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EDITORIAL

Once again the time has come to survey the activities of our school—activities which seem of little importance when the world is labouring under the terrible yoke of war. Although compared with some schools, the war has not touched Balshaw's yet, it is inevitable that now and again we seniors should catch a feeling of emptiness through the loss of valued friends and teachers. Many of the older boys are leaving just when they would contribute something to the corporate life of the School. We who remember such joys look forward to a better time when Speech Day and hilarious House Parties brighten the Autumn term and when our magazine is allowed to swell to a rich rotundity with accounts of them. But does this give too gloomy a picture? The batch of new pupils which this term has brought are just as perky and mischievous as ever, and throughout the School we find what we expect to find, an obvious and elementary happiness.

But if, when looking from our books to gaze idly at a bomber speeding through the air, we are inclined to think, "Why must I learn of Caesar's little wars?", we must remember that it is our generation which must grapple with the problems ensuing from this conflict. The training we receive at School will help us in the great task.

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SCHOOL NOTES

PREFECTS OF THE SCHOOL.

Boys : *Head Prefect* : Lund, H.

Sub-Prefects : Tennant, D. A., Gardner, R. J., Rigby, W., Porter, A. S.,
Sefton, K. F.

Girls : *Head Prefect* : M. W. Holding.

Prefects : A. Lee, F. J. Elliott, J. C. Howcroft, B. Y. Sharples, E. Wilson,
A. K. Bradshaw.

Yet another of our masters has been called to do work of national importance—Mr. Hilditch, who is now serving in the R.A.F. The whole School, like the members of Cuerden House, regrets his absence very much but heartily welcomes Miss Heppell who takes his place.

Miss Heald, after seven years as Secretary has left us. The School presented her with twelve silver teaspoons and tongs and an umbrella, and we wish her success in whatever work she takes up.

We hope Miss Williams who succeeds her will be happy with us.

The School was delighted to hear last Summer that Mr. Downer was married to Miss Amy Pickles, a former pupil of the School. The School presented them with house linen and a Stuart crystal water set. We send our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Downer. The School was represented at the wedding by the Headmaster and Mrs. Oldland, Miss Rahill, Miss Whewell and Miss Whitehouse.

News also reached us of two more Balshavian weddings—that of 2nd Lieut. Frank Lawton to Miss Mary Cuerden, and that of Sergeant John Fishwick, all old pupils of the School. To them all we extend our very sincere congratulations.

The Annual Athletic Sports were successfully held last May. An account of the proceedings is included in the Magazine.

We have heard some interesting lectures within the last half year.

On the 22nd of May, Rev. J. S. Walsh, B.A. gave one of the finest lectures we have ever had: 'The Gateway to Tibet'.

More Ministry of Information films were shown to the School on June 18.

On Sept. 22nd there was a lecture on the R.A.F. by F/Lt. C. G. Brewer.

On Oct. 23rd, Mr. Fitzgerald, senior lecturer in geography at Manchester University, gave another of his interesting lectures: 'Soviet Russia'.

On Nov. 12th, Commander Partington also gave a lecture of topical interest on Singapore.

Accounts of all these lectures are included in the magazine.

The Dramatic Society is busy rehearsing its next play, 'Miss Elizabeth Bennett' by A. A. Milne which is to be presented in the spring. Miss Milroy and Miss Lewis are to produce it.

The School continues to contribute in every way it can to the war effort.

In the Summer the members of the School Farm Camp worked on the farms near Garstang. Mr. Bennison has written an account of their activities.

Never since the system was inaugurated has the School been left without fire-watchers. Every night senior boys and a master are on duty. Although nothing spectacular has happened so far, their work must not be forgotten.

Also, many of the members of the Staff and some of the pupils serve regularly in Civil Defence Organisations.

Contributions to War Charities have been very generous. To take only one, a total of over £80 has been collected for the War Comforts Fund since the war started.

Details of the progress of our flourishing National Savings Group are included in the magazine.

The school garden has answered this Summer to the hard work that was put into digging and manuring the heavy soil, most of which was done by pupils and staff during the Easter holidays. All who stay to School Lunch can vouch for the excellence of the produce.

In the second half of this term we begin School at 9.30 a.m. and leave at 4 p.m. everyday. We have games during School hours, twice a week when the weather permits.

Hope, T. E. has been awarded a County Major Scholarship and has been admitted to Balliol College, Oxford. Our congratulations go to him on his well deserved success and also to Haworth, F. who left in 1940 and has been awarded the Stanning Memorial Scholarship. Our congratulations go also to Eckton, R., who was awarded a State Bursary in Science and who is now at Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

We congratulate all those who were successful in last term's Public Examinations.

The following ten pupils received the full Higher School Certificate :—Eckton, R. E.; Hope, T. E.; Lloyd, H.; Lund, H.; Marsden, C. E.; Thistlethwaite, C. S.; J. C. Howcroft; A. Lee; C. M. Marshall and B. M. Miller.

The following 34 pupils received the Oxford School Certificate :—Bartley, R.; Bond, T. W.; Brinnand, A.; Edmondson, W.; Grayson, K. M.; Hodgson, A.; Kenyon, E. M.; Lea, A. E.; Malcolm, B. R.; McKittrick, J. W.; Oldland, M. J.; Ottewell, A.; Porter, A. S.; Rawcliffe, F.; Robinson, D. B.; Sefton, K. F.; Sharples, S.; Titley, J. G.; Webster, P. B.; Whittaker, J. G.; Whitehead, J. S.; Williams, K.; and G. Abram; E. B. Bagot; J. Ballantine; J. Boothman; A. P. Howson; M. D. Hunt; M. Hunter; F. M. Hutchings; J. Marland; L. J. Nixon; A. B. Sage; E. B. Tomlinson.

Our best wishes go with those who have entered colleges this last summer :—Hope, T. E. who is at Balliol College, Oxford, Eckton, R. E. at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, C. Marshall at Whitelands College, Thistlethwaite, C. S. at St. Mark and St. John's College, B. Hamer at Hockerill College, Bishop's Stortford, and Lloyd, H. and Wilkinson, G. T. who are at Liverpool University.

Mr. Oldland and Florence Whittaker defeated Mr. Wilkinson and Olwen Bretherton in the final of the Tennis Tournament.

We must congratulate Cuerden House on winning the Sports Cup and Farington has again won the Silver Griffin for Scholastic Merit.

Tennis Colours have been awarded to B. Haigh and B. Sharples; Rounders Colours to E. Wilson, B. Sharples and B. Haigh; Cricket Colours to Lloyd, H., Eckton, R. E., Sefton, K. F., McKittrick, H., and Athletics Colours to E. Newsham, P. Briggs, B. Sharples, Marsden C., and Lloyd, H.

P. Briggs is *Victrix Ludorum* and Marsden, C., *Victor Ludorum*.

We congratulate them all.

Clayton House won the Tennis Knock-outs and the Rounders Knockouts and Leagues. Cuerden shared the cup with Farington for the Tennis Leagues.

Cuerden won the Cricket Leagues and Farington the Knockouts.

We acknowledge with thanks the 'Ashtonian,' the Park School Magazine, the Preston Catholic College Magazine, the Wellingborough Grammar School Magazine and the 'Ubique Reminisci'.

VALETE (Boys).

Hope, T. E.—U.VI. Head Prefect. Clayton House Captain. School Certificate, 1937. Higher School Certificate, 1939, 1940, 1941. County Major Scholarship winner, 1941. Cross-Country Team. Cricket League Team.

Marsden, C. E.—U.VI. Cuerden House. School Certificate, 1939. Higher School Certificate, 1941. Cricket 1st XI. Rugby 1st XV. Cross Country Team.

Lloyd, H.—U.VI. Cuerden House Captain. School Prefect. School Certificate, 1939. Higher School Certificate, 1941. Captain of Cricket, 1941. Cricket and Rugby Colours, 1940.

Eckton, R. E.—U.VI. Worden House Captain. Sub-Prefect. School Certificate, 1938. Higher School Certificate, 1940 and 1941. State Bursary in Science, 1941. Cricket 1st XI. Rugby 1st XV. Cricket Colours, 1940.

Thistlethwaite, C. S.—U.VI. Clayton House. School Prefect. School Certificate, 1938. Higher School Certificate, 1940 and 1941. Rugby 1st XV. Cricket 2nd XI.

Wilkinson, G. T.—L.VI. Farington House Captain. School Certificate, 1940. Sub-Prefect. Rugby 1st XV.

Brinnand, A.—Form Va. Worden House. School Certificate, 1941. Cricket, 1st XI. Rugby 1st XV.

Oldland, M. J.—Form Va. Farington House. School Certificate, 1941. Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

Titley, J. G.—Form Va. Worden House. School Certificate, 1941. Cricket 1st XI. Rugby League Team.

Kenyon, E. M.—Form Va. Farington House. School Certificate, 1941. Cricket 2nd XI. Rugby 2nd XV.

Ottewell, A.—Form Va. Farington House. School Certificate, 1941. Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

Robinson, D. B.—Form Va. Cuerden House. School Certificate, 1941. Rugby 1st XV. Cricket 1st XI.

Bond, T. W.—Form Va. Clayton House. School Certificate, 1941. Cricket 1st XI. Rugby 2nd XV.

Whitehead, F. S.—Form Va. Farington House. School Certificate, 1941. Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

Sharples, S.—Form Vb. Cuerden House. School Certificate, 1941. Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

Williams, K.—Form Vb. Worden House. School Certificate, 1941. Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

McKittrick, J.—Form Vb. Farington House. School Certificate, 1941. Cricket 1st XI. Cricket Colours, 1941. Rugby League Team, 1941.

Taberner, G. E.—Form IVb. Farington House. Rugby 2nd XV. Cricket 2nd XI.

Millward, D. B.—Form IVb. Farington House. Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

Samuels, G.—Form IVb. Farington House. Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

Walmsley, S. G.—Form IVa. Clayton House, Rugby and Cricket League Teams.

Hudson, R. K.—Form IIa. Worden House.

Miller, R. D.—Form IIb. Clayton House.

VALETE (Girls).

C. M. Marshall.—U.VI. Head Prefect. Worden House Captain. School Certificate, 1937. Higher School Certificate, 1939-41. Hockey 1st XI. Hockey Colours, 1939-41. Rounders and Tennis League Teams.

B. Hamer.—U.VI. Clayton House Captain. School Prefect. School Certificate, 1939.

M. M. Lord.—U.VI. Cuerden House. School Certificate, 1939.

R. Ratcliffe.—U.VI. Farington House Captain. School Certificate, 1939. Hockey, Rounders, Tennis League Teams.

J. A. Bleasdale.—Form Va. Cuerden House. School Certificate, 1941. Hockey League Team.

B. K. Lewis.—Form Va. Worden House. Hockey League Team.

K. A. Fletcher.—Form Va. Worden House.

E. M. Beardsworth.—Form Va. Worden House.

J. Marland.—Form Vb. Worden House. School Certificate, 1941. Hockey 1st XI. Rounders 1st IX. Hockey Colours, 1940. Tennis League Team.

J. Boothman.—Form Vb. Clayton House. School Certificate, 1941. Hockey 1st XI. Rounders 1st IX. Tennis 1st VI. Rounders Colours, 1940.

K. Staziker.—Form Vb. Farington House. Hockey 2nd XI. Rounders and Tennis League Teams.

D. Chapman.—Form Vb. Farington House.

G. Abram.—Form Vb. Farington House. School Certificate, 1941. Hockey, Rounders, Tennis League Teams.

N. Hilton.—Form Vb. Cuerden House. Hockey 2nd XI.

E. Hilton.—Form Vb. Cuerden House. Hockey 2nd XI.

J. M. Shaw.—Form IVa. Worden House. Hockey 2nd XI. Rounders and Tennis League Teams.

J. V. Fidler.—Form IVa. Cuerden House.

D. M. Ball.—Form IVa. Cuerden House. Hockey League Team.

D. R. Taylor.—Form IVb. Clayton House.

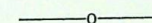
M. Crookall.—Form IVb. Clayton House.

J. Roberts.—Form IVb. Worden House.

N. Sharp.—Form IIIb. Worden House.

D. E. Pearce.—Form IIb. Worden House.

H. K. Sharp.—Form Ib. Worden House.



SALVETE.

To Clayton House : B. Bennison, P. A. Gold, G. E. Harrison, S. R. B. Hartley, E. M. Hinchcliffe, E. Jones, J. M. Mather, F. J. Molyneaux, M. J. Threlfall, M. Yates, Bainbridge, J., Crook, A., Dalton, J. U., Dixon, N., Howcroft, J. M., Keane, P., Sumner, H. R.

To Cuerden House : E. K. Astley, D. Banks, P. M. Barker, A. P. Benson, M. Culshaw, M. Farnell, E. Jackson, J. Marsden, C. S. Prescott, M. Topping, C. E. Underwood, Bennison, R. A. D., Daley, L., Hayhurst, J. N., Holme, D. N., Hull, P. R., Waring, J. M., Whitehead, C. J.

To Farington House : J. A. Butler, Z. E. Dawson, J. Deacon, M. Hargreaves, V. M. Helme, S. Hindle, K. M. Holmes, B. Thompson, J. Thorpe, M. Tullis, J. M. E. Wade, E. Wood, Battersby, E. A., Bennett, G. E., Brough, P. H., Entwistle, E. D., Hastwell, C., Keal, D. E., Marriott, E. L., Price, R. E., Riding, G., Simpson, A. F., Simpson, N. W., Foze, A. C., Wildman, R.

To Worden House : B. Butcher, J. Clarkson, B. Dalton, M. Elliott, J. M. Ramsbottom, J. Spencer, I. Walton, C. Whittaker, Berry, C., Brindle, R., Carnell, A., Curren, W. R., Entwistle, J., Porter, J. K., Price B., Wright, R. W.

THE SCHOOL FARM CAMP.

August 9th—23rd, 1941.

We again held this camp at Winmarleigh on Mr. J. Helme's farm, not far from last year's camp site.

We were very fortunate in our choice of site, which was dry and sheltered, commanding a fine view of the surrounding country. We were even more fortunate in the hospitality and help which we received from Mr. & Mrs. Helme.

The weather was less kind, for after allowing us to pitch our tents dry, it rained almost every day. However, surprisingly little time was lost, the boys getting in 800 working hours. As a result of the good impression made last year, Mr. Oldland found the farmers very willing to give us employment, all the boys getting work for the whole fortnight. Once again they worked well and justified the good opinion won last year.

When not pulling potatoes or harvesting, the boys got down to the really serious and strenuous job of eating. The food was very good and plentiful. Despite the difficulties of rationing, of cooking meals on camp fires and primus stoves, and of serving meals in the rain, Miss Whitehouse and Miss Whewell never failed us.

Mr. Oldland, after some unnecessary demonstrations by the female members of the party, ably took charge of the washing-up and also provided wood for the fire—two jobs which were no sooner done than they had to be begun again.

We were also pleased to have Mr. Fisher with us to give us the benefit of his experience in the organisation of camp life.

On several days visitors descended on us as from another world. They brought with them an air of fastidious refinement and although they seemed to view our primitive mode of living with polite amusement, we were nevertheless very glad to see them.

Of course we had other occupations besides working, eating and sleeping. One remembers table tennis on a sloping board in the big barn, the smell of hay, the rapid clack of the ball and the groups of sleeping kittens scattered on the floor.

Rabbits provided another diversion. Hope and Tennant stalked them with an air gun ; Titley snared them ; Mr. Fisher dissected them ; aspiring cooks stewed them ; some of us ate them.

We remember too Eckton's attempts to catch fish and the water bailiff's attempt to catch Eckton—the score was two all.

There were many outings : a swimming party cycled to Rossall ; another climbed the fells ; while several equally entertaining expeditions did not receive official recognition.



THE SCHOOL FARM CAMP AT WINMARLEIGH — AUGUST, 1941.

- 1.—Some of the party.
- 2.—Mr. Bennison, Mr. Oldland and Sefton, study the map.
- 3.—Miss Whitehouse and Miss Whewell, whose excellent catering was a feature of the camp.
- 4.—A farewell gathering.

On the Thursday of the last week, we were invited to a magnificent feed at the farm, followed by games—a very enjoyable evening which was greatly appreciated.

We should like to thank Mr. Hewartson, the kitchen staff, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Miller and others who contributed in various ways to the successful running of the camp.

The last memory we have is of lying in bed listening to the "Penny on the Drum" broadcast from Eckton's tent. One recalls the protests from the more intellectual members of the other tent, Brinnand's laugh and Taberner's plaintive voice—always the last to be heard. Then quiet, lying beneath a dark pyramid of flapping canvas, the clammy air pressing us to sleep.

R.A.B.

THE ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS, 1941.

This year the Sports were again held on two days, Thursday and Friday, May 15th and 16th. There was thus shelter accommodation for spectators and competitors.

Some events were as usual decided before these days, and in these A. Dixon (Cl.) set up a new record for Throwing the Rounders Ball (under 15). The record in the Gir's' High Jump (under 13) was equalled by J. Beal (Cu.) and that in the Girls' High Jump (under 15) by A. Farrington (F.). There was good jumping too by the Junior Boys, but no record was broken. Edwards (Cl.) scored 23 points out of a possible 25 for Kicking the Rugger Ball (under 15).

The weather on the Sports Days was not ideal; a cool wind chilled spectators and competitors and probably lowered the general standard of performance. In the Boys' events a new record was set up by Salisbury (W.) in the 220 yards (under 15). The outstanding event was however the Girls' Open High Jump. B. Sharples (W.) set up a new record of 4ft. 8ins., and G. Abram (F.) and D. Ball (Cu.) who tied for second place, equalled the previous record of 4 ft. 5 ins.

Marsden (Cu.) won the Victor Ludorum Cup, with 60 points, and P. Briggs (Cu.) with 44 points won the Victrix Ludorum Cup.

The Relay Cup was won by Worden, and the House Championship Cup by Cuerden.

BOYS' EVENTS.

Kicking the Rugger Ball (Open). Boys.—1, Bond (Cl.); 2, Edwards (Cl.) and Sharples, S. (Cu.). Standards: Bond (Cl.), Marginson, L. (Cl.), Edwards (Cl.) and Sharples, S. (Cu.).

Kicking the Rugger Ball (Under 15). Boys.—1, Edwards (Cl.); 2, Kirkham (F.); 3, Marginson, C. (Cl.). Standards: Edwards, Marginson, C., Marginson, L., Walmsley (Cl.), Rawcliffe (Cu.), Kirkham, Bartley, Milward (F.), Sweetmore, Singleton, Whitaker, J. (W.).

Kicking the Rugger Ball (Under 13). Boys.—1, Barker (W.); 2, Ellis (Cu.) and Bretherton (Cu.). Standards: Carr (Cl.), Ellis and Bretherton (Cu.), Milward (F.), Barker (W.).

Throwing the Cricket Ball (Open). Boys.—1, Sutton (Cl.); 2, Sefton (Cl.); 3, Eckton (W.). Distance: 84 yds. 2 ft. 6 ins. Standards: Thistlethwaite, Tennant, Sutton, Sefton (Cl.), Marsden, C., Lloyd, Tonge (Cu.), Eckton, Gardner (W.).

Throwing the Cricket Ball (Under 15). Boys.—1, Salisbury (W.); 2, Rawcliffe (Cu.), 3, Meadows, G. (Cl.) and Elston (Cl.). Distance: 72 yds. 2 ft. 9 ins. Standards: Marginson, L., Elston, Edwards, Walmsley, Meadows (Cl.), Marsden, G., Neale, Rawcliffe (Cu.), Bartley, Fernley, Heaton, Milward (F.), Graham, Salisbury, Whitaker, J., Webster, Grimshaw, Singleton, Scott, Berry, Barker (W.).

Long Jump (Open). Boys.—1, Marsden, C. (Cu.); 2, Lloyd (Cu.); 3, Edmondson (F.). Distance: 15 ft. 4 ins. Standard: Marsden, C. (Cu.).

Long Jump (Under 15). Boys.—1, Salisbury (W.); 2, Busfield (Cl.); 3, Burniston (Cu.). Distance: 14 ft. 5 ins. Standards: Busfield, Hinchcliffe (Cl.), Burniston (Cu.), Salisbury, Glover (W.).

High Jump (Under 15). Boys.—1, Hinchcliffe (Cl.); 2, Burniston (Cu.); 3, Singleton (W.). Height: 4 ft. 6 ins. Standards: Hinchcliffe (Cl.), Burniston (Cu.), Oldland, Ferneley (F.), Singleton (W.).

High Jump (Under 15). Boys.—1, Sheldon (F.) and Barker W.; 3, Bretherton (Cu.) and Glover (W.). Height: 4 ft. 1½ ins. Standards: Carr (Cl.), Schofield, Bretherton (Cu.), Sheldon (F.), Whitaker W., Glover, Barker (W.).

High Jump (Open). Boys.—1, Marsden (Cu.); 2, Bond (Cl.); 3, Lloyd (Cu.). Height: 4 ft. 7½ ins. Standards: Bond (Cl.), Marsden, Tonge, Lloyd (Cu.).

100 yards (Under 13). Boys.—1, Carr (Cl.); 2, Glover (W.); 3, Grimshaw (W.). Time: 12-3/5 secs. Standards: Little, Carr, Stickland H., Stickland D. (Cl.), Roberts, Heyes, Briggs (Cu.), Sheldon, Bush, Newton, Hodge (F.), Whitaker W., Moon, Humble, Glover, Grimshaw, Bamford, Hill, Atkinson, Fisher (W.).

100 yards (Under 15). Boys.—1, Salisbury (W.); 2, Busfield (Cl.); 3, Burniston (Cu.). Time: 11-3/5 secs. Standards: Hinchcliffe, Marginson C., Busfield, Marginson L., Meadows, Mills P., Riding (Cl.), Burniston (Cu.), Kirkham (F.), Salisbury, Singleton, Berry, Miller, Scott (W.).

100 yards (Open). Boys.—1, Lloyd (Cu.); 2, Edmondson (F.); 3, Eckton (W.). Time: 11-3/5 secs. Standards: Shepherd, Lloyd (Cu.), Edmondson, Lea, Porter, Whitehead, Samuels (F.), Lund, Eckton, Brinnand (W.).

80 yards (Under 12). Boys.—1, Heyes (Cu.); 2, Briggs (Cu.); 3, Aspinall (Cu.). Time: 11 secs. Standards: Meadows, A., Bennett, Turner (Cl.), Roberts, Aspinall, Heyes, Briggs, Sharples B. (Cu.), Hughes, Moon (F.), Skilbeck, Bamford, Atkinson, Milner (W.).

440 yards (Under 15). Boys.—1, Salisbury (W.); 2, Busfield (Cl.); 3, Marginson L. (Cl.). Time: 66½ secs. Standards: Marginson C., Marginson L., Hinchcliffe, Busfield (Cl.), Salisbury (W.).

440 yards (Open). Boys.—1, Marsden C. (Cu.); 2, Lloyd (Cu.); 3, Vessey (Cu.). Time: 63-9/10 secs. Standard: Marsden C. (Cu.).

180 yards (Under 13). Boys.—1, Carr (Cl.); 2, Glover (W.); 3, Grimshaw (W.). Time: 25-1/10 secs. Standards: Carr, Stickland H., Stickland D. (Cl.), Newton, Bush, Sheldon (F.); Glover, Whitaker W., Grimshaw, Hill, Humble (W.).

880 yards (Open). Boys.—1, Marsden C. (Cu.); 2, Hope (Cl.); 3, Rigby (Cu.). Time: 2 min. 35 secs. Standards: Hope (Cl.), Marsden C., Rigby, Shepherd (Cu.).

220 yards (Under 15). Boys.—* 1, Salisbury (W.); 2, Busfield (Cl.); 3, Burniston (Cu.). Time: 26-1/10 secs. Standards: Busfield, Hinchcliffe (Cl.), Marsden G., Burniston (Cu.), Heaton (F.), Salisbury, Singleton (W.).

220 yard (open). Boys.—1, Lloyd (Cu.); 2, Edmondson (F.); 3, Porter (F.). Time: 27-1/10 secs. Standards: Lloyd (Cu.), Edmondson, Porter (F.), Lund (W.).

The Mile (Open). Boys.—1, Tennant (Cl.); 2, Webster (W.); 3, Neale (Cu.). Time: 5 min. 20-3/5 secs. Standard: Tennant (Cl.).

75 yards Hurdles (Under 15). Boys.—1, Singleton (W.); 2, Hinchcliffe (Cl.); 3, Busfield (Cl.). Time: 12½ secs. Standards: Singleton (W.), Hinchcliffe (Cl.), Busfield (Cl.).

* Denotes Record Broken.

* Denotes Record Equalled.

100 yards Hurdles (Open). Boys.—1, Marsden C. (Cu.); 2, Bond (Cl.); 3, Whitehead (F.). Time: 16-2/5 secs.

House Tug (Under 15). Won by Clayton.

House Tug (Open). Won by Cuerden.

House Relay (Under 13). Boys.—1, Worden; 2, Farington; 3, Clayton. Time: 58-2/5 secs.

House Relay (Under 15). Boys.—1, Worden; 2, Clayton; 3, Cuerden. Time: 1 min. 56-9/10 secs.

House Relay (Open). 1, Cuerden; 2, Worden; 3, Clayton. Time: 1 min. 50 secs.

GIRLS' EVENTS.

Hitting the Hockey Ball (Open). Girls.—1, P. Briggs (Cu.); 2, B. Sharples (W.); 3, E. Wilson (Cu.). Distance: 75 yds. 6 ins. Standards: B. Haigh, P. Howson, D. Taylor (Cl.), E. Wilson, P. Briggs (Cu.), B. Pickburn, K. Staziker, M. Hunt (F.), B. Sharples (W.).

Hitting the Hockey Ball (Under 15). Girls.—1, E. Johnston (Cl.); 2, A. Newsham (W.); 3, H. Sage (Cu.). Distance: 63 yds. 2 ft. 6 ins. Standards: M. Garnett, M. Hutchings, E. Johnston, M. Davies (Cl.), H. Sage, I. Thornley, J. Lea, I. Greenhalgh (Cu.), D. Walmsley, Z. Norris, D. Sowerbutts, A. Farrington, B. Sagar (F.), A. Newsham, J. Roocroft, L. Thompson (W.).

Hitting the Hockey Ball (Under 13). Girls.—1, B. Silcock (Cu.); 2, J. Beal (Cu.); 3, E. Darbyshire (Cl.). Distance: 50 yds. 2 ft. Standards: E. Darbyshire (Cl.), B. Silcock, J. Beal (Cu.), A. Whelan, E. Clement (F.), P. Heaps (W.).

Throwing the Rounders Ball (Open). Girls.—1, B. Haigh (Cl.); 2, B. Pickburn (F.); 3, J. Marland (W.). Distance: 59 yds. 1 ft. Standards: B. Haigh, P. Howson, F. Hutchings (Cl.), E. Wilson, E. Whistlecroft, J. Ballantine (Cu.), A. Bradshaw, B. Pickburn (F.), B. Sharples, J. Marland (W.).

Throwing the Rounders Ball (Under 15). Girls.—* 1, A. Dixon (Cl.); 2, A. Newsham (W.); 3, M. Garnett (Cl.). Distance: 51 yds. 2 ft. Standards: M. Garnett, A. Dixon (Cl.), I. Thornley, J. Lea (Cu.), D. Walmsley, Z. Norris (F.), A. Newsham, J. Watson, K. Hall (W.).

Throwing the Rounders Ball (Under 13). Girls.—1, J. Beal (Cu.); 2, E. Clement (F.); 3, P. Turner (Cu.). Distance: 43 yards. Standards: C. Turner, B. Silcock, J. Beal, J. Smith (Cu.), E. Clement (F.), P. Heaps (W.).

Long Jump (Open). Girls.—1, P. Briggs (Cu.); 2, E. Newsham (W.); 3, B. Sharples (W.) and B. Pickburn (F.). Distance: 14 ft. Standards: P. Howson, A. Bradley (Cl.), P. Briggs (Cu.), B. Pickburn (F.), O. Bretherton, B. Sharples, E. Newsham (W.).

Long Jump (Under 15). Girls.—1, J. Cross (W.); 2, D. Gibson (W.); 3, A. Farrington (F.), A. Deacon (F.). Distance: 12 ft. 6 ins. Standards: A. Dixon, B. Barnett (Cl.), K. Frost, M. Sutton (Cu.), D. Walmsley, A. Farrington, A. Deacon, R. Senior (F.), A. Newsham, J. Cross, D. Gibson (W.).

High Jump (Open). Girls.—* 1, B. Sharples (W.); * 2, G. Abram (F.); * 3, D. Ball (Cu.). Height: 4 ft. 8 ins. Standards: P. Howson, J. Boothman, D. Taylor, B. Haigh (Cl.), D. Ball, P. Briggs (Cu.), G. Abram (F.), B. Sharples, O. Bretherton, E. Newsham (W.).

High Jump (Under 15). * 1, A. Farrington (F.); 2, D. Walmsley (F.); 3, J. Tipping (W.). Height: 4 ft. 4 ins. Standards: M. Garnett, A. Dixon, E. Johnston (Cl.), M. Sutton (Cu.), A. Deacon, A. Farrington, Z. Norris, D. Walmsley (F.), J. Tipping (W.).

High Jump (Under 13). Girls.—* 1, J. Beal (Cu.); 2, D. Ackers (Cu.); 3, E. Smith (Cu.), P. Turner (Cu.). Height: 4 ft. Standards: E. Darbyshire, J. Hankin (Cl.), P. Turner, E. Smith, D. Ackers, J. Beal (Cu.), E. Clement (F.), N. Wane, P. Heaps (W.).

75 yards Hurdles (Over 15). Girls.—1, E. Newsham (W.); 2, P. Briggs (Cu.); 3, B. Sharples (W.). Time: 12-2/5 secs. Standards: P. Briggs (Cu.), E. Newsham, B. Sharples (W.).

100 yards (Under 13). Girls.—1, J. Cross (W.); 2, J. Beal (Cu.); 3, P. Turner (Cu.). Time: 14-7/10 secs. Standards: E. Darbyshire (Cl.), J. Beal, P. Turner (Cu.), J. Cross, J. Bretherton (W.).

100 yards (*Under 15*). *Girls*.—1, J. Tipping (W.); 2, J. Haydock (Cl.); 3, D. Gibson (W.). Time : 13-7/10 secs. Standards : B. Barnett, J. Haydock, A. Dixon (Cl.), M. Sutton, K. Frost, I. Thornley (Cu.), Z. Norris, A. Deacon (F.), J. Watson, D. Gibson, J. Tipping, J. Lea (W.).

100 yards (*Open*). *Girls*.—1, P. Briggs (Cu.); 2, E. Newsham (W.); 3, B. Sharples (W.). Time : 12-3/5 secs. Standards : B. Haigh, J. Boothman, A. Bradley (Cl.), P. Briggs (Cu.), B. Pickburn (F.), J. Nixon, E. Newsham, B. Sharples, O. Bretherton (W.).

80 yards (*Under 12*). *Girls*.—1, E. Smith (Cu.); 2, J. Bretherton (W.); 3, D. Ackers (Cu.). Time : 11-9/10 secs. Standards : E. Burnie (Cl.), D. Ackers, E. Smith (Cu.), A. Whelan, M. Bamber (F.), J. Bretherton, P. Heaps (W.).

House Relay (*Under 13*). *Girls*.—1, Cuerden; 2, Worden; 3, Farington. Time : 61-1/10 secs.

House Relay (*Under 15*) : 1, Worden; 2, Cuerden; 3, Clayton. Time : 57-8/10 secs.

House Relay (*Open*) : 1, Worden; 2, Farington; 3, Clayton. Time : 54-2/5 secs.

F.P.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION FILMS.

The Ministry of Information films shown on May 28th, dealt, as before, with various aspects of life in war-time.

"Welfare of the Workers" was the title of the first film. Explaining the harder conditions forced upon workers by the war, it revealed, too, the method of dealing with problems arising there—and Mr. Bevin, the Minister of Labour, was faced with many. Men and women transferred to war industry needed new homes : for those, as yet inexperienced, there was a necessary training ; and for all, experienced or otherwise, there was the need for amusement leisure, and medical service.

The voyage of a "Food Convoy" was rather a contrast ; but, as we soon saw, that is a task none the less important ; for though a large percentage of men in this country is normally engaged in agriculture, yet three-fifths of our food must be brought from abroad. Constantly exposed to air and submarine attack, the ships have a hazardous journey and it is our duty to prevent the waste of food taking up space in our ships so valuable for armaments.

When a bomber can carry 1000 incendiary bombs on one trip, it is of great importance that everyone should know how to deal with fires caused in air attack and for this reason we were shown a film demonstrating the use of the stirrup pump.

From interviews with them we learnt something of the work of shipbuilders. Most of them highly skilled men coming from experienced families, they found this work made doubly important by the war. To build vessels at the rate of one every three weeks, all armed for defence, is a task indeed even for these skilled work-men.

"White Battle Front"—that was the story of the R.A.M.C. and the Red Cross. Since the outbreak of war, these services have received many recruits. Women have mobilised for the Red Cross ; their duty lies wherever there is an army unit. Men, scientists and

doctors, have been transferred to the R.A.M.C. There are those who devote all their time to research on the prevention of disease. These services are as essential as the health of our soldiers.

Coal is a vital necessity for our industry, especially in war-time : the miner, then, is an important person, and it was interesting to follow the routine of his work. The miner himself, working in a shift system, had his one special duty. The coal must be cut, blasted, carried away, sieved, washed, passed through many handlings before it was actually ready for use.

There were two films on life in the services. One, the "Raising of Soldiers," dealt with their training. It was amusing to see their first reactions to army life, but they very soon became accustomed to the discipline. Soldiers must be fit, and so first comes their medical examination. Soldiers, too, must be well-clothed, and they soon received full kits. Their first parade was a none too orderly affair, but after a few weeks of army food, army training, exercise, boxing, swimming, gun drill and parades, they looked in good trim.

"Fighters of the Veld" was a survey of training in the South African army. Though they worked under different conditions, their training was no less intensive. We saw women doing convoy work ; we saw motor-cycle and tank units on manoeuvres, and fighters of the Coastal Defence returning from patrols. All were aiming by their practice at greater efficiency.

O.M.B., Form U.VI. (Worden).

SPRING DEFENSIVE.

This essay was inspired by a raid one night last spring, when we, the firewatchers of a school in the North West were kept 'on the alert' for five or more hours, during which the raid could be observed in the distance, an agony of anxiety for us—toil and sweat, labour and suffering for others.

Five hours may not seem a very long time to those of you who have had the bad luck to fall foul of an all night blitz on one of our principal cities. Probably five hours is not such a very long time after all ; but it seems a long time when you are watching an artificial hell on earth, and probably torturing yourself into making believe that a blitz is really more terrible than it is.

What a feeling of power the men in those 'planes must have, flying far out of reach of guns and searchlights, ready to release a load of bombs at a touch ! Do they feel shame and remorse, or just the thrill of power and the exhilaration of danger ?

The night in question is frosty and the moon is out. There is cloud, however, and that is a bad sign, for cloud unwittingly makes an excellent hiding ground for 'planes.

Out there, wrapped in thick overcoats and thicker mufflers, huddled into the angle of a wall, trying to escape the bite of the cold night wind, waiting and watching, we tell each other all sorts of odd anecdotes in an effort to beat time to the cold, impersonal light of the dawn. We wait for the Heinkel that never comes, for the incendiary that never drops. We listen to the thudding crash of distant bombs and the distant rumble of the guns, and watch the gun flashes silhouetting a distant wood.

Slowly we become dimly conscious of a low droning in our ears, a sound which we have been hearing in fancy all the long night. The sound comes on nearer until it is above. We shift our position to relieve the stiffness. The droning passes on into the gloomy distance. The silvery pencils of the searchlights snuff out one after another, as though giving up hope of ever being able to pierce the low lying cloud. Faint and far away the droning continues. The distant rumbling increases and far away pencils of light sweep the sky for the marauder.

In the kitchen the steam is spurting from the spout of the kettle and the lid, impatient to be lifted off is jumping up and down convulsively. The gas is turned down and the tea is brewed. A warden in a sleepy voice enquires the time—another two hours to dawn. The big clock ticks loudly in the ensuing silence, as the cups are drained.

The sound of our footfalls echoes hollowly against the blank walls—more droning more rumbling, more yellowy flashes in the distance. The searchlights have given up altogether now. Slowly a 'plane passes overhead, heavy with its load of bombs, dragging itself across the sky. The moon is turning paler now and is sinking lower upon the horizon. We walk in silence now, waiting. There are more distant thuds; a red glow lights up a cloud bank in the horizon. Now and again the glare brightens as bombs are unloaded into its midst. The Church clock chimes the hour. The glow sinks again. We sit on the cold stone steps, silently contemplating the ragged clouds, more waiting, more thudding, more flashes. A boot scrapes the step. The clock chimes the quarter—more waiting, interminable waiting. The 'planes have gone. It should be all over soon.

With numbed fingers we unlace tight boots, roll in between warm blankets and sleep the sleep of exhaustion.

Up above, through gaps in the sombre windswept clouds, fleeting across the sky, the stars, steely bright, mock at this puny world.

J.S. Form U.VI. (Cuerden).

THE GATES OF TIBET.

By REV. J. S. WALSH, B.A.

Mr. Walsh gave an interesting talk on his holiday in the Himalayan mountains in October, 1934. He, with four friends, had decided to journey through the tiny state of Sikkim, which lies between Bengal and Tibet, to the boundary of Tibet, there to see for themselves the 'forbidden land'.

Travellers, who wish to enter Tibet, have first to get permission from the Chief Lama, and as the roads and communications are difficult, this is very hard to obtain. The Chief Lama also objects on religious grounds to strangers visiting the country. So the party had to be content with but a glimpse of Tibet.

The party first journeyed through Bengal. Part of Bengal is in the tropics, and so they saw all kinds of luxuriant flowers and trees as well as many gaily-coloured tropical birds. They took the tiny mountain railway, which twists and turns on itself, climbing ever upwards to Darjeeling, which is in the hills approaching the great mountain range.

From Darjeeling they travelled northwards following the beautiful Testa River. The vegetation gradually changed as the party passed into the temperate zone. Familiar trees such as the mountain ash were seen; but all the party was surprised to see that the rhododendrons grow to the size of trees and have luxuriant flowers. All over the mountain sides splashes of pink and white were seen, and the lady in the party collected some of these rhododendrons blossoms to press. Large butterflies flitted about even in the high mountain regions.

From Darjeeling mules were used to carry the food and equipment and were managed by a coolie and the cook.

They continued to Gantok, the capital of Sikkim, observing the customs and habits of the natives. Maize was set in stacks on high piles, which kept rats away and made it difficult for the evil spirits to get at the maize. In most villages they observed a stone-like erection which diminished upwards in steps, and were told that it was a 'Chortem' or shrine to some important person, generally a lama or priest.

There is very little soil on the mountain-sides and what there is is carefully terraced to prevent its being washed away. On this soil, rice, potatoes, maize and tobacco are grown. The natives have to grow all their own food because they live a long way from depots where they can buy or exchange goods.

On the outskirts of each hamlet are 'prayer' flags on long poles. The native writes his prayer on a flag and then puts the flag on a pole. Every time the flag flaps in the wind the message is supposed to be sent off to the good spirits.

The natives were very friendly and offered steaming cups of a liquid which turned out to be tea flavoured with butter and which was wellnigh undrinkable to the travellers who had sensitive stomachs.

One morning the clouds over the mountains broke up and they saw the great Kinchingunga, which is the second highest mountain in the world. The sight of the mountain with its snow-covered peak surrounded by clouds almost took their breath away.

And so on to Tibet. As they went along the rocky path they met Tibetans driving yaks loaded with wool. Upon enquiry it was found that they were taking the wool to a trading post, there to exchange it for pans, mugs and other hardware and necessities which

they could not make or grow in their own village. There was hardly any vegetation, just a few stunted shrubs.

The yak is used everywhere in these regions, because, although very slow, it is very sure-footed and at these heights it is an easy matter to slip and fall hundreds of feet to one's death on the rocks below. It was calculated that the average speed of a yak is two miles per hour.

As they gazed along the road to Tibet they all thought of Everest, the highest mountain in the world, whose ascent had been tried so many times and had always failed. Standing there they had a feeling of isolation from the rest of the world and amid the stillness of the mountain-sides their voices seemed out of place. In fact, Mr. Walsh said, he had never felt so near to God as then—and he was a clergyman.

Mr. Walsh showed us the many photographs he had taken in the mountains and as we looked at them we could almost imagine that we too were travelling the road to Tibet. We all thanked Mr. Walsh for a very interesting lecture and we hope that he will go on another holiday to some equally interesting place and then come and tell us about it.

J.C.H., Form U.VI (Clayton).

LECTURE ON THE ROYAL AIR FORCE.

By F/Lt. C. G. Brewer.

On Monday, the 22nd of Sept., the boys of the Fifth and Sixth forms attended a very interesting lecture on the "The Royal Air Force", by F/Lt. C. G. Brewer of the R.A.F. F/Lt. Brewer pointed out that his was not a recruiting campaign—he was, however, a kind of travelling Selection Board, and he could materially help boys who wished to become members of "Air Crews".

He then showed how a prospective member of an Air Crew goes through his training. He starts as an "Aircraftsman, 2nd class", when he learns arms drill, and how and whom to salute, etc. He is then transferred to one of various Training Centres :—Pilots to one, Air Observers to another, Wireless Operators to a third. These centres are known as "Initial Training Wings," and it is here that training proper is begun. If he is successful here, he passes on to another training wing, where he is given more advanced instruction. Before going on to operational flights, he receives a final course of training at a service aerodrome, to accustom him to war conditions.

After the lecture, F/Lt. Brewer interviewed boys who were interested in the R.A.F. as a career.

D.A.T. Form U.VI (Clayton).

LIFE IN SOVIET RUSSIA.

On Thursday, October 23rd, we were once more pleased to welcome to Balshaw's Mr. Fitzgerald who came to lecture on life in Soviet Russia. The lecture was based on a visit made to that country in 1934 and was illustrated by slides.

On embarking on the "Smolney" the boat which was to convey him to Russia, our lecturer was very much impressed by the absence of uniform among the crew; not even the captain wore it. And yet, as was to be found throughout the visit, this did not denote laxity in discipline; there is no Nazi love of show about the Russians, and even without uniformed officials they manage to attain perfect efficiency. The captain of the "Smolney," who, when the boat was in London was not allowed to disembark owing to English law, was found to be intelligent, educated, civil and helpful—a true representative of the Russian system. Civility and helpfulness especially seem to have been the key-notes of the Russian treatment of our lecturer.

Even as far back as 1934, preparations for war and defence were being pushed ahead by the Soviet, although great care was taken to conceal them. Fine examples of art and utility combined in this respect were the underground Russian Railway Stations, in coloured marble, which, in peace time, were things of beauty and utility and are now excellent air-raid shelters as well.

Planning is everywhere apparent. The state owns all property and land; if, therefore a building is considered unsightly, it is pulled down without more ado. A supreme example of the benefits of state control is to be seen in Moscow. In 1934, much of the old Moscow was in a state of demolition and a new, planned Moscow was rising on the site of the former, flats were being built for the workers, measures were being taken to limit the population of the town to four millions, and then further to promote health and well-being, a green belt of forest and pasture was left untouched around the town.

Despite change however, some of the Old Moscow still remains: the Kremlin; a town within a town, stands now as it did in the days before Peter the Great, its walls unchanged since the times when the bodies of traitors swung from gibbets erected upon them.

Further reminders of the Old Russia are to be found in Leningrad with its old churches, its stately avenues reminiscent of Paris, and its famous picture gallery, proud guardian of many Rembrandt paintings. Here, where so little seems to alter, children may still be seen performing Caucasian dances handed down from their ancestors. Yet, look more closely; among these dances in the playgrounds may be seen boys, as in England, vitally interested in playing football.

There we have our lecturer's survey of Russia. If some of us may have entered the hall with a vague idea that Russia was a wild, semi-barbarous land, we left it enlightened :—Russia is no wild uncivilised land, but one which promises to become one of the most progressive, beautifully planned countries of today.

M.W.H., Form U.VI. (Worden).

THE SCHOOL SOCIETIES

The Musical Society

The Society has been improved this year by the absence of the more junior members, and, as a result, we have been enabled to go more deeply into matters musical. Most items played were by request, and included the "Flower Song" from *Carmen*, several songs from "La Traviata," Handel's "Water Music," Mendelssohn's "Ruy Blas" Overture, his "Midsummer Night's Dream" overture and "Fingal's Cave."

There were a couple of Slavonic Dances by Dvorak, and the "Prince Igor" Dances by Borodin. From Wagner we had the "Ride of the Valkyries".

B.L.W.

The Junior Play Reading Society.

This society, consisting of twenty-four members, has been newly formed this term.

There is something to be said for and against a society which, by accident and not design, is composed entirely of the members of one form—IIa: however, we are a happy little lot, our team work is admirable and we do not in the least sigh for fresh faces.

There is no false modesty about our members, and parts are keenly sought. If no one else recommends one as suitable for a certain part, one can always pipe up loudly and insistently on one's own behalf.

We have read several One Act Plays, and selected those whom we considered the best to read the concluding play of the session.

M.A.R.

The French Circle

At the beginning of the term we decided to divide our meetings. We amused one another with lectures for the first twenty minutes, and then Miss Robinson took over for the remainder of the meeting to talk to us about ballet. We all preferred the latter half, and before societies ended Miss Lewis very kindly came along to tell us more about the dancers themselves, in particular Pavlova, Sally Gilmour and Pearl Argyle. The lectures by the members of the society themselves were also interesting.

When we resume our meetings we look forward to lectures by those members who did not 'hold forth' in the last session.

A.P.H.

The First Aid Society

The First Aid Society began well this year, with over 20 members. We have spent our time chiefly in learning and practising different forms of bandages and splints, and have had some amusement in seeing just how tightly a person can be "tied-up". We have been grateful to some members of the society, who have more experience than others, and been very helpful. It is hoped that the First-Aid Society will afford useful practice to those wishing to take any First-Aid Examinations, either in connection with Scouts or Guides, or those arranged by the St. John Ambulance and Red Cross Associations.

M.H.

The Junior Literary Society.

This term a Junior Literary Society has been formed, whose members are drawn from Forms Ia and Ib. At the beginning of the term members read aloud in turn some Greek legends, and then after some discussion, we began to read "Kidnapped" by R. L. Stevenson. On October 17th, we had a debate that "Education should not be compulsory". There was much animated discussion on the subject and finally the society decided that they preferred the doubtful pleasures of compulsory schooling to the possible alternative of a reversion to the life of Cavemen.

C.M.F.

The Dramatic Society

It was with deep regret that the Society said farewell to its producer, Mr. Hilditch, at the end of last term, "but it is an ill wind . . ." and we are extremely fortunate in being able to welcome, this term, Miss Milroy in his stead. Miss Lewis is also giving valuable help. Greetings to both of them.

In keeping with tradition, we hope there will be a School Play in March; this year the play chosen is "Miss Elizabeth Bennett," an adaptation by A. A. Milne of Jane Austen's novel "Pride and Prejudice".

Already rehearsals are being held, and, to judge from the present state of affairs, it may safely be said that the final production will be quite up to the usual standard. This standard can be obtained, however only by the keen and unceasing effort of the members of the Society and then, by the support of the whole School at the actual performance.

We plead therefore for the enthusiastic participation of everyone. May this year's play be an outstanding event in the annals of Balshaw's Grammar School.

M.W.H.

The Dancing Society

The new members of the Dancing Society have worked very well this term, and have been greatly helped by the older members from last year. In the first few periods we practised different forms of Polka steps as these come in so many National Dances. Then we learnt two Czecho-Slovakian dances, and a very lively Cumberland Reel. All the members have been most enthusiastic, and are very sorry that the Society has to be discontinued for the time being.

D.B.

The Choir

It is once more our pleasure to welcome several new pupils to the School Choir and beseech any other boys or girls who can sing to come along and help swell our ranks and our song.

Since the Autumn term is again with us, preparations are going ahead for the Carol Service at end of term; already lusty voices are to be heard about the School chanting "seconds" to many of the old Christmas hymns. As usual, we shall be singing some of the less well-known carols as well as many old favourites. It is up to everybody to make this year's Carol Service one of the best ever so, Sing Up Balshavia!

M.W.H.

The Scientific Society

We started this term with twice as many members as we had last year but unfortunately they are all boys. We should like to have some girls to brighten things up but it seems that they require a lead or are deterred by the thought of standing in front of an audience to give a lecture. We have a novel way of running the Society, that is we teach one another, including Mr. Lomax, subjects which we have previously prepared on our own.

On both September 26th and October 3rd, Mr. Lomax spoke on Meteorology. He showed us the use of barometers, maximum and minimum thermometers, and the uses of graphs in charting temperatures. On October 10th, Salisbury gave a paper on "Progress". He told us of the evolution of mankind from the very beginning. The next meeting was on October 17th and as we had nothing prepared Mr. Lomax kindly performed a few simple but nevertheless, interesting experiments. On October 24th, Hill gave a very interesting lecture on "The Hive Bee".

We are looking forward to the other contributions to our Society "Effort" and we hope they will be as good as those in previous years.

E.E.S.

The Geographical Society

The Geographical Society has had five talks illustrated by the epidiascope. Stickland, H. spoke one week on "The Bridges of Great Britain," and another week on "The Monastries of Great Britain," and Pinder gave a talk on "The Wonders of World Engineering."

Whittaker, W. and Neville each gave a talk of an unusual kind illustrated by original photographs. Whittaker described the Calgary Stampede—a kind of rodeo, held annually at Calgary, and Neville's subject was "From Cape Town to Pretoria".

Another week Miss Royle gave a talk on the geological map of the Leyland district.

A.D.

The Photographic Society

The activities of the Photographic Society have been seriously curtailed on the practical side by the shortage of materials. This shortage, which, like all others, is due to the war, is of course insurmountable. But as most of the firms which produce photographic materials are employed in furthering our war effort, we enthusiastic workers do no more than grouse in a good-natured way.

As a result of this shortage the meetings of the society have been in the main theoretical. At this point let us pause a while and offer our thanks to those old members of the society who have made most welcome gifts of photographic periodicals, for these have served to prevent the interests of the younger members from flagging.

Some attempt has been made this term to run a competition, open to the whole school. Mr. Parry has promised to judge the entries, and Miss Whewell has kindly offered us the use of the art room for a display of the prints.

R.J.G.

The Needlework Society

Again the needlework society has proved very popular among the girls and members have completed many attractive articles.

There was great variety in the work which included knitting, tapestry work, felt work and embroidery. Very attractive jumpers have been knit and also tedious tapestries have been attempted. Another interesting idea was introduced by some girls who embroidered regimental badges.

More blankets have been completed from knitted squares for use in the shelters. Girls who require patterns or ideas can refer to our needlecraft books.

We welcome all new members to the society and hope that we will resume our meetings at an early date.

B.S.

The Greenhouse

Our pride in the greenhouse is the castor oil plant which is about to flower for the first time.

The orchids are also in bud and we hope to have a fine show. One failure is the orange tree for it has never been warm enough to allow it to fruit.

We have been busy planting bulbs this last week and we hope that the results will be successful.

Mr. Bennison has proved himself an expert at tomato-growing and Miss Whewell has done very well with her cucumber plant.

The gold fish are still surviving on their wartime ration, which is not very much.
Z.N. and O.H.

The Gardening Society.

For the second year since the war started the School garden produced quite a good crop. This year's crop showed a big increase over last year's as the ground had been more thoroughly dug over and manured.

We had an excellent crop of potatoes, a large number of cabbages, some very fine onions and swedes. Fortunately, some people think, we only got a few marrows this year.

At present the society has a large number of keen members. However, the success of the society is not entirely due to these, but also to the number of boys and girls who came to work during the holidays earlier in the year.

Next year we look forward to a better crop still, for we realise the importance of a job like this in wartime. While our crops may seem comparatively small we have satisfaction in knowing that our work is of National Importance.

W.R.

The Debating Society

Although the society has been limited to a very small number, our activities have been none the less varied. A discussion, prolonged over several meetings, upon education after the war, aroused various points of view. There was general agreement that considerable reform should be undertaken.

This was followed by a lighter debate upon the relative value of current films to older ones.

We are looking forward to more debates after half-term.

B.S.

The Art and Craft Society

This season has, as usual, been a very busy one for us. Our members are drawn mainly from the fifth and sixth forms so that they are really quite skilled. The society has always prided itself on its wide scope for originality and invention and it is, therefore merely necessary to enumerate the season's fashions. The most popular articles with the girls appear to be toy animals made from odd scraps of felt, and brooches, while the boys toil industriously over trays, book-ends and pewter work. Some interest has been shown in knitting, tapestry work, basket-making and wood painting.

In this way, under the guidance of Miss Whewell, whose ready help and clever suggestions are invaluable, many varied and cunning articles have been turned out. The war has made little difference to our society since our stocks are large, though some delay has been experienced in obtaining materials to finish articles.

We hope that when the society resumes it will have lost none of its members.

A.L.

The National Savings Group.

The School Group has now collected over £2500. The "Form Thermometer" in the Entrance Hall shows that IIIa are still ahead, having saved nearly £50 since the present term opened. This is a first rate effort.

We have a number of new members this term from the new pupils, and we are pleased to find they are almost all regular savers. You can bring Savings to the School Group for your friends, besides your own. These can be as small as sixpence, or as big as you please. The School Group can get complete Certificates for you, if you wish to save fifteen shillings or more at one time; no sum is too large for our Group to handle.

The Savings Stamps (at 6d. and 2/6d) and Savings Certificates are sold in the Physics Lab., during Dinner Hour on Mondays and Fridays.

F.P.

Troops' Comforts Fund.

The contributions to this fund since February, 1940 now total over £80, and the magnitude of that contribution speaks for itself. The enthusiasm for knitting, however, has not kept pace with the generosity of the contributions and finding ourselves with a small bank-balance and adequate wool in hand, we decided to extend the scope of the scheme. This seemed to be a popular move, and as a result two contributions of £5 have been sent, one to the Preston Buffet and another to the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund. Any useful suggestions for the allocation of surplus money will be welcomed.

All the same, we hope that people will continue knitting. The finished garments are sent either to the W.V.S. or given to pupils who contribute regularly to the fund. The scheme for obtaining coupon-less wool has been given in detail, and we hope that many will take advantage of it.

M.A.R.

CRICKET, 1941.

Captain : Lloyd, H.

The school 1st XI again had a good season although it ended with the unexpected humiliation of defeat by the staff. A variety of bowlers was available and Lloyd handled the bowling quite well in that it was never collared, but the field was not always set to advantage. The bowlers had good support behind the stumps, otherwise the fielding, though reasonably safe was stodgy and not impressive. The batting after the first few wickets was negative in character and the innings often dragged rather mournfully to an uneventful close. The success of the side may be attributed to steady, good length bowling and the sound batting of one or two players.

We should like to underline once more the importance of quick, aggressive fielding—there is no excuse in a school side for slow, slovenly fielding. Very few batsmen in school cricket reach fifty without giving several chances.

There was ample evidence of enthusiasm amongst the juniors, some of whom played in every available spare moment of the day—and probably in their sleep too.

CHARACTERS OF THE 1st XI.

Lloyd (Captain).—A conscientious captain. Unselfishly used himself only as a change bowler, otherwise, with more practice, he would have taken more wickets. Defended stubbornly with the bat.

Eckton.—One of the best bats we have had. He got well over the ball and always played careful and correct cricket. Alert and quick behind the stumps, he kept wicket well.

Sefton.—A solid batsman who hit the ball with great power, he played several very useful and workmanlike innings and took some neat catches in the slips.

McKittrick.—A natural all-round cricketer, bringing the ball down from a good height with an easy, rhythmical action; his bowling, always steady, was sometimes really difficult. He has a fluent batting style which was only lacking in power. His catching and throwing in were very good.

Gardner.—Developed into a good, quick opening bowler who moved the new ball in the air. He bowls few bad balls.

Bond.—A good slow-medium bowler with a deliberate action who studied his own bowling. He kept his head under punishment and should do well.

Marsden.—A useful change bowler and an attacking bat; keen in the field.

Porter.—Had an unlucky season. He has a nice style but he must get his left leg to the pitch of the ball in his forward strokes and show more concentration in defence.

Robinson.—A dour left-hander with spasmodic bursts of ferocity when batting.

Brinnand.—Has a stiff armlocked style, but he kept his bat straight and was difficult to move. Had an irritating habit of ignoring long hops on the leg side.

Marginson.—A young player who showed promise with bat and ball.

Titely.—Showed aptitude as a bowler and hit well when batting, slow in the field.

R.A.B.

CRICKET, 1941.

Sat., May 31st. School 1st XI v. Preston Catholic College 1st XI. Away. Won.

The School batted first and were soon in difficulties, the first four wickets falling for only 17 runs, but a stand by Brinnand and a lively knock by Marsden put the School in a better position, the School being all out for the fairly respectable total of 75 runs,

The College were never allowed to settle down, and were quickly dismissed by the good bowling of Gardner and Bond for 17 runs. Gardner took 5 for 6.

Result : School, 75 ; Preston Catholic College, 17.

Sat., June 7th. School 1st XI v. Kirkham G. S. 1st XI. Home. Draw.

The School again won the toss and batted first on a hard wicket. The runs came frequently and the School were soon in a good position, due to the sound batting of Eckton, and the spectacular innings of Sefton who scored 54 not out. The remaining School batsmen were unable to add many runs to the score, and the School declared at 104 for 9.

Kirkham attacked the School bowling confidently and gradually approached the School's total, but the time was insufficient for the issue to be decided. Kirkham reached a total of 81 for 5 when stumps were drawn.

Result : School, 104 for 9 ; Kirkham, 81 for 5.

Wed., June 11th. School 1st XI v. Preston Catholic College 1st XI. Home. Won.

In our return match with the College, the School put the College in to bat on a hard wicket. They put up a much better fight than previously, making a total of 60, despite some good bowling by Bond who took 6 for 25.

The School were at first rather shaky, the opening batsmen excluding Eckton who scored 30, being easily dismissed. But a welcome 14 runs from Marginson and 15 from Lloyd enabled the School to pass the College total by 16 runs after an exciting finish.

Result : School, 76 ; Preston Catholic College, 60.

Sat., June 24th. School 1st XI v. Leyland 2nd XI. Home. Lost.

Leyland batted first on a wet and treacherous wicket. Their opening batsmen were dismissed for 13 runs but a third wicket stand blunted the School attack and raised the score to 66, before the good bowling of McKittrick broke the partnership and settled the fate of the remaining batsmen. McKittrick took 4 for 15.

The School were unable to offer any strong opposition to the Leyland bowling, (only Sefton (12), McKittrick (10), and Marsden (14), reached double figures) and were gradually but steadily dismissed for a total of 63 runs.

Result : School, 63 ; Leyland 2nd XI, 90.

Sat., June 21st. School 1st XI v. A Sedbergh XI. Home. Won.

The School bowlers soon dismissed the opening Sedbergh batsmen, but a recovery on the part of their 'tail end' enabled them to reach a total of 85. Bond again bowled well taking 5 for 27.

The School attacked the Sedbergh bowling with vigour and reached a score of 40 before the 1st wicket fell. The score continued to rise rapidly, Eckton scoring 49 before being unfortunately run out. The School passed the Sedbergh total easily with 7 wickets in hand and declared at 110 for 7.

Result : School 110 for 7 wickets ; Sedbergh, 85.

Sat., June 28th. School 1st XI v. Chorley G. S. 1st XI. Home. Won.

Chorley were put in to bat on an exceedingly hard and dry wicket. Their innings was in the nature of a collapse, the School bowling being on the top of its form ; Chorley were dismissed for 44 runs. Bond had another good average of 5 for 20.

The School replied strongly, Eckton contributing a quick 31, mostly made up of boundaries, Chorley's total was quickly reached and the School declared at 60 for 4.

Result : School, 60 for 4 wickets ; Chorley, 44.

Sat., July 12th. School 1st XI v. Kirkham G. S. 1st IX. Away. Lost.

The School suffered the same fate in their return match at Kirkham as they did last year. Kirkham batted first and offered dour opposition to the School bowling. The opening pair were only separated after a score of 38 had been reached. The score steadily increased until they were finally dismissed for 139.

The School made a disastrous start losing Eckton and Porter for only 1 run. McKittrick (25) and Sefton, however, batted well, and the score steadily rose. The School were unable to overcome the Kirkham bowling, but continued to fight stubbornly to the last wicket, Brinnand scoring a good 14 runs in this end struggle.

Result : School 84 ; Kirkham, 139.

Wed., July 23rd. School 1st XI v. Staff XI. Home. Lost.

The School batted first, but their effort was exceedingly weak, only Eckton (16) and Lloyd (16 not out) reaching double figures. Mr. Oldland, with the wind behind him, bowled with fire and hostility and the School were soon out for 59. Mr. Oldland took 5 for 25, and Mr. Bennison 5 for 21.

The Staff had a poor start, but with the advent of Mr. Bennison, who scored 51, and Mr. Wilkinson, who quickly knocked up 30, the School's hopes vanished, and with another 30 from Mr. Parry, the School was decidedly defeated.

Result : School, 59 ; Staff 130 for 8 wickets.

RESULTS OF SCHOOL 1st XI MATCHES, 1941.

Played	Won	Drawn	Lost
8	4	1	3

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CRICKET LEAGUES TABLE, 1941.

House	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Pts.
Cuerden.....	6	4	0	2	8
Farington.....	6	3	1	2	7
Clayton.....	6	3	0	3	6
Worden.....	6	1	1	4	3

Shield Winners : Cuerden.

CRICKET KNOCK-OUTS.

The Cricket Knock-Outs this year were again eagerly contested. Farington easily proved superior to Clayton, and Worden completely defeated Cuerden.

THE FINAL.

The final produced a good game. Worden batted first, but offered little resistance to some good bowling by Porter (6 for 16) and McKittrick (4 for 17). Farington then reached the respectable total of 98, of which Oldland made 14, Taberner 32 and Porter 25. Worden did better in their second innings, scoring 99, of which Eckton scored 32, Salisbury 27, and Titley 22. McKittrick again bowled well with 5 wickets for 34. Farington got the runs with 6 wickets down, and were eventually all out for 57.

Scores : Farington 98 and 57 ; Worden 33 and 99.

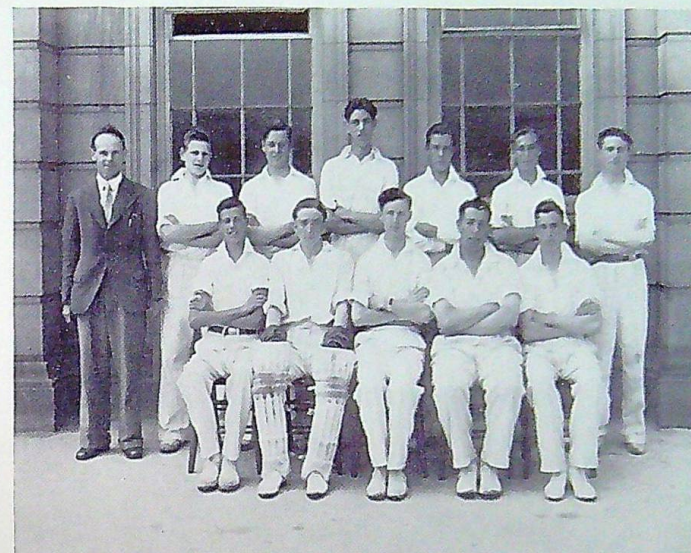
SCHOOL 1st XI AVERAGES FOR SEASON 1941.

Batting.

	No. of Innings	Times not out	Runs	Most in one innings	Average
Eckton.....	8	0	155	49	19.4
Sefton.....	8	1	129	54 not out	18.5
Lloyd.....	7	2	60	16 not out	12
McKittrick.....	8	0	52	25	6.5
Marsden.....	8	1	44	22	5.5
Robinson.....	7	1	31	8	5.2
Brinnand.....	7	1	30	15	5
Marginson L.....	4	0	20	14	5
Titley.....	1	0	5	5	5
Gardner.....	5	1	15	6	3.8
Porter.....	8	0	21	8	2.6
Bond.....	6	1	10	5	2
Tennant.....	1	0	1	1	1
Taberner.....	1	0	0	0	0

Bowling.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Bond.....	79.3	18	202	25	8.08
Gardner.....	78.1	17	182	22	8.3
McKittrick.....	33.4	8	121	13	9.3
Lloyd.....	19.4	8	76	8	9.5
Marsden.....	4	1	12	0	0.0



SCHOOL 1st XI CRICKET, 1941.

Back Row : (left to right) : Mr. Bennison, Marginson, Brinnand, Robinson, Bond, Tennant.

Front Row : (left to right) : McKittrick, Eckton, Lloyd, Sefton, Porter.

Played 8. Won 4. Lost 3. Drawn 1.



SCHOOL 1st IX ROUNDERS, 1941.

Back Row : (left to right) : F. Hutchings, P. Howson, M. Hunt, J. Marland, B. Pickburn.

Front Row : (left to right) : B. Haigh, E. Wilson, Miss Bartlett, B. Y. Sharples, J. Boothman.

Played 5. Won 5. Lost None.



SCHOOL 1st VI TENNIS, 1941.

Back Row : (left to right) : F. Gough, E. Wilson, A. Bradley, M. Hunt.
 Front Row : (left to right) : B. Haigh, Miss Bartlett, B. Y. Sharples.

Played 5. Won 3. Lost 2.

Results of other School Matches were :—

Sat., May 31st. School Colts XI v. Ormskirk G. S. Colts XI. Away. Won.

Result : School Colts XI, 37 runs (for 8 wickets)
 Ormskirk G. S. Colts XI, 30 runs.

Sat., June 14th. School Colts XI v. Preston Catholic College Colts XI. Away. Won.

Result : School Colts XI, 72 runs (for 2 wickets).
 Preston Catholic College XI, 63 runs.

Sat., June 21st. School Colts XI v. Chorley G.S. Colts XI. Home. Won.

Result : School Colts XI, 84 runs.
 Chorley G.S. Colts XI, 17 runs.

Sat., June 28th. School 2nd XI v. Chorley G. S. 2nd XI. Away. Won.

Result : School 2nd XI, 51 runs.
 Chorley G.S. 2nd XI, 57 runs.

Sat., July 5th. School Colts XI v. Ormskirk G. S. Colts XI. Home. Lost.

Result : School Colts XI, 51 runs.
 Ormskirk G. S. Colts XI, 55 runs (for 4 wickets).

Sat., July 12th. School 2nd XI v. Kirkham G. S. 2nd XI. Home. Lost.

Result : School 2nd XI, 105.
 Kirkham G. S. 2nd XI, 128.

ROUNDERS, 1941

Captain : E. Wilson.

The Rounders season has been a very enjoyable one. Keen practice throughout the School has brought a high standard of play.

Both the 1st IX and Junior IX have won all their matches. The batting has been strong and well-placed, and the fielding quick and accurate. The teams are to be congratulated on their keenness and on the happy atmosphere which has made both practices and matches so enjoyable.

TEAM CRITICISMS.

Bowler : E. Wilson.—Has become an exceptionally good bowler, and has batted well throughout the season. She has captained the team well, showing a thorough knowledge of the game.

Backstop : B. Sharples.—A safe backstop and accurate thrower. Has batted well and shown a good knowledge of the game.

1st Base : B. Haigh.—Has batted and fielded well in all the matches, combining particularly well with Backstop and Third Base.

2nd Base : M. Hunt.—Has played well in her first season on the team. Fielding has been very sound.

3rd Base : F. Hutchings.—A very quick and safe fielder indeed. Has worked well with 1st. Base.

1st Deep : B. Pickburn.—A good fielder ; throwing in quick and accurate.

2nd. Deep : J. Marland.—A good batter, usually one of the last left in ! Also a good fielder in every way.

3rd. Deep : J. Boothman.—A strong hitter and a quick safe deep-fielder.

4th Deep : P. Howson.—A good all round player. Throws in well from the deep.
M.K.B.

SCHOOL MATCHES.

May 24th. School 1st IX v. Hindley G.S. 1st IX. Home. Won.

Although this was the first match of the season, the School team worked together very well, and by anticipation and quickness on the ball, we were able to beat our opponents. The hitting was not very good at first, but gradually the team seemed to find its feet, and matters began to improve. On the whole, the Hindley hitting was superior to ours, but the school deep fielders prevented them from scoring often.

Result : School, 5 ; Hindley G. S. 2.

June 14th. School 1st IX v. Upholland G.S. 1st IX. Away. Won.

At the outset this looked like being a very hard, close match, with both teams hitting out very well. Gradually, however, the School team got on top of the bowling, and by dint of good placing, several well-earned rounders were scored. The school team had just gone out to field for the second time, when conditions were considerably worsened by a heavy downpour of rain, and when play re-commenced the whole pitch was extremely slippery. However, after this our deep field had very little to do, for the opposing team were out very quickly, chiefly due to accurate throwing and anticipation by the bases.

Result : School, 6½ ; Upholland G. S. 1.

June 21st. School 1st IX v. Ashton-in-Makerfield 1st. IX. Away. Won.

This was one of the most satisfying matches of the season, because we usually come back from Ashton feeling sorry for ourselves. On this occasion it was obvious that the School team was determined to show what it could do, and for once the hitting was remarkably good. Three members of the team in particular got on top of the bowling immediately and the Ashton deeps were continually harassed and outwitted.

Result : School, 20 ; Ashton-in-Makerfield G. S., 2.

June 20th. School 1st IX v. Ormskirk G. S. 1st. IX. Away. Won.

Once again the fielding rather than the batting of the School team earned us a victory. Though the deep field had very little work to do, the bases were alert all the time, and the combination between bowler, backstop and first base was particularly good. We cannot claim that the School batting was outstanding in this match, and the team would do well to take more care in risking rounders from comparatively short hits.

Result : School, 6½ ; Ormskirk G. S., 0.

July 12th. School 1st. IX v. Newton-in-Makerfield 1st IX. Home. Won.

This was the last match of the season, and we were determined to make the most of it. The School team was superior to Newton from the first, who scored only because our fielding was a little lackadaisical. The bowling of the opposing team proved very acceptable to most of the home team, and accordingly they played havoc with it. Again three members of the team were outstanding, but almost every member of the team was responsible for at least one rounder.

Result : School, 23 ; Newton-in-Makerfield G. S., 1½.

May 24th. School Junior IX v. Hindley G.S. Junior IX. Home. Won.

The School Junior team had been practising hard, and were looking forward to their first match. On the whole their batting was rather better than the opposing team's, although their fielding was the decisive factor.

Result : School Junior IX, 10 ; Hindley G. S. Junior IX, 0.

June 14th. School Junior IX v. Upholland G. S. Junior IX. Away. Won.

Here the quickness and accuracy of the School Junior team were very pronounced and the Juniors put up a very good show. Certainly they were very keen, and their keenness was rewarded. Their batting was excellent and they took advantage of 'open' positions. The team finally declared, with an innings to spare.

Result : School Junior IX, 7½ and an innings, declared ;
Upholland G. S. Junior IX, 2½.

June 21st. School Junior IX v. Ashton-in-Makerfield Junior IX. Away. Won.

Although the Juniors succeeded in winning this match, it was with no little effort. The Ashton team was determined to fight, and the School team had to bring forth all its energy and skill. Again, however, the keen spirit and hard practice of our Juniors triumphed.

Result : School Junior IX, 6 ; Ashton-in-Makerfield Junior IX, 3.

June 28th. School Junior IX v. Ormskirk G.S. Junior IX. Away. Won.

The batting of the Juniors, though not spectacular or particularly brilliant, was very effective, and wherever a weak spot appeared in the deep field of the opposing side, they were almost sure to place a ball. The Ormskirk team were lucky to keep the score as low as it was, and yet we must commend them on the fine-spirited perseverance which they showed.

Result : School Junior IX, 12 ; Ormskirk G. S. Junior IX, 0.

July 5th. School Junior IX v. Upholland G. S. Junior IX. Home. Won.

In their return match, Upholland were determined to keep down our score. Our own Juniors had, I think, a worse time than they had bargained for, and it required all they had got to pull off a victory. Yet they rose to the occasion, and by sheer hard hitting managed to score $4\frac{1}{2}$ rounders.

Result : School Junior IX, $4\frac{1}{2}$; Upholland G. S. Junior IX, 0.

RESULTS OF SCHOOL MATCHES, 1941.

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost
1st IX.....	5	5	0	0
Junior IX.....	5	5	0	0

ROUNDERS LEAGUES TABLE, 1941.

House	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
Clayton.....	6	5	0	1	10
Cuerden.....	6	4	0	2	8
Farington.....	6	3	0	3	6
Worden.....	6	0	0	6	0

Shield Winners : Clayton.

Our congratulations go to Clayton on winning the Rounders Knock-outs, and to Farington who were runners up. It was an extremely good game, but Clayton were the better team and certainly deserved to win.

Result : Clayton 3 ; Farington 2.

TENNIS, 1941.

Captain : B. Haigh.

There has been great competition this year for places in the team. Several players were of the same standard at the beginning of the term, and it was quite a time before we could decide on the best arrangement of couples.

Style and courtcraft improved steadily but I still want to see more hard, winning shots. The Park School was the only school which beat us, and unfortunately, rain prevented us from inflicting on them the crushing defeat we had planned by the return match ! We can, however, look back on a very satisfactory season's tennis.

TEAM CRITICISMS.

1st Couple : B. Haigh.—Had rather a slow start this year but got back her previous form as the season progressed. Good forehand, backhand and volley, but needs to be quicker on her feet. Has a good knowledge of tactics and has made a successful Captain.

M. Hunt.—Has played in the team for the first time. Style quite good, but needs to be much quicker on her feet.

2nd Couple : B. Sharples.—Forehand drive greatly improved from last year. Hits strongly, but is not always steady enough on her feet. Volleying good, and play altogether alert and vigorous.

F. Gough.—A new member of the team who shows great promise. Style easy and natural in all strokes but needs to move more quickly about the court.

3rd Couple : A. Bradley.—Style rather unorthodox, but determination and good positioning make her successful. Volleying good.

E. Wilson.—Strokes very much steadier this year. Is alert and quick and shows good knowledge of the game.

Reserves : J. Boothman and M. Garnett.—Have practised hard and have played well in several matches.

M.K.B.

SCHOOL MATCHES.

May 28th. School 1st VI v. Rivington G. S. 1st VI. Away. Won.

For the first match of the season the School team obtained good results. In our practices we had concentrated on net-play, and the results were good except that we made the mistake of following up on drives which had not sufficient length.

Result : School, 7 events ; Rivington G. S., 2 events.

June 18th. School 1st VI v. Preston Park School 1st VI. Away. Lost.

The two teams were fairly evenly matched but from the beginning it was obvious that our opponents were the stronger team. Despite the fact that we placed our shots well we were defeated mainly by the brilliant net-play of the opposing team. After a strong struggle the Park School were the victors.

Result : School, 4 events ; Preston Park School, 5 events

June 25th. School 1st VI v. Ashton-in-Makerfield G. S. 1st VI. Home. Won.

After having practised hard after our match against the Park School we were determined to be victorious. The match started off well for us—our three couples winning their first sets. It was soon evident that we were the stronger team, both in combination and in strokes. Much to our dismay it began to drizzle and we were afraid that the match would be abandoned. However the courts were not too wet and the match was continued.

Result : School, 9 events ; Ashton-in-Makerfield G. S., 0 events.

July 5th. School 1st VI v. Upholland G. S. 1st VI. Home. Won.

This match was played in the morning and had to be left unfinished owing to the lack of time although the result was decisive. Both teams combined well but there was a certain amount of nervousness on both sides. The match started in an erratic way. We were apt to play mostly on the defensive, but getting to know the tricks of our opponents we gradually gained confidence, and followed up our drives well.

Result : School, 67 games ; Upholland G. S., 14 games.

July 10th. School 1st VIII v. Old Girls VIII. Home. Lost.

This match against the Old Girls was eagerly anticipated. After the good match we had with them last season we were hoping for still better results. We were able to play four couples, though owing to there only being two hard courts, half the match was played on the grass ones. We were up against more experienced players than ourselves and although we put up a stiff resistance we were finally defeated.

Result : School, 81 games ; Old Girls, 95 games.

RESULTS OF SCHOOL 1st VI MATCHES, 1941.

Played	Won	Drawn	Lost
5	3	0	2

TENNIS LEAGUES TABLE, 1941.

House	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
Farington.....	6	5	1	0	11
Cuerden.....	6	5	1	0	11
Clayton.....	6	1	1	4	3
Worden.....	6	0	1	5	1

Shield Winners : Tie between Farington and Cuerden.

TENNIS KNOCK-OUT FINAL.

Our congratulations go to Clayton on winning the Tennis Knock-outs, and to Farington who were runners-up. After the first sets the score was fairly even, but Clayton gained the advantage during the latter half of the match.

HOUSE NOTES**CLAYTON HOUSE**

House Master : Mr. A. J. Bull.

House Mistress : Miss F. W. Royle.

House Captains : Sefton, K. F. (Boys) ; J. C. Howcroft (Girls).

We congratulate the House on winning the Hockey, Rugby, Tennis and Rounders Knock-out Cups and the Hockey, Rugby and Rounders League Shields—all during the last year. But it is with regret that we notice that the Silver Griffin, reward of scholastic merit, still eludes our grasp and that Clayton House habitually gravitates to the bottom of the Order of Merit.

In case the new members of the House do not know and the rest of the members have forgotten, the Silver Griffin is awarded to the House whose average for form positions is highest. While large numbers may be the right thing in some walks of life, they, unfortunately, are not when it is a case of numbers denoting positions ; nevertheless our luck is bound to turn some day and with this comforting thought let us leave the subject till the next time House Notes have to be written.

It is with regret that up to the present we learn there will not be any House parties this term, because of the Black-out.

The spirit of the new members seems to be in accordance with the true Claytonite tradition, and we hope, if some of the middle school do not go into hibernation this year, to retain all our trophies and perhaps add a few more to our score.

CUERDEN HOUSE

House Master : Mr. F. Parry.

House Mistress : Miss K. Whewell.

House Captains : Rigby, W. (Boys) ; A. Lee (Girls).

Once more we set pen to paper to record upon the tablets of time the achievements and failures of Cuerden House.

Our achievements were many ; our failures, well not failures—just bad misses.

First let us set about the task of tabulating these last.

Our most wretched 'misses' were the loss of the Cricket Knock-outs and Rounders Knock-outs. Let us not bear it hard, however, against our worthy adversaries. On the contrary let us compliment them on their success.

In the Rounders Leagues the girls were unlucky in finishing second in the table.

Again this year it has not been our lot to gain possession of the coveted Silver Griffin, token of scholastic merit. How we should welcome its reappearance in the House Room !

Yet take heart Cuerdenites ! Let not these melancholy things make you yourselves melancholy. Let them indeed spur you on to future victories.

The boys were successful in the Cricket Leagues, heading the table with a total of four wins out of a possible six.

For the second time we can give ourselves the proverbial pat on the back ; for was not the wresting of the House Championship Cup for sports, from all comers, a glorious feat, an achievement not to be forgotten in years to come ? All praise is due to the earnest efforts of Pauline Briggs and Marsden, who were adequately rewarded by being the winners of the Victrix and Victor Ludorum cups respectively. We congratulate them both.

Those who were with us in past years will remember the House Parties we used to have—bright spots of festivity and gladness in the relative dullness of the daily round. Was not Mr. Hilditch largely responsible for their success ? We have lost in him a man

of great powers, who stuck to the House through fair weather and foul. Let us wish him every success in the R.A.F.

In his stead comes Mr. Parry. Make him welcome, Cuerdenites ! We feel sure that he will bridge the wide gap that Mr. Hilditch left at his departure.

FARINGTON HOUSE

House Master : Mr. H. J. Lomax.

House Mistress : Miss A. Milroy.

House Captains : Porter, A. S. (Boys) ; A. K. Bradshaw (Girls).

Once again we have entered upon another school year, and we welcome to our House all the new members.

The greatest achievement the House has had during the last year, was that of heading the Merit List for the second time in succession. Therefore, it is with pride that we enter the House room to see the Griffin standing on its shelf.

Our disappointments have been many. Although the girls managed to get to the finals of the Tennis and Rounders Knockouts, they were defeated each time by Clayton, who had very good teams. The boys, however did manage to hold up their heads by winning the Cricket Knockouts, after a very hard struggle. In the Sports we did badly. The House having so few seniors, was dependent on the juniors for the points, and it was with deep regret that we saw the much prized Athletic Trophy handed over to Cuerden House.

Nevertheless we hope that the younger members of the House will strive, this coming year, to maintain, and even to improve upon Farington's record.

WORDEN HOUSE

House Master : Mr. B. L. Wilkinson.

House Mistress : Miss M. A. Rahill.

House Captains : Lund, H. (Boys) ; M. W. Holding (Girls).

Our first duty this term is to welcome all newcomers to Worden House and assure them from the beginning that it is to them we look for the future honour and glory of Worden, both in the classroom and on the playing field. For prowess in the class room is offered the Silver Griffin which has not, alas, graced the Worden House room wall for many years ; for prowess on the playing field are offered various cups and shields, of which, once more, the House room is practically bare. Therefore, having stated the prizes at stake, we exhort every member of the House to do his best to help win a few of them.

In this chapter of Worden's history we are able to record but one brilliant achievement—the winning of the Inter-House Relay Cup in last term's Athletic Sports. Well done! A little cheer comes, too, from the fact that we only missed the Cricket Knock-Out Cup by a very few runs, and the Sports Cup by a narrow margin. Perhaps next year we shall be able to secure both. At present Worden is going strong in the Rugger leagues and it is whispered that, with a determination to win fixed firmly in its mind, the Knock-Out team will make the day its own. Good luck to it!

Turning now to the feminine side of the House, we admit with shame that we have nothing in the sporting sphere to declare. If only there had been parties this year, there we could have excelled all other houses, but, did I hear someone say "Wishful thinking"? However, despite the fact that our hockey team this year leaves much to be desired, we can always look forward to Summer when we may manage to make a show at Rounders and Tennis. Once upon a time Worden was very famous for its tennis; is it going to be again? The girls alone are to be relied upon; may we surprise the other Houses this year and then be able to say with satisfaction next July, "Congratulations, Worden, on a piece of work well done".

—o— "NON SIBI SED ALIIS".

- June 10th, 1941—Red Cross and St. John Ambulance.—£6/7/0.
 June 25th, 1941—Sunshine Homes for Blind Babies.—£2/13/2.
 July 5th, 1941.—Alexandra Rose Day.—£2/8/5.
 October 8th, 1941—St. John Ambulance (Leyland Branch).—£4/15/0.
 October 25th, 1941—Preston Station Free Buffet for Troops.—£5/0/0.
 November 10th, 1941—R.A.F. Benevolent Fund.—£5/0/0.
 November 11th, 1941—Earl Haigh's Poppy Fund.—£7/13/2.
 November 12th, 1941—Preston Infirmary County Linen League.—£2/3/0.

To date—Troops' Comforts Fund.....£80/13/4½.

—o— ROLL OF SERVICE.

"Non sibi sed aliis".

Allibone, F.	R.A.F.	Farington	1927-33
Barrow, N.	R.A.	Cuerden	1928-34
Bentley, H.	R.A.F.	—	1929-30
Briggs, C. A.	Fleet Air Arm.	Clayton	1926-34
Berry, H. M.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1932-36
Bailey, H.	R.A.	Clayton	1930-37
Banks, M.L.	R.A.S.C.	Cuerden	1930-36
Bilcliffe, S.	Army Dental Corps.	Clayton	1929-33

Briggs, E. A.	R.E.	Clayton	1930-33
Bland, G.	R.A.F. (Medical)	Farington	1931-36
Biggar, E.	R.A.F.	—	1925-31
Biggar, G.	R.A.	—	1926-31
Brace, F.	R.C. of Signals	—	1928-31
Baron, F. C.	R.C. of Signals	—	1925-31
Berry, C. F.	R.A.F.	—	1919-23
Bretherton, T.	R.N.	—	1923-30
Bleasdale, T. A.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1935-39
Bowling, J. B.	R.A.F.	Worden	1934-39
Bellis, R.	R.A.F.	Farington	1927-35
Brown, J.	R.N.	Clayton	1932-35
Cocker, T.	R.A.M.C.	Worden	1927-32
Coates, S.	R.A.F.	Worden	1932-33
Coulson, K.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1933-39
Church, C. A.	R.C. of Signals	Worden	1932-38
Challender, E. H.	R.A.F.	Worden	1931-36
Cannon, B.	R.A.F.	—	1924-31
Darnell, P.W.	R.A.	Farington	1929-37
Downie, J.	R.A.	Farington	1929-38
Duxbury, J. A.	R.A.	Farington	1930-36
Davies, R. T.	R.E.	Clayton	1932-33
Damp, A.	R.A.F.	—	1928-29
Downer, W. J. (Master)	R.A.O.C.	—	1935—
Dugdale, C. F.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1932-37
Deacon, Annie	W.A.A.F.	Farington	1929-33
Dewhurst, J.	R.A.O.C.	—	1923-27
Dickinson, M.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1933-37
Davies, J. B.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1929-33
Etherington, J.	R.C. of Signals	Farington	1926-32
Eckton, G.	R.A.F.	Worden	1932-38
Edmunds, Jean	W.A.A.F.	Worden	1933-38
Elliott, Charles	R. Tank Corps	Worden	1933-39
Eason, A. D. B.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1932-39
Fishwick, J.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1928-35
Fisher, R. W. (Master)	R.A.F.	—	1934—
Grenall, R.	R.A.	Worden	1931-36
Gold, D.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1931-36
Gates, E.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1928-36
Goater, J. G.	R.N.	Worden	1932-38
Greenwood, N.	R.A.F.	Farington	1931-36
Greenhalgh, L.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1933-37
Gorner, J. H.	R.A.F.	Worden	1934-38
Greenwood, A.	R.A.F.	Farington	1929-35
Guest, L.	R.A.F.	—	—
Harrison, G.	R.N.	Clayton	1934-38
Haydock, J.	Yeomanry	Worden	1928-35
Hocking, H. D.	R. Tank Corps	Farington	1927-33
Hocking, I.	R.E.	Farington	1930-35
Hudson, I. A.	R.A.M.C.	Farington	1931-36
Herring, H.	Army Dental Corps	—	1927-29
Hesketh, J. C.	R.A.F.	Worden	1932-38
Higham, J. L.	R.A.O.C.	Cuerden	1929-33
Hilton, G.	R.A.F.	—	1924-29
Hilditch, C. S. (Master)	R.A.F.	—	1929—
Heyes, T.	—	—	1924-28
Iddon, H. R.	R.A.F.	Farington	1932-37
Iddon, B. C.	R.A.F.	Farington	1928-32
Jackson, W. M.	R.A.F.	Worden	1929-35
Jackson, A.	R.A.S.C.	Worden	1925-32
King, J.	R.N.V.R.	Clayton	1931-35
Kenyon, A.	R.A.F.	Farington	1934-40
Lawton, F. H.	R.A.	Cuerden	1926-32
Lee, K. A.	R.A.F.	Worden	1932-33
Lloyd, S. L. W.	R.A.S.C.	Worden	1931-35

Lewis, J. C.	R.A.F.	Worden	1933-37
Leyland, J. H.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1939
Lancaster, Rev. W. J.	Chaplain to the Forces	—	1915-25
Marland, G. W.	R.A.F.	Worden	1932-36
Marland, L.	R.A.F.	Worden	1932-34
Marland, W.	R.A.F.	Worden	1927-33
Miller, J.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1933-38
Mortimer, H.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1929-33
Marland, R. G.	R.A.F.	—	1928-31
Mason, E. E.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1932-38
Marsden, A. J.	Fleet Air Arm	Farington	1933-37
Mitchell, F. L.	R.A.F.	Farington	1932-40
Marsden, C. S.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1933-41
McCann, W.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1924-32
Noon, E. C.	C.M.P.	—	1925-30
Nelson, T. A.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1927-34
Orrell, N.	R.A.S.C.	Farington	1929-33
Parker, R. M.	R.A.	Farington	1927-32
Parker, L. N.	R.A.S.C.	Worden	1930-36
Parkinson, C. D.	R.A.F.	Farington	1933-37
Patefield, P. W.	R.A.	Farington	1928-33
Pennington, H.	R.A.F.	Worden	1932-35
Parker, T. A.	R.A.P.C.	Worden	1927-31
Rimmer, A. B.	R.A.O.C.	Clayton	1929-36
Robinson, W.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1931-37
Richardson, K. C.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1933-38
Riding, T.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1932-36
Robinson, F.	R.A.S.C.	—	1923-30
Salthouse, F.	R.A.M.C.	Cuerden	1929-35
Shepherd, F. W.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1929-33
Smith, S. E.	R.A.F.	Worden	1930-33
Shepherd, R. T.	R.A.	Cuerden	1929-32
Sutton, R.	R.A.F.	Cuerden	1931-37
Sutton, H.	R.C. of Signals	Clayton	1933-41
Salisbury, W.	R.A.O.C.	Cuerden	1928-32
Sutcliffe, R. L.	R.A.O.C.	—	1921-29
Sharples, J. B.	Pioneer Corps	Cuerden	1930-36
Sanderson, J.	R.A.F.	—	1924-29
Seed, H.	R.A.F.	—	1925-29
Smith, B. M.	R.A.F.	Worden	1933-39
Sanderson, J. H.	R.A.F.	Farington	1933-39
Seed, Alice	W.A.A.F.	Farington	1931-37
Saul, F. J.	R.A.F.	—	1924-29
Stringfellow, N.	R.A.P.C.	Farington	1925-33
Sumner, F. H.	A.M.P.C.	—	1922-27
Turner, Ronald	R.A.F.	Clayton	1932-38
Turner, Richard	R.A.	Worden	1931-39
Taylor, F.	R.A.F.	Clayton	1933-38
Vause, P. G.	R.A.F.	Worden	1925-33
Wilkinson, J. N.	R.A.	Clayton	1931-36
Wilkinson, E. G.	R.A.F.	—	1920-28
Witter, W.	R.A.	Cuerden	1932-36
Wildman, R.	R.C. of Signals	Cuerden	1926-31
Wilkinson, C. G.	R.C. of Signals	Worden	1932-33
Walsh, R.	R.A.M.C.	—	1919-26
Wootton, F.	R.A.F.	—	1920-27
Walsh, F.	R.A.F.	—	1917-27
Wilde, J. F.	R.A.F.	—	1920-26
Whistlecroft, C. J.	Merchant Navy	Cuerden	1932-38
Wright, K. W.	R.A.F.	Farington	1932-36
Wood, H.	K.O. Royal Regt.	Cuerden	1929-35
Yates, F.	R.A.F.	Farington	1932-36
Yates, K.	Durham Light Inf'ty.	Clayton	1931-37

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H. J. LOMAX.

CALENDAR

1941		SEPTEMBER	Sports Results.
Tu.	16	Supervision Duty : Miss Royle, Lund H., A. Lee.	
W.	17		
Th.	18		
F.	19		
S.	20		
M.	22	Supervision Duty : Miss Milroy, Sefton, K. F., J. C. Howcroft. 10-30 a.m. Lecture on the R.A.F. by F/Lt. C. G. Brewer.	
Tu.	23		
W.	24		
Th.	25		
F.	26		
S.	27	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Chorley G. S. 1st XI (h)	
M.	29	Supervision Duty : Mr. Bull, Gardner, R. J., B. Y. Sharples	
Tu.	30		
		OCTOBER	
W.	1	Rugger Leagues : Cl. v. F.(1) ; Cu. v. W.(1)	
		Hockey Leagues : Cl. v. W.(1) ; Cu. v. F.(1)	
Th.	2		
F.	3		
S.	4	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Hindley G. S. 1st XI (h)	
M.	6	Supervision Duty : Miss Lewis, Tennant, D. A., F. J. Elliott.	
Tu.	7		
W.	8		
Th.	9		
F.	10		
S.	11	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Ormskirk G. S. 1st XI (h) School Junior XI v. Ormskirk G. S. Junior XI (h)	
		Rugby Football : School 1st XV v. Newton-le-Willows 1st XV (a)	
M.	13	Supervision Duty : Miss Robinson, Rigby, W., A. K. Bradshaw.	
Tu.	14		
W.	15	Rugger Leagues : Cl. v. Cu.(1) ; F. v. W.(1)	
		Hockey Leagues : Cl. v. F.(1) ; Cu. v. W.(1)	
Th.	16		
F.	17		
S.	18	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Rivington G. S. 1st XI (a) Rugby Football : School 1st XV v. Blackpool G. S. 1st XV. (a)	
		School Bantams XV v. Blackpool G. S. Bantams XV (a)	
M.	20	Supervision Duty : Mr. Wilkinson, Porter, A. S. E. Wilson.	
Tu.	21		
W.	22		
Th.	23		
F.	24		
S.	25	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Newton-in-Makerfield G. S. 1st XI (h) School Junior XI v. Newton-in-Makerfield G. S. Junior XI (h)	
		Rugby Football : School 1st XV v. Hutton G.S. 1st XV (h)	

OCTOBER—continued.		
M.	27	Supervision Duty : Miss Fletcher, Sefton, K. F., M. W. Holding.
Tu.	28	
W.	29	Rugger Leagues : Cl. v. W.(1) ; Cu. v. F.(1)..... Hockey Leagues : Cl. v. Cu.(1) ; F. v. W.(1).....
Th.	30	
F.	31	
NOVEMBER		
S.	1	Rugby Football : School 1st XV v. Ormskirk G. S. 1st XV (h)..... School Bantams XV v. Ormskirk G. S. Bantams XV (h).....
M.	3	Half Term Holiday.
Tu.	4	Half Term Holiday.
W.	5	Supervision Duty : Miss Heppell, Lund H., A. Lee. Rugger Leagues : Cl. v. F.(2) ; Cu. v. W.(2)..... Hockey Leagues : Cl. v. W.(2) ; Cu. v. F.(2).....
Th.	6	
F.	7	
S.	8	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Ashton-in-Makerfield G. S. 1st XI (a)..... School Juniors XI v. Ashton-in-Makerfield G. S. Junior XI (a)..... Rugby Football : School 1st XV v. A Sedbergh School XV (a).....
M.	10	Supervision Duty : Mr. Parry, Gardner R. J., J. C. Howcroft. Last day of entry for contributions to 'The Balshavian' Vol. XVII, No. 2.
Tu.	11	Armistice Day.
W.	12	
Th.	13	
F.	14	
S.	15	
M.	17	Supervision Duty : Miss Whewell, Tennant, D. A., B. Y. Sharples.
Tu.	18	
W.	19	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Preston Park School 1st XI (h)..... School 2nd XI v. Preston Park School 2nd XI (h).....
Th.	20	
F.	21	
S.	22	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Upholland G. S. 1st XI (a)..... Rugby Football : School 1st XV v. Blackpool St. Joseph's College 1st XV (h)..... School Bantams XV v. Blackpool St. Joseph's College Bantams XV (h).....
M.	24	Supervision Duty : Miss Royle, Rigby, W., J. Elliott
Tu.	25	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Preston Convent School 1st XI (h)..... School 2nd XI v. Preston Convent School 2nd XI (h).....
W.	26	Rugger Leagues : Cl. v. Cu.(2) ; F. v. W.(2)..... Hockey Leagues : Cl. v. F.(2) ; Cu. v. W.(2).....
Th.	27	
F.	28	
S.	29	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Chorley G. S. 1st XI (a).....
DECEMBER		
M.	1	Supervision Duty : Miss Milroy, Porter, A. S., A. K. Bradshaw.
Tu.	2	School Examinations (First Day).
		School Examinations (Second Day).

DECEMBER—continued.		
W.	3	School Examinations (Third Day).
Th.	4	
F.	5	
S.	6	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Hindley G. S. 1st XI (a)..... School Junior XI v. Hindley G. S. Junior XI (a).....
M.	8	Supervision Duty : Mr. Bull, Sefton, K. F.; E. Wilson
Tu.	9	
W.	10	Rugger Leagues : Cl. v. W.(2) ; Cu. v. F.(2)..... Hockey Leagues : Cl. v. Cu.(2) ; F. v. W.(2).....
Th.	11	
F.	12	Publication of 'The Balshavian' Vol. XVII, No. 2.
S.	13	Hockey : School 1st XI v. Ormskirk G. S. 1st XI (a).....
M.	15	Supervision Duty : Miss Lewis, Lund H., M. W. Holding
Tu.	16	
W.	17	
Th.	18	2-0 p.m. Carol Service.
F.	19	Autumn Term Ends. Spring Term commences : Tues. 13th Jany. 1942 (Provisional) Spring Term ends : Fri. 27th March, 1942 (Provisional)

MISCELLANEA.

Clayton House :	House Mistress :	Miss F. W. Royle, B.A.
	House Master :	Mr. A. J. Bull, M.A.
	House Captains :	J. C. Howcroft (Girls), Sefton, K.F. (Boys).
	House Colours :	Green.
	House Room :	IVB.
Cuerden House :	House Mistress :	Miss K. Whewell.
	House Master :	Mr. F. Parry, B.Sc.
	House Captains :	A. Lee (Girls), Rigby, W., (Boys).
	House Colours :	Red.
	House Room :	IIIA.
Farington House :	House Mistress :	Miss A. Milroy, B.A.
	House Master :	Mr. H. J. Lomax, B.Sc., A.R.C.Sc.
	House Captains :	A. K. Bradshaw (Girls), Porter, A.S., (Boys).
	House Colours :	Gold.
	House Room :	IB.
Worden House :	House Mistress :	Miss M. A. Rahill, B.A.
	House Master :	Mr. B. L. Wilkinson, M.A.
	House Captains :	M. W. Holding, (Girls), Lund, H. (Boys).
	House Colours :	Blue.
	House Room :	IA.

Boys. Head Prefect : Lund, H. Sub-Prefects : Tennant, D. A., Gardner, R. J.,
Rigby, W., Porter, A. S., Sefton, K. F.

Girls. Head Prefect : M. W. Holding. Prefects : A. Lee, F. J. Elliott, J. C.
Howcroft, B. Y. Sharples, E. Wilson, A. K. Bradshaw.

Captain of Rugby Football : Sefton, K. F.

Captain of Hockey : B. Y. Sharples.

School Lunch : First Sitting, 12.35 p.m.; Second Sitting, 1 p.m.; in Dining Room.
A two course lunch—meat or fish and two vegetables and sweet—is supplied
daily, price 6d. Pupils should purchase a week's supply of tickets from the
Secretary.

Milk : 10.45 a.m. in Dining Room. Certified "Grade A" Milk can be obtained at
"Break," price ½d. per bottle (with straw).

School Buses : School buses run from the Ribble Bus Station, Tithebarn Street, Preston, at 8.20 a.m., and from the Ribble Bus Station, Chorley, at 8.25 a.m. daily and pick up pupils *en route*. School buses for Preston leave the School gates at 4.10 p.m. and 5.10 p.m. daily.

Tuck Shop : Open from 10-45 to 11 a.m. on certain days.

Commissariat : In Secretary's office at 12-30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Detention : 4.0 to 4.45 p.m. in IVa Room.

Lunch Hour : In wet weather, girls may stay in IIIb and IVb rooms, boys in Ia and IIa rooms. Boys and girls may, if they prefer, listen to the radio-gramophone in the Hall.

School Clearance : All pupils must leave the School premises not later than 5-10 p.m. each day.

School Periods :

Morning Periods :	9-0 to 9-10 a.m.	Prayers.
	9-10 to 9-15 a.m.	Form meetings.
	9-15 to 10-0 a.m.	First Period.
	10-0 to 10-45 a.m.	Second Period.
	10-45 to 11-0 a.m.	Break.
	11-0 to 11-45 a.m.	Third Period.
	11-45 to 12-30 p.m.	Fourth Period.

Afternoon Periods : (a) on afternoons when there are no meetings of Societies :

1-45 to 1-50 p.m.	Form meetings.
1-50 to 2-30 p.m.	Fifth Period.
2-30 to 3-15 p.m.	Sixth Period.
3-15 to 4-0 p.m.	Seventh Period.

(b) on afternoons when there are meetings of Societies :—

1-45 to 1-50 p.m.	Form meetings.
1-50 to 2-15 p.m.	Fifth Period.
2-15 to 2-45 p.m.	Sixth Period.
2-45 to 3-15 p.m.	Seventh Period.
3-15 to 4-0 p.m.	Societies

Meetings :

National Savings Group (Mr. Parry and Miss Fletcher)—in Physics Lab.
12.30 to 1 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays.

School Knitting Club—as arranged by Miss Rahill.

"The Balshavian" : Until further notice "The Balshavian" will be published twice a year (price 9d.)—in May and December—instead of once a term.

Broadcast Lectures :

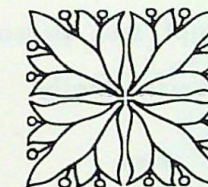
Mondays :	1.50 to 2.10	Practice and Science of Gardening (IIA).
	2.40 to 3.0	English (IVB.).
Tuesdays :	11.25 to 11.40	Games with words (IA).
	2.35 to 3.0	English (IIIA and IIIB).
Wednesdays :	2.15 to 2.35	General Science (IVA)
	2.40 to 3.0	English (IB).
Thursdays :	11.40 to 12.0	Geography (VB).
	2.0 to 2.15	Nature Study (IA and IB).
Fridays :	2.0 to 2.15	Travel Talks (1A and 1B).

Masters and Mistresses in charge of Air-raid Shelters :

No. 1 Clayton (Boys) Mr. Bull.	No. 5 Farington (Boys) Mr. Lomax.
No. 2 Clayton (Girls) Miss Royle.	No. 6 Farington (Girls) Miss Milroy.
No. 3 Cuerden (Boys) Mr. Parry.	No. 7 Worden (Boys) Mr. Wilkinson.
No. 4 Cuerden (Girls) Miss Whewell.	No. 8 Worden (Girls) Miss Rahill.

GAMES.

Day	RUGBY FOOTBALL (Boys)	HOCKEY (Girls)	TENNIS (Girls)
M.....	House Practices (Cl.&Cu.)	House Practices (F.&W.)	Cuerden
Tu.....	1st XXX Practice and Junior Games	Junior XXII Practice and Junior Games	Farington
W.....	House League Matches	House League Matches	1st XXII.
Th.....	1st XXX Practice and Colts XXX Practice.	1st XXII Practice.	Clayton
F.....	House Practices (F.&W.)	House Practices (Cl.&Cu.)	Worden
S.....	School Matches.	School Matches.	



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