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EDITORIAL.

For the first time since the beginning of the War, we began the Michaelmas term of 1919 with a full staff and with almost normal conditions. As a result we are able to look back upon the term with something like satisfaction: work has been more strenuous; a "Hastings" half-holiday has been merited and awarded; the Debating Society has been re-established; Physical training has been re-introduced into the Time-table; the Football fifteens have been probably as good as they have ever been; Drama and Music are again rearing their heads. So far, so good.

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The one unsatisfactory note has been the dwindling in numbers and the apathy of the School Cadet Corps. Partly, of course, this must be put down to the general reaction in the country at large after five years of intensive military training, and the concentration of our ideas, *ad nauseam*, upon things military. But there have been other contributory causes. And it is hoped that next term all the old members of the unit will see to it that our School contingent does not lag behind that of its competitors in either numbers or enthusiasm.

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May we again remind two classes of our readers that we should welcome contributions from them to the "Savilian." First—the Middle and Junior members of the School, who, if not confident enough to venture on the seas of original literary composition, might at least ventilate some grievance, or point to some matter of common interest to us all in the correspondence columns. And, secondly, we would ask old boys of the School, and particularly those who have been serving the country in any of the various theatres of war, to favour us with some account of the experiences they have gone through, the scenery they have visited, or the humours of military existence as it struck our temporary soldiers. We can hardly imagine anything that would interest the School more than an article on such subjects.

DE OMNIBUS REBUS.

SCHOOL PREFECTS.

- R. E. L. Wellington, Captain of School, Captain of Football, Captain of Savile's House, Cadet Officer, Editor of Savilian.
W. M. Atkinson, Captain of Bentley's House, School Librarian.
P. B. Broadbent, Editor of Savilian, C.S.M., Hon. Sec. to Debating Society.

A. J. R. Mahon, Vice-Captain of Football, Captain of Freeston's House.
 F. G. Waterhouse, Hon. Sec. to Sports Committee, C.Q.M.S.
 C. M. Jones, Captain of Cave's House.
 J. F. Walker.

HOUSE PREFECTS.

R. Burgess, Bentley's House.
 C. C. Holdsworth, Cave's House.
 W. Guest, Cave's House.
 C. M. Peel, Freeston's House.

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Once again the Founder's Day Celebration and the Speech Day were both held on November 19th. C. M. Atkinson, Esq., M.A., kindly came to distribute the prizes, and gave a most interesting address.

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The various School Societies are in a flourishing condition once more. In addition to Societies of such long standing as the Debating Society and the Scientific Society, Mr. Head has organised an Orchestral Society, consisting of past and present members of the Wakefield Grammar School.

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The 15th Annual Swimming Sports took place on Monday, October 6th, and proved even more productive of interest than in former years. Mr. Head and the Hon. Secretaries are to be congratulated on their admirable organisation of this function.

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This year witnesses the revival of the traditional Concert and Dramatic Performance which has been allowed to lapse during the years of war. December 15th and 16th are the nights fixed upon for this performance.

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We congratulate R. E. L. Wellington on being awarded an Hastings Exhibition to Queen's College, Oxford.

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On Wednesday, November 12th, Professor Rhys Roberts, of Leeds University gave the Upper School a most scholarly lecture on the subject of "Tennyson and the Classics."

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Professor Gillespie, of Leeds University, and a Governor of the School, gave a short lecture on "Plato" at the Girl's High School, at which the Upper School was invited to be present. The lecturer admirably succeeded in carrying out his avowed intention of stimulating his audience to further interest in Plato.

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We congratulate F. G. Waterhouse and A. D. Dixon on being awarded their Football Colour Caps.

We wish to draw the attention of our readers to the proposal to publish an anthology of Public School Verse, and to urge the "mute inglorious Miltons" who conceal themselves in our midst to give proof of their genius, and thus to bring honour to the School.

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The Editors acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries, apologising for any omissions:—Grobian, Cryptian, Hymerian, Bristol Grammar School Magazine, Leodiensian, City of London School Magazine, Fulneck School Magazine, Batley Grammar School Magazine.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

At the beginning of this season our hopes of success were considerably greater than any we have entertained for the past three years. Six old "colour men" were still available, and there seemed no dearth of promising material with which to build up a good if not an excellent XV. This optimism has been not unsupported by the results of matches. At the time of writing four school matches out of five have been won, and our defeat of 11—nil by Hymer's College, Hull, was not discreditable since our captain and two of our most prominent forwards were unable to play. Of our two club matches, with the Wakefield Rugby Union "A" team, the first was lost, the second drawn.

But whatever the results of our matches may be the standard of play is immeasurably higher than in the past few years. Our back division is fast and decidedly dangerous in its attack. The tackling might be lower with advantage, but the kicking is very good.

The pack is light, but, thanks to the excellent tuition of Mr. Baker, our new physical training instructor, has developed into a highly efficient set of forwards in the loose. The dribbling is infinitely improved, as is the following up. With the additional weight necessary to hold their own in the scrum the pack would be excellent.

The whole team might remember that unless one's opponent is near one's line round the knees is the place to tackle; and the forwards that tight packing can sometimes make up for lack of weight.

As usual, Mr. Gibling has been indefatigable in organising the junior games, and to him we offer our sincere thanks.

Appended is a list of results up to date:—

			Against.	For.	
Oct. 2nd.—Leeds G.S.	At Leeds	-	3	17	Won.
Oct. 7th.—Woodhouse Gr. Sch.	At W'field.	nil		71	Won.
Nov. 1st.—Ripon.	At Ripon	-	3	38	Won.
Nv. 15th.—Hymer's College	At Hull	-	11	nil	Lost.
Nv. 20th.—Leeds G.S.	At Wakefield	-	3	16	Won.
Nv. 22nd.—Wakefield R.U. "A" team		-	14	nil	Lost.
Nv. 29th.—Wakefield R.U. "A" team		-	5	5	Draw.

CADET CORPS NOTES.

The corps still continues to flourish despite the general reaction against things military which has reduced its number to 63. The company has been reorganised into two platoons of two sections each, in order to make section drill more practicable.

The institution of a Physical Training Parade on Mondays, under Mr. Baker, is much appreciated and very popular.

The procession to the Cathedral on Mayor's Sunday, in which the corps was represented by a contingent, has been the only "Field Day" as yet possible this term owing to the uncertainty of the weather and the claims of football.

There is, however, to be a Route March, followed by Tea and a "Sing-Song," on one day before the end of term, unless the gods or a food shortage intervene.

The Platoon Competition held at the end of last term resulted in the victory of No. 2 Platoon. The Efficiency and Shooting Cups were awarded to Sergeants J. F. Walker and C. M. Peel respectively.

The Summer Holidays Camp, as will be seen elsewhere, was a complete success, and it is hoped that it will be the first of a series.

Promotions—

To be Coy. Sergeant-Major —Plat -Serg. P. B. Broadbent.
To be Platoon Sergeant—Sergeant A. J. R. Mahon.

To be Corporals—

Lance-Corporals A. D. Dixon.
R. Breakwell (Band Cpl.)

To be Lance-Corporals—

Cadets—H. Booth.
J. H. Capewell.
D. H. Mosby (Cpl. Bugler).

THE CAMP.

On Friday, August 1st, some forty members of the Cadet Corps, in charge of Capt. R. G. Metcalf and 2nd Lieuts. T. W. Gibling and E. G. Parry, entrained at Kirkgate Station to join seven other of the Northern Public Schools at the Rowlston Hutment Camp, Hornsea.

We found the situation of the Camp quite delightful and were not surprised to hear that it had been the favourite camp of the district. The majority of our members were making their first acquaintance with military camp life, but they rapidly settled down in their pleasant surroundings and made a promising debut on the parade ground on the first morning.

C.O.'s parade at 10-30 a.m. generally took the form of Company Drill under Capt. Turnbull (Beverley) as O.C. Coy. and Captain Metcalf as second in command, while our two subalterns acted as platoon commanders. Of course No. 2 Platoon was the smartest on the ground—so *we* unanimously agreed.

Those of us who were qualified to do so attended musketry instruction under Lieut. Hardwicke, M.C. (York), and if we did not profit by his inspiring example and untiring efforts it was entirely our own fault.

In the intervals between parades, and on most of the spare afternoons, the cricket and football pitches were kept busy. Games were under the superintendence of Capt. J. A. Barber (Hulme) and one of his colleagues. Both were indefatigable and most successful in their attempts to finish the rather long programme necessitated by the entry of all contingents for both the football and the cricket cups. Our hopes of gaining the former were rudely dashed when it was discovered that the Association code was the one favoured by the other schools. A victory of 3 goals to nil against Almondbury in the first round gave us a good conceit of ourselves, though it must be admitted that we won this game by sheer weight and dash. However, inspired by the skill and cleverness of our captain, Lance-Cpl. R. Breakwell, as well as possibly by the advice which streamed in an unending flow from the touch-line, we played a game more nearly resembling soccer in the semi-final against Leeds Modern School and just won by 1—0. In the final round we were beaten but not altogether out-played. Our forwards worked well together, shooting being their weakest point. The XI. showed a steady improvement and glimpses of combination that promise well for future years. Archbishop Holgate's School, York, were the victors by two goals to nil.

In the cricket competition we beat Barrow easily in the first round, the fielding of the team being commendably smart and the batting of the confident and vigorous kind. Our collapse against York in the next round was therefore at once surprising and disappointing.

On Saturday evening we went for an eight-mile route march. Our big drummer earned commendation for his tireless efforts. Incidentally we found we could sing a little, and doubtless we delayed the arrival of bed-time for some of Hornsea's more lethargic inhabitants. Late supper was highly appreciated.

Church parade was fully attended next morning. We marched to the Parish Church at Hornsea and enjoyed the service, which was conducted by the Vicar. Many also went to the evening service at the Y.M.C.A. Hut. Our share of guard duty was undertaken from 6-30 p.m. Sunday to 6-30 p.m.

Monday. One of our number has discovered that a bayonet will not pass through a rolled great-coat without the application of considerable force. Bathing parades were held on most afternoons, while "General Leave," a term with which we quickly grew familiar, enabled those who were not on special duties to become acquainted with the beauties of nature.

The inspection on Wednesday afternoon by Major-General Von Donop passed off satisfactorily, and the General gave some useful advice and encouragement. He expressed himself as thoroughly pleased with the general smartness of the parade, with the drill performed, and with the camp arrangements generally. Later in the day we marched out for field operations on and around the golf course. Most of us were in the attacking force, and when the final whistle blew the umpires decided that the movement had developed well. Had another five minutes been allowed we should have gained a decisive victory with little loss to ourselves. After both forces had been rallied, a brisk march brought us to the Y.M.C.A. where cocoa and buns helped us considerably in the relation of our individual experience. Throughout the duration of the camp we found the hospitality of the Y.M.C.A. a great boon, and we were more than grateful for the entertainment provided. (N.B.—The senior N.C.O.'s took full advantage of their extra half hour).

The Drill Competition took place on Thursday morning, the school platoon acting under the command of C.S.M. Staynes. We were disappointed though not dissatisfied with the result. "Holgates" thoroughly deserved their win, while "Hulme" were second, a point or two ahead of Wakefield.

In the Sports held in the afternoon Cpl. C. C. Holdsworth was an easy winner in the obstacle race. We enjoyed the concert held in the evening and the presentation of the various cups and prizes won in the Drill and Shooting Competitions and in the Sports and games, gave us full opportunity of testing the strength of our lungs. We were also glad of the opportunity of showing our appreciation of the excellent work done by the organisers and by those who had shared in the conduct of the camp. In addition to those we have already mentioned in this report, the following received votes of thanks passed with acclamation: The C.O., Capt. R. B. Evans (York), the Adjutant, Lieut. A. S. Robinson (Merchant Taylors), and the Q.M., Lieut. Gatley (Hulme)

We marched out of camp on Friday, August 8th, after having spent an extremely enjoyable and useful week. As regards our own contingent, congratulations are due to the Company Sergeant-Major for the excellent way in which he handled his men. The fact that he was chosen as Batt. S.-M' on the day of the inspection speaks for itself. We must also

congratulate ourselves on the general good health of the whole camp, and especially on that of our own corps during the week. We hope that we may have the opportunity next year of renewing many of the friendships and acquaintances we made at this camp.

JUNIOR SCHOOL NOTES.

This term owing to the congestion in the lower part of the Senior School we have not sent up quite so many boys as usual and we start the year with a record number of 104, of whom 20 are new boys. There is some promising material in the sporting line, where Bonner is proving himself a keen and capable footer captain. We are greatly indebted to his father for his help as coach and referee. When summer comes we hope to go one better even than last year when our cricket exceeded expectations. Gone are the days when we always submitted to defeat at the hands of the High School and the Bede Home. The former we beat by 95 to 27, Dronfield taking 7 wickets for eight runs. The latter in a two innings match only scored 11 and 26 to our 54 and 82. P. S. Green carried off the bowling honour this time with 7 wickets for 4 runs, whilst Longley hit up a vigorous 54. After the match Mr. A. A. Bonner kindly provided for both teams a tea "fit for a king" as our captain expressed it. Our new fixture with Silcoates resulted in another victory by 49 to 30. The standard of fielding has improved all round: the bowlers used good judgment in planning the field and kept a good length: the batting however still lacks style. During the season Dronfield captured 26 wickets for 84 runs, average 3.23, and P. S. Green 22 for 91, average 4.16, which is very creditable for Junior cricket. Dronfield headed the batting averages, closely followed by Longley and Parker. There is no doubt that the giving of Junior School Cricket Colours has done much to promote this keenness.

Though our old Nature Room has now become the I. lower form room we still hold our exhibition of collections at the end of term. Thanks to the kindness of Miss Robinson and some parents, we awarded prizes to Gibson, R. Bolton, and Pearson. Full advantage has been taken of the allotment gardens, and many of the exhibits consisted of vegetables.

This term so far we have only had one Rigger match, against the Cathedral Choir. Though we put up a good fight their superior weight gained them the victory by 27 points to 16. We played the Bede Home at Soccer on November 29th and though they were strengthened by a demobilised Old Boy, we ran out winners by 6 goals to 1. Bonner and Edwards were very safe, the former scored four of the goals himself, while P. S. Green and Laidlaw shot one each. Saville showed very promising form.

The Junior School Prize Day took place on November 20th. We had a good number of parents present, and they seemed to appreciate our singing. The Mayoress distributed our prizes gracefully and left Sir Edmund Stonehouse to make the speech. We were delighted to receive a few days later such an appreciative letter from the Mayoress to the whole School saying how much she had enjoyed the afternoon. Next year we hope to achieve something more ambitious in the way of a Latin sketch.

OXFORD LETTER.

Dear Mr. Editor,

The "end-of-the-term" feeling is strong upon all of us, a malaise only to be cured by Christmas revelry in the homes of our maiden aunts. We are not alone in our condition—all Oxford is inoculated with fin-de-siècle tendencies. We are becoming too modern to regard tutors with reverence or the approach of schools with awe. Even the manly sports, the devotees of which in past times were the exponents of military prowess and the earners of national gratitude, have fallen low in the scale of amusements. Only a few of our members are seen indulging in these noble pastimes. Our latest arrival seems to have procured a certain degree of fame on the hockey field; and it is even said that he will in years to come, by the shapely contours of his legs and the immaculate parting of his hair, attract the attention of future captains. Far distant in a different atmosphere, another of our members confines himself to dissertations on the "Law of Torts," intermingled with acute criticisms of "Varsity Rugger," and faithful devotion to the goddess of Music. Enough! Dancing under the persecution of the progs still remains a "prop." The Theatre is occasionally visited by those who have dined well, for the acoustic properties of the building are well suited to their ebullitions of humour. Work is the last resource of the "ennuyés," and the first and only love of the recluse. To those of us who fall between these two stools, work is a problem only solved by fits and starts.

We are all very pleased however at the success of the school in winning a Hastings Exhibition this year, and we join in congratulating the newly elected holder. No doubt his advent to Queen's will be an occasion meet for celebration. I fear, Sir, I have already taken more space than you can charitably accord. I conclude, however, with our customary, but by no means perfunctory wishes for the continued welfare of the school and your own literary labours.

Yours sincerely,

O.S. OXON.

CAMBRIDGE LETTER.

Cambridge
Michaelmas Term 1919.

Sir,

An Oxonian sympathiser condoled with your O. S. Cantab before term began on the paucity of W.G.S. representation at Cambridge; a fact which was due, as he explained, to the superior attractions of the rival University. O.S. Cantab replied with some asperity, but, truth to tell, he *was* a little grumpy about it. In the event, however, his grumpiness was not justified, for the School has rallied unexpectedly—in fact, we are Seven.

Cambridge pulses with life and movement, more crowded now than ever in its history, and yet unaltered. For the Genus Undergrad may change his brilliant waistcoat and his bright-hued socks, or may exchange his grey flannel bags for "Plus Fours", yet five years' *Weltkrieg* have left unchanged his habits,

Though we eat little flesh. and drink no wine
Yet let's be merry. We'll have tea and toast;
And then we'll talk;—what shall we talk about?
Oh! there are themes enough

The Progs, playing upon the innocence of Mr. Verdant Green the Fresher, are doing a thriving trade; and Rumour hath it that one of our band, retiring from an unequal encounter with Authority, heavy of heart and light of pocket, set himself, as a penance, to learn by heart those lines of Wordsworth which begin,

Many there are who, of the law
Established in the land where they abide
Are strict observers

On Armistice Night we *did* get our Bonfire in Market Square, in spite of the greatly augmented forces of law and order. One O.S. is reported to have got so excited at seeing his first "Rag" that he shouted "Rats" at a Robert only fifty yards away, and tried to push a lamp-post over.

Other notable events of the term have been the fire in King's College Chapel, the visit of the two Princes to the barber, the opening of the Whim Café in Rose Crack, and the installation of Our Artie as Chancellor.

Our two senior members, Lawe and Greenwood, both look as if War agrees with them rather well. Lawe is in the John's Rucker Pack, and bids fair to get his colours. In his lighter moments he holds forth on the Bank Rate and the decline of University dancing. Greenwood may be seen daily at the Fives Courts, or going for long country walks (object not specified). We are proud of Armitage, who has been appointed Organist of Christ's College. He may also be seen daily lashing the unoffending Cam into foam with an oar-blade.

Spencer, too, devotedly worshipped the River-God until he found it involved taking tea standing up; he has now taken up the more aesthetic but less strenuous exercise of growing side-whiskers. Naylor is to be congratulated on being elected Captain of the Trinity Hall Hockey Club. His favourite amusements are getting black eyes and interviewing the Dean. Shackleton is getting visibly wiser every day, and Kitson follows in his train. It is popularly supposed at Clare that they both know all there is to know about Integral Calculi (I'm not quite sure what they are, but I think they are a rare kind of Shellfish—anyway, if you *want* to know, there is always the Encyclopaedia...) It is rumoured that Shackleton would have beaten Greenwood at Fives had not the ball *persisted* in coming off the back wall at an unmathematical angle.

There is much more that I might relate: that gallant little incident in the Christ's—Newnham debate, for instance; or that motorbike and policeman episode; or again that Theatre Row; but I fear that I should trespass on your space too much; and, moreover, these things are better told à quatre yeux.

Till we meet, then, I remain

Ever Your Faithful,

O. S. Cantab.

SWIMMING SPORTS.

The Fifteenth Annual Swimming Sports were held in the Corporation Baths on Monday, October 6th. The customary large number of spectators, including many of the Staff, attended. All the races were well contested, and the two cups, especially, were the objects of spirited competition. The Sugden Cup was won by G. A. Green, and the Greaves Cup by D. H. Mosby. These were presented on the annual celebration of Founder's Day together with many other athletic trophies.

The Sports concluded with the customary Polo Match, the Caves and Saviles finding little difficulty in vanquishing the Bentleys and Freestons by two goals to nil.

The following kindly officiated at the proceedings:—

President—A. J. Spilsbury, Esq.

Starter—G. E. Welch, Esq.

Judges—C. H. Head, Esq. W. F. Beard, Esq.

T. W. Gibling, Esq. G. Saunders, Esq.

R. C. Metcalf, Esq.

Appended is a list of results:—

Handicap race for this year's learners.

1. C. R. Burton. 2. W. W. Richardson.

Handicap race for learners during last two seasons:—

1. H. A. P. Roche. 2. E. L. Burton.

Open Race for Championship (Greaves Cup)

1. D. H. Mosby. 2. G. A. Green.

Breast Stroke Handicap:—

1. H. F. Turner. 2. H. Haley.

Handicap Race for Mrs. Spilsbury's Prize.

1. L. Hartley.

Diving for Weight. (Sugden Cup).

1. G. A. Green. 2. L. Hartley.

Best method of saving drowning person.

G. A. Green.

Comic Race.

L. T. Tinker.

Two Length's Race in clothes.

G. A. Green.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

The first meeting of the Session was held on Friday, Oct. 10th. There was a very fair attendance. Arran brought a model steam engine of the vertical type. Mr. Welch fitted up and explained the army field telephones recently purchased from the Government. He also gave the members a few hints on how to make simple telephones.

The second meeting was held on Nov. 7th. Mr. Welch demonstrated the induction coil, fitted with an electrolytic interrupter, made by Mahon. Excellent results were obtained and several experiments were carried out with vacuum tubes, etc. Shaw brought a model of a steam factory plant which worked beautifully.

The third meeting was held on Dec. 5th, when the Vislock patent locknut was shown and explained. The Harmonograph (presented to the Society by Mr. Brown) was fitted up, and some remarkable designs were obtained. This was the last meeting of the term, and it is to be hoped that next year will see these meetings better attended.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

The following officials were appointed at the beginning of the term:—Secretary, P. B. Broadbent; Committee, F. G. Waterhouse, H. C. Johnson, J. F. Wolfenden. Mr. Waters continues indefatigably to occupy the chair; and the innovation of Fixture Cards has been introduced.

Four successful debates have taken place, at the first of which, on November 4th, P. B. Broadbent proposed the motion "That the teaching of science is given undue importance in the modern school curriculum." C. M. Jones, seconded by A. J. R. Mahon, opposed, while H. C. Johnson seconded the motion. After a hot battle between the Classicists and Scientists the motion was lost by 21 votes to 11.

On Nov. 18th, the motion "That military training should be compulsory in secondary schools," proposed by P. B. Broadbent and opposed by W. Marr, was again lost.

The most successful meeting was the Inter-School Debate with Leeds Grammar School, on Nov. 20th, when C. M. Jones, seconded by Rev. A. Billen, of Leeds, proposed "That the modern civilisation is effete, and it is time to return to a more primitive state." C. Peaker opposed, seconded by H. C. Johnson. The motion was defeated after many witty speeches on both sides.

On Dec. 1st there was an Inter-School Debate with the Wakefield High School, when the motion "That the modern taste in amusement has deteriorated, is deteriorating, and should be improved," was proposed by Miss M. Abel, and seconded by P. B. Broadbent. R. E. L. Wellington, seconded by Miss K. Wilby, opposed, as also did great numbers in the body of the House, finally extinguishing the abashed motion by 47 votes to 17.

PUBLIC SCHOOL VERSE.

It is intended to publish about once a year an anthology of the best serious verse written at Public Schools, the frequency of publication depending on the amount and quality of what is sent in.

We, the prospective Editors, cordially invite contributions of serious verse, original or translated, of all kinds: everyone who has not yet left school is eligible, and we hope to hear from younger as well as older contributors.

Mr. John Masefield will write a preface to the first volume. Arrangements have been made with a first-class London Publisher to produce the anthology, provided that the material is good enough: if it is not, we shall not publish at all; but we have every reason to expect that we shall not be disappointed.

It is not necessary that contributions should be type-written; but they should be written clearly and sent in as soon as possible, so as to lighten the Editors' task. If intended for

the first volume they must be sent in before January 7th, 1920, and addressed to

The Editors of "PUBLIC SCHOOL VERSE,"
c/o HOLYWELL PRESS,
OXFORD.

No payment will be made for contributions, and unaccepted manuscripts cannot be returned unless a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.

MARTIN GILKES.
RICHARD HUGHES.
HUGH LYON.

FOUNDERS' DAY.

The annual celebration of Founders' Day was held in conjunction with the Senior School Prize Distribution, on Nov. 19th. Sir Edmund Stonehouse presided, and the service was opened with the National Anthem, followed by a hymn. The first lesson was read by A. E. Greaves, and the lesson after the psalm by P. B. Broadbent, in the absence of the Senior Prefect, R. E. L. Wellington. After the mention of founders and benefactors, Mr. Spilsbury read the school's long Roll of Honour. The customary poem in honour of Queen Elizabeth was then presented, being the work of R. E. L. Wellington, though the Headmaster had also received efforts from several boys in the lower forms. The singing of the School Song and a psalm ended the service.

In presenting the Annual Report, the Headmaster said that this was the first term for many years that the school had had an adequate staff. He mentioned the great number of military distinctions won in the War by those who would normally have been gaining University distinction. After commenting on the flourishing state of all the school activities, Mr. Spilsbury concluded with a reference to his good fortune in having such an able Staff, and thanked the Governors for their prudent management of the school's finance.

The Spokesman congratulated Mr. Spilsbury on his Report, and called upon Mr. C. M. Atkinson to distribute the prizes.

Mr. Atkinson, after referring to his long association with the school, led up to a stimulating discourse on the aims and value of education, pointing out the great part played by Classics therein. He then presented the prizes.

Mr. H. Smith, seconded by Cr. B. Johnson, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Atkinson for his address, and the Mayoress (Mrs. Blakey) proposed a similar vote to the Spokesman for presiding, which was seconded by Mr. Spilsbury. Cheers for the Spokesman, the Headmaster, and the Visitors closed the proceedings.

PRIZE WINNERS.

STORIE EXHIBITIONER.

E. G. Parry (University College, Oxford).

SPECIAL PRIZES.

History Prize.

E. G. Parry.

The Spokesman's Prize for Modern Languages.

J. H. Capewell.

The Vicar of Wakefield's Divinity Prize.

H. C. Johnson

The Stollard English Literature Prize.

R. E. L. Wellington.

The T. O. Garside Memorial Prizes.

For Greek Prose :—R. E. L. Wellington.

For Latin Prose :—W. McI. Atkinson.

The Head Master's Classical Prize.

W. McI. Atkinson.

The Peacock Essay Prize.

P. B. Broadbent.

Mathematical Prize.

A. J. R. Mahon.

Science Prize.

C. M. Jones.

Geography Prize.

W. Guest.

Singing Prize.

H. Foster.

Drawing Prize.

H. Ellis.

H. Keeling) Hon. Mention,
Wm. Calvert)

"Spelling" Prizes.

C. W. Parris (over 15.)

A. Brown (under 15)

E. D. M. Farmer (Junior School.)

FORM PRIZES.

VI Cl Prizes: R. E. L. Wellington and W. McI. Atkinson.

VI Mod. Prize: W Crowther.

VI Lower (a) Prize: E. L. Burton.

Honourable Mention: T. V. Way, G. S. Wilby.

- VI Lower (b) Prize : Calvert, E. L.
Honourable Mention : Guest, H. E.
- Va Prize : Osborne, H.
Honourable Mention : J. F. Wolfenden, R. C.
Carrington.
- Vb Prize : E. G. Marsden.
Honourable Mention : J. B. M. Mason, T. Lawe.
- IVa Prize : H. Lee.
Honourable Mention : R. A. Osborne, F.
Senior.
- IVb Prize : C. H. Lockwood.
Honourable Mention : L. A. Burgess.
- IVc Prize : E. Hoyle.
Honourable Mention : N. R. Calvert.
- IIIa Prize : J. Carson.
Honourable Mention : E. Bramley, D. P. Car-
rington.
- IIIb Prize : G. Tozer.
Honourable Mention : R. C. Shaw, R. W. Bell.

JUNIOR SCHOOL.

- II Upper Prize : T. G. S. Green,
Honourable Mention : J. S. F. Parker.
- II Lower Prize : R. S. Warden.
Honourable Mention : D. S. Buttenshaw.
- I Upper Prize : D. Colbeck.
Honourable Mention : J. L. Bostock.
- I Mid. Prize : O. V. Richards.
Honourable Mention : G. T. Calvert.
- I Lower Prize : E. Dean.
Honourable Mention : E. W. Preston.
- Writing Prize : L. E. Hardy.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

R. Bolton.
L. B. Pearson.
J. Gibson.

ATHLETIC CUPS AND TROPHIES WON DURING THE PAST YEAR.

- Senior Challenge Cup : R. E. L. Wellington.
- Junior Shield : J. F. Wolfenden.
- Fernandes Fives Cup : R. E. L. Wellington and J. F.
Walker.
- Greaves Swimming Cup : D. H. Mosby.
- Sugden Swimming Cup : G. A. Green.
- House Running Shield : R. E. L. Wellington (Savile's).
- House Football Shield : Bentley's.
- House Cricket Shield : Savile's.

CADET CORPS TROPHIES.

“Smith” Cup (Individual Excellence)

Sergeant J. F. Walker.

“Rhodes” Platoon Cup: No. 2 Platoon (Cadet Lt. E. G. Parry).

“Firth” Shooting Cup: Cpl. C. M. Peel, No. II. Platoon.

OLD SAVILIANS CLUB.

“Coming of Age” Garden Fete.

The double function of celebrating the coming of age of the Club with a re-union and welcome home to those Old Boys who have served their King and Country, whilst at the same time—as a note in the official programme said—“give a loving thought to those who have laid down their lives for us and won imperishable names in the annals of the School,” was held on the new playing fields in perfect summer weather on Wednesday, July 30th.

For many weeks beforehand numerous committees consisting of Old Savilians, their lady friends and relatives, and members of the School Staff, had been making arrangements on a grand scale, whilst on the day itself they were assisted by a number of the older boys at the School. Special attention had been paid to the decorations of the ground, which were distinctly original and unique. A “promenade” about one hundred yards long was erected in front of the Pavilion, of Venetian masts gaily decorated with flags and bunting, and was entered at either end by triumphal arches, bearing messages of welcome, School mottoes, &c., in Latin, whilst in the centre was a large raised bandstand. Here the Band of the 1st Batt. Prince of Wales’ Own West Yorkshire Regiment (stationed at York), under Bandmaster J. J. Courrers, gave two fine programmes of music, and at dusk played for an hour and a half for dancing on the green, a feature of the proceedings greatly enjoyed by a large number of visitors who seemed loath to believe the end of the day had been reached. The Tennis Tournament was an enormous attraction, and so large the number of entrants, that many preliminary rounds were played off on Tuesday afternoon, and the Committee were gratified to find that even then, an excellent attendance of visitors took an animated interest in the play. On the following day, however, the courts—seven had been prepared in the North-West corner of the field under the embankment—were thronged from ten o’clock in the morning until half-past eight in the evening, and it is quite true to say there was never a dull moment. The winners of the Gentlemen’s Doubles were two Australian visitors from Bradford, and the score in the final

round—6-3, 5-7, 6-2—shows the keenness of the games. They were heartily cheered at the conclusion of the match, as indeed were many of the players during the day for much brilliant and delightful play.

At 11 o'clock the Annual Cricket Match, Past *v.* Present, commenced on the splendid pitch provided. The School took first innings but were all out just before lunch for the moderate score of 79. Many of those present thought the game was "a gift" for the Old Boys, who numbered amongst their number several regular playing members of the Wakefield Cricket Club, but as so often proves to be the case "the battle is not always to the strong," and it was only by dint of some dogged batting by the "tail" that the match was won for the "Past" XI., their score being 87.

Several large marquees and tents erected on the field gave to the ground a much more "furnished" appearance than it otherwise obtains, and in one of the largest luncheon was served at one o'clock to 200 visitors. Our President, (Lt.-Col. H. J. Haslegrave, C.M.G.) presided, and a short toast list was submitted. The Mayor (Cr. Geo. Blakey, J.P.) gave the toast of "The Club." "The School" was given by Mr. Sidney Burn, B.A., J.P., an Old Savilian "on leave" from India—to which the Spokesman (Sir E. Stonehouse, J.P.) and the Headmaster (Mr. A. J. Spilsbury, M.A.) responded. The company then adjourned to the South-East corner of the field, where the President planted a tree in commemoration of the twenty-first year of the Club's existence.

During the afternoon and whilst tennis and cricket were in full play, a special programme of sports for the large number of younger brothers and sisters of those at the School was successfully carried through, and at six o'clock there were gymkhana sports for the older friends and visitors. Much amusement was evinced by the spectators at the various antics of the competitors.

From four to six o'clock tea was provided in the marquee, and this provided an agreeable break in the long round of entertainment, whilst light refreshments were obtainable up to the close of the proceedings.

One of the most remarkable features of the whole day's programme was the manner in which the times of the various items scheduled in the handbook were adhered to, so that when the distribution of prizes came every item but the "final" in the Tennis Tournament had been completed, and shortly after eight o'clock Mrs. Haslegrave distributed a large number of valuable and useful prizes to the winners of the day's events.

For the further enjoyment of the younger end a miniature fair was provided, houp-la, goal shooting, aunt sally, etc., always giving a constant stream of competitors a chance of trying their luck.

Naturally the question of finance bulked largely in the minds of the Committee as the day approached, but all minds were set at rest early on in the morning by the fact of the perfect summer weather making it possible for anyone to venture out without fear of rain. As it was there remains a balance of between £20 and £30 on the right side, and this could not have been obtained without most generous gifts towards the prize list. Yet the Committee's object was not money making but rather to give everyone who took part a "day" to be looked back upon with pleasant memories, and that it succeeded was the unanimous verdict of all.

OLD SAVILIAN NOTES.

The Garden Fete of 1919 is now a matter of history, but the memory of it will remain for a long time to come with those of us who had the good fortune to be present. Perfect weather, perfect organization, excellent cricket, exhilarating tennis, keen competition in the sports, delightful music, all kept a large crowd of "Past and Present" of the Grammar School and Girls' High School with their relations and friends happily interested and amused every minute of the day. To each and all of the enthusiastic band of workers we most heartily extend our sincere thanks and congratulations. To those who were not able to be present we extend our sympathy!

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One result of the Fête has been a large addition to our membership, as will be seen by the list we publish below, and we feel assured that the revival of our pre-war activities on an extended scale will do more than anything else to assist in bringing many Old Savilians into our ranks.

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We wish to remind those members who have omitted to pay their subscriptions which fell due on May 1st last, that the same should be paid to Mr. J. W. Berry, South Moor Road, Hemsworth, near Wakefield, without delay.

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On October 3rd. Mr. C. M. Atkinson completed twenty-five years' service as Stipendiary Magistrate for Leeds. We desire to add our hearty congratulations to those he has already received from his brother magistrates, members of the legal profession and many others on this honourable achievement.

Mr. R. M. Armitage, F.R.C.O., recently gained an Open University Scholarship in Music, and the Steward of Rannoch Scholarship at Cambridge University, following which he has been appointed organist of Christ's College. We heartily wish him a successful career in his new work.

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This term the new Orchestral Society has been formed, and expectations concerning it have been more than realised. Parents, Old Savilians and boys to the number of thirty or more have joined and are meeting once weekly under the able guidance and conducting of Mr. Bee, the bandmaster of the 1st-4th K.O.Y.L.I. The Governors have very kindly made an annual grant to the fund for providing music and instruments, and Mr. Head, who is Secretary and Treasurer, will be grateful for any practical assistance of any kind.

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The Governors have also sanctioned the use on the Playing Fields of three or four tennis courts for the purpose of an Old Savilians' Tennis Club. A meeting will be called early in the New Year to form a Committee and to make arrangements for the ensuing season. It is hoped that there will be a generous response to show appreciation of the Governors' kindness. Mr. Head will be glad to hear from any Old Boy and his lady friends who wish to join this new Club.

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The Annual Dinner will be held at the Strafford Arms Hotel on Thursday, December 11th, 1919, and, as it is possible that the function will have taken place before this issue is published, a full account of the proceedings must be kept over until the next issue. Col. E. Arnold Wraith, D.S.O., C.B.E., is to be the guest.

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The Annual Dance, after having lapsed for five years, is booked for January 2nd, 1920, and it is hoped that the event will be as successful as former ones. Tickets may be obtained from Mr. Head.

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On October 30th a very enjoyable little Social and Dance was given to the lady members of the different Fête Committees by the gentlemen members of the Committee.

Many Old Savilians who were at School in the late '80's and early '90's will remember very well the name of Albert Myers whose tragic death has just been recorded. Only the day before his end came he had won a golf trophy at Woodthorpe. He was a first-rate cricketer in his early days and his younger brothers worthily upheld the tradition. Our sympathies go out to them and to his young widow.

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Max Hein, after serving his country with distinction in the war, has also lately died of pneumonia, and we are genuinely grieved and sincerely sympathetic with his family. The memory that he has left behind is a very fragrant one and full of many little acts of quiet and unostentatious service.

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NEW MEMBERS :—

- Mr. T. H. Wordsworth, Highfield House, Alverthorpe, Wakefield.
Mr. Geoffrey Wordsworth, Highfield House, Alverthorpe, Wakefield.
Mr. G. L. Charlesworth, School House, Thornhill, near Dewsbury.
Mr. H. A. Firth, Springfield, Slaithwaite, near Huddersfield.
Mr. Henry Holdsworth, 103, Lincoln Street, Wakefield.
Mr. Ernest Nicholson, c/o 33, Duke of York Street, Wakefield.
Mr. Leonard S. Horner, Regent Street, Belle Vue, Wakefield.
Mr. Arthur R. Brown, 4, Elm Place, Lawefield Lane, Wakefield.
Mr. E. G. Parry, The Vicarage, Sandal, Wakefield.
Mr. Alex. T. Cussons, Kersal Vale Works, Manchester.
Major John Chambers, 2, Otley Road, Headingley, Leeds.
Mr. Godfrey O. Armitage, Ottringe Court, Elham, near Canterbury.
Mr. G. G. Smith, Hunters Cottage, Barnsley.
Mr. W. Gerald Briggs, 17, White Street, Derby.
Mr. N. Sampson Smith, Crossfield Villa, Horbury, Yorks.
Mr. Vernon S. Smith, Crossfield Villa, Horbury, Yorks.

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ALTERED ADDRESSES .—

- Mr. G. T. Carpenter, Wilhelm Avenue, Wakefield.
Mr. P. L. Dobinson, 157, St. Andrew's Road, South, St. Annes-on-Sea.
Mr. J. P. Crouch, address correspondence to c/o A. L. Newton, Esq., 32, Friars Gate, Derby.

Mr. F. R. Fordham, Lawefield Lane, Wakefield.
 Mr. George Haslegrave, c/o Mr. Wilson, Gardener's House,
 Thornes House, Wakefield.
 Mr. Stratten Holmes, 34, Alhambra Road, Southsea.
 Mr. R. T. Johnson, Yalta, King's Road, Colwyn Bay, N. Wales.
 Mr. L. Laughton, 119, King Street, Normanton, Yorks.
 Mr. John Leedal, 11, Castle Road, Shipley, Yorks.
 Mr. T. B. Little, Burton Street, Wakefield.
 Mr. F. D. Walker, Box 1419, G.P.O., Sydney, Australia.
 Mr. P. H. Suire, W.R. Education Committee, Divisional Office,
 Wentworth, near Rotherham.
 Mr. Cedric L. Reynolds, R.N. College, Dartmouth.
 Mr. Colin Reynolds, Newland House, Cliffe Bank, Selby
 Mr. Latham Reynolds, c/o Mrs. Reynolds, Southend, Horsforth
 Avenue, Bridlington.
 Mr. P. R. Reynolds, c/o J. S. Booth, Esq., Castle Bank House,
 Wakefield.
 Mr. A. H. Morton, Kirkgate Corner, Wakefield.
 Mr. J. L. Morton, Kirkgate Corner, Wakefield.
 Mr. T. W. Pallett.
 Mr. C. H. H. Walker, Belle Vue House, Crewkerne.
 Mr. A. C. Akeroyd, 8, Westfield, Lightcliffe, Yorks.
 Mr. A. K. Wilson, The Woodlands, Little Eaton, near Derby.

ADDRESSES WANTED:—

Mr. L. de F. Bartle.
 Mr. W. A. Marsden.
 Mr. J. S. Scarlett.

MARRIAGES:—

MURRAY—REID. On May 1st, 1918, at the Cathedral, Auckland, Alfred Murray, of Tauranga, N.Z., late of Wakefield, to Jean Agnes Reid, daughter of James Bower Reid, of Wagga-Wagga, Australia.
SLADDEN—PIPER. On August 1st, 1919, at Watford, Rev. H. E. Sladden to Valerie M. Piper.
FORDHAM—SHIPPAM. On August 12th, at Wakefield, Frederick R. Fordham to Catherine M. Shippam.
HOLMES—MILES. On August 12th, at Herne Hill, Stratten Holmes to Winifred Miles.
CLEGG—RIEKIE. At Bognor, Alfred A. Clegg to Annie Riekie.

MELLORS—PARKIN. On Sept. 24, at Filey, Claude Mellors to
Nora Parkin.

HOLDSWORTH—MASSIE. On October 29th, at Wakefield,
Godfrey Holdsworth to Gladys M. Massie.

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We regret to record the death of Rev. Albert Myers, of
Ossett, which occurred very suddenly on Nov. 3rd, at his home
in Ossett.

HEIN. August 1st, at Bournemouth (after a few days' illness),
in his 39th year, Max Herbert Hein, M.C., youngest son of
Geo. G. Hein, of 7, St. John's Square, Wakefield.