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BURY ST. EDMUND'S,
SUFFOLK.

Headmaster's Notes.

IT is, no doubt, a matter of conjecture as to what the School's future status will be under the Education Act. The Governors of the School have made application for continued recognition as a Direct Grant School, that is to say, for permission to continue as we are at present.

The Headmaster of Culford School, Dr. J. W. Skinner, M.A., at their recent Speech Day made public that in the event of this country being invaded during the past few years we should have moved as quickly as possible across country to accept the shelter so generously offered by Culford to our Boarders. I do not intend to narrate the preparation that had to go on behind the scenes, even to the obtaining and safe keeping of a military pass permitting us to pass the military defences at any time, but I do want to stress how appreciative we are of the grand way in which Dr. Skinner made us feel that a heart-warming welcome would await us. We shall ever remember our debt.

It is encouraging to note that this autumn six hundred Arts students of scholarship standard will have their military service deferred in order that they may commence Arts courses at the Universities.

The School is suffering a severe loss at the end of this term in the departure of many senior boys: the Head Boy, A. R. Thomson, who has proved himself such a tower of strength, has been accepted as a student at Faraday House; F. B. Gow, another excellent School Prefect, will enter the Services. Two other School Prefects, C. A. H. Hodge and C. J. W. Gilbert, who have proved equally outstanding, will pass on to the Universities, the former to Edinburgh, the latter to Manchester. D. Savill and E. H. Pask, two recently created School Prefects, will also leave, Savill hoping to go to Cambridge University, Pask entering the Bank of England. P. J. G. Barnett will study Aeronautical Engineering at Loughborough College, and J. H. Asquith will study Chemistry

JUNIOR RACES.—11-12, 1 R. B. Palmer, 2 A. G. Lee, 3 R. H. Seddon ; 10-11, 1 P. E. Abbott, 2 S. H. Ringrose, 3 B. Loades ; 8-10, 1 D. Archer, 2 C. E. H. Watsham, 3 P. C. Fryer ; 7-8, 1 G. A. Hunter, 2 B. Ward, 3 V. Adcock ; under 7, 1 J. M. Elliott, 2 J. H. Lawrence, 3 R. E. Gittus.

VISITORS' RACE won by Mrs. Daley.

OBSTACLE RACE (Senior) Fordham ; (Junior) Rush ii.

POTATO RACE (Senior) Olley ; (Junior) Clark iii.

TUG-OF-WAR.—Lancastrian.

The "Challenge" Bowl, given by the late Lord Moyne of Bury St. Edmund's for the Annual Sports Competition between Houses, was won by Lancastrian House.

The "School Champion" Cup, given by the Rev. A. W. Callis, went to A. B. Rood.

The "Under 15 Champion" Cup, given by the late Rt. Hon. Earl Cadogan.—C. A. Shafto.

The "Under 13 Champion" Cup, given by Mrs. S. E. Atter.—T. L. G. Dodds.

Youth Fellowship.

At the beginning of this term a Youth Fellowship was formed with the full support of the Headmaster and the Provost.

Weekly meetings have been held and we have welcomed as speakers the Rev. J. R. M. Wright, the Rev. R. T. Lambert, Mr. S. H. Savill, and Mr. Morgan. In addition, we have held a number of short meetings for the purpose of reading or of discussing questions arising out of the Bible Reading Fellowship Notes.

Cricket.

NOTES.

Though the weather was particularly unkind to us in the early part of the season, we can claim to have had a reasonably successful term.

While the First and Junior Elevens have won more matches than they have lost, the Second Eleven remains unbeaten, though it has had some narrow escapes. These are fair results, but they could undoubtedly have been better if more enthusiasm had been shown for batting and fielding practice. Not nearly sufficient use has been made of the nets this season.

RESULTS.

1ST XI. MATCHES.

- v. County School (away). School lost by eight wickets.
- v. Thetford (home). School won by 2 runs.
Syrett 17 and seven for 26.
- v. Culford (away). School lost by six wickets.
Thomson 24 ; Syrett eight for 11. *Rood 20.*
- v. County School (home). School lost by four wickets.
- v. A.T.C. (home). School lost by 8 runs.
Gow 14 ; Syrett six for 15.
- v. Culford (home). School won by six wickets.
Rood 24.

2ND XI. MATCHES.

- v. Thetford (home). School won by three wickets.
- v. County School (home). School won by two wickets.
Watson 17.
- v. Thetford (away). School won by four wickets.
Cobbold five for 5.
- v. Culford (home). School won by three wickets.
Ross 23 ; Mason 23.
- v. County (away). School won by two wickets.
Pask seven for 7.
- v. Culford (away). School won by seven wickets.
Clark 17 ; Cobbold seven for 21.

JUNIOR XI. MATCHES.

- v. County (away). School won by 16 runs.
Wilson 14.
- v. Culford (away). School won by 84 runs.
Seddon 14 ; B. Rush six for 11.
- v. County (home). School won by 26 runs.
B. Rush 12.
- v. Culford (home). School lost by 12 runs.

CHARACTERS OF THE ELEVEN.

- *F. B. GOW has been the Captain this year of a team having no "old colours" to strengthen it and he has been most successful in building up a good eleven. He has not had a great variety of bowling to play with but he has managed his limited supply well, and has himself done a lion's share. Gow is a good medium fast right-hand bowler with a fairly steady length. As a batsman he has done good service, although most of his runs are scored by unorthodox strokes. His fielding has always been keen and an inspiration to the others and that has had much to do with the Team's success.
- *A. B. ROOD (Vice-Captain). Has proved his worth behind the stumps and with his bat, but is spoilt by impetuosity.
- *J. SYRETT. He has been the mainstay of the team on several occasions with his consistent bowling and careful, stylish batting.
- *A. R. THOMSON. An aggressive batsman who has had some success, though he sometimes hits at the wrong ball. His fielding is inconsistent.
- †J. F. FORDHAM. Outstanding for his fine fielding in any position. Has a good eye, and as he has improved his style of batting he has made some high scores.
- †A. F. JENNINGS. One of the enthusiasts of the team; he is a useful batsman, but would be better if he could develop a leg shot.
- †J. V. HUGHES. Fills any position adequately and has produced some useful scores, though he suffers from lack of confidence in his own abilities.
- B. J. W. GILBERT. A valuable member of the team, for he uses his hands to good purpose in the outfield. His batting is too unorthodox to produce big scores.
- A. L. R. DAVIES. A very fair bat, spoilt by inconsistency. Also he is hesitant in his fielding.
- R. PASK. Could be one of the best bowlers in the team. Has sometimes obtained very good results, but is spoilt by inconsistency.

- R. L. DODDS. Though young, he has the makings of a cricketer.
- T. W. BLUMFIELD. A useful change bowler who generally acquits himself well.
- B. S. MASON. Very keen and should do well next year. Deserves mention as Captain of the Second Eleven.

* *Full Colours.* † *Half-Colours.*

The Young Farmers' Club.

This term the members have had a very interesting time in picking five boys to represent the Club at the Coldham Hall Agricultural Show on the 7th July.

At the Show the Club had to be represented by a team of three boys of any age, and by two individuals, one over 14 and one under 14 years of age. The team members were picked after a series of trial judging competitions. The first trial was at Mr. Stanley Cross's Farm at Ixworth, where he and Mr. Sayce had arranged for Mr. Macdonald, the War Agricultural Executive Committee's Animal Husbandry Officer, to go over the "points" of Red Poll Cattle, using one of Mr. Cross's prize Cows as a model. Later four Red Poll Cows were paraded and inspected by all members and placed in order, with reasons given for this placing.

The next visit was to the Westley Hall Farm where Large White Pigs, belonging to Mr. Burrell, were seen. Here several groups of four Sows were placed by the boys after Mr. Macdonald had gone over the "points."

The last trial was at Mrs. Heilgers' Farm, just beyond Ixworth, where Friesians were seen and placed in order, with reasons given.

The results of these three trials having been considered, the team was chosen as follows:—Marfleet, Hunter, and Shelbourne, and the individuals were Leeks (under 14) and Baker (over 14). These five boys visited Mr. Oliver's Farm at Hawstead to see Suffolk Punches and to be instructed by our new President, Mr. Oliver.

On the 7th July the five boys judged Red Poll Cattle, Friesians, and Large White Pigs, at Mr. Ince's Farm at Shimpling in the morning, and the Horses in the ring at Coldham Hall in the afternoon.

Seven Y.F.C. teams competed and our team was placed 2nd. Leeks also won the 2nd place for individual judging under 14, and Baker the 4th place over 14.

The successes gained were largely due to the excellent instruction given by Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Oliver, and we are very grateful to them. The boys were keen and did extremely well.

There is to be a Federation of Y.F. Clubs in West Suffolk, and we shall be represented on the Committee. This Federation will then arrange similar competitions and events to those arranged this year by Mrs. Porter, the County Organiser. B.S.R.

J.T.C. Notes.

This has been an unusually full term; in its early days we were privileged in having the assistance of H Travelling Wing who trained N.C.O.'s. in the handling of the Sten and in tactics. The contingent was inspected on 1st June; on this occasion nearly all the instruction was in the hands of the Post-Certificate "A" Class, all of whom acquitted themselves creditably. The good report received is due, in no small extent, to their efforts.

At the kind invitation of the O.C., we visited Blenheim Camp on Tuesday, 26th June. All were very interested in the kind of training received by young recruits in the modern army. Despite two "incidents," one rehearsed, the other unexpected, the term's Field Day was fairly successful.

A team of eight cadets was entered in an Inter-Unit Miniature Range Competition and, although we did not succeed in being one of the two teams chosen by Sub-District for the District Final, we had the consolation of having done particularly well at snapshooting.

The term's programme will close with some more visits from H Travelling Wing.

A good attendance is expected at Camp from 29th July to 5th August, to be held at Shrublands Park, Ipswich, and some 35 of our cadets are to be present.

The thanks of the Contingent are due to Mr. Hassall, whose instruction in map reading has been invaluable.

R. F. MORGAN, Capt.

Scout Notes.

A very successful camp fire was held at the end of last term. The general organisation was in the hands of T.L.'s. Rood, Savill and Marshall and P.L.'s Lucas and Pask. The 4th Bury Group was invited, and they, together with our own scouts and cubs, gave a number of sketches. Probably the best item of all was a shadow show, devised by Rood, Savill, Lucas and Pask. We are grateful also to Stow, who arranged many ingenious lighting devices. The show lasted much longer than had been anticipated, but there was no lack of enthusiasm even at the end.

This term the usual activities have proceeded satisfactorily. More pioneering has been done, and we have added further to our equipment.

A rally for troops in the district has been arranged by the Court of Honour for the last Saturday of the term. This will be held at the new camping ground at Hardwick, and many of our scouts are now busy preparing displays for the occasion.

A troop camp will be held at Long Melford at the beginning of September. Nearly 80 applications to attend have been received.

Howlett has been promoted P.L. of the Squirrels in place of Footer, who has left school.

Points for the annual troop and patrol competition are as follows:

Patrol.	P.L.	Points.	
Squirrel	Howlett	185	
Curlew	Hail	85	
Eagle	Butterfield	60	
Badger	Williams	40	A Troop 305
Ram	Dorey	40	C Troop 118
Bulldog	Bloomfield	40	B Troop 85
Kingfisher	Sketch	30	
Woodpecker	Rainbird	30	
Woodpigeon	Lucas	25	
Fox	Hart	18	
Owl	Pask	5	
Hound	Baker	0	

D.A.Y.

Cub Notes.

The Pack still consists of well over forty cubs. This term has been uneventful, but there has been further opportunity for general work towards tests and badges. The Cubs have shown great keenness, and the following standards have been attained.

SECOND STAR.—T. Thwaites, C. Jennings, P. F. Shelbourne, P. Montgomery, M. C. Hawkes, S. Ringrose, I. Bruce, L. M. O'Toole, P. F. Fryer, C. Watsham, P. Abbott.

HOUSE ORDERLY BADGE.—L. M. O'Toole, P. Montgomery, T. Thwaites, I. Bruce.

HEMOCRAFT BADGE.—D. Harrison, P. F. Shelbourne.

TEAM PLAYER'S BADGE.—B. Rush, P. Abbott, D. Harrison, P. F. Shelbourne.

In the Six Competition, the Greys (Sixer, D. Harrison) are leading, with the Reds (Sixer, P. Abbott) only very little behind them.

Savings Notes.

The total amount collected so far this term is £35 7s. 6d., of which £24 18s. 0d. has been contributed by the Prep. Department.

D.A.Y.

School Notes.

VALETE—

Fifth Form	E. Day	
Fourth Form	T. H. Stone	P. J. Tyson
Third Form	D. R. Bond	J. Galloway
	F. S. Footer	
Second Form	G. L. Cotton	
Middle Prep.	P. J. Mossford	R. J. Ruffell

SALVETE—

Third Form	K. J. North	
First Form	E. A. Pryke	E. J. D. Cory-Wright
Middle Prep.	J. C. Grove	D. J. E. Ward
Lower Prep.	R. L. Fulcher	

Except for V.E. Day the term went smoothly and somewhat uneventfully. The boarders thank the day boys and their parents for supporting the Headmaster in his suggestion that the School's victory holiday should be added to the Whitsun week-end, thus making it possible for nearly all the boarders to go home.

Sports Day passed off well, in reasonable weather, with plenty of spectators. The Lancastrians just managed to win the day with the Tudors second.

In other respects, the House competition has gone largely in favour of the Tudors, though in punctuality and conduct the Lancs. and Yorks. respectively are leading.

This term we have to congratulate E. H. Pask and D. Savill, our new School Prefects, and P. M. Miller, B. R. Payne, A. B. Rood, J. M. Ross, J. Syrett, and P. F. Woodrow, the new House Prefects. It is to the latter group that we hand the reins for coming terms with our thanks to all of them for their assistance during the last part of this term.

A.R.T.

Old Boys' Notes.

Congratulations to Capt. O. C. M. Jennings, R.E., on the award of the M.B.E. (Military Division) for services in Burma.

We were pleased to hear from Major H. Lister Coates, R.E., at present in Simla, that he hopes to return to civilian life by September. By chance he recently met Oswald Jarman in Delhi.

Congratulations and best wishes to Capt. and Mrs. C. R. Paine.

T. A. Urwin, who left fifteen years ago, is working in Purbrook, Hampshire.

Recent visitors to the School have included Charles Carter who left here forty-five years ago and became one of the most prominent trainers of racehorses in France, Lt. M. C. P. Groombridge, on leave from Germany, and accompanied by his wife, Flying Officer H. J. E. Wombwell, who, flying to this country from S. Africa called at Rome and there came across P. Brennan, J. P. K. Mitchell, on leave from the Middle East, and B. C. King, about to return to Uganda. We offer the latter our heartiest congratulations on obtaining the Ph.D. of London University. His thesis was entitled "The Alkaline Igneous Complex of the Cnoc nan Cuilean Area."

We understand that H. J. E. Wombwell has now been transferred to the Fleet Air Arm.

Congratulations to A. E. Hamp, here about 1898, and now General Manager of the Tanganyika Railways and Port Services on his award of the C.M.G.

We recently received a letter from Capt. F. P. S. Shoberl, South East Asia. He hopes to return by the Autumn. He had met H. S. Sanders in Calcutta when the latter was passing through on his way home.

H. S. Sanders, after a spell in the line against the Japs, "bush bashing" as he calls it, had fourteen days leave in Darjeeling, from where there is a wonderful view of the twin peaks of Kinchinjunga. He went out early one morning and was lucky enough to see the sun rise over Mount Everest.

Lt. J. M. Hooper, R.A., was recently at Gluckstadt on the Elbe, from where he wrote to ask details of his record in the School Certificate examination. Details of the Belsen prison camp, he says, are in no way exaggerated.

B. J. Marriott recently passed out second from "King Alfred" and has been posted as a Midshipman to a newly built Destroyer.

We understand that D. J. Evans is making good progress in his naval training and that he hopes to enter the "King Alfred" very soon.

Capt. A. Randell, on a short visit to Bury, came up to the School for half-an-hour.

Congratulations to Warrant Officer Eric Burdon, now on the staff of SHAEF, on his award of the M.B.E.

Congratulations and best wishes to F. Kiddy, recently married, and to P. R. R. Boughton and Mrs. Boughton on the birth of a son.

A breezy letter from A. C. T. Hawksley, H.M.S. "Ajax," asks whether Rush iv. is Head Boy yet.

Towards the end of last term we were delighted to welcome F. R. Stearn who, despite his injuries, retained his old buoyancy of spirit and spoke very cheerfully of his well-being.

Capt. J. W. G. Sandford is making an excellent recovery from the chest wound he received at Osnabruck.

D. E. Bloomfield and M. H. Last recently called for a chat. The former expects to be called up at any moment. The School's good wishes will go with him.

Since writing these notes we have been reminded that R. F. Cann visited the School to bid us farewell before sailing for the Far East.

We also record with pleasure that Capt. H. S. Sanders, Capt. M. E. Peppiatt (now in the Regular Army) and Major N. M. Boys recently called—the former home from Burma, Capt. Peppiatt from Germany, and the latter from Italy.

In Memoriam.

Mr. E. T. ENGLAND.

Mr. E. T. England, headmaster of King Edward's School, Birmingham, 1929-41, died at Exmouth on May 2.

Edwin Thirwall England, son of the late Edwin Bordieu England, Litt.D., was educated at Manchester Grammar School and at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he was a major scholar. He took a first class in the Classical Tripos Parr I. and a second class in Part II. (Philosophy). Becoming a schoolmaster he taught at Marlborough from 1901 to 1908, when he was appointed headmaster of King Edward VI. School, Bury St. Edmunds, where he remained until he went to Exeter School in 1912 in a similar post. Then he served for two years, 1927-29, as headmaster at Owen's School, before taking up the headmastership of King Edward's School, Birmingham. He married Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Stephen Marshall, of Skelwith Fold, Ambleside, and had two sons and four daughters.

J. C. BALAAM.

The School was very distressed to learn that after five years of captivity "Jimmy" Balaam collapsed and died after enduring the rigours of a forced march in bitter wintry weather when the whole camp was hastily moved to avoid the advancing Russians. He will always have a place in our memories.

J. S. BOYS.

We offer our deepest sympathy to the parents and brother of John Stanley Boys, recently killed in action with the Royal Navy.

M. H. WARD.

The School extends its deepest sympathy to the parents of Michael Ward who, at the age of 18, was killed in an accident.

Biology - Dorey
 Chemistry - Ross
 Physics - Titch
 G.P. - Wells
 The Gurlan.

Honours List.

- *The John Greene Bowl
 (for the boy setting the best example to his fellows) ... Hodge
- The Hardcastle Prize
 (for English Literature) ... Dorey
- The Farmiloe Prize
 (for Modern History) ... Titch
- The Hervey Prize (for Classics)
- The Blomfield Prize (for French)..... De Quincey
- The Old Boys' Prize
 (for Mathematics) ... Dorey
- The Wratislaw Prize
 (for Geography) ... Ross
- The Fitzgerald Prize
 (for Science) ...
- *The Sir John Tilley Prize
 (for Reading aloud) ... Savill
- *The Junior Reading Prize ... Pike
- *The Senior Handwriting Prize ... Atter
- *The Junior Handwriting Prize ... O'Toole
- Fourth Form—First ... Blumfield
- Second ... Glibby G.P. - Robie
- Third Form—First ... Minns
- Second ... Cook G.P. - Williams
- Second Form—First ... Harriot
- Second ... Rush G.P. - Knight
- First Form—First ... Bass
- Second ... Boroughs
- G.P. - Harrison

HONOURS LIST.—Continued.

Upper Prep.—Reading	...	Cobbold	.....
Writing	...	Baker	.....
General Progress	.....	Seigh	.....
Middle Prep.—Reading	...	Webb	.....
Writing	...	Yittus	.....
General Progress	.....	Hunter	.....
Lower Prep.—Reading	...	T.O. Acton	.....
Writing	...	Adcock	.....
General Progress	.....	Bungar	.....

Results are announced on the last day of term.

*This award can be gained once only.

School Calendar, 1945.

AUTUMN TERM.

FIRST SESSION ... Thursday, September 20th.

Boarders arrive in time for roll call at 6 p.m. on the evening before the First Session.

SPEECH DAY ... Thursday, October 18th.

Speaker—THE LORD BISHOP OF ST. EDMUNSBURY
AND IPSWICH.

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