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This issue of
the Sherwoodian
is respectfully
dedicated to



ALWYN E BINNS

*Principal from 11th November, 1932
to 31st December, 1947*

**To him be the honour for the proud position Sherwood holds
in India to-day.**

"Si monumentum requiris, circumspice"

EDITORIAL

'What does the future hold for our schools?' is the question that so many of our people are asking. The problem that faces all those who are concerned with the education of children is a complex one. The New India, born in August, 1947, is fast finding its feet though it is faced with many and intricate problems. It is with great joy and relief that we see a conscious effort on the part of the Government to reorganise education so that it will be of the greatest good for the greatest number.

Schools like ours have been doing good work in the educational field for many years and we ourselves are proud of the seventy-nine years of good work well done. We have no fears for the future and though many new problems will confront us we are confident that nothing will hinder our efforts to do and do well all that lies in our power for the training of the future citizens of this Dominion and of the World.

With this confidence in our hearts we place before you all this volume of the Sherwoodian

so that those of you who have not had the opportunity of visiting us this year, will see in what ways we are still turning out our sons so equipped as to fit in with any changes that may still come to the world.

We have had our trials this term and some of them have been hard to bear but always the spirit of Sherwood has triumphed. In these pages, necessarily not as complete as we would like them to be, you can read of our triumphs and our failures, our dreams and aspirations, and our occasional disappointments, but always, we hope, you will read that Sherwood is Sherwood still and will ever remain the Sherwood we have all learned to love.

May God bless our humble efforts and crown them, not with the glamour of temporary applause, but with the satisfaction of knowing that we are marching forward with the times and that we are playing an important part in the growth of our Motherland.

Speech Day 1948.

Speech Day this year was celebrated on Tuesday, September the 28th, and, as usual, a number of parents were with us for the occasion. We commenced the day by meeting together for the great meal of Fellowship and Communion in the College Chapel at 8 a. m. and the Service was enriched by the inspiring celebration of our Bishop, who, in the short while we have known him, has already endeared himself to us. The Service brought home to many the motto we have the honour to bear, and quite naturally our thoughts turned to our ex-Principal, the Rev. A. E. Binns, who had brought us to such a high pinnacle of fame in the educational institutions of our land. I am sure that on this Day he was really and truly with us as we offered to God, through the sacrifice of His Son, the fruits of fifteen years of labour spent in His Service. In the words of St. Paul, he did all things through Christ who strengthened him.

The morning was spent in the usual holiday manner, but the day did not promise to be good, due to threatening banks of cloud. The rain came down at 1 p. m. and did full justice to the reputation Naini Tal bears for erratic weather. Within an hour however, the sky had cleared and everybody felt more cheerful.

At 3.30 p. m. we met for Tea in the Staff Dining Room, and the Bishop took this opportunity of meeting Staff, Parents and Friends, by sitting for a few minutes at each table. Meanwhile the boys and visitors were assembling in Milman Hall, and punctually at 4.30 p. m. the Staff took their seats on the stage.

Milman Hall was not as full as in previous years, yet the number of empty chairs was surprisingly few. To judge a Sherwood Speech Day by the number of people present is erroneous, for on this Day are present in the spirit all past Teachers and Pupils who form the great bulk of the Sherwood Fellowship. From my seat on the stage I could visualise familiar faces of past benefactors of the College, members of the Staff now serving elsewhere, former College Captains and boys watching the Present following gallantly in their footsteps. In the words of our song "Sherwood", Robin Hood was here again, with all his merry thieves, calling, as he has called year by year, with the bugle-note of encouragement.

After the Principal's Report and the Bishop's Address, both of which follow this account, the prizes were distributed; Major Quick, representing the Governing Body, bringing this section of the proceedings to a close by pro-

posing a vote of thanks to the Bishop for taking the Chair.

While the stage was being set for the Choir, we viewed the very excellent Display of Art and Handwork in the classrooms of Horsman Wing. The teachers concerned had put in a lot of hard work with their pupils, and the appreciative comments of the visitors fully justified their endeavours. The standard of work throughout was very high indeed, and the Judges, drawn from the Staff of Wellesley this year, found it difficult to choose the winning exhibits.

A few minutes before 6 p.m. we were back in Milman Hall, where the Choir entertained us for nearly an hour with Mendelssohn's Woodland Songs. A new feature of their performance this year was the inclusion of girls from our sister school, All Saints, as altos, and full well did they justify their membership.

Mendelssohn's music always lends itself to festive occasions, and it was a treat to hear young boys and girls putting the composer's thoughts and emotions into effect. For this hour we were with the Wandering Minstrel in the woods, listening to his sublime music, and drinking deep of his cup of pleasure in Nature. When the song of the Forest was sung,

we silently thanked God that Sherwood was in the midst of these, God's greatest gift to mankind. How true are his words "The thought of all your beauty will never fade away" only the sons of Sherwood can know and appreciate.

It is sometimes highly beneficial to be transported into the realm of fancy and make-believe as is suggested by the words of these songs; and we owe a deep debt of gratitude to Mr. G. G. Thompson, the Choir Master, who makes this possible by the very high standard he sets himself, and for the incalculable time he puts in to produce such masterpieces of perfection so successfully. We were sorry when it was all over; but good things have an ending. Speech Day was over, and we left Milman Hall with the words and music of "Sherwood" ringing in our ears; the ghostly bugle-note growing fainter and fainter, with the promise to return again next year.

"Sherwood in the twilight, is Robin Hood awake?" and the forest resounds with the answer.

"The dead are coming back, the years are rolled away.

In Sherwood, in Sherwood, about the break of Day."

R. S. Law.

MENDELSSOHN'S WOODLAND SONGS.

1. The Wandering Minstrel
2. In the Woods
3. The Woods
4. May Song
5. The Cornelius March (Two-part song)
6. An Old Romance
- (a). *O Fly With Me*
- (b). *One Night There Came*
- (c). *Over Their Grave*
7. The May-bells and the Flowers (Two-part song)
8. The Forest, Give Me the Forest
9. Farewell to the Forest
10. For the New Year
11. Sherwood

CHOIR

Trebles

P. Blackwell
A. Borthwick
D. Bower
G. Brain
D. Burn
N. Burn
C. Cocksedge
J. Corbett
D. de Fraigne

G. Dautre
I. Eassey
D. Elloy
D. Ghey
K. Hazells
P. Hennan
B. Ledlie
C. Montriou
T. Montriou

T. Neil
B. Payne
J. Payne
G. Rickie
M. Ritchie
J. Robinson
N. Seddon
A. Thompson

Altos.

A. Ali Shah
W. Borthwick
C. Clarke
J. Eassey
E. Greene
G. Kent
G. Ledlie
R. Marcar
M. Ritchie
S. Seddon
P. Tylsley
A. Welby

Tenors.

P. Bower
J. Cocksedge
P. Ghey
D. Hotz
R. Whirling

Basses.

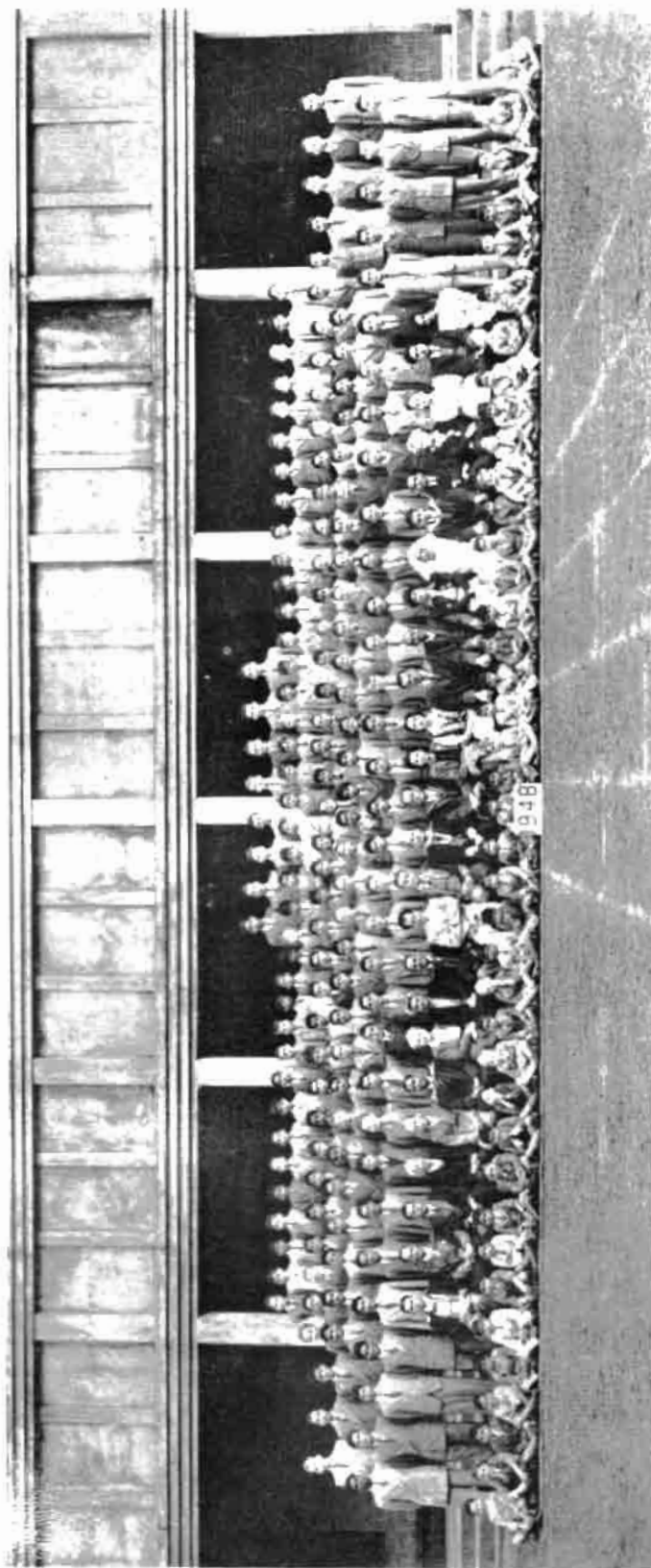
M. Blackwell
N. Bower
L. Hollis
S. Kent
G. MacFarlane
P. Pierce-Jones
N. Thorp

Choir Master

...

... Mr. G. G. Thompson.

COLLEGE GROUP



Resolves of S. Kent, M. Blackwell, P. Jones, G. Kammer, A. Guel.

THE CHOIR



Seated (Left to Right): C. Clarke, J. Jasey, R. Murray, A. Wells, M. Ritchie, S. Sedden, G. Kent, A. Muir, W. Metherick, G. Taylor, P. Taylor,
Standing (First Row): P. Gibby, N. Thorpe, P. Patterson, P. Stewart, J. Cooksedge, R. Wright, L. Hall, D. Holtz, N. Jones, G. MacFarlane,
Seated (Second Row): G. Ritchie, P. Blackwell, J. Robinson, D. Deane, D. Gibby, I. Fessy, P. Hutton, G. Hutton, D. Hutton, R. Graham,
Standing (Third Row): G. Brown, N. Barry, B. Phipps, D. Thorpe, M. Ritchie, A. Thompson, G. Elms, C. Morrison, J. Taylor, R. Thompson,
Seated (Fourth Row): J. Morrison, C. Cooksedge, R. Thorne, J. Corbett, A. Bartholomew, D. Brown, D. Brown, N. Sedden, B. Taylor,
Standing (Fifth Row): N. Brown, M. Blackwell, F. Morrison.

Principal's Report

My Lord Bishop, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is not necessary for me to tell you all how glad we are to have you with us on this great occasion, the Speech and Prize Day of our seventyninth year. You, Sir, our Bishop, have already endeared yourself to all Sherwood by the keen interest you are taking in our welfare and by the genuine enthusiasm you invariably show for any scheme which is put forward for the benefit of Sherwood. You were with us during our celebrations in Founder's Week and we hope you enjoyed your stay with us as much as we enjoyed having you as our guest. That you have made the time, in spite of your very heavy duties in the Diocese, to be with us once more, is abundant proof, if proof were needed, that you are as anxious for, and as interested in, the welfare of Sherwood as any one of us. What I would have done without the knowledge that you were behind me, ready at all times to guide and help, I cannot say. While welcoming you once again to Sherwood I feel I must take this opportunity on behalf of all Sherwood and Sherwood's friends to congratulate you on the complete recovery from your recent operation: the news of the operation came to us as a terrible shock, and our anxiety was possibly as great as yours, while you were waiting for what turned out to be good news from the Pathologist in London.

The knowledge that you are fully recovered and once again in a position to share, and very often solve, my own little worries, is very heartening. I took over the running of Sherwood from a very great Principal, Mr. Binns left us at the end of last year having established for Sherwood a reputation that yields pride of place to no other school in the land. It is not for me to enumerate the many and wonderful achievements of Mr. Binns during his Principalship; we all know what he did; it is sufficient to say that Sherwood never can and never will forget him, the maker of modern Sherwood. This feeling of affection is mutual I know, for letters from Mr. Binns are full of Sherwood and nothing but Sherwood. It has been my duty, in my own little way, to see that the reputation he has built up is not sullied nor stained; how far I have succeeded is for you all to judge from this, my first annual report.

It may not be known to many of you that I came to Sherwood, then the Diocesan Boys' High School, over thirty years ago as a very little boy, and I have been with Sherwood ever since. I have seen her battling against what seemed to be insuperable odds, and I have seen her in the hours of her greatest triumphs; but no matter what the conditions I have always seen her hold up her head honoured and unafraid. It has been my proud privilege this year to help guide the destinies of the school that has been my home for three quarters of my life, and it is a privilege of which

I am deeply conscious. It is my constant prayer that God will give me the courage and strength to live up to the trust that has been placed in me.

I think I can truthfully say that the largest share of the credit for our successes goes, not to the Principal, as many are inclined to believe, but to a host of others, others whose names are not often blazoned forth for public recognition, but who in their own quiet and efficient way get things done. I refer to the Staff. What I would have done had Sherwood not been blessed with so good a team is hard to visualise. Here, in the presence of you all, I feel it is my first duty to acknowledge the deep debt I owe to every single one of this grand team of which I am proud to claim myself a member. It is usually an unhealthy sign when individual members of a unit are picked out for special mention and I feel that even though I would like to mention each one of my colleagues by name and thank him or her for the loyal cooperation I am always sure of getting, they will understand my true feelings if I say to them all, without exception, a very heartfelt "Thank You". Everyone is not only doing a very important job of work but is doing it splendidly. However, in spite of what I have just said, I know you will forgive me if I acknowledge the personal debt I owe to two very trusted and loyal servants of Sherwood, who have not only helped to increase my confidence in myself but have guided me and supported me when I most needed guidance and support. First there is my old friend George Thompson, who came to Sherwood even before I did, as an even smaller boy than I was; his love for Sherwood is no less than mine or yours, and it is this love, so evident in the manner in which he is ever ready to advise and support, that makes him the ideal 'Righthand Man'. I took over the running of this school completely inexperienced and very much confused, but in the course of these few months I have begun to see the light and here again I must give the credit to another great friend, Mr. Rekhar, in his quiet, efficient manner, has kept the office routine working without a hitch and has, on many occasions, given me wise counsel which has been of the greatest value. His has been a difficult job this year but I can testify to the magnificent manner in which he tackles and overcomes most difficulties. I have made mention of these two members of the Staff team, not because I feel that the others have not been of infinite value to Sherwood, but because I realise more and more each day how much I owe to them in the successful fulfilment of my own duties. This Staff team has not been without its own little trials; we are not the same team with which we began the term; three very valuable members have had to leave; Mrs. Stark and Sister Whitelegge after many years of faithful service, and Mrs. Waller, who has been with us only a year and a half, but has proved her

value in that short time. At this late hour it will be hard to replace them all, though we have managed to procure the services of Mrs. Holdsworth as Sister in charge of our Infirmary: she has already endeared herself to all on the estate and has inspired the boys with so much confidence that now they do not seem to mind being ill. In connection with these losses I must take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Cazalet, Mrs. Hankins, Mrs. Law and Mr. M. Fordham for so willingly coming to our aid when we were sore pressed.

This has been a rather difficult year for us all; our numbers are down, though they compare very favourably with the numbers in other schools like our own, and we are living in a time when changes are many and frequent, so frequent, in fact, that we sometimes find it very difficult to keep pace with them; but in spite of this I feel that I can, with confidence, report a very successful term. The reason for this is not far to seek. Mr. Binns always laid great stress on our corporate life; he made the College Chapel the centre of our very existence and this year again, in spite of many handicaps, the chief being our not having a Priest on the estate, we have endeavoured to base our actions and hopes on the same sure foundations. Our fellowship and sense of team spirit owe their strength, in fact their whole being, to the spirit that is engendered by our common worship in our beautiful little chapel of St. Barnabas. When we begin and end our day's work thanking God for His abundant blessings, asking Him to forgive our shortcomings and to give us strength to overcome our difficulties, we can be sure that we have a much greater chance of doing only that which pleases Him, and there can be no greater aim in life than this. No thinking person will ever doubt the inspiration and joy that comes from attending a service in a school chapel and the services in our Chapel, made more beautiful by the excellent singing of Mr. Thompson's choir, augmented this year by twelve girls from All Saints' College, are a source of inspiration, not only to the Staff and boys but also to those parents and friends who come to share our worship on Sundays. Mr. Binns' last scheme for adding beauty to our Chapel has, unfortunately, not yet been fulfilled; he had planned a new system of lighting with a new ceiling; this would not only brighten the Chapel but would also deaden the sound of the rain on the roof, a sound which I can truthfully say from personal experience, always wins the unequal contest with the speaker at a service. We already have the lighting system, but it is the ceiling boards that cannot be despatched to us because of restrictions on railway bookings. I feel we must try our very best to realise this, the last of Mr. Binns' dreams, and for that reason I have been in touch with railway authorities and with many officials, hoping that someone will be able to help us get these boards. When this work is completed as I have hopes it will be this winter, our

Chapel will be even more beautiful and dignified than it is now.

I am happy to be able to say that the spirit and tone of the boys has been uniformly good. A Sherwood boy is one of whom we can be proud at any time and we are all aware of the fact that a large measure of our success is due to their loyal and enthusiastic cooperation. The monotony of training and disciplining the young becomes a pleasure when the young are as the young with which we seem to be specially favoured. Mischief there is, and noise and boundless activity there always will be, but who would deny any schoolboy the right of letting off superfluous steam in this healthy manner? The health of the boys has been extremely good and we have been free from epidemics of any kind, though there have been cases of minor ailments which must, of course, be expected in a large family as full of life and curiosity as ours is: these little setbacks are quite easily dealt with by our own infirmary and by the extremely zealous work of Dr. Ganga who is ready at all times of the day or night to come and minister to those who are in need of his ministrations. While acknowledging the devoted services of our Doctor and our Sister I think the real reason for our good health lies in the great stress we lay on all forms of sport. Unless medically exempt, all boys must take an active part in all that takes place outside the classrooms, and I think I am right in saying that the boys themselves have realised the value of this compulsion and have begun to appreciate the necessity of doing those things that are not always pleasant, and at which they do not necessarily excel.

Our games this year have been of a fairly high standard even though we have not always met with complete success. The Hockey XI visited Lucknow in April for the annual match with our old and established friends of La Martiniere College. I believe the game was a good one in spite of the tremendous heat, and our hosts well deserved their victory by three goals to one. At the same time, yielding to the persuasions of my old friend Meredith Doure, officiating Principal of La Martiniere College, we also sent down a team of fourteen boxers. Here our reputation was enhanced for we won quite comfortably by eight fights to five; our fourteenth boxer, having no opponent from La Martiniere, put on an exhibition with one of their Old Boys and gave an exceptionally good account of himself. During the course of the term the House Matches have been played out with the greatest enthusiasm and in the best of spirits and some very enjoyable evenings have been spent watching these competitions. The under fifteen section, in particular, was of a far higher standard than it has been for many years. This year we tried to level up the Houses so that the coveted title of "Cock" did not remain the monopoly of the good 'Friar'. We have succeeded in a certain measure and three of the Houses have battled very closely for final

honours; it is sad to think that the fourth House, which actually should be the leader of the band of Sherwood Foresters, seems to have found the pace too hot and Robin Hood fell out of the running fairly early. These House competitions serve many useful purposes, not the least being that they inculcate the right attitude towards sport and team spirit from a very early age and of course they cause weeks of excitement to the younger generation who dream of their matches days ahead and talk about them for days after they are over. I am glad to be able to report that we have resumed our friendly matches with St. Joseph's College; this year it has been limited to football and they got the better of the two meetings. On their ground the game was very even and resulted in a draw of one goal each, but in the return match on our ground they proved their superiority and won by two clear goals. Without detracting in any way from their well-deserved win I think it is fair to make some excuse for our XI who played very hard and well in spite of lack of practice. However, the results of these matches are of secondary importance, the important thing is that they are played in the best of spirits and are thoroughly enjoyed by players and spectators alike.

Our cricket still continues to flourish and it is rather unfortunate that so little opposition can be found for our XI among the clubs and schools in Naini Tal. I, for one, am looking forward to the day when our friends from St. Joseph's College will be prepared to have fixtures with us, not only at Hockey and Football but also at Cricket, Tennis and Boxing, and not only for one team in each sport, but for teams drawn from all ages. I am sure these two Schools could supply a feast of sporting contests that would satisfy the most hard-to-please sports lovers in Naini Tal.

Our Physical Training and Gymnastics are again of a very high standard and the displays put on during Founder's Week, and later for the House competition, and witnessed by many of you who are here to-day, were up to, if not higher than, any put on in previous years. Our popular Governor, Her Excellency Shrimati Sarojini Naidu, who presided at the Founder's display, expressed her appreciation in no small measure to me; I know she enjoyed every moment of it and was only sorry that ill health prevented her telling the boys herself how highly she thought of their wonderful achievements. That this Physical Training helps to keep the boys fit is amply demonstrated at the House Boxing Tournament. This year we decided that Boxing should not be compulsory and yet eighty per cent of the boys entered for the House competition and we were treated to a week's excellent sport where much spirit and determination were displayed, culminating in a grand exhibition of skill and courage in the finals when the Additional District Magistrate presided and congratulated the boys, not only on their high standard of boxing and physical fitness, but also on their ex-

emplary discipline as displayed a few days previously during the Independence Day Celebrations. At present the boys are all keyed up for the annual athletic meeting, and I have no reason to fear that the standard will not be as high as ever, even though we may not have such outstanding athletes as we had a few years back. Apart from these outdoor sports there are many other activities which have numerous adherents. The standard of Table Tennis is still very high and so is the standard of Chess; the latter game has also gone through the ranks of the Staff like an epidemic so that the boys are always assured of meeting stern opposition when they are seeking mental recreation; on one memorable occasion the Staff No. 7 completely routed the Boys' No. 1, much to the surprise of all concerned. A rather heavy and merciless monsoon has literally put a damper on what I consider to be the sport of sports and Tennis, actually a very popular game, has not had much opportunity this year. The long list I have gone through are our major activities and their success and popularity are due entirely to the interest and untiring enthusiasm of those who are responsible for them: Messrs. Boston, Cazalet, Fordham, Gapper, Smith and Thompson all deserve our warmest thanks for their very valuable assistance. There are several other sports and pastimes, which, however, are not on our official programme and which owe their origin to the inventive genius of the lower and middle classes; their chief ingredients seem to be noise and confusion, and on the few occasions that I have been privileged to watch these games being shouted, I almost said played, I have been truly amazed at the energy and vitality displayed and at the amount of real enjoyment boys can get from any form of physical exercise, and I have always left them, convinced that their happiness and health, at least, are never in doubt.

So far I have spoken at length, on all manner of things which may seem to some to be of secondary importance, though I am sure that all who understand true education will realise that physical and social developments are as important to growing lads as mental development is. Of course we lay stress on all-round development so nothing is neglected. We still have a well-stocked library, the tables of which are kept supplied with periodicals of interest and also of use and I am glad to say that full advantage is taken of the opportunities for reading, as was amply demonstrated by the high standard of answers in the General Knowledge papers. Our Debating Societies still continue to flourish and we have spent many an enjoyable evening hearing great arguments; the activities of the Societies were concluded for the year with a Mock Trial quite up to the standard of its predecessors. The Scientific Society has also had a successful season, in fact a record was established at one of its frequent meetings when the Society was addressed on an abstruse Mathematical subject by one of the students from All Saints' College.

There has been one very serious omission this year: for many reasons, only some of them unavoidable, the Juniors could not stage their annual play. I am still wondering who has felt this omission most, the public or the little actors themselves. To give our babies the opportunity of showing off their capabilities should be encouraged and I feel really sorry for this lapse on our part. However, our Dramatic talent has not been completely hidden under a bushel and the performance of the A. D. S. in Founder's Week when they staged Ian Hay's 'Housemaster' was a triumph of production and acting. Mr. Boston, whose maiden effort this was, can be justifiably proud of the grand success of the play acted entirely by a juvenile cast of boys from Sherwood and girls from All Saints'. We must here acknowledge the great assistance we received from our sisters across the valley without whose splendid co-operation the play would not have been as enjoyable as it was.

One of the accomplishments of which Sherwood is proudest and for which she has an unassailable reputation is the quality of the singing of the Choir; here again we are indebted to All Saints' for their active assistance, the Altos of the Choir being supplied by them. When this part of the day's proceedings is over you will all have the opportunity of listening to this grand Choir and you will be able to judge for yourself whether we are justified in our claim that such singing can scarcely be surpassed anywhere else in India. Several people deserve special credit for this high standard; the members of the Choir themselves for their enthusiasm which even persuades them to give up their prep time without a murmur so that they can practise; in fairness to them it must be admitted, though, that they are just as ready to give up their spare time for the same laudable purpose; but above all Mr. Thompson himself deserves the lion's share of our thanks; he does not spare himself and it is only right, therefore, that he should not spare his charges; he is satisfied with nothing less than the best and that is why he always seems to get the best; his enthusiasm is hard to resist whether it is directed towards the training of a Choir, or to encouraging a diffident member of the Staff to take up Golf or Chess, or even to persuading an unmusical Lay Reader to intone the responses at a service in our Chapel. Her Excellency, Mrs. Naidu, who came specially one evening to hear a delightful little programme of singing and piano playing could not say enough in praise of it and she assured me that she had seldom enjoyed a programme as much.

You will notice that I have not as yet touched on that part of the School's activities which concern our boys most nearly. We seem to do all kinds of very nice things outside the classrooms and we always manage to do them well, but what of our efforts in the scholastic line? Surely this, the most important part of a boy's education, is not neglected. Here again I have nothing but good to report.

In the Cambridge examinations of last December our results were once again excellent. In both the Senior and Junior Cambridge we obtained cent per cent passes and this in spite of our avowed practice of sending up the whole class for each examination. We do not pick and choose our examinees, all are given the opportunity of appearing and somehow or other all usually pass very well. Of the nineteen who sat for the Senior Cambridge nine obtained first divisions, Anand Mohanlal and Patrick Mendies standing first and second respectively in the Province. Mohanlal created an individual record by gaining a mark of distinction in all ten subjects for which he appeared. Mendies obtained seven distinctions and Elloy six. The whole class shared 69% of marks of distinction and credit between them. The Junior Cambridge class established a new record; each boy of the nineteen obtaining at least one distinction, the total number of distinctions gained being seventy-eight, giving them an average of over four each. The percentage of marks of distinction and credit reached the high level of 85.38 which is slightly better than the record established by the class of the previous year. Here again, one boy, Clyde Hankins obtained a distinction in every one of the nine subjects and sixteen of the class obtained three or more distinctions each. As was to be expected Clyde Hankins stood first in the province and S. Agrawal stood third. We are naturally proud of these results and hope our classes of 1948 will emulate or even surpass them. It is not only in these examinations that our results are outstandingly good; in the examinations of the Trinity College of Music for piano playing and for theory our results were again of a high standard. All presented passed and fifteen of the thirty-six obtained honours. Neville Bower, for the second year in succession, was awarded a Trinity College Exhibition for obtaining the record mark of 97% in the Higher Local. Other notable results were Patrick Bower's 85% in the A. T. C. L. and Christopher Montrieux's 90% in the Advanced Senior. The Music examinations this year will take place in a little over a week's time and we are looking forward with interest to the achievements of our musicians, particularly Patrick Bower, who will be appearing for the L. T. C. L. and Neville Bower and Richard Whiting who will be appearing for the A. T. C. L. The only results that have not come up to expectations were those of our nine Intermediate candidates who took the examination last March. Only two gained first divisions, one of them getting a distinction mark in Physics; three gained second divisions and two gained third divisions. These results are slightly disappointing but even they are fairly good; it is our familiarity with the best only that makes us rather



"THE HOUSE MASTER"



"THE HOUSE MASTER"



Left to Right: L. Hill, J. Hill, S. M. Stolt, W. B. Stolt, J. C. Stolt, M. Robins,
P. B. Stolt, J. Wordworth, E. Mitchell, J. C. Stolt, R. W. Stolt, N. Thomas, G. Wall,
H. DeSauter, J. Wright.
On Floor: A. Raley, C. Monahan.

in Dress: J. C. Stolt

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disappointed with anything slightly below the best. We have a difficult time trying to maintain this high standard of excellence, but I feel fairly sure that we will do it.

Many of you will be inclined to think now that we expect our boys to do too much and in trying to do so many things certain essentials must, of necessity, be neglected. The results we achieve give the lie to the argument. Our aim is that when a boy leaves us he shall be perfectly fitted from every point of view to take his place in the world, not merely to be one of a number but if possible to be one who can guide and direct that number. That we succeed in our ambitious aim cannot be doubted. We have a large number of Old Boys, now scattered all over the world; they have thoroughly appreciated the value of what we have tried to do for them in Sherwood. Our Old Sherwoodian Society is still flourishing and the fact that so many of its members have left the country has in no way lessened the interest they still take in their old School. Letters continually pour in from our sons and all are full of gratitude for what Sherwood did for them. Those who are still in India usually try very hard to visit us during Founder's Week and this year again we had a fairly large number up with us. There can be no doubt that this annual contact between Old Boys and their School is something that must be encouraged. At one time, early this year, we had fears that so few would be up with us that the Past would not be able to muster teams to match the prowess of their younger brothers, but these fears were groundless and once again the Past had the distinction of receiving the Wooden Spoon, which, ironically enough was designed, made and presented by a very staunch Old Sherwoodian. This

continued interest and affection of the Old Boys cannot but be a healthy sign.

I have come so far and I have talked so long and I have not as yet said anything about that very important section of the school, the parents of our boys. Many who are connected with education always say that the teacher's worst friend is the parent, and in December last year, when I first took over, every letter filled me with a certain amount of fear but I have since learnt that either these educationists are wrong or Sherwood is blessed with a different kind of parent. I can truthfully say that my official contacts with the parents of our boys have been most pleasant. They are ever ready to support and encourage and seem to have placed every confidence in me and in Sherwood; may I tell you all how much we appreciate that confidence and trust and I know that you will accept the guarantee I give that that confidence is not misplaced. No matter what changes take place in this great land of ours, and changes there will be in plenty, Sherwood will ever continue to give of its best in the sure and certain hope that India needs good men and great men and we can provide them."

Finally there is so much uncertainty and doubt in the world today that the uncertainty has reached even to our schools. So many people are nervous of what the future holds for us. To them all I say that we ourselves have no doubts; difficulties will come our way but no insuperable difficulty will hinder our progress. India, and in fact the world, wants the type of lads Sherwood is trying to turn out and India and the world will have them. So long as Sherwood continues to put her trust in God and lives up to the ideals she has set herself her future is assured.

Prize List

FORM PRIZES:

	Upper.	P. Jones
Infants	1.	G. Abbott
Standard I	1.	R. Malhotra
Standard II	1.	N. W. Khan
Standard III	1.	S. Haidar
Standard IV	1.	T. Montriou
Standard V	1.	B. Ledlie
Standard VI	1.	J. Robinson
Standard VII	1.	V. Dayal
Standard VIII	1.	V. Prakash
Standard IX	1.	J. Cocksedge
Standard X	1.	E. Sanwal
Intermediate	1.	

GENERAL PROFICIENCY.

Lower.	P. Sales	D. Hale
2.	Ri. Seth	M. Tanner
2.	D. Parsons	I. Hazells
2.	A. Laul	N. Laul
2.	R. Dayal	K. Omar
2.	S. Jayaker	M. Malhoutra
2.	G. Doutre	D. Perkins
2.	R. Hankins	R. Ghose
2.	B. Hankins	P. Singh
2.	C. Montriou	C. Willis
2.	R. Mathur	C. Hankins
2.		

Subject Prize

DIVINITY

Infants	P. Jones
Standard I	Ri. Seth
Standard II	B. Singh
Standard III	R. Kettle

ENGLISH

P. Jones
G. Abbott
J. Shanazaro
N. W. Khan

ART

K. Waller
Ri. Seth
D. Parsons
D. Law

Standard IV
Standard V
Standard VI
Standard VII
Standard VIII
Standard IX
Standard X

A. Borthwick
T. Montriou
B. Ledlie
R. Ghose
A. Anis
V. Prakash
K. Mody

S. Haidar
T. Montriou
B. Ledlie
J. Robinson
M. Ahmad
K. Whiting
J. Cockledge

C. Wittenbaker
D. Vardon
D. deFraine
R. Deeks
M. Hotz
M. Blackwell
C. Hankins

MATHEMATICS

Standard IV
Standard V
Standard VI
Standard VII
Standard VIII
Standard IX
Standard X

H. Dixit
S. Jayaker
B. Ledlie
J. Robinson
V. Dayal
V. Prakash
R. Mathur

SCIENCE

S. Haidar
T. Montriou
B. Ledlie
J. Robinson
V. Dayal
V. Prakash
J. Cockledge

LANGUAGES

R. Dayal
S. Jayaker
A. Manchanda
R. Ghose
V. Dayal
V. Prakash
A. Khan
C. Cockledge, L. Hollis,
R. Deeks, J. Pande,
K. Graham.
C. Hankins
J. Cockledge
J. Cockledge
[R. Whiting-Senior]
[T. Montriou-Junior]
J. Pande (Senior)
V. Prakash
G. MacFarlane [Senior]
C. Montriou [Junior]
R. Sarstedt [under 10]

Art (Junior—presented by Mr. N. Wordsworth)
(Senior—presented by Mrs. Hammond-Doutre)

History (Presented by Mr. W. Boston)
Advanced Mathematics (presented by Mr. E. Waller)
Physics (presented by Mr. T. Gasper)
Music progress (presented by Mr. G. Thompson)

Hindi Penmanship V. Prakash (Junior)
Hindi Essay
Elocution Prizes

College Committee Essay Prizes
Specially Commended

General Knowledge

(Senior) J. Cockledge (Junior) C. Montriou
(Senior) P. Bower, C. Hankins.
(Junior) R. Barra, M. Ahmad.
(Senior) R. Mathur (Junior) N. Burn.

FORTNIGHTLY ORDERS

Infants
Standard I
Standard II
Standard III
Standard IV
Standard V
Standard VI
Standard VII
Standard VIII
Standard IX
Standard X
Intermediate

P. Jones (90)
G. Abbott (88)
R. Malhotra (80)
N. W. Khan (86.8)
S. Haidar (79.8)
T. Montriou (82.3)
B. Ledlie (77.5)
J. Robinson (78.9)
V. Dayal (71)
V. Prakash (82)
J. Cockledge (82.3)
M. Paul (54.5)

B. Ramani (87)
R. Seth (87)
I. Hazells (77)
A. Laul (78)
R. Dayal (75.3)
S. Jayaker (75.3)
D. Perkins (70.5)
R. Ghose (62.5)
B. Hankins (66.7)
C. Montriou (70.5)
R. Mathur (76)
E. Sanwal (50.3)

S. Ramani (86)
S. Naug (80)
A. Brown (76)
S. Marwaha (75.3)
H. Dixit (72.8)
M. Malhotra (74.1)
R. Misra (65.7)
R. Hankins (59.3)
M. Ahmad (66.1)
P. Blackwell (65)
K. Mody (72)
J. Rustonjee (47.3)

[Number signifies percentage on year's work]

Certificates 1947

MUSIC. *Pianoforte:* Initial:—*A. Maitland, J. Rogers, K. Hazells, J. Summers, I. Easey, R. Caney, N. Rowe.

First Steps: J. Mackleworth, G. Doutre, N. Seddon, L. Crump, A. Singh.

Preparatory: *E. Tindall-Mather, *D. Bower, A. Jamieson (violin) B. Murray, A. Anis (Violin).

Advanced Preparatory: B. Craig

Junior: *T. Montriou, A. Borthwick.

Intermediate: *K. Richardson.

Senior: *P. Hennen, A. Thompson, K. Mody, G. Rickie (violin).

Advanced Senior: *C. Montriou.

Higher Local: *N. Bower.

A. T. C. L.: *P. Bower.

Theory: *Preparatory:* *T. Montriou, *D. Brennan, *K. Hazells, *J. Mackleworth.

Intermediate: *K. Mody, P. Hennen, A. Thompson.

(*denotes Honours certificates).

Junior Cambridge: C. Hankins, J. Agrawal, C. Montriou, M. Robey, P. Blackwell, C. Willis, K. Mathews, L. Hilt, R. Cass-Dunbar, E. Webster, D. Crann, D. Edwards, M. Blackwell, R. Whiting, R. Morris, E. Hennen, D. Thompson, N. Thorp, E. Mitchell.

Senior Cambridge: *A. Mohanlal, *P. Mendies, *E. Elloy, *P. Bower, *V. Soni, *R. Dayal, *E. Tester, *E. Sanwal, *S. Rai, M. Paul, D. Howe, C. Swinglar, N. Anthony, D. Hotz, J. Rustomjee, I. Shepherd, E. Underwood, P. Waite, A. Fowler.

U. P. Board, Intermediate Exam. 1948: *B. Awasthi, *M. Patni, J. Harris, P. Dickson, B. Clements, M. Kohli, D. Reid.

(*denotes First Divisions)

For Outstanding Results in Cambridge Exams, 1947

(Presented by the College Committee)

Taylor Memorial Prize [Presented by the O.S.S.]

***Principal's Prize To College Captain**

Chapel Servers R. Menasse, P. Pierce-Jones, G. MacFarlane, J. Cocksedge

Choir Prize

Librarian's Prize

Exhibition of Art G. MacFarlane, D. deFraine, C. Wittenbaker, P. Jones, R. Seth.

Games Room Assistant

HOUSE STUDY CUP (Presented by Bishop Saunders)

CUP FOR MOST HARDWORKING HOUSE

(Presented by Col. A. N. Sharma)

HOUSE DEBATES TROPHY

[Presented by Mr. and Mrs. E. O'D Thomas]

Silver scroll for promising speaker

[Presented by Col. and Mrs. W. Likeman]

HOUSE DEBATES [Under 15]

[Presented by Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Charleston]

HOUSE HOCKEY CUP

Distinction caps awarded to

SHIELD FOR JUNIOR XI HOCKEY

[Presented by Mr. D. Crawshaw]

SHIELD FOR UNDER 12 HOCKEY

[Presented by U. L. 1918]

HOUSE FOOTBALL CUP

[Presented by the Band of 1st Bn. Q's R.R.]

Distinction caps awarded to

JUNIOR XI FOOTBALL

[Presented by Band of 1st Bn. Q's R.R.]

SHIELD FOR UNDER 12 FOOTBALL

[Presented by P. B. Bhatt and Co.]

HOUSE CRICKET CUP

[Presented by F. N. Wrack, O.S.]

Distinction Caps awarded to R. Menasse, P. Pierce-Jones, D. Hotz, S. Webster

Most promising Batsman

Most promising Bowler

Cup for best all round cricketer

[presented by Sir Harry Haig]

JUNIOR XI CRICKET

[presented by S. W. Khan O.S.]

A promising Junior Cricketer

SHIELD FOR UNDER 12 CRICKET

[Presented by P. B. Bhatt and Co.]

HOUSE TENNIS CUP

[Presented by S. W. Khan, O.S.]

Distinction awarded to

HOUSE CHESS CUP

Open Chess Championship

[Presented by B. Culley, Esq.]

HOUSE PHYSICAL TRAINING CUP

Haig Cup for Champion Gymnast

HOUSE MARATHON CUP

[Presented by H. C. Thompson, O.S.]

First in Senior Marathon

[Presented by W. Pryde-Watson, O.S.]

HOUSE BOXING CUP

MOODY CUP FOR RUNNERS UP [Boxing]

Most scientific boxers (Senior)

Most scientific boxer (Junior)

Senior A. Mohanlal

Junior C. Hankins

A. Mohanlal

S. Kent

J. Cocksedge

P. Bower

J. Cocksedge

P. Jones, R. Seth.

S. Webster

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P. Bower

ROBIN HOOD

ALLEN-A-DALE

S. Kent, G. MacFarlane

ALLEN-A-DALE

LITTLE JOHN

ALLEN-A-DALE

R. Menasse, G. MacFarlane

ALLEN-A-DALE

LITTLE JOHN

FRIAR TUCK

S. Webster

P. Pierce-Jones

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K. Mody

FRIAR TUCK

D. Hotz

ALLEN-A-DALE

J. Rustomjee

ALLEN-A-DALE

FRIAR TUCK

G. MacFarlane, S. Webster

F. Banche

[Presented by E. Whiteside]

HOUSE TABLE TENNIS CUP

HOUSE EFFICIENCY TROPHY

[Presented by Mrs. M. Powar]

STAFF TROPHY FOR GOLF

[Presented by Ven'ble H. W. S. Cotton]

HOUSE ATHLETIC SHIELD

[Presented by Dyer brothers and sisters]

INGLES CUP FOR TEAM EVENTS

[Presented by Sir Hugh Ingles]

COCK HOUSE CUP

[Presented by Mr. and Mrs. C. Binns]

LITTLE JOHN
ROBIN HOOD

Mr. G. Thompson

Presented on Sports Day.

Chapel Notes

"O Lord God Almighty, who didst endue Thy Holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost; leave us not, we beseech Thee, destitute of Thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them always to Thy honour and glory; be present with us and bless us always as we worship Thee here; that, encouraged by his example, and comforted by every consolation of Thy spirit, we may daily grow in Thy grace, increase in all sound learning, and offer ourselves a life-long sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

With this prayer in our minds, we begin and end our day's worship in our beautiful little Chapel of St. Barnabas. It is this stress that we lay on the common worship of our Maker that ensures for us that we will not be, 'left destitute of his manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them always to His Honour and Glory'. We are convinced that whatever measure of success we achieve in all that we do is due chiefly to our not attempting anything without first asking for God's blessing on our efforts.

We have a beautiful little Chapel and all of us who know Sherwood feel that God must be taking a particular interest in those who meet together in Prayer and Praise and Thanksgiving within its panelled walls. Though handicapped this year by the absence of a Priest on the estate the services have been as beautiful and as inspiring as ever. Here we cannot say enough in gratitude to Mr. Thompson and his Choir for the extreme beauty they give to all the services by their delightful singing. Not only on special occasions, but also for our daily services, the Choir adds so much beauty and dignity to our worship. This year, though time was so short, Easter was made so much more a time of joy and cheer by their excellent rendering of the beautiful Easter Carols. The Choir is always preparing for something: no wonder our Founder's service is so inspiring and our Carol service is one that attracts visitors from all over Naini Tal.

During the season our services on Sunday evenings have attracted many parents and friends; they come because of the simple dignity and the inspiring music that are the hall-marks of all our services. I cannot tell them all how delighted we have been to have them with us. I know it has been most encouraging to me and I am sure also to Richard Law, who has often helped me with the services and has relieved me of the difficulty of delivering an address every week. In this connection we must also thank the Rev Richard Saunders who spent his summer vacation with us as our honorary Chaplain and took all our services on Sunday for two months; and also our Bishop for making it possible for us to have Richard Saunders. For a short spell we were privileged to have the Rev. Cyril Johnstone of the C. S. S. M. as our guest and special preacher.

Again during the term we have been able to help so many deserving charities, Diocesan and otherwise, taken from our Sunday collections. All have given generously and with a willingness that has convinced me that one thing our chapel does teach us is to give and to give cheerfully.

Mr. Binns laid great stress on our corporate life and it was he who brought the Chapel up to its present standard of beauty; unfortunately his last scheme has not as yet been fulfilled. For better lighting and for a better sound effect he had planned a new lighting system and a new ceiling. It will be a very sad reflection upon us if this scheme of Mr. Binns' is not put into effect. The fault so far has not been ours; we are as anxious to complete this scheme as Mr. Binns was but have been held up by the railways who refuse to book our ceiling boards to us. Many kind parents and friends have offered us their help so it is hoped that by the time the new term commences in 1949 we will have this work completed. When it is done and our Chapel is even more beautiful than it is now it will be more and more the centre of our life and we can be certain that 'God will be more and more with us to bless us as we worship Him there'.

Confirmation Service

Tuesday the 26th June was a Red-Letter Day in the lives of thirteen of our boys and six of our sisters from All Saints' for on this day they were admitted into full fellowship of the Christian Faith. A large gathering of parents and friends were present in the College Chapel to welcome these boys and girls, and four boys from St. Joseph's College into full membership.

The Bishop who was taking his first Confirmation in our Chapel gave a most inspiring talk, taking for his text the eighth verse of the first chapter of the Acts: "And ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem and in all Judaea and Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the Earth". He drew a parallel between this message to the Apostles and God's message to those who were being confirmed; they were to be God's witnesses not only in their own little walks of life but as far as possible throughout the whole world. The step they were taking was a serious one and they had to realise its seriousness; their lives from now on should be dedicated to the service of God; this would not be difficult for them because by the laying on

of hands they were assured of the continued presence of the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

The rendering of the hymns "Come Holy Ghost" and "O Jesus I have promised" made this simple yet important little service far more touching and must have helped to impress on the newly confirmed the seriousness and yet joy of the step they had just taken.

After the service the newly confirmed together with their parents and friends gathered for tea with the Bishop and the Staff in the Staff dining room.

The following nineteen of our number were confirmed on this day: they had been prepared for Confirmation by the Rev. Richard Saunders, Robert Abbott, Gerald Brain, Norman Burn, Kathleen Corbett, David deFraine, Jennifer Easey, Audrey Elliott, Derrick Elloy, Donald Graham, Keith Hazells, Bernard Maddison, Jean Mitchell, Richard Nolty, Romola Paul, Brian Payne, John Payne, Marlene Ritchie, Alan Thompson, Robin Willis.

A Collection of Rs. 213/12/- was presented to the Bishop after the service for his Ordination Fund.

The End of Term 1947

(For two or three years now, a Roman Historian visiting Sherwood from October to December has left for posterity an account of those occurrences that usually find no place in the Sherwoodian of that year. This year being unable to break through the 'Iron Curtain' he has been unable to make the top. However, we were fortunate in having as our guests, some of the younger members of the school of 'Romantic Poets' who have immortalised in song most of what they saw and heard while they were inflicting themselves upon us.)

We have their written apologies for making any mention of (a) The Carol Service on the 16th November—"We were so carried away by the singing that by the time we came back to Earth all creative ability had left us." (b) Of the Promotion Examinations from the 22nd to 29th November or of the Cambridge Examinations from the 1st to the 12th December—"We had a sneaking fear that the examinees would be asked to explain passages from our works which we ourselves do not in the least understand, and so we absented ourselves." (c) Of the Farewell Dinner and Concert on the 26th November—"We ate so much that our physical discomfort quite overcame our creative genius; Poets, unlike soldiers, do not work on full stomachs." (d) Of the Farewell Service on the 30th November, or the departure of the Pakistanis on the 12th December and the Cambridge Examinees on the 13th December—"Farewells always tend to make us sombre and there is no room for

heart-rending in so light a journal as the Sherwoodian".)

1. On the 7th October a disconsolate lad, green about the blazer and about the gills, was squirming about on the bleak All Saints' Playground.

Oh, what can ail thee little man,
So woebegone and still?

The other boys all run about
But you look ill.

I borrowed Brylcream from a friend;

I parted every hair;
And tried to look my very best
For the Fete and Fair,

Where charming ladies sold me sweets

And ices white and red;
I ate so much that now I wish
That I were dead.

I ate a pound of Purée tak;
With Lime Juice quenched my thirst.

I dare not look again on eels,
For fear I'll burst.

And this is what is ailing me,
And this is why I'm sad;
While others dance with pretty girls
I'm feeling bad.

2. On the 24th October hooting and jeering on the playground suggested that Eugene Aram was on his final journey.

'Twas in the mists of winter time
When bitter rain was feared,
That two and twenty shivering folks

From Milman Hall appeared.
There were some that ran and some that
kicked
While many sat and jeered.
Now some of them were dressed in white
And some in red and green;
And one with whistle in his mouth
Stood gazing all serene;
And when he blew a piercing blast
What antics there were seen.

One talked and screamed and yelled and
wept
And shouted to his wing
Then kicked the ball with lusty toe
Till it began to swing
Right o'er the goal, o'er Milman Hall
Just like an evil thing.

The referee stopped the game just then
And ended all the fun—
The whites had scored a brace of goals
The Red and Greens just one—
For biscuits and a bun.

3. On the Golf Course a celebration in
progress in honour of a man as great as he
who never told a lie was worth looking into.

Some years ago he came to us—St.
Alwyn was his name;
A thorough martinet he was and knew
each schoolboy's game.
The parents thought the world of him—
each parent he had met;
And people said, "That man will rebuild
Sherwood soon you bet".
The smaller fry adored him—the elders
thought him not so hot,
And all because of energy of which he
had a lot.

'Twas on November 12th he came, in
nineteen thirty two
And all at once he set himself so many
things to do:
He made us all work twice as hard and
play compulsory games,
And as reward he often gave us socials
with the dames.
Our numbers grew, our work improved
our games were better played,
And all because this wonder-man so long
at Sherwood stayed.

Now every year upon this day, seven
sevens from the end
The School in coloured vests and shorts
to Government House do wend
To sport themselves upon the sward and
yell and shout and scream,
And tear each other's limbs apart as in
a wicked dream:
Then armed with nankaties and buns and
mugs of steaming brew
They'd sit and eat and eat and eat as all
wild creatures do.

Again this year we gathered there and
had a lovely day;
We romped and played and yelled and
fought like animals at play;

Then slowly wended our way back to
supper and to bed,
Each with a heavy heart as tho' 'twas
weighted down with lead.
The seniors gathered with the girls to
jitterbug and jive—
The rest sought out their comfy beds
quite glad to be alive.
And thus in nineteen forty seven with
antics queer and quaint
We held the fifteenth glorious feast of
our own patron Saint.
All knew that in a month or two this
Alwyn would be gone,
And Sherwood would be leaderless, un-
happy and forlorn.
"God grant his spirit stays with us at
all our work and play",
Surely is the prayer of all, on this
St. Alwyn's Day.

4. On the 15th November the shades of So-
rab and Rustum did battle on our centre
court. This is an episode from the epic.

And Basil to the tennis courts advanced;
And Pierce clad himself in white and came;
And as in fisticuffs the timer's shout
Clears the roped-in square of extra men.
And on each side the rabble shout and
scream.

And in the midst the gladiators standing
bare;

So on each side were boys with comic cuts
Reading; and in the midst the tennis court.
And Pierce came upon the court, and cast
His eyes toward the open gate and saw
Basil come forth, and eyed him as he came
As some fierce dragon on a winter's morn
Sees through its rheumy eyes the poor
knight

Who with pale face and beating heart,
comes down

Upon him on a quivering steed, all dressed
In steel, with spear, and helmet on his
head,

And wonders who this fearsome knight
may be:

So Pierce eyed this youth of tender years,
And wondered how to beat his cunning
play.

And beckoned to him with his hand and
said.

"Call! Wilt thou serve or wilt thou choose
the side?"

He spoke, and Basil answered not, but
served

The ball; down from his shoulder, down
it came,

As on some pheasant in the vale, a stone
That long has hidden in the hunter's sling
Drops like a plummet, Pierce saw it come
And sprang aside, quick as a flash; the ball
Hissed and went straight upon the fag-
boy's cheek,

Who fell upon his knees and caught the
dust,

And wept, while Bas and Pierce stood - part
Then Pierce drove; a mighty drive it was,

And Basil took it straight upon his bat;
And back and forth the rubber sphere went,
Until the sun sank far behind the hill.
And the moon came out and stars began
to peep.

And in the sandy court the pair were
wrapped.

Then Basil raised his head—his dreadful
eyes

Glared, and he shook on high his menacing
bat

And shouted, "Basil!" Pierce heard the
shout

And shrank amazed; and Basil drove the
ball

Straight in the court and Pierce let it go;
And cheers rent the sky and cups were
given;

And Basil took the winner's cup and ran,
But Pierce took the second one and walked
To where the Amazons had stood and
watched.

And Basil smiled because he now was glad.
While Pierce stood apart and mourned
his loss.

5. On a bitterly cold winter's evening, like
old Caspar, we sat outside the Cottage door
and watched the young at play with sticks
and small leather ball.

It was a winter's evening,

All work in school was done,

When two and twenty youthful folk

Upon the field did run.

While some of them in white were seen

The others dressed in red and green.

First one would smite the leather ball

Towards the other's goal;

While t'other side would smite it back

And here and there 'twould roll.

White whistles blew and watchers yelled

The final hockey match was held.

Great praise the side in white then won

Also the red and green.

Such skilful play in Naini Tai

Had never yet been seen.

One side did win, the other lose

But no one knew exactly whose.

And everybody praised the Boss

Who played a stalwart game:

While one or two were wounded sore

And one or two were lame.

It surely isn't any catch

Playing in this hockey match.

6. On the 4th December was witnessed a
scene as doleful as in the Ramparts of Corun-
na at the burial of Sir John Moore.

Not a sound was heard, not a whisper
broke

As the Boss into Milman Hall ran;

Not a boy but was feeling ill at ease

Since the final exams began.

Some failed in their physics and some in
their maths;

The Urdu results were deploring;

Most English was written like Double
Dutch

So Boss was angrily roaring.

He jawed at the classes one by one;

He lectured and raved and swore;

While most of us shivered and shook with
fear

And anxiously looked at the door.

Slowly and sadly he laid down his books,

While some shed a silent tear;

No more would he rave at final exams,

No more would we have to hear!

7. And finally the tribe dispersed on the
5th December.

For months and months we counted days,

When term should be no more;

We longed for home and Mum and Dad.

And holidays galore.

We finished this, we finished that, we
finished everything.

And then we waited patiently for the final
bell to ring.

We'd had the final hockey match

And the final football too,

Final exam and final feed,

Till nought was left to do.

Then parties lined up one by one and gave
three hearty cheers,

And sang down to the motor stand—yet
some were shedding tears.

Though most of us would soon be back.

The parting caused us pain,

For Boss who'd served us fifteen years

Would not be there again!

The finest Boss that Sherwood had since
Sherwood first began,

To think no more we'd hear the voice of
this our wonder-man.

Sorrow and tears were soon forgot,

In the scramble down the hill;

But then a dreadful silence reigned

For the bus had made us ill.

At Kathgodam we shoved and pushed into
the homeward train,

And some through eating far too much
were doubled up in pain.

And soon we reached our Journey's end;

And Mums and Dads were there;

But when they saw their grimy sons

They could do nought but stare.

But we were glad, we did not care, all
thoughts of school were gone,

No more Physics, no more Maths, the
holidays were on!

TENNIS TOURNAMENTS 1947.

The early promise shows by so many of our budding enthusiasts raised hopes of a very successful tournament this year, and we were not disappointed. Four of the Seniors were so outstanding that it was decided to award tennis colours for the first time. Of the four P. Pierce-Jones, B. Clements and D. Carnegie have lived up to their reputations but R. Menasse had been very disappointing.

As was done in the previous year separate handicap tournaments were run for Juniors and Seniors and both tournaments attracted large entries—30 in the Juniors and 35 in the Seniors. Not all of these 65 were what we would dare to call embryo champions, and most of them entered for the fun of the thing and with the hope that a big handicap may see them through.

Among the Juniors the outstanding player was D. Dudt but he fell completely to pieces in the final and was easily vanquished by C. Daly. It is possible that he was demoralised by the handicap, though I am sure he, too, will be prepared to admit that he was playing atrocious tennis on that day. Other promising Juniors were C. Daly, who lowered Dudt's colours in the final, A. Khan, R. Whiting, M. Robey, K. Graham and E. Mitchell. I will not mention the names of those who were outstanding for other reasons.

The Senior Handicap Tournament produced some really good matches, but, also gave us many a marathon struggle and much really third class stuff. The Semi-finals did not come up to expectation and P. Pierce-Jones easily accounted for D. Carnegie while B. Clements even more easily wiped the floor with R. Menasse. The final between P. Pierce-Jones and B. Clements was a grand exhibition and was won by Jones, chiefly because of his superior courtcraft.

The open tournament for the Ware Cup followed immediately. In this tournament the best were selected, and except in one or two cases, the tennis played was quite good. The mistake lay in our choosing two or three players who were definitely not among the 8 best. In this tournament Clements met Jones in the final again, but this time, after a thrilling and delightful exhibition he succeeded in turning the tables. Jones was unthrone but not disgraced and next year he should simply walk through all opposition to regain the crown he won in 1946.

On the day of the final of the open tournament the whole club collected for tea and a very happy evening was spent by all, including the gallant little lads, without whom no tournament would be a success.

Results.

Junior Handicap Tournament.

SEMI-FINALS:

- D. Dudt (—40) beat A. Khan (—15.3) 6.2; 6.3
C. Daly (—15.3) beat R. Whiting (Scr.)
6.2; 6.1.

FINALS:

- C. Daly (—15.3) beat D. Dudt (—40) 6.1; 6.3.

Senior Handicap Tournament.

SEMI-FINALS:

- P. Pierce-Jones (—40) beat D. Carnegie (—40)
6.4; 6.2
B. Clements (—40) beat R. Menasse (—30.3)
6.0; 6.3.

FINALS:

- P. Pierce-Jones (—40) beat B. Clements (—40)
8.6; 7.3

Open Tournament—Ware Cup.

SEMI-FINALS:

- P. Pierce-Jones beat R. Menasse 6.2; 6.1
B. Clements beat D. Carnegie 7.5; 6.4

FINAL:

- B. Clements beat P. Pierce-Jones 6.4; 3.6; 6.1.
R.T.L.

ANNIVERSARY OF PRINCIPAL'S ARRIVAL
NOVEMBER, 12th, 1947.

As usual this great day dawned bright and sunny as though determined to do its little bit to make this last anniversary even more cheerful than previous ones. Very few of us were certain in our minds whether we would still have "Boss" with us next year or whether wiser counsels had failed to prevail and that he would be leaving Sherwood for good in another month.

However, there were no dismal thoughts in the minds of the School when it awoke. As usual the day began with the celebration of the Holy Communion in our Chapel and after that all Staff and visitors on the estate collected in the Principal's garden for breakfast: how our mouths watered when we heard that one of this happy band had wrap-

ped himself around a full breakfast, with no leanings towards austerity, and had finished off his achievement with six hot, buttered toasts, four bananas, three oranges and several large cups of coffee; he only ceased his activities when a discerning servant removed all edibles from the scene of action.

That part of the day between breakfast and lunch was spent in divers ways by divers people. The golfers played golf, the slightly younger played tennis, the younger again played hockey, football or rounders and the younger still rolled about in the mud in preparation for the "Pagal" sports in the afternoon.

After lunch long, straggling lines of Red, Blue, Brown and Green clad boys wended

their way to the lower plain of the Golf links bent upon having a noisy, if not a good time. When all had collected, the fun and games began. The inventive genius of our P. T. expert was given full play and we tugged each other, hopped against each other climbed on each other's backs and through each other's legs; and hurled each other upon the sward, much to the amusement of the dignified gentlemen, still replete from breakfast, basking in the sun on the slope of the 7th green. However, nobody was killed or maimed though one or two did have divots removed from certain portions of their anatomy.

When all the shouting and tumult ceased we lined up with our mugs full of tea and our hands full of eats and did justice to the provisions provided on this the last anniversary of

St. Alwyn's Day. Slowly and contentedly we wound our way back to School wondering what reward we were to get for going wild again this year; there is a superstition that the wildest House is rewarded at the supper table.

All good things have an end: so did Alwyn's Day, 1947. Now, with time for reflection, our thoughts turned to the impending departure of the Patron himself. Who would feel the separation more? Sherwood or Alwyn? It was hard to tell. Sherwood is sufficiently well established, thanks to Alwyn, to overcome any great loss; how would Alwyn exist without his beloved Sherwood? These two cannot be separated for we are sure that in spirit Sherwood and Alwyn will continue to be one and on the 17th November, 1948 we will all rejoice once again, because it is Alwyn's Day.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

School Certificate and Junior Certificate Cambridge results. December, 1947.

SENIOR:

Presented 19. Passed 19.

(9 First Grade).

1. A. Mohanlal, E, EL, RK, G, U, OL, EM, AM, C, P.
2. P. Mendies, EL, RK, G, EM, AM, C, P.
3. E. Elloy, EL, RK, G, OU, EM, Art.
4. P. Bower, EL, RK, EM, AM.
5. V. Soni, EL, OU, U.
6. R. Dayal, OU, EM.
7. E. Tester, G, Art.
8. E. Sanawal, G, OU, EM.
9. S. Rai, G, OU.
10. M. Paul, OU, EM.
11. D. Howe, EL, G.
12. C. Swingle, EL.
13. N. Anthony.
14. D. Hotz.
15. J. Rustomjee.
16. I. Shepherd, G.
17. E. Underwood.
18. P. Waite.
19. A. Fowler.

JUNIOR:

Presented 19. Passed 19.

1. C. Hankins, E, EL, RK, H, G, A, EM, P, Art.
2. J. Agrawal, RK, H, G, A, EM, C, P.
3. C. Montriou, EL, RK, G, A, EM.
4. M. Robey, EL, RK, G, A, EM.
5. P. Blackwell, EL, RK, G, A, EM.
6. C. Willis, RK, G, A, EM.
7. K. Mathews, E, EL, G, A, EM, P.
8. L. Hilt, RK, H, G, A, EM.
9. R. Cass-Dunbar, RK, G, A, EM.
10. E. Webster, EL, RK, G, A, EM.
11. D. Crann, EL, RK, H, G.
12. D. Edwards, RK, H, G.
13. M. Blackwell, EL, G, A, EM.
14. R. Whiting, E, EL, RK.
15. R. Morris, G, A, EM.
16. E. Hennan, H.
17. D. Thompson, G, A, EM.
18. N. Thorp, RK.
19. E. Mitchell, RK.

Letters alongside candidates' names show marks of distinction (a) gained. Abbreviations are as follows:—

E—English Language; EL—English Literature; RK—Religious Knowledge; G—Geography; H—History; U—Urdu; OU—Oral Urdu; A—Arithmetic; EM—Elementary Mathematics; AM—Additional Mathematics; C—Chemistry; P—Physics; Art—Art.

General:—In each class there is a brilliant individual result. A. Mohanlal in the Senior and C. Hankins in the Junior each gained a distinction in every subject. The Juniors also set up three very good class records:—every boy got at least ONE distinction—the 19 together got 28 distinctions—the marks of "a" and "c" reached the high percentage of 85.38, a little better than the record of 84.8 set up by the class of 1946.

INTERMEDIATE SCIENCE, U. P. BOARD. 1948.

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|---------------|---------|----------------------------|----------|
| 1. B. Awasthi | I div. | (distinctions in Physics). | |
| 2. M. Patni | I div. | 5. B. Clements | II div. |
| 3. J. Harris | II div. | 6. M. Kohli | III div. |
| 4. P. Dickson | II div. | 7. D. Reid | III div. |
- (Presented 9. Passed 7).

MUSIC EXAMINATION RESULTS. 1947

Associate of T. C. L.	P. Bower	85%	Honours	A. Maitland	85%	Honours
Higher Local	N. Bower	97%	Honours	J. Rogers	83%	Merit
Advanced Senior	C. Montriou	90%	Honours	K. Hazells	82%	Merit
Senior	P. Hennan	85%	Honours	J. Summers	82%	Merit
	A. Thompson	81%	Merit	I. Easey	80%	Merit
	K. Mody	79%	Merit	R. Caney	78%	Merit
	G. Rickie (Violin)	72%	Pass	N. Rowe	73%	Pass
Intermediate	K. Richardson	86%	Honours			
Junior	T. Montriou	85%	Honours	NEVILLE BOWER was awarded a special scholarship of £26 by the Trinity College of London for his brilliant performance in the Higher Local. For the second year in succession he has won this scholarship.		
	A. Borthwick	77%	Merit			
Advanced Preparatory	B. Craig	79%	Merit			
Preparatory	E. Tindall-Mather	86%	Honours			
	D. Bower	85%	Honours			
	D. Brennan	76%	Merit			
	A. Jamieson (Violin)	75%	Merit			
	B. Murray	72%	Pass			
	A. Anis (Violin)	71%	Pass			
First Steps	J. Mackleworth	83%	Merit			
	G. Dautre	79%	Merit			
	N. Seddon	76%	Merit			
	L. Crump	70%	Pass			
	A. Singh	69%	Pass			

Theory of Music Examinations held in November, 1947.

Intermediate	K. Mody	90%	Honours
	P. Hennan	87%	Honours
	A. Thompson	82%	Merit
Preparatory	T. Montriou	94%	Honours
	D. Brennan	93%	Honours
	K. Hazells	89%	Honours
	J. Mackleworth	88%	Honours

All who appeared for the Music examinations, whether for the Practical or the Theoretical part were successful.

EASTER MONDAY, MARCH 29th, 1948.

We had not been in school a fortnight before holidays began raining down upon us. This was the kind of life that would make Sherwood even more famous than she had hitherto been; life this year appeared to be all song and dance. On the 28th we had celebrated the greatest of Christian festivals in the only way in which so great a festival can be celebrated with Holy Communion in the morning. In the evening the beautiful rendering of Easter Carols by the Choir who in so short a time had reached so high a pitch of excellence, had put us all into a frame of mind so essential to the correct appreciation of our risen Lord. In was in this frame of mind that we retired that night and it was in the same frame of mind that we awoke the next morning, for was it not Easter Monday? And were we not going to spend the day basking and playing upon the beautiful hill top which by usage has become a part of Sherwood?

As is usual on this great occasion the various elements in the School spent their time before lunch playing games of their own invention. Much happy laughter and shouting issued from the precincts of Python Valley where Horseman Wing were disporting themselves; Dixon Wing played games in which noise and 'rough-housing' seemed to be the two outstanding features; When these games were exhausted or had exhausted the combatants, a series of weird sounds from the neighbourhood of a bush suggested that those who do not have the privilege of singing in the Choir were giving tongue in what they considered to be the correct rendering of the latest "Hot" numbers from "God's own Country". Similar sounds have often been heard from the nearby valleys when herds of those famous scavenging animals have been on the hunt for food. The elder and more staid members of the Sherwood family collected in groups to knit or play bridge according to their tastes;

both pastimes continued far into the night and Tuesday morning found many a bleary eyed follower of Dame Fortune bemoaning a loss of points and a lack of sleep.

After lunch a series of nerve wracking games, the most popular of which was "ALL IN" occupied our time; and a good time was had by all, even the Convent crocodile which paused on its way to Dorothy's Seat to gaze in wonder, and may be envy, at primitive

man at play. At the end of the games a fuller tea than usual kept all occupied for a full half hour and then back wearily to school, some to create new occupations for the rest of the evening and others to put on all their finery for the inevitable social with the girls in Milman Hall. A social thoroughly enjoyed by the "Don Juans", by the votaries of the Goddess Terpsichore, and also by the "Wall Flowers" who spent their time gazing woodenly at their opposite numbers across the floor.

FOUNDER'S WEEK

(JUNE 3RD—JUNE 9TH, 1948).

Thursday, June 3rd.	3-30 p.m.
Friday, June 4th	10-00 a.m. 5-00 p.m.
Saturday, June 5th.	8-00 a.m. 10-30 a.m. 3-00 p.m. 4-15 p.m. 5-00 p.m.
Monday, June 7th	10-00 a.m. 6-00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 8th.	10-00 a.m. 2-15 p.m. 4-30 p.m. 9-00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 9th.	10-00 a.m. 10-30 a.m. 8-00 p.m.

Fancy Fair and Fete in aid of charities, including the College Endowment Fund, the Diocesan Peace Thankoffering Fund and the Ministering Children's League, opened by the Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Lucknow. The evening concluded with a short 'hop'.

Tennis—Past vs. Present.

Founder's Week Play.

"The Housemaster" by Ian Hay.

(Plan at the Capitol).

Founder's Day—[79th Anniversary].

Holy Communion.

Hockey—Past vs. Present.

Founder's Service—Preacher:—The Right Reverend the Bishop of Lucknow.

Ten.

P. T. Gymnastics and Pyramid Display. H.E. Shrimati Sarojini Naidu presided.

Cricket—Past vs. Present.

Impromptu Concert and Finals of the Elocution Contest.

Table Tennis—Past vs. Present.

O. S. S. Annual General Meeting.

Football—Past vs. Present.

Annual Dance. (By invitation).

Golf—Visitors vs. Staff.

Cinema Show for College.

O. S. S. Dinner.

THE FETE AND FAIR

There can be little doubt that the most popular event on the Founder's Week programme, from the point of view of the younger generation at any rate, is the Fete and Fair. They have money to spend, and scores of ways in which to spend it, and the competition to get rid of this surplus wealth is always keen.

With money to burn, the youngsters, boys and girls alike, were impatient for the fun to begin, and hardly had the Lord Bishop of Lucknow, who opened the Fete, been presented with a bouquet by a very shy Keith Waller, when there was a mad rush towards those stalls which catered to ravenous appetites. The sun was hot, and those ices would not last for ever! The hot dogs had a nasty habit

of vanishing so quickly! And the new stall run by Messrs. Rekhar and Krishna had to be investigated: rumour had it that "Puri Tack" was being sold there! So an early visit was advisable.

For the first fifteen minutes the ducks were left in peace, Aunt Sally ran no risk of being knocked about, and the coconuts remained perched on their posts. But not for long; in ones and twos and little groups, enthusiastic youngsters, jaws working overtime, hands loaded with "eats", scattered all over the playing field, and each booth had its quota of patrons. Ducks quacked indignantly, coconuts toppled off their posts, and bottles and tins vanished off the "Hoop-La" tables. Enthusiastic golfers tried their skill at putting, and a

host of amateur billiards champions tried in vain to ruin Mr. Thompson by potting the red, a feat made more difficult than it sounds by the slope of the table and patches on the cloth.

And so it went on till the first flush of enthusiasm had worn off, and funds began to run low. The sun was hot, and a brief respite in Milman Hall, where teas were being sold, would be welcome. Here harried parents were induced to replenish depleted exchequers, and soon refreshed enthusiasts sallied forth to tempt Dame Fortune once again.

But Fortune is a fickle wench, and money can't last for ever. The sun has begun to slip behind Ayarpatta, and the stalls are deserted. The seniors move towards the Gym, for there the best is yet to be—a dance—the juniors straggle up the slope to the school. Flushed faces and dragging feet tell their story only too plainly, it is not dinner they want, but bed. And so another Fete and Fair has come and gone.

—St. J. S.

FINANCIAL RESULTS OF FANCY FAIR AND FETE 1948.

RECEIPTS.

Collection from parents, friends and tradesmen				Rs.	931	0	0
Putting Green	...	...	Mr. Boston	...	26	7	0
Coconut shy	...	...	Mr. Cazalet	...	70	0	0
Ice Cream	...	...	Mr. Fordham & Mr. J. Smith	...	210	12	0
Hoop-la	...	...	Mr. Gasper & Mr. Wordsworth	...	193	8	0
Skittles	...	...	Mr. Law	...	23	4	0
Duck Pond	...	...	Mr. St. J. Smith	...	64	2	0
Darts	...	...	Mr. Waller	...	30	0	0
Teas	...	...	Mrs. Smith, Mr. G. Lean, Mrs. F. Lean	...			
			Mr. Gupta & Mr. Upreth	...	251	6	0
Billiard Table	...	...	Mr. G. Thompson	...	52	6	0
Poories etc.	...	...	Mrs. Rekhar, Mrs. Sharma & Mr. Sharma	...	118	1	0
Escalade	...	...	Prefects				
Throwing the Ping Pong Ball	...	...	Prefects		95	0	0
Throwing Golf Balls	...	...	Prefects				
Fancy Work Stall	...	...	Mrs. Fordham, Mrs. Stark and Mrs. Hainworth	...	111	8	0
Raffles	...	...	Glass Bake Dishes	Rs.	95	0	0
			Fountain Pen	...	45	8	0
			Watch	...	110	8	0
			Tennis Racket	...	47	0	0
			Two Prizes	...	23	0	0
Fruit Jellies	...	...	Mr. Doutre & Mr. Graham	...	58	8	0
Condiment Stall	...	...	Miss Whitelegge, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Whitby & Mrs. Wordsworth	...	186	1	0
Dance	...	...	Mr. Rekhar	...	65	0	0
Sweet Stall	...	...	Mrs. Doutre & Mrs. Waller	...	167	3	0
Guessing the number of chocolates	...	...	Miss Whitelegge	...	22	8	0
Lucky Dips	...	...	Mrs. Boston & Miss Watts	...	167	4	0
Hot Dogs	...	...	Mrs. Cazalet & Mrs. St. J. Smith	...	157	1	0

EXPENDITURE

DISTRIBUTION OF PROFIT:—

Including articles purchased, cost of refreshments, ducks, stall materials etc.

The College Endowment Fund ...
The Ministering Children's League ...

Thank You

Once more, Sherwood must acknowledge the deep debt of gratitude she owes to so many willing hands and generous hearts who helped to make our Fete another success. The takings do not seem to be as large as in previous years but this was to be expected: numbers are smaller and in consequence there was less

money among the boys, and fewer parents to give their usual unstinted help. Even the public of Naini Tal, usually such great patrons of ours, has come down in numbers. In spite of all these handicaps we are quite pleased with the results and offer a very big "Thank you" to all our friends.

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TENNIS PAST vs. PRESENT

At Sherwood we associate this competition every year with that enthusiastic old 'un, Clarie Culpeper, who probably for the last fifteen years has captained the Past. Without his hard service and excellent court-craft, to say nothing of his 'fixing' 'um up', we were in two minds whether the Past would be able to muster a team. However it seemed a pity to have to cancel this fixture, and after putting aside such lame excuses as 'ingrowing toenails', 'we had no practice' and 'I'm getting too old to move', the Past captain, Dudley Monk, managed to collect a few young old boys to make a team. Four pairs from the Past were opposed to four pairs from the Present, each playing the best of three sets. The acknowledged supremacy of the Past in previous years was no longer in evidence and they were fortunate in being able to make it a draw.

In the first match T. Lean and P. Brumby opposed P. Pierce-Jones and D. Dudt. The Present playing an attacking game and varying their pace well won the first set very easily at 6-1. Jones' clever game caused the old 'uns to hit out when coming to the net. But this was only short lived for T. Lean and P. Brumby made a magnificent rally in the next set. Lean found his touch and Brumby played more steadily in the second set. Aided by several good service winners the Past ran into a 3-1 lead. The Present rallied, however, and with splendid drives and volleys at the net led 4-3. But the Past were not to be beaten by winning their services and their opponents won the second set at 6-4. A great struggle was expected in the final set. The first two games went with the service but soon the Present took the lead. In the fifth game Brumby twice double faulted but he atoned for these errors with a glorious smash and a drive which gave the Present little chance. This seemed the end for after this the Past scrambled home after several deuce games had been called.

Whilst the first strings were battling on the Upper Court, the third strings were doing their worst on the Lower Courts. Here N. Anthony and R. Greene for the Past seemed quite content to let the Present have this match. The early play was rather scrappy, and each opening service was a double fault. Later 'the contest' developed into 'ping pong' with an occasional backhand stroke. Daly's service appeared to be mere 'pushes' whilst I. Greene's backhand deteriorated to no stroke at all. On the other side N. Anthony rather felt that the fags' jobs were to field lost balls down the khud! R. Green was the best of a bad few and occasionally cut off returns at the net. Yes this was a high class match in that the balls nearly brought down the rain clouds!!

The third contest was gamely fought out between D. Monks and G. Lean for the Past against R. Menasse and G. MacFarlane. The Past pair played exceptionally well with G.

Lean being an admirable fighting foil to Monks' steadiness. Menasse lost his service in the ninth game during which he double faulted twice. Soon the Past showed that they meant to win and by excellent overhead work and quick returns captured the first set at 6-3. Not to be outdone both MacFarlane and Menasse changed their tactics and moved up to the net to form a strong defence. They drew level at 3-3, but when Menasse dropped his services in the seventh game, the Past took the lead. Again the Present rallied and drew level at 4-4. This was now anybody's set and all eyes were turned in this direction. By carefully placed drives the Present took the lead. In the 10th game the Past, playing carefully, missed no opportunities, and with smashing cross-court drives, brought the game up to 5-5. It was ironical that it should be Menasse's service which the Past captured for he was the best player of the four and served with much force. The final game was full of thrills and after deuce had been called several times the Past clinched the issue. It was a fine struggle with some really good tennis.

The last match of the contest turned out to be a titanic struggle between C. Elloy and I. Shepherd representing the Past against J. Cocksedge and K. Mody. As keen as the Present were to allow the Past to win the latter just did not want to and resolved to make a great struggle of a match that could have been completed in less than 15 mins. Both pairs played hard when they were pressed and adopted wearing-down tactics rather than match-winning strokes. I. Shepherd made numerous errors with drop shots whilst C. Elloy was determined to make a hole in the net! On the other side Cocksedge, and Mody almost wrestled and scrambled for balls that were off the court. There was very little sparkling tennis and a fitting result might have been that all four ought to have made a few 'chukkers' around the Hockey field, for tiring the fags and giving the Umpire corns! The Past won the first set at 7-5, whilst the Present won the next two at 6-2, 10-8.

RESULTS:

- T. Lean and P. Brumby beat P. Pierce-Jones and D. Dudt. 1-6; 6-4 and 6-3.
G. Lean and D. Monks beat R. Menasse and G. MacFarlane 6-3 and 7-5.
N. Anthony and R. Greene lost to D. Daly and I. Greene 4-6 and 1-6.
C. Elloy and I. Shepherd lost to J. Cocksedge and K. Mody 7-5; 2-6 and 8-10.

In conclusion we give a big "Thank you" to our six little fags who so ably did their jobs. In spite of the tremendous demand upon their energy in fielding so many lost balls they did their duty without a whine and bore the sweltering heat of the day. They at least worked hard.

—W. J. B.

THE FOUNDER'S WEEK PLAY

"HOUSE MASTER"

The "House Master" by Ian Hay played in a full and appreciative house on Friday 4th June at 5 p.m. It speaks highly for the standard of entertainment that no one felt that he had sat in his place for close on 3 hours; and it was a worthy successor to the previous school plays.

The plot of the play was good, the action fast moving, and the dialogue a series of smart witticisms. The obvious enthusiasm of the cast and the happy spontaneity of the acting matched well the spirit of fun in which the play was written.

For the first time in the history of our Amateur Dramatics, girls and students from All Saints' College took part. This was a very welcome innovation which we hope has come to stay. In addition all parts were taken by the boys and girls—the Staff did not take part as in previous years. This, also, was a very welcome change and the experiment proved most successful and popular.

The play centres round Charles Donkin, a Housemaster of Marbledown School and the whole action takes place in his study. This long and difficult part was played by James Cocksedge. It would be no exaggeration to state that it would be difficult to find a boy who could have played that part so well. Button and Himbo played by Christopher Montriou and Elizabeth Robey were a delightful pair and showed a good knowledge of stage craft for such youthful actors, though they could have let themselves go just a little more. June Cocksedge and Evelyn Coleman as Rosemary and Chris Farringdon gave excellent portrayals of those attractive and engaging young things who captivate all within reach; while June Wordsworth gave a charming and natural rendering of Barbara Fane. Patrick

Bower also deserves special mention for a very good rendering of the pompous and self-opinionated young Headmaster, Mr. Ovington, a part which required a good deal of acting.

The rest of the cast provided strong support for the various leads, and among them might be mentioned Leslie Hollis who, gifted with the perfect face, figure and manner for the part of Crump, had the House convulsed whenever he appeared.

I have mentioned a few of the large cast, but without the others there would have been no play. The standard of the whole production was very high. Mr. Boston is to be congratulated on producing so excellent an entertainment.

Characters in order of appearance:

Charles Donkin.	James Cocksedge.
Victor Beamish.	Neale Thorp.
"Bimbo" Farringdon.	Christopher Montriou.
Frank Hastings.	Edward Mitchell.
Ellen.	Hazel de Souza.
Barbara Fane.	June Wordsworth.
"Button" Farringdon.	Elizabeth Robey.
Matron.	Shaista Ali Shah.
Rosemary Farringdon.	June Cocksedge.
Chris Farringdon.	Evelyn Coleman.
Philip de Pourville.	Richard Whiting.
"Flossie" Nightingale.	Malcolm Robey.
Sir Birkdale Nightingale.	Walter Boston.
Travers.	John Wren.
"Pop".	Charles Willis.
"Old Crump".	Leslie Hollis.

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Stage Manager
Prompter
Producer

Gladys Stark.
Leslie Hilt.
John Wren.
Walter Boston.
—E. W. W.

BILLIARDS.

STAFF Vs. PAST.

The week preceding Founder's many wondered whether a Past vs. Staff Billiards contest would be possible, as it was rumoured that not more than three or at the most, four Old Boys were expected. Many alternative suggestions were made, including a Handicap Tournament for Staff and all visitors. It was, therefore, a pleasant surprise to see so many of the old school up here when the week actually started; and we were able to have a really good Past vs. Staff contest. Ten matches of 100 up were arranged, the Staff having to go all out to win six. Except in two cases, the margin between the winner and loser was so close that only 50 points separated the two teams at the end of the series. The final scores were Staff: 904 Past 854. The detail results were as follows:

PAST		STAFF	
Mr. T. Lean	83	Mr. N Wordsworth	100
" D. Macfarlane	100	" E. Waller	85
" C. Elloy	100	" R. Law	42
" D. Monks	69	" R. T. Lean	100
" E. Elloy	78	" W. Boston	100
" M. Patni	87	" G. Lean	100
" H. C. Thompson	56	" St. J. Smith	100
" A. Wilson	100	" A. Cazier	84
" S. T. Graham	81	" G. Thompson	100
" E. Watts	100	" T. Gasper	93
	854		904

E. W. W.

FOUNDER'S DAY



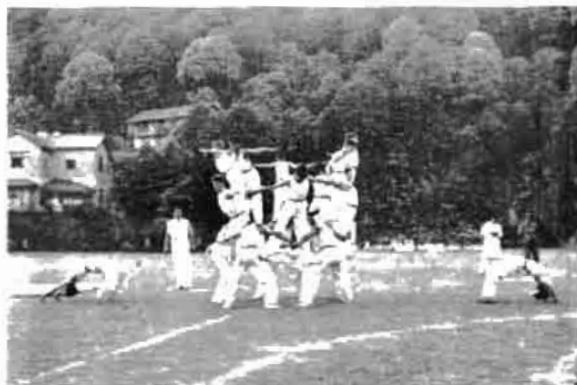
Past vs. Present Cricket.



Past vs. Present Football.



Past vs. Present Hockey.



Groundwork Pyramod.

FOUNDER'S DAY



H. F. Shrivasth, Secretary, N. S. S.
at the Saluting Base.



The Saluting Base.



Horse Work Team.



The Loyal Param.

CRICKET—PAST vs. PRESENT

The Past beat the Present by 6 wickets but not before play was extended by 15 minutes.

The College won the toss and batted first. They hit up a total of 147 runs to which the Past replied with 148 for the loss of only 4 wickets. The chief scorers for the Present were R. Menasse and R. Dayal with 93 not out and 34 respectively. The former's score included eight 4s and one 6. He had given a good display of hard hitting combined with patience and had saved his side from a rout. He was very unfortunate to miss his century by 7 runs.

The "Old Boys" opened with Patni and Ernie Watts. Great things were expected of Ernie. He had recently toured England with the I. M. A. XI and had headed its list of batting averages. Happily he did not disappoint expectations and the spectators were treated to a display of excellent batting. He played a flawless innings of 60 runs and then threw

away his wicket in attempting a big hit, but not before the total had reached 106 runs. He scored with effortless strokes all round the wicket. His hooks to long-leg in particular were a treat to watch. Patni, although orthodox in his style batted stubbornly for over an hour and although his contribution was only 16 he had helped the opening partnership to realise 96 runs before he was bowled by Pierce-Jones. During this partnership 24 extras were registered. David Hotz, the College wicket-keeper, who usually keeps well, was unimpressive.

Trevor Lean of the Past XI treated the spectators to some hectic hitting. During his brief stay of 10 minutes he hit up 29 runs. What little hope the College had of forcing a draw was now easily dispelled. Monks and Boston scored the necessary 8 runs to win the match with some well-placed mishits leaving the Past winners by six wickets and one run.

THE PAST

M. Patni	b.	P. Pierce-Jones	16
E. Watts	b.	R. Menasse	60
W. Boston		Not out	9
A. Caralet	b.	R. Menasse	4
T. Lean	c.	R. Menasse	20
C. Monks		Not out	3
D. Macfarlane, I. Shepherd,			
C. Elloy, E. Elloy, N. Anthony			
did not bat.			
		Extras	27
		Total	148

Bowlers:

S. Webster	0 for 52.
R. Menasse	2 for 30.
B. Maddison	0 for 13.
F. Banche	0 for 11.
P. Pierce-Jones	2 for 30.

THE PRESENT.

D. Hotz	b.	E. Elloy	0
P. Pierce-Jones	c.	T. Lean	10
R. Menasse		Not out	53
G. MacFarlane		Run out	0
S. Webster	c.	C. Monks	0
R. Dayal	c.	E. Watts	7
S. Kent	b.	W. Boston	24
S. Rai	b.	W. Boston	0
B. Maddison	b.	E. Watts	0
F. Banche	b.	E. Elloy	0
J. Singh	b.	E. Elloy	0
		Extras	13
		Total	147

Bowlers:

E. Elloy	4 for 44
E. Watts	3 for 56
C. Monks	0 for 16
W. Boston	2 for 17

IMPROMPTU CONCERT

The Impromptu Concert was held on the evening of the 7th June, before a large and appreciative audience of parents, friends and members of the school.

The concert opened with a "Selection" by our one and only Percussion Band. This body of musicians from the Kindergarten showed all present that their appreciation of music and good timing were inversely proportional to their size. This was followed by four songs by Standard VI which were as greatly applauded as they were well sung. Gordon Rickie gave a simple rendering of a well-known violin piece to the accompaniment of Mr. Law on the piano. It was a pleasure to have Wellesley back again in our programme—the Misses Hilton and Loveday sang two lovely duets, and the 'encores' they received were well merited. Then followed songs by the All Saints' students which were of their usual high standard; after which Padre Saunders entertained us with two songs from the always popular selections of Gilbert and Sullivan. He has a pleasant, if not powerful, voice, and his rendering of "Tit Willow" was pleasing to hear. Piano solos are always popular and the two included in this programme were no exception. Neville Bower entertained us with the "Valse in E Flat" by Chopin, while Richard Whiting gave an excellent performance of Granville Bantock's "Glory of the Sun". Both these boys' playing is of a very high standard and I doubt whether these two pieces could have been rendered better. Possibly for the last time Malcolm Robey was heard in a Sherwood Impromptu concert. It is difficult to describe the fine tone and texture of his voice; and he sang "Angels Gardening" and "Pretty Creature" as only he can sing

them. We shall miss him and his singing in 1949. After seven years absence, the Staff returned to the stage (it is rumoured they had spent this time in practising for this particular item this year) and provided an item in the 1948 Impromptu Concert. It is difficult to say which applause was greater, the one preceding their entry or the one accompanying their departure. Sufficient is it to say that it proved very popular, and we hope that we shall not have to wait seven years in order to see and hear them again.

Then followed the Finals of the Elocution Contest. I doubt if anyone in the Hall envied the work of the judges. The standard was very high and the difference between the competitors so small that the judges had a difficult time deciding the winners. Their final and combined decisions placed Richard Sarstedt, Christopher Montrou, and George MacFarlane first in the lower, middle and upper divisions respectively. We congratulate these three and the other finalists on producing so high a standard of elocution.

Wellesley choir took the stage after the interval and entertained us with some fine singing. Bernard Maddison followed with a violin solo; and then Douglas MacFarlane (an Old Boy) sang "A Tree in the Meadow" and "An Old Irish Mother"—both these items were executed very well and received the applause they so richly deserved. All Saints' Choir not to be outdone rendered "Star on the Western Sky" and "I stood on the Mountain" in a manner befitting this College. As a Finale, Sherwood choir put a new zest and spirit into all the well-known "Nursery Rhymes" and it was not surprising that they received the biggest hand of all—a fitting conclusion to yet another Impromptu Concert. —I. M. W.

FOUNDER'S DAY, 1948.

The protracted spell of warm dry weather that had characterised the latter portion of the month of May led the pessimists to predict that Founder's Week and in particular Founder's Day would be wet. In the small hours of the morning of June 5th, a sharp thunderstorm with a little rain indicated that the pessimists had been justified but the weather pundits relented and Founder's Day 1948 was almost as good meteorologically as it was in other ways.

The day began with the customary celebration of Holy Communion at 8-00 a.m. We were fortunate to have as Celebrant our Bishop, Christopher Robinson, on his first visit to Naini Tal and Sherwood. He was assisted by the Rev. 'Tommy' Prince, of St. Nicholas', the Rev. Kenneth Sharp of the Cambridge Mission, Delhi, and the Rev. Richard Saunders of Agra, who, as our temporary honorary Chaplain, has in his vacation done so much both for Sherwood and for All Saints'. There were a

large number of communicants—Boys, Staff, Old Boys, Parents, and, for the first time, some girls from All Saints', who now form part of the Sherwood Choir; these girls, determined not to miss their first Founder's Day Communion Service, were up at Sherwood even before the Sherwood day had begun!

After breakfast the Annual Hockey Match between the Past and Present was played. A full account of the complete rout of the Past is given elsewhere. The rest of the morning and the early part of the afternoon were devoted to preparation for, and anticipation of, the great events of the late afternoon and early evening.

The Founder's Service was at 3-00 p.m. The clergy of the morning were again present and though the congregation was visibly smaller than in previous years, we believe that all our friends in Naini Tal, whether permanent residents or visitors, were present. The Service was as inspiring as ever with the Bishop delivering a special address and the Sherwood

Choir, augmented by All Saints' Altos, singing some special music, including the Founder's Day Anthem, 'Let Us Now Praise Famous Men'.

Choosing as his text, 'This stone which I have set up for a pillar shall be God's House' (Gen. XXVIII, 22), the Bishop drew a simple analogy between Jacob and his Pillar and Robert Milman, our Founder, and Sherwood. The Bishop felt sure that the entire corporate life at Sherwood indicated the awareness of God's presence, that everything was done as in the sight of God and that it was worthy of God's House, which Sherwood, even as Jacob's Pillar, is. The triple promise made by God to Jacob of the Promised Land, the ever-increasing number of his descendants, and God's Abiding Presence had also been fulfilled at Sherwood and would continue to be so as long as Sherwood—every building and not merely the Chapel—was God's House. The Bishop referred to the comparison made by St. John in his Gospel of Christ with Jacob's Ladder and asked us always to be conscious of the fact that this was the symbol of constant living fellowship between us and the Father.

After the Service all the visitors were refreshed with some very welcome tea before being treated to the Display of Physical Training, etc., at which Her Excellency, Srimati Sarojini Naidu, Governor of the U. P., presided.

It is generally felt that the standard of the Display was even higher than in recent years perhaps because of the numerous innovations of which the Log Drill was the most effective and spectacular. Indifferent health precluded Her Excellency from making an Address but, in a few words to the P. T. Instructor and College Captain, she made it plain that she had not seen such an excellent Display anywhere previously. She showed her appreciation in a practical way by obtaining from the Principal two holidays for the boys asserting that their efforts were worthy actually of four such holidays! The announcement of the granting of these two extra holidays met with no objection from any quarter.

At the conclusion of this important function hosts of Sherwoodians hastened to avail themselves of the privilege of 'Home Leave' while other addicts of jazz and jive collected, with the enthusiasts from All Saints' and Wellesley, in the Gymnasium to enjoy an Impromptu 'Hop' for a couple of hours or so.

All good things must, however, come to an end so at 9-00 p.m., the Master-on-duty, earning the grateful thanks of the many teachers-on-duty who had had a long and full day, but the displeasure of their many charges, brought Founder's Day 1948 to an official conclusion.

—T. R. GASPER.

HOCKEY

THE PAST vs. THE PRESENT

The 'Old Boys' who took the Present on this year were, on the whole, younger than those who have done so in the past, but strangely enough, their youth did not help them much, for they were well and truly beaten by a goal-to-nil. Had it not been for the fine performances of Brumby in goal and I. Shepherd at right back, the score might have run into double figures.

At only one stage of the game could the play have been described as even, the first few minutes; thereafter the Present took the initiative and never lost it except for the few occasions on which T. Lean, playing centre-forward for the Past, tried to get through on his own.

Quite early in the game Hotz received a pass near the D and beat the goalkeeper who had come out to meet him. Immediately after this, Daly missed a sitter, and then missed two more before he scored off a pass from Hotz. From the bully the Past carried the play into their opponents' area and forced an abortive short corner. Returning to the attack the Present stormed the Past goal. Hotz struck the upright, and Greene fumbled a glorious pass from Rustonji. Daly then had a shot at goal which Brumby saved; Hotz, however, was lying unmarked, and scored off the rebound. Lean then raided the Present's goal and had a first time shot, but Elloy saved well. Half-

time saw the Present leading by 3 goals to nil.

Apparently refreshed by the five-minute break, the Past attacked from the bully and forced a short corner which they failed to turn to account. Maintaining pressure for a few minutes, they might have scored off what looked like a very promising movement had Patni not been penalised for off-side. After that the Past just fizzled out, and goals came in quick succession.

Hotz went through on his own, but hit the post from close range. Daly then collected a pass from the right and scored. Rai worked his way down on the right, but shot straight into Brumby's pads. Hotz scored off the rebound. Hotz then scored two goals in quick succession, the first off a free hit near the D, the second off a pass from Rustonji.

The Present were now all over their opponents, and Shepherd played an inspired game, but there was no one to help him. Brumby saved three shots in quick succession, to be beaten a moment later by a scoop from Rai. I. Greene, who had not done much so far, went through and beat Brumby from close in. T. Lean then made a desperate attempt to go through on his own, but his shot went wide of the post. As full time drew near, Hotz went down on his own and scored on the final whistle.

Teams

Past—P. Brumby; I. Shepherd, D. Monks; C. Monk, E. Elloy, M. Greene; B. Paul, M. Patni, C. Elloy, T. Lean and N. Anthony.

Present—N. Elloy; R. Menasse, P. Pierce-Jones; G. MacFarlane, S. Kent, S. Webster; S. Rai, C. Daly, D. Hotz, I. Green, J. Rustumjee.

TABLE TENNIS PAST vs. PRESENT

In a very wet Founder's Week of a few years previous, when the Annual Tennis Match between the Past and Present could not be played, a Table Tennis Match was substituted. This year, however, a Table Tennis Match appeared in the regular programme for the Week because, with the disbandment of the A.F. (L.), the Annual Triangular Shooting Contest—the Staff used to be the third (and usually victorious!) side—had to be abandoned. Whereas on the first occasion the well-practised Present overwhelmed the unpractised Past, on this occasion the Present only just managed to win 4-2, after being 2 down at the end of the first two ties, when the Present Nos. 1 and 2 had a rude shock being beaten by former Sherwood No. 1 in T. Lean and P. Brumby respectively. The match might have gone the other way had the Past played Watts as No. 3 in the Singles,

for which C. Monks displayed neither the ability nor the temperament, or even if either Past doubles team had pressed home the initial advantage they gained.

The standard of Table Tennis was surprisingly good and those who did not witness this event missed a good exhibition and many thrills.

Results: G. MacFarlane (Present) lost to T. Lean, 21-18, 14-21, 18-21.

P. Pierce-Jones (Present) lost to P. Brumby, 16-21, 10-21.

C. Daly (Present) beat C. Monks, 21-8, 21-8.

R. Menasse and B. Maddison (Present) 3-2 at C. Elloy and E. Watts, 24-22, 21-18.

S. Kent and F. Banche (Present) beat D. MacFarlane and I. Shepherd, 18-21, 21-12, 21-6.

T.R.G.

FOOTBALL
PAST vs. PRESENT

Result: Present 7—Past 2

"Hullo that's the ball!" yes the Past have managed to muster up an XI as the school found when they wended their way down to the field on June 8th at 4.10 p.m. Slowly but surely patent leather and suede shoes gave way to old football boots that were kept in the Gym and literally salted for visiting teams. When old boots were formed into pairs and the extreme hilarity ceased, the referee felt it was time to give vent to his lungs.

A few minutes before, both teams were busy warming up with practice shots certainly intent on doing their worst, or even hoping that the game they were about to play would suddenly turn into Rugger as the ball passed yards over the post.

The Past won the toss and decided to kick off. The early stages gave promise of an exciting match with grand moves both sides. The Present began to press but a fine clearance by Shepherd, last season's soccer captain and now a young 'old croc', saw Watts miss an absolute sitter. Not to be outdone P. Ghey, a probable 'new colour' on the wing, collected the ball from a free kick and sent across a perfect pass which S. Rai drove fiercely into the net. This gave the Present more initiative, and in attempting to clear a good pass from Webster, I. Shepherd found his right boot sailing into the air and almost braining the school right half when it descended. From the resulting corner P. Pierce-Jones all but

scored. This was followed by some excellent dribbling between Watts and Lean of the old crocs, and in the ensuing run-down Watts scored the first goal for the Past. This made the game one all.

A good deal of rushing around and mis-kicking followed in the eagerness of both sides to obtain a lead but here again, Pierce-Jones showed his ability in heading the ball, and once again found the net with effortless ease from a pass from D. Hotz, the school inside right. Almost immediately the Present forward line moved dangerously towards the Past goal and an attempt was made to test the goalkeeper but Monks' junior deflected a dead certain goal.

Just before half time, Rai with his usual brilliant solo efforts down the right wing centred, MacFarlane of the school side in attempting to trap the ball deflected it to Jones and again the Past custodian was beaten by a cleverly deceptive piece of heading. Thus at this period the Present were leading 3-1.

The interval of five minutes was a real breather for the Past who so far had shown that they had not forgotten all their skill in Soccer, but the gruelling pace was too much for them as this told later. After the interval Watts moved into the forward line, and by his brilliant pass, T. Lean, the Past centre forward, now scored. This flash in the pan was shortlived for thereafter there was only

one team in the picture. The winners scored four more goals in this half and showed beyond doubt that they were the fitter if not the better side. Four minutes from the end the ball objected to its rough treatment by enthusiastic and mule kicking Sherwoodians and decided to burst and sue the players for maltreatment!

And thus ended yet another Past versus Present fixture and yet another enjoyable

game. Well done the Present and try again next year the Past.

Teams: Past: C. Monks (Jr.); I. Shepherd, R. Thompson; E. Elloy, E. Watts, C. Elloy; N. Anthony, M. Patni, T. Lean, D. Monks, L. Snaize.

Present: N. Elloy; D. Thompson, R. Menasse; S. Kent, G. MacFarlane, N. Thorp; P. Ghey, S. Webster, P. Pierce-Jones (Capt.), D. Hotz, S. Rai. W.J.B.

SHERWOOD SUPPER DANCE

(Sponsored by the Old Sherwoodian Society.)

Many an eye, eagerly perusing the contents of Sherwood's annual schedule for Founder's Week, rested upon the date—Tuesday 8th—and gleamed with an anticipatory light at the thought of revels to come. Dare the writer suggest that many a Sherwoodian was painting golden visions, particularly with regard to his favourite member of "the gentle sex", or that likewise the charming occupants of All Saints' and Wellesley were indulging in such speculation as concerned their masculine partners?

It would be impossible to exaggerate the importance of preparation for this most pleasurable of all events. Artistry and hard work were the tools employed by certain of the Sherwoodians—be they masters or boys—who were responsible for the decoration of the hall. Admirable sketches of Robin Hood and his merry men supplied the homely Sherwoodian atmosphere in which later the guests were to enjoy themselves. Such evidence of gymnasium work as ropes were skillfully camouflaged with coloured wrappings. Balloons and picturesque lanterns completed the room and with the addition of chalk upon the floor, the scene was set.

Sherwood's characteristic eagerness to do everything well was typified by one of its number particularly. The contents of a copy of "Modern Ballroom Dancing" by Victor Sylvester were canned and the advice given by this master of the art was employed with great credit!

No less enthusiastic were the members of "the gentle sex" for whom such an event was an opportunity to display their initiative in the line of colour and pattern. The variety of hues displayed, would have delighted the heart of a technicolour expert and certainly did not fail in creating the right impression upon the susceptibilities of Sherwoodians!

As the clock in the hall struck the quarter and the hour, happy parties of boys and girls crossed the threshold of Milman Hall and blinked, not only at the change from dark to light, but at the pleasing sight of the cheerful room and its occupants.

"The Sunny Boys" anxious to prove the authenticity of their soubriquet struck a lively air and the dance was begun. The zeal with which Mr. and Mrs. R. Law planned the evening did not go unrewarded for there was

ample cooperation from all the guests, particularly when a resolution to forbid the modern art of jitterbugging was amended!

A murmur of excitement sped round the hall when a "Spot Dance" was announced. The fortunate couple—Mr. E. Watts and Miss Watts seemed to doubt the legitimacy of their luck! The bystanders who witnessed the execution of the "Statue Dance" were soon reduced to chuckles and guffaws, particularly when a dancer was obliged to hold a leg or arm in mid-air! The most skillful performers proved to be Mr. P. Pierce-Jones and Miss S. Foster. The popularity of the "Monte Carlo Dance" was undoubted. Couples held their breaths while the cards were cut and there were to be heard simultaneously, exclamations of disappointment and sighs of relief. All too soon, the floor was empty, but for Mr. S. Kent and Miss G. Ledlie upon whom "the goddess of fortune" had smiled!

At this point, a welcome declaration was made—just a mention of the Magic Word "Dinner" was enough—and the guests surged upstairs to the concert-cum-dining hall. A right royal repast was spread before Robin Hood's (Mr. Lean's) "merry men" and their "gentle" partners. Tasty pastries were much in evidence, but not for long! Appetites had been sharpened by the dancing and in accordance with Sherwood laws, they were satiated immediately.

The revelry commenced with renewed vigour. Tongues which had been lying idle were now in usage. Friend met friend and joining the whole company was a link of good cheer, merriment and friendliness.

But time sped all too soon!

It was a reluctant crowd that once again crossed Sherwood's threshold. Old boys glanced back into the hall, perhaps to capture and hold fast a memory which would serve until the advent of another such day. Visitors expressed their admiration for the splendid organisation which had facilitated the success of the dance and silently blessed Mr. R. Lean. Boys and girls were still occupied in discussing the merits of one another's dancing partners.

Here was the goodbye of Sherwood to yet another Founder's Week and the promise of more to come.

M. V. Moyes.
(Ex. Student: A. S. C.)

GOLF: STAFF vs VISITORS

This grand fixture, and the most popular one in the whole week from the point of view of the adherents of this great though sometimes annoying and expensive game, was looked forward to with keen enthusiasm by all, at least, of the Sherwood family. Last year the golf was enjoyable simply because it was golf (no one but a real enthusiast would have enjoyed any game under similar conditions). This year the 9th of June dawned bright and clear so that none had the excuse of not knowing where slices and pulls were going to place their well-used Kroffites. The conditions were perfect and the golfers were keen.

The morning rounds consisted of two four-somes in which G. Thompson and W. Boston scored the first Sherwood success by defeating the two Manchanda brothers 2 up. Boston is a new but frightfully keen worshipper at the shrine between the tenth tee and the corresponding green; it was his enthusiasm together with Thompson's brilliance that overcame such well known, though out of practice, opponents. The second foursome was a little more one-sided; A. Cazalet, than whom there can be few more enthusiastic and R. Lean easily accounted for G. Summers and E. Hypher, both well-known golfers of the O. T. Ry. Officers' Club, by 5 and 3. In fairness to the visitors it must be said that they were almost totally unfamiliar with the intricacies of the course and were obviously disheartened and exhausted by the number of times they climbed up and over the nasty hill on which the 7th green is so cunningly placed, in a vain effort to get their remaining balls to stay on the top. Thus Sherwood settled down to a big lunch secure in the knowledge that they had a commanding lead and nothing but an extremely fickle fortune would wrest it from them; it was noticed at this meal that they ate far more than their opponents, and almost as much as the ten little savages who had come out to forecaddy for the golfers.

After lunch each team was joined by a fifth member; N. Wordsworth, who had sportingly stood down from the foursomes, added to the Sherwood strength and Billy Thompson, ageing so fast that he now finds two rounds in one day a little beyond his powers, joined the visitors and gave them their only clear-cut success. Wordsworth and Hypher were the first to set off and were soon lost to sight. Hypher had obviously benefited by his morning's experiences and played much better golf; however, he could do no more than

halve the match: both, we believe, played some very good holes. Lean and H. C. Manchanda followed them; Manchanda was playing much below form and was beaten 5 and 3, and to add to his mortification he lost quite a few balls. Cazalet won the next match 3 and 2 against S. C. Manchanda and Thompson beat Summers 4 and 3. The last two to go round were Boston and Billy Thompson; this match ended in favour of the visitors by 6 and 5. When these two returned, complaining bitterly about the perfidy of the caddies who could not even keep their eyes on a ball driven deep into impenetrable forests, preparations were begun for the event of the day.

This annual match played between Sherwood and the visitors has always been very enjoyable; we have met players of all kinds and from all walks in life and every one of them has been a real lover of Golf. Sherwood usually ends the day victorious, not because of any particular brilliance, but because of greater familiarity with the course. This year's match was as enjoyable as any in previous years as far as the actual golf was concerned but because of another great event it became even more enjoyable. I refer to the very keen interest taken in the match by H. E. Srimati Sarojini Naidu, our popular Governor, who made the time to come and have tea with us in the hut at the first tee when the match was over. We thoroughly enjoyed the privilege of having this great lady with us and will never forget the charm and friendliness which she spread among the tired golfers and the still-lively caddies. We owe a deep debt of gratitude to Her Excellency for the interest she has taken in all our little doings and also for so graciously permitting us to use the excellent course in the beautiful grounds of Government House.

RESULTS:

Foursomes:—G. Thompson and W. Boston beat H. C. and S. C. Manchanda—2 up; A. Cazalet and R. Lean beat G. Summers and E. Hypher—6 and 5.

Singles:—N. Wordsworth halved with E. Hypher, R. Lean beat H. C. Manchanda—5 and 3, A. Cazalet beat S. C. Manchanda—3 and 2, G. Thompson beat G. Summers—4 and 3, W. Boston lost to H. Thompson—5 and 6.

SHERWOOD beat VISITORS by 5½ matches to 1½.

O.S.S. DINNER

Founder's Week, made as enjoyable as any in previous years by the enthusiasm of some of the Old Boys, was fast drawing to a close. Many of the Old Boys would be leaving, having made their pilgrimage to their Alma Mater, with minds quite set at rest by the

obvious signs that she was still going from strength to strength. They had noticed that Sherwood had fewer sons but those few were capable of holding their own in any company; in fact Sherwood herself, suffering like all other schools because of the sudden departure

of so many people from India, was still holding up her head, efficient and proud.

As a grand finale to a week of fun and games and camaraderie the old boys gathered to exchange small talk and experiences at the dinner table on the 9th June. The table was prettily decorated by Mrs. Doufre and Mrs. Smith, and the latter excelled herself by giving us a dinner that would live in our memories long after several of the other functions would be forgotten.

All good things have an end and so with the dinner. It was rather unfortunate that no old boy could pluck up sufficient courage to make a pretty little speech in honour of the School and the O. S. S., though even if one had been persuaded to do so an awkward situation would have arisen from the fact that the Secretary is now also the acting Principal. However the company did stand in silent memory of our illustrious Founder with whose name was coupled other great Sherwoodians and particularly Alwyn Binns, the maker of modern Sherwood and one who must have been with us in spirit.

Mr. Lean, the secretary and officiating Principal, then spoke a few words thanking the old boys present for their continued interest in Sherwood and dispelling a few doubts that

had been assailing our hearts by impressing on us that Sherwood must and would continue to render the good service to the youth of India that she had been rendering all these years. His only note of pessimism concerned the future of the interest of the old boys who had left India with such speed and in such droves that they seemed to have severed all connections with their old school; however, the presence of so many loyal old Sherwoodians in England, among them Alwyn Binns, was a happy sign and a sure sign that in one part of the globe at least Sherwood would never be forgotten.

After the dinner the company, augmented by the ladies, the boys and the girls from All Saints' were entertained by the magic art of Capt. P. Chatterjee—Cardo, just back from Japan. He kept us all mystified for fully an hour and a half, and occasionally had us amused particularly when he granted the wishes of Mrs. Law and Mr. Waller in no uncertain fashion (Mr. Law and Mrs. Waller keeping discreetly in the background) and when he all but performed a major operation on Mrs. Cazalet's arm.

A tired but happy audience then retired with nothing left of Founder's Week but a few very choice memories and an earnest prayer that 1949 would see a Founder's Week as enjoyable.

—O.B.

COMPETITIONS - ELOCUTION, HINDI, GENERAL KNOWLEDGE AND ESSAY

ELOCUTION

There were so many entries, especially in the under 15 section, that a preliminary competition had to be held. The standard in this preliminary trial was very poor, some did not even know two consecutive lines of their pieces. At this pre-trial the competitors for performance on May 17th were selected.

On May 17th five seniors, ten under 15 and six under 10, all obviously better prepared than they were for the first trial, elocuted on the stage at Milman Hall for the right to compete in the competition proper during Founder's Week. The judges found it rather difficult to select the best three in each division, even though one or two were outstanding. The final selections were:

G. MacFarlane (L.J.) "Gloucester's Speech from Shakespeare's Henry VI".

R. Mathur (F.T.) "The Soldier's Dream".

M. Robey (F.T.) "The Relief of Lucknow".

Under 15:

C. Montriou (F.T.) "A Hindu's Paradise".

C. Scott (L.J.) "That's not the way at sea".

R. Whiting (F.T.) "The Dying Gladiator".

Under 10:

G. Abbott (R.H.) "Pockets" by Susan Williams.

G. Cazalet (F.T.) "Baby Seed Song" by Evelyn Nesbit.

R. Sarstedt (A.D.) "The Night Wind" by K. A. Morin.

The judges on the final day were, The Rt. Rev. The Bishop, Miss R. Chatterji, Principal, All Saints' College, Miss A. Kennard, Principal, Wellesley. The Bishop highly complimented the winners on their excellence, but pointed out that the others need not despair, as their efforts were also of an extremely good standard. MacFarlane, C. Montriou and R. Sarstedt were the winners of the respective divisions.

HINDI COMPETITIONS.

Essay:—Won by V. Prakash (L.J.)

Specially commended: J. Pande (R.H.),

P. Singh (L.J.), R. Batra (R.H.).

The general standard was not good. The subject matter, even of the better essays, was not convincing. Grammatical misconstructions were numerous. Writing was poor.

PENMANSHIP:

Senior:—J. Pande (R.H.). Commended: P. Singh (L.J.), P. Ghay (R.H.).

Junior:—V. Prakash (L.J.) Commended: R. Batra (R.H.), A. Manchanda (A.D.).

Others who were worthy of commendation were: J. Wren, M. Hotz, D. Graham, P. Hennan, A. Raza.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE.

Both Seniors and Juniors found their competitions rather difficult. In the Senior Competition, Standard IX seemed to have the best average and in the Junior Competition, Standard VI were the best. R. Mathur (F.T.) and N.

Burn (L.J.) are to be congratulated on winning the Senior and Junior Competitions respectively. There were several good papers, the following gaining over 60%.

Seniors:—C. Montriou (F.T.), P. Blackwell (A.D.), A. Anis (A.D.), P. Bower (A.D.), R. Batra (R.H.).

Juniors:—A. Lalljee (F.T.), J. Robinson (F.T.), G. Doutre (R.H.), A. Thompson (A.D.), N. Seddon (F.T.), B. Ledlie (F.T.).

The Essay Competitions for College Committee Prize—1948.

Senior Essay:—Subject to be studied—"Education." Actual Essay:—"Education is not merely an assimilation of Book learning."

The competition was won by J. Cockledge (F.T.).

Specially commended were P. Bower (A.D.) and C. Hankins (L.J.).

Examiner's Remarks. The main point which might have been enquired about at the beginning is "What is the purpose of education?" And here we might have reached the idea that education is the means by which a community (not in the bad sense, but as including all who live within a certain country) trains its youth to take its part in the general life and culture of that country. Then we shall find that the methods used in schools are primarily intended to teach a person how to think and how to learn so that throughout his life we notice the importance of other things besides book learning, though we could put in a plea in defence of books that they are the recorded experiences of other people, from which we should learn as well as from our own experience.

Junior Essay:—Subject to be studied—"Travel." Actual Essay:—"Travel among the poorer classes."

The competition was won by C. Montriou (F.T.).

Specially commended were R. Batra (R.H.), M. Ahmad (R.H.).

Examiner's Remarks. The essays were all inclined to be off the point. 'The Discomforts of Modern Travel', 'The Evils of Ancient Travel' and 'The Perfidy of Railway Officials' formed the theme of many essays. Travel for rich and poor alike was catalogued into several of the essays and one optimist even suggested that the time would come when the poor would be able to buy 'the eagle's' wings and soar through the air at over 500 m.p.h. or make the acquaintance of Tropical fishes by submarines.

Except for one or two essays only, the paragraphing was quite good. I cannot say the same of the sentence construction, the fault being cramming of too many dependent clauses into each sentence, more or less as new ideas came to mind; this always led to the actual purpose of the sentence being lost in a maze of words (the excessive use of parenthesis is dangerous unless a special effect is required).

"Travel among the poorer Classes" was the topic and there was scarcely any need to go outside India for material. In one essay, trains, cars, buses, bullock-carts, ekkas, kayaks, sampans, dhutkas, dhows, asses, horses and 'shanks' were mixed in a glorious poor man's Paradise.

Senior Prize Essay

"Education is Not Merely an Assimilation of Book Learning".

Education is the full expression of one's personality in every light. In an educational institution, suitable opportunities are placed before the pupils so that they will develop their personalities fully, for education, unlike instruction, is self acquired and not given by another. The acquisition of book knowledge plays, or should play only a small part in education, equal importance being set on religious, moral, social and physical education.

A large part of school life is spent in the classroom, which might lead some unthinking people to conclude that great stress is laid on the assimilation of the facts contained in the

text-books. But this is not so, for except for mathematics and the sciences, the knowledge gained in the classroom is of little practical value. The learning of poetry by heart is not so much for what is contained in the poem, as for the exercise it gives the memory. Subjects in the classroom are meant to stimulate thought and interest in the world around us. We get to know and begin to understand the complexities of human nature. If we have an inherent aptitude for any branch, be it art, mathematics, history or religion, it is in the classroom that this aptitude first asserts itself, and it is the duty of the teacher to give the

utilize every opportunity for the development and perfection of this branch. The classroom teaches us to bear long hours of mental exertion without fatigue, and by widening our horizon, makes us broadminded.

Religious education should, but often does not, play a large part in the life of an institution. Moral instruction is useless unless the individual feels some power stronger than himself urging him to lead a life of service. Long lessons in civics are of no value without a powerful, internal driving force to help the individual to flower into a useful citizen. A man with no religion to lean on and draw inspiration from, will accomplish nothing in life, unless it be making himself notorious.

The value of physical education should never be overlooked. Besides increasing one's beauty, strength and endurance, games teach a person fairplay, sportsmanship, self-control and how to co-operate with others. "Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton". A man who does well on the gamesfield is sure to make his mark in life. A soulful mind cannot exist outside a sound body.

Social education, the value of which cannot be too strongly emphasised, is sadly neglected in most schools, especially in India. Debating gives a person self-confidence, without which a man can have very little self-respect; it teaches him to think and reason clearly, concisely and swiftly, and to argue sensibly without losing his temper, all formidable weapons in modern life. Libraries help out to keep in touch with the rest of the world, and also to form new ideas, create new interests, and to understand life in general. Contact

between the two sexes at social and other functions helps to overcome natural shyness and prepare the individual for inevitable contact with the opposite sex in after life.

Practical education in some trade or profession is also of immense value, even if it only serves to make one's hands deft and dextrous. In a country like India, education without some practical training would be useless, for the vast majority earn their living by the use of their hands. To inculcate village children with profound book knowledge, and then send them back to plough fields is senseless and is labour wasted. It was for this reason that India's great leader, Mahatma Gandhi, put forward the Wardha Scheme, by which primary education is centred round the teaching of some trade. Book work will include the theoretical side of that trade, along with other essentials, such as learning the Geography, History, Art and Religion of one's own land.

The most important part of a child's education takes place not in school, but at home. The young child's mind is undeveloped and hence very impressionable. His parents are the greatest people in his life, and whatever they do or say impresses him greatly, and affects the whole of his after life. Psychologists have shown that much of man's troubles centre round some unsettling incident in his past life, which has made an indelible mark on his young and receptive mind.

So it will be seen that though book knowledge is essential it is by no means the be all and end all of education.

—J. COCKSEDGE

The Junior Prize Essay

"Travel among the Poorer Classes"

Travel is something that is almost essential in the world of to-day. Men are no longer content to live their lives as their forefathers did. People, especially the poorer classes, a few centuries ago, would not have dreamed of travelling more than twenty miles from the place of their birth. Now, however, even the poorest people travel a little. This is because travel is so much safer and faster than it was.

Travel among the poorer classes of any country is still quite rare, however, and is only undertaken when it cannot be avoided. A certain amount of danger is courted in travelling great distances. Though bandits are rare, pickpockets are still to be found in great numbers and a crowded railway compartment is the ideal setting for relieving the poor country yokel of the little money he possesses. Hunger has also to be fought.

During the recent war when Calcutta was threatened by Jap invasion, thousands of poor people fled from the city. Most of them were too poor to afford even a train journey, so with their bundles across their shoulders they decided to trust to their legs and set out upon

the Grand Trunk Road. Within a few days most of them were found dying of starvation on the road itself.

India is a land with the majority of people earning just enough money to keep them alive. Most of the poor are farmers, who occasionally travel into the towns to buy implements or sell some of their products. The more old fashioned of them travel in their own bullock carts and thus take months to reach their destinations a few hundred miles away. A few who have become reconciled to steam engines after regarding them as monsters for quite awhile, travel third class and squash into compartments already filled to overflowing with people. However they are home again months before their neighbours who set out in bullock carts. Many other poor people travel for short distances between stations. They cannot afford to pay the small train fare so they jump on to the trains after they have started and stand on the footboards the whole journey.

The poor in Europe are just as badly off and do most of their travelling by foot.

When poor people travel, they travel light

with perhaps only a small bundle in which are wrapped all the necessities; toilet requisites, a few clothes, and perhaps some home-made eatables to serve as a meal. If the weather is chilly, a few blankets form the outer covering of the bundle. At night they wrap themselves in these, lie down by the road sides and sleep till dawn.

Travel in towns is a different subject. In small towns, 'shanks' mare' can be relied upon but it would be madness to walk the length of a large city. However in cities there are many cheap means of travelling.

In the cities of India and China, rickshaws, tongas, ekkas, buses and tramcars are the chief means of travelling.

In the United States, hospitality is carried to a great length, and hitch-hikers can get a 'lift' off passing cars.

Now journeying by air is a very expensive means of travel. However, there is no doubt that in the future even the poor may have a chance of flying if not in an aeroplane at least in a helicopter.

C. Montrieux.

HOWLERS

A selection of "wise saws and modern instances" from the General Knowledge papers, answered unprepared (obviously) by boys from Classes IV to XI. Spellings and sentence constructions are kept in their original enigmatic forms.

SENIORS (Classes VIII—XI)

"What the great do, the poor will prattle of"

1. Count Bernadotte:—was a great saint: is the King of France: is at present representing Germany's Scientists in the science of the world: is High Commissioner in England.
Vijayalakshmi Pandit:—is the wife of Jawaharlal Nehru: is an ambassidder.
Raja Maharaj Singh:—is India's highest soldier in the field of battle, a sort of Field Marshal.
2. Candidates for next Presidential election (U. S. A.):—Roosevelt, MacArthur, Esinhower, Hughie, Esinhower, Montgomery, Wallace, Hewe, Truman, Duary, Dewne, Wilkie, Strachey, Lewis, and an ordinary country man. (Almost an international situation).
3. (a) Princess Elizabeth's husband:—Lord Louis Mountbatten: Sir Phillip Mount of Greece: Lt Lord V's count Mountbatten, he left Astrana. (Scandalous).
(b) U. N. O.:—headquarters at Salt Lake City with Trigravee as President. (He is not a Morman we hope).
(c) Questions being settled:—Russians hold on Cechoslovakia, whether we should declare war on Russia or are they to endure her cheek: The Marshall Plan: the present General elections (see 2 above).
4. The kind of person we are reminded of by
A Tilt: contains all the workings of a ship.
A Cruet: contains cartridges.
A Brief: contains a female swimmer (or Sunbather): a person who does not talk much: a loyer.
A Lasso: a cowboy or cowgirl.
A Tee: a tectotaller.

A Turco: is a headgear worn by some natives in certain parts of the world.

5. Eras & Epochs from History:—The Revival of? : Cromwell:

The middle.....? : sex.

The.....of Glencoe? : Marsicure.

6. To what should the sluggish go? a doctor: his drink: a worm: hell: the devil: prison to sleep: a ditch: to work: the dogs: the slums.

What should you not look in the mouth?
a lie: down in the mouth: hell: whale: danger.

What does wilful waste make? a horse: an empty stomach: wanton woe: wishful haste: shortage.

What is the very spice of life? sin (not talking from experience).

What is man known by? speech: Adam: his name: his shoes: mammal: treachery: human beings: selfishness.

What is a bird in the hand worth? A pound and a shilling: millions.

7. (a) Where are: Poets' Corner? a place where many poets meet.

Scene of Gray's Elegy? a mad dog.
Arthur's Seat? a place at a meeting when everybody is equal.

(b) Who created William? Richard Cromwell (son of the Protector)
Hercule Poirot? was the creator of Agatha Crisi (or vice versa).

8. A Mitre:—is a special kind of poetry: is a measurement of length.

A Mantilla:—is a brooch that holds the King's cloak: a fierce animal of the jungle: a term used in logs. (But not usually).

A Cope:—is a nut.

A Palette:—is used by a dentist: is a Palotte used by dentists: is for tasting food.

A Harrow:—is a public school: a university.

The Cross of Lorraine:—was torture French people went through when the Germans captured France: was erected in Lorraine where the girl hero Flaming Nightingale was attacked and killed.

St. Andrew's Cross:—was the cross he bore to overcome temptation although he,

- too, denied our Lord, Andrew was now known as Peter: is on a letter for safe carriage. (No faith in the Postman).
- Cross Cross:—A sweatmeat: buns with a cross on them.
- Crosspatch:—is a plaster plastered in a cross like way.
- Red Cross:—is applied with hospitalities.
- Charring Cross:—is given to fire brigades (or to fire bugs).
- Victoria Cross:—is a medallion (only medallions get them).
9. Sport:—A ball shaped like a ball is used in Rugby (School or game?).
- The Flying Mate is used in Tenercoyote: is used as an object to fire at when practice is needed for flying shots, this is usually done by the Aristocracy.
- A handle with a net is used in tennis (we know, having seen Net 5 at play.)
- A broom is used for playing 'A witch on a broomstick' (as in Macbeth).
- India is representing West Indies in cricket this year (who is representing India?).
- Tests:—Captain of England:—Banse.
- Captain of Australia:—Luiswon.
- English bowlers:—Bradman & Compton.
- Australian bowlers:—Fraser & Hutton.
- English Batsman:—Banse & Lindivail.
- Australian batsman:—Bradman & Smith.
- Wicketkeepers:—England, a backstop.
- Australia: Smith. (Now the tests should be more even).
- Trophies:—Swaythling Cup:—the person best swathed in bandages (a rough sport!).
- Wightman Cup:—for rugby, for boxing, for weight lifting, for baseball: for most promising airman; for person who has the best body (Shouldn't the English ladies be told? We now know why the U. S. A. win with such monotonous regularity).
10. Mademoiselle is a form of address in Armandiers (Parlez vous).
11. Various Sciences:—Psychology: Seismography, is a route in maths. Physiology is the musculature of humans: Entomology, of sex, of paces of men, of humans (some of them!).
12. The human frame:—Phalanges, sound ribs: Clavicle, near ear: Sternum, near groin: Humerus, small of back: Radius, chin, tail bone: Pelvis, thighbone, in calf: Tibia, jaw bone: Occipital, the mouth: in the eye (mote or beam?).
13. K. C. B. King's Calvary Baths (Blood?); Knight Cardinal of Baths (Holy water?); Knight of Ceremonial Bath.
- T. N. T. Trinitroethylene Nitro Trinitroethylene: Tri Nitro Triamaleim, Tri Nitro Tritus: Tetanus Neocid Treatment (Bug powder?). The Nitro Tri Pruside.
- F. R. C. P.: First rate circulating police: Fellow of Royal Company of painters: Fellow of Company of Pasteur, U. S. S. R. United Societs of Soviet Russia: United States of Serviette
- Russia: United States of Soviet Russia (Peace at last).
- O. M. On omission: Old madman.
- F. R. G. S. Fellow of the Royal Garter Surgeons (Ladies' dress designer!).
14. Foreign expressions (very)—
- Non de.....? Honor, Nom, Pt-m, dios.
- Mal de.....? Mare, gris, mulr, estuary.
- Hors de.....? Ovurs, Hoeuvre, fet, fort-n, tromp.
- Eau de.....? Sac, dens.
- Cul de.....? Hyde, mare, exparanto.
15. Some achieve greatness—
- MacAdam: A nobleman living in the time of Malcome the Meek.
- Madam Curie: Invented radium: the first person with her husband to make radium into the world, and no other person had yet come to know how to prepare it after her. (A greater incidence of Cancer is expected).
- General Booth: A wonderful general who fought against the Germans in Europe: A boner: responsible for American Civil war and American seven years war (Salvation Army?) Booth's Gin (naughty!).
- Louis Pasteur: Discovered a cure for Bacteria (root causes): a cure for Rabbits (Arab legionary!); opera Carmen.
- Jenna: Governor-General of Pakistan.
- Lister: Listerine toothpaste: Pasteur's friend.
16. Our Heavens—
- Stars: Phisace, There bears, waggoner, Ram, Polar bear, wheelbarrow, Psychais, O'Brian, Urayan's belt, Ryan belt, Prowling Panther, mansions.
- Milky Way: Has quite a fare tail attached to it about the cow jumping over the moon.
- Planets: Satan (falling star?), Bettle juice (or Red star!), Cangaroo (or Meteor!).
- A star is dead and has no moon on it (so no man in the moon!).
17. Our Religion—the new idea:—
- Noah's Ark rested midway between Earth and heaven (does Newton know?): about a Mountain top and was discovered only lately. Last book of the Bible: Revolution of St. John the Divine (schism) St. Paul's to the Cerenteans (4th missionary journey!).
- JUNIORS. (Classes IV-VII) Some ages:
- 10 years 12 months:
- 11 years 14 months:
1. People in the Public Eye.
- Dr. B. C. Roy: A famous doctor who cured people easily: General Manijor:
- Mrs. Naidu: Goveness of U. P.
- Pandit Pant: Representative of India for U. S. S. R.
- Mr. Kaitju: Primer of Pakiston.
- Sardar Baldev Singh: Commander of Soldier.
- Governor of Bombay: Lord Louis Mountain.

2. "May be some sports are painful."
 "Slam": an expression used in Golf (to get over the valley!).
 Lawn tennis: (hence so many lost balls).
 Cricket (out for O).
 "Yorker": an expression used in Rugby Football.
 Deuce: in foxing.
3. We associate:—
 Stars and Stripes with Heaven America (God's own country!).
 North Pole.
 Skyscrapers should associate the country.
 Picadors: Piccadilly.
 Paulodas: Fuji: Macaroni: Borneo.
4. New wonders of the world.
 Vatican:—are in Iraq this is where the war is carried on.
 Pyramids:—are like Triangles and was build for a king because he was going to be buried there (a premonition!); you will find Viclual Primade in Egypt and they are beautiful Primade in the night the robbers came and took all the gold and silver: a kind of Sipelker.
 Statue of Liberty:—In North America, a statue of a boy 14 feet: allong statue which holds a light: in Greece and it is catching a stick which is in flame.
 Golden Gate:—In India built by Sher Shah to show how much money he had: heaven: Daina.
 Sphinx:—In the shape of a head and a bit of a body: Is a Pharaoh's son's head on the body of a lion.
5. Who burnt the cakes? :—
 King Busie of Scotland: the cook.
 Who said, "I cannot tell a lie"? : the Devil: Sir George Washington: the fly.
 Who said, "I really cannot see the signal"? :—the engine.
 Who said, "Kiss me, Hardy"? :—Laurel in "Dancing Masters".
 Who laughed to see such fun? :—the little dog laughed: the spider.
 Who said, "What a good boy am I"? :—Gorgy Pordgy: Little Jack courner.
 What happened when the clock struck one? :—an owl came out: a rat ran out: the mouse jumped on the floor: the cat fell down: Cinderella was again made into a poor kitchen maid (some clock!).
 What couldn't all the King's Horses and all the King's men do? :—pick up a well: lift amt dimty together: pick up Hum te dum te up: put Humptent Sumptent together.
 What was little Miss Muffet eating? :—her curds in weight: the little mufet was eating bred and hony in parlour: her cuds and ways: her tuffet: curreds and waye: Curls and waves (Permanent!).
6. Apropos of nothing: A wolf is not of the cat family so is a lion.
7. Brain teasers (well teased!).
 "How far can a dog run INTO a forest"? :—as far as it wants to: until it is tired: To the other end: right through:

as far as its legs can carry it: until an animal chases him: until it is tired, or frightened or dark etc.: dogs usually don't run into forests: till it looses itself: till it stops: as far as he can till he is not eaten up by a wild animal: as far as he can without seeing an animal: a dog can run into a forest and keep running upto the time he is tired that is the distance please turn over: 3 miles: about 3 mile: as far as the forest is not too dense: till it is killed or died: 5 miles: as long as it gets tired.

"Would you be rather nearly saved or nearly drowned"? :—neither because none would come to any good: rather nearly saved and not rather drowned: I would be rather save instead of been drowned: rather drowned (Life so bad!).

8. We associate:—
 A Sickle:—with a sick man.
 A lancet:—with a lanceter.
 A last:—with a racer or a fool (we know the man!).
 A Stethoscope:—with a star reader.
 A palette:—with a dentist.
 Forceps:—ladies underwear like men wear underpants: wrestler (Bicep, Tricep).
9. Characters in fiction.
 Artful Dodger, William, Long John Silver, Tom Sawyer, Sherlock Holmes:—God created them all. Artful Dodger:—Anomous: Shakespeare: roat Sherlock Holmes (or Bacon?).
10. Abbreviations:—
 S. P. C. A. :—special police to stop curaly to animals.
 C. O. D. :—Centry on Duty: Cliffs of Dover.
 U.K. :—U. Kon: United Knations.
 B.A. :—Balachor of arts (not in English): Bicolors Anty.
 C. of E. :—Cyril of Engineers: Centre of Earth: Commander of Estuary (Cinute!): Centre of Europe.
 S. O. S. :—Secrecy of Society! Save our Soles, soals: i.e., Indian Engears: egzample: escetra.
11. Compound words and well known pairs:—
 Hedgehog and Magog: Hammer and Tongues: ods and ends: Romeo and Julius Caesar, a sago: David and Juliate, and Glorith, and Golletheth: Shilly Temple: Willy wagtail, wacktail, the wasp: wishy fishy: Silly Boy (your'e telling me!).
12. The new spelling:—Basic.
 Four letter words from the letters of MEANT:—material: mention: manester: Mediteranean.
13. Proverbial sayings:—
 They say dying is better than cure (for Cassius is weary of this world): Injections is better than cure: Death is better than cure: operation is better then cure: A hearty meal is as good as a feast: What (?) is as good as a feast (rhetoric question): Mud is not gold: Silver is not gold: Pome is not gold (it may be):

Fools should not throw stones: people with glass windows should not throw stones: you should not throw stones (nor should you!): Learn to pay Paul: Don't want to pay Paul.

14. Interesting facts from the Scripture.
 Samson:—was very tall: never cut his hair: asked the Philistines a riddle sweeter than honey and the honeycomb.
 Solomon:—picked up God to lead Eigre-slighs: in all his glory is not as beautiful as a lily of a field: stuck on a tree and a man put two darts through him.
 Noah:—Build an Arch and took all different animals with you: build a Arc and saved a mal and femal animal: how he built an arc and went on a voyage: Had an Arch which saved him from the flood.
 Jonah:—is fed by quales: his piracy.
 Elijah:—feed by crows: John the Baptist's Father.
 15. Fame or notoriety.
 Florence Nightingale:—he was named after a Nitingale: was famous for going about on Christmas eve without shoes: had to look after the soldier and could

not sleep: discovered diseases how we get and madicens: used to wound soldiers underground but was found out.

Columbus:—was famous for fighting Baden-Powell: went to America instead of India.

Marconi:—a famous Japenies: discovered America: discovered the Plutopipe line: looked after all the food stores of Sherwood College: Succeeded in sending her wireless across the ocean (and dodged the customs duty?).

16. New Patron Saints.
 England and Scotland:—St. Gorge (in these days of want!).
 Ireland:—St. Stephenson: I do not how (a foreigner!).
 France:—Jone of Arck.

The correction of these General Knowledge papers (about 130 of them) gave me much pleasure and many a laugh, gave me severe eye strain, used up at least 8 hours of my valuable time, gave me an insight into modern English usage and taught me a thing or two. The examinees did not suffer alone or in vain.

TENNIS: INTER-HOUSE MATCHES

India has lost the Davis Cup first round—but why? Alas the selectors gave no heed to the exhilarating Tennis which could be heard but not seen at Sherwood. Yes, really "high class" tennis with an occasional ball being lifted over the screens or bringing down the rain clouds! Still there was the usual keenness and brilliance among some of the competitors and the results of the Inter-House matches came as no big surprise.

The House Competition this year was won very easily by Allen-a-Dale led very ably by Peter Pierce-Jones. In Jones they have a school-boy player of real class who has more power behind his stroke than any other in the whole school. His courtcraft was of the very best and it was always a pleasure to see him volleying. He excelled at the net and here no boy can come up to his standard. His weakness lay in not having an attacking service. Claude Daly was the No. 2. He resembled Sleem with his "shot for shot" return but occasionally one imagined that he held a butterfly dodger in his hand rather than a tennis racket when chasing a ball! Jimmy Rustonjee and Leslie Hilt formed the Doubles pair and although carrying all before them, returned one evening to say that three balls had gone down the Khud. I wonder how!! It was fortunate for A. D. that they were so strong in their opening matches for very little reliance could have been placed on their other representatives.

Friar Tuck placed second. There was no Donald Carnegie this year to lead them but in Dick Menasse there was plenty of brawn without brain play. He completely neglected the fact that a rubber ball is used for tennis

and tried his hardest to split a couple. However Dick played hard in more senses than one. Ivor Greene was the No. 2 of F. T. He possessed an attacking service and a fairly powerful forehand drive but his backhand is much too weak and only a feeble little "flick". In his match against A. D. our sympathies were with the umpire who probably got corns sitting on a hard bench! James Cocksedge completed the Singles team. He played extremely hard in every match and probably completed a few Marathon courses in his effort. Tennis at Sherwood sometimes trains a boy for long distance runs! A. Khan and Stan Webster made up the Doubles. In losing every match they gave us the opportunity of seeing Cocksedge perform as the third singles. Both Khan and Webster must realise that the secret of good tennis is practice—not necessarily to win each game but to strengthen your weak points.

Robin Hood defeated Little John in their usual struggle for third place. Denis Dudt as No. 1 for R. H. was far superior to George MacFarlane who is more at home in the boxing ring than on a tennis court. Dudt played a fairly good all round game but lacked concentration at times—this gave rise to self-conscious nervousness which rather marred his strokes. David Hotz of R. H. beat Kenneth Graham of L. J. Both showed very little Tennis sense and must have been very pleased that it was over. In the Doubles, Pande and Peter Ghey of R. H. tried to make a titanic struggle of it, in their match with Willis and E. Hennan, but the latter couple preferred to watch the Junior cricket!

Those of you, my readers, who are interested in improving your Tennis, here are a few

hints which if put into practice will definitely help your game:—

A Few Useful Tennis Hints

1. Keep your eyes on the ball. Watch it leave your opponent's racket and glue your eyes on to it until it leaves your own. Don't look away at the net. Keep the ball in your mind's eye only.
2. Learn to hit hard from the outset, and steady down afterwards. Accuracy will follow pace, but if you start with slow, careful shots, you will seldom, if ever, develop speed.
3. Always turn your body sideways to the net, front shoulder (left for forehand and right for backhand strokes) pointing parallel to the direction of the ball and the rest of the body aligned behind it. The position in volleying is rather more "facing the net" than in ground strokes.
4. Don't get in the way of your racket. All strokes should be made as far from the body as possible. Never have arm or elbow close to the body.
5. Don't let your racket hang down or be behind you. Keep it in front all the time, and between strokes support it at the neck with the left hand. In volleying at the net, hold it in front of you.
6. Take the ball on the centre of the racket. Hit down and endeavour to get your opponent to hit up, especially in volleying. Learn to make the ball travel downwards, but don't take risks by trying to clear the net with too close a margin.
7. Hit the ball at the top of its bound or even if necessary on the rise. The "rising ball" stroke is precarious, but often on a hard surface the most effective way of meeting very long, high bounding balls is to stand well into them and hit them hard.
8. Never stand still in court except when making your stroke. Many players reverse this, standing "put" until the last instant, when they scramble in and flick nervously at the ball.
9. Acquire the habit of hitting flat and clean before trying to put cut or spin on the ball. Plain, clean hitting both in drive, service and smash is the foundation of efficiency.
10. Hold the racket in a comfortable grip, until nearing the ball, then tighten the wrist, while your arm and racket move quickly. The grip should be a finger grip, not a hand grip, therefore the wrist should be tensed at the moment of impact by clenching the fingers, not the palm of the hand.
11. Keep the arm slightly bent at the elbow until nearing the ball, then straighten.
12. Lean your weight forward to the ball throughout.
13. Vary your strokes in length, speed, direction and spin. Keep your opponent guessing.
14. Use a slow back swing in service and all full strokes, accelerate the movement of the arm in the forward swing as it comes to the ball, but smoothly and without jerk; accelerate still more after hitting. This is the secret of a good follow through.
15. Bend the knees slightly while making your stroke. Bend them still more if you have to steady balance or if special accuracy is needed. Get "well down" to it for low balls.
16. Remember that footwork and body balance are the foundations of good tennis, and that balance depends entirely on good footwork. Take quick, short, low steps. When waiting for a service or return, have one foot flat on the ground, the other on the toe. You can thus make a jump sideways.
17. Volley deep and hard as a rule, but don't forget the value of an occasional stop or drop volley.
18. Concentrate so hard as to have no room for self-conscious nervousness or any outside thoughts.
19. Practise continually and always try your hardest—not necessarily to win each game but to strengthen your weaker points e.g., your volley or backhand. *The secret of good Tennis is practice, practice and more practice.*
20. Watch good tennis whenever you have a chance, but watch intelligently. Don't try and imitate the good player's style, but study his courtcraft and footwork.

THE RESULTS

Allen-a-Dale

P. Pierce-Jones
C. Daly
J. Rustonjee and L. Hilt

beat

beat
beat
beat

Little John.

G. Macfarlane
K. Graham
C. Willis and E. Hennan

6-3, 6-0.
6-4, 6-2.
6-1, 6-1.

Friar Tuck		beat	Robin Hood.		
R. Menasse	beat	D. Dudt	...	6-2, 6-4.	
I. Greene	beat	D. Hotz	...	6-2, 6-3.	
J. Cocksedge	beat	P. Millar	...	6-1, 6-10.	
A. R. Khan and S. Webster	lost to	J. Pande and P. Ghey	...	3-6, 5-7.	
Allen-a-Dale		beat	Robin Hood.		
P. Pierce-Jones	beat	D. Dudt	...	6-0, 6-2.	
C. Daly	beat	D. Hotz	...	6-1, 6-3.	
J. Rustomjee and L. Hilt	beat	P. Ghey and J. Pande	...	6-1, 4-6, 6-4.	
Friar Tuck		beat	Little John.		
R. Menasse	beat	G. MacFarlane	...	6-3, 6-3.	
I. Greene	beat	K. Graham	...	6-1, 6-8, 6-1.	
A. R. Khan and S. Webster	lost to	C. Willis and E. Hennan	...	5-7, 6-2, 4-6.	
J. Cocksedge	beat	S. Rai	...	6-2, 6-2.	
Allen-a-Dale		beat	Friar Tuck.		
P. Pierce-Jones	beat	R. Menasse	...	6-1, 6-2.	
C. Daly	beat	I. Greene	...	5-7, 6-4, 6-3.	
J. Rustomjee and L. Hilt	beat	A. R. Khan and S. Webster	...	6-3, 6-2.	
Little John		lost to Robin Hood.			
K. Graham	lost to	D. Hotz	...	4-6, 3-6.	
G. MacFarlane	lost to	D. Dudt	...	3-6, 2-6.	
C. Willis and E. Hennan	lost to	J. Pande and P. Ghey	...	4-7, 5-7.	

W. J. B.

INTER-HOUSE TABLE TENNIS 1948.

When the Naini Tal Monsoon makes Tennis impossible and Sherwood schoolboys con their Fixture Cards diligently then Table Tennis flourishes in all four House Rooms and at all odd moments between the Rising Bell and the Supper Bell. The climax is reached with the Junior and Senior House Tournaments in late July and early August. By this time many have reached a creditably high standard of proficiency. There is a very real Sherwood tradition with regard to this game and there can be no doubt that our lads could always muster a team that would not disgrace itself in outside competition. There are conservatives who still regard Table Tennis as a parlour game—ping-pong—which has no place in school activity. These should witness some of the Inter-House matches and convince themselves that good Table Tennis is not only a useful recreation but also a valuable exercise both mental and physical.

It is extraordinary how Little John seem to have made the winning of the Table Tennis Trophy their monopoly during the past decade or so. This year again they were the champions and could hardly have achieved this more convincingly; both in the Junior and in the Senior Tournament Little John defeated each of the other three Houses, conceding no matches in three out of their six ties in the two tournaments. Robin Hood, on the other hand, won only 2 matches in 6 ties.

The outstanding individual players were G. MacFarlane among the Seniors and C. Montriou among the Juniors, but the former had to play very hard to beat P. Pierce-Jones and the latter only just managed to outgeneral D. Graham.

RESULTS:

JUNIOR.

Little John beat Friar Tuck, 3-2.

- D. Graham (L. J.) lost to C. Montriou (F. T.) 16-21; 21-16; 10-21.
 R. Singh (L. J.) beat T. Montriou (F. T.) 21-12; 21-14.
 B. Kent (L. J.) beat B. Ledlie (F. T.) 21-10; 16-21; 21-19.
 B. Payne and C. Scott (L. J.) lost to A. Maitland and R. Wills (F. T.) 15-21; 17-21.
 A. Raza and V. Prakash (L. J.) beat P. Karanjia and J. Robinson (F. T.) 21-11; 21-15.

Allen-a-Dale beat Robin Hood, 4-1.

- G. Rickie (A. D.) beat V. Dayal (R. H.) 21-11; 21-12.
 D. Ghey (A. D.) beat F. Banche (R. H.) 21-14; 21-15.
 I. Easey (A. D.) lost to G. Doutré (R. H.) 21-16; 18-21; 16-21.
 R. Ghosh and D. Elloy (A. D.) beat K. Arora and S. Haidar (R. H.) 21-18; 21-10.

C. Cocksedge and N. Rowe (A. D.) beat
G. Brain and R. Abbott (R. H.) 21-15;
21-17.

Little John beat Robin Hood, 5-0.

D. Graham (L. J.) beat V. Dayal (R. H.)
21-18; 38-36.
R. Singh (L. J.) beat F. Banche (R. H.)
21-6; 21-12.
B. Kent (L. J.) beat G. Dautre (R. H.)
21-17; 21-8.
B. Payne and C. Scott (L. J.) beat K. Aro-
ra and S. Haidar (R. H.) 21-8; 21-18.
V. Prakash and A. Raza (L. J.) beat G.
Brain and R. Abbott (R. H.) 21-13;
21-17.

Friar Tuck beat Allen-a-Dale, 2-2.

C. Montrieu (F. T.) beat B. Rickie (A. D.)
12-21; 21-19; 32-30.
T. Montrieu (F. T.) lost to D. Ghey (A. D.)
14-21; 18-21.
B. Ledlie (F. T.) beat I. Easey (A. D.) 21-11;
22-20.
A. Maitland and R. Willis (F. T.) beat R.
Ghosh and D. Elloy (A. D.) 21-8; 21-17.
P. Karanjia and J. Robinson (F. T.) lost to
C. Cocksedge and N. Rowe (A. D.)
12-21; 11-21.

Little John beat Allen-a-Dale, 5-0.

D. Graham (L. J.) beat G. Rickie (A. D.)
21-19; 21-12.
R. Singh (L. J.) beat D. Ghey (A. D.) 21-13;
21-17.
B. Kent (L. J.) beat I. Easey (A. D.) 21-18;
21-12.
B. Payne and C. Scott (L. J.) beat R. Ghosh
and D. Elloy (A. D.) 19-21; 21-16;
21-17.
V. Prakash and A. Raza (L. J.) beat C.
Cocksedge and N. Rowe (A. D.) 21-14;
21-15.

Friar Tuck beat Robin Hood, 5-0.

C. Montrieu (F. T.) beat V. Dayal (R. H.)
21-13; 21-10.
T. Montrieu (F. T.) beat F. Banche (R. H.)
21-11; 21-16.
B. Ledlie (F. T.) beat G. Dautre (R. H.)
21-12; 15-21; 21-17.
A. Maitland and R. Willis (F. T.) beat K.
Arora and S. Haidar (R. H.) 21-19;
21-16.
P. Karanjia and J. Robinson (F. T.) G.
Brain and R. Abbott (R. H.) 21-19;
19-21; 21-17.

SENIOR

Little John beat Friar Tuck, 4-1.

G. MacFarlane (L. J.) beat R. Menasse (F. T.)
21-15; 21-11.
S. Rai (L. J.) lost to E. Mitchell (F. T.)
18-21; 19-21.
K. Graham (L. J.) beat I. Greene (F. T.)
21-7; 21-18.
B. Maddison and R. Hankins (L. J.) beat R.
Dayal and R. Whiting (F. T.) 21-11;
21-13.

C. Willis and E. Hennan (L. J.) beat S.
Webster and J. Cocksedge (F. T.) 17-21;
21-15; 21-16.

Allen-a-Dale beat Robin Hood, 5-0.

P. Pierce-Jones (A. D.) beat D. Hotz (R. H.)
21-14; 21-13.
C. Daly (A. D.) lost to P. Millar (R. H.) 21-12;
21-17.
K. Mody (A. D.) beat S. Kent (R. H.) 21-15;
21-8.
D. Thompson and N. Thorpe (A. D.) beat
P. Ghey and L. Hollis (R. H.) 21-15;
21-16.
E. Webster and P. Bower (A. D.) beat M.
Blackwell and D. Dudt (R. H.) 21-14;
17-21; 21-15.

Little John beat Robin Hood, 5-0.

G. MacFarlane (L. J.) beat D. Hotz (R. H.)
21-17; 21-15.
S. Rai (L. J.) beat P. Millar (R. H.) 21-19;
18-21; 21-15.
K. Graham (L. J.) beat S. Kent (R. H.)
21-14; 21-15.
B. Maddison and B. Hankins (L. J.) beat P.
Ghey and L. Hollis (R. H.) 21-10; 21-11.
C. Willis and E. Hennan (L. J.) beat M.
Blackwell and D. Dudt (R. H.) 19-21;
21-6; 21-13.

Allen-a-Dale beat Friar Tuck, 3-2.

P. Pierce-Jones (A. D.) beat R. Menasse
(F. T.) 21-19; 21-17.
C. Daly (A. D.) beat E. Mitchell (F. T.)
21-12; 21-12.
K. Mody (A. D.) lost to I. Greene (F. T.)
17-21; 12-21.
N. Thorpe and D. Thompson (A. D.) lost to
R. Dayal and R. Whiting (F. T.) 15-21;
16-21.
E. Webster and P. Bower (A. D.) beat S.
Webster and J. Cocksedge (F. T.) 16-21;
21-14; 21-18.

Little John beat Allen-a-Dale, 3-2.

G. MacFarlane (L. J.) beat P. Pierce-Jones
(A. D.) 15-21; 21-5; 21-8.
S. Rai (L. J.) lost to C. Daly (A. D.) 15-21;
14-21.
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21-17; 21-12.
B. Maddison and B. Hankins (L. J.) lost to
N. Thorpe and D. Thompson (A. D.)
13-21; 21-15; 18-21.
C. Willis and E. Hennan (L. J.) beat P.
Bower and E. Webster (A. D.) 21-14;
21-17.

Friar Tuck beat Robin Hood, 4-1.

R. Menasse (F. T.) beat D. Hotz (R. H.)
21-18; 21-19.
E. Mitchell (F. T.) beat P. Millar (R. H.)
21-16; 21-18.
I. Greene (F. T.) beat S. Kent (R. H.)
21-14; 21-15.
R. Dayal and R. Whiting (F. T.) beat P.
Ghey and L. Hollis (R. H.) 21-13; 21-15.
J. Cocksedge and S. Webster (F. T.) lost to
M. Blackwell and D. Dudt (R. H.) 17-21;
21-18; 21-16.

MUSIC EXAMINATION RESULTS, 1948.

TRINITY COLLEGE OF LONDON.

We were very glad to meet Mr. Christopher Hales and to have him as our guest for about five days while he was examining pupils in the Schools of Naini Tal. Mr. Hales expressed himself as delighted with the standard, not only of the performance, but of the musical appreciation of the pupils he examined here. For this happy state of affairs we are grateful to Mr. G. Thompson and his pupils for their exceptional interest.

L. T. C. L.	P. Bower	83%	
A. T. C. L.	R. Whiting	88%	
	N. Bower	86%	
Higher Local	C. Montriou	79%	Merit
Advanced Senior	P. Hennan	85%	Honours
	A. Thompson	82%	Merit
Intermediate	T. Montriou	87%	Honours
	A. Borthwick	83%	Merit
Junior	D. Bower	91%	Honours
Advanced Preparatory	J. Daji	85%	Honours
Preparatory	A. Maitland	87%	Honours
	G. H. Dautre	87%	Honours
	N. Seddon	83%	Merit
First Steps	K. Hazells	89%	Honours
Initial	P. Karanjia	89%	Honours
	J. Payne	87%	Honours
	B. Payne	86%	Honours

EXAMINER'S REMARKS: "I heartily congratulate you all, and Mr. Thompson, on these outstandingly good music results. It has been the greatest pleasure to me to hear you play."

(Sd/-) CHRISTOPHER HALES

CHESS NOTES

There is a queer-looking trophy which graces the prize-table on Speech Day. It rests on a hexagonal pedestal many sizes too large, and at the end of the proceedings is taken possession of by the Chess champions of the year. Next to it, and immense in comparison, stands the Culley Castle, which is presented annually to the winner of the Individual Tournament. This account will give you some idea of how these two trophies are won.

THE HOUSE TOURNAMENT.

The first round was played on Sunday, the 27th. of June.

Friar Tuck		Robin Hood	
S. Webster ... 1		P. Millar ... 1	
R. Whiting ... 2		J. Wren ... 0	
J. Cocksedge ... 1		D. Hotz ... 1	
L. Greene ... 2		A. Khan ... 0	
A. R. Khan ... 2		R. Nulty ... 0	
TOTAL ... 8		TOTAL ... 2	

Allen-a-Dale		Little John	
K. Mody ... 2		V. Prakash ... 0	
P. Bower ... 1		M. Hotz ... 1	
L. Hilt ... 1		G. MacFurlaine ... 0	
E. Webster ... 2		D. Graham ... 0	
N. Bower ... 0		S. Rai ... 2	
TOTAL ... 6		TOTAL ... 3	

Allen-a-Dale and Friar Tuck proved their superiority from the very start. Robin Hood, at one time the strongest of the Houses at Chess, this time collected only 3½ points in the whole tournament.

The following game is of interest as the two players concerned met later in the final of the Individual contest.

Mody		Prakash	
1. P — K4		N — KB3	
2. N — QB3		P — K4	

3. B — B ₄	N — B ₃
4. P — Q ₃	B — N ₅
5. B — KN ₅	N — Q ₅
6. P — QR ₃	B — K ₂
7. N — Q ₅	N X N
8. P — QB ₃	N — QB ₃
9. P X N	N — R ₄
10. P — KR ₄	F — KR ₃
11. P — QN ₄	N X B
12. P X N	P X B
13. P — KR ₅	P — QB ₄
14. P — Q ₆	B — B ₁
15. Q — KB ₃	B X P
16. R — Q ₁	Q — QN ₃
17. Q — Q ₅	B — QB ₂
18. N — B ₃	P — Q ₃
19. N X P(N ₄)	B — K ₃
20. P X P?	Q X P
21. Q X NP	QR — N ₁
22. Q — R ₆	R — B ₃
23. Q — R ₄ ch.	K — K ₂
24. N — K ₄	Q X P(B ₄)
25. Q — B ₂	B — KB ₄
26. R — R ₄	P — N ₄
27. N X P (Q ₃) and wins.	

to play Chess. Casablanca says that the weaker the player the more terrible the Knight is to him, but as he increases in strength the value of the Bishop becomes more evident, and of course there is, or should be, a corresponding decrease in his estimation of the Knight. Having regard to this statement, it looks as if we have found a pair of geniuses in these two players, for observe with what scorn they treat their Knights tossing them to and fro as even an Alekhin would not dare to do.

Whiting.		Hotz.	
1. P — K ₄		P — K ₄	
2. N — KR ₃		N — KB ₃	
3. P — QN ₃		N X P	
4. B — B ₄		N — Q ₃	
5. N — QR ₃		P — KB ₃	
6. N — QN ₅		N — K ₅	
7. N — B ₃		N — N ₄	
8. P — KB ₃		N — K ₃	
9. N — K ₄		Q — K ₂	

and so on.....

Second round—Saturday, July 10th.

Little John		Friar Tuck	
V. Prakash ... 1		S. Webster ... 1	
M. Hotz ... 0		R. Whiting ... 1	
G. MacFarlane ... 0		J. Cocksedge ... 1	
D. Graham ... 0		R. Mathur ... 2	
S. Rai ... 1		A. R. Khan ... 1	
TOTAL ... 2		TOTAL ... 6	

Robin Hood		Allen-a-Dale	
P. Millar ... 0		K. Mody ... 1	
J. Wren ... 0		P. Bower ... 1	
D. Hotz ... 0		P. P. Jones ... 2	
R. Misra ... 0		E. Webster ... 2	
R. Nulty ... 0		N. Bower ... 2	
TOTAL ... 0		TOTAL ... 8	

Here is part of the game played between Whiting and M. Hotz. We include it, not on its merit, but rather as an illustration of how not

Never to move the same piece more than once in the opening is a sound Chess maxim which our local champion apparently has never heard of. Here, in twelve moves, he shifts his Queen nine times; yet in spite of this ridiculous play Millar lets him win!

Mody		Millar.	
1. P — K ₄		P — K ₄	
2. Q — R ₅		N — KB ₃	
3. Q X P ch.		B — K ₂	
4. N — QB ₃		N — QB ₃	
5. Q — B ₄		N — KR ₄	
6. Q — N ₄		N — KB ₃	
7. Q X NP		R — KN ₁	
8. Q — R ₆		R — N ₃	
9. Q — R ₃		P — Q ₃	
10. Q — B ₃		B — N ₅	
11. Q — B ₄		N — Q ₅	
12. B — Q ₃		P — QB ₃	

Third round—Saturday, July 17th.

Robin Hood		Little John	
P. Millar ... 0		V. Prakash ... 1	
J. Wren ... 0		M. Hotz ... 1	
D. Hotz ... 1		G. MacFarlane ... 1	
A. Khan ... 0		D. Graham ... 1	
R. Nulty ... 1		S. Rai ... 1	
TOTAL ... 1		TOTAL ... 5	

Allen-a-Dale		Friar Tuck	
K. Mody ... 1½		S. Webster ... ½	
P. Bower ... 2		R. Whiting ... 0	
P. P. Jones ... 0		J. Cocksedge ... 2	
E. Webster ... 2		R. Mathur ... 0	
N. Bower ... 0		A. R. Khan ... 2	
TOTAL ... 5½		TOTAL ... 4½	

Millar.		Prakash	
1. P — K4		N — KR3	
2. N — KB3		P — K4	
3. N X P		B — B4	
4. Q — R5		N — B3	
5. N — QB3		Q — K2	
6. N — Q3		Q — K4?	
7. Q X B		P — Q3	
8. Q — QN5		B — Q2	
9. Q X P		R — ON1	
10. Q X BP		K — K2	
11. N — Q5 ch.		K — K1	
12. P — QN3		Q X P ch.	

This goes on for 54 moves, Black eventually winning.

In the Hotz-Wren match, Hotz wins the first game in five moves, but fares rather badly in the second, which he deserves to lose:

Wren.		Hotz.	
1. P — K4		P	
2. Q — N4		N	
3. Q — R3		B	
4. N — KB3		P	

a careless slip right at the start.

5. Q X N		Q — B3
6. B — B4		P — B3
7. O — O		P — QN4
8. B — N3		B — R3
9. P — B3		P — N5
10. P — Q4		B — KB1
11. P X P		Q — Q1
12. Q — B4		Q — K2
13. N — N5		K — Q1

a bad state of affairs for Black.

14. N X BP ch.		K — B1
15. R — Q1		R — N1
16. N — Q6 ch.		K — B2
17. B X R		B — QN2
18. B — Q2		B — N2
19. Q — B7		Q X P
20. N — K8 ch.		

(his best move is B B4)

21. B — N5		K — B1
22. N X P		Q X B
23. N — Q6 ch.		N X R
24. N — K8 ch.		K — B2
25. N X B		K — Q1
		Q mates.

serves Wren right!

Unfortunately none of the A.D.-F.T. games were taken down at the time, but the match was an even one, Allen-a-Dale winning by the extra point.

The result of the House Competition was

Allen-a-Dale ... 19½ points	
Friar Tuck ... 18½ "	
Little John ... 10½ "	
Robin Hood—	but their score has already been recorded and we won't rub it in

The Individual Tournament

There were 32 competitors. These were grouped in eight sets of four players each, the sets playing out their own leagues. The winners of this eliminating contest met in the final knock-out section and fared as follows:—

R. Willis	}	MacFarlaine	}	Mody
G. MacFarlaine				
S. Webster	}	Mody	}	Mody
K. Mody				
M. Hotz	}	Hotz	}	Prakash
J. Cocksedge				
A. R. Khan	}	Prakash	}	
V. Prakash				

There is no record of the Willis-MacFarlane encounter. Mody's first game with Webster was an affair of eight moves, but it took him all his time to win the second. This is how it started:

Webster.	Mody
1. N — QB ₃	P — K ₄
2. P — K ₄	N — QB ₃
3. Q — B ₃	B — B ₄
4. B — B ₄	Q — B ₃
5. N — Q ₅	Q X Q
6. N X Q	B — Q ₃
7. P — KR ₄	P — QN ₄
8. B X P	N — K ₃
9. R — R ₃	N — KN ₅
10. R — N ₃	P — KR ₄
11. N — N ₅	N — Q ₅
12. R — N ₁	N X B
13. P — Q ₃	P — KB ₃
14. P — QR ₄	P — QB ₃
15. P — B ₃	N — Q ₅

at this point there are too many pieces en prise for the game to continue satisfactorily.

Throughout the tournament very few of the players realized the importance of "winning the exchanges". Here Cocksedge could have won this game without difficulty had he exchanged Queens at the 11th move and then proceeded with N X R:

Cocksedge.	M. Hotz.
1. P — K ₃	P — K ₄
2. Q — B ₃	N — KR ₃
3. N — QR ₃	N — B ₃
4. P — K ₄	P — B ₁
5. N — R ₃	

(anybody isn't it, to see all these Knights moving out to the extremes—)

6. Q — Q ₅	N — Q ₅
7. P — QB ₃	P — Q ₃
8. Q — B ₃	N — B ₃
9. N — QN ₅	Q — B ₃
10. N X P(B ₃)	O — O
11. Q — Q ₃	B — KN ₅
12. N — Q ₅	QR — B ₃
13. N — N ₅	Q — K ₃
14. N — K ₃	Q X N

.....etc.

V. Prakash's progress in the tournament was very much like his performance in the Under 15 High Jump. Very few of the spectators on the junior field that afternoon felt that he would ultimately win the event at four-foot when time and again he kept dropping the tape at lesser heights. In his match with M. Hotz he did his best, as early as the 5th move, to mar the development of his own forces, and it was only by Hotz's carelessness in losing his Queen at the 13th that Prakash lived to see the light of the Final.

The game in question was—

Prakash	Hotz.
1. P — K ₄	P — K ₄
2. N — KB ₃	N — QB ₃
3. N — B ₃	B — B ₄
4. P — QN ₃	N — KB ₃
5. Q — K ₂	N — KN ₅
6. B — N ₂	P — Q ₃
7. Q — B ₄	N — N ₅
8. N — Q ₅	N X P(KB ₃)
9. KR — N ₁	P — B ₄
10. N X N	P X P
11. P — Q ₄	P X N
12. P X B	Q — R ₅ ?
13. Q X Q	

Here are two of the games from the Mody-Prakash Final:

Prakash.	Mody
1. P — K ₄	N — QB ₃
2. N — QB ₃	P — K ₄
3. N — B ₃	B — B ₄
4. B — B ₄	Q — B ₃
5. N — Q ₅	Q — Q ₁
6. N — N ₅	P — N ₄
7. B X P	R — N ₁
8. B — B ₄	Q X N
9. P — Q ₄	O X P
10. K — K ₂	N X P ch.
11. R — O ₃	O — R ₆ ch.
12. K — K ₁	P — Q ₁
13. O — KN ₁	O — B ₆
14. R — K ₁	B — B ₄
15. P X B	Q X P ch.
16. K — B ₃	Q X P mate

a neat finish.

Mody	Prakash.
1. P — K ₄	N — KB ₃
2. N — QB ₃	P — K ₄
3. B — B ₄	B — B ₄
4. P — Q ₄	B X P
5. Q — B ₁	O — K ₂
6. P — OR ₃	N — B ₃
7. B — KN ₅	P — KN ₃ ?
8. N — Q ₅	O — B ₄
9. N X N ch.	K — B ₁
10. N X P(Q ₂) ch.	ch. B X N
11. Q X P mate!	

The Staff versus Boys Match—17th July.

For the first time in many years a contest of this nature was arranged and played off, in lighter vein altogether than the two main tournaments of the year. The match was held in the Staff dining room, and because the proceedings were entirely unofficial coffee and biscuits were served during play.

The account which follows is some attempt to describe the run of play in descending order from the top of the Table, and must not be taken too literally.

K. Mody started P—K₄.
Then Q—R₅ played he,
Then Queen takes Pawn;—
Discretion gone,
He thought he'd mated me.

But waiting there at QB3
 (Which Mody had not seen)
 'Twas only right
 My slighted Knight
 Should jump and take his Queen.
 And most to us N. Wordsworth strove,
 In meditation deep,
 While 'cross the board
 V. Agra snored,
 For he was fast asleep.
 At eight p.m. their game began,
 At nine M. Wordsie moved,
 At five to ten
 He played again!
 No wonder Agra snoozed!

At the next Board the battle was more lively,
 E. M. Waller being the first to finish off his
 opponent, and within the hour the score was
 two games to nil in favour of the Staff.

Further down the table one might have
 noticed Stanley Webster looking distinctly peeved,
 for opposing him sat A. W. C. Caznet,
 with whose technique we are all familiar.

First Cazzie seized his Bishop's Pawn,
 Then moved two other men,
 But seeing the error
 Of his ways
 He moved them back again.
 His roving fingers then beset
 The piece at QR2,
 Yet here again
 'Twas very plain
 He knew not what to do.
 But when the stars began to set,
 For it was growing late,
 He calmly took
 S. Webster's Rook,
 And yawning, murmured "Mate!"

At number Five, Richard Whiting fully expected to gain an easy victory over R. S. Law, for had he not beaten Michael Hotz in the House Tournament, and had not Hotz, in the

Prep Hall the previous evening, defeated Mr. Law? So—

Richard Whiting placed his men
 According to the draw;
 He need not play
 His best today,
 He'd beaten him before.
 But pride e'er goes before a fall,
 The other has the laugh,
 Before he knew
 What he should do.

Two games went to the Staff.

The match was by this time definitely decided, and at any moment now we expected to hear St. J. Smith's shout of victory, for he had M. Hotz more or less at his mercy.

He placed his Queen at KB3,
 His Bish at KN4,
 And Hotz's Knight
 He put to flight;
 He'd well-nigh won his war.
 But Mike, a twinkle in his eye,
 Which Smithy failed to see
 With utter scorn
 Advanced a Pawn;
 "I think that's mate!", said he.

Now there was much lamentation and weeping, for frankly Hotz had rather been exceeding the time limit. But grievances were soon forgotten as we crowded round to see what was happening at No. 7 board.

The score now stood at nine games—love,
 The strife was almost done,
 When Ivor Greege
 Beat R. T. Lean;
 Which made it nine to one.

In fairness to the last-named player it must be said that at the return match on July 28th, he defeated the Boys' Number One. On this occasion there were eight players on each side, for M. O. Fordham had joined the ranks of the Staff. Here again the boys were beaten by a very handsome margin.

FROM HERE AND THERE

(This section of the magazine should contain articles from classes. It is regretted that so few classes have contributed. Classes IX and VI, in particular, have shown a particular lack

of interest not only in the magazine, but apparently in English as well—a deplorable state of affairs—Ed.).

Independence Day Holidays

Early on the morn of August 15th, when the sun was blushing rather half-heartedly through a veil of threatening clouds, the mellow clang of the rising bell awoke Sherwood to its senses. Every Sherwoodian greeted the day with warmth, and decided efforts were made to look presentable on that auspicious occasion.

If nothing else soap was applied with unusual vigour; teeth were brushed with almost violent enthusiasm; razor blades were sent recklessly about the chin and throat; and even ears

were washed. Sherwood was definitely wrapped in a frenzy of cleanliness.

They emerged out of this in white uniforms, with school ties and caps to suggest a tinge of colour. Thus dressed, they appeared on the flats at 8 a.m. to attend the parade. For all the simplicity of dress, they looked strikingly smart. Still more striking was their march-past which raised comments of praise from innumerable onlookers.

That afternoon, Sherwood followed a procession from Talli Tal to Mali Tal with the national flag flying majestically ahead, followed by their own, they entered into the spirit of the celebrations. Their enthusiasm may be gauged by the fact that, on their return, many were completely hoarse!

The attraction on the next day was the hockey match between All Saints College and the Sherwood 6th. Amidst resounding cheering, both teams entered the field, each equally confident of success. The game aroused great excitement and sympathy, especially when any of the players were wounded. The climax, however, came when the Sherwood forwards,

tired of scoring into the opposite goal, turned to pepper their own.

On no pleasanter entertainment could these holidays wind up than a social at D. G. With these intentions, several seniors traced their footsteps towards the sister school. It must be admitted here, with a certain amount of shame, that some of these went merely for the purpose of eating. The purposes of others, however, were more serious, and it may definitely be said that, on that evening everyone was in his element.

R. DAYAL,
Intermediate.

Impressions Of Siam

On December 23rd, 1947, I landed in the romantic surroundings of remote Bangkok. I was immediately struck by the beauty of the landscape, which was adorned with slender palms and attractive cottages. The country around Bangkok was definitely beautiful.

Another point that struck me was the extreme gaiety of the people. Their lakes and parks were dazzlingly illuminated, their homes were artistically decorated, their lives were full of song and laughter. This was not surprising, for the Siamese have no clouds of depression to shade their sunshine.

The lives of the Siamese people revolve around eating and gossiping. Their other industries have been severely neglected. They are content to stagnate, and the only direction in which they have advanced is in the imitation of certain shallow Western ideas.

No longer can a Siamese be recognized by a particular national dress. The men and women have clung to the fashions of America with a firm grasp. Even their culture and religious ceremonies bear blemishes of the modern touch.

Levity and hospitality are characteristics of the Siamese. They have nothing more serious than the cinema-hall and dance floor to think about. There is, however, no doubt that they make perfect hosts. A Siamese will never flinch from offering liquor, and smoke, and rice cakes to his guests. This is partly due to natural inclination for cordiality, and partly to his natural affinity for these things.

An active interest is taken in local Politics. Even cooks and 'bearers' discuss the prospects of Communist parties. This interest may be because of the complete lack of enthusiasm in all other spheres, but it is more likely the result of the frequency of Government changes.

Other aspects of the Siamese character have also been brought to light with firm conviction. Foreigners have, unfortunately, been the victims of the gloomier qualities. There have been innumerable occasions when an innocent visitor has left his car standing unguarded on the road, ignorant of the doom that awaits him. On his return, he has found his car minus the cigarette lighter, or the bulbs, or even the wheels. Petty thieving is common.

Enough has been said of the people, but nothing of their cities which are almost as interesting. Bangkok, the centre of trade and communications, contains a cosmopolitan population of business men. Ayuthia, the ancient capital, bears a striking contrast in its historical interest. Hua Hsia is a delightful summer resort, furnished with every form of entertainment while Saen Sake, an ideal seaside solitude, offers inspiration to people and romantic spirits.

The dismal colours in which Siam had been painted previously, do it absolutely no justice. It is not a country of barbarism. It is a country of a people with a wonderful cultural background, and contains proof of this fact in its architecture and literature and music.

R. DAYAL,
Intermediate.

My First Deer

The first day's march back from Meow, a small village standing at the branching point of the Upper and Lower Dihing rivers, found us on the Lower siding with the nearest village a good half-day's march away. During the day we had seen a pair of barking deer, and had

disturbed two bears grubbing round a muddy pool. Led five miles out of our course through dense swampy bamboo jungle by our dishonest guide, who wanted to prolong the journey and thus increase his pay, we passed near a herd of wild elephants, crashing noisily through the

THE PROCESSION ON AUGUST 15TH.

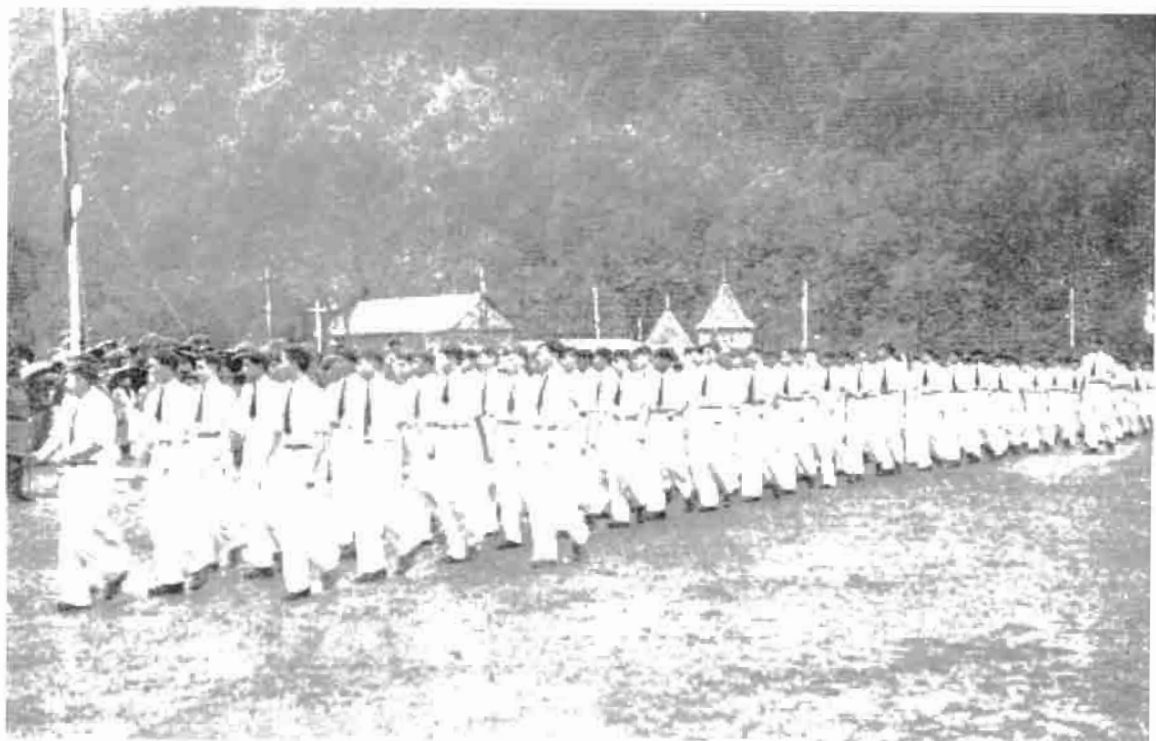


THE PROCESSION'S END ON AUGUST 15TH.





THE GROUP OF CHILDREN AND
PANDIT NATHU & LADY MOUNTBATTEN



bamboos. By nightfall we were exhausted, and there was a sign of relief from all when a camp site was at last chosen.

Labour for camp-building was unstinted. Everyone toiled unceasingly, clearing the ground, cutting poles, rigging up the tarpaulins, unpacking the bedding and collecting fire-wood. The rapidly gathering gloom was soon dispersed by a monstrous camp fire. Fuel being unlimited, the fire retained its initial grandeur till long after all were dead to the world.

Round the camp fire lies the spice of a night in camp. Without its merry crackle and scorching heat the inconveniences of a night beneath the stars or under canvas would be looked on only as an unnecessary sacrifice of the comforts of home. The familiar smell of wood-smoke seems to drive away or lull to sleep the natural reticence of those gathered round and many strange and wonderful stories are told. The world of yesterday always seems to have been so much better than the world of to-day—or so the old men always try to make out. They were in the habit of doing all kinds of strange and daring things which we only read of in story-books. In the halcyon days of their youth stags were twice as big, tigers twice as numerous and wild buffaloes twice as deadly as any of today.

As some thrilling story unfolds, silence reigns within the warm, flickering circle of firelight. The older men puff contentedly at their pipes, while the younger men bend eagerly forward, ears strained to catch every syllable which drops from the story-teller's lips. The protesting cries of the denizens of the dark and gloomy jungle fall on deaf ears, and tense minds which only relax when the stirring scenes conjured up in their imaginations by the well-chosen words of the storyteller reach the grand climax the slowly fade away. With relaxation comes the realisation that the fire needs refuelling, that the air is growing chill and that the night is growing old and will soon pass imperceptibly into a new day.

Sleep, unthought of and hence ignored, now claims its own. The fireside party retire to their tents or else compose themselves for sleep within the protecting circle of yellow fire light. The flames die down to steadily glowing embers. Silence reigns supreme.

But fate decreed that our day should not end in this serene and peaceful manner.

Dinner over, I decided to try my luck down the river. The innumerable tracks we had seen earlier in the day showed that the river was a well-used drinking-place for deer and other wild animals, so, armed with a twelve bore and only four cartridges—very foolish on my part—I set forth with Thyiam, one of our Abhor porters, eager for the kill. The night was dark, so we moved slowly by the carefully shielded light of a small hand-torch; the larger shooting torch

strapped to my hat, I reserved for use when occasion should demand. Nor had I long to wait, for we were barely out of sight of our campfires when the sound of hoofs on the boulder-strewn bank brought us to a stop, our hearts beating wildly—at least, mine was, and the noise it made was deafening!

The direction of the tell-tale clatter revealed that quarry was across the river, here about sixty to seventy yards broad. Step by step we picked our way down to the water's edge, testing each smooth boulder before trusting our weight upon it, and stopping every now and then to listen for further sounds. We reached the water but did not stop till we were knee deep and five yards closer to the opposite bank. The icy water swirled round our bare legs unheeded. With fingers tense with excitement, I slipped two cartridges into the gun and prepared for action.

A flick of my finger and a strong beam of light shot across the water and slightly down stream. Slowly I moved it up, searching the water's edge and struggling to see clearly through the evening mist. I had judged right. As the beam wavered on the bank directly opposite, two green eyes above a faint, darkish smudge reflected the light like two luminous dots. For a few tense moments the eyes remained fixed. Then the tomb-like stillness of the night was shattered with a deafening roar as an H. G. cartridge exploded, sending its deadly charge of hot, lead pellets speeding across the water. The eyes disappeared and with them the deer, but a loud clatter of hoofs betrayed its attempts to escape.

My heart was now beating wildly, and the blood rushed through my veins. My one object was to bag this deer, and with this intent I searched frantically for its fleeing form. Almost immediately I picked it up, outlined clearly through a rift in the swirling mist, limping and stumbling slowly along, with its right fore-leg hanging limp and useless. My next shot brought it to its knees. As I hurriedly reloaded it attempted to rise. My third shot laid it low, but it needed my fourth and last cartridge, delivered from about twenty yards range, to end its desperate struggling.

Wading across the river through waist-deep water—the river is a mere trickle at this season—seemed to take hours. The stony bottom was slippery and treacherous and the swift current made it difficult for us to keep our feet, but we eventually gained the other bank. Tripping and stumbling, I raced to where my fallen quarry lay, dripping wet and shivering with cold. I looked down on the still, bloody carcass of a fine Sambhur. At first I felt a pang of remorse, but this unbidden tenderness soon succumbed to my stronger feeling of pride and joy. My first deer!

J. COCKSEGE.
Class X.

All Saints' vs. Sherwood

It was a year and a day after Independence that the two schools, All Saints' and Sherwood, competed against each other at Hockey.

The match between the All Saints' First XI and the 6th Standard of Sherwood started punctually at 4-0 p.m. as was anticipated. Both teams started off viciously, giving us an exhibition of really tough Hockey. However, it was the Girls Centre Forward who dominated play from the beginning; she dashed down with the ball, but was repulsed by our stalwart "Backs" before much damage could be done. They cleared the ball to our "Halves", and they to our "Forwards" who made no mistake in beating the bewildered goal keeper (who was more concerned with the little Sherwood supporters behind the goal). After the bully the Sherwood forwards pressed the advantage, and netted the ball without much resistance.

Stung by this reverse the All Saints' forwards returned to the attack with renewed energy. A tremendous shuffle with our halves followed but the visiting forwards, showing remarkable energy, broke through our ranks, tied our backs in knots, and then passed to the Centre Forward who was promptly tackled by our Goal-keeper who dived full length in order to save the goal, but in vain. The ball just passed between his pads. Amid shrieks and congratula-

tions from those on the Millman Hall verandah the triumphant forwards returned to the half way line.

This brought to an end the first half of the match. Shortly after half time the All Saints' forwards once again got cracking, and after giving our defence a gruelling time scored to draw level; 2-2.

Goals came in quick succession after this, for our forwards soon saw that the score was raised. Such was the state of affairs that after the final whistle blew no one quite knew the result, though the majority voted in favour of Sherwood's winning by 12 goals to 2 (approximately).

An outstanding performance was that of the goalkeepers. The All Saints' keeper for allowing 12 goals to be scored, and ours for making several "dashes" to his opponents' goal.

However, the match was a glorious one, and for the spectators a real treat—I am looking forward to seeing a series of those grand exhibitions of Hockey. No one was injured, which was a miracle seeing that girls are usually dangerous when armed and our savages are always dangerous.

V. DAYAL,
Standard VIII.

A Trip To The Seaside

We had been to almost every place but never to a seaside, and were very keen to visit the sea. After many discussions we decided to go. The preparation being ready, we left, and arrived at Gopalpur a few days later.

A beautiful, modern, hotel was situated about two hundred yards from the sea, and we occupied the rooms directly facing the beach. The thrill of seeing the sea can hardly be described. Within an hour of our arrival we were in the breakers, enjoying ourselves.

For the first day I scarcely ventured twenty yards into the sea, having been told of the dreadful under-current, but as the days advanced I became bolder, and often went fifty yards out. During these days I learnt surf-riding on a wooden board. It was indeed wonderful to come riding on a big breaker on to the beach.

Every morning we were up early, watching the fishermen drag their huge nets in, full of shiny sardines and jelly-fish. Breakfast was at eight o'clock usually, and then we would stay in the water till twelve o'clock. The breakers were tremendously high in the afternoon, and no one would be swimming. Also it was very hot, and the sand was scorching.

In the evening we would go again, but instead of bathing, we collected beautiful shells or built castles. By six o'clock the sea would be calm, and we paddled and splashed in the clear water.

Few people came to the beach every day which was not too public. Thus we spent five very enjoyable days, and were thoroughly sun-burnt.

A. ANIS,
Standard VIII.

My First Air-Trip

I was very excited when I awoke in the morning, for I was to experience my first air-trip. My pilot-friend, a young Indian, had promised to take me up. I dressed quickly and went downstairs for my breakfast.

After I finished my breakfast I cycled off to the aerodrome. At the aerodrome I was met by the pilot who promptly took me to the 'Piper Cub' which was being taxied on to the

runway. The roar of the engine sent a pang of fear to my heart.

We were soon in the cock-pit. The pilot was at the back while I was strapped to the front seat. The number of dials and gears filled me with horror.

We were soon speeding along the runway. Before I knew where I was we were about a 100 feet off the ground. I looked down at the ground while we soared higher and higher. I felt as though my insides had been left behind at the runway. The trees became mere specks and the fields looked like a neat patchwork quilt.

It was only after we were about three hundred feet up that I realized how big Kanpur was. From the plane the streets and houses looked very dirty. Cars looked like mere toys along with the people who looked like ants.

After some time the pilot shouted that he was going to land. Soon we came over the runway. Slowly we dropped lower and lower and in about five seconds I got a rather hard bump and only then did I realize that we had landed.

I thanked the pilot several times over and cycled home slowly, to tell my friends of my wonderful experience.

IAN EASEY,
Class VIII.

Our Barber's Saloon

Our barber's saloon is a tiny attic situated at the top of the school building.

It is reached after an arduous and perilous climb up a narrow wooden staircase.

The furniture consists of two benches. One is placed along the left-hand wall, and the other is directly beneath a circular window with a broken pane.

On this bench repose all the "hair-raising" contrivances, which "Bundoo", the barber, uses in the pursuit of his profession.

Also close to the window (in order to catch the declining rays of the afternoon sun) is a small, four-legged stool.

Upon this stool sit the condemned, swathed in a sheet which is prickly with the hair from former hair-cuts. Around this stool dodges Bundoo, skillfully manipulating the "clippers" and scissors.

Occasionally he dexterously "snips" off a portion of one's ear, and when an agonised

howl betrays the fact, he apologises profusely, in broken English.

"Bundoo" (his name is Imam-ud-din), is a tall, sallow young man, with a short, stubbly beard. This, however, is only visible when he forgets to shave.

Every afternoon from 4 p.m. to 5-30 p.m. Bundoo is to be found in his "lair" with twenty or thirty boys alternately scuffling, shouting, or having their hair cut.

However, despite all shortcomings, the barber and his "saloon" serve their purpose, and one feels quite hearty after one's ordeal. I expect that Bundoo too enjoys himself cutting away his spare time, and spending the hours between tea and dinner, by saving boys from the irate shouts of the prefects.

N. BURN,
Class VII.

If I Were A Fish

Once when I was going in a train, and the train came over a bridge, suddenly the bridge broke and there was a crash and the carriages broke, and as I fell out into the water I turned into a fish. Then I noticed that I could swim about very easily, and I went swimming all about the river and into the ocean and looking at the things under water.

One day when I was swimming about and having a good time I saw a batch of fish coming, and one came up to me and started to be friendly with me, and took me and showed me some other places which I had not seen.

At one time I was swimming and a shark chased me, and I went into a big pile of wood and the shark passed on, and when I came out I saw it was a sunk ship.

Once when I came up to the surface of the water, I saw a big black thing coming towards me, and it was a steamer, and I saw a big cloth waving on top of it, and it was a flag, and I saw many people on board.

Once I saw a man under water and he had

a kind of a mask on his face, and there was a kind of rope tied to it, and the rope-like thing went right up on to the surface of the water, and then I saw him go into a wrecked ship and he came out again after some time carrying something, and it was a big safe full of money, and then I knew he was a diver.

One day I saw many strings joined together, and it was a net, my friend, and many other fish went into it but I kept far away, and the other fish were caught but not I, then I saw a big string with a juicy worm hanging from it, but I did not go near it for I knew there was a hook on the string.

Then one day when I was at the bottom of the ocean a storm came on, and the wind blew and I came to the surface to see what was the matter, and as I came up the waves carried me on to the land and as I touched the land I became a boy once more and ran home very happily.

N. W. KHAN,
Standard III.

OUR LUCKNOW TRIP

Saturday the 24th dawned bright and sunny. Leave taking was short and rowdy. The 'tireless' boxing and hockey teams were bathed in sweat before we even reached the Terminus, so that no one disillusioned himself as to what over 100 degrees in the shade would be. The bus journey was slow and attended by numerous unnecessary stops, but a couple of well played mouth-organs kept spirits up, if this was at all necessary.

As we descended, a distinct rise in temperature was felt, and the first action of the majority on reaching Kathgodam was to order a cool drink at the refreshment room. This was the first of dozens of such thirst-quenchers that each individual indulged in all the way to Lucknow.

In spite of heat, flies and hard third class benches, short work was made of the food box supplied by the school. The first action of our hockey XI on reaching Izatnagar, was to pose for a snap in front of the station signpost. They had changed under difficult conditions, taking it in turns to wash in an empty upper-class compartment.

The stay at Izatnagar was too, too short. It was with heavy hearts that we left the soft couches of the officers' mess for the wooden benches of our carriages. We had, however, made good use of our time; besides the hockey match which went in favour of the officers, we had a tea such as is only depicted in fairy tales and a bath which was enjoyed nearly, if not as much. Before departing, S. Kent "screwed up his courage", and said a few words of thanks on behalf of Sherwood.

We were met at Lucknow, after a restless night's journey, by Mr. McAuliffe, the college captain, and the hockey captain. As we were not expected at the college for another half hour, we all settled down to a hot cup of tea, for the morning was surprisingly chilly. The boys provided to transport us to the college managed to accommodate us when we packed ourselves in like sardines in a tin, but our luggage had to go by tonga.

Our arrival at the college, after a long drive through the streets of Lucknow, was heralded by three cheers on the part of the assembled La Martiniere boys. Sherwood having replied with gusto, we were all introduced to the Principal, Mr. Doure, and then shown our dormitory. Having collected our luggage, we went down to a hearty breakfast.

The first thing that struck a newcomer on entering the building was the beautifully embossed ceilings. The parapet round the roof was dotted with innumerable statues and carved lions. Staircases were narrow and windows mere slits. In the paved court in front stood three imposing cannons, pointing out over a tank in the middle of which stood a tower, which served no actual purpose, but was an ornament.

A swim at 11 o'clock with La Martiniere boys was the most welcome item on the pro-

gramme. Very few of us could swim more than a stroke or two, but we just splashed round in the tank and had a thoroughly good time.

Between tiffin and dinner we sweated in the coolest spots we could find. In the evening after chapel we were taken on a Historical tour of Lucknow by the Principal. The bus took us along the route Havelock took when marching to relieve the Residency during the Mutiny. Our first stop was a brief one, at the Council Chambers, where we were shown the Assembly Room where all the Provincial Laws are passed. The building was a very large one, built on most up-to-date lines, but we hadn't enough time at our disposal to go through it as we would have liked to do.

Our next stop, at the Residency, occupied over an hour. We visited all the places of historical interest, including the Martiniere Post.

A brief stop at the picture gallery to see the likenesses of the five Nawabs and five Kings of Oudh and then back to school, a break being made at the Mayfair for very welcome refreshments. School was reached after dark, but being already familiar with our surroundings, we found our bedroom after only a few minutes search. The nights were nearly as warm as the days, so that we soon followed the example of La Martiniere boys and slept on the terrace.

All next day, till the evening, was spent in resting, drinking lemonade at the tuck shop and splashing round in the swimming bath. As the hour for the boxing drew near the crowds began to gather. The ring was out in the front of the school, with the main steps forming a natural gallery on one side. This was occupied by the boys. Visitors were given chairs on the other two sides, while the fourth was reserved exclusively for those concerned with the boxing. The ring itself was lit by a cluster of six bulls hanging in the middle.

The boxing was exciting from start to finish, and easily went to Sherwood. The boxers all fought well, in spite of the swarms of insects that waged war on both contestants.

On our last day at La Martiniere we were taken on a tour round Constantia, the building where we were housed. Among other things we were shown the flag presented to the school for the part they played during the Mutiny, and the grave of Claude Martin, the Founder of the college. From the vault we ascended over four hundred steps to the top of the building, from which point we obtained a magnificent view of the extensive school grounds and other parts of Lucknow.

During the day we had our last dip in the tank. It was with regret that we left the roomy coolness of the bath, never more to enter it. Lethargy confined the afternoon's activities to dozing, and when the evening came the hockey team were fresh for the

match. The game was fast and exciting, both teams being evenly matched; La Martiniere were more at home on the field and won by three goals to one.

Our departure was necessarily hurried, for we had to catch the evening train. The leaving-taking was attended by a deafening babble of voices and much hearty cheering. The night journey was uneventful and morning found us safely at Kathgodam. A slight delay in loading the bus and then up to Naini. With glad

hearts we welcomed the cool mountain air, the hearty welcome at the school gate and the much needed Sherwood lunch.

We must offer our thanks to Mr. Doutre, the Principal, and all the Staff and boys for the grand time they gave us. We all thoroughly enjoyed the trip, our stay, and the competitions with our old friends. We wish, though, that La Martiniere was situated in a cooler spot.

J. Cocksedge.

HOCKEY AT IZATNAGAR

A brisk walk from the station, a cup of tea at the O. T. Officers' Mess, and our team arrived at the hockey pitch. The O. T. team was already there and play commenced after a number of the visitors had photographed both teams.

We immediately began by pressing, but it was evident that our players were finding the field strange. The surface was of sun-baked mud on which the ball had an annoying tendency to jump. The ball was soon in our goal area and an unsuccessful attempt to clear it resulted in a short corner. This was very neatly taken by the O. T. team, and a goal was only just averted. A second short corner resulted when Pierce-Jones, our left back, stopped a fast run down by their right inner but this met with as little success as the first.

The first goal was scored when their right inner collected the ball, flashed past Pierce-Jones and met our goalie, Elloy, at the top of the circle. In the resulting collision the ball rolled into an empty goal.

The opposing backs seemed impassable. Time and again they stopped our forwards as they came running down with the ball, and neatly collecting it each time they passed it up to their waiting forwards. One such pass was picked up by their left inner, an excellent player. He was down like a flash and though Elloy met his onrush and deflected him off the field, he managed to place the ball neatly into the right hand corner of the goal.

When half time was signalled the O. T. team were leading by two goals to nil. Our players seemed to be feeling the heat, for they were all bathed in sweat.

Slightly refreshed by half a lemon each the teams went back into play. We made nothing of

a short corner in our favour and an excellent rundown and centre by Rai, who was playing a very good game, was allowed to go to waste. A little later, however, the same movement on the part of our right wing resulted in the centre forward, MacFarlane placing the ball neatly in the net.

Encouraged, our team began to press, but the opposing backs knew their job and our forwards were soon put off-side. Our centre half and captain, S. Kent, played a stalwart game and received firm support from his right and left halves, Webster and Gupta.

The O. T. team specialised in short, sharp passes, and their centre forward soon followed the example of his two inners by scoring their third goal.

The sun set, the shadows deepened and the crowds grew, but the game still continued. Our forwards broke through the opposing defence time and again, but always seemed to lose the ball at the critical moment.

The fourth and last goal was scored by their left inner, who, in spite of the gathering darkness, kept perfect control over the ball. All the efforts of our forwards were in vain, and the game ended heavily in their favour.

The players, as well as the supporters, were refreshed by lemonade after the game and a substantial tea and cold baths after.

O. T. Ry. XI:—Mr. T. DeCunha, Mr. R. Rowland, Mr. A. Rowland, Mr. A. Campbell, Mr. S. Lall, Mr. K. Singh, Mr. Gowan, Mr. H. Lall, Mr. Askan, Mr. Z. Khan, Mr. R. Beg.

Sherwood:—N. Elloy, R. Menasse, P. Pierce-Jones, S. Webster, S. Kent, J. Gupta, S. Rai, I. Greene, G. MacFarlane, D. Hotz and P. Dickson.

BOXING

La Martiniere College, Lucknow Vs. Sherwood College.

As the shadows deepened, crowds began to gather before La Martiniere College, Lucknow, to witness the first boxing contest between these two famous schools.

The ring was erected in the open and was brightly lit by a cluster of bulbs suspended above the centre. The steps leading to the College formed a natural gallery on one side; this the boys occupied, while the visitors sat on chairs placed on two sides. On the fourth side sat the referee, the time-keeper and the M. C. Behind them the boxers donned their

gloves and bands and received first aid and other things necessary to the noble art.

A few minutes after the appointed hour Brig. Shareef, who was to preside, arrived and was introduced to the boxers. Then without delay the first two contestants entered the ring, amidst tremendous applause.

Paper weight, R. Nulty (S. C.) beat S. Le Maire (L. M. C.).

At the start Nulty was wary, and tried to sum up his opponent. Le Maire, on the other

hand, rushed in, intent on winning the fight. A few good straight lefts from Nulty soon curbed his spirits and he adopted greater caution.

The second round was a good deal faster and both boxers were soon out of breath. They stood toe to toe and exchanged punches, but Nulty's straight hitting began to tell, and his opponent gave ground. The third round was all Nulty's, he soon had his opponent groggy, and, getting him in a corner, he hit him straight and hard without receiving much punishment himself. The first fight went to Sherwood, and by the shouts which rent the air one would have thought half Sherwood was there and not just a mere handful of backers.

Midget weight. B. Ledlie (S.C.) beat J. Morgan (L.M.C.).

Ledlie at once took the offensive. Morgan swung his fists with gusto, but Ledlie, using the science for which he is famous, easily avoided them. Keeping just out of reach of his opponent, Ledlie would suddenly jump in, punish his opponent with hard straight punches and then jump out again. Morgan was twice warned for hitting badly and decided to stop his wild swinging. Hitting straighter, his punches became more effective. Though both were out of breath by the end of the second round, the third round was fast and furious; Morgan fought best in this last round, but Ledlie's agility, straight left, and slightly longer reach, won him an easy victory.

Mosquito weight. F. Banche (S.C.) knocked out B. Murray (L.M.C.).

The end of the first round was greeted with laughter, for Banche had only landed one hit and Murray none. The second round, however, was fast and furious. Murray was rather nervous and had a tendency to put his head down when blows were being exchanged. Then, with dramatic suddenness Murray doubled up and went down, under a battering onslaught. He remained down for the count, and was carried off, leaving Banche victorious and Sherwood winning by three fights to none.

Gnat weight. E. Lord (L.M.C.) beat D. Elloy (S.C.).

The spectators gasped, for it seemed a case of David and Goliath; Lord towered above Elloy by about six or eight inches. Elloy, however, was in no way dispirited, but went in from the very beginning and gave a good account of himself. He took his opponent's unmerciful punishment without flinching, and, getting in under his long reach, he gave as much as he got. Lord was checked for hitting badly. The fight was fast from beginning to end, without a moment's pause. Elloy used his right well and with telling effect. At the end, instead of the fight being one-sided it was a very even one and Elloy lost by a very small margin.

Fly weight. M. Moore (L.M.C.) beat G. Brain (S.C.).

The cheering from La Martiniere backers had increased in volume, but Sherwood was not far behind; besides the handful of boys from

school, there were many parents, friends and old boys to support us. The first round of this fight was a very even one. Though Moore had the advantage of reach and was boxing well, Brain punished him with straight, hard hits with both left and right. In the second round Brain took the offensive, but Moore used his head a bit and kept him out. He had a good left, and by the end of the round Brain was at a loss. He collected his wits in the last round, and at one time had his opponent rather shaky with a well placed punch; but he failed to follow up this advantage and eventually lost the fight.

Bantam weight. G. Rickie (S.C.) beat R. Daniels (L.M.C.).

Both were rather wild at first and hit each other with unfailing regularity. Daniels had a tendency to lean forward and keep his head down while Rickie kept his well back. Daniels lacked any proper guard, and as a result he received more punishment. At the beginning of the second round Rickie had his opponent rather confused when he landed two good hits with his right. Daniels hit well with his left, but soon tired. The last round easily went to Rickie, and when the gong sounded Daniels was covered in blood from his nose.

1st Feather weight. P. Millar (S.C.) beat S. Glenville (L.M.C.).

Millar kept on the offensive all through the fight and used his left to good effect; so much so that Glenville's nose soon bled profusely. Glenville's footwork was good and he kept quite an effective guard, but by the end of the second round he lost heart. In the first few seconds of the last round he retaliated with renewed energy, but soon slackened off and at the end looked very much the worse for wear. The victory went easily to Millar and a special clap was given for the loser.

2nd Feather weight. N. Elloy (S.C.) beat P. Wilson (L.M.C.) on a T.K.O.

Wilson took the offensive in the first round and hit well with his right. In the second round, however, Wilson became groggy and was only saved from Elloy's battering onslaught, by the bell. He fought desperately in the last round, hitting out wildly, but Elloy remained cool and soon had his opponent on the verge of collapse, so that the referee stopped the fight.

Light weight. N. Aviet (L.M.C.) beat E. Webster (S.C.).

The first round was fought so close that very few hits were effective. The boxers were twice reprimanded for holding. The fight improved after this and both boxers did some good hitting and ducking.

1st Welter weight. S. Stewart (L.M.C.) beat P. Pierce-Jones (S.C.).

Stewart was a very experienced boxer. He was too fast for Jones at the beginning and dealt out some severe punishment which Jones took quite calmly. Though he hit the canvas at the beginning of the second round, Jones recovered marvellously and used his right to good effect. Twice Stewart was compelled to cover

up against the ropes under Jones' determined onslaught.

2nd Welter weight. D. Hotz (S.C.) beat L. Smith (L.M.C.).

The first and last rounds were clean and fast, with both boxers using considerable science. In the second round, however, Smith seemed to lose his head and hit out wildly. Hotz easily avoided these blows and as a result there was very little actual hitting in this round. In all three rounds Hotz displayed good ducking, guarding and fast double punching. The fight went to him, giving Sherwood seven victories, thus assuring us of victory in this first encounter.

Middle weight. G. MacFarlane (S.C.) beat E. Cooke (L.M.C.).

Cooke was unable to cope with MacFarlane's speed and straight, hard hitting. By the end of the second round Cooke was nearly out on his feet, and if MacFarlane had fifteen seconds more Cooke would have been counted out. In the last round Cooke fought pluckily; his face was badly bruised and cut and his wind was all but gone. MacFarlane on the other hand showed no sign of fatigue which gave witness to his excellent condition.

Heavy weight. G. Joyce (L.M.C.) beat R. Menasse (S.C.).

Joyce was faster than Menasse and was in perfect training. In the first round Menasse became aware of the power behind Joyce's right, which floored him, and this made him extremely cautious. This caution did not hinder his boxing, however, and both boxers fought hard.

Throughout the thirteen fights, Mr. W. Fordham and Mr. St. J. Smith, assisted by S. Rai seconded the Sherwood boxers, giving them

sound advice. The referee was Mr. G. Hay Ellis, while Mr. M. Du Casse and Mr. M. Michael judged the fights. The time-keeper and M. C. were Mr. M. McAuliffe and Mr. J. N. Harrison, respectively.

The Principal of La Martiniere, Mr. Dautre, was the first to enter the ring and congratulate Sherwood on her success. He hoped that this would be but the beginning of many encounters in the ring between the schools and wished La Martiniere better luck next time. He then thanked Brig. Shareef for presiding, and all others who had given a helping hand in the evening's performance.

Brig. Shareef being asked to say a few words, began by congratulating both schools on the excellent performance that he had witnessed. Having once been a boxer himself he felt himself in a position to give a few criticisms; firstly there had been too much clinching and secondly a number of boxers from both sides were hitting badly with their gloves. After expressing the hope that those learning boxing in the Army Cadet camps would soon be able to compete with schools in that field, he left the ring clear for the concluding exhibition fight.

This was between S. Webster of Sherwood and D. Strange, L.M.C., Old Boy. The pair were very well matched and the fight was one of the cleanest and best of the evening. Strange had a slight reach over Webster, but keeping cool and boxing steadily, Webster overcame this handicap. In the first two rounds the fighting was open and even. In the third round the two boxers came to close quarters and Webster displayed some excellent short, sharp and speedy punching. No decision was given for this fight and the boxing came to an end amidst much noise and cheering.

—J. Cocksedge.

HOCKEY

Sherwood College Vs. La Martiniere College.

From the very start our team put all they had into the game. They had familiarised themselves with the surface in their two morning practices and felt more at home than they did at Izatnagar. Very soon our centre forward manoeuvred into shooting position, but his left inner was off side and spoilt a probable goal.

Turning the tables, the opposing team were soon in our goal area. They missed an opportunity to score from a short corner and the ball swung back into the centre. The two teams were evenly matched and neither side kept the advantage long.

The Martiniere backs neatly cleared a short corner against them; their forwards collected the ball and were through our defence, but in his excitement and haste their right inner missed the goal.

Back in their goal, Hotz missed a corner by losing his stick. A fine clearance to the left wing, a still better centre and the ball was

neatly placed in the net by La Martiniere's right inner, giving them the first goal.

With renewed effort we fought our way to their goal. Beating the left back, MacFarlane had a shot, but misjudged the distance of the ball and his stick slashed the air. Before he could recover, the Martiniere back cleared the ball to safety. After another five minutes dogged play La Martiniere's right inner got a chance to shoot, but, underestimating his strength, he sent the ball over the top bar.

The game was so exciting that half time was heralded with surprise. The heat was telling on our players, for they were flushed and glistering with sweat. There was a general rush for water after which they grouped round the coach, Mr. St. J. Smith, for encouragement and advice.

The commencement of the second half was delayed by a number of enthusiastic photographers who insisted on taking photographs of the teams.

In the first few minutes of the second half we missed an opportunity to score after a short corner. A brilliant run down on the left side by La Martiniere's right inner, who broke through our defence and even dribbled our goal-keeper, resulted in La Martiniere's second goal.

Back in their half a ball from outside the ring trickled into La Martiniere's undefended goal, but not one forward rushed in to make it Sherwood's first goal. A little later, S. Rai, our right wing, centred with such force, that he snapped the stick of the half who tackled him, as though it were matchwood.

The score rose to three love when a good pass was placed neatly in the goal by La Martiniere's right inner. We were losing heavily, but our team played hard. The half-backs were everywhere, and S. Webster, left half, though handicapped by heavily

daged knees, gave his captain, and centre half, S. Kent, untiring support.

After missing two more likely goals, S. Rai scored Sherwood's first goal. Taking the ball down the line he fought his way into the goal area, and, without a moment's hesitation, he placed the ball between the posts. Shortly after this the game concluded, with La Martiniere the victors by three goals to one.

TEAMS:

L. M. C.—R. Potter: H. Wilson, W. Jackson, E. Cooke*, W. Coelho, F. Parkinson: L. Conroy, G. Joyce*, D. Jones, R. Stevens* (Captain), R. O'Brien.

S. C.—N. Elloy: R. Menasse*, P. Pierce-Jones: S. Webster, S. Kent* (Captain), J. Gupta: S. Rai, I. Greene, G. MacFarlane*, J. ... O'Brien.

Old Col.

J. Locksidge

PHYSICAL TRAINING

As the year 1948 comes to a close, it becomes my pleasant duty to try and write a short account of our physical activities for the year. When a term starts, the first thing I think about, is what we are going to have for our display for Founder's Day, a very important event. Having lost so many of our gymnasts, I did not think that we would have been able to have our Horsemanship and Groundwork items, which are always the spice of the programme, but I am glad to say that those who came forward, and gave up so much of their spare time, excelled themselves again, as indeed they always do, and to these lads I am extremely grateful. The parallel bar boys, also deserve a special word of praise, because not only have they to train hard, but they give up what so much of us value most—that lie in bed, in the early hours of the morning, these boys getting up at 5 a.m. Their item too, was well appreciated. This year, for the first time, we had Log Exercises, a very good form of toughening up, and next year, I hope to have at least ten logs. To all the boys who took part in the Display, I say a very big 'thank you'. Sherwood was proud of you. Mrs. Naidu, the Governor of this Province, took the salute, and so pleased was she with what she saw, that she gladly gave us two days holiday. All present hoped to hear her speak to the boys, but unfortunately she was feeling ill, and asked to be excused.

After a short spell, the boys got down to some very hard training for the house Physical Training Competition. It was good to see all the boys, in every house doing their utmost to win the trophy, and on the day of the competition, the five judges, the four non-house masters, and Mr. R. Lean, had a difficult task in pronouncing the winner. All thought that Little John had won, but the judges, who watched every movement, from beginning to end, from five different positions, gave it to

Friar Tuck, and they, and their Captain, must be congratulated on the excellent way they performed. Little John gave them a very good run for it, and they were unfortunate in being beaten by just one point. Allen-a-Dale was a close third, with Robin Hood, bringing up the rear, there being a difference of only four points, between the first and last House.

Now came what a lot of boys dread most. Training for the House Boxing. A real nightmare thank goodness to only a very few, but to most, a pleasure, because they know that boxing provides a wholesome sport, that is manmaking in every respect, developing all the best traits, which will make them face life with confidence and fortitude. For this tournament 161 boys entered, and all voluntarily, and the tournament was as big a success as ever. A detailed account appears elsewhere in this magazine, but I want to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. R. Lean for the excellent way he referred throughout the tournament, the four House Masters for taking it in turn to judge, Mr. Gasper for both Recording and Reporting, Mr. B. Lean for announcing, and the remainder of the Staff, who acted as Time-keepers. It is this willing help all round, in all our different events, that makes them so successful and to them all, I once again say a big 'thank you'. We are also very grateful to the A.D.M. Mr. Arif Ali Shah, for presiding, and giving away the statuettes to winners and losers, and for presenting a beautiful trophy to P. Pierce-Jones, for showing such wonderful pluck in coming up for more, after he had been practically knocked out. Much to our surprise La Martiniere College from Lucknow challenged us to a boxing match. As a sporting gesture we accepted, though there was so very little time for training. Ten days altogether, was what I was able to give the boys. Training was rough but all, including the sparring partners, put every ounce of energy into their work, and the

old saying that a boxer "fights as he trains" was well seen the night of the fights, and we won eight of the thirteen fights, 2 by the short way, a splendid result, considering the short training period, the loss of one or two of our really good boxers, to say nothing of two who spent most of their training period at interviews for the I.M.A. We have also beaten Oak Grove and Bishop Cotton School, and are now wondering who will take us on next.

Boxing plays a very important part in the life of Sherwood College, and will continue to do so, because it is the natural means of self defence. It is not used with a view to cause harm to others, or to gain unfair superiority,

but because, the boy who takes up the sport for the sake of the sport, and nothing else, will be far better off than the boy who does not, and will, by its practice lay the foundation for possession of a healthy body, keen mental powers and consideration to others—three important traits, that will see him happily through life, and keep always fit, as Kipling once said,

Nations have passed away and left no traces,

And history gives the naked cause of it—
One single simple reason in all cases,

they fell, because their peoples were not fit.

W. FORDHAM,
P.T.I.

THE INTER-HOUSE BOXING TOURNAMENT

Once again the Boxing Tournament proved itself to be the Annual Festival to which so many look forward and which brightens up so many a dull Monsoon evening in August of each year. The 14 different weights attracted no fewer than 161 entries although participation in the tournament was entirely voluntary. Both the individual and team competitions were as keen as ever, though, unfortunately, in the higher weights, where the winners were easy enough to tip, the chances of any competition fizzled out by some of the competitors dashing off for interviews which, they hoped, would lead them to larger fights in the Army of the Indian Dominion.

No one will, however deny that many of the 147 fights were stoutly contested by both opponents in each case. This made the task of the judges quite difficult on occasion and provided armchair critics with the usual pleasure of debate and discussion after the official result had been announced. All will agree, too, that the tournament revealed the true fighting spirit that characterises the Sherwood lad; no boxer lost a fight till he saw the coloured light of the opposite corner switched on. There is no doubt, also, that in Sherwood there is no dearth of talent in 'the noble art'. On the lighter side there was entertainment provided by exponents of unorthodox styles of which David Ghey's 'Aunt Sally' defence was the most notable.

There were quite a few really worthwhile fights in the preliminary rounds and more than one loser, some of whom were awarded special prizes as Promising Boxers, was unfortunate not to appear as a Finalist but be eliminated early in the tournament.

The Finals were reached after 6 sessions of boxing, which included 2 sessions of semi-finals and 2 sessions of quarter-finals, and were held on Monday August 23rd at 5-00 p.m. with Mr. Arif Ali Shah, Additional District Magistrate, presiding. It was unfortunate that this function was fixed for a time which coincided with the middle of a very wet spell in the course of which between 12½ and 15½ inches of rain fell in various parts of Naini

Tal. The wettest evening of the year was responsible for the absence of many intending visitors, including, to the disappointment of many of the finalists, the schoolgirls of All Saints' and Wellesley. Those, who braved the elements, however, were rewarded for their enthusiasm and witnessed a fine and full programme consisting of the finals of 12 weights, 2 special contests and an Exhibition of Wrestling holds.

The Final of the Mighty Atom Weight (Under 3 Stone) was fought between H. Singh and P. Singh Rai. These two fighting lions showed themselves to be highly dangerous atom bombs, as their opponents in the preliminaries will testify. Harbans Singh lacked reach so had, reluctantly, to concede the better of the exchanges to his slightly larger opponent.

The Final of the Lilliputian Weight (3 Stone—3 Stone 7 Pounds) saw Ian Hazells opposed to R. Dayal. Both boxers had eliminated some worthy opponents in the earlier rounds, Hazells having accounted for Abbott and Cazalet and Dayal for D. Harben and R. Harben. The promise of a rousing bout was fulfilled. Dayal made the error of allowing Hazells to come into him in the first round but subsequently used his reach, age and intelligence to win fairly comfortably.

The Final of the Novice Weight (3 Stone 7 Pounds—4 Stone) was a tame affair between C. McMahon and D. Law, each of whom had given better displays earlier—McMahon in beating Gasper and B. Elloy, and Law in overcoming Saxen. In the Final, Law swung wildly throughout rather hoping to land a blow from a distance while staying away from his opponent who was clearly hitting correctly and very hard. McMahon won easily.

The Final of the Paper Weight (4 Stone—4 Stone 7 Pounds) brought together two diminutive old stagers in R. Nulty and C. Cockledge. The former had had no difficulty reaching the final, few of his opponents taking him beyond the first round but Cockledge, most thought, had been lucky to gain the decision in the semi-final against his friend K. Hazells. Never-

theless, Cocksedge stood up and boxed splendidly and it was not till the third round that Nulty's stronger punching wore down Cocksedge's resistance completely.

The Final of the Midget Weight (4 Stone 7 Pounds—5 Stone) between D. Elloy, and B. Payne was a very poor fight. Elloy, who had had to go all out to beat D. Beard in the semi-final, was not altogether comfortable against the unorthodox stance of the left-handed Payne, who had covered himself with glory by vanquishing Ledlie, a Boxing Colour and the most promising of last year's crop, in the semi-final. Elloy gained the verdict.

The Final of the Mosquito Weight (5 Stone—5 Stone 7 Pounds) was another of the poorer fights. Seddon gave away much in reach to his opponent who was also able to last longer. DeFraine just won this fight. Perhaps the two losing semi-finalists, Perkins and D. Graham would have given a better exhibition.

The Final of the Gnat Weight (5 Stone 7 Pounds—6 Stone) resulted in an easy win for F. Banche over J. Payne. The latter had done well to dispose of C. Montriou who had been seeded but he found that Banche hit hard, straight and often. Outstanding in the Junior weights Banche was a worthy winner of the prize for the Most Scientific Junior Boxer.

The Final of the Fly Weight (6 Stone—6 Stone 7 Pounds) between L. Easey and G. Brain, a Boxing Colour, saw the defeat of the Colour. Easey's South Paw disconcerted Brain, whose defence seemed ineffective against his opponent's left which connected frequently and with considerable power.

The Final of the Bantam Weight (6 Stone 7 Pounds—7 Stone) was fought between G. Rickie and A. Khan. Rickie got more than he expected from his opponent who fought very pluckily against one who hits hard though rather unorthodoxly. Rickie's punching carried him through.

The Final of the Feather Weight (7 Stone—7 Stone 8 Pounds) was probably the best bout of the evening. Both old Colours, N. Elloy and P. Millar boxed really well. These two have met often both at Sherwood and in their native Moradabad yet neither seemed affected by his previous knowledge of his opponent's methods. They gave a good exhibition of good clean boxing. Millar won, undoubtedly by a very narrow margin, probably because he was slightly more aggressive and also a little more certain in defence.

The Final of the Light Weight (7 Stone 8 Pounds—8 Stone 4 Pounds) was between E. Webster and P. Kent. The former, who has won his Boxing Colours regularly over a period of many years now, had boxed well to eliminate R. Dayal in the semi-final but had one of his frequent lapses, when he boxes really badly, in this final. Webster is inclined to hold and somewhat cleverly tire an opponent on whom he can rest. For these faults he was warned early in this final. He won from Kent, who despite his inexperience stood up excellently and acquitted himself very well.

The Final of the Welter Weight (8 Stone 4 Pounds—9 Stone) was a fight that had been eagerly anticipated because it brought together two good boxers, both old Colours, who had each made short work of their opponents in the preliminaries—S. Pierce-Jones and S. Webster. Pierce-Jones rather underestimated Webster's ability to punch or over-estimated his own. From the very commencement it was easy to see that in seeking to end the fight the short way he would succeed but not in the way he hoped; he approached his opponent with little semblance of a guard and very early on got what was coming to him from one who does punch powerfully. The second round had barely begun when the referee awarded the fight to Webster on a technical knock-out as Pierce-Jones was obviously unfit to continue after Webster's right over his head had felled him. Among schoolboys, welter-weights usually produce the best boxing. This fight was no exception to the rule but it is a pity one of these two boxers was so careless. Webster is indeed very promising and fully deserved to share the honour, with MacFarlane, of being the Most Scientific Boxer of 1948.

The Finals of the Middle Weight (9 Stone—9 Stone 10 Pounds) and the *Light-Heavy Weight* (9 Stone 10 Pounds—10 Stone 10 Pounds) were not contested. In the former M. Paul conceded the fight to G. MacFarlane and in the latter P. Ghey to R. Menasse. Special contests were arranged between Paul and Ghey and MacFarlane and Menasse.

The Paul-Ghey fight produced nothing remarkable. Ghey was aggressive till he discovered that Paul hit hard occasionally but he managed to obtain the verdict in a contest that achieved more in its conclusion—bringing together into the ring MacFarlane and Menasse,—perhaps the piece-de-resistance of the evening, as many had been looking forward to such a meeting.

Menasse seemed to be content throughout the fight to remain on the defensive awaiting an opportunity that never came of knocking his opponent out. MacFarlane, on the other hand, conceding much in weight and a little in reach seemed to dictate the terms all through and outboxing his opponent, literally right and left, in all three rounds won fairly comfortably. MacFarlane is a most promising pugilist indeed and well deserved the honour he shared with S. Webster of being declared the Most Scientific Senior Boxer of 1948.

At the conclusion of the Boxing, while the award of special prizes was being decided, Mr. W. Fordham, the P. T. Instructor, demonstrated on D. Hotz some of the Holds commonly employed in Wrestling. This demonstration was both instructive and entertaining though not many would have wished to substitute for Hotz! There followed a mixed bout of Boxing and Wrestling with Hotz, a Boxing Colour but newly initiated into the other Art, as the wrestler and James Cocksedge as the boxer. This was pure fun and reached a fitting climax when both boxer and wrestler

turned on the referee-promoter-instructor, who chased them out of the ring.

Before asking Mr. Ali Shah to present the prizes, Mr. Lean commented on the unkindness of the Clerk of the Weather for that evening, congratulated all those who had taken part in the preliminaries and offered his thanks to the Judges and various officials who had assisted throughout the tournament, to the Boxers and most to Mr. Fordham, the P. T. Instructor.

Mr. Ali Shah said that the happy hours he had spent in the Gymnasium that evening took him back to the happiest days of his life—his College days—and he recalled his own participation in Boxing tournaments at which, for the encouragement of the losers, he added, he had never been a winner. He thanked Mr. Lean

HOUSE BOXING CUP ...
MODY CHALLENGE CUP (Runners-up) ...
(Little John and Robin Hood scored 330 and 300 points respectively).

GOOD BOXERS— Junior ...

PROMISING BOXERS Senior ...

MOST SCIENTIFIC Junior ...

BOXERS* Senior ...

SPECIAL CONSOLATION AWARD ...

(Cup presented by Mr. Arif Ali Shah).

for giving him the opportunity to pass so pleasant an evening and, apparently to bear out what he had said to losers, presented a special cup to Pierce-Jones, who had been beaten badly by S. Webster. Mr. Arif Ali Shah also congratulated the College under Mr. Lean on its display of loyalty, discipline and efficiency so evident from the excellent marching on the occasion of the celebration of the first anniversary of Indian Independence a few days earlier. As an afterthought Mr. Ali Shah remembered that Mr. Fordham had prompted him to ask for a holiday, which he left entirely to Mr. Lean's discretion.

In addition to the Statuettes awarded to the winners and losers in each of the finals the following prizes and special prizes were presented:

*Cups presented by Mr. E. S. Whiteside.

Allen-a-Dale 430 points.

Friar Tuck 420 points.

D. Elloy and R. Nulty.

P. Millar.

S. Whiting, J. Smith and K. Hazells.

F. Banche.

S. Webster and G. MacFarlane.

P. Pierce-Jones.

T. R. GASPER.

THE SCIENTIFIC AND MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

The election of office holders for 1948 was the sole purpose of the first meeting of this society, which ended on a note of appreciation of the work of the previous secretary and his assistant.

Our first lecture was delivered by Mr. T. R. Gasper on "The Physics of Photography." Many of our budding amateur photographers realised for the first time that there is much more in photography than meets the eye. Having described the physical principle governing the working of the pin hole and lens cameras and some of the practical difficulties involved, the speaker went on briefly to outline the working of the projection lantern and Kine-camera.

The name of Miss J. Wordsworth, a student of All Saints' College, will go down in the history of Sherwood as that of the first lady speaker to address this society. Another outstanding feature of this next meeting was that there were two speakers, Mr. R. Mathur of the Senior Cambridge being the second. Miss J. Wordsworth and Mr. R. Mathur, with the help of Mr. E. Waller who taught Mathematics to both of them built up related lectures under the titles of "The Theory of Numbers" and "Men of Mathematics" respectively. In conjunction with the work of Fermat, Mersenne and Sedekend, Miss J. Wordsworth dealt with arithmetic in the higher stage. The life and work of two great contemporary mathematicians, Sir Isaac Newton and Leibniz and their unfortunate quarrel over the origin of Calculus, was the basis of Mr. R. Mathur's lecture. At the end of both this and the last address the

Chairman, Mr. T. R. Gasper, expressed a hope, which hope I repeat, that this would not be the last time that a lady speaker would address this society, but that many others would follow the pioneering efforts of Miss J. Wordsworth.

Following the fine example of Mr. T. Mathur, Mr. P. Bower ventured to lecture us on an extremely difficult question, "The origin of Species". Though Mr. Bower's disappointment at the absence of the All Saints' students from his lecture (they religiously attended every other meeting of this society) was clearly seen on his face, his lecture went extremely well. He presented us with the theories put forward to answer the important question "How was evolution brought about?", and touched on the physical and psychological connections between man and the ape as put forward in Darwin's Theory.

We were extremely fortunate at our next meeting in having an old Sherwoodian, one who was well known to most present, address us. Mr. J. Mathur's lecture on "Leather and Related Industries" was very interesting and instructive. After describing the chrome and vegetable tanning processes he dwelt at some length on the by-products of leather manufacture including gelatine, woolfat, chamois leather and every description of ink, from our common 'babu's' ink to the expensive inks displayed on the market.

"Astronomy and its Relation to Astrology" may sound above the head of a schoolboy, but Mr. E. Waller not only succeeded in bringing it to earth but also managed to permeate this seemingly dry subject with a large amount of

his characteristic wit and humour. This, however, in no way detracted from the seriousness of his talk; in fact he did what few others could do; held the attention of every single person present throughout his lecture so that all sat for an hour and a half listening intently to the theories of Aristotle, Ptolemy, Copernicus, Kepler and Newton. With the aid of many well constructed charts, each of which represented hours of labour and patience, the speaker explained the construction of a horoscope, the well known signs of the Zodiac, and the connection between stars and the days of the week.

With regard to speakers we have been very fortunate this term for we have been addressed

by every section of our audience, and some time or other, on a wide diversity of subjects. If the questions put at the end of a lecture are an indication of the members' interest and attention, I am afraid that we have been a little disappointed this year, but I personally attribute this to the thoroughness and simplicity of the lectures, which left no doubts in the mind of the audience. As a concluding note I would like to thank all those who have attended these lectures in the capacity of speakers or chairmen, or merely as intelligent and interested members of the audience.

J. COCKSEGE,
Secretary.

THE SENIOR LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

Millman Hall seemed somewhat lacking in two things this year. Our favourite Chairman, Mr. Binns, had left us, and so had a great part of Sherwood. Though depleted in numbers, however, our Society continued to live up to her former reputation and gave of her best.

The first meeting was, as usual, devoted to the election of office bearers, and the meeting was adjourned only after the House had expressed its gratitude towards the retiring officeholders. The next debate was "Sex Equality is Impossible", in which all the leading Robert Taylors relied on charades rather than eloquence to convince the House. The third meeting, by way of contrast had all best speakers to contend whether "Material wealth governs the world".

Unfortunately this year, we were unable to have the customary "hat speeches," preferring the experience of a proper debate. The practice involved in the first two debates had a good effect on what followed—the House debates, and the judging of the latter was surprisingly close.

On July 10th, eight speakers from Friar Tuck and Robin Hood prepared for the first conflict. "English should be adopted as the State Language of India", had caused many a heated storm in India's Parliament and now the Parliament of Sherwood would listen to their own "grey beards." Friar Tuck in defending the motion succeeded in winning it, not only through sheer reasoning but brilliant speaking. The remaining two Houses, Allen-a-Dale and Little John, debated "Prohibition will be a boon to India", and the contest was so close that the affirmative, Allen-a-Dale, who won the debate, were more surprised than relieved at their victory. The final debate "Military Training should be made Compulsory" was the most heated of them all, but Allen-a-Dale did not have their previous luck, even though they once again defended the motion.

Throughout these debates, a great deal of hard labour was undertaken by each speaker. The Chairman always remarked that speeches had been well-prepared and in most cases their logic was understood.

This year debates were judged by members of the Staff which was quite encouraging to speakers who were well familiar with their various glares. On behalf of the Society I feel duty-bound to thank them for their interest, sparing their few leisure hours in educating us in the important field of speech-production.

The Mock Trial this year took place on September 4th. Mrs. Whistling Willy had accused Larry Pinchell of having fraudulently obtained quantities of food from Dingy Hall College refectory, which our friend Larry emphatically denied. The same night, after the crime took place, found Larry at the College gate—or rather, Mr. Gamp and his girl friend found him. Mr. Gamp accosted Larry and was convinced that the accused used the word "Damn." The accused was finally found guilty but at the appeal for mercy from the entire court, he was released from further punishment and only made to eat the latest recipe of Mrs. Whistling Willy.

However, there were a few changes in the procedure this year. All Saints College, we felt, was becoming so integral a part of Sherwood, even being listed in our Choir, that their representation in the Jury box was only benefitting to their dignity. Some doubts arose as to whether they would be able to attend. The effect of the shock on their frailty would perhaps cause them to faintly faint away. Nevertheless we decided to run the risk, even bearing the possibility of displeasing the fair sex, to our own bitter cost. We therefore provided two members from the Rashtruya Swayam Sevak Sangh with smelling salts and other paraphernalia to act as stretcher-bearers. In our preparedness for all eventualities, they were even given "lathis" to stretch their victims on the stretchers if need be. I am pleased to say, however, that All Saints' was intimidated at our armed might from Standard four and gracefully accepted our invitation.

The Trial was the entire work of the whole Society who entered wholeheartedly into its performance. We all feel that its ultimate success was due to the timely help which Mr. R. Lean gave when most of us were doubtful if it would ever come off. To him, then, are

we most grateful, for the Mock Trial has always been our most cherished Society fixture.

Personally, I should like to thank the Assistant Secretary, S. Kent, for the time he has spent in assisting me. To all members of the Society I wish to express the same gratitude, for each one knows that unity is the only ideal which maintains Sherwood's greatness.

In the debate hall it is not only those who speak but also those who listen who form part of the debate. If nothing else, at least they learn to be patient and to give every one a fair hearing. Finally I sincerely thank Mr. R. Lean, Mr. St. J. Smith and other members of the Staff who have so kindly helped us to overcome all our difficulties.

SENIOR HOUSE DEBATES

Friar Tuck	Allen-a-Dale	Little John	Robin Hood
Mr. J. Cockledge	Mr. P. Bower	Mr. G. MacFarlane	Mr. S. Kent
" R. Mathur	" K. Mody	" S. Rai	" D. Hotz
" E. Mitchell	" R. Pierce-Jones	" R. Daniels	" D. Dudt
" R. Whiting	" J. Rustonjee	" R. Willis	" J. Wren
Friar Tuck	54 for the motion,	Robin Hood	49 against the motion.
Allen-a-Dale	64 for the motion,	Little John	46 "
Allen-a-Dale	70 for the motion,	Friar Tuck	54 "

Except for the final debate the House agreed with the Judges' decision. The exception was probably due to the age-old prejudice against Friar Tuck which is uncalled for now.

CHARACTERS IN THE MOCK TRIAL

Judge	...	...	...	R. Mathur
Counsel for Prosecution	...	...	...	J. Cockledge
Counsel for Defence	...	...	...	P. Bower
Clerk of Assize	...	...	...	K. Mody
Judge's Clerk	...	...	...	C. Cockledge
Usher	...	...	...	L. Hollis
Prisoner at the Bar	...	...	...	E. Mitchell
Warders	...	...	...	N. Thorpe
	(K.N.S.S.)	...	...	N. Seddon, T. Montrieux

WITNESSES FOR PROSECUTION

Mrs. Whistling Willy	...	...	...	D. Hotz
Mr. Garum Masala Masalchi	...	...	...	J. Rustonjee
Mr. Samson Mathews	...	...	...	R. Menasse
Mr. Jeremiah Tootpick	...	...	...	J. Wren
Mr. Thomas Gamp	...	...	...	S. Rai
Miss May Henweed	...	...	...	C. Montrieux
Mr. Oily Oily	...	...	...	H. Ram

WITNESSES FOR DEFENCE

Mr. Blizzy Buzz	...	...	...	G. MacFarlane
Mr. Potty Doty	...	...	...	R. Dayal
Miss Plumpety Plump Worthwords	...	...	...	C. Hankins
Miss Migrain Falkie	...	...	...	R. Whiting
Special Exhibit	...	...	...	J. Karanjia

SHERWOOD JURY

Faint-heart-never-won-fair-lady	...	...	...	Pierce-Jones
You-cant-stop-me-from-kissing-you	...	...	...	Totter Ghey
Commands Cat Burglar	...	...	...	Deeks
Fraileg Scaly	...	...	...	Daly
Bash 'Em Olympic Choice	...	...	...	Laljee
Pocket Hercules	...	...	...	McMahon
Legs Eleven Welby	...	...	...	Green
Moonlight Sinatra	...	...	...	Willis
Big Bundle	...	...	...	Blackwell
*The Rt. Rev. Alwyn E. Bindle	...	...	...	Webster
Beardless Chin	...	...	...	Webster
Nose High T. C. Hunter	...	...	...	Thompson
(*Objection raised and sustained).				

ALL SAINTS' JURY

Itch-mite	...	...	...	D'Sena
Naini Peaks Trotter	...	...	...	Elliot
Lumps and Bumps	...	...	...	Easey
*Hot and Tot	...	...	...	Tykeley
Catch-me-if-you-can	...	...	...	Carter
(*Objection raised and sustained)				

P. BOWER,
Secretary.

THE JUNIOR LITERARY & DEBATING SOCIETY

The Junior Literary Reading and Debating Society, this year, has enjoyed a fairly successful term, in spite of the dearth of really good speakers. The meetings have been few and far between, three having been cancelled, one to make time for a lantern talk by Rev. Johnston.

The year opened with the usual meeting for the appointment of this year's officers. N. Bower, J. Robinson and myself were proposed for Secretary, and I was elected by a majority vote. N. Bower beat J. Robinson by one vote for the post of assistant Secretary. Only four members were proposed as Marshalls so they were automatically elected. They were A. Anis, B. Ledlie, R. Kent, and J. Robinson, and I would like to thank them right away for controlling hooliganism in the House.

The opening debate on the 3rd of April was to decide whether or not life in Elizabethan times was more enjoyable than it is nowadays. It was rather a difficult subject for an opening debate. However, it was debated by the veterans and was fairly well argued, although deliveries were not too good. The House decided by thirty three votes to twenty, that life to-day was more enjoyable.

The 2nd debate followed, soon after, on the 11th of April. This time the subject was "Rowing should be encouraged as a form of school sport." The younger members of the House were given the opportunity of speaking. Most of them seemed to have digested all their mother's stories about drownings, because the dangers of rowing were emphasized too much. They were complimented by the Chairman for their delivery. The House rose to the occasion when the debate was thrown open, thirteen members giving their opinions on the subject.

On the 2nd of May the House met for the annual "Hat Speeches" and provided a most interesting debate chiefly because most of those chosen to speak were back-benchers and did not even try to talk for a few minutes on the topic they chose. One speaker who had to discuss "Hobbies is a waste of time" could only utter one sentence to oppose this. I hope this debate taught those concerned to be ready at any moment to say a few words about anything.

The House debates began on the 18th of June. This year due to the decrease in numbers, four speakers, instead of the usual six, spoke for each House. Team- with chief speakers first are:

<i>Robin Hood</i>	<i>Friar Tuck</i>
Mr. R. Batra	Mr. C. Montrieux
Mr. M. Ahmed	Mr. R. Whiting
Mr. V. Dayal	Mr. B. Ledlie
Mr. P. Hennan	Mr. J. Robinson
<i>Allen-a-Dale</i>	<i>Little John</i>
Mr. N. Bower	Mr. V. Prakash
Mr. A. Anis	Mr. R. Hankins
Mr. G. Rickie	Mr. B. Kent
Mr. J. Agrawal	Mr. A. Raza

The first debate was between Robin Hood and Little John over the subject, "Advertising is one of the major evils of this age." Robin Hood defended the subject and led by Mr. R. Batra were easily superior to their opponents who hardly possessed a good speaker. The negative put forward the United States as a country that has risen to leading place because her advertisements are the best. The affirmative won the voting by 44 votes. The Judges were unanimous in declaring Robin Hood the winners. The Chairman, Mr. E. Waller, reminded the speakers that speeches should be memorized and that they should be sure that their pronunciation was correct.

The following day Friar Tuck was the negative of "Capital Punishment should be abolished" against Allen-a-Dale. This debate was of a much higher standard than the previous one, both sides putting forward sound arguments. The recent Bill passed by the Lords was mentioned and a number of quotations from Bernard Shaw was used. The voting was 62 against 47 in Allen-a-Dale's favour, but the Judges were unanimous in awarding the debate to Friar Tuck.

"Nature will never be conquered by man" was the subject for the Final debate on July 2nd. Robin Hood defended the subject against Friar Tuck. Like the previous debate, this was also a very close one but Friar Tuck lost the voting again by 63 votes to 98. The Affirmative stressed very strongly the unconquerable power of the sea, thunder, lightning and winds. The negative showed how man was slowly overcoming the power of nature by harnessing it for his use. Friar Tuck, this time, lost the Judges' decision as well and Robin Hood were declared the winners. This was the 1st time that Friar Tuck had lost this trophy since it was presented in 1946.

This debate brought the meetings for 1948 to a close due to the cancellation of the meetings after this.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all those who have helped to make this year as successful as it has been, Mr. St. J. Smith who has taken the chair at most of the meetings, all

those who have judged and finally my assistant secretary, N. Bower.

My best wishes go with the Society for the coming term and may it be as successful as this term has been.

C. MONTRIOU,
Secretary.

HOUSE MARATHON RUNS

Once again the Weather Clerk was unkind to us. For a week before the 'Day' the mornings had been fine, while it had rained in the afternoons. Because of this it was decided to change the timings and run off the Marathons as early as possible in the morning. Thursday, 9th September, dawned fine, but soon little wisps of cloud appeared and in a short while the whole sky was overcast. Still, it did not look as if it would rain for some time and it was hoped that the Marathons would be over before the downpour started. Alas for these hopes; no sooner had the boys reached the Flats than it started to drizzle. This developed into a steady downpour which continued all through the proceeding.

As was to be expected in the circumstances, no records were broken, but some very creditable performances were witnessed. D. deFraine won a splendid race, in the Under 15 Marathon, to come within eight seconds of the record, which he might easily have broken on a more favourable occasion. On the whole the meeting was very successful and the boys thoroughly deserved the hot cocoa and buns which they got when it was all over.

Under 8 years. At 9.30 a.m. the Toddlers were lined up at the entrance to the Grand Hotel and Mr. Law got them off to an excellent start. V. Malhotra was soon in front, with S. Naug and D. Harben in second and third positions. They kept these places all the way and finished close together, with the rest of the runners in a bunch a short way behind.

Under 10 years. D. Law was freely tipped as the winner of this race and he did not disappoint his supporters. E. Nagle set the pace at the start but he was soon passed by Law who won fairly comfortably. Nagle was a

good second, and K. Salam just beat G. Cazalet for third place.

Under 12 years. The Midgets started from the gateway of the old Eastern Command Headquarters. A. Manchanda set a good pace and led a good deal of the way but could not keep it up. He started walking and was passed by N. Rowe and D. Beard and was soon lost among the crowd of runners. Beard finished strongly and, passing Rowe near the horse stand, won easily. Rowe was second and I. Anthony, who lay handy all the way, passed D. Burn and T. Montriau in the run up to finish third.

Under 15 years. The race was run from Smuggler's Rock to the Capitol Cinema via the Bus Terminus. G. Rickie led at the start, but D. deFraine, who had won the same event the previous year, soon took the lead and gradually widened the distance between himself and the rest of the field. He finished strongly to win by over a hundred yards from Rickie. Under better conditions and with more competition he is almost certain to have lowered the record. F. Banche ran a well judged race to finish third just behind Rickie.

A new system of timing was tried out in this race. The Timekeepers after the start, walked from Smugglers' Rock to the Capitol via the Shady Mall. After obtruse mathematical calculation they had decided that they would be at the winning post long before the runners. As it was, they just beat deFraine to the post in the closest finish of the day.

Open. The race was again run over the new course—from the Horse Stand to the Bus Terminus and then back to the Capitol. J. Rustomjee was first to reach the Terminus and he led all the way back to win comfortably. G. MacFarlane and J. Cockledge finished close together in second and third positions. Results:

TODDLERS (Under 8 years)	LILLIPUT (Under 10 years)	MIDGET (Under 12 years)	JUNIOR (Under 15 years)	SENIOR (Over 15 years)
Record: 1 min. 16.2 secs. (I. Cooper 1944)	Record: 2 mins. 43.2 secs. (I. Cooper 1944)	Record: 6 mins. 10.8 secs. (D. Cazalet 1946)	Record: 8 mins. 43.4 secs. (R. Hefferan 1946)	Record: 10 mins. 45.4 secs. (S. Burrett 1944)
V. Malhotra S. Naug D. Harben S. Salam P. Stuart T. Said I. Said V. Goel	D. Law M. Nagle K. Salam G. Cazalet G. Vance D. Wilson R. Malhotra B. Singh	D. Beard N. Rowe I. Anthony D. Burn M. Webster T. Montriau R. Mathetra J. Daji	D. deFraine G. Rickie F. Banche A. Anis R. Ghose D. Perkins R. Hankins M. Ahmad	J. Rustomjee G. MacFarlane J. Cockledge N. Thorp L. Hollis E. Webster S. Rai C. Willis

TODDLERS	LILLIPUT	MIDGET	JUNIOR	SENIOR
B. Ramani	I. Hazells	R. Singh	M. Ram	N. Elloy
H. Singh	J. Shanazaro	I. Berry	D. Elloy	S. Webster
P. Singh Rai	K. McMahon	D. Laverach	C. Montcon	P. Singh
R. Lean	A. Browne	J. Basu	D. Graham	S. Kent
S. Ramani	S. Thomas	J. Agrawal	B. Ledlie	B. Hankins
R. Browne	D. Parsons	D. Lover	B. Seth	E. Sanwal
P. Jones	G. Abbott	S. Halpern	R. Nulty	P. Pierce-Jones
P. Sales	R. Sureshett	R. Dayal	N. Bower	P. Bower
A. Whithy	N. Laul	B. Ellov	D. Ghev	A. Khan
A. Gupta	S. Singh	A. Manchanda	A. Maitland	R. Deeks
G. Ramani	R. Harben	J. Corbett	C. Scott	P. Ghey
K. Waller	D. Gasper	K. Omar	V. Manchanda	I. Greene
M. Singh	A. Ramani	C. McMahon	R. Abott	J. Smith
Q. Sulam	B. Manurwal	M. Plumb	G. Brain	M. Hotz
	P. Kumar	S. Jayakar	J. Payne	M. Blackwell
	A. Gupta	S. Singh	B. Kent	A. Ritchie
	K. Salam	A. Terthwick	A. Thompson	C. Daly
	R. Seth	P. Karvada	A. Singh	I. Ensey
	P. Missey	V. Tracy	N. Seddon	P. Blackwell
	R. Seth	N. Wali Khan	P. Hennan	R. Whiting
	A. Said	P. Corbett	J. Robinson	P. Millar
	A. Mathur	Z. Salim	A. Manchanda	M. Paul
	S. Zutshi	A. Gill	V. Dayal	R. Daniels
		S. Marwaha	R. Willis	R. Mathur
		T. Zutshi	V. Prakash	D. Dudr
		M. Malhotra	M. Ritchie	R. Menasse
		A. Laul	K. Arora	K. Mody
		K. Saxen	K. Hazels	D. Thompson
		R. Singh	K. Chatterjee	E. Mitchell
		T. Neill	R. Misra	S. Ritchie
		J. Khan	M. Chatterjee	K. Graham
		A. Dayal	A. Raza	R. Barra
		D. Walker	C. Cockswedge	E. Hennan
		R. Kettle	A. Whittenbaker	R. Maddison
			B. Payne	R. Dayal
			A. Lalljee	M. Joseph
			G. Dootie	H. Ram
			B. Murray	C. Hankins
			N. Burn	
				H. Prasad (Also Ran).

1 min. 21.7 secs. 2 mins. 50.8 secs. 6 mins. 56.6 secs. 8 mins. 51 secs. 11 mins. 38 secs.

(Winner's time is given in each case.)

THE HOUSE COMPETITION RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Allen-a-Dale	213 points.
2. Friar Tuck	197 points.
3. Little John	192 points.
4. Robin Hood	147 points.

HOCKEY

An army without an effective air force to initiate and press home an attack is impotent; as impotent in another sphere is a hockey team without a thrustful forward line. Such a team was that which wore the Sherwood colours this year. Supported by a sound defence, the forwards failed time and again to do what was expected of them. Whether this was due to a lack of experience, or whether it was the outcome of misguided consideration for the opposing goalkeepers, one could not tell, but the fact remains that too many games were lost

that could easily have been won. Only too often when a goal seemed certain, the forward in possession of the ball would decide to wait a bit, to give the opposing defence another chance, and the opportunity would be lost. This hesitancy in the ring is a disease common to most schoolboy forwards, but it can usually be eradicated; this year, however, it appeared in a form so virulent that it defied cure.

Of the thirteen games played, seven were won, six lost. This may appear to give the lie to what has been said above, but the fact

remains that all, or nearly all the games lost could have been won had the forwards displayed a little more opportunism.

Opponents	For	Against
Principal's XI	3	2
Naini Wanderers	1	2
Naini Wanderers	3	0
Naini Wanderers	1	4
Naini Wanderers	4	1
Chet Ram Old Boys	3	4
Naini Wanderers	2	5
Govt. Inter College	4	1
Officer's Club, Izatnagar	1	3
La Martiniere, Lucknow	1	3
Naini Wanderers	3	2
Nay Prabhut Singh	7	1
Old Sherwoodians	8	1

THE TEAM:

- N. Elloy. A promising goalkeeper who should do well with greater experience.
 R. Menasse. A sound back. Tackles well and clears hard, but is prone to make sticks.
 P. Pierce-Jones. Too slow to be a forward, he found his feet as a back. Has a good eye, clears promptly and tackles well.
 S. Webster. A useful half. Not a very polished performer, but an untiring one.
 S. Kent. A very useful centre-half. There is nothing showy about his game, but he was

- always a tower of strength in the defence.
 S. Rai. Has the speed of an extreme, but lacks control. He made a fine art of centring yards behind his inside forwards.
 G. MacFarlane. A sound half who failed as a forward, but who had to be used to bolster up a weak attack.
 D. Hotz. Has ability, but is incurably slow in the ring. Should do better as a wing.
 I. Greene. Has a good knowledge of the game, and real ability, but was quite incapable of asserting himself.
 P. Dickson. Has speed, but little control or ability.
 J. Gupta. A hardworking half with a tendency to hang on to the ball for too long.
 C. Daly. Though not actually a member of the team, he displayed great ability whenever he was tried out. Should make a really good forward when he puts on some weight.
 In the Senior House Tournament, A.D. had little difficulty in defeating the other three Houses. Friar Tuck, Robin Hood and Little John won a game each.
 The Juniors had quite a tussle. At the conclusion of the tournament, Friar Tuck, Little John and Allen-a-Dale were level with four points each. In the replays, Allen-a-Dale beat both Friar Tuck, 6-3, and Little John 4-1. Little John and Friar Tuck drew 0-0, and thus shared honours for the second place.

HOUSE TOURNAMENTS.

SENIORS.

	F.T.	R.H.	L.J.	A.D.	Points
F.T.	X	2	0	0	2
R.H.	0	X	2	0	2
L.J.	2	0	X	0	2
A.D.	2	2	2	X	6

A.D. vs. R.H. 2-1.
 L.J. vs. F.T. 2-1.
 A.D. vs. F.T. 2-1.
 R.H. vs. L.J. 3-0.
 A.D. vs. L.J. 3-0.
 F.T. vs. R.H. 3-1.

JUNIORS.

	F.T.	R.H.	L.J.	A.D.	Points
F.T.	X	2	2	0	4
R.H.	0	X	0	0	0
L.J.	0	2	X	2	4
A.D.	2	2	0	X	4

F.T. vs. R.H. 2-1.
 L.J. vs. A.D. 3-2.
 F.T. vs. L.J. 2-0.
 A.D. vs. R.H. 3-0.
 A.D. vs. F.T. 3-1.
 L.J. vs. R.H. 3-0.

Replays:

A.D. vs. F.T. 6-3.
 A.D. vs. L.J. 4-1.
 L.J. vs. F.T. 0-0.

FOOTBALL NOTES, 1948

The appeal of football is worldwide. Its development and growth have indeed been remarkable and its contribution to enjoyment and physical well-being have made it the 'King of Sports'. The game has changed greatly (for our ancestors seemed to have handled and carried the ball much more than they kicked it); but in principle it remains the same. One does not forget the pleasures of a hard House or Inter-School match against worthy opponents, nor the self-discipline which the game teaches and demands. Hard knocks may be encountered but they are part of the game.

With this as our goal our football season commenced on the 21st June with the opening match against the Principal's XI. From the very start it was clear that the vitally necessary qualifications of experience and weight were lacking in the XI. To add to our difficulties there were the usual problems of finding suitable teams in Naini Tal to match their skill against ours and also to say nothing of the unkindly clerk of the weather who delayed the stubborn Monsoon. But at Sherwood nothing daunts our ardour and in spite of rain, rain and more rain every evening, our Soccer season continued.

There was no glut of outside fixtures but we owe a great debt of gratitude to the Naini Wanderers who trudged up the mountain top almost every week to fulfil their engagements. At times depleted, at others over-strengthened this sporting team gave the XI many enjoyable games both at the Flats and at the College. Furthermore they gave the little practice that was vitally necessary for the sudden call to arms when Sherwood accepted the challenge from the Goliaths across the valley who had carried all before them in the local tournament.

Yes, it was an auspicious occasion when the XIs of St. Joseph's College and Sherwood met after a lapse of three years and all roads seemed to lead to the football grounds. Both teams produced a high standard of ball control, team work and necessary individual effort and are worthy of high commendation and the result could have gone either way. The spectators too had a really good treat both in the game and after!! St. Joseph's were the victors on the double result but only after Sherwood had shown them the one Golden Rule—"Play as well and as hard as you can. Try to win to the last kick." We only trust these friendly encounters will continue, not only in football but in all other forms of sport, for while observing all the laws of sportsmanship, you still lose, your pride will not be hurt.

The House Soccer Tournaments, Senior and Junior, produced surprises, laughs and the usual full-throated cheers. The Senior string of Friar Tuck played without Menasse and as a result were left to hold the baby. The decision for first place among the other three Houses rather gave the Staff, who refereed, a "dull head-ache." It was not till after all three had met for the second knock that Allen-a-Dale

came out on top. Little John ably led by MacFarlane placed second, with Robin Hood third.

In the Under 15 division the result was in the balance to the very end; none of our "football pool fans" would have been able to forecast a correct decision. Here again A.D. came out on top with L.J., F.T. and R.H. close on their heels. The standard was by no means brilliant but it did cause great hilarity to see some of our juveniles especially those in F.T. kick with their shins and knees, and head with their backs!

The average boy is by nature imitative and if he is given the opportunity of watching really good players he will almost unconsciously copy their methods and their way of doing things. Assuming that he has the chance (and nearly every boy has) of taking a ball out with one or two friends and putting into practice those things he has seen in first class football, he will need very little instruction. But unfortunately not every boy can watch really good soccer in Naini Tal and those who stay in the big towns of India, should avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing real class football during their winter vacation.

*A Thumb impression of the Soccer XI.
[*Distinction Caps]*

*R. Menasse (Goal) possesses the main essentials for a good goal-keeper—agility and a sense of anticipation. Always uses his hands and does not take a flying kick at the ball. Makes much use of his fists to punch away corners and high centres. Excelled himself in the matches against St. Joseph's.

L. Hollis (Left Back). A late addition to the XI. Kicks very strongly with both feet but must learn to position himself. Inclined to be a little erratic but experience no doubt will remedy this. Plays hard and gives his opponents a good game winning or losing.

*D. Thompson (Right Back). Intelligent position play and interception, especially of the long cross pass to the wing man. Must not dribble so much and allow the opposing forward to tackle him. Every clearance should be in the nature of a pass and not necessarily to a forward; because of this, he must be careful not to over-kick his forwards.

N. Elloy (Left Half). Small in stature but is never daunted. Is a good tackler, quick over short distances and passes accurately. Tends to mark his opposite number too slavishly and thus mars many an attack.

*G. MacFarlane (Centre Half). The 'Roving type' of centre half, he welds the defence together, and at some time acts as a link with the forwards in front of him. He possesses tremendous energy and is a tower of strength to his team. Played extremely well throughout the season.

J. Rustonjee (Right Half). Played in several practice matches but only gained his colours through the absence of S. Kent for the final fixture. Kicks fairly accurately but lacks thrust that is so essential.

S. Webster (Left Extreme). Lacks that chief requisite of a wing forward—speed. With reasonable ball control with speed, he would make the ideal wing man. His positional play, hard-driving left foot and much keenness gained him a place in the XI.

P. Grey (Left Inner). A hard working inside forward with a fair amount of dash but lacks match temperament. At times his shooting would be more in keeping with a game of Rugby than Football. His over-enthusiasm causes him to be erratic and shoot wide of the post.

D. Hote (Centre Forward). The Tich of the XI but an absolute optimist. Dribbles exceedingly well and passes perfectly. With a little weight and experience, he would make an ideal leader. His ability to shoot with both feet, skill in heading the ball, enthusiasm and courage caused many a goal-keeper several anxious moments.

P. Pierce-Jones (Right Inner and Skipper). An extremely clever inside forward who can shoot with both feet. Still a little slow in gaining ground, he has improved in every match. His heading and ball control are of a high standard.

S. Raj (Left Extreme). Has a fair turn of speed, dash and courage but is inclined to be wild with his long passes. Towards the end of the season his game was completely marred by over-enthusiasm.

N. Thorp (Extras). Played in several outside fixtures in the defence. His destructive play did much to upset the opposing forwards but has yet to learn to kick a ball correctly.

J. Cocksedge (Extras). Also played occasionally for the XI as an inside forward. Is very keen and prepared to sacrifice all for his side.

RESULTS OF HOUSE MATCHES.

Senior XI		
A.D.	beat F.T.	6-0
L.J.	beat A.D.	4-3
R.H.	beat F.T.	1-0
R.H.	lost to A.D.	1-0
L.J.	beat F.T.	2-1
R.B.	beat L.J.	2-0
(L.J.)	beat R.H.	1-0
Replay	(A.D. beat L.J.)	6-0
	(A.D. draw R.H.)	0-0
Junior XI		
L.J.	beat R.H.	1-0
F.T.	beat R.H.	1-0
A.D.	beat F.T.	3-0
A.D.	draw L.J.	0-0
A.D.	beat R.H.	5-0
L.J.	beat F.T.	2-0
Replay	A.D. beat L.J.	4-0

MATCHES PLAYED BY THE XI.

Date.	Opponents.	Result.
25th June.	Principal's XI	Draw 1-1
5th Aug.	Naini Wanderers	Lost 0-1
11th Aug.	Naini Wanderers (at the Flats)	Lost 1-4
20th Aug.	Naini Wanderers	Won 3-1
21st Aug.	Naini Wanderers (at the Flats)	Draw 1-5
23rd Aug.	Naini Wanderers	Won 3-2
26th Aug.	St. Joseph's College (at St. Joseph's)	Draw 1-1
2nd Sept.	St. Joseph's College	Lost 0-2

In conclusion the College XI offer their sincerest thanks to all those Staff who helped to make the season such a success and also to those two real bricks, the Blackwell brothers for their grand service as line-men under all conditions.

W. J. B.

CRICKET NOTES, 1948

Apart from the House matches only six fixtures were arranged during the season. Three matches were played against the Colvin Club. The first of these we won easily, mainly through the efforts of Mr. Boston who hit up an unbeaten century; the second we drew and the third we lost.

A fixture the boys looked forward to, was the one against a Delhi Railway XI. The Delhi XI batted first and playing very steadily, compiled a respectable total of 192 runs. The College were left with 3½ hours to bat—this was ample time in which to get the runs. But was it possible? Many thought nothing but defeat faced the Sherwood XI. However, after lunch on the second day of play, the College XI went in to bat. Runs came very slowly and after 2½ hours play the score stood at 110 for 3. At this stage runs were not easy to get. The Delhi bowlers were bowling accurately on the leg stump and had set a leg trap which

the batsmen found difficult to penetrate. When stumps were drawn at 5 p.m. the College had scored 140 for the loss of 6 wickets thus leaving the match drawn. David Hote remained unbeaten with 45. He had taken 2½ hours to score these runs but still he had helped to stave off what looked like certain defeat.

C. Montrieux, A. Khan and J. Cocksedge shared the duties of umpiring this match. It would be sufficient tribute to them if I say, never before have I seen boy-umpires control a match with such keenness and efficiency. The match was played in the finest spirit and we shall look forward anxiously to the visit of this sporting Delhi team next year.

The "Present vs. Past." match, during Founder's Week, provided some good cricket. In spite of a gallant innings by R. Menasse, who carried his bat for 93, the Present lost to the Past by 5 wickets and 2 runs.

RESULTS OF FIRST ELEVEN MATCHES

College XI 130.
 (D. Hotz 41; S. Webster 25)
 College XI 104 for 9
 (W. Boston 100 n.o.)
 College XI 147
 (R. Menasse 93 n.o.)
 College XI 92 for 8 dec.
 College XI 79
 (R. Menasse 52)
 College XI 140 for 6
 (D. Hotz 46 n.o.; A. Gazelet 40)

Principal's XI 213 for 8
 (A. Gazelet 81; R. T. Lean 35)
 Colvin Club 96

Past XI 149 for 5
 (E. Watts 60; T. Lean 29)
 Colvin Club 45 for 4
 Colvin Club 178
 (H. L. Sah 80)
 Delhi Rly. XI 192
 (Masood 44; Om 30)

HOUSE CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Senior Tournament provided keen competition. Friar Tuck annexed the cricket trophy, winning all their matches fairly easily, but the struggle for second place was very keen. In the end the remaining three Houses tied for second place, each winning a match and losing two.

The match between Friar Tuck and Allen-a-Dale was very interesting. Allen-a-Dale going in first to bat ran up a total of 207 to which Pierce-Jones contributed 78 runs collected in a most attractive manner. His crisp square-cuts and forceful off drives were a treat to watch. Friar Tuck, faced with a formidable task, set about it in no uncertain manner. Gradually they mastered the bowling and went on to pass their opponent's score with 3 wickets in hand. R. Menasse, the captain of Friar Tuck, scored his maiden century, while S. Webster (29) and R. Whiting 31 n.o. gave him good support.

Another match which ended excitingly was the one between Little John and Allen-a-Dale. The former, batting first, scored 120 mainly through the efforts of G. MacFarlane (58) and B. Maddison (57). Allen-a-Dale commenced disastrously losing Pierce-Jones, their captain, when the total was only 2. However, N. Elloy (33) and C. Daly (35) raised their hopes by making a stand. 9 wickets were down for 110 and J. Smith the last man was in with P. Bower. Only 11 runs were required to win the match. They succeeded in scoring only 9 runs when G. MacFarlane knocked back P. Bower's off-stump, thus leaving Little John winner by a solitary run.

JUNIOR UNDER 15.

Robin Hood annexed the Junior Trophy winning all their three matches. Little John stood second with two wins to their credit. F. Banchie of Robin Hood was outstanding in these matches both with the bat and the ball. His innings of 52 not out followed up by taking 5 Friar Tuck wickets for 25 was indeed a fine performance. Others who deserve mention are C. Montrieux (F.T.), A. Maitland (F.T.), D. Graham (L.J.), N. Hankins (L.J.), G. Rickie (A.D.) and R. Abbott (R.H.). These six youngsters are promising cricketers and much should be heard of them in the future.

JUNIOR UNDER 12.

It is in this group that the greatest interest is shown. The teams are ready, dressed in their spotless white, long before the commencement of the match. The captain generally shares his duties with his friends. The bowling too is monopolised by the same clique. Advice is showered freely on the incoming batsman. He is told how to block, how to play forward or back, how to hit a "fourzie," all in one breath. Well, on with the game. The story is easy to relate. Little John, having the fastest bowlers, easily succeeded in frightening the opposing batsmen who preferred to offer their wickets to be hit rather than their bodies. And so Little John's bowlers, R. Singh and G. Elloy, won all their matches for their House, leaving their victims to share second place. Each of them had registered "one hit and two misses."

RESULTS OF HOUSE MATCHES.

Senior.

Robin Hood	... 42 for 0
Friar Tuck	... 209 for 7
Friar Tuck	... 126 for 5
Little John	... 120
Friar Tuck	... 45 for 2
Allen-a-Dale	... 142

Little John	33
Allen-a-Dale	207
Robin Hood	121
Allen-a-Dale	119
Little John	40
Robin Hood	36

Best Performance: (Batting).

F.T. R. Menasse 106; R. Dayal 47 n.o.; S. Webster 30; R. Whiting 31.
 A.D. P. Pierce-Jones 83 and 78; N. Elloy 33; C. Daly 35.
 R.H. D. Hotz 33 and 23 n.o.
 L.J. G. MacFarlane 58.

Bowling.

F.T. S. Webster 7 for 16.
 R.H. S. Kent 6 for 15.
 L.J. B. Maddison 5 for 35.
 A.D. N. Elloy 5 for 20.

JUNIOR UNDER 15.

Friar Tuck	...	47 for 3	Allen-a-Dale	44
Robin Hood	...	60	Little John	42
Little John	...	40 for 7	Allen-a-Dale	27
Robin Hood	...	99 for 3	Friar Tuck	28
Robin Hood	...	77	Allen-a-Dale	68
Little John	...	34	Friar Tuck	26
Best Performance: (Batting).				
R.H. F. Banche	...	...	52 n.o. and 27.	
L.J. D. Graham	...	...	20.	
F.T. C. Montriou	...	...	27.	
A.D. G. Rickie	...	...	31.	
Bowling:				
R.H. F. Banche	7 for 18 and 5 for 25; R. Abbott	3 for 20.		
L.J. D. Graham	6 for 15 and 5 for 14			
F.T. A. Maitland	6 for 16.			
A.D. G. Rickie	6 for 27.			

UNDER 12.

Friar Tuck	...	60	Allen-a-Dale	52
Little John	...	53	Robin Hood	14
Robin Hood	...	84	Friar Tuck	57
Little John	...	45	Friar Tuck	27
Little John	...	48	Allen-a-Dale	50
Best Performance: (Batting).				
L.J. G. Elloy	25.			
F.T. D. Law	18; T. Montriou	13		
R.H. S. Haidar	16.			
A.D. T. Neill	21.			
Bowling.				
L.J. R. Singh	4 for 14 and 7 for 41	G. Elloy	5 for 8 and 3 for 7.	
F.T. D. Law	7 for 21 and 5 for 34.			
A.D. R. Dayal	6 for 26.			
Batting Averages (Seniors).				

	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Total	Ave.
R. Menasse	...	8	106	311	44.4
D. Hotz	...	9	51	187	20.7
P. Pierce-Jones	...	9	81	180	20.0
R. Dayal	...	8	47	120	15.0
S. Webster	...	7	30	87	14.5
G. MacFarlane	...	9	58	68	11.2
Batting Averages (Juniors).					
R. Whiting	...	5	31	66	22
F. Banche	...	6	52	100	20
C. Montriou	...	5	29	60	15
D. Graham	...	4	35	40	13.3
G. Rickie	...	6	31	40	8
H.S.—Highest Score.					

PEN SKETCH OF THE COLLEGE XI.

(*Denotes Distinction Cap).

*R. Menasse (Captain). Has collected 311 runs this season with an average of 44.4 runs per innings. An excellent all-rounder. He no longer crosses his bat when hitting hard. Has a sound defence but can also attack the bowling once he is set. His drives in front of the wicket are good but his off-strokes need to be strengthened. His hooks and pulls to leg are forceful and well executed. On a few occasions he is tempted to turn a ball, which is directed at his leg stump, to leg. This he should

not do. Only a straight which is waist high may be turned to leg. Has the proud distinction of scoring a century in a House Match and also 95 not out against the Pass XI. As a bowler he has improved a little but has not been very successful. He must concentrate on length and vary his flight. An excellent field in any position.

P. Pierce-Jones (Vice Captain). Is an attractive batsman once he is set. Played two very fine innings of 83 and 78 for his House. His defence is still weak. He persists in playing back to a ball well-pitched-up. He will not improve unless he learns to play forward. His anticipation as a slip-field is very good. He is an excellent field also in the out-field.

*D. Hotz. The College wicket-keeper and opening batsman. Has a sound defence and much patience; keeps a very straight bat and very seldom raises the ball. His footwork is quite good. Played a fine innings of 51 against Friar Tuck and another of 46 not out against a Delhi Rly. XI. He may also profit by

the advice given to R. Menasse about turning a straight ball to leg. His wicket-keeping which was excellent last season has deteriorated, due to carelessness and flagging interest. Should do well after leaving school if he takes the game seriously.

*S. Webster. The College opening bowler. Has improved greatly; has speed and is accurate and can bowl for fairly long spells without tiring. Has taken over 50 wickets at a cost of 8 runs per wicket. As a batsman too he has improved. Has a fairly sound defence. Will make many more runs when his footwork improves. His ground-fielding is good.

S. Kent. Defends with a straight bat but crosses it when he hits. His style is still cramped. Is keen and runs well between the wickets. A good field.

G. MacFarlane. Plays with a straight bat but has not much patience. He must learn to pick out the right ball to hit, dealing with the others in a defensive manner. When he learns to

pay more attention to defence he will score many more runs. Played a fine innings of 58 for Little John against Allen-a-Dale. A reliable field.

R. Dayal. A promising batsman who plays on correct lines but has not much patience. He too must pay more heed to his defence and then only will he improve. A useful slow bowler and a keen field.

B. Maddison. A new colour. A useful medium paced bowler who can turn the ball from the off. Has taken 35 wickets this season at a cost of 11 runs per wicket. As a batsman his style is awkward and besides he hits with a cross bat. His fielding is patchy.

P. Ghay. A new colour. A left-hand bowler who can make the ball turn from the leg. Towards the end of the season his bowling was improving. As a batsman he is very weak.

F. Banche. All new colours. Have cricket sense but have yet to learn much.

A. W. B. CAZALET.

THE ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEETING

A spell of brilliant sunshine in September, so unexpected in Naini Tal, gave us the opportunity this year of running all our heats without any undue haste or without any annoying interference from the rain. These heats had prepared us for a rather lower standard of individual performance than in previous years but had also prepared us for very keen competition in the several events. Many of the competitors did train very hard and were therefore rewarded by a corresponding improvement in form.

On the 8th October, the day fixed for the finals, an early and inopportune shower of rain nearly ruined everything, but it soon cleared and the competitors were assured of a dry if cold meeting. There was much interest and tremendous enthusiasm and one wonders whether there was more fun to be got from watching the competitors or the galaxy of photographers who must have exposed miles of film taking records of any and everything.

Only one new event was included in the programme and there was a slight change from last year. The inter-house medley relay was dropped and in its place the medley relay open to the station was again substituted. This race gave us the only record of the day, a brilliant one established by the St. Joseph's College team whose running both at our sports and at their own was truly magnificent. The

combined under 10 and under 8 relay was also dropped in favour of a 50 yard relay for the under eights. This event caused much enthusiasm and entertainment for some dropped batons, some dropped each other and some tried to run two stretches instead of one. However the winning team walked off proud of the fact that their names were down for at least one record. Once again Wellesley proved their superiority in the Ladies' relay. This year they were hard pressed by the combined Student-girl team from All Saints' and might have lost their unbroken record of successes if A. S. C. had paid more attention to baton changing. It is a matter of great regret that we will not have this grand team from Wellesley competing in further meetings for they will be closing for good at the end of this year.

As is usual with Sherwood meetings every event was run off to time and there was no unnecessary waiting and wondering what would happen next and where it would happen. Mr. St. J. Smith deserves our warmest thanks for the efficiency with which the sports were again organised this year.

Mr. R. T. Shivedasani, our Commissioner, in a short speech after distributing the handsome prizes, expressed himself as delighted with the excellent evening he had spent and impressed on the boys how good a thing it was to pay special regard to physical fitness.

ATHLETIC RESULTS

SENIOR EVENTS.

100 yards	...	(Record 10. 2" E. Watts 1946) 1. C. Daly (A.D.) 11.0" 2. G. MacFarlane (L.J.) 3. R. Menasse (F.T.)
220 yards	...	(Record 24.2" E. Watts 1946) 1. MacFarlane (L.J.) 25.5" 2. R. Menasse (F.T.) 3. C. Daly (A.D.)
440 yards	...	(Record 55.8" D. Hardaker 1938) 1. S. Rai (L.J.) 60.3" 2. S. Kent (R.H.) 3. G. MacFarlane (L.J.)
880 yards	...	(Record 2' 8.8" D. Carnegie 1947) 1. J. Rustonjee (A.D.) 2' 25.6" 2. G. MacFarlane (L.J.) 3. J. Cocksedge (F.T.)
1 Mile	...	(Record 4' 59" S. Burrett 1944) 1. J. Rustonjee (A.D.) 5' 28.3" 2. L. Hollis (R.H.) 3. J. Cocksedge (F.T.)
120 yards Hurdles	...	(Record 16. 3" H. Webber 1936) 1. E. Webster (A.D.) 17. 2" 2. R. Menasse (F.T.) 3. P. Ghey (R.H.)
Broad Jump	...	(Record 20' 2" E. Grange 1932) 1. G. MacFarlane (L.J.) 18' 5½" 2. J. Pande (R.H.) 3. P. Singh (L.J.)
Hop, Step & Jump	...	(Record 40' 0" B. Forbes 1946) 1. J. Pande (R.H.) 39' 1" 2. G. MacFarlane (L.J.) 3. S. Rai (L.J.)
High Jump	...	(Record 5' 8" S. Kapur 1942) 1. P. Ghey (R.H.) 5' 1" 2. R. Menasse (F.T.) 3. J. Pande (R.H.)
16 lb. Shot Putt	...	(Record 32' 2" R. Weliber 1936) 1. R. Menasse (F.T.) 31' 3" 2. S. Webster (F.T.) 3. M. Paul (R.H.)
Discus Throw	...	(Record 98' 5½" R. Crawshaw 1944) 1. R. Menasse (F.T.) 83' 9" 2. G. MacFarlane (L.J.) 3. S. Webster (F.T.)
4 by 100 yards Relay	...	(Record 46. 2" R.H. 1946) 1. L.J. 47. 5" 2. A.D. 3. F.T.
4 by 220 yards Relay	...	(Record 1' 45. 2" R.H. 1946) 1. L. J. 1' 49. 5" 2. A. D. 3. F. T.
4 by 440 yards Relay	...	(Record 4' 3" R. H. 1947) 1. F. T. 4' 6. 8" 2. L. J. 3. R. H.
4 by 100 yards (Hurdles) Relay	...	(Record 61. 5" R. H. 1947) 1. F. T. 65. 7" 2. L. J. 3. A. D.
Broad Jump (Team)...	...	(Record 38' 1½" L. J. 1944) 1. L. J. 34' 1½" 2. R. H. 3. F. T.
Hop, Step & Jump (Team).	...	(Record 76' 1" F. T. 1945) 1. L. J. 72' 5" 2. R. H. 3. F. T.
High Jump (Team) ...	...	(Record 10' 11" A. D. 1942) 1. R. H. 10' 0" 2. F. T. 3. L. J.
Shot Putt (Team) ...	...	(Record 58' 5½" F. T. 1948) 1. F. T. 58' 5½" 2. R. H. 3. L. J.
Discus Throw (Team)	...	(Record 173' 5" F. T. 1944) 1. F. T. 145' 8½" 2. L. J. 3. A. D.
REX LUDORUM	...	G. MacFarlane (L.J.) BEST ALL-ROUND ATHLETE, G. MacFarlane (L.J.)

JUNIOR EVENTS.

100 yards	...	(Record 11. 6" F. Miller 1938) 1. A. Anis (A.D.) 12. 1" 2. M. Ram (F.T.) 3. B. Kent (L.J.)
220 yards	...	(Record 26. 8" B. Adolphus 1936) 1. M. Ram (F.T.) 28. 6" 2. M. Ahmad (R.H.) 3. A. Anis (A.D.)
440 yards	...	(Record 61. 4" D. Carr 1938) 1. M. Ram (F.T.) 64. 3" 2. A. Anis (A.D.) 3. M. Ahmad (R.H.)
880 yards	...	(Record 2' 28. 4" R. Hefferan 1946) 1. D. de Fraine (F.T.) 2' 34. 4" 2. A. Anis (A.D.) 3. R. Ghose (A.D.)
1 Mile	...	(Record 5' 25. 2" S. Burrett 1941) 1. D. de Fraine (F.T.) 5' 45. 4" 2. R. Ghose (A.D.) 3. A. Anis (A.D.)
100 yards (Hurdles)	...	(Record 16. 6" S. Afzal 1941) 1. B. Kent (L.J.) 17. 4" 2. A. Anis (A.D.) 3. M. Ram (F.T.)

Broad Jump	...	(Record 16' 4 1/2" S. Abrahams 1939) 1. A. Anis (A.D.) 13' 6" 2. G. Dautre (R.H.) 3. T. Montrieu (F.T.)
Hop, Step & Jump	...	(Record 34' 2" S. Afzal 1941) 1. R. Ghose (A.D.) 31' 8" 2. B. Kent (L.J.) 3. A. Anis (A.D.)
High Jump	...	(Record 4' 11" S. Tewari 1936) 1. V. Prakash (L.J.) 4' 4" 2. B. Kent (L.J.) 3. D. Ghay (A.D.)
12 lb. Shot Putt	...	(Record 32' 10 1/2" P. Higgins 1944) 1. B. Kent (L.J.) 26' 4" 2. A. Anis (A.D.) 3. F. Banche (R.H.)
4 by 100 yards Relay	...	(Record 51. 0" A. D. 1946) 1. A. D. 53. 0" 2. F. T. 3. R. H.
4 by 220 yards Relay	...	(Record 1' 57. 6" A. D. 1945) 1. A. D. 2' 1. 4" 2. F. T. 3. R. H.
4 by 440 yards Relay	...	(Record 4' 30. 4" F. T. 1944) 1. F. T. 4' 34. 0" 2. A. D. 3. R. H.
Broad Jump (Team)...	...	(Record 30' 4" A. D. 1945) 1. A. D. 25' 6" 2. F. T. 3. L. J.
Hop, Step & Jump (Team).	...	(Record 65' 10" A. D. 1941) 1. A. D. 61' 7" 2. L. J. 3. F. T.
Shot Putt (Team) ...	...	(Record 60' 10 1/2" F. T. 1944) 1. A. D. 45' 0 1/2" 2. L. J. 3. F. T.
REX LUDORUM	...	A. Anis (A.D.) BEST ALL-ROUND ATHLETE, F. Banche (R.H.)
UNDER 12 YEARS.		
100 yards	...	(Record 12. 8" L. Beanland 1939) 1. N. Rowe (A.D.) 14. 0" 2. D. Lavocah (R.H.) 3. D. Beard (A.D.)
220 yards	...	(Record 31. 0" D. Cutley 1938) 1. N. Rowe (A.D.) 33. 7" 2. D. Lavocah (R.H.) 3. Beard (A.D.)
440 yards	...	(Record 70. 2" T. Mackison 1944) 1. D. Lavocah (R.H.) 70. 0" 2. N. Rowe (A.D.) 3. I. Anthony (R.H.)
Broad Jump	...	(Record 13' 10 1/2" C. Reilly 1943) 1. I. Anthony (R.H.) 11' 8" 2. N. Rowe (A.D.) 3. D. Lavocah (R.H.)
4 by 220 yards Relay	...	(Record 2' 11. 4" R. H. 1945) 1. A. D. 2' 21. 5" 2. F. T. 3. R. H.
Broad Jump (Team)...	...	(Record 26' 5 1/2" R. H. 1943) 1. R. H. 22' 0" 2. A. D. 3. F. T.
UNDER 10 YEARS.		
100 yards	...	(Record 13. 8" R. Webb 1940) 1. D. Law (F.T.) 14. 4" 2. M. Ngle (F.T.) 3. K. Salam (L.J.)
220 yards	...	(Record 32. 8" A. Khan 1940) 1. D. Law (F.T.) 35. 0" 2. M. Ngle (F.T.) 3. K. Salam (L.J.)
Broad Jump	...	(Record 11' 7 1/2" T. Montrieu 1945) 1. D. Law (F.T.) 11' 2" 2. M. Ngle (F.T.) 3. G. Caralet (F.T.)
4 by 110 yards Relay	...	(Record 68. 6" R. H. 1944) 1. F. T. 70. 8" 2. L. J. 3. R. H.
Broad Jump (Team)...	...	(Record 21' 6" F. T. 1945) 1. F. T. 20' 0" 2. L. J. 3. R. H.
UNDER 8 YEARS.		
50 yards	...	(Record 7. 8" M. Dawson 1943) 1. V. Malhoutra (L.J.) 8. 0" 2. D. Harben (L.J.) 3. S. Naug (F.T.)
100 yards	...	(Record 15. 1" I. Cooper 1944) 1. V. Malhoutra (L.J.) 16. 0" 2. I. Said (L.J.) 3. D. Harben (L.J.)
4 by 50 yards (Relay)	...	(New Event) 1. A. D. 26. 8" 2. L. J. 3. R. H.
MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS.		
Mile Medley	...	(Open to Station) (Record 3' 59. 8" St. Joseph's 1948) 1. St. Joseph's "A" 3' 59. 8" 2. St. Joseph's "B" 3. Sherwood "A"
4 by 110 yards	...	1. Morton 68. 2" 2. Westcott 3. Mackenzie. A. S. C. (Senior) (Record 62. 2" Mackenzie 1945)

4 by 110 yards	...	A. S. C. (Junior) (Record 64. 6" Mackenzie 1947)
4 by 220 yards Relay	...	1. Mackenzie 64. 3" 2. Morton 3. Westcott
440 yards, Walk	...	Ladies (Open) (Record 2' 4" Wellesley 1947)
INGLIS' CUP FOR	...	1. Wellesley 2' 9" 2. All Saints'
TEAM EVENTS:	...	(Consolation) (Record 1' 36. 8" T. Butcher, 1938)
1. D. Hotz 2' 5" 2. R. Mathur 3. A. Ritchie.	...	
DYER SHIELD FOR	...	TEAM EVENTS:
ATHLETICS:	...	Friar Tuck 148 pts. Allen-a-Dale 136 pts.
	...	Little John 134 pts. Robin Hood 104 pts.
	...	ATHLETICS:
	...	Friar Tuck 275 pts.
	...	Allen-a-Dale 258 pts.
	...	Little John 251 pts.
	...	Robin Hood 186 pts.

HOUSE NOTES

Friar Tuck is not "Cock" for the seventh successive year; this in itself constituted a record. The monotonous regularity with which they headed the list each year rather tended to rob the House Competitions of much of their interest. The honour of depriving them of a position which they held with distinction goes to Allen-a-Dale so ably led by Pierce-Jones.

A. D. made an excellent start by winning most of the Senior competitions but were rather fortunate that L. J. slipped up badly when one or two of the competitions were all but theirs. Robin Hood were a big disappointment this season, partly because their Captain spent most of the season touring around the Province being interviewed, with a determination to get into the armed forces that would have assured his House of Cock had it been applied in that direction and partly because of a weakness that became apparent as the year progressed.

On the whole the competition was very keen and any one of three Houses would have won the coveted position with a little bit of extra luck. The finest competition came in the under 15 section where the standard was far higher than in previous years.

For the first time the under 12 competitions in Hockey, Football and Cricket were counted towards "Cock"; this served Little John well for they ran away with all three.

Once again the paradoxical situation that the most Efficient House places last was made plain, Robin Hood winning the Efficiency Trophy. Strangely enough, the four Houses in this competition were placed in reverse order of "Cock". Obviously something is amiss in the awarding of points for this handsome trophy.

Here are the points showing the Final Positions of the Houses.

	A.D.	F.T.	L.J.	R.H.
1. Hockey—First elevens	12	6	6	6
2. Hockey—Under 15	12	7	7	4
3. Hockey—Under 12	6	8	12	4
4. Cricket—Under 15	4	6	8	12
5. Tennis	12	8	4	6
6. Cricket—Under 12	6	6	12	6
7. Cricket—First elevens	6	12	6	6
8. Football—Under 12	6	8	12	4
9. Chess	12	8	6	4
10. Football—Under 15	12	6	8	4
11. Football—First elevens	6	12	8	4
12. Physical Training	8	6	12	4
13. Table Tennis	6	12	4	8
14. Debates	12	8	6	4
15. Boxing	4	12	6	8
16. Study	4	6	8	12
17. Efficiency	12	8	6	4
18. Marathon runs	8	12	6	4
19. Athletics	...	...	...	...
TOTALS	160	158	145	110

Office Holders for 1948.

	Allen-a-Dale	Friar Tuck	Little John	Robin Hood
Captain	P. Pierce-Jones	R. Menasse	G. MacFarlane	S. Kent
Vice-Captain	P. Bower	J. Cockesedge	S. Rai	D. Hotz
Prefect		S. Webster		
		Vice-Captain	R. Menasse.	

College Captain S. Kent;

ALLEN-A-DALE

"Glorious it is to wear the crown
Of deserved and pure success."

These oft quoted lines I feel have never before been more fitting to the occasion than to the efforts of my house this year: for the first time after several years have we annexed that very important trophy—Cock House. I congratulate one and all.

When I look back to the months of March and April and realize that at that time I was sufficiently pessimistic to think that Allen-a-Dale could hope for no better than third place, I wonder how on earth I came to such a conclusion. Here in my House were the best Juniors in the school and Seniors who were very far from worst, and yet I thought we had no chance for Cock House. It only shows how modest we were!

Hockey was a great victory for us, we won all our matches comfortably. Our Juniors, though beaten by Little John, nevertheless acquitted themselves well by annexing the 'Under 15 trophy.'

Tennis was almost a walk over. For this, special credit goes to Claude Daly and Kersi Mody who won all their matches throughout the tournament.

By sheer bad luck we came second in the House cricket, sharing this position with Robin Hood and Little John. We lost to Friar Tuck by one wicket and to Little John by a paltry one run.

Debating was the next thing that kept us occupied; our Juniors unfortunately retired to third, but the Seniors, by reaching the finals balanced the Junior result. In the final, however, we were beaten by Friar Tuck—or were we?

Chess was the next competition and it brought with it another first, how could we

lose with the best chess player in the school leading us, K. Mody?

We lost the Physical Training competition for the plain and simple reason that the commander forgot some exercises in the excitement. Yes, I owe my House an apology for the mistake because I feel sure we would have otherwise won this trophy.

We only just managed to win the boxing trophy beating Friar Tuck on the last night of the tournament. In the table tennis we came second. Then came the Marathons and with the help of D. Beard, A. Anis and R. Ghose in the Juniors and J. Kustomjee in the Seniors we won this trophy. We were now certain of Cock House and although we came last in the Study Cup and third in the House Efficiency the points told us that we could not be beaten no matter where we came in the Athletics.

But even though we were thus assured we determined to end the year well, and we did so by coming second in the Athletics chiefly due to the good work of our Juniors. Thus the long race was ended with Allen-a-Dale breasting the tape in style.

I must thank our House Master, Mr. St. J. Smith for his interest and sound advice given to the House throughout the year. Also a big 'thank you' goes to my House Prefect, Pat Bower for his assistance and interest in matters concerning the House.

For the future I wish the House the best, and hope you stick to your motto of "Never give in" and even do better in years to come.

P. PIERCE-JONES,

Captain.

FRIAR TUCK

This year when I returned to Sherwood and found that I had to bid farewell to Robin Hood, I was rather disappointed. However, I was determined to resign myself to my task of leading Friar Tuck and if possible keep up the unbroken reign of 'Cocks' for another year.

Now as I pen these notes, and have seen "the old order changing giving place to new", I am disappointed, for after six years we have been deposed. Well done Allen-a-Dale! I am also glad, not at being deposed, but at the spirit in which the House took the defeat. We never gave up the fight, and right to the very end made Allen-a-Dale fight her way to victory. I must also congratulate Little John, for we only beat them at the tape. However, there is no greater triumph than to go down

fighting, and Friar Tuck need keep her head high.

What impressed me most on entering this House was the grand spirit. 'United we stand' was the motto; from Little Agar to lanky Goonda. Yes everyone was prepared to do his best for the sake of the House, even to the extent of being battered around in the boxing ring, to gain a few points "Who can separate us"—I can hear one word ringing in my ear—NONE.

Hockey was the first trophy we had to battle for, and in Allen-a-Dale we found tough opposition. Fortunately, the other three Houses drew for second place. We were not so fortunate in the Juniors, for though our lads tried hard, they could only bring up the rear.

Unfortunately this year we had no Bill Til-



JUNIOR REX

A. Aris



SENIOR REX

G. MacFarlane



LONG & SHORT

J. Greene & R. Agrawal
with 1000 & 2000



BOXING TEAM.

Against La Martinique College, April, 1948
On floor: E. Bando, J. F. Elbow, R. Natty, B. Leblond,
G. Bando
Kneeling: E. Webster, G. Rickie, P. Miller, N. Leblond
Standing: G. MacFarlane, S. Webster, D. Holt,
P. Ponce-Jules, R. Melleson. (From left to right)



Office A.S. and Sports Day



Handing over Award to the Winner



Two Athletes on



Trophies on Sports Day

dens or Donald Budge for we could only manage a second in the Tennis. There's no doubt, however, that in Stan Webster and "Baby" Dayal we have the makings of a Lindwall and Braffman, for it was their hard work that helped us to retain the Cricket Cup for yet another year. The Juniors did not fare so well, gaining another third place.

In the football neither Seniors nor Juniors could boast of anything better than 4th and 5th respectively.

We seemed to have now been slipping down the ladder, and the members of the House were called upon to pull up their socks, and as I've mentioned they did it with a will, or else we would have been out of the running ages ago.

Yes, the House answered to the call for though there were only a few days left for the Chess tournament, many of the members were seen struggling with the moves of pawns and bishops. This helped, for we managed to come second with a team that at one time seemed hopeless.

We were soon to have better fortune, for in succession we ran away with the Debates and P.T. In the former thanks go mainly to James Cockesedge and Ranjit Mathur, for more or less winning the trophy for us. The P.T. I congratulate the House, for it was only hard practice and the cooperation of all that helped us win it.

We also thought the boxing was ours. So the night of the finals, P.T. were in the lead, but just at the tape Allen-a-Dale soared ahead.

However, with the brawn, Friar Tuck possessed brain as well, for we managed to win both the Study and Sharma trophies. In the Efficiency we unfortunately only gained third.

Now Allen-a-Dale, Friar Tuck and Little John were almost neck and neck for Cock House, and everyone was looking towards the last two events, Marathons and Athletics, to decide the issue. In the Marathons, Allen-a-Dale went ahead thus winning Cock House. We managed to beat Little John, so running second for Cock.

Little John could still beat us and so, everyone put everything he had into training for the Athletics, and I am glad to say, Friar Tuck won the Athletic Shield, and so gained second place in Cock House.

In spite of having lost "Cock House" we have had quite a successful year, and our thanks go mainly to Mr. Boston, our House-master, and my two colleagues, James Cockesedge and Stan Webster, for their unstinted support throughout the year. May Friar Tuck prosper in future years, and may they always keep in mind their motto "Quis Nos Separabit", for in spite of everything it is this which will count.

R. MENASSE;
Captain.

LITTLE JOHN

I came to Sherwood in the year 1946 as the smallest boy in the school. Allen-a-Dale was the House I was to serve, but what my House meant to me, my age did not permit me to understand. For twelve years I nursed an ambition to become Allen-a-Dale House Captain some day, and on returning to school this year, my desire of House Captaincy was fulfilled all right, but to my great disappointment, Allen-a-Dale was not my House.

My Vice-Captain, who came to school just one year after I did, suffered a similar disappointment, after being moulded in Friar Tuck for eleven years, he was transferred with me. To fret over the matter was of course of no use, as we consoled ourselves with the idea that mixed breeds generally produce the best results, and made ourselves acquainted with our new brethren, and began the struggle with high hopes.

In spite of our Senior Hockey and Football elevens being far inferior to the rest, we managed to rank second in both partly through determination and partly through luck. Even Rishi worried his opponents with such unorthodox skill, that they often gave him the ball through sheer disgust. We, however, threw away the football trophy by losing to Robin Hood in the final, when even a draw would have given us first place. The result-

ing replay placed us second to Allen-a-Dale.

There was no doubt that our Juniors had the youngest Hockey and Football elevens. But the encouragement given by our firm supporters on the touch line, helped the Juniors to overlook their handicap, and they placed second in both. Perkins played outstandingly well, and in spite of his small stature, he made circles round boys twice his size—well done 'Perk'.

In both the Senior and Junior Cricket tournaments we gained second place, just beating Allen-a-Dale by one run in the Senior. Both these positions were totally unexpected, so we deserve credit.

In the tennis one could hardly choose a team to represent the House, and our last place was quite apparent from the onset. In the Table-Tennis, however, we made up for this loss, and both Seniors and Juniors had little opposition from any of the other Houses. Ranjit Singh and Donald Graham in the Juniors played very well, and the fact that neither of them lost a match speaks for itself.

In the Chess and Debates we did not fare as we wanted to. It was after these two competitions that our sliding began.

Next came the Boxing, and Friar Tuck or Little John were the predicted winners. In

this tournament it is every single individual that makes the difference, and the whole House, without exception, pulled its weight. Harkans Singh, the baby of the House, fought like a true Sikh, but lost to an older Sikh in the final. Clive McMahon won his weight for the second time, and Bonny Kent showed guts throughout the tournament. Others, too, could well have deserved to be finalists, but the above need special mention. The timely departure of Rai and Sunwal for an I.M.A. interview, lost the House a good thirty points, and a mere third place resulted. Allen-a-Dale now took the lead, and made no mistake in sticking to it.

This year for the first time, the under twelve tournaments were included in Cock House. Our youngsters in this division certainly did splendidly by winning all three tournaments. For these three reads I congratulate R. Singh and L. Scott for captaining these teams so well.

After we sacrificed much of our spare time in practising for the Physical Training competition, we lost the vital red by one and a half points to Friar Tuck. It was obvious now that we could not come Cock, but this did not lower our spirits in the least. The whole House went all out for the Marathon runs which were the next on the programme. Here we were not adequately rewarded for the training we put in, and placed a disheartening third. Congratulations to V. Malboudra for winning the Toddlers Marathon.

In the last month of the Efficiency we gave Robin Hood rather a fright by a last minute pick-up; and lost the first place by only eight points. A win would have deprived them of the only trophy they won on the efforts of the

whole House. So it is good we did not take the little they had.

All the brains of the House are to be thanked for their efforts towards the Study Cup. On the other hand we cannot reprimand those who possess all the brain. We stood second in this trophy.

The Athletics were the last event of the '48 Olympics. It was this that determined a second or third place for us in Cock House, so only a first could save the situation. Here again the departure of S. Rai lost us a considerable number of points, but admittedly our Juniors and under twelve were weak. V. Malboudra in the 'toddlers' division deserves a large "well done" for winning every individual event.

This completed the games, but two all-rounders of the House whose names have been omitted need mention. I refer to 'Handsome' Willis and 'Mike' Hotz. To complete these notes thanks must be given to our House Master Mr. Cazalet who showed the keenest interest. At times his excitement on the touch line reached such a pitch, that it was only his pipe that saved him from being mistaken for one of us. 'Sut' my Vice-Captain afforded me every support. If it were not for his individual efforts on the games' field, I do not know what we would have done.

The whole House has co-operated excellently. We have lived up to our motto, "All for one, and one for all", and it has been a pleasure for me to Captain a House with such a fine spirit. If this same attitude continues, as I know it will, I can see the House Cock next year. So good bye and good luck Little John.

G. MACFARLAINE,
Captain.

ROBIN HOOD

Many of you must still remember my parting words to you in my last year's notes. I had bid goodbye to the House as I had no intentions of returning, but due to unforeseen circumstances, back I was in college in March this year. I was very happy to be back, but my happiness was intensified due to two things. One was, that I had been made College Captain, and the other, that I was once again to be the leader of Robin Hood.

Last year I was keen to write my notes as the term had been a great success for Robin Hood, and I wanted all to read of our accomplishments. Where we succeeded last year, this year we seemed to have failed. I don't know whether the failure is due to my bad leadership, or due to the fact that we had a weak House. If some think it is due to the former, I offer my humble apologies; but if it's the latter, I wish the House better luck next time.

It was quite obvious after half term that we would come last, yet nothing could crush the

"Robin Hood Spirit", and we fought till the very end. It was because of our fine spirit that we managed to play well and force a replay in the House Senior football, and to take second place in the Senior hockey, in the Study Cup, and the Debates. For the latter I would like to congratulate R. Batra on his splendid performance, as it was mainly due to him that we won the Junior debate.

We once again won the House Efficiency, but never came within the first two positions in the Marathons, Table Tennis, Boxing, Physical Training and Chess! Our Juniors did well in the cricket tournament and eventually won it, but came low down in the hockey and football. I would like to commend F. Bancho for his splendid performance in cricket as well as the boxing. I hope he keeps this up, as I can see that he will be of great help to Robin Hood in the future.

Our under 12 and the toddlers are very keen, but it will take them some time to acquire the games senses. All the same, they need

to be congratulated for the keen interest they take in their House whether playing, running or watching.

My warmest thanks go to Mr. Waller, the House Master, for the keen interest he has taken in the House, and for his ever ready help to me in times of necessity. Especially I would like to thank you, Sir for your most valuable assistance during the House debates, for if it had not been for you, we would not have done so well. Thanks once again Sir.

I so far have not mentioned my worthy vice, Dave or commonly known as Denis Compton, but now I pay my thanks to him.

I thank you Dave for ready co-operation, and for your advice during all the activities. I am sure I could not have fulfilled my duties without your help.

Before I close I would like you all to remember one thing. "There is but one way to success and it is paved with the stones of failure." So never stop trying. If the House keeps this saying in mind they are sure to do well. Strive hard and let the Fortune of the House stand. Good luck and God bless.

SHERBY KENT,
Captain

OUR OLD BOYS' CORNER

Occupying the dual role of Officiating Principal and Secretary O. S. S. I do not know whether I should write this message of greeting in the former or in the latter capacity. For years now you have been accustomed to reading a letter of greeting from the Principal and also one from the Secretary. Though many of you may feel that you are being deprived of a literary feast and may feel that the Old Boys' Corner has been made the poorer, you will appreciate, I know, that this letter comes to you from the Principal, the Secretary and above all, your friend, all rolled into one.

When I was asked last year if I would take over the Principalship when Mr. Blinn left, many fears assailed me. I wondered if it would be possible, in these very difficult days, to carry on in the glorious traditions that Mr. Blinn had started; I wondered whether Sherwood, would cease to be as many had assumed when they heard of the departure of Mr. Blinn; this latter, and very pessimistic outlook did not stay with me long. I think the greatest disservice that could be done to the name of Mr. Blinn is to imagine that his work of fifteen years was of such a transient nature as to cease when his guiding hand was withdrawn; rather, the greatest tribute that can be paid to his memory is to show him that he had built a school that could carry on triumphantly without the need for any expert guiding hand.

However, I took over in fear and trembling but particularly conscious of the unique fact that a one time small boy of the school was now to guide its destinies. There was much that gave me courage and added incentive. I knew I had behind me a Staff, led by another Old Sherwoodian in George Thompson, who would back me to the very limits, and I have truly valued this almost unanimous support.

I know I have had the prayers and good wishes of you all and I cannot tell you how much I have appreciated those letters I have received from Old Boys wishing me well. Much of the success of Sherwood is due to the deep interest that is taken in all her doings by you all and I thank God that that interest has not slackened off with the momentous changes that have taken place in India. There are some who have not dropped

us a line since leaving the country and where they are or what they are doing, though of the greatest importance to us is apparently not for us to know. However, I still get innumerable letters from all over the Empire now and all of them tend to restore to their previous blackness the few hairs I still have and which are rapidly greying under the stress of the responsibility that has been laid on my shoulders. There are one or two things that hurt me very deeply; there used to be so many, what appeared to be very loyal, Old Sherwoodians who were always expressing their love and devotion in the 'Good Old Days', these have now completely cut themselves adrift; we receive never a line from them and I don't suppose they now give Sherwood a single thought, their one time intense enthusiasm was apparently just a temporary phase. There are, however, still a great number of you real Old Boys who are always thinking of Sherwood. Quite a number of you visited us again during Founder's week and once again I tell you how glad we were to see you. Do remember that Sherwood is still your home and if ever you feel like a holiday up in these glorious (though this year, very wet) hills you will be very welcome at Sherwood.

My life this year has not been all good fun; worries have crowded upon my narrow shoulders, and sometimes I wonder if a Principal, officiating or permanent, is meant to have any rest. Doug MacFarlane, realising how the continuous knocking on the door was adding gray hairs to my head with an uncontrollable rapidity very kindly had made and sent up to me, a beautiful lamp to hang outside the office door. It is a double lamp—red and white—and with this large and very legible notice pasted on my door I feel that I can shut myself off from the rest of the world:

WHITE—I AM FREE—KNOCK
IF THE LIGHT IS RED—I AM
ENGAGED—DO NOT DISTURB
OUT—SO AM I

Of course in Sherwood putting faith in a thing like this is being too optimistic: at least

a month was spent by the smallest and noisiest elements in the school admiring and discussing the lamp and at one stage there was more noise than before. Anyhow I must thank Don and Doug MacFarlane and Cecil Gill, all of our Khargpur band, for their kind thought and well meant consideration; the lamp is truly a work of art.

This year I have not included extracts from your letters but have, as far as possible, tried to collect information which I can include in its stead.

STANLEY ABRAHAMS: We all remember Stan, one of the many grand all-rounders Sherwood has produced. His sporting activities have not ceased with his recent marriage. At boxing and at cricket he is still a leading light and when I last heard from him, which was many moons ago, he hinted that he was booked as an officer instructor in the Army School of Physical Training.

OSWALD BASON: Chicko deserves our heartiest congratulations on being appointed Principal of the Boys' High School, Panchgani. Being in shoes of a similar pattern my wishes are all the more heartfelt.

TREVOR BARNARD: Who once was one of our most regular correspondents has now shut up like a clam. Taking to journalism should have made him more garrulous than before, but it seems to have had the opposite effect. Life in Kent must be far too gay to permit of time off to write letters that at one time were so frequent and welcome.

LESLIE BEARD: We wonder why we hear no more of Les' achievements in the boxing ring. A lad of his capabilities should certainly have represented his country in the Olympic boxing so recently concluded. The Press made a great fuss about Aaron Joshua who has turned professional in America but somehow failed to remember that one of the few who defeated Joshua in his prime in India was Les. His brother ARNOLD, too, seems to have put away his gloves. The whole Beard family migrated to the U.K. but now rumour has it that they are all on the way back again.

ALWYN BINNS: All will be glad to hear the 'Boss' or 'Bunny' or 'Bindle' or whatever his petname, has at last decided on what he intends doing. He is going to Guildford Grammar School, Perth, Australia, as a senior House master. Knowing his energy and drive we can be sure from now which house will be Cock in their new term. We wish him all good cheer and hope that if there are any of our boys recently migrated, in the same school, they will be put into his house, so that Sherwood can have the full share of the honour of having a Cock House in Australia.

STANLEY BURRETT: The last news I heard of Stan was in the sporting columns of the Illustrated Weekly of India. Stan is apparently adding to his list of sporting triumphs by making a name for himself as a batsman; he no longer has to face the guiles of the Staff opening bowler! Stan is a very regular

correspondent and his letters are a pleasure to read—being so full of the school he has never forgotten. I wonder why he can never get the time to visit us, if he did he would realise why so much time elapses between letters from him and the replies from us; however I know that Stan will realise that even though our letters are long overdue we have not forgotten him.

DENZIL CHARLESTON: Charlo of History and Geography fame is still instilling latitude and longitude into the minds of the young. He is now the senior Geography master at Tavistock Grammar School, and, we also believe he is specialising in P. T. Pam-la has made him a beautiful home and the three of them (Christine must be quite big now) are very happily settled.

CECIL GILL: A little bird has whispered to us that at long last Cecil has decided to take the plunge! All joy and happiness to him and to the future Mrs. Gill. I hope this new venture of his will not prevent his visiting us as frequently as before; we will be very pleased to welcome them both as often as they would like to come.

BERTRAM KETTLE: After a brilliant result in the Intermediate Berlie went off to the U. K. He is hoping to become an engineering draughtsman. His real aim is to be a journalist and he is spending all his spare time in preparation for it taking correspondence courses. He is still playing hockey and is doing very well.

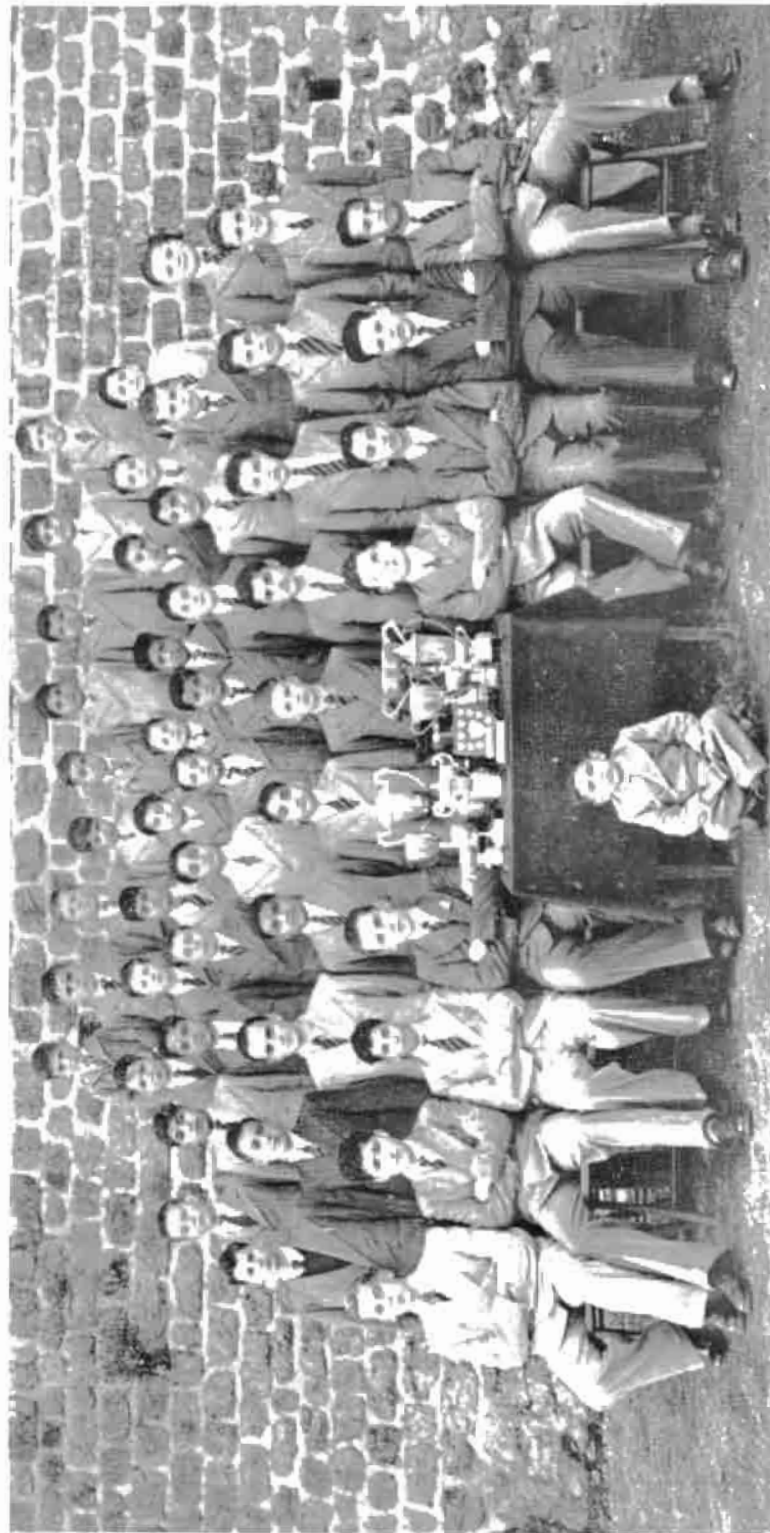
PATRICK MURPHY: Seems to be having the time of his life in England helping in farms and living in Volunteer Agricultural camps. This is certainly a very profitable way of spending time that usually hangs heavily on one's hands. When all this is finished he hopes to go into College to take a training as a Schoolmaster.

ALAN MURPHY: Patrick's younger brother has just finished his Intermediate in England having already passed brilliantly in the same examination in India. He, like his brother spends periods in between studying, picking fruit and helping on farms. Another of his many spare time occupations seems to be cycling round the country, often as much as fifty miles a day.

JAMSHED MATHUR: We have seen Jamshed quite frequently at Naini Tal, in fact he once delivered a very interesting talk to our Scientific Society. He has come out quite a lot since he achieved such distinction in the Intermediate examination, for there was a time, not too far distant when he could not be persuaded to say a word. He is maintaining his brilliant record at the Benares Hindu University and we hope to hear great things of him in the near future.

GORDON RUNDLETT: Is doing brilliantly in an Engineering College in Scotland. What we remember of Gordon in School was that he was happiest on the playing fields and rolling about on his neck in the Gymnasium. Now however, although still achieving fame on

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Second Row: N. Jones, R. Madsen, L. Rasmussen, J. Smith, R. Olsen, A. Malmgren, J. Blackwell, A. Jones, A. Korte, L. Webster, N. Jones.
Third Row: L. Payne, L. Jones, D. Jones, A. Malmgren, J. Blackwell, A. Jones, A. Korte, L. Webster, N. Jones.
Fourth Row: N. Jones, R. Madsen, L. Rasmussen, P. Peterson, H. Quinn, P. Jensen, A. Carlson, E. Dale, L. Hill, D. Thompson.
Seated: N. Jones, R. Madsen, L. Rasmussen, P. Peterson, H. Quinn, P. Jensen, A. Carlson, E. Dale, L. Hill, D. Thompson.

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the sports field he is doing equally well at his work. Gordon writes often and we are very glad indeed to get his letters.

AUBREY THORP: Seems to be gaining experience and avordupois in a gold mine in South Africa. He has written a very interesting article which comes at the end of this corner about the conversion of the mineral as mined and then turned into the glistening blocks which we would all like to possess.

The year 1948 is fast drawing to a close. When we gathered in March there was a great deal of uncertainty in the air, and a great deal

of sorrow. Many could not visualise Sherwood without Mr. Binns, but he has been with us in spirit and our troubles are still his troubles and our joys are still his joys. In the same way I know you have all been with us in spirit; if you have any fears cast them aside—Sherwood has been built on a rock; we do however need your continued interest. May God bless you all in your work and homes.

Your Principal, Secretary and Friend,

(Sd.) R. T. LEAN.

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the old Sherwoodian Society
held in the Staff common room at Sherwood College
on Thursday, 8th June, 1948.**

In the Chair: Mr. G. G. Thompson

PRESENT: Messrs. T. R. Gasper, H. C. Thompson, E. Elloy, I. Shepherd, B. Paul, C. Monks, M. Patni, W. Fordham, E. Waller, E. Walls, C. Nathon, G. Lean, T. Lean, R. Law, C. Elloy, D. F. MacFarlane, T. Rekhar, R. O. Thompson, G. Whitelegge, N. Anthony, and R. Lean.

1. The minutes of the meeting of June, 1947 were read and passed.
2. Points arising from the minutes
 - (a) It was decided that scholarships and monetary aid from the O.B.S.F. should be reserved for sons of Old Boys entirely.
 - (b) The idea of forming branch societies in India was dropped; the only enthusiasm apparent being for the parent body. However much was expected from the branch society in England which the enthusiasm of such staunch Old Sherwoodians as Alwyn Binns and Ted Thomas would surely make a flourishing society.
3. The statement of accounts showing a credit balance of Rs. 513/5/- was passed.
4. The Secretary reported a big drop in the number of accepted V. P. Ps. This not only entailed an actual loss in funds but also meant that many members were not paying subscriptions. It was decided to send out magazines only to those who paid subscriptions in advance but that a circular containing this resolution be first sent to all old boys.

5. Messages of good wishes from Rev. A. E. Binns, Major Ted Thomas and C. Culpeper were read out.

6. The following resolution of appreciation of Mr. Binns' work in Sherwood and of his efforts to start a branch in England was passed amid acclamation. The Secretary was asked to convey the resolution to Mr. Binns.

"This meeting wishes to place on record the deep debt of gratitude it feels for the Rev. A. E. Binns for his devoted service to Sherwood over a period of fifteen years. It also wishes to convey to Mr. Binns the thanks of the whole society for his efforts to form a branch in England. With his acknowledged drive and initiative there can be no doubt that the society will soon be in a flourishing state."

7. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. R. T. Lean for his successful efforts to have the grants restored to the College.
8. Resolutions of Congratulation were passed on behalf of the following:
 - C. Nathon and T. Healy on their recent marriages
 - G. Nagle on his brilliant career at the Academy
 - R. Lean on his appointment as officiating Principal of Sherwood
9. A resolution of condolence was passed on the tragic death of Richard Cockburn
10. The meeting was adjourned after a vote of thanks was passed to the Hony. Secy.

Statement of Accounts

1st June, 1947 to 31st May, 1948

INCOME :		EXPENDITURE :	
Credit balance from 1947	... 489/2/6	To 110 magazines	... 220/-
Subs. in cash	... 184/-	To postage on Mags	... 30/1/6
Subs. per V. P. P.	... 196/8/-	To Taylor Memorial	... 29/8/-
Subs. per Staff	... 34/-	To blocks for Memorial	... 69/-
		To postage on circulars	... 10/2/-
		Correspondents	... 31/10/-
		TOTAL	... 390/5/6
		Credit Balance	... 513/5/-
GRAND TOTAL	... 903/10/6	GRAND TOTAL	... 903/10/6

List of Members

This list contains the names of all those who were members until very recently. Some have just vanished into the void and we hope they will now make an effort to come back into the fold.

A.

W. Abbott; K. Atkins; I. Athar Ali; C. Abrahams; H. Abraham, Boys' High School, Panchgani; H. Ahmad; D. Anthony, Y. M. C. A., Forster Square, Bradford, Yorkshire.

B.

O. Bason, Boys' High School, Panchgani; A. Brown; F. Bowder, 5, Fawnbrake Avenue, Havelock Road, Lucknow; K. Bhatt, St. Paul's School, Calcutta; T. Barnard, 152, Longlands Road, Sidcup, Kent; R. Bery; E. Barnard, C. Barnard, as for T. Barnard; T. Butcher; D. Beck; L. Beard, A. Beard; A. E. Binns, Guildford Grammar School, Perth; K. Butcher; J. Billimoria, Central Bank, Cawnpore; C. Binns; R. Bilgrami; S. Beanland; S. Burrett, K. G. V. O. Bengal Sappers and Miners Mess, Roorkee; V. Beck; W. Boston, Sherwood College; J. Baron, 32, Beddington Gardens, Wallington, Surrey; P. Brumby, Air Services of India, Scindia House, Ballard Estate, Bombay;

C.

H. Cotton; A. Chill; C. Culpeper, Rly. Quarters, Phulera; C. Clements; W. Chill; H. Cavell; B. Carroll; C. Crawshaw; D. Charleston, 6, Abbey Mead, Plymouth Road, Tavistock, Devon; E. Chapman; V. Cherryman; P. Crawshaw; A. Cazalet, Sherwood; R. Crawshaw; D. Collins, R. A. A. F., Pearce, W. Australia;

D.

H. Dudt, D. F. O., Lakhimpur; R. Dudt, Boys' High School, Allahabad; S. Dube; B. Dench; M. Drew; D. Drew, G. Drew, B. Drew, Hainton, Station Road, New Waltham, Grimsby; E. Duke-Cohan, 62, Compayne Gardens, W. Hampstead;

E.

L. Elloy; C. Elloy, E. Elloy, Traffic Department Quarters, Moradabad; C. Edwards; E. Underwood, G. Underwood;

F.

G. Fanthome; G. Frampton; A. Forrester, Olphert's Paint Works, Katni; W. Fordham, Sherwood; S. Freemantle; F. Friedlaender, C/o. Mr. Harold B. Block, 1306 Murray Avenue, Pittsburg 17, Pa. U. S. A.; A. Forbes, B. Forbes; J. Francis; D. Fitzpatrick;

G.

E. Grange, N. Grange, J. Grange; G. Green, G. C. Green, A. Green, S. Green, Khargpur; C. Gill, Wynne Court, Khargpur; T. Gasper, Sherwood College; E. Green; I. Glendenning P. Grey; L. Grose; R. Gasper, 108, Groundwell Road, Swindon; L. George, Farnborough Grange Hostel, Hawley Lane, Farnborough;

H.

A. Henderson, Beawar Road, Ajmer; D. Henderson; J. Hogan; T. Hill; D. Hardaker; N. Hadley; C. Haye, Station Master, Bareilly; D. Haye, B. Haye, C. Haye, J. Haye; K. Howe, J. Howe, D. Howe; R. Harben, Bungalow, 327, Khargpur; C. Harben, 805, West End, Khargpur;

J.

I. Joseph, D. Joseph, C/o. Statesman Office, Connaught Circus, New Delhi; W. Johnstone;

K.

A. Kidwai; H. Kidwai, D. T. S., Claims Reorganisation, Gorakhpur; B. Kettle, 9, Tentercroft Street, Lincoln; H. Kapur;

L.

F. Lean, Sherwood; F. Lean, M. Lean, G. Lean, T. Lean; D. Lean, S. P. R. T., Singri; R. Lean, Sherwood; R. Llewellyn; N. Lumel, Grace Villa, Mayo College Road, Ajmer; G. Linton; J. Loadman; W. Likeman; P. Lawlor; D. Leggatt, Wilkie Cottage, Radnor Cliff, Folkestone, Kent; R. Law, Sherwood;

M.

D. A. MacFarlane, Bungalow 203, Khargpur; D. F. MacFarlane, 808, West End, Khargpur; A. Murphy; E. Murtough; 252, Napier Town, Jubblepore; P. Murphy, Ashbourne, Lebanon Gardens, Biggin Hill, Kent; Y and E. Marcar, Loughborough College; A. M. Murphy, 63, Wandsworth Bridge Road, London; J. Mathur, Hindu University, Banares;

N.

S. Nelson; L. Nagle; G. Nagle;

P.

O. Pushong, Cecil Hotel, Delhi; S. Plumley, G. Plumley;

R.

W. Ritchson, P. W. I., Moghalsarai; A. Ritchson, Bilaspur; C. Rees, Imperial Mansions, Cuffe Parade, Colaba. Bombay; H. Richardson; D. Rath; R. Ringer; D. Robinson; T. Rekhar, Sherwood; G. Rundlett, 12, Cairntoul Place, Scotstoun, Glasgow; D. Reid, Loughborough College;

S.

H. Summers, D. T. S., Gorakhpur; G. Smith, 21, Broadstreet, Haverhill, Suffolk; J. Shepherd; N. Stracey; C. Salmon; W. Salmon; K. Shitole; T. Sharma; R. Sinclair-Day; R. Seymour, Waldie and Co., Konnagar; H. St. C. Stracey; W. Seth, Bungalow 325, Khargpur; J. Smith, Sherwood; St. J. Smith, Sherwood; R. Seymour, Loughborough College; C. Stark; V. Sharma;

T.

H. C. Thompson, Priory Cottage, Naini Tal; H. B. Thompson, Ayarpatta House; M. Taylor, A. Taylor; T. Tewari; E. O'D. Thomas; G. Thompson; Sherwood; P. Thapan, Jamalpur; A. Thorp, Staff Mess, Consolidated Main Reef Mine, Maraisburg, Transvaal; T. Twigg, A. Twigg, 27, Narindra Place, Parliament Street, New Delhi; A. Taylor, 24, Devonshire Road, Linthorpe;

U.

E. Underwood, G. Underwood;

W.

T. Willmer; J. Willmer, Debi Cottage, Naini Tal; C. Webster; O. Wragg; A. White, 73, Nicholson Street, Ballarat East, Victoria; A. Whitmarsh-Knight, Elgin Mills, Kanpur; T. Whitmarsh-Knight, Bishop Cotton School, Simla; J. Whitmarsh-Knight, P. Whitmarsh-Knight; N. Wordsworth, Sherwood; E. White-side; J. Woodall, Loughborough College; E. Walls; G. Whitelegge; E. Waller, Sherwood;

(I very much fear that this list is even more incomplete than it has been in previous years. In most cases the addresses have been omitted because I have no idea where the persons concerned have gone. Should any of you happen to meet up with Old Sherwoodians of any vintage you will be doing us all a great favour if you would get us into touch with each other again).

R. T. LEAN.

"GOUD [MYN]"

Up in the Transvaal, between the towns of Springs and Randfontein is the Whitwaterseand, or the Reef as it is commonly called. With Johannesburg as its capital the Reef is the richest part of South Africa producing the Union's chief product—Gold.

Through American influence most people see Gold Miners and Mining, as bewhiskered old men squatting on their haunches beside a mountain stream panning gravel and sand in a sieve. Fortunately mining is quite different now-a-days, and a Gold Mine is now a gigantic machine, with every section working in perfect harmony, from the time the Miner's pick digs out a piece of rock to the time the Gold block is produced.

Mines which have been working a few years have on an average about nine shafts, which are either vertical or inclined.

Shafts are sunk either vertically or on an incline to cut the ore bearing reef underground.

From the main shaft other tunnels branch off; the tunnels are known as Levels or Drives. Levels are usually 250 to 300 feet apart. On the other hand some shafts have their Drives as much as 1,000 feet apart.

From the Drives other tunnels or Steeps branch off; usually upwards or downwards, to get to the ore.

The means of going up or down the shaft is by "Skip", which is like an ordinary elevator, except, that it has wheels on the sides and runs on rails, or rather is pulled up or lowered along the rails. At the head of each Drive is a station for embarking and disembarking. Great care must be taken here, for a slip may mean a fall of thousands of feet. There is an elaborate system of rings on an electric bell to summon the Skip to different stations.

Along the Drives are railway tracks, along which run the ore laden trucks or "Coco Pans". These are drawn by electric locomotives.

The Miner and his gang of natives blast and dig out the ore which is loaded into the Coco Pans, taken to the station, and up to the surface by Skip.

This all sounds very simple, but one has actually to go underground to realise what actually goes on down there. To go underground is like going into a big factory. There is a big generating plant which supplies the whole shaft with electricity. Then there is the big ventilating plant, while each Drive and Steep has fans and air doors installed. There is also a large workshop where minor repairs are done.

To enable one Miner to dig out ore bearing rock the following people are busy. The

Stores supply all his tools, and Dynamite and Gelignite for blasting. The Rockdrill fitter gets his machine serviced. The Ventilation department ventilate the Shaft. The Electricians supply the lighting and the power for the locos to pull the "Coco Pans", the laying of the tracks for these Pans comes under the Fitters and Riggers, while the Timberman is responsible for boarding up the Steops and putting timbers up to keep the roof up.

Underground there are frequent falls of rock, and old Steops and Drives caving in. These cause a minor earth tremor, to which the inhabitants of the Reef are quite accustomed now.

Working underground has its dangers, for there are quite a number of things which may go wrong. A hanging of rock may fall and either kill a person, or block the Steop. Or, due to faulty or old timbering, the sides of the Steop may cave in. Often underground

springs and gas are encountered. Being gassed underground is dangerous, and if not promptly attended to usually proves fatal. It's the Ventilation Department's job to test for gas. For this a special instrument is used though a few miners do take canaries down their shafts.

A gold brick is about the size of an ordinary building brick. When visitors are shown round the Mine, they are usually told that if they can pick a gold brick off the floor with one hand, they may keep the brick. I've never known anyone, or heard of anyone picking up the brick.

The gold leaves the Mines once a week. A police van usually picks it up on a Monday. The guard on a few gold bricks would do credit to Royalty.

Oh yes, Goud Myn is Afrikaans for Gold Mining.

A. THORPE, (O.S.).