. We experienced many emotions! We died many deaths! We were poisoned by adders, and squeezed to death by huge boa-constrictors! We swayed in imagination to the music of Indian pipes, while cobras reared their ugly heads. It was an interesting lecture, well presented, with many illuminating illustrations.

For our final meeting an R.A.F. officer kindly gave a lecture on Radar, which was indeed most interesting. This meeting was confined to the upper school only, as it was thought the lecture would contain technical details and so be difficult to understand, but so simply and explicitly did F/O. Franklin explain, that all present were able to follow him. Our lecturer told us how important a part the Radar stations round the coast played in fighting the German aircraft blitzing our towns.

On all these occasions it was gratifying to see a fair number of pupils present and it is hoped that the Society will be more popular still next term.

MUSIC SOCIETY.

Two meetings of the Music Society have been held this term, and both were attended by fairly large and appreciative audiences. Both took the form of record programmes, the first, held on October 16th, being devoted to music by Clarke, Chopin, Handel and Delibes. A delightful rendering by Marion Jenkins of the Ballad "Smiling Through" was also included. The second programme, held two weeks later, catered for the many dance-music fans, the "Flight of the Bumble Bee," played by Harry James, being, perhaps, the most popular item. The two programmes were ably presented by Mr. T. V. Haines, whose commentaries on the numbers added greatly to the enjoyment of the Society. Next term we hope to hold more regular meetings of the Society, and it is hoped that the school will co-operate.

SCHOOL NOTES.

At the beginning of this term there were 361 pupils in School, 158 boys and 203 girls. In addition there are four student teachers—Margaret Cunningham, Gwen Sutton, Nelly Voyle and Mavis Williams.

The Prefects are :—

Tudor.—Leslie Davies, Catherine Day, Glenys Preece, B. C. Arthur, R. E. Sabido, D. G. Roch.

Picton.—Peggy Athoe (Senior), Mary John, Joyce Child, E. J. Pope, A. Phillips, A. Moffat.

Glyndwr.—Mary Lewis, Audrey Finch, Edith Griffiths, C. A. Roberts (Senior), G. R. Brown, G. C. Johnson.

The results of the Aircraft Apprentices Examination held in June was very satisfactory, as all seven candidates passed. R. Kelly was 91st, L. Cole 146th, L. John 177th, G. Tucker 194th, L. Richards 260th, A. Barnikel 265th, and N. Crowe 294th.

No County Scholarships were awarded this year on the results of the School Certificate, but had they been there is no doubt that the school would have gained some, as Nancy Willcocks was 5th, Glenys Preece 6th, Ivy Garlick 8th, and Peter Maynard 10th.

A large number of pupils left, as usual, at the end of the Summer term, and most of them have gone to College or found employment. Sylvia Canton and Phyllis Morgan went to the University College, Cardiff, in October. With the five mentioned in the last magazine, this makes a total of seven who have gone to universities and training colleges. Others who may be said to be continuing their education are Margaret Sudbury, who is nursing at King's College Hospital, London, G. Arundell, now a chemist's apprentice in Pembroke, and C. Jelly, who is working at an automobile research station at Ealing.

Jean Paterson is on the staff of the Kent County Library at Sheerness, and Audrey English, Audrey James and Margaret Evans have all found clerical posts. Watler Mathias was accepted for the R.A.F. in the summer, but was not called up until the end of November. Early this term P. Rogers was appointed to the Engineering Department of the Post Office.

Three Vth Form girls have been appointed to the Post Office, Sheila Croft to Milford and Joan Woolcock to Pembroke Dock, while Margaret Harkett is training as a telephonist.

John Brook has joined the Army since he left in July, and W. J. Neil has become an apprentice at an engineering works in Coventry. W. Wells and W. Griggs are clerks in the Dockyard, and William Smith at the Education Offices in Haverfordwest. Moreen English is also a clerk in Haverfordwest, and both Mary Carroll and Roy James have found posts. Many others have left the district, some being transferred to other schools. We wish them all every success, and hope they will call in at school when they visit the district.

There was a very enjoyable leaving party again last summer, held on Saturday, July 21st, and attended by a large number of Vth and VIth Formers and Old Pupils.

On October 18th the Dorian Trio paid us their first visit of the session. We were rather disappointed when we heard before hand that the violinist was unable to come, but Miss Margaret Elliott's playing of the oboe, and her talk about the instrument were ample compensation.

The School had a welcome visit early in October from Dr. Dorothy Rees and Dr. Middleton, who conducted a medical examination of Forms II., III., and IV.

At the beginning of October the VIth Form went to the County Theatre, Haverfordwest, to see a C.E.M.A. production of "The Taming of the Shrew." Although our seats were rather far from the stage we enjoyed the performance very much. A few weeks later a much larger party, including most of the Vth Form, went to Milford to see a "Kete" production of "Twelfth Night." The setting was very good and so were some of the actors, but others spoke so quickly that they were almost inaudible. On the whole, however, we greatly appreciated the performance.

On Thursday, November 29th, the School was visited by Brigadier Stubbings, of the Indian Army, who gave the senior boys

a most interesting talk on life in the Indian Army. He explained how boys could get commissions in this army and no doubt some of the boys will be anxious to take his advice.

OLD PUPILS' NOTES.

Although the war has been officially over for some months, many old pupils are still in the services, and much of this column is naturally devoted to news of them.

We are glad to congratulate five old boys on their promotion. Jimmy Rees and Robert Hamerton have both been promoted to the rank of major in the Royal Corps of Signals; W. A. Thomas, who is serving with the R.A.F. in India, is now a wing-commander; Stuart Roblin is a lieutenant in the R.A.S.C., and W. E. Adams is now a full lieutenant in the Fleet Air Arm. When Adams called in school at the end of September he was just back from the Caribbean and expected to return there.

It was only recently that we learned that Peter John, who was working for the Meteorological Section of the R.A.F. before the war, has had a commission in that service for some time. We are sorry that his name has not previously been recorded in the Roll of Honour.

Another old boy who joined the Army this summer is John Poulsen.

Eric Carr called on us in October. He had then been at Catterick, Yorkshire, for about a month. He was in a cadet school training for a commission in the Royal Corps of Signals.

Robert Jelley and Owen Lloyd are both wireless operators in the Merchant Service. Jelley has been in the service for over two years and Lloyd for about seven months.

Ronald Lawrence left this country at the end of July for the U.S.A. to be trained as a pilot.

It was good to hear in September that Capt. C. W. Wells had arrived safely in India after being released from a Japanese P.O.W. camp. He had been a prisoner since the fall of Singapore, when he was serving with the Malay Defence Force. He had lived for some years in the Federated Malay States, where he was a veterinary surgeon under the Colonial Office.

Lionel Morgan went out to the Middle East with his unit some months ago. Alec Carpenter, who had been in the same camp for some time with Morgan, was home on embarkation leave in October. He was then expecting to go to Austria, and ultimately to India.

Leslie Thomas, now a lieutenant in the Army, was home on leave from Austria in October.

Jack Gibby and Lloyd Jones have both been demobilised and are back on the staff of the Coronation School.

Kenneth Carr, who completed his B.Sc. degree at Swansea last June, has been allowed to return to college to do an Honours Course. George Davies, who was also at Swansea, has been appointed as Research Physicist with Baldwins, Ltd., at Kidderminster, where he has charge of a laboratory.

Gordon Parry and Cecil Parry have both been teaching since September, Gordon at the Coronation, and Cecil at the Central School, Milford Haven.

L. E. Nelson had a very unfortunate accident a few years ago in the laboratory at Aberystwyth County School, where he was Chemistry Master. He lost the sight of one eye and almost lost the sight of the other, having to give up teaching. We were glad to hear the other day that he was working as liaison officer between a munition factory in North Wales and the I.C.I.

Maisie George, who has been teaching Biology at a girls' boarding school, is going to a school in Bristol next term.

We had a visit in October from Cliff Gordon (whom we remember as Clifford Moses). He is now appearing at the Piccadilly Theatre in Noel Coward's revue "Sigh No More," and is frequently to be heard in broadcast programmes.

W. F. Grimes has made still further progress in his career by being appointed keeper of the London Museum. We congratulate him on this honour. After taking an honours degree in Latin at Cardiff he was appointed assistant in the department of archaeology in the National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, where he served for ten years, producing the guide to the prehistoric collections at the Museum. He then joined the archaeological section of the Ordnance Survey, and during the war was seconded for service in the ancient monuments department of the Ministry of Works.

It was a blow to the School to lose the services, at the end of November, of Pat Morris, the Headmaster's secretary, who is going to a similar post in Tenby. We wish her success and happiness in her new work.

Congratulations to Audrey English and Beryl Owen on their engagements, announced in August.

Congratulations to Mrs. Doris Folland (nee Dudman) on the birth of a daughter on November 24th

We congratulate the following Old Pupils on their marriage :—
May 22nd.—F/O Gordon Thomas (Bosherston) to Olive Rees.

June 25th.—Violet Crowe to C.Q.M.S. Dennis Ailman.

July 28th.—Nesta Grieve to William Victor Millar.

August 2nd.—Kathleen Crawley to Capt. Basil J. Williams, R.A.

August 4th.—Dorothy Nesta Bull (nee John) to Flt./Lt. Henry William Lamond.

August 4th.—Flt/Lt. Frank A. Denzey to Pixie R. Cherry.

August 22nd.—Frederick Phillip (Ted) Rogers to Irene Beryl Hackett.

August 23rd.—Pearl Jancey to Roger Hunter.

September 19th.—Gwynneth Rees to Ernest Peter Moffat Drewett.

DE FORM SEXTA.

A is for Arthur, our classical clown.
B is for Betty, and also for Brown.
C is for Catherine, catering's her care.
D is for Daphne, with the blonde trailing hair.
E is for Edwin, and Edith, with Joyce.
F is our Form-master, far-reaching in voice.
G is for Glyn, our stalwart in goal.
H is for Haubrey our left-wing patrol.
I is for Iris, on riding she's keen.
J is for Johnson, for Joan, and for Jean.
K is for Knocker, just Roch to the School.
L is for Leslie, alias Tadpo(ole).
M is for Maureen, Moffat, and Mary.
N is for Nancy, our biological fairy,
O is for Olive, disturber of peace.
P is for Peter, Pope, Peggy, and Preece.
Q is for dinner, we have to wait now.
R is for Raymond, at Latin a wow (?).
S is for Sabby, and also for Snake.
T is for Twister (Vaughan's on the make).
U is you others, look under Z.
V is for Vaughan (is his face red!).

W is for Wilfred, Van Dyck of our time.
X is "X"traordinary, can't make it rhyme.
Y is Ye Olde Pupils that have gone before.
Z is the Zoo, where you'll find many more.

This is our effort,
As libel not meant.
To poetical (?) feelings
We have to give vent.

GRATIA, ROMULUS, BRUTUS, et PUBLIUS.

SCHOOL SPORTS.

"Every man shift for all the rest and let no man take care for himself."—The Tempest.

TENNIS.

Owing to the shortage of equipment there were no tennis matches played against other schools last term. There was a match, however, between the staff and the School when the Staff won by 50 games to 30.

The Singles Tournaments this year took the form of American Tournaments and were won by S. Canton; the runners-up were M. Evans and I. Garlick. The final of the Doubles Tournament was played between S. Canton and partner Minnie Evans and C. Day and partner N. Shears. Sylvia and Minnie were the winners, the score being 5—6, 6—3, 6—4.

ROUNDERS.

During the Rounders season the 1st team played three matches, winning two and losing one; in the one match which the 2nd team played, they were unsuccessful.

The results were :—

1st team : June 2nd, Tenby—Won 4½—4.

June 16th, Milford—Won ½—9.

July 14th, Milford—Lost 4—5½.

2nd team : June 16th, Milford—Lost 1—2½.

CRICKET.

Since the last issue of the "Penvro" the School cricket team has played three matches, winning one and losing two. The return match against Milford was unfortunately cancelled because of rain. The team had a fairly good season, winning five matches and losing four. The team was chosen from the following :—*C. Roberts (captain), *J. Brock (vice-captain), *G. Brown (comm.), *D. Cowdry (sec.), J. Ross, A. Moffat, D. Williams, D. Lloyd, E. Pope, A. Phillips, A. Waterman, R. James and L. John.
* Old Colours.

At the end of the season colours were awarded to A. Phillips and D. Williams. Results :—

June 30.—Tenby (away). Won 30—13 (Lloyd 4 for 5, Roberts 4 for 8).

July 14th.—Narberth (home). Lost 38—12 (Roberts 6 for 16; Lloyd 4 for 19).

July 19th.—Old Boys. Lost 43—29 (Brock 4 for 12, Roberts 2 for 12).

AVERAGES.

BATTING.

		Highest Times.			
		Runs.	Score.	Not Out.	Average.
Brock	...	48	24	1	6.
Lloyd	...	27	18*	2	5.4
Brown	...	40	10	0	4.4
Phillips	...	31	13	1	4.4
Williams	...	39	19	0	4.3

* Not out.

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Avge.
Roberts	... 84	37	107	44	2.4
Lloyd	... 20	10	24	8	3
Brock	... 40	15	68	21	3.2
Williams	... 28.5	9	55	11	5.

HOCKEY.

The weather has been fair this term and only one match has had to be cancelled because of bad weather. Five matches have been played this term so far, three having been won and two lost. Thanks are due to the girls who volunteered to prepare lunch for home matches on Saturdays. Results:—

October 13.—Narberth. Lost 0-5.
 October 27th.—Milford. Won 7-1.
 November 10th.—Tasker's. Won 4-0.
 November 17th.—Whitland. Won 4-1.
 November 24th.—Tenby. Lost 0-3.

The team was selected from the following:—*J. Child (capt.), A. Sabido (vice-captain), C. Day (sec.), *M. Cunningham, M. John, H. Hughes, K. Davies, M. Elliott, I. Scourfield, J. Colley, M. Davies, M. Phillips, G. Lloyd.

*Old Colours.

FOOTBALL.

Since the last issue of the "Penfro," the School Football XI. have played eight matches, five at home and three away; of these five were won, two lost and one drawn. The results were as follows:—

September 29th.—A.T.C. (home). Drawn 3-3.
 October 6th.—Tenby (away). Won 3-1.
 October 13th.—Whitland (away). Won 4-2.
 October 20th.—Milford (away). Lost 4-0.
 October 27th.—Narberth (home). Won 4-1.
 November 10th.—Tenby (home). Won 5-1.
 November 17th.—Milford (home). Lost 4-0.
 November 24th.—A.T.C. (home). Won 3-0.

The team was selected from:—C. Roberts* (captain), A. Phillips* (vice-captain), R. Sabido, G. Brown*, D. Williams*, A. Moffat, D. Ross, A. Waterman, P. Maynard, C. Sabido, G. Lovering, D. Hayward, D. Winters.

(* Old Colours).

A word of thanks must be accorded to those masters who have refereed the school games during the term, and also to the girls who have prepared tea after our home matches. •

V.J. DAY IN LONDON.

On the night of the fourteenth of August, the "All Clear" was sounded, signifying that V.J. Day had at last come.

Early in the morning of the next day, housewives all over London rushed to the local shops for groceries and bread, because they feared that the shops would be closed.

Late in the afternoon many bonfires were prepared in the streets and on bombed sites. At St. Paul's services were being held which were attended by many people. I went to one of these services, after which I went down Fleet Street, where from the tops of newspaper offices, men and women were throwing ticker tape. Very soon we went on up the Strand, and enormous crowds began to gather. These crowds became worse as we proceeded towards Trafalgar Square which was gaily decorated. Here there were many flag sellers who very soon sold their goods to a very excited crowd who were singing and dancing to the music of a military band. Some people climbed on to the lions in the Square, and a sailor paddled in the water on the fountain, while others climbed on to passing cars, as the buses were diverted and the taxis would not run in this area.

The Mall as we saw it was crowded all the way to Buckingham Palace. Here the crowds were very congested and remained so all through the night.

At nine o'clock the King broadcast to the Nation and his speech was relayed to the crowd through loud-speakers. A short while afterwards the King and Queen and the two Princesses made an appearance on the balcony, which was floodlit. As we journeyed home in a tram we saw bonfires burning in the streets with people dancing round them, and fire engines were dashing around to answer the false alarms of panic-stricken people. This carried on until the early hours of the morning.

ROBIN ARTHUR, IIIb.

LONDON ON A SPECIAL OCCASION.

September 16th this year was the day chosen to remember the airmen who gave their lives in the "Battle of Britain" in 1940. It was also London's "Thanksgiving Week."

In Trafalgar Square there were various war weapons displayed including a V.1. and a V.2. Vast crowds gathered to view these exhibits.

During the afternoon a service was held in Westminster Abbey, attended by several surviving airmen who fought in the "Battle of Britain," and by high-ranking officers of the Royal Air Force and Ministers of State.

I went with my father, mother and sister to see the parade leave the Abbey. It was a stirring sight to see the Civil Defence Workers, factory workers, and A.R.P. squads, led by their own bands, marching with the airmen and airwomen of the Colonies and Allies. When the procession had passed, we went into the Abbey, where we saw the tomb of the Unknown Warrior.

One day I hope to re-visit the Abbey and spend more time there seeing all the historic works and the tombs of Kings and notable people.

DAVID FIELD, IIa.

FREDDIE, THE FEARLESS FISH.

My name is Freddie the fish. I am called the fearless fish because I was once trapped in a fishing net, set overnight by a human being. I was feeling very uncomfortable as I had seen many of my friends pulled out of the sea in one of these traps. I started to gnaw at the net with my tiny teeth, until I had made a gap big enough for me to squeeze through.

When I escaped I became the hero of Sophie Sole, heiress to a square yard of sea-bed owned by her great-grandfather, Sammy Sole. I was courting her for many sea-months, and often brought her presents of sea anemones in posies. I gave her strings of sea-shells for necklaces, and after bribing her for some time she consented to marry me.

We had a beautiful wedding, for which my bride borrowed a dress of salmon pink from her sister-in-law, Polly Plaice. For a veil she had beautiful strings of sea-weed. There was a big reception on her square yard of sea-bed, and we invited Sammy the Shrimp, Wally the Whale, Duel the Swordfish, and some mere in-laws, with whom I was very bored.

We lived for some time very happily until we had two children, with the absurd names, given to them by my wife, of Henrietta and Adelaide. They are always very hungry, so, as I am on my way to collect some food, I must stop now or I shall have a row with the wife.

MARION THOMAS, IVa.

DECEMBER.

Although the long year is growing old and the days shorter and darker, there are still adventures to be found and new things to see along the quiet woodcraft trail. Even before dawn the farm-yard cocks are crowing and the rooks are leaving their nests to find their breakfast in the glittering meadowlands. When the blackbird gets out of bed he chatters like an old gentleman in a nasty temper.

In the fields and woodlands are a motley company of birds of all descriptions and of all colours. On the stubble the titmice give an acrobatic display on some dried stalks, and busy larks are looking for seeds on a piece of old ploughed land. Linnets are wandering from field to field in a restless manner. The jay is fluttering overhead like a fleeting shadow.

The old apple trees in the orchards are entwined with pearl-like mistletoe berries. The trees are full of colour when caught in a loop of sunlight. Already the shepherds are getting ready their pens for the new lambs who will soon be arriving. When the shepherd is wending his way home, lantern in hand, the moths persist in flying against the glass, and as the old year dies with the pleasant sound of birds, we welcome the thought of another bountiful New Year.

MARGARET HANNAM, IVa.