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EDITORIAL.

IT is with the deepest regret that we record the passing away of two of our most popular Governors—Dr. N. I. Townsend and Mr. Ernest Johnson.

Dr. Townsend had the misfortune to meet with a motor accident at Semley, his car skidding on the greasy road and overturning. The shock, following so closely on a period of indifferent health, proved fatal, and he passed away in the Westminster Memorial Hospital on March 13th.

By his death the School has lost a very staunch friend. For a number of years he had been our Medical Officer, and many an Old Boy will remember his many kindnesses and his genial good humour.

To Mrs. & Miss Townsend we offer our deepest sympathy in the loss they have sustained, a loss shared to the full by those of us who knew him so well.

Mr. Ernest Johnson, after a long illness borne with much fortitude, passed away on March 18th. He was a School Governor for many years, and one of our oldest Old Boys. His affection for the school and his interest in anything pertaining to its welfare were most marked, and we feel we have lost a very loyal friend.

Mr. Johnson was an Alderman of the Borough of Shaftesbury, and was Mayor in 1914-15.

His cheery good humour made him very popular, and the school and the town are much the poorer for his passing. To Mrs. Johnson and to all his family, many of whom were educated here, we offer our deepest sympathy.

Colonel H. S. Woodhouse and Dr. D. Arnott (Mayor of Shaftesbury) have been appointed to fill the vacancies on the Governing Body. To each of these gentlemen the school offers a very hearty welcome.

All readers will be delighted to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Minchin have a baby daughter, born on May 31st. The occasion was celebrated by the granting of a half-holiday, a means of celebration which met with the unanimous approval of the boys.

The attention of Old Boys is drawn to the following dates:—

Saturday, July 18th (11.30 a.m.):

Past v. Present Cricket Matches.

Saturday, November 7th:

O.S. Club Dinner (Bournemouth).

During the early part of this term we were fully inspected by the Board of Education, whose inspectors made a very gratifying report on the organisation and general work of the school. They have recommended the building of a physics laboratory and two new classrooms, and we hope this extra accommodation will soon be forthcoming.

The present cricket season has opened auspiciously, and already two centuries have been scored on the school ground. May there be others before the end of the season.

SCHOOL NEWS.

NEW BOYS.

G. J. Adcock (c.)

B. H. Frowd (r.)

C. N. Fullford (c.)

T. G. Hunt (r.)

G. R. Hiscock (c.)

P. F. Jesse (s.)

D. G. Pitt (r.)

E. G. Sessions (r.)

P. F. Trim (s.)

J. W. Wormald (r.)

T. Y. Wormald (r.)

VALETE.

J. G. BURDEN.—Form "Lower V." Entered September, 1931.

J. IBBETT.—Form II. Entered September, 1933.

P. T. RUTTER.—Form III. Entered September, 1932.

F. R. G. SESSIONS.—Form IV. Entered September, 1933.

R. L. SIMS.—Form III. Entered January, 1933.

PREFECTS.

W. F. Chapman (Head Prefect).

G. R. Tucker.

F. D. Barrett.

N. H. Foot.

F. J. Green.

W. G. King.

G. S. Gibbings.

C. R. J. Mitchell.

C. G. St. D. Jeffries.

A. R. M. Tanner.

HEAD BOYS.

E. Bartlett.

C. Coats.

H. J. Ford.

P. R. Gatehouse.

D. H. Ryall.

J. W. Sully.

M. A. Tory.

R. O. Young.

HOUSE CAPTAINS.

Corinthians—F. D. Barrett.

Romans—W. G. King.

Spartans—G. S. Gibbings.

Trojans—F. J. Green.

SCHOOL SPORTS.

NEARLY every year the account of the sports almost necessarily starts with remarks about adverse weather conditions. This year, however, it would have been difficult to have picked a better day; indeed, so fine was it, that after the sports were concluded visitors enjoyed tea on the lawn. One cannot say that previous to this the weather had been very kind, for on March 7th, the day on which the Cross Country Race was held, rain fell for most of the morning so that the track was very heavy indeed, and in the circumstances, the time returned by M. A. Tory over the same course as last year was distinctly good. The Trojans did exceptionally well in the House competition, providing the first four runners, beating the Spartans by 10 points to 4.

The One Mile which was held on March 19th, was a very poor race, the first and second laps being covered at little more than a jog-trot; certainly there was an improvement for the third and fourth, but it was too late for the winner to get inside even second standard time. In the Half Mile the runners remembered the previous race, and this event proved interesting, M. A. Tory and J. W. Sully fighting hard over the whole distance, for Tory to win by one-fifth sec. in 2 mins. 22 secs.

The heats, together with three finals, should have taken place on Monday, March 23rd, but rain intervened and they had to be held on the next day. Of the three finals held on the Tuesday, the result in the High Jump "Under 14" was the best, being within $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch of the height cleared in the "Under 15" event. The open Long Jump result was disappointing. E. S. Gibbings won with a jump of 17ft. 7in., but he had done considerably better while training; in fact three or four had beaten the winning distance.

The results of the events held on the Wednesday were very much as were expected, except in Throwing the Cricket Ball. M. A. Tory was considered to be certain of this, but owing to an arm injury he was unable to reach anything like his true form; he seems fated in this particular event, because last year his foot gave him trouble. On that occasion, however, he managed to win. The best results of the afternoon in the open events were A. R. M. Tanner's win from J. W. Sully in the Quarter Mile and E. S. Gibbings' High Jump of 4ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. In the Quarter Mile, Tanner got away very quickly and gained a lead of between three and four yards, which J. W. Sully tried manfully to overhaul; he very nearly managed it, being beaten by only two feet. This was an excellent race, and had Sully been quicker off the mark the fight would

have been still more interesting. The time, 56 4-5th secs., was distinctly good. In the High Jump, G. S. Gibbings was on his own, G. R. Tucker failing after having cleared 4ft. 7½ins. Had Gibbings had the incentive of keener competition he might easily have cleared five feet.

The High Jump "Under 12" was most noteworthy for the exhibitions of pluck; several of the competitors made brave efforts to imitate the style of Gibbings. Had it not been for the soft pit in which they landed, a considerable amount of soreness must have inevitably ensued. It was a very pleasing sight, for such a display of determination augurs well for the future. D. M. Godfrey, the winner, should develop into a good high-jumper.

It is difficult to think of the Sack Race as an "athletic" event. It is included in the programme more to give a little relief from the sterner competitions, and this it certainly did; all the competitors entered into the fun of the race, and K. A. Wright displayed the little extra agility in avoiding other competitors, which enabled him to get home first.

Last year W. C. Sutcliffe in the "Under 13" Hurdle Race returned a time of 15 2-5th seconds, but this year he could only get second in a race over the same distance which was won in 16 1-5th secs., and conditions were better than in the previous year.

It seems to be a habit for the "Under 13" hurdlers in their race to beat the time of the "Under 14." N. L. Streeter this year won his race easily in a 1-5th sec. faster than the "Under 14" winner. Streeter shows distinct promise of becoming a good athlete; for his age, his style in hurdling is very nice. When he runs his style leads one to believe that he will be better at the longer distances, but since hurdling requires definite sprinting ability he must be careful not to fall between two stools.

W. C. Sutcliffe and C. W. Rooks fought out the junior championship between them, the former gaining it by 27 points to 24. They won five of the six events which carry points. Rooks gained three firsts, but no other points; while Sutcliffe won two, but had places in the other events to bring his total above his rival's.

Similarly, G. S. Gibbings and M. A. Tory were the chief rivals in the Senior competition. Tory started the afternoon with a definite lead, having won the Cross Country Race, the One Mile and the Half Mile, against Gibbings' win in the Long Jump; but Gibbings passed Tory's total by winning the Hundred Yards, the High Jump and the Hurdle Race, and so became Champion Athlete by 24 points to 21.

Before next Sports Day a board will be hung in the School Hall, giving the "Under 14" records since 1933. These will read—

100 Yards ...	G. S. Gibbings ...	1933 ...	12 3-5th secs.
Quarter Mile ...	C. W. Rooks ...	1936 ...	64 1-5th secs.
Hurdles (84 yds.) ...	G. S. Gibbings ...	1933 ...	14 2-5th secs.
High Jump ...	{ J. A. E. Snook ...	1935	4ft. 1½ins.
	{ W. C. Sutcliffe ...	1936	
Long Jump ...	M. A. Tory ...	1934 ...	14ft. 8ins.

After the sports, Mr. Minchin thanked the donors of the many handsome prizes, and said how pleased he was to welcome the Mayor and Mayoress (Dr. & Mrs. Arnott) to the sports. Following the prize distribution, the champion athlete called for three cheers for the Mayoress, after which the visitors were entertained to tea by Mr. & Mrs. Minchin.

We gladly take this opportunity of thanking the following ladies and gentlemen for their kindness in presenting prizes:—The Mayor & Mayoress, Mr. & Mrs. R. B. Minchin, Rev. N. S. Lawrie, Dr. C. H. Tovey, Mr. & Mrs. Hepworth, Mr. & Mrs. Gibbings, Mr. & Mrs. R. Pearson, Miss Stone, Miss Welch, The Old Shastonians, Mrs. Tomkins, Messrs. E. J. Baker, H. Brooks, H. W. Burden, T. W. Clarke, G. Day, J. W. Drake, W. Milverton, J. T. Peach, F. Richards, J. O. Sharman, A. M. Simpson, A. T. Squire, E. F. Strange, C. J. Stretch, M. N. Tory, A. J. Wescott, F. M. Woodcock, B. G. Young.

RESULTS.

1. Cross Country Race (Open).—1, M. A. Tory ; 2, W. F. Chapman.
2. Cross Country Race (Under 14).—1, W. C. Sutcliffe ; 2, R. B. Burrows.
3. Mile (Open).—1, M. A. Tory ; 2, W. J. N. Warren.
Time, 5 min. 36 4-5th secs.
4. Half Mile (Open).—1, M. A. Tory ; 2, J. W. Sully.
Time, 2 min. 22 secs.
5. Long Jump (Open).—1, G. S. Gibbings ; 2, A. R. M. Tanner.
Distance, 17ft. 7ins.
6. High Jump (Under 15).—1, R. E. G. Davies ; 2, R. H. Harding.
Height, 4ft. 1½ins.
7. High Jump (Under 14).—1, W. C. Sutcliffe ; 2, N. L. Streeter.
Height, 4ft. 1½ins.
8. Hundred Yards (Open).—1, G. S. Gibbings ; 2, A. R. M. Tanner.
Time, 11 1-5th secs.
9. Hundred Yards (Under 14).—1, C. W. Rooks ; 2, M. Burge.
Time, 12 4-5th secs.
10. Hundred Yards (Under 12).—1, R. J. Ford ; 2, W. J. Jesse.
Time, 14 2-5th secs.
11. High Jump (Open).—1, G. S. Gibbings ; 2, G. R. Tucker.
Height, 4ft. 1½ins.
12. High Jump (Under 12).—1, D. M. Godfrey ; 2, W. J. Jesse.
Height, 3ft. 3ins.

13. 220 Yards Handicap (Over 13).—1, H. J. Ford ; 2, W. G. King.
Time, 26 4-5th secs.
14. Hurdle Race : 84 Yards (Under 13).—1, N. L. Streeter ;
Time, 16 1-5th secs. 2, A. J. Sharman.
15. Hurdle Race : 84 Yds. (Under 14).—1, K. F. Wheeler ; 2, W. C. Sutcliffe.
Time, 16 2-5th secs.
16. Hurdle Race : 102 Yards (Under 15).—1, R. E. G. Davies ;
Time, 19 secs. 2, F. T. Jennings.
17. Hurdle Race : 120 Yards (Open).—1, G. S. Gibbings ;
Time, 19 2-5th secs. 2, W. J. Burden & C. Jeffries.
18. 220 Yards Handicap (Under 13).—1, T. M. Corson ; 2, J. Ibbett.
Time, 29 2-5th secs.
19. Long Jump (Under 14).—1, C. W. Rooks ; 2, N. L. Streeter.
Distance, 14ft. 2ins.
20. Old Boys' Race (100 Yards).—1, F. C. Imber.
21. Sack Race (Under 12).—1, K. A. Wright.
22. Quarter Mile (Open).—1, A. R. M. Tanner ; 2, J. W. Sully.
Time, 56 4-5th secs.
23. Quarter Mile (Under 14).—1, C. W. Rooks ; 2, W. C. Sutcliffe.
Time, 64 1-5th secs.
24. Three-Legged Race (Over 12 & Under 14).—1, J. Ibbett & R. F. Lodge.
25. Cricket Ball (Open).—1, H. T. Imber ; 2, J. W. Sully.
Distance, 73 yards 10 inches.
26. Half Mile Handicap (Over 13).—1, L. J. Chown ; 2, F. W. Sansom.
Time, 2 min. 23 secs.
27. Sack Tournament (Over 14).—1, A. J. Palmer.
Champion Athlete (Under 14).—W. C. Sutcliffe.
Champion Athlete (Open).—G. S. Gibbings.

INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS.

Wednesday, April 1st.

From the first crossing of the duckboards to enter the field until the re-crossing of them to leave, was a time of extreme discomfort for all—competitors, officials, and spectators alike. It is impossible to give detailed results of the events; the rain turned my programme to pulp long before the end. So far as the Shaftesbury team is concerned, no points were gained, though members were nearer the winners than in some previous years, obtaining two fourths and a fifth place.

We offer our congratulations to the staff of Weymouth Grammar School on their efforts to overcome such appalling conditions, and to the team for carrying off the coveted trophy for the second year in succession.

RUGBY.

LITTLE progress in the development of the rugby game was made last term. The usual difficulties were present, too many boys who had never played or even seen the game played properly, an inability to forget the lessons of soccer, and the short playing season.

Of those who played for the 1st XV., few names come easily to mind as showing definite promise. C. Coats, at full back, was sound but not brilliant, although he has many of the attributes that will make him a good player. In the three-quarter line, M. G. Watton showed the greatest improvement, and M. A. Tory and G. S. Gibbings were adequate, but their tackling was often weak, being much too high. There was nobody with any real claim to the positions at half, but R. C. Emery did all he could at the base of the scrum. H. J. Ford was by far the best forward, a sound hooker and a deadly tackler who was always in the thick of the play. C. G. St. D. Jeffries (captain) and A. R. M. Tanner often shone in the open, but gave the impression that they could have done more in the tight scrums. H. T. Imber did some valuable work in the line-out, and F. D. Barrett was better as a forward than as a threequarter.

The standard of play in the "Under 15" Club showed improvement towards the end of term. Forward play was ragged in the loose and the line-out, fly-kicking being too prevalent. In the tight there was some good low packing and pushing. F. T. Jennings, M. Tucker and G. E. Hine showed energy and dash. Apart from J. H. S. Lee, the attack lacked thrust, although C. W. Rooks used his speed well if given a clean run. R. H. Harding at full back was most promising, his fielding and kicking being steady and his tackling usually low and deadly. He and Lee alone showed steady defence. Several boys of this club should become useful players, with experience, in further games.

1st XV. v. WIMBORNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Shaftesbury, Saturday, February 1st. Lost 17-3.—There had been only a few minutes play when one of the Wimborne backs dropped a goal. Then the School took up the attack and good work by the forwards, particularly H. J. Ford and A. R. M. Tanner, kept play in our opponents' half. Soon C. G. St. D. Jeffries broke away on the blind side and scored a try far out on the left. The kick failed, and Wimborne attacked to score an unconverted try. After the change of ends our forwards tired, and with the failure of the three-quarters to tackle low, Wimborne found it easy to score another dropped goal and two unconverted tries.

1st XV. v. CLAYESMORE.

Played at Clayesmore, Wednesday, February 5th. Lost 43-3.—The school was assisted by five masters, and at first it appeared as if the match would be evenly fought. Mr. Renton, with a quick break-away and a run over half the length of the field, scored a try under the posts, but it was unconverted. After that, Clayesmore showed superior football in all phases of the game, and piled up the points.

1st XV. v. WIMBORNE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Wimborne, Saturday, Feb. 15th. Lost, 23-0.—This was a poor game. School started well with two good passing movements from tight scrummages, but failed to finish. The whole team soon fell away, and the scrummaging became ragged and the tackling negligible. The only occasions of low-tackling were late in the game, by Tory.

The following boys represented the School in 1st XV. matches:—

C. Coats, M. A. Tory, K. Tuffin, D. M. D. Harrison, M. G. Watton, G. S. Gibbings, C. G. Jeffries (captain), R. C. Emery, W. F. Chapman, H. J. Ford, F. D. Barrett, A. R. M. Tanner, J. W. Sully, N. H. Foot, L. J. Chown, A. J. Palmer, M. Tucker.

"Under 15" XV. v. CLAYESMORE "Under 15."

Played at Shaftesbury, February 19th. Lost, 58-3.—School were badly out-scored chiefly by the size and speed of the opposing fly-half, whose extreme selfishness spoiled a game which might have otherwise produced a more even struggle. The School tackling and scrummaging were weak except for the determined and whole-hearted work of R. H. Harding, J. H. S. Lee, F. T. Jennings, L. A. Templeman and M. Tucker. School's only try was deservedly scored by Jennings after a determined piece of following-up.

Team:—R. H. Harding, C. W. Rooks, W. J. Burden, J. H. S. Lee, W. J. Miles, J. K. Miles, J. R. Domoney, A. A. Higgins, G. E. Hine, B. M. Vincent, H. S. Hine, G. D. Devereux, F. T. Jennings, L. A. Templeman, M. Tucker (captain).

FIVES.

The Spry Cup was won this year by M. G. Watton. In the final round he played M. A. Tory, who was handicapped by a bad arm, and it was a very even contest. Watton won the first game easily—15-4—and then had to fight hard against some fine hitting and good retrieving. This game went against him—14-16. However, he recovered in the last game, placing his shots well, and by good strategy won 15-10.

In his game against C. G. St. D. Jeffries he came very near to defeat, but Jeffries tired and lost confidence, and Watton pulled up to win 15-9, 15-9. The other quarter finalist was J. R. Domoney, who does not hit hard enough to win his games. He relies on his opponent throwing points away trying to hit a winner. Tory beat him easily 15-8, 15-10.

The general standard of Fives played was only moderate. Apart from those mentioned above, most players hit wildly and place their shots badly. It is essential to place shots low above the board and as far out of reach as possible.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB.

A knock-out tournament provided some very keen play and good table tennis. G. S. Gibbings, in the final, defeated C. Coats 21-6, 21-14. The other semi-finalists were G. R. Tucker and F. J. Green.

The table was in constant use throughout the term, and the standard of play has been very promising. It is noteworthy that the staff have so far failed to accept the challenge of the boys.

THE CHESS CLUB.

Since the formation of the Chess Club early in the Easter term, the members have enjoyed many interesting and closely-fought games. Thanks to the kindness of Mr. Minchin, Mr. Cave, Mr. Scalbert and C. A. Killington, the Club has not been hampered by a shortage of sets. A knock-out tournament was organised last term, and resulted in keen games, varying in length from three minutes to three hours. Although F. J. Green was successful in winning the tournament, he will certainly agree that he was "given a run for his money."

Many boys in the school have expressed a wish to learn the game, but owing to the call of outdoor summer pastimes, we shall be unable to undertake their tuition this term. We hope, however, that with the coming of the winter, their wish will be realised.

C. R. J. M.

CADET CORPS.

This term our numbers remain unchanged.

The usual work has been carried on, and all ranks are keenly working in anticipation of the W.O. Inspection, which is fixed for July 2nd.

Miniature rifle shooting is now in full swing, and we have acquired two new rifles of an excellent pattern, so that "the workman cannot now blame his tools" for bad results.

We are pleased to see that the W.O. has restored the Cadet grant.

PROMOTIONS (1-6-36):—

To be Sgt.: Cpls. G. S. Gibbings & C. E. Jeffries.

To be Cpl.: Lce.-Cpls. N. H. Foot & G. R. Tucker.

To be Lce.-Corporal.: Cadets L. O. Barrett, F. Imber, E. Bartlett, M. Watton, M. Tory.

W. RAMSHAW (Major), O.C.

LIBRARY.

We gratefully acknowledge the gift of the following books:—

<i>Title.</i>	<i>Author.</i>	<i>Donor.</i>
"Winning his Spurs" ...	G. A. Henty ...	M. F. Gricks, o.s.
"The Castle by the Sea" ...	H. B. Marriott Watson ...	"
"Boys of the Mystery School" ...	R. A. H. Goodyear ...	"
"Death of Captain Shand" ...	Erle Spencer ...	"
"Castle Martin" ...	George Richmond ...	"
"Twist School and College" ...	Gordon Stables ...	"
"H.M.S. Rodney at Sea" ...	C. R. Benstead ...	"
"The Three Midshipmen" ...	W. H. Kingston ...	"
"The Deputy Captain" ...	Richard Bird ...	"
"The Mind of Mr. J. G. Reeder" ...	Edgar Wallace ...	"
"The Mazaroff Murder" ...	J. S. Fletcher ...	"
"A Gentleman of France" ...	Weyman ...	R. Heaton, o.s.
"Loss of the Titanic" ...	L. Beasley ...	"
"The Hawk of Egypt" ...	Joan Conquest ...	"
"When I was Czar" ...	A. A. Marchmont ...	"
"The Hundred Days" ...	Max Pemberton ...	"
"The Rifle Rangers" ...	Reid ...	"
"The Riddle of the Rose" ...	W. Ferguson ...	"
"A Little Ship" ...	"Taffrail" ...	"
"The Three of Clubs" ...	Valentine Williams ...	"
"The Trans-Atlantic Ghost" ...	Dorothy Gardiner ...	M. S. Parker, o.s.
"The Man of Property" ...	John Galsworthy ...	G. R. Tucker.
"The Soten Monoplane" ...	J. F. C. Westerman ...	D. P. Darrington,
"Biggles & Co." ...	W. E. Johns ...	o.s.
"Castle Gay" ...	John Buchan ...	J. A. Cole, o.s.
"Stuck Up" ...	Nat Gould ...	R. O. Young.
"The Roar of the Ring" ...	" ...	"

<i>Title.</i>	<i>Author.</i>	<i>Donor.</i>
"The Dark Horse" ...	Nat Gould ...	R. O. Young.
"Captain Bayley's Heir" ...	G. A. Henty ...	"
"One of the 28th" ...		"
"The Invisible Man" ...	H. G. Wells ...	"
"Daily Mail		
Wonders of the World" ...		(Purchased).

The following books have been added to the Reference Library:—

<i>Book.</i>	<i>Author.</i>
"Round Pegs (some ideas on choosing a career)"	Howard Rubie.
"English Literature in the 20th Century" ...	J. W. Cunliffe.
"Design in Woodwork"	P. A. Wells,
"The Art of Woodworking and Furniture Making" ...	A. Gregory.
"Creative Woodwork"	James Dixon.
"Books for Youth"	ed. W. C. Bennett Sayers
"The Mechanism of the Car"	
"The Modern Diesel"	
"Chemistry and Physics for Botany and Biology Students"	
"Practical Book-keeping for Elementary and Intermediate Students"	A. H. Winterburn.
"The Rudiments of Criticism"	Lamborn.
"On the Art of Reading"	Quiller Couch.
"A Handbook of Modern English Metre" ...	Mayo.
"On the Art of Writing"	Quiller Couch.
"Adventures in Criticism"	Quiller Couch.
"Mysticism in English Literature"	Spurgeon.
"A Book of Dramatic Costume"	Dabney & Wise.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Debating Society had a very successful session during Lent term. Indeed, one might allude to the term as a "renaissance" of the Society, in its intended functions—that a debating club.

It was a welcome surprise to officers of the Society to have to cope with a new problem—that of limiting speakers! It is perhaps unnecessary to search for its cause: and unfair to regard it as that feminine trait: "a chronic rush of words to the mouth." There was, in fact, a general desire to "air one's views," and to examine critically the views and statements of all speakers; and it is for the younger members of the Society to continue this example next term. At times it is well to forget the proverb: "Speech is silver, silence is gold," for although gold (while there was any) was a pleasant thing to have in the cash-box, what we want for everyday purposes is small change.

The President of the Society was W. F. Chapman; the Vice-President, G. S. Gibbings; and the Hon. Secretary C. G. Jeffries. These, together with Mr. H. R. Holloway and F. J. Green, comprised the Committee.

The following debates were held:—

Feb. 3rd.—“That ultra-mechanisation has taken the spice out of life.”—Carried.

Proposed by A. B. Cluer.

Opposed by M. G. Watton.

Seconded by J. K. Miles.

Seconded by R. C. Emery.

Feb. 15th.—“That Homework should be abolished, to provide more time for recreation and the development of personal interests.”—Carried.

Proposed by M. Tucker.

Opposed by C. Coats.

Feb. 29th.—“That the reading of thrillers is a waste of time.”—Rejected.

Proposed by B. M. Vincent.

Opposed by J. H. Lee.

March 14th.—“That the warrior has done more for the nation than the writer.”—Carried.

Proposed by P. Nutbeam.

Opposed by R. F. Sessions.

GEOGRAPHICAL & BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

In addition to the meetings chronicled in the last magazine, the Society met four times. The first was to visit Messrs. Hall & Woodhouse's Brewery at Blandford. Here we were met by their representative, who very kindly conducted us around and explained all the various processes involved, after which we visited the Mineral Water Factory and were initiated into the mysteries which produce beverages more suited to our years. The sampling of these completed a most interesting visit. We tender them our thanks for their kindness.

The next meeting was held to hear a talk by R. W. Stevens, who gave us an interesting forty minutes on “Stamps and Geography.” As he brought up each point he passed specimens around for inspection, and his selection showed that he had spent a considerable amount of time on the preparations of his lecture.

Through the courtesy of Messrs. Cadbury's, of Chocolate fame, C. F. Watts was enabled to illustrate his talk on “Modern Transport in Industry” with some excellent slides. Having just visited their works he was well qualified to speak on his subject, and gave his listeners an excellent idea of the part transport plays in industry.

A. R. M. Tanner used slides, kindly lent by the Dutch Travel Agency, to illustrate his talk on “The Zuyder Zee.” Unfortunately he did not have as much time to prepare his subject as he would have liked; despite this, however, he kept his audience interested to the end.

HOUSE NEWS.

TROJANS.

The Trojans have rarely been strong in athletics, but this year the seniors were beaten by the narrow margin of one point only, and the juniors gained first place.

The success of the seniors was due to the efforts of the whole team rather than to individual brilliance. There were, however, two outstanding achievements. M. A. Tory, W. F. Chapman, W. J. Warren and F. W. Sansom were the first four home in the Steeplechase, while the first three, together with G. A. Green, occupied four out of the first 6 places in the Half-Mile Team Race. All five are to be heartily congratulated on their great success. It would be unfair to mention any other individual performances, because there was no-one outstanding in the remainder of the events, but let it be said that everyone did his best.

There were several promising athletes in our juniors this year, and they should be very useful to the House in the future. W. C. Sutcliffe and C. W. Rooks both ran very well, and are to be congratulated on a good display. P. Buckland for his jumping, and P. B. Long for his sprinting, both deserve special mention.

In the senior Fives we gained second place, losing only to the Corinthians. M. A. Tory played well in every match, and should be a very good fives player next year. Our junior pair, G. R. Tucker and P. Buckland, also won two matches, and apart from the actual results it was pleasing to note their good combination.

The following represented the Trojans in the House Sports:—

Senior—W. F. Chapman, H. J. Ford, G. A. Green, H. T. Imber, M. A. Tory, G. R. Tucker, K. Tuffin, W. J. Warren, R. F. Watts.

Junior—P. Buckland, G. W. Glaze, F. J. Green, G. E. Hine, F. T. Jennings, P. B. Long, H. G. Pearson, C. W. Rooks, W. C. Sutcliffe, F. W. Sansom, A. J. Sharman.

Our representatives in the House Fives were:—

Senior—M. A. Tory and F. J. Green.

Junior—G. R. Tucker and P. Buckland.

F. J. G.

SPARTANS. -

The task of writing these House notes has been made somewhat easier by the fact that the Spartans in the House Sports obtained first place. It is a long time since we have been successful in the Inter-House championships; but once again the Spartans seem to be gradually gaining confidence in themselves, and our hopes are getting brighter term by term.

It was indeed gratifying to see the manner in which the juniors set about their task, and the way in which they carried it out. I am sure this fact helped the seniors greatly, for they felt, all the time, that they had somebody urging and helping them on in a true spirit.

The seniors, this term, combined as a whole team, and the task of winning the sports was not left to one or two individuals as it has been in recent times. A. R. M. Tanner, J. W. Sully, E. Bartlett and P. G. Nutbeem all put their shoulders back and really showed a fine example of determination to win. It would be unkind to mention any of them separately because everyone showed great enthusiasm, and set a good example to the others.

This term the juniors backed the seniors up well, and they are really to be congratulated on the performance they put up. As in the seniors, the team combined well, and it was indeed pleasing to see them winning the events which in the end gave them a second place to the Trojans. N. H. Foot, L. A. Templeman, R. C. Emery, B. Vincent and D. Waseley ran really well. Templeman and Vincent promise to be good athletes in the near future, and Emery is invaluable to us in the cross-country races.

In the Fives we were not quite so successful, the seniors gaining third, and the juniors tied with the Trojans and Romans for first place. N. H. Foot played consistently, and A. R. M. Tanner in the junior put up a splendid show, ably backed up by J. R. Domoney.

In conclusion, the House is to be congratulated on its performance, and may it continue to flourish in the future.

The following represented the Spartans in the House Sports:—

Senior—A. R. M. Tanner, G. S. Gibbings, P. G. Nutbeem, E. Bartlett, J. W. Sully.

Junior—N. H. Foot, L. A. Templeman, R. C. Emery, B. Vincent, A. A. Higgins, D. Waseley, M. Tucker.

Fives:—

Senior—N. H. Foot, G. S. Gibbings.

Junior—A. R. Tanner, J. R. Domoney.

G. S. G.

CORINTHIANS.

The Corinthians had a moderately successful term, although we managed to gain third place only in both senior and junior House Sports. The House, this year, was by no means dependent on one outstanding athlete, but rather relied on the co-operation of all taking part in the sports.

Of our senior team, C. G. Jeffries was by far the best athlete, and he deserves much praise for competing in every event. Unfortunately, this year we possessed no long-distance runner of any merit, and thus we lost points in the long-distance races. It would be very unfair to mention any other member of our senior team, as all deserve equal praise in their combined efforts.

W. J. Burden and N. L. Streeter were the outstanding athletes of our junior team. Both deserve much praise, and both showed promise of becoming good athletes.

The result of the House Fives was peculiar in that we won all of the senior matches, but lost all the junior. C. G. Jeffries and W. Hardy are to be congratulated on their splendid performance.

The junior pair met with very little success. The team was not really weak, but when it came to the matches they did not seem to live up to expectations.

The following represented the Corinthians in the House Sports:—

Senior—C. G. Jeffries, L. O. Barrett, A. J. Palmer, J. H. S. Lee, D. M. D. Harrison, W. Hardy, F. D. Barrett.

Junior—R. H. Harding, W. J. Burden, C. R. J. Mitchell, M. L. Streeter, K. F. Wheeler, R. F. G. Coaker, F. R. G. Spinney, P. R. Gatehouse.

The following represented the Corinthians in the House Fives:—

Senior—C. G. Jeffries and W. Hardy.

Junior—D. M. Harrison, W. J. Burden and F. D. Barrett.

F. D. B.

ROMANS.

"Unsuccessful" is the only word which can describe our performance last term. We had no athletes, and although M. G. Watton won the "Spry" Cup for Fives, we could not find a suitable partner for him, and only in the junior Fives were we at all successful. Our junior athletes were extremely unfortunate, and it is to be feared that conditions will not improve for a few years.

In the senior athletic team, R. E. G. Davies was undoubtedly our best athlete. He proved a useful all-rounder, but we had no-one who came up to his standard, and therefore all his efforts were wasted. L. J. Chown ran well in the Mile Relay and Half-Mile Team Race, and was mainly responsible for the only point gained in the House Sports. D. H. Ryall was our best hurdler and high-jumper, but the best that can be said of the rest of the team is that they were never lacking in pluck.

It is impossible to single out any junior who showed much promise. In event after event we filled the last place with a monotony which became disheartening, and we never looked like winning anything.

In the junior Fives we won two out of the three matches played, and tied with two other Houses for first place, thus gaining two points—our only success of the season. F. R. G. Sessions was undoubtedly the better junior, and was steadier and more certain in every respect than his partner.

The following represented the Romans in the House Sports:—

Senior—R. E. G. Davies, C. Coats, W. G. King, L. J. Chown, F. R. G. Sessions, D. H. Ryall, R. O. Young.

Junior—L. S. W. Dyke, M. G. Watton, A. J. Ellsworth, R. A. Head, W. Jacobs, W. J. Jesse, D. C. Coward, L. F. Miles, R. B. Chapman, D. M. Godfrey.

The following represented the Romans in the House Fives:—

Senior Pair—M. G. Watton and D. H. Ryall.

Junior Pair—F. R. G. Sessions and W. G. King.

W. G. K.

HOUSE FIVES, 1936.

SENIOR.

Corinthians beat Trojans	...	15-8	12-15	16-15
Corinthians beat Spartans	...	15-8	12-15	15-4
Corinthians beat Romans	...	9-15	15-11	15-7
Trojans beat Spartans	...	15-10	10-14	15-11
Trojans beat Romans	...	14-16	15-6	15-10
Spartans beat Romans	...	14-16	15-6	15-10

JUNIOR.

Trojans beat Corinthians...	...	15-7	17-7	
Trojans beat Spartans	...	15-5	15-8	
Spartans beat Corinthians	...	15-8	15-4	
Spartans beat Romans	...	16-14	15-13	
Romans beat Corinthians	...	15-11	15-8	
Romans beat Trojans	...	12-15	15-13	15-7

The members of the various Houses at the present time are as follows:—

CORINTHIANS.

G. J. Adcock	G. D. Devereux	C. R. J. Mitchell
F. D. Barrett	K. J. R. Fawcett	A. J. Palmer
L. O. Barrett	C. M. Fullford	A. G. Rabbets
G. T. Bartlett	P. R. Gatehouse	R. W. Rowland
J. C. Beck	R. H. Harding	T. W. Souden
J. S. Blanchard	S. H. Harris	F. R. G. Spinney
W. J. Burden	W. Hardy	N. L. Streeter
M. W. Burge	D. M. D. Harrison	W. H. C. Sully
R. B. Burrows	C. R. Hiscock	R. N. Thresher
R. F. G. Coaker	C. G. St. D. Jeffries	A. M. Turpin
A. B. Cluer	J. H. S. Lee	R. L. Wareham
J. M. Croxford	K. Milverton	K. F. Wheeler

ROMANS.

F. L. Bridle	D. L. Godfrey	R. H. J. Mullins
P. Brooks	G. H. Greenwood	B. R. Pike
F. T. Brooks	R. A. Head	P. F. Pike
R. B. Chapman	F. G. Hunt	D. H. Ryall
L. J. Chown	W. F. Jacobs	E. G. Sessions
C. Coats	W. J. Jesse	J. W. Simpson
S. H. N. Cooke	W. G. King	R. G. Vining
D. E. Coward	G. C. Langdon	C. H. Walker
R. E. G. Davies	R. F. Lodge	M. G. Watton
E. S. W. Dyke	W. J. C. Macdonald	J. W. Wormald
G. R. Dyke	L. F. Miles	T. Y. Wormald
A. J. Elsworth	B. J. Mojer	R. O. Young
J. L. Garrett		

SPARTANS.

E. Bartlett	N. H. Foot	J. R. Richardson
B. Bealing	E. J. Foot	D. K. Rutter
S. G. Baker	J. J. Foot	W. R. Stevens
V. W. Carpenter	J. A. Friend	J. W. Sully
T. M. Corson	G. S. Gibbins	J. K. Smith
R. Crofts	J. G. Hepworth	D. W. Tait
W. H. Dear	A. A. Higgins	A. R. M. Tanner
T. E. Dear	P. F. Jesse	L. A. Templeman
R. F. Dear	C. A. W. Killington	P. F. Trim
J. MacDougall	F. H. Lewitt	M. Tucker
J. R. Domoney	D. W. Lewitt	B. M. J. Vincent
R. C. Emery	R. M. Langford	D. A. W. Wasley
K. C. B. Field	P. Nutbeam	

TROJANS.

P. F. J. Buckland	H. T. Imber	A. J. Sansom
W. F. Chapman	F. T. Jennings	F. W. Sansom
E. A. Clarke	K. C. Jones	S. V. Selfe
A. C. H. Cuff	P. B. Lay	J. O. Sharman
R. T. Dinsdale	K. R. Mead	A. J. Sharman
H. G. Ellison	H. R. Meaden	W. C. Sutcliffe
J. J. Ford	J. K. Miles	M. A. Tory
R. J. Ford	W. J. Miles	G. R. Tucker
B. H. Frowd	R. J. Mullins	K. Tuffin
G. W. Glaze	L. H. Noyce	S. R. Walbridge
J. A. Gray	H. G. Pearson	W. J. N. Warren
F. J. Green	J. G. Pearson	E. R. Warren
G. A. Green	D. G. Pitt	A. F. Watts
G. E. Hine	W. C. Riggs	G. Watts
H. S. Hine	C. W. Rooks	K. A. Wright

O.S. NEWS.

The Past v. Present Cricket Matches will be played on Saturday, July 18th, starting at 11.30 a.m.

Mr. & Mrs. Minchin extend a very hearty invitation to all Old Boys to be present on that day, and will be delighted to offer accommodation to those wishing to stay the night.

Will those who intend to come kindly fill in the enclosed card and return it to Mr. Minchin on or before Monday, 13th July.

BIRTHS.

April 5th, to Mr. & Mrs. F. N. Windebank, a son.

April 8th, to Mr. & Mrs. R. H. Hitch, a son.

May 28th, to Mr. & Mrs. E. H. Stickland, a son.

May 31st, to Mr. & Mrs. R. B. Minchin, a daughter.

June 4th, to Mr. & Mrs. S. H. D. Johnson, a son.

MARRIAGES.

March 28th, A. S. Court to Miss M. H. Armstrong.

May 27th, R. Light to Miss G. Edwards.

June 1st, S. R. Harris to Miss Katherine E. Brain.

June 13th, H. F. Bathurst Brown to Miss Joanna C. Drury.

DEATHS.

March 18th, J. E. E. Johnson, 48, High Street, Shaftesbury.

May 12th, C. Keast, 40, Bell Street, Shaftesbury.

Jim Dean has left England and is now serving with the South Rhodesian Police. We wish him the best of luck in what must be a very interesting life.

Our congratulations to George Young on a successful year of office as Chairman of the Dorset Branch of the National Farmers' Union.

We hear that E. M. Brice made an excellent speech when replying to the toast of "The Town and Trade of Mere," at a recent dinner.

Dick Hunt has had a successful season at the local Point-to-Points, and we congratulate him on his performances. A. J. Mitchell has also ridden at a few meetings.

A. J. Coward met with an unfortunate accident when playing football early in the year. He was in hospital for a considerable time, but we are glad to hear that he has made a satisfactory recovery.

J. N. Davey visited the School on Easter Monday. He has left Trowbridge and is now in the N.P. Bank at Bristol.

E. H. J. Southon has obtained a business appointment with Messrs. R. Maddox & Co., of Shrewsbury.

T. A. Cordery has left Lewisham and is now with Messrs. Dickens & Jones, of Regent Street; he is playing cricket regularly for his firm. We are glad to hear he has become a D'Oyley Carte "fan."

C. J. Taylor has become a novice at Prinknash Priory, near Gloucester. He now wears the Benedictine habit and is known as Brother Paul Taylor. We are glad to hear that he is very happy in his new life.

S. V. Brickell has been appointed Assistant Surveyor at Lyme Regis.

A. F. F. Birch is now junior assistant to the Engineer of the Biggleswade Water Board.

S. E. Dennis has applied for a commission in the R.A.S.C. (Territorial), and hopes to be gazetted soon.

Ben Hillier, Tom Hayden and John Russell all took part in the production of the "Walze Dream" by the Gillingham Operatic Society. The first named took a leading part, and took it very well indeed.

R. H. Scadden is back again in England after serving in the R.A.F. in Nairobi and Cairo. He was looking very fit when he paid us a visit on April 29th.

Dick Hitch has been making a lot of runs for the Cirencester C.C. In a recent match against Lechlade he made 110 not out. Well done!

G. L. Cooper came in to see us on May 6th. He has altered but little since he left school ten years ago.

David Young, who has been living at Gloucester, has made a temporary move to Sheffield in order to gain experience in his particular branch of engineering. He looked us up on May 2nd, prior to going northwards.

Our sincerest sympathies to J. L. Cole on the sad death of his sister in Canada. Also to Arthur Miles who has recently lost his father.

To F. C. Imber and R. J. Gray the school offers its heartiest congratulations on their performances at the Sports meeting of the local Brigade of Royal Artillery held at the annual camp at Swanage. They met with success in nearly all the field events, and enabled their battery to gain first place in the competition.

F. H. Horton is back in England after spending 20 years in South Africa. He wrote to Mr. Minchin, asking for Clovis Auperrin's address. Should any Old Boy know it, Mr. Minchin would be glad to have it.

H. J. Edwards has started work with Messrs. Rutter and Rutter, Solicitors, of Shaftesbury.

Another long and interesting letter comes from R. P. Jesse, who is still at Queen's College, Cambridge. He has played quite a lot of cricket, and has actually been allowed to bowl! He goes to camp for a fortnight during the summer vacation.

C. A. Gardner called at Whitsuntide, but unfortunately found us all away on our half-term holiday. We were very sorry to have missed seeing him.

Roger Frearson has entered the Westminster Bank and has been posted to the Stony Stratford branch.

E. J. Pulman is still at Weymouth, where he has joined the Weymouth C.C. He sends his best wishes to the Spartans.

Our very heartiest congratulations to H. B. Tuffin on passing the Intermediate Examination of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants (Incorporated). Well done, Tuffin!

John Cole has written a most interesting letter from Cirencester, in which he gives a detailed account of the flour-milling industry.

Jack Tucker recently took the part of the Pirate King in an amateur production of "The Pirates of Penzance," at Filkins, in Gloucestershire.

Kenneth Barnes is very happy with the Agwi Oil and Petroleum Co. at Fawley, and very much likes his work there.

Denis Rawlins is now a pilot officer in the R.A.F., and is stationed at Old Sarum.

R. Heaton and A. W. Harding looked in on June 9th, and had a knock at the nets.

OLD SHASTONIAN GOLF SOCIETY.

The Society has had a very quiet year up to date, one match only having been played, as with a fairly full programme of open competitions during the spring, matches are difficult to fit in. Against High Post the result was a half of six matches each. It was very pleasing to have our President and Captain playing together in the foursomes, and we hope to see them with us on many future occasions.

The Autumn Meeting will be held, as usual, on the second or third Sunday in September. Will any Old Boys who in previous years have not received notice of the meeting, and who wish to enter, communicate with the Hon. Secretary, L. COMBES, The Firs, Fovant, Salisbury.

HIGH POST GOLF CLUB v. O.S.G.S.

Played at High Post on March 8th, 1936.

H.P.G.C.				O.S.G.S.			
A. E. Bradshaw (3 & 2) ...	...	1		A. J. Combes ...	...	...	0
A. A. Maidment (2 & 1) ...	...	1		L. Combes ...	...	...	0
J. Bidwell (7 & 5) ...	...	1		J. W. Miles ...	...	...	0
H. Ross (2 & 1) ...	...	1		J. W. New... ..	...	...	0
R. C. Vincent ...	...	0		W. J. Combes (2 up) ...	...	...	1
A. L. Manson (3 & 1) ...	...	1		F. C. Innocent ...	...	...	0
A. F. Deall... ..	...	0		R. B. Minchin (4 & 2) ...	...	...	1
H. Burton ...	...	0		A. D. Miles (1 up) ...	...	...	1
		<u>5</u>					<u>3</u>

Foursomes.

Bradshaw & Maidment ...	...	0	A. J. & L. Combes (3 & 2) ...	...	2
Dr. J. L. Potts & Ross (3 & 2)...	...	1	New & Minchin ...	...	0
J. Foley & Manson ...	...	0	J. W. Miles & Innocent (6 & 5)	...	1
Deall & W. Thurston ...	...	0	A. D. Miles & W. E. Thomas ...	...	1
		<u>6</u>	(4 & 3)		<u>6</u>

O.S. CLUB NOTES.

Will any member of the Club who is also a member of a Masonic Lodge, communicate with Mr. Minchin if he is interested in the proposed formation of an Old Shastonian Lodge?

A Committee Meeting was held at the School on May 26th. Present, R. J. Jesse (in the chair), R. B. Minchin, A. J. Wescott, B. G. Young, J. W. Miles, C. F. I. Phillips, J. S. Windebank, R. S. Balhatchet, M. F. Gricks & D. A. Parham.

It was agreed to hold the next Club dinner at The Hotel Metropole, Bournemouth, on Saturday, Nov. 7th, at 7 p.m. Arrangements will be made for a coach to leave Shaftesbury for the dinner, and it is also hoped to secure an entertainer who will give a few "turns" after dinner. It was settled that there should be no official guests this year, but that if any old boy wished to bring father or brother, he might do so; on application to the Hon. Sec., an invitation would then be sent.

F. M. Woodcock (Angel Square, Shaftesbury), has a small stock of cuff links made of rolled gold and enamel with the crest and colours of the Club. The price is 10/6 per pair. They look very well, and we can recommend them as a very suitable present for any member.

Magazines sent to the two following members have been returned by the G.P.O.:—

A. E. Atkinson, "Ropley," 79, Addiscombe Court Road, Croydon.

H. J. Hughes, "Ardmay," Avenue Elmers, Surbiton.

If any member knows the new address of either of these members, will he kindly send it to Dr. Tovey.

The O.S. Club was well represented in the Salisbury Hockey Club last season. L. Combes, E. Combes, F. J. P. Snook, A. G. Egremont, F. D. Hollick, E. H. Stickland, A. P. Southon, H. R. Sims and W. E. Thomas all played regularly.

NEW MEMBERS.

D. F. Ricketts	... 14, Norton Road, Winton, Bournemouth.
T. C. Tozer	... Woodcutts Manor, Salisbury.
E. J. Abbott	... Hatt's Farm, Semley, Wilts.
E. M. Dennis	... Trapdoor Farm, East Orchard, Shaftesbury.
S. F. Dennis	... 10, Buckingham Place, Brighton.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

C. S. Balhatchet	... 9, Lower Grove Road, Havant.
K. J. U. Barnes	... The Agwi Hostel, Agwi Petroleum Corporation, Fawley, Hants.
A. F. F. Birch	... 148, London Road, Biggleswade, Beds.
S. V. Brickell	... 10, Monmouth Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset.
T. A. Cordery	... 28, Mornington Road, London, N.W.1.
A. S. Court	... Marston Lane Farm, Frome, Somerset.
W. J. R. Dean	... c/o Brit. S. Africa Police Depot, Salisbury, S. Rhodesia.
J. D. Hawkins	... "Meadway," 19, Salmon Street, Kingsbury, N.W.9.
G. B. Hiscock	... 4, Greenmount Street, Beeston Hill, Leeds.
M. C. Holmes	... 5, Upper Avenue, Eastbourne.
G. R. Imber	... Midland Bank, Devizes, Wilts.
R. M. Law	... 2, Bala Avenue, East Tilbury, Essex.
E. C. Mozley	... "Shaston," Welgelegen Road, Mowbray, Cape Town.
M. F. Murphy	... 21, Selborne Road, Littlehampton, Sussex.
E. H. J. Southon	... Belgrave, Mount Street, Shrewsbury.
A. T. Squire	... 31, High Street, Shaftesbury.
C. J. Taylor	... Brother Paul Taylor (Novice) O.S.B., Prinknash Priory, Gloucester.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following Magazines:—

Bournemouthian.
Clayesmorian.
Fosterian.
Sotoniensis.
Winburnian.
Yeovilian.

All subscribers to the Magazine should send their subscriptions to Mr. R. B. MINCHIN (2/6 for three numbers).

No copy of a Magazine will be sent to anyone whose subscription has not been paid in advance.

A few back numbers have been retained for sale at 6d. each.