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EDITORIAL.

THE committee has been discussing means of provoking people to produce magazine contributions. Shall it be by biting sarcasm? "Your eagerness to contribute such phenomenal numbers of delightful works of art leaves us speechless." Shall it be by gentle persuasion? "Darling, DO write something for the Magazine—we'll help you, in fact we'll nearly write it for you." Or by bribery and corruption?

"An editor to S. Elphin's bound
Cries 'comrades do not ling—er
For we'll give thee a whacking sound
If thou dost nothing bring—er.'"

All these methods have proved of no avail, but as has been said of others, old editors never die, they simply fade away.

We should like especially to appeal to the Old Girls to help us in collecting material for the magazine. Apart from original contributions it is of great interest to read accounts of work which has been undertaken by those who have left school.

We should like to thank Miss Holliday for the Games Reports, the Old Girls for their News, and to acknowledge the Magazines from Lady Manner's School, S. Anselm's School and Leeds' High School.

VALETE.

Miss Hammond, Miss Look, P. N. B. Davies, J. Taylor, B. Woodhouse,
J. Lloyd, R. Jones.

SALVETE.

Miss Johnson, Jane Wells, B. Sheldon, S. May, E. Mart, E. Hadfield,
E. Akeroyd, J. Roe, J. Rhodes.

School News

AUTUMN TERM 1934.

November 29th. The school listened to the broadcast of the Royal Wedding. Lessons were then continued, the holiday being added to the Christmas holiday.

December 8th. VIB. presented *Ten Minute Alibi*.

December 14th. Junior School Carol Play, *How Far?*

December 15th. Wilson House presented *The Poetasters of Ispahan*.

December 15th. News of Oxford Scholarships. P. N. B. Davies and J. Taylor—Open Scholarships to S. Hilda's College.

December 17th. School Nativity Play.

December 18th. A School Party was given by Miss Hudson.

December 19th. The school broke up.

LENT TERM 1935.

January 16th. Term began.

January 28th. Lecture on *Post War Europe*, by D. Grant, Esq.

February 6th—8th. Board of Education Inspection.

February 12th. Lecture on *English Church Music*, by W. Heath Gracie, Esq.

February 20th. Lecture on the *Waifs' and Strays' Society*, by Rev. R. Baker.

February 23rd. Quiet afternoon, conducted by the Rev. Canon John Brierley.

February 27th. Half-term Holiday. The ground was covered with snow. In the evening Kennedy House presented *The Immortal Lady*, by Clifford Bax.

March 16th. Rev. N. W. Scott, Organiser of the S. Pancras House Improvement Society, shewed the film *Challenge*, illustrating the work of the Society.

March 30th. Rev. H. W. Bradfield gave a lecture on *Oberammagan*.

April 1st. Powys House presented two of Lawrence Housman's *Little Plays of S. Francis—Brother Wolf and Sister Death*.

April 3rd. The school broke up.

SUMMER TERM 1935.

An extra week was added on to the Easter Holiday in honour of the Jubilee and the Oxford Scholarships.

May 7th. Term began.

May 28th. New chairs for Dining Hall arrived.

May 28th. Lecture on the *Universities' Mission to Central Africa*, by Dr. Mary Gibbons.

May 30th. Ascension Day. Lessons were continued after morning Chapel.

June 11th. Lecture on the *Russian Church*, by Rev. R. French.

June 12th. School Confirmation.

June 29th. School Sports Day.

VISITORS.

LENT TERM.

E. Rhodes, Miss Irwin, Mrs. Heelis, R. Wilkin.

SUMMER TERM.

Miss Knight, M. Longden, J. Fairhurst, B. Burnett, J. Colver, B. Dyson, B. Drew, R. Skeet, N. Williams, D. Kiddell, C. Hannah, J. Gibbs, S. Lloyd, M. Harris, P. Mainprice, M. Stait.

LECTURE JOTTINGS.

Post-War Europe. DONALD GRANT, Esq.

Mr. Grant, who has lived in Vienna for several years and who in the post-war years organised Student Relief work in S.E. Europe, gave a most stimulating and suggestive lecture on the present European State-system. He helped us to see where are the present storm-centres of Europe, and which countries are anxious to upset the territorial arrangements of the Treaties of 1919, and which anxious to preserve the *status quo*. He helped us to see Disarmament, Fascism and Nazism in a new light.

English Church Music. DR. W. HEATH GRACIE.

This was admirably illustrated by reference to well-known Psalms and Hymn Tunes. Dr. Gracie spoke about the great Gregorian reforms, showed us how a great Plainsong Hymn such as the "Pangue Lingua" should be sung, and finally ended by some salutary comments on popular hymn tunes, good and bad.

The Church and Housing. Rev. N. W. SCOTT.

"Challenge," the new film, illustrating the work of the S. Pancras House Improvement Society, was first shown in the Central Hall, Westminster, in December last, when the Bishop of London took the chair. We had the privilege of being one of the first schools to see the film. The work that the Society has already accomplished is indeed magnificent and a cordial for drooping spirits, a sufficient challenge to those who despair of the Church. The film shows the Christian Faith in action, redeeming the whole life of man wherever it touches it—in school, in home, in pleasure and in business. It ends with a presentation of the four great Saints, whose names the new flats in Somers Town bear : S. Mary, S. Anne, S. Francis and S. Nicholas.

The Passion Play. Rev. H. W. BRADFIELD.

An excellent set of coloured slides made this lecture most enjoyable. Mr. Bradfield, who had been to Oberammergau in June, told us of the origin of the play, showed us slides of the Bavarian countryside, and of the village of Oberammergau and then took us in imagination to the Passion Play itself. After the lecture many of us were able to see the snapshots which Mr. Bradfield had taken, and to discuss the value of the play as a vehicle for impressing on the crowds who flock to see it the reality of the events of Our Lord's Passion.

VA COMMON ROOM.

ALL the present and future members of VA would like to thank the very generous donor of their common-room. Until now VA have never been fortunate enough to possess a common-room of their own, but it has been well worth waiting for one when it is as beautiful as is this.

The walls are of a soft primrose colour, which show up to their best advantage the blue carpet, cushions and fireplace, and the delightful pictures.

As we look all round at its many charms, we can only say once more : Thank you.

Examination Results

Scholarships: P. N. B. DAVIES. Open Scholarship in Mathematics to S. Hilda's College, Oxford.

J. TAYLOR. Open Scholarship in Classics to S. Hilda's College, Oxford.

Associated Board Royal Schools of Music: R.A.M. and R.C.M. (Higher Division):

MERYL CHAMBERS, Distinction.

Games

HOCKEY.

AUTUMN TERM, 1934.

THE selection of a 1st XI was a most difficult problem for us this year, chiefly because there appeared to be so many players of average ability, and yet all were far from a good 1st XI standard. We eventually fixed a most promising team, but were unable to play it much together, as all our matches towards the end of the term were scratched owing to ill-health or bad weather. We again entered for the Junior County Tournament. The weather was atrocious and the ground impossible (so much so that all the lines were completely washed or dug out) and eventually after three successful matches we had to abandon play for the day. Three of the team were sent to Derby to the Junior County Trials, Phyllis Davies, Vivienne Hewitt, Veronica Rowlands. Phyllis Davies was successful in keeping her place as Right Half in the 1st XI. and Vivienne Hewitt as further reserve. We are very proud of them.

House matches were great fun and lasted for three days, each house playing the other two houses. Powys scored most goals in two matches, and are to be congratulated on their success. Wilson fought hard to retain the cup, and a very good match was played between the two Houses. It was gratifying to see such a good all-round standard of the hockey achieved in House matches. The middle school showed extreme keenness, and we congratulate the IVth form on their form team. If the present rate of improvement continues we should be able to look forward to several members of their team contributing to a very fine 1st XI in the future. We are sorry to lose Phyllis Davies, she has been a most pleasant and worthy captain; we shall have difficulty in filling her place.

CRITICISM OF THE FIRST ELEVEN.

J. WELLS (*Goal*). A fairly good and reliable player. Improved very much during the season.

B. IRVING (*R. Back*). Although style is not good, one of the most useful and reliable members of the team, play shows speed, determination and anticipation.

M. LINDSEY (*L. Back*). Plays a good hard game; driving and therefore clearing still below 1st XI. standard.

B. RENWICK (*R. Half*). Marks closely and tackles well; driving is still very weak. Should learn to anticipate the movements of her opponents.

P. DAVIES (*Captain*) (*C. Half*). Maintained a very good average standard of hockey, and kept her place in the Junior County 1st XI.

B. STEPHENS (*L. Half*). Should make a very good Left Half; speed and driving are good, but should mark more closely and learn to back up her L. Inner and L. Wing.

W. ELLISON (*Vice-Captain*) (*L. Wing*). Was playing excellent hockey, but was unable to finish the season owing to ill health.

R. FITCH (*R. Inner*). Speed with the ball is good; should work much harder for the ball and should play more with and pass to R. Wing.

C. GETHEN (*C. Forward*). Play on the whole was very much improved, shooting fairly good. Finds difficulty in distributing the game, but this will improve with practice.

V. HEWITT (*L. Inner*). Play very erratic. Speed good and shooting very much improved, but appears incapable of using her ability to the best advantage.

V. ROWLANDS (*L. Wing*). Greatly improved, speed and shooting very good, play shows thought and ability.

Second XI.

Goal.	N. Carr.
R. Back.	K. Jones.
L. Back.	E. Jackson (Captain).
R. Half.	C. Pennell.
C. Half.	B. Clapham.
L. Half.	F. Adams.
R. Wing.	A. Harris.
R. Inner.	B. Brotherton.
Centre.	C. M-Jones (Vice-Captain).
L. Inner.	M. Jones.
L. Wing.	M. Robson.

Third XI.

J. Robson.
J. Orme.
M. Cliffe.
M. Hand.
K. Edmunds (Captain).
N. Henstock (Vice-Captain).
M. Goodman.
D. Crick.
R. Jones.
S. Cartwright.
S. H-Davidson.

HOUSE HOCKEY XI's.

Kennedy.

Goal.	N. Carr.
R. Back.	J. Wells.
L. Back.	M. Cliffe.
R. Half.	J. Kiddell.
C. Half.	P. N. B. Davies (Capt.)
L. Half.	F. Adams.
R. Wing.	C. M. Jones.
R. Inner.	A. Smith.
Centre.	V. Hewitt (V.-Capt.)
L. Inner.	M. M-Jones.
L. Wing.	M. Goodman.

Powys.

W. Ellison.
B. Irving.
E. Jackson.
M. Hand.
B. Renwick.
N. Henstock.
A. Harris.
S. Cartwright.
C. Gethen.
V. Rowlands (Capt.)
S. H-Davidson.

Wilson.

J. Robson.
K. Jones.
M. Lindsey (Capt.)
C. Pennell.
B. Clapham.
B. Stephens (V. Capt.)
B. Brotherton.
R. Fitch.
R. Jones.
M. Jones.
M. Robson.

SCHOOL HOCKEY FIXTURES 1934.

FIRST ELEVEN.

Oct. 6—	Chesterfield High School	...	...	...	...Away	Won	5-2
„ 13—	Ernest Bailey, Matlock	...	...	...	...Away	Won	5-2
„ 20—	St. Ronan's, Duffield	...	...	...	...Home	Won	2-1
„ 27—	Old Girls	...	...	...	...Home	Won	8-0
Nov. 3—	St. Ronan's, Duffield	...	...	...	...Away	Lost	3-1
„ 10—	JUNIOR COUNTY SCHOOLS' TOURNAMENT	...	...	...	...Derby.	Unfinished.	
	(a) Dronfield Grammar	...	...	...		Draw	0-0
	(b) Cavendish High School	...	...	...		Won	2-0
	(c) Ilkeston Secondary	...	...	...		Won	2-0
„ 17—	Ashbourne Grammar School	...	...	...	...Away	Scratched.	
„ 24—	The Grange, Buxton	...	...	...	...Home	Scratched.	
Dec. 1—	JUNIOR COUNTY TRIALS AND COACHING (Derby)	...	...	...	P. Davies 1st XI. V. Hewitt, F. Reserves.		
„ 8—	Burton High School	...	...	...	...Home	Scratched.	
„ 15—	Wirksworth Grammar School	...	...	...	...Home	Won	6-0

SECOND ELEVEN.

Nov. 10—	The Convent, Matlock, 1st XI.	...	...	...Home	Draw	3-3
Dec. 1—	The Modern, Matlock, 1st XI.	...	...	...Home	Won	9-1

HOUSE CUP MATCHES.

Powys	...	...	...	...	6 goals.
Wilson	...	...	...	...	5 „
Kennedy	...	...	...	...	2 „

LACROSSE.

THIS season the lacrosse of the school could hardly be called brilliant or of a good standard. Our choice for the teams was limited to a small number of senior girls, owing to the fact that the greater percentage of the senior school had played very little lacrosse. The girls who had played showed remarkable keenness and anxiety to improve, and some of them, given the opportunity and good match experience, should make good players. On the whole match play was poor; our best match of the season, which was to have been played against Sheffield Ladies, being scratched owing to rain. We were very disappointed that the Old Girls' could not raise a team on March 2nd.

IIIA started lacrosse with great enthusiasm, and some of them should be very useful next year.

CRITICISM OF FIRST TWELVE.

N. CARR (*Goal*). Play very erratic. Stickwork fairly good, but clearing very slow.

J. WELLS (*Point*). Stickwork good. Marking poor.

M. LINDSEY (*Cover Point*). Much improved. Stickwork rather stiff.

P. DAVIES (*Captain*) (*3rd Man*). Standard of play much higher than previous season. Needs to be much faster with the ball.

R. FITCH (*R. D. Wing*). A keen and very promising player. Needs experience and more knowledge of the game.

A. HARRIS (*L.D. Wing*). Although a keen player, does not make the most of her speed. Marking poor, but improving.

V. ROWLANDS (*Centre*). Standard of play much higher than the remainder of the team, and stickwork very good on the whole. Shooting erratic.

W. ELLISON (*R.A. Wing*). Played very little. Stickwork is awkward and shooting wild.

V. HEWITT (*Vice-Captain*) (*L.A. Wing*). Started the term very badly, but showed some promise as an attack player towards the end of the season. Shooting good.

C. GETHEN (*3rd Home*). Rather disappointing. Started the term fairly well, but play was considerably weakened towards the end of the season by very poor shooting.

B. RENWICK (*2nd Home*). Plays a steady and hard game. Shooting should be more accurate and stronger.

B. BANKES (*1st Home*). A very keen and hard working player. Needs to strengthen long distance shooting.

Second XIII.

Goal.	B. Wright.
Point.	E. T-Foyan
C. Point.	E. Jackson (Captain).
3rd Man.	M. Cliffe.
R.D. Wing.	B. Clapham.
L.D. Wing.	M. Jones.
Centre.	B. Stephens.
R.A. Wing.	B. Brotherton.
L.A. Wing.	C. M-Jones (Vice-Captain)
3rd Home.	F. Adams.
2nd Home.	R. Jones.
1st. Home.	J. Taylor.

Third XIII.

E. Burnett (Captain).
M. Hare.
N. Henstock (Vice-Captain).
C. Pennell.
S. Cartwright.
S. Allen.
P. Cliffe.
P. Cartwright.
S. H-Davidson.
K. Jones.
M. Goodman.
M. Hand.

HOUSE LACROSSE TEAMS.

	<i>Kennedy.</i>	<i>Powys.</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
Goal.	N. Carr.	B. Wright.	E. Burnett.
Point.	J. Wells.	M. Hand.	E. T-Foyan.
C. Point.	M. Cliffe.	E. Jackson.	M. Lindsey (V. Capt.)
3rd Man.	P. Davies (Captain).	N. Henstock.	C. Pennell.
R.D. Wing.	M. M-Jones.	V. Rowlands (Capt.)	R. Fitch.
L.D. Wing.	J. Kiddell.	A. Harris.	M. Jones.
Centre.	C. M. Jones.	C. Gethen.	B. Stephens (Capt.)
R.A. Wing.	P. Cliffe.	S. H-Davidson.	B. Brotherton.
L.A. Wing.	V. Hewitt (V.Capt.)	W. Ellison (V. Capt.)	B. Clapham.
3rd Home.	F. Adams.	B. Renwick.	R. Jones.
2nd Home.	M. Goodman.	B. Bankes.	K. Jones.
1st Home.	M. Owen.	J. Taylor.	B. Thornburn.

SCHOOL LACROSSE FIXTURES 1934.

Feb. 16—Leicester Collegiate Girls' School	...	...Home	Won 6-3 (Unfinished.)
Mar. 2—Old Girls' ...	...	...Home	Scratched.
„ 9—Leicester Ladies ...	...	...Home	Won 10-2
„ 16—Leicester Collegiate Girls' School	...	...Away	Lost 5-7
„ 23—Sheffield Ladies ...	...	...Home	Scratched.
„ 30—Notre Dame Convent, Sheffield	...	...Home	Won 15-0
„ 30—2nd XII. The Convent, Matlock	...	...Home	Scratched.

HOUSE CUP MATCHES.

Powys	...	...	...	...	13 goals.
Kennedy	...	...	...	...	11 „
Wilson	...	...	...	...	5 „

GYMNASTIC COMPETITION.

The Inter-House Gymnastic Competition was held on Thursday, March 28th. We were most grateful to Mrs. Heelis for coming again as judge. The standard of gymnastics achieved by the Senior School was higher than in previous years, the House Captains being largely responsible for this. IIIA showed great skill in a Display of Pyramids, and IIIB and form II gave a very pleasing performance.

We were able to welcome, for the first time, several parents, and we hope they enjoyed the afternoon in spite of the uncomfortable seating accommodation.

HOUSE GYMNASTIC TEAMS.

<i>Kennedy.</i>	<i>Powys.</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
P. Davies (Captain).	V. Rowlands (Captain).	B. Stephens (Captain).
J. Wells (Vice-Captain).	B. Barks (V.-Captain).	M. Lindsey (V.-Capt.).
C. M-Jones.	C. Gethen.	R. Fitch.
V. Hewitt.	N. Henstock.	M. Jones.
J. Kiddell.	B. Chamberlain.	R. Jones.
M. Owen.	M. Hand.	B. Thorburn.

RESULTS OF GYMNASTIC COMPETITION.

Powys ...	...	...	111	Max. Marks	120.
Kennedy	...	...	109 $\frac{1}{2}$	„	120.
Wilson	...	...	106 $\frac{1}{2}$	„	120.

POWYS HOUSE NEWS.

AFTER the modification of the House System, Powys lost a great deal of its former House Spirit; each member worked individually for herself, thus giving the House second place. During the course of the year, however, some of the former House spirit and enthusiasm has returned, which was implanted in the House during the two years of the House System.

As far as games are concerned the House has been very successful in achieving the Hockey, Lacrosse and Gym. Cups, but it still remains to be seen what we shall do in the Tennis and Cricket cup matches.

We feel our success on the games field during the past year is in great measure due to Miss Holliday, whom we wish to thank for her continual encouragement, and the time spent in coaching us.

E. Jackson and A. Harris were awarded their House colours for Hockey and C. Gethen for Lacrosse.

We gaze longingly at the Work and Order Shields; but although our work and order have improved this term, it is as well to drop a curtain over the results of the last two terms, from which we are still striving to recover.

We warmly congratulate J. Taylor on gaining an Open Scholarship to St. Hilda's College, Oxford. We were also sorry to say goodbye to her at the end of last term as she has been a very helpful member of the House.

In the Spring term we were greatly pushed for time, thus the two short plays from Lawrence Housman's "Little Plays of S. Francis," which Powys presented on the last Monday of term, had the minimum time for rehearsals, and the last straw came when one of the caste fell out on the very day of the performance. We wish to thank especially W. Ellison and C. Gethen, on whom a great deal of the success of the plays depended, and also the rest of the House for their valiant efforts.

E. Jackson, on being appointed Head Girl, resigned the captaincy of Powys. I should like lastly to thank Powys very heartily for their support and co-operation with me this term, and to wish them the best of luck for the future.

V. ROWLANDS.

WILSON HOUSE REPORT.

IN the Autumn Term we succeeded in obtaining the Work, Order and Dormitory Order Shields, which was an unusual feat for Wilson. However, we were less fortunate in the Spring Term, this time obtaining the Work and Dormitory Order Shields. Unfortunately this term our marks are bad in all these things, and a great effort must be made if we are to regain our good record of the beginning of the year.

So far we have been less fortunate in the athletic line, as we lost the Hockey cup to Powys in the Autumn Term, and both the Lacrosse and Gym. cups to Powys in the Spring Term. However, after much rigorous vocal training we won the Singing cup on packing day last term, and have now gained the Sports cup.

Joyce Robson and Barbara Clapham are to be congratulated on winning their House Hockey colours, and Rhianon Jones on receiving her House Lacrosse colours.

We were sorry to lose Rhianon Jones last term, but we were pleased to welcome Betty Sheldon into the House this term.

On the last Saturday of the Autumn Term we produced our house play, for which both the caste and the other members of the House worked very hard. We chose *The Poetaster of Ispahan*, by Clifford Bax, for the play.

I should like to thank Wilson for their loyal support during the year, and I wish them the best of luck for the future.

E. BURNETT.

KENNEDY HOUSE REPORT.

AT the end of last term we held the Order Shield, and we hope to continue to do so, but we have not distinguished ourselves by gaining either of the other Shields.

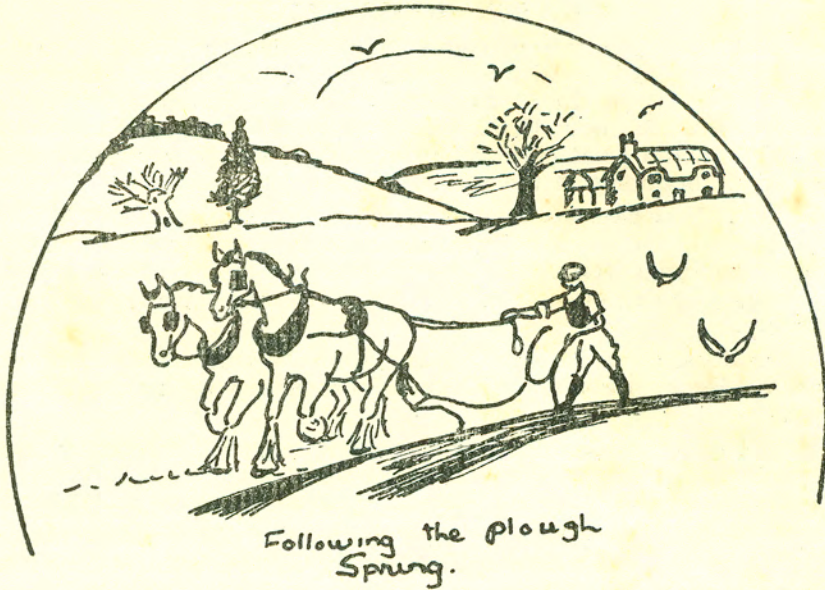
We have been no more successful on the games field during the last two terms, but our misfortune in not winning either cup is not due to lack of enthusiasm. Hockey colours were awarded to Frances Adams, Noël Carr and Joan Wells, and Lacrosse colours to Frances Adams and Mary Cliffe. We hope for more encouraging results this term in cricket and tennis.

In the Spring Term, Kennedy produced *The Immortal Lady*, by Clifford Bax, at half-term. Both actors and audience appeared to derive much enjoyment from the performance.

We have had one new addition to the House this term, Jane Wells, whom I should like to welcome here.

I think that all Kennedy will join with me in expressing our thanks to Phyllis Davies, who left us at the end of the Spring Term, for her headship during the last two years, and all that she has done for the House in games and work. We congratulate her on gaining a Scholarship to S. Hilda's, Oxford, and wish her the best of luck during her future career.

N. CARR.



B. BARROW, IIIA

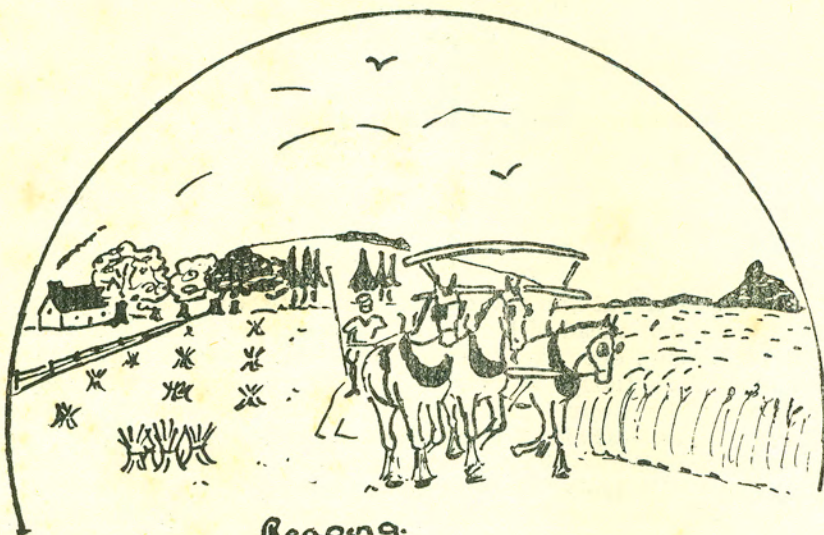
Original Contributions

THE MUSIC OF THE MACHINE.

The clang of machinery, turning—turning,
The heat of the furnace, burning—burning,
The jar of the iron, beating—beating,
The crash of the hammers, repeating—repeating ;
All these make music for me.

The jangle of life shall fade away,
As the music of life links day to day ;
And the crashes and cries of our rushing earth
Are softened for music's newest birth.
Our age speeds on—we are living—living,
And it's not to the past we are giving—giving.

C.J.



Reaping.
Autumn

B. BARROW, IIIA

HERE there is quiet, deep shadows and green silence,
 Shimmering sun pools on the sombre earth,
 And tremulous liquidity of light
 There are no singing birds, nor friendly flowers,
 Only the deep, damp grass and dying whisper
 Of quiet wind, laughing among the leaves . . .
 Here is no life, the shifting shadows hold
 No elfin faces, and among these trees
 Pan's simple music does not penetrate
 Stand in the grass, intruder though you be,
 And, since your speech is inarticulate,
 Listen in silence to the sighing grass,
 The flowing light, and green, translucent quiet
 Stay till your limbs are rigid and your eyes
 Closed to escape the strong insistent flow
 Of liquid greenness through the quivering leaves. . . .
 Then quickly go before your soul is lost,
 And silence softly claim you for her own.

PENELOPE FLETCHER, VIb.

WHEN I am five
 I'll climb tall trees,
 I'll let the breeze
 Sing in my hair.
 I'll be alive !
 I'll eat new bread,
 Stand on my head,
 And — sit on a real chair !

F.N.C., VIB.

TRIAL BY ORDEAL.

THE man looked about him and seemed quite satisfied. Suddenly he started guiltily and peered ahead of him. He began at once to move forward more slowly, the serenity departing from his face. He fixed his eyes longingly on some distant goal, though as yet, his look corresponded to that which is so often termed "far away." Now and again the man glanced furtively to right and left, as if afraid of being seized upon by some formidable enemy. Long ranks of walled sentinels stood at attention on either side of him, their unshrinking eyes watching his every move, as a cat watches a mouse.

A sympathetic spectator could have at once interpreted the signs of the ordeal which the wretched man was undergoing. His face was strained, and beads of perspiration stood on his forehead, but not once did he falter, and at last the reward of his unswerving obedience to duty came into sight. He fought down with a supreme effort the mad impulse to rush headlong towards his goal. He cast a triumphant glance at an owner of the eagle eye of the law, who stood by the release sign, and happily watched the needle of his speedometer shoot away from the figure "30."

C. GETHEN, VIB.

ON WRITING SOMETHING FOR THE MAG.

Thoughts come through one's mind, then go ;
 Nothing seems to stay;
 Why not write on some great show
 Or on the month of May ?
 Write about a famous city
 That you've seen sometime ago ?
 Then a line that's rather witty
 Comes into your mind, then goes ;
 Perhaps a skit on some great writer's
 Poem that you rather like.
 Write on dogs or well-known " blighters,"
 Mussolini or Van Dyke.
 Ideas seem to get much fewer
 Nothing seems to grasp your brain,
 Thoughts don't seem to come much newer,
 So better stop before insane.

J.O., Vc.

O green-eyed pests of night's disturbed dreams !
O nightly practisers of dismal sounds !
Can you not find some other place or means
To chortle solos, or duets, and rounds ?

O crafty stealer of the youngest birds,
O sly and silent, springing on your prey,
You heed not threats, nor blows nor words,
Your nature is to hunt and sleep all day.

O sweet-tempered, purring, soft of fur,
So sleek and silky, happy and well fed !
You are " the cared-for-puss " no one could lure
You out into the night from your soft bed.

The faults of all your wild and straying band,
Who never knew the kindness of man's hand
Are recompensed in you, so sleek and fat,
O trusting, loyal and most lovely cat !

D. CRICK, VA.

Is anything on earth more wonderful
Than raging waves, that beat against cliffs?
So that the hardest rocks must surely fall,
Which have stood for years, unharmed by storm
Of sea or land ; though altered much
In shape and form, by the ruthless ocean
Washing ceaselessly against their surface ;
These stand erect against the cruel sea,
Which seems a mass of seething black
Waters, never still ; splintering the wreck
Of any boat swept out in the storm.
The sky looks black and treacherous, the gulls
Fly inland for shelter, far from home.
Then the sky grows rapidly lighter,
And now the waves roll discontentedly,
As though forced against their will to calm ;
The roaring boom becomes a swelling flood,
The sun then shines midst dispersing clouds,
And suddenly the waves give up the fight,
Rippling and shimm'ring with a new born joy ;
The seagulls come back to their native shore,
Exultingly they fly above the waves,
Rejoicing to be there again, above
The blue sea, and below the sky, now blue.
The rocks no more look fierce or grim,
A scene so tempestuous as has past
Now seems as unnatural as a dream.

E. B., VIb.

Oh! I want to be high on a horse again,
 Cutting the turf of the grassy plain,
 With a soft heavy thud on a country lane.
 Oh! I want to be high on a horse once more,
 Gliding along on the forest floor,
 Or shifting the sand on the dry sea shore.
 Oh! I want to be high on a chestnut bay,
 Strike fire from the hard-frosted great highway,
 To be riding aloft at the break of day.

F. N. C., VIb.

Oh, all the world's a nursery rhyme
 Sung to a crazy tune,
 Crooned by a crazy crooner
 Under a crazy moon

There's still a sleeping Beauty,
 There's still a Jack and Jill ;
 Who carry silver buckets
 Then tumble down the hill.

There's still old Mother Hubbard
 With her cane and buckled shoe,
 There's still a Georgie Porgie,
 And there's still the same Boy Blue
 Who wanders out with jewelled horn
 To find his straying sheep,
 And lingers by the hay-stack
 And yawns, and falls asleep.

You'll find the see-saw swinging
 As it never swung before ;
 With a halfpenny for your wishes
 And another Marjorie Daw.

You'll find the gander muttering,
 As he wanders up the stairs,
 Of an infidel old fellow
 Who wouldn't say his prayers.

You can find another Goldilocks,
 Another grizzly bear,
 But their ancient, twilit forest
 Is the centre of Mayfair.

There's still the bloody ogre
 With his greedy 'fee fo fum !'
 And Jack Horner in his corner
 With the plum still on his thumb . . .

Oh, all the world's a nursery rhyme
 Sung to a crazy tune . . .
 Crooned by a crazy crooner,
 Under a crazy moon . . .

P. R. F. F., VIb.

NONSENSE.

Apples grow in water,
The sky is a tangerine,
You may be my daughter
If Daddy is the Queen.

The sun is a golden ball
Made of a golden metal,
A rainbow is a waterfall
If an onyx is a petal.

Winter is a warmer time,
But Summer—it is cold.
Poems really should not rhyme,
That is what I'm told.

Indiarubber comes from earth,
Sugar comes from heaven,
Precious stones are nothing worth,
As three times two are seven.

B.V.T., IV.

THE ISLAND.

Far distant stands this pearly isle,
Beneath a cloudless sky;
Its wooded slopes and fresh green fields
Are soothing to the eye;
Inhabited by bird and fish,
Unknown to human mind,
It stands remote in mystery
For somebody to find.

S. H-DAVIDSON, IV.

THE MOON.

If I wake up in the middle of the night,
I see outside my window shining bright
The gliding moon with its silver beam,
Shining in with a cold white gleam.

Sometimes it sheds a ghostly hue,
And makes my room look silvery blue ;
It makes queer shadows on the wall
Which seem to beckon me and call.

And into my head come queer ideas,
Such funny scares and horrid fears,
And then I think that after all
It's only the moon upon the wall.

M. DALLIMORE, IIIA.

THE STORM.

Hark to the noise ! the breakers dash the rocks !
Harken to the wind, and hear how it mocks
The tall trees that creak and groan 'neath its sway,
So powerful it is that none its power can stay.

Harken to the roaring, raving of the sea !
Harken to the creaking timbers of the quay !
Think of the fishermen, out in this gale,
Think of the battered ship with its ragged sail.

Think of the constant danger of those gallant men
Who board the Louis and the Silver Wren.
O ! for the peace that comes with the morn
For now all hopes seem dead and forlorn.

J. SHAW. IIIA.

ANCIENT AND MODERN BLUE.

The house looked a ghostly blue
Tinted by a stranger hue ;
Blue also looked the hills,
Cold, and misty filled with chills.

Ascot ladies swaggered in blue,
Sedate in a carriage drawn by two.
Ink was wasted on matric,
"Girls I do think its a bit too thick."
Sea-sick passengers, merry crew
All these people were dressed in blue.

ROBIN BISSET-SMITH.

Report of the Old Girls' Guild

THERE is very little to report in this issue of the Magazine.

The following members have resigned :—Mrs. Paris (née Marjorie Wilcockson), Mrs. Disher (née Gwen Lamburn), Mrs. Blenkinsop (née Helen Richardson), Mary Johnson and Hilda Sheppard.

Mrs. Curtis (née Muriel Lister) has not been crossed off as stated in the Magazine for July, 1934.

I have been unable to make a balance sheet, as two or three Sub-Secretaries have not replied, and there are about forty other defaulters.

There will be a full report in the December Magazine.

MARGARET C. HOUGHTON,
Secretary and Treasurer O.G.G.

OF INTEREST TO OLD GIRLS.

I should like to take this opportunity of making known to Old Girls that if they wish to visit the School during Term Time we are all delighted to see them. We can put them up for a short period in school for a small charge of 3s. 6d. per day.

M. E. HUDSON.

NEWS.

JOYCE GIBBS is teaching in the Dovecot School, Liverpool, in a new housing area. She has a class of six-year-olds.

DIANA EYRE is now an Assistant Matron at the Warren School, Broadwater, Worthing, Sussex.

DORIS WHITTINGTON is Secretary to the Principal of the Shropshire Technical School for Girls, at Radbrook, Shrewsbury.

BARBARA PALMER is teaching Classics at Rochester.

JOAN FAIRHURST is training for Froebel teaching at Bedford.

BIRTHS.

On July 5th, 1934, at Perth, Western Australia, to the Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Curtis (née Muriel Lester) of York, Western Australia, a daughter, Rosemary Elizabeth.

On December 20th, 1934, to Doris (née Butler), wife of W. F. Fletcher, 39 Whiteley Lane, Sheffield, a daughter (Judith Anne Gillian).

On February 22nd, 1935, to Mr. and Mrs. G. V. H. Unwin (née Lucy Bidlake), a daughter, Jennifer Mary Haldane.

F. Sibbles Watson (née Frances Smith) has two sons; neither birth has yet been published. October 2nd, 1930, Stephen Francis; May 24th, 1934, Andrew Christopher.

On April 2nd, 1935, to the Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Owen (née Mary Calthrop), a son, William Gordon Calthrop.

MARRIAGES.

December 27th, 1934, Derek John Swift, B.Eng., A.M.I.C.E., to Stella Mabel Hewison, at S. Helen's Church, Marr.

June 2nd, 1934, John William Clyde Flint to Evelyn Moss, at S. James' Church, Grimsby.



MISS KENNEDY'S GRAVE FUND.

On behalf of Mary Wright, Secretary of the above fund, I want to draw the attention of the Old Girls' to the Balance Sheet, which shows that the original plan has been curtailed, owing to the lack of funds. After the next payment to the caretaker, which is now due, there will be only 3s. 0d. in hand.

The original idea was to put a holly wreath on the grave at Christmas, flowers for Easter, her birthday, the anniversary of her death, and, if possible, for the Re-Union. I am sure Miss Kennedy's Old Girls in particular would be only too willing to contribute, given the opportunity. The date of the Re-Union is not yet fixed, but I think some arrangement could be reached after discussion at the Business Meeting.

MARGARET C. HOUGHTON,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer O.G.G.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS—JANUARY 1934 — JUNE 1935.

RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
1934.	£	s.	d.	1934.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 1—Balance...	...	1	1	0	Jan. 4—Holly Wreath		
„ 10—D. Trott	...	0	2	0	Christmas ...	0	4
Mar. 24—V. Sutcliffe	...	0	2	6	March —Flowers—Easter	0	2
May 8—C. Wright	...	0	2	6	July —Caretaker ...	15	0
July 23—H. Thatcher	...	0	5	0	1935.		
„ 23—Anon. ...	...	0	4	6	Jan. 12—Holly Wreath...	0	4
„ 23—W. Garnett	...	0	3	0	June 6—Balance in Hand	0	18
1935.							
May 13—R. Scott	...	0	2	6			
	£2	3	0		£2	3	0

R. MARY WRIGHT, *Secretary,*
Miss Kennedy's Grave Fund.

HOUSE COMMITTEES.

LENT TERM 1935.

<i>Kennedy:</i>	<i>House Captain</i> ...	...	...	P. N. B. Davies.
	<i>Vice-Captain</i> ...	...	...	C. Maurice-Jones.
	<i>Appointed Committee</i> ...	...	...	P. Fletcher.
	<i>Elected Committee</i> ...	...	...	N. Carr and J. B. Wells.
<i>Powys:</i>	<i>House Captain</i> ...	...	...	E. Jackson.
	<i>Vice-Captain</i> ...	...	...	V. Rowlands.
	<i>Ex-Officio Members</i> ...	...	...	J. Taylor and W. Ellison.
	<i>Appointed Committee</i> ...	...	...	D. Crick.
	<i>Elected Committee</i> ...	...	...	C. Gethen
<i>Wilson:</i>	<i>House Captain</i> ...	...	...	E. Burnett.
	<i>Vice-Captain</i> ...	...	...	M. Lindsey.
	<i>Appointed Committee</i> ...	...	...	T. Maclaren.
	<i>Elected Committee</i> ...	...	...	K. Jones and C. Pennell.

SUMMER TERM.

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	<i>Vice-Captain</i> ...	...	...	E. Jackson.
	<i>Ex-Officio Members</i> ...	...	...	W. Ellison and C. Gethen.
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SCHOOL PREFECTS.

LENT TERM.

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