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EDITORIAL

The departure of Mr. R. T. Lean after thirty-two years faithful service in the College as boy, master, and finally Principal is necessarily uppermost in our minds in reviewing the events of the past year. Mr. Lean's task as Principal was undertaken during a specially difficult period in the history of the College. Owing to the exodus from India of many Anglo-Indian and English families boys were necessarily leaving before the completion of a normal school career, and the College was not sufficiently well known in Indian circles for these numbers to be immediately made good. That building up of recognition and trust throughout the country is indeed a process which must continue for many years, but it was in Mr. Lean's time that it was perhaps seriously begun, and although he was not able to remain to see the College at its full strength, the foundation work has been well and truly done. The happy brotherhood which Mr. Lean has left behind him at Sherwood is perhaps the best testimony to his loyal and devoted service, and doubtless the one which he would value most. Parents, staff and boys alike remember him with a real warmth of affection, and to send him the gratitude and good wishes of all connected with Sherwood must be our readers' first desire as this magazine is sent on its way. When I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Lean in London in August he asked to be remembered to many friends. I take this opportunity of conveying his greetings.

As Mr. Lean's successor in September may I thank many parents and others for their cordial good wishes on taking up my new work. I am indeed pleased and honoured to have been invited by the Bishop and Governing Body to serve at Sherwood, for the School has long been known to me. During the past years I paid many pleasant visits to the College and shared with many of its staff and boys the joys and sorrows which it has so bravely and steadily maintained year after year.

And now we look forward to a period of building up and expansion. Our appeal fund for two lakhs of rupees will be covered later on in this magazine. All contributions will be most gratefully received and we trust our readers will make a whole-hearted and generous response. In the changing times we are now passing through it is most desirable that the School should build up a moderately large reserve fund, as also that we should meet the challenge of our times by steady progress and development. As the gap in our numbers is filled, the economy of the School will become increasingly easy, and all lovers of Sherwood will rejoice at seeing her former numbers restored. In the meantime let us be thankful that we have a good foundation to build on, a loyal and devoted body of staff and boys in whom must belong the credit for the continued maintenance of the high standards of previous years.

R. C. Llewelyn (Principal)

Mr. R. T. LEAN.

Principal from 31st December, 1947 to 23rd July, 1951.

Sherwood bid farewell to Mr. Lean on Monday, 23rd July. His departure for the U.K. has been a great loss to the College for he held a unique position here, having been associated with Sherwood for over 32 years as boy, master and Principal.

Mr. Lean came to Sherwood, then the Diocesan Boys' School, in 1917, as quite a small boy, and his school career covered a period of ten years. In 1927 he proceeded to Chelmsford Training College, Ghora Gali, where he took his training. He returned to Naini Tal and on April 15th, 1930 joined the Sherwood College Staff as a junior master.



MR. R. T. LEAN

In 1945, Mr. Lean was appointed first assistant master and acted in that capacity until 1947. In that year, on the departure of Mr. Binns, Mr. Lean

was appointed Principal. This was a fitting tribute to one so closely connected with the traditions and training of the School. As Principal Mr. Lean steered Sherwood through an exceptionally difficult period and it was his devotion to the School which gave him the strength and courage to carry on. It can honestly be said that during his term Sherwood has lived up to its proud reputation. In more normal times the success of his efforts here would have been more readily apparent. As it was, our little community continued to flourish, and due entirely to his friendliness and tact, his sense of humour and ready willingness to dwell together.

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G. T.

FAREWELL TO Mr. LEAN.

It was unanimously agreed that some useful gift be presented to Mr. Lean before he concluded a Sherwood stay that had extended, in one way or another, over three decades. The nature of the gift was also decided in a matter of moments and all thought that Staff, Boys and Parents might associate themselves with it. It was also arranged to ask each parent for a subscription of a size such that all could participate, while still making it easy to raise the desired amount.

The Boys, it was learned, had, for once, beaten the Staff to it. Not only had they already collected their subscriptions, but they had also ordered and received their gifts from far away Bangkok. But then, the Sherwood lad has never lacked initiative.

The fact that the boys were not participating in the single presentation did not make for the obvious difficulty, so well did the parents respond that the target sum was reached easily and soon. Though the boys were making a separate gift it was still possible to give Mr. Lean his presents on the one occasion.

It was, of course, impossible to prevent Mr. Lean from knowing that such a Presentation was to be made. Sherwood tradition, in which he was so well steeped must have told him that, even before odd subscriptions for the gift reached him direct. It was possible, though, to keep secret from Mr. Lean the nature of the gift and the date of its presentation.

A member of the staff was deputed to go to Bareilly to make a final selection and purchase of the typewriter. In most cases members of the staff go to Bareilly for urgent medical reasons. Mr. Lean, therefore, instantly complied with the request for casual leave and, though no reason had been given, wondered from what mysterious ailment this particular staff member, usually extremely healthy, was suddenly suffering.

The decision to hold a Staff Social Club function on the evening of July 5th seemed in itself perfectly guileless. Such a function was long overdue and, with July 6th a holiday, the choice of July 5th seemed ideal. At most it could have been taken, superficially, one which was a happy coincidence, a celebration of Mr. Lean's birthday by us all for once.

Thursday, July 5th, dawned brightly and remained perfect from the point of view of weather. In all other ways, too, it was clearly a Red Letter Day; even the Commissariat rose to the occasion with a lunch of chicken curry that earned many words of appreciation and praise.

The Staff Social began innocently enough with whist but suddenly the whist was interrupted with the arrival of the entire School resplendent in Sunday suits. Mr. G. Thompson then, on behalf of the staff and parents, making a brief reference to Mr. Lean's long association with Sherwood asked him to accept, as some token of appreciation, the gift we were making. On behalf of the boys, Michael Hotz had little to say but two gifts to offer, a silver cigarette case and a Ronson lighter. The gift from staff and parents took the form of the latest word in Remington portable typewriters. The machine was presented in a travelling case to which was fixed a silver plaque engraved with the Sherwood crest and suitably inscribed. This was further enclosed in a fitting canvas case as further protection.

Mr. Lean expressed his warmest thanks for the gifts though he also expressed disagreement with the practices of making expensive gifts as tokens of farewell. He claimed that he needed no material reminders of his long association with Sherwood.

He had come to Sherwood as a small boy—"probably no less grubby than any Horsman Wing youngster to-day," said he—and had been at Sherwood as a pupil, a pupil teacher, assistant master and finally as Principal. Memories of thirty years and more cannot be crowded down or erased by later absence, however distant. It would have been strangely unlike Mr. Lean if he hadn't found something by which to pull the boys' legs. He asserted that he could hardly have hoped for anything more useful than a typewriter nor for a better model, but he also claimed that, as smoking was obviously a luxury in the U.K., he had previously decided on becoming a non-smoker but now, since he'd have to use the grand gift made by the boys, he hoped they would facilitate this by making him regular gift parcels of cigarettes! Nevertheless, Mr. Lean was deeply moved and who wouldn't be under the circumstances?

The presentations over, the Social continued, reaching a climax with a superb dinner of the type that must figure in the dreams, if they have time to dream, of people who have abandoned India for England.

Thus was Mr. Lean's last birthday at Sherwood celebrated. Never before had Sherwood intruded on the privacy of such a celebration but on this last occasion it is doubtful whether Mr. Lean himself would have wished otherwise than to celebrate in such a manner, surrounded by his friends, to whom he was saying

The New Principal

The Rev. R. C. Llewelyn, M.A., arrived at Sherwood to take up the office of Principal on September 4th. Mr. Llewelyn entered Cambridge University in 1929, taking 2nd class honours in the Mathematical Tripos in 1930, and was a Junior Optime in 1932. In 1932 he went to Westminster School as an assistant master, taking Holy Orders in 1936. During the war he was Headmaster of the Hallett War School, Naini Tal, a school started for boys and girls evacuated from England by their parents in India. On the close of this school in 1944 he returned to Westminster School as chaplain for one year, and then went to the Bahamas to help start the Diocesan School, St. John's College, Nassau, relinquishing the headmastership last June.



THE REV. R. SHARP, THE PRINCIPAL,
THE BISHOP OF LUCKNOW.

Speech Day, 1951

On our Speech Day October 4th we were honoured to have with us His Excellency Sir Homi Modi who delighted his audience with a happy and informal speech, and one which gave much encouragement in the type of work which Sherwood is setting out to do. The programme opened with the Principal's report and was fol-

lowed by His Excellency's speech, both of which are reported in the following pages. After the prize-giving and austerity tea the Junior School presented "King Catarrho," a musical comedy appreciatively received both for the quality of acting and singing, and for the splendour and gaiety of the dresses. A report will be found later in these pages.

Principal's Report

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Your Excellency once again to the College. Last year the School suffered keen disappointment when it was learnt that Your Excellency's Speech Day visit would have to be cancelled. The reason for this change of plan, the sudden illness of Lady Modi, was a matter of concern to the School, as to numberless others of Your Excellency's subjects throughout the Province. We are happy to know that Lady Modi's recovery has been complete, and we were delighted to welcome her here yesterday for our sports, and we hope that both Your Excellency and Lady Modi will pay us many other visits, for your interest in education, and keen appreciation of the activities of schools in your Province are well known to us all.

It is my privilege and duty to make a report of the School to Your Excellency, though possibly, Sir, you know more about the School than I do myself. For I have been here only one month. However, I am glad to review the events of the past year as well as I can, though I regret that such a review must inevitably lose something of the personal touch and warmth which could be added only by one who had himself been a participator in the events recorded.

I have, however, in spite of my short time at the school been privileged to know something of

Sherwood and her traditions over a period of more than ten years. Indeed I may say it was that knowledge which made me anxious to accept the Bishop's request last November to take up my post here. During the war years when my work was also in Naini Tal, I had the pleasure of visiting Sherwood on many occasions, and I remember well how impressed all of us were, visitors and parents, by the standards achieved and maintained year after year.

The event of this year which must, of course, find first place in this report is the departure of Mr. Lean on July 23rd after 32 years faithful and devoted service to the School as boy, master, and finally Principal. Mr. Lean took over the post of Principal at a difficult and anxious stage in the life of the School. The Country was going through a period of change and readjustment, and families in the English and Anglo-Indian Communities, Communities in which the School had been well-known and trusted for many years, were leaving the Country and taking their boys with them. The School was not at that time well enough known in Indian circles for these losses to be immediately replaced and consequently our numbers dropped. To Mr. Lean fell the difficult economic task of steering the School through this anxious period. It could not be a year of expansion or development, but it was

a period of consolidation, and Mr. Lean laid a foundation on which it must be for another to build. I cannot speak of Mr. Lean's work personally for I did not know him. But I do know what he has left behind him, a deep affection and respect, and a body of boys and staff, loyal and devoted to their School. The School is a very happy brotherhood and that, I believe, is Mr. Lean's legacy, and it is the best possible foundation on which to build.

One other departure perhaps best finds mention here, that of Mr. and Mrs. St. John Smith at the end of last year. Mr. St. John Smith will be remembered in the School both as a first class teacher of English to which his examination results bear ample record, and as one who excelled in hockey in which game he was the School coach. Mrs. St. John Smith worked as a matron in the Senior School until Mr. St. John Smith took over the responsibility for the ParLOUR Boarders. In that work they were succeeded at the beginning of this year by Mr. and Mrs. Reghelin for whose voluntary services in the running of this department the School has every reason to be grateful.

The examination results have remained at a high level. In the Intermediate Science Examination all three candidates presented passed in the Second Division. In the School Certificate seven of the nine candidates passed, two in the first division and three in the second. In the Junior Cambridge all ten candidates passed. It should be mentioned that 1950 was the last year in which this examination could be taken.

The music examinations were also once again of very high standard. In the Theory of Music in the Junior Division all seven candidates passed with honours, five of them gaining 100%, one 99%, and the other 91%. In the Preparatory Division all four passed with honours the lowest marks being 93%. In the Practical, eight of the fifteen candidates passed with honours. These results belong to last year and were not available in time for the last report. This year four of the fourteen candidates passed with honours and the remainder with merit. While we congratulate the candidates on the hard work and skill which led to these good results, we must not forget to thank and congratulate Mr. Thompson whose skilful teaching and devoted attention made possible their success. Our music pupils and our choir are most fortunate to have Mr. Thompson as their teacher. Though it does not belong properly to the subject of this report I will pass on to you something which Mr. Guy Magrath, examiner of music for Trinity College of Music, London, told me. In many years of examining in every Continent excepting South America his top candidate for Higher Local grade was a Sherwood College boy with 97% trained under Mr. Thompson.

There are several other successes of Sherwood boys, past or present, which should find mention here. To P. Puri fell the honour last year of being top in the Province in the Hindi competition (Junior Class) for those whose mother tongue was not Hindi. To an Old Boy, Anand Mohan Lal, has fallen the distinction of being top in the

B.Sc. in Allahabad University, and two other Old Boys, C. Penn-Anthony and R. Dayal scored respectively the first and second highest marks in English in the Bachelor of Arts Examination in the same University. Penn-Anthony was also awarded the Dunn Medal.

Turning to games we may report that the traditions of former years have been maintained. Sherwood cricket has for the past two years been nurtured by Mr. Lean, himself a capable all round cricketer, and his departure represents a great loss in this as in other spheres. Our first season played games against a Military XI and the C.V.N. Club and acquitted themselves creditably. We have a young side, many of the team being actually juniors, that is under 15 years of age, but there is more than average ability. We did, however, suffer a blow to our pride when the annual Founder's Week match with the Past resulted in a glorious victory for them! In the ensuing Dasdra holidays we hope to have more than one good cricket fixture. We are grateful to Mr. Gasper for taking charge of cricket in succession to Mr. Lean.

In football which is in the capable hands of Mr. Pratt, in spite of once again having a young side we have done particularly well; what has been given away in years and experience has been balanced by keenness and determination. During the season we played half a dozen outside fixtures winning all but one. I was privileged to see on the day of my arrival our last game against our most redoubtable opponents, the Naini Tal Police. What impressed me most was the good team spirit and hard play. The match ended in a draw but the result reflected creditably on the performance given by a team with an average age of a little over sixteen years, against a tough, hard kicking side like the Police. Against the Izzatnagar Team, a side which had the distinction of entering the final round of the O. T. Railway Tournament we gained a well merited win by four goals to one.

Hockey is a major item in our sports year and we manage to fit in two hockey seasons during the nine months, one at the beginning and one at the end of the year. We are fortunate in having a coach of Mr. Waller's qualities to succeed Mr. St. John Smith in this game. The climax of the season is our Annual fixture against La Martinière College, Lucknow. This season's match was our 17th encounter, and we have yet to be beaten on our own ground. The record was maintained this year, the match ending in a draw, one goal all. I must here publicly thank all local teams who trudged up the hill to give our boys practice—no less than fifteen outside fixtures were arranged before we met La Martinière. This year the O. T. Railway from Izzatnagar paid us a visit bringing with them a very powerful team containing one U. P. player and five other selected players. But again our boys rose to the occasion and this highly experienced team had to be content with a draw, two all. We now plan to enter for the local hockey tournament this month. It is many years since we entered these tournaments, and we look forward to the competition with keen anticipation, assured of some vigorous and exciting games.

Physical Training continues to play an important part in our syllabus. A display was given again this year during Founder's Week in which we were honoured by Your Excellency's presence. Those who saw it are assured it was up to past standards, and that is saying a great deal. Sherwood's P. T. was also brought before a large public, again in Your Excellency's presence, this time on the Flats during 'Festival Week.' This display, many have assured me, was the making of the week and brought congratulations to the School from many sources. Mr. Fordham's task with smaller numbers and younger boys has been more difficult than in the past and he is to be heartily congratulated on these splendid displays.

Yesterday we had a very successful sports meeting. Our thanks go to Mr. Gasper for all the hard work behind the running and the organising of the sports.

Tennis, also in Mr. Waller's capable hands, is not neglected. We have 55 boys in the tennis club. The monsoons divide our tennis year into two parts. The high light of the first portion is the Inter House Tournament which this year produced as keen a competition as ever. The next part of the season which follows these holidays will be occupied in playing off two handicaps and one open tournament. Considering the ages of the boys 15-17, the standard is as good as ever.

I must not take time here to refer, except for a sentence in passing, to other sports and games activities. For full accounts I must refer you to the magazine. Boxing has been as keen as ever and a very successful tournament in which 120 boys took part was held in August.

The enthusiasm for table tennis has been unabated and this game has received encouragement by the presentation of a cup for an Open Singles Championship. This has filled a long felt need and our thanks go to Mr. S. A. Thomas, Superintendent of Police, for making this kind presentation. Chess, too, finds an increasing number of enthusiasts, and we now have a chess room in which a dozen or so games can be played at once.

We believe that our curriculum should aim at an all-round development and are anxious to encourage such activities as Dramatics and Debating. Our Dramatic Society comprises a handful of enthusiastic 'stars' and a number of staff to guide their enthusiasm. Together they work towards providing entertainment and enjoyment and, what is more important to the development of assurance, and the art of speaking clearly and confidently. Our equipment lacks completeness in

many respects and often the time factor operates strongly against us, in a school, there are many things to be done besides concentrating on plays. These are serious handicaps but the boys have done well given to give up holidays for practising. It is much to overcome, at least the latter, by their this sort of co-operation from the cast which makes a producer's task—and Mr. Sterling is our keen and skilful producer—an inspiration and a pleasure. This year the play was 'George and Margaret' which, I am told, was a great success. We hope many of you will be able to stay to see the Junior Entertainment after our speeches.

Both the Junior and Senior Debating Societies which have the benefit of Mr. Reghelini's experience and direction have functioned efficiently and enthusiastically. There were ten Junior debates and eight senior. Not only do we seek to teach our boys to be good speakers and skilful debaters, but, what I think is important, to conduct their debates in the proper procedure. It is encouraging to see boys rising on points of order, information and explanation. Whenever a debate is thrown

open to the House the boys respond splendidly.

The principal speakers themselves have approached the subject for debate in a spirit of research, and produced statistics and quotations in support of their arguments.

The health record has been good apart from an epidemic of mumps from which eight boys suffered. Of all infectious diseases, mumps is about the most difficult to be rid of, so we may be thankful that what appears to be our last case has recently been discharged.

Mention must be made of my own arrival on Sept. 4th. Mr. Thompson and Mr. Waller were

good enough to meet me at the terminus and there was a hearty welcome from the School at the top of the hill. The School Captain and Prefects by a process of ingenuity known only to school boys discovered an ancient tradition decreeing a holiday on the arrival of a new Principal. I was later told it had operated only once since 1907 so this discovery must rank amongst Hotz's more erudite pieces of research. At any rate the holiday was enjoyed by all.

For me, this month has been taken up in learning the ways of the School, and in this task I have been fortunate in having so loyal and wise a colleague as Mr. Thompson as First Assistant. Mr. Thompson's work for Sherwood extends over some 21 years. There are many more fitted to pay tribute to it than I, but I want here to express my gratitude to him both personally and on behalf of us all for his capable and devoted work both in helping me whilst I have been here, and during the interregnum.

And now for the remainder of the report, may I, with you, look forward. In these difficult times of changing conditions and rising



HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR WITH
MR. R. T. LEAN.

costs we need two things to enable us to go ahead. First, we must look to build up our strength in numbers. One hundred and seventy boys is not a sound number economically for any school of our age range, and more especially is that so in our case when our buildings are equipped for three hundred. This drop in numbers, as I have said earlier, is easily accounted for by the changed conditions of the past four years and the exodus from India of many from the Communities in which the School has been best known for the greater part, almost the whole part of its life. We are still anxious to serve these Communities, and we believe that we can, but we are engaged, too, in building up a tradition of recognition and trust in all sections of the country. This process is really now only in its beginning. And I appeal to parents and all who read or hear this report to do what you consider you conscientiously can to help it forward. May I say that we do not want an indiscriminating advertising of the School. That I think would only tend to confuse, and would help neither us nor other people. I am asking for something which is at once easier, more simple, and unobtrusive. If you think that Sherwood has

served your boy well and that there are families whom you know whom you think would be especially well served then I would ask you to introduce them to the School. I am myself planning to visit Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, and the large cities of this Province during the winter vacation, and I hope there will be a chance of meeting parents and Old Boys and also new parents who may wish to consider sending their boys here, and that our present parents will help to bring me into contact with them. It is, of course, only stating our side of the question to say that for the smoothest and most efficient working of the School we should have between 250 and 300 boys. The other side is that there must be at least that number of families, and many more whom we believe we could usefully and satisfactorily serve. In fact it is really a matter of introduction.

And the second thing we need is money, and this, I think, is the right moment to appeal for it, when a new Principal takes up his work at the School. We need money for a number of purposes. We need a fund which will be a safeguard against any possible future drop in Government Grants; we need a fund from which we can help families whom the School can serve but who cannot themselves afford the full fees; we need a fund on which we can draw for purposes of development, amongst other things we should like to see an expanding Art Department, and opportunities for the teaching and putting of the hobbies of handicrafts, for both of which we have the space which is the basic need. And from time to time we shall need money for other purposes as well. I think we ought to appeal for two lakhs of Rupees and in time I am sure we may be confident that this sum will be raised. For this we must cast our net

widely. And we want to start at the centre and work outwards. The Bishop of the Diocese has asked me to organise this appeal. May I tell you what I have in mind.

First, an important principal which I think we should keep before us is that everyone who is interested in the welfare and progress of the School shall be invited to contribute. We must ask for small gifts from many and large gifts from some. Small gifts even in their total may not be able to help us very far towards our target, but when they represent all that a person can afford to give, then their value, over and above their intrinsic worth, is that they are a token of encouragement and good-will. After talking with the Staff and the boys, a start in this appeal has already been made, here in the School. Both Staff and boys have spontaneously wished to adopt a plan by which they will give regularly each week or month. I want you to know that this plan has been introduced very cautiously, for in the case of the boys one has in fairness to them to protect them on the one side from being at the mercy of their generous impulses, and on the other from anything which savours of com-

pulsion. I will only say that they wished to increase the amount I suggested to them, and that wish has been granted in the case of the Seniors, but not for the Juniors. And from the School I want to appeal to the parents, and let me say how much I hope you will all join in giving regularly, through the bill if you wish and that you will not feel hesitant even if only Re. 1/- a month or less is all that you can give. Your contribution of whatever size is your token of good-

will, and to know that there is this solid body of regular donors is of the greatest encouragement in going forward with the appeal. From some of you—our parents vary greatly in their means

I naturally ask for something substantial, and at the same time a lump sum from those who can afford it, and who are moved towards the object of this appeal, will be of the greatest help in giving us a good get away. At any rate will you be good enough to give these few lines careful and sympathetic consideration. And then we must appeal to the Old Boys and I hope that every Old Boy who hears or reads of this appeal will write to me to know how he can help. And finally the appeal must go to the larger public. I think we may expect that there are a number of people interested in the type of education Sherwood is seeking to give and who will be ready to accept the request to join with us giving us their practical support.

Finally, as a newcomer may I tell you how glad I am to be here, finding in Sherwood something growing and spontaneous—I think it is its energy and vitality which impresses me most, and believing that she has her small though not, we may dare to hope, altogether insignificant part, to play in the service of the Kingdom of God and the Country of India.



SPEECH BY AUSTRALITY TEA.

His Excellency's Speech

Mr. Llewelyn, Staff and Students of the Sherwood College, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am very glad to have this opportunity of presiding at your Speech Day Function and I thank you for the welcome you have accorded to me. I particularly appreciate the reference to my wife in the Report and it is a matter of satisfaction that she was able to be present here yesterday and to give away the prizes at the Annual Sports.

Mr. Llewelyn has said that I probably know more about Sherwood College than he does. I do not think I can make such a claim, but I have paid several visits to this institution and happen to know something about it. Whenever I have been here, my thoughts have somehow turned to the previous home of Sherwood College, which was in the grounds of the present Government House. I am told that you were pushed out of that site some 50 years ago, and while I do not think I could have brought myself to do any such thing I thank Providence that there was a predecessor of mine who had more compunction in doing it. I have seldom come across such beautiful surroundings as those which I find at Sherwood fortunate of living for a part of the year. When I think of the possible injustice of pushing you out, I save my conscience by reflecting that you have not done too badly by the exchange. You have spacious and well-wooded grounds and have the additional satisfaction of being able to look down, in a physical sense, on Government House and all its doings.

A note of diffidence seems to run through your new Principal's report. He says he has only been a month here and does not quite know where he stands. He has nevertheless been able to produce an exhaustive 33 page Report, and I am wondering what he would have been able to do had been with you longer.

I associate myself with the tributes your Principal has paid to his predecessor, Mr. Lean, and I think it would be a graceful thing if a message of goodwill were conveyed to him on this occasion. Mr. Llewelyn has referred to the cooperation he is receiving from Mr. Thompson and other members of the Staff, and I trust one and all at Sherwood College will extend to him their fullest support. There is another member of the Staff whose work I have had opportunities of appreciating, and that is Mr. Fordham, the Physical Instructor. Since I have been coming to Naini Tal, I have been regularly attending the Annual P. T. Display, and I have pleasure in saying it seems to be continually on the up-grade. The

boys have been doing all manner of stunts which compel one's admiration, and I can imagine the rigour and discipline which have gone into their training. I thank Providence I am not one of those whom Mr. Fordham has an opportunity of fixing into shape.

The Report which has just been read speaks with pardonable pride of the successes which some of the Old Boys have achieved. There could not be a finer tribute than that to the training which is imparted at Sherwood College. The Report also speaks of the successes achieved at the examinations by the present students. I do not know how they manage to secure such results. I hope they are not allowed to see the papers themselves. I have only one disappointment to record. I wish your cricket teams could give a better account of themselves. It seems to be a reflection of the all-round deterioration which has set in in the standard of cricket in U. P., and I hope institutions like Sherwood will help to put our State on the cricket map of India.

Mr. Llewelyn has appealed for funds from all of you in the interest of the future of Sherwood College. I hope the response from the Old Boys and from others interested in the maintenance of the College will be readily forthcoming. I have always maintained that institutions such as Sherwood have a definite place in the scheme of things. They offer advantages which are too obvious to be stressed. From the point of view of location, recreational facilities, living conditions, discipline and the like, the few Public Schools we have in the country are far ahead of most educational institutions in the country, and I have no hesitation in saying that there is every justification for their existence. The Public Schools of Britain have contributed not a little to the success of British institutions and the British way of life. The Britisher has an engaging habit of laughing at himself and there have been gibes without number about the old school tie. Whatever may have been the case in the past, I do not think these Public Schools tend any longer to promote any kind of snobbery or class consciousness. They have in the past produced some of the greatest names in British history, and I have no doubt they will continue to do so even in the altered conditions of today.

I desire to conclude with a hope that Sherwood College will go from strength to strength and produce a type of student who will serve India loyally and efficiently and contribute to her strength and glory.

Prize List

INFANTS

Lower:—J. GILL. Upper:—R. JEMMETT. Fortnightly orders:—M. PRITCHARD and V. VASISHTA.

STD. I

1. R. KHANNA. 2. S. SINGH. Proficiency:—G. GILL. Divinity:—V. JAMES. English:—W. McMAHON. Art:—K. DESAI. Arithmetic:—M. SINGH. Nature Study:—K. DESAI. Fortnightly orders:—1. S. SINGH. 2. W. McMAHON. 3. N. CHATTERJEE.

STD. II

1. V. NANDA. 2. B. SINGH. Proficiency:—V. SHARMA. Divinity:—P. WHITING. English:—V. NANDA. Art:—I. SAID. Arithmetic:—V. NANDA. Nature Study:—K. YADEV. Fortnightly orders:—1. V. NANDA. 2. B. SINGH. 3. P. WHITING.

STD. III

1. S. SINGH. 2. A. CHATTERJEE. Proficiency:—B. RAMANI. English:—S. SINGH. Art:—S. SINGH. Arithmetic:—B. RAMANI. Nature Study:—A. CHATTERJEE. Fortnightly orders:—1. S. RAMANI. 2. B. SINGH. 3. R. SINGH.

STD. IV

1. P. SEN GUPTA. 2. ROHIT PATEL. Proficiency:—S. SINGH. Divinity:—ROBERT SETH. English:—P. SEN-GUPTA. Mathematics:—P. SEN-GUPTA. Science:—A. SAID. Hindi:—S. SINGH. Fortnightly orders:—1. P. SEN-GUPTA. 2. V. VASUDEVA. 3. ROHIT PATEL.

STD. V

1. R. CHADHA. 2. A. ZAMIR. Proficiency:—S. RAZA. Divinity:—S. THOMAS. English:—R. CHADHA. Mathematics:—R. CHADHA. Science:—R. CHADHA. Hindi:—R. CHADHA. Fortnightly orders:—1. R. CHADHA. 2. S. RAZA. 3. A. ZAMIR.

Special Additional Mathematics Prize (Presented by Mr. E. Waller)

Music Progress Prize (Presented by Mr. G. Thompson)

Choir Prize

Hindi Essay

Hindi Penmanship

Elocution Prizes

Senior Debating Society Best Speaker

Junior Debating Society Best Speaker

Special Debates Prize (Presented by Mr. A. F. Reghelin)

College Committee Essay Prizes

General Knowledge

Exhibition of Art

Games Room Assistant

Librarian

College Captain

STD. VI

1. D. deSa. 2. N. W. KHAN. Proficiency:—S. BATRA. Divinity:—D. deSa. English:—D. deSa. Mathematics:—S. BATRA. Science:—S. BATRA. Hindi:—N. W. KHAN. Fortnightly orders:—1. N. W. KHAN. 2. D. deSa. 3. S. BATRA.

STD. VII

1. S. HAIDAR. 2. R. DAYAL. Proficiency:—B. M. SINGH. Divinity:—A. BORTHWICK. English:—S. HAIDAR. Mathematics:—B. M. SINGH. Science:—S. HAIDAR. Hindi:—R. DAYAL. Fortnightly orders:—1. S. HAIDAR. 2. R. DAYAL. 3. B. M. SINGH.

STD. VIII

1. A. DAYAL. 2. H. ARNOLD. Proficiency:—B. PAYNE. Divinity:—H. ARNOLD. English:—A. DAYAL. Mathematics:—H. ARNOLD. Science:—A. DAYAL. Hindi:—K. KHAN. Fortnightly orders:—1. B. PAYNE. 2. A. DAYAL. 3. H. ARNOLD.

STD. IX

1. J. AGRAWAL. 2. H. MATHUR. Proficiency:—J. BASU. Divinity:—J. BASU. English:—J. BASU. Mathematics:—H. MATHUR. Science:—J. AGRAWAL. Hindi:—P. PURI. Fortnightly orders:—1. J. BASU. 2. J. AGRAWAL. 3. H. MATHUR.

STD. X

1. A. THOMPSON. 2. R. GHOSE. Proficiency:—M. CHATTERJEE. Divinity:—R. GHOSE. English:—A. THOMPSON. Mathematics:—R. GHOSE. Science:—R. GHOSE. Hindi:—M. CHATTERJEE. Fortnightly orders:—1. R. GHOSE. 2. A. THOMPSON. 3. M. CHATTERJEE.

STD. XI

Fortnightly orders:—1. P. SINGH. 2. E. BOWER. 3. K. MATHRADAS.

A. Thompson

N. Rowe [Senior]

Rohit Patel [Junior]

M. Ritchie

P. Singh

P. Singh [Senior]

S. Puri [Junior]

A. Raza [Senior]

A. Borthwick [Junior]

R. Lean [Under 10]

N. Burn

J. Basu

J. Agrawal

N. Burn [Senior]

J. Basu [Junior]

N. Burn [Senior]

S. Haidar [Junior]

Richard Serb

Mohan Singh

A. Sekhen

F. Banche

A. Raza

M. Holz

Certificates

MUSIC.

Pianoforte: *Initial* — K. McMahon*, B. Jacobs*, S. Naug*, J. Shanani*, R. Patel, S. Thomas.

First Steps — W. Thomas*, I. K. G.*, P. Rao, J. Barnes.

Preparatory — D. Welch*

Junior — B. Payne, N. Rowe.

Senior — A. Borthwick*

Higher Local — P. Hennan.

Theory: *Juniors* — J. Barnes*, A. Borthwick*, L. Kerr*, B. Payne*, N. Rowe*, W. Thomas*, D. Welch*.

Preparatory — K. McMahon*, R. Rao, J. Shanani*, S. Thomas*.

*Denotes honours.

Junior Cambridge School Certificate: J. Agrawal, J. Basu, G. Brain, P. Karanjia, B. Murray, J. Payne, P. Puri, M. Ritchie, P. Sinclair, A. Singh.

Senior Cambridge School Certificate: E. Bower, V. Dayal, M. Gangoli, B. Kent, K. McKibben, M. Ram, P. N. Singh.

Taylor Memorial Prize: (Presented by O. S. S. for best result in School Certificate) V. Dayal.

Intermediate Science 1951: A. Daulat Ram, P. Vasudeva, U. Rana.

HOUSE STUDY CUP [Presented by Bishop and Mrs. Saunders]

ALLEN-A-DALE

SHARMA CUP FOR HARDWORKING HOUSE

[Presented by Col. A. N. Sharma]

ROBIN HOOD

HOUSE DEBATES TROPHY [Presented by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas]

ALLEN-A-DALE

JUNIOR HOUSE DEBATES [Presented by Mr. and Mrs. D. Charleston]

ALLEN-A-DALE

SCROLL FOR PROMISING SPEAKER [Presented by Col. W. Likeman]

N. BURN

HOUSE HOCKEY SENIOR

ROBIN HOOD

HOUSE HOCKEY JUNIOR [Presented by Mr. D. Crawshaw]

ROBIN HOOD

HOUSE HOCKEY UNDER 12 [Presented by Mr. U. Lilley]

ALLEN-A-DALE

DISTINCTION CAPS FOR HOCKEY

I. Greene, R. Ghose, G. Brain, F. Banche, M. Hotz, P. Hennan

HOUSE FOOTBALL SENIOR [Presented by Band 1st Q. R. R.]

ALLEN-A-DALE

HOUSE FOOTBALL JUNIOR

ALLEN-A-DALE

HOUSE FOOTBALL UNDER 12 [Presented by F. Bhatt & Co.]

LITTLE JOHN

DISTINCTION CAPS FOR FOOTBALL I. Greene, R. Ghose, F. Banche, G. Brain, B. Seth

HOUSE CRICKET SENIOR [Presented by Mr. F. N. Wrack]

LITTLE JOHN

HOUSE CRICKET JUNIOR

FRIAR TUCK

BEST ALL ROUND CRICKETER [Presented by Sir H. Haig]

F. BANCHE

PROMISING JUNIOR CRICKETER

E. HARTLEY

HOUSE TENNIS [Presented by S. Khan]

ROBIN HOOD

HOUSE CHESS

ALLEN-A-DALE

OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP [Presented by Mr. B. Colley]

D. SHAH

HOUSE PHYSICAL TRAINING

ALLEN-A-DALE

HAIG CUP FOR CHAMPION GYMNAST

J. PAYNE

HOUSE MARATHONS [Presented by Mr. H. C. Thompson]

ROBIN HOOD

FIRST IN SENIOR MARATHON [Presented by Mr. Fyvie Watson]

F. BANCHE

HOUSE BOXING

ALLEN-A-DALE

MOODY CUP FOR RUNNERS UP IN BOXING

ROBIN HOOD

MOST SCIENTIFIC BOXER JUNIOR [Presented by Mr. E. Whiteside]

F. BANCHE

MOST SCIENTIFIC BOXER SENIOR [Presented by Mr. E. Whiteside]

A. WITTENBAKER

HOUSE TABLE TENNIS

ROBIN HOOD

THOMAS CHALLENGE CUP FOR TABLE TENNIS

RANJIT SINGH

HOUSE EFFICIENCY [Presented by Mrs. M. Powar]

FRIAR TUCK

HOUSE ATHLETICS [Presented by the Dyer Brothers and Sisters]

INGLIS CUP FOR TEAM EVENTS [Presented by Sir H. Inglis]

} Presented on Sports Day.

GOCK HOUSE [Presented by Mr. and Mrs. C. Bains]

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

Cambridge School Certificate (December, 1950)
(Presented 9, Passed 7, 2 First Grades)

1. V. Daval, E. RK, OHI, FM, A.
2. P. Singh, OHI, HI
3. E. Bower
4. B. Keri, OHI
5. M. Ram
6. K. McKibben
7. M. Vengoli, OHI
8. M. Hote
9. A. Richter

Junior Certificate, December, 1950.
(Presented 10, Passed 10)

1. J. Basu, E, L, RK, A, EM.
2. G. Brain, E, RK, H, EM.
3. J. Agrawal, E, OHI, HI, A.
4. J. Payne, E, G, A, EM.
5. B. Murray, G.
6. P. Sinclair, E, EM.
7. A. Singh, H, G.
8. J. Karanjia, E, OHI, A, EM.
9. P. Parr, OHI, HI.
10. M. Radhik, E.

Letters alongside the candidates' names show the distinctions gained.

RK—Religious Knowledge; G—Geography; E—English Language; L—Literature; OHI—Oral Hindi; HI—Hindi; EM—Elementary Mathematics; A—Arithmetic; AM—Advanced Mathematics; P—Physics; C—Chemistry; H—History.

Both V. Daval and J. Basu were placed 4th in the Provincial List, and G. Brain (2nd 9th).

MUSIC EXAMINATIONS.

Theory—(November, 1950)—

JUNIOR DIVISION—

A. Bothwick	...	...	100%	Honours
L. Keri	...	...	100%	Honours
B. Payne	...	...	100%	Honours
N. Rowe	...	...	100%	Honours
D. Welch	...	...	100%	Honours
W. Thomas	...	...	99%	Honours
J. Barnes	...	...	97%	Honours

PREPARATORY

P. Ram	...	...	99%	Honours
S. Vengolis	...	...	98%	Honours
K. McMath	...	...	95%	Honours
J. Shalaby	95%	Honours

Practical—(September, 1951)—

ADVANCED SENIOR—

A. Bothwick	86%	Honours
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PREPARATORY

W. Thomas	82%	Merit
R. Patel	82%	Merit
L. Keri	81%	Merit
J. Barnes	79%	Merit

FIRST STEP

P. Whiting	...	...	80%	Honours
S. Nang	...	...	85%	Honours
J. Shama	...	...	83%	Merit
K. McMath	...	...	78%	Merit
S. Thomas	...	...	77%	Merit

INITIAL—

M. Nagle	...	...	85%	Honours
R. Jit Singh	...	...	83%	Merit
P. Whiting	...	...	81%	Merit
R. Erik	...	...	79%	Merit
K. Humdal	...	...	78%	Merit

INTERMEDIATE SCIENCE, U. P. BOARD, 1951.

(Presented 5; Passed 5, 2nd Grade)

U. Rana

A. Daulatram

P. Vasudeva

THE SHERWOOD COLLEGE APPEAL FUND.

As most readers of our Magazine will know, an appeal was launched in October for Rs. 2,00,000. It is hoped that the appeal will have a solid body of support from all who are closely connected with the School. Staff and Boys all make regular contributions and I appeal to all parents and Old Sherwoodians to do the same. We can do an enormous amount by systematic and regular giving if people will not hold back because their incomes are moderate, and the amount they can afford to give is small. The success of this appeal will depend on the number of people who will be ready to give, and if we can but find one thousand people who will be ready to give an average of Rs. 5/- p.m., that would be Rs. 50,000 p.a. and a splendid start. Sherwood is now more than 80 years old and we surely ought to be able to find this number of friends. Up to the time of writing (mid-November) parents and Staff and Boys are between them giving Rs. 250/- p.m. Twenty-six parents have so far responded and many, I am sure, are waiting until the holiday expenses are over, and will be ready to start in March. I would ask our parents to make this figure up to Rs. 1,000/- p.m. Please do not fail us in this. With the present high cost of living, our fees at only Rs. 300/- p.m. with a considerable reduction for brothers, and our food at a level which it has never reached before, it is impossible for the College to save any of its normal income to feed a reserve fund. So parents one and all, do not fail us by withholding your contribution in March. So marked has been your cooperation up to the present that I am sure I may make this appeal

with confidence. Sherwood is doing a lot for your boys, and I know from your letters you appreciate it. But we want to see her firmly set to face the future with confidence, and I appeal to you all to take your part. A tug-of-war eight, in which only four men pull, will lose. All take the strain, and pull!

Old Sherwoodians! There is a letter for you from your Secretary at the end of the Magazine. Please try between you to send another Rs. 1,000/- p.m. For parents it is usually easiest to pay through the bills. Regular giving for others is often most convenient by means of a banker's order. You will find one enclosed with this Magazine.

And our many friends! former parents, former Staff, and others who show their interest in the School by taking in this Magazine. Will you, too, be kind enough to help the appeal forward by regular giving. As our parents already know, the purposes of the Appeal are—1. To protect the College against any future drop in Government grants. 2. To give assistance to parents of deserving boys who are not able to send their sons here on account of the fees. 3. To develop a flourishing Art Department, and to start a Handicraft Department. 4. To provide for Miscellaneous needs as they may occur from time to time.

If any part of the Appeal especially attracts donations may be allocated for that purpose. All donations will be most gratefully received and personally acknowledged.

We acknowledge with thanks the following subscriptions:—

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Rs. 5/-		Rs. 5/-	
			Brought forward
The College Staff (approximate)	50 0	Mrs. Fritchard	5 0
" Boys	58 8	Mrs. Day	5 0
Maharaj Singh Jain	5 0	Mrs. Kaza	5 0
Mr. Prantal Patel	20 0	Ra. Kumari of Sahaspur	10 0
Mr. Mahendrap Singh	20 0	Captain A. N. Yasudaya	5 0
Mr. Awaramani	10 0	Mrs. M. C. Barthe	5 0
Mr. and Mrs. Arnold	3 0	Mr. Zurschie	3 8
Mrs. S. Barua	5 0	Nawab Sahib of Chhatari	10 0
Mr. G. J. Vance	3 0	Mrs. J. Haidar	3 0
Mr. S. R. Hasan	3 0	Mr. Mohd. Yusuf Ali Khan	3 0
Dr. Mohan Lal	0 0	Mrs. de Sa	10 0
Major P. A. Davis	5 0	Mrs. Nagle	5 0
Mr. L. E. Greene	5 0	Miscellaneous under Rs. 5	12 0
Carried over	190 8	Monthly total to date	272 0

SINGLE DONATIONS.

Rs. 5/-		Rs. 5/-	
			Brought forward
Maharaj Singh Jain	251 0	Mrs. Fritchard	20 0
Mr. and Mrs. Shanani	50 0	Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair	60 0
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thompson	50 0	H.E. Mr. Bhagawat Daya	100 0
Mr. Hammond	60 0	Messrs. Dua Sports	50 0
Mrs. J. C. Evelyn	60 0	Mr. B. West	100 0
Carried over	460 0	Mr. A. H. West	50 0
			840 0

R. C. LEWIS.

CHAPEL NOTES.

We extend our warmest thanks to the Revd. K. C. McPherson for his ever ready help in the absence of Mr. Storrs Fox. Throughout much of the year Mr. McPherson has taken evensong each Sunday in the College Chapel, whilst on Sunday mornings the Christians have been attending Holy Communion at St. Nicholas Church. The choir, though smaller than in previous years—about 36 of our 65 Christians are in the choir—has worked devotedly and hard under Mr. Thompson's direction to maintain a high standard. In June we had the pleasure of welcoming the Bishop who administered the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Since the arrival of the new Principal in September the Christians have continued attending Holy Communion on Sundays in St. Nicholas Church, and the College Chapel has been the centre for evensong for the School and All Saints College as well as for a number of neighbours.

Shortly after his arrival the Principal instituted a "question box" and Sunday by Sunday answered a number of questions asked by all sections of the School. The carol and farewell service were this year held on the same Sunday. The singing was impressive and the Christmas lessons were read by members of the choir.

INDEPENDENCE DAY AT SHERWOOD—August 15th, 1951.

Independence Day, 1951, was celebrated at Sherwood with a series of items, both grave and gay.

The day began fittingly on a solemn note. A short Service, at 7.30 a.m. in the College Chapel, was conducted by Mr. Christopher Ackroyd, Lay Reader, member of the College Committee, among other committees in the diocese, and Secretary of the Lucknow Diocesan Trust Association. At this Service Mr. Ackroyd, to remind us of our heritage, read to us from the Scriptures the eminently suitable passage, beginning "Let us Now Praise Famous Men." The entire passage was familiar to most of us as it, almost verbatim, is the text of our own Founder's Day Anthem.

After the Service the School adjourned to the quadrangle between Milman Hall and Horsman Wing. There a simple flag-hoisting ceremony was performed by Mr. Ackroyd.

All moved into Milman Hall to listen to a short address by Mr. Ackroyd. The speaker briefly reminded his listeners of those patriots and nationalists through whose energies and sacrifices, Independence had come; of the unique and significant way in which they had persuaded the British to allow this independence; and, of the responsibilities, both present and future, that this Independence placed on every individual. The speaker concluded with the confident expression of the hope that in the microcosm that is Sherwood, these responsibilities would be recognised and not shirked; the future of the nation is in the hands of the youth of our schools to-day and they will not let India down.

After lunch there was a special Football Match between 16 of Horsman Wing and 11 of Standard IV. The fact that the good weather of the morn-

ing had given place to heavy rain in no wise damped the ardour of the youthful protagonists and the spirit displayed justified the confidence of Mr. Ackroyd's assertion earlier in the day. The game also provided much of interest to the many spectators. The result, a draw, satisfied honour on both sides.

Later in the evening, teams from all four Houses participated in a Pagal Football Tournament. The rules of the game had been improvised by one of the seniors and as these rules had not been published, the spectators were, for the most part, unaware of the strange happenings. Anyhow, the players appeared to enjoy themselves hugely and the fun was not confined to them alone.

After Supper there was a Cinema Show in Milman Hall. A variety of films of the 1935-36 period were screened. A Laurel comedy amused the very young in the audience while a 'newsreel' of the period caused the veterans to reminisce. All, however, were thrilled with the films of Naini Tal of a decade and a half ago; the most interesting portions were those depicting activities at Sherwood and at All Saints'. Mr. H. C. Thompson was warmly applauded for providing this excellent entertainment.

No mention has yet been made of the efforts of the Commissariat to emphasise the importance of August 15th. Both special and extra dishes were provided. The boys were undoubtedly more than satisfied with their 'puri-tack', 'jellabies' and what not, while the Staff certainly considered chicken at dinner a fitting climax to an eventful day.

Altogether, August 15th will long be remembered as a Red Letter Day in the 1951 Calendar.

COMPETITIONS

[Elocution, Hindi, General Knowledge, Essay.]

The Elocution Competitions this year produced a large number of entries, so finals, semi-finals and quarter-finals had to be arranged. The standard was not a bit lower than that of previous years, and we have some really excellent speakers in most of the finalists. The decisions were hard, and the judges must be thanked for their ready help. They were: Miss D. King, Miss Bald and the Rev. K. C. McPherson. The finalists in the Senior divisions were A. Raza (the winner), I. Greene and N. Burn. In the under 14 years section, the finalists were A. Borthwick (the winner), L. Kerr and W. Thomas. In the division for boys under 10 years, R. Lean beat both A. Chatterjee and W. McMahon. All the winners deserved their hard-earned but narrow victory, and they fully upheld the standard of elocution of which Sherwood can justly boast.

This year, P. Singh gained the coveted distinction of winning both the Senior Hindi Essay and the Senior Hindi Penmanship. This was no surprise to the boys, since he won the Penmanship last year. S. Puri triumphed in the Junior Hindi Penmanship. Those commended in this were S. Batra and F. Anis, both of Std. VI. In the Senior Penmanship, A. Kak and H. Mathur were commended, while P. Puri, H. Mathur and M. Chatterjee gained that distinction in the

Senior Essay. Though Sherwood is a European School, it possesses a reasonably high standard of Hindi. Efforts are made to cultivate an interest in our State Language.

The General Knowledge Competitions were run on different lines this year. Now the boys must submit their answers on their question papers. N. Burn (a previous winner of the Junior General Knowledge) came first in the Seniors, J. Basu, second, and A. Daval third. S. Haidar set up a brilliant record by winning the Junior General Knowledge for the third year in succession. The fact that our boys are increasing in general knowledge is demonstrated by the low number of "howlers" in this year's Magazine.

The Senior English Essay was won by N. Burn, who has won the Junior lot two consecutive years. He gained an easy lead on E. Bower, who came second. A. Thompson third, and G. Davis and R. Ghose drew fourth. The Junior Essay was won by J. Basu, who came second last year and again the Allen-a-Dale pair, W. Thomas and D. deSa came second. A Borthwick was placed fourth. The subjects and winning essays are given below.

J. BASU.

SENIOR ESSAY—"Choice of a Profession."

It is essential for an individual to have some profession, whatever it may be. Not only does it increase self-confidence, but it also improves one's morale. It endues one, furthermore, with a delightful feeling of self-dependence, of standing on one's own feet, and standing firmly.

To select a suitable profession is, unfortunately, no easy task. We must weigh the pros and cons, against a background of our own abilities. Abilities, of course, are the first consideration in our choice. It is imperative that we choose a profession which provides scope for our personal talents to manifest themselves. We may have literary leanings, or perhaps, scientific ones, and we should adapt our professions accordingly. It is not always advisable, however, to put complete faith in our abilities alone; we must also be prepared to face hard work. The man who is naturally impatient must curb that quality and learn to persevere. A golden rule for the prospective worker, is to remain cheerful at all costs. The individual who is endowed with a sense of humour, and to whose hopeful eye the silver lining of the proverbial cloud, is always present, will naturally be more popular and will proceed up the ladder, faster than the man who frowns at his secretary for being seven minutes late at the office.

Professions depend largely on the psychology of an individual. There are those to whom the amassing of a large fortune is the most important part of their existence, and there are others who choose a profession mainly for the scope it provides for serving others, or perhaps serving God. Personalities differ, and we cannot blame the rich financier, because he is wealthy. There are many of us who envy him his wealth. If, however, we class ourselves with those to whom the service of God and their fellow men is all-important, we should choose between the fervent missionary, learning native dialects in the heat of the African sun, or the not so fervent doctor cheering the sick-room with his bland countenance and dry wit. There is a possibility that we do not belong to either of these groups; we may be purely medium. For people who regard themselves in such a light there are the professions of Banking Accountant, Architect, or perhaps the Diplomatic Service, scope provided for every temperament, so there is no need for anyone to lose heart at being let loose in the world, after a sheltered childhood.

The person who can make a hobby his profession, is very fortunate, indeed. His life is an extremely happy one because it is all recreation, and he is giving himself up completely to the

undisturbed pursuit of something in which he is passionately interested.

A very important factor influencing the choice of a profession, is the scope for promotion afforded by it. None of us fancy a profession which keeps us in a groove, so to speak. It is natural for us to desire promotion, and to show the world that we are able to bear responsibilities. We are all ambitious in one way or another, and our ego cries out for satisfaction. For these reasons, therefore, a profession with golden opportunities for the enterprising young man, is widely sought after, and universally advocated.

The question of environment is left to be considered. The average man has a wife and family, and he will naturally seek a profession which will enable him to endow them with a favourable environment. This is a very important consideration for no one is in a position to give of his best if his environment is unsuitable.

It is the custom, largely followed by the plebeian classes of most countries, to follow in the grubby footsteps of their fathers. This custom is, however, not widely advocated, as in many cases,

talents are not hereditary, and the unfortunate offspring of a chimney sweep, may well possess talents which could raise him to eminence in some other field. Fortunately these modern times permit the poorer classes to do better than they could a decade ago, when the grim-lipped cry of the slum dweller, was, "Beggars cannot be choosers."

Recreation is essential to everybody, and care must be taken to avoid professions demanding too much of one. To be happy in our professions, we require hours which permit of relaxation and pleasure, also. The man or woman who is repeatedly forced to work overtime, should find some employment less arduous, as work should not thrive at the expense of health.

If, then, we plan our choice of a profession in a methodical manner, taking into consideration all the factors we can think of, we are sure to find ourselves, ultimately, in a profession which suits us to perfection, and one in which we can take a real interest and give of our best.

N. BURN,
Standard X

JUNIOR ESSAY COMPETITION—"The Value of School Friends."

Nature has gifted the human race with certain instincts. Some of these are beneficial, and some are not. One of these instincts is that which urges people to confide their woes in others. Humans require companions to share their pangs of sorrow and their joys. In later life, the wife is the suitable companion. Children, however, find ideal substitutes in school friends. There lies the value of the latter.

It is an obvious fact that a boy is more successful in studies at school than at home. In the classroom, there is not only the master with whom to reason, but also the other members of the class. Therefore the boy can understand the work more clearly. If, on any occasion, he encounters a controversial point, he can confront his school friends with that problem, and they will aid him to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion.

The value of school friends is also prominent while indulging in outdoor and indoor games. They help to counteract any lack of proficiency that a boy may have at a particular game. Encouraging acs and words go a long way towards making a good player. Boys also imbibe into their friends the spirit of true sportsmanship, to be able to give and to take, to win or to lose without any change of attitude. Boys who have this spirit are almost always successful in later life.

If boys had no school friends, it would be impossible for them to enjoy fully the benefits of rambles and jokes. But when they do, they have people to talk to, to have races with, and to prevent them from feeling lonely. There are few incidents that are more enjoyable than rambling along aimlessly with one's friends, free from the burden of a curriculum. Such occasions are not to be missed.

One of the greatest causes of lamentation in the present decade is selfishness. If a school were to be visited, little selfishness would be noticed. The normal schoolboy is generous and open-hearted, though there are a few bad elements present, and he teaches his friends to be like him. If everyone had school friends, there would be little selfishness left in the world to-day.

School friends are indeed a boon for, throughout the era of primary education, such people help to keep sunshine in a boy's soul. They prevent him from becoming a down-trodden exile with an inferiority complex, caused by lack of human companionship, and aid him to go out into the world with a high head, and a spirit of unquenchable ardour and determination in his heart.

J. BASL

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE HOWLERS.

- Q. 1. Who was it that conquered the world at thirty?
- A. (*Alexander the Great*)—Napoleon, Hitler, Wellington, Julius Caesar.
- Q. 2. Explain these words and phrases: Eyesore—suffering from sore eyes; an ailment of the eyes, red eyes. Hoi Polloi—curry and pullau, confusion.
- Q. 3. What is the following ailment? Torticollis—
- A. Tonsils, Fever.
- Q. 4. What are they? Rigadoon—a long evening dress. Pontoon—a card game, a ship.
- Q. 5. What do we mean by? Viva voce—in a soft voice, in a loud voice. Esprit de Corps—bring out the body, bring out the dead, the corpse, carry out the dead.
- Q. 6. Who was it who slept twenty-one years?
- A. (*Rip Van Winkle*).—The sleeping beauty.
- Q. 7. What colour is the pupil of your eye? Blue, brown, grey, green. What is the colour of royal blood? Purple, blue.
- Q. 8. What are Bombay duck?—A duck reared in Bombay. An extra large duck. A Christmas duck.
- Q. 9. What does this abbreviation stand for: M. C. C.?
- A. (*Marylebone Cricket Club*) Michael, College Captain.

Founder's Play

GEORGE AND MARGARET.

The direction of the Founder's Play was once again in the very capable hands of Mr. Sterling. The play selected this year was Gerald Savory's "George and Margaret." Mr. Sterling had undertaken no easy task. "George and Margaret" is a play abounding in a subtle intellectual type of humour, the portrayal of which is by no means easy by a cast consisting entirely of school boys. The Producer's task was made still more difficult by the fact that the play had to be presented to an audience which consisted mostly of school children. It was, therefore, a wise decision on the part of the Producer to adapt the play to suit his cast and audience. On the whole, however, the Producer kept to the script of the original; there were, of course, many omissions, and in the last scene a few additions. As regards characterisation, the two characters most affected by the changes were Malcolm, the father, and Gladys, the maid. Savory's Malcolm is a mild man, without being in any way pathetic, he has at his command a very subtle irony and he has cleverly calculated the most peaceful manner to treat each individual of the household. Mr. Sterling's Malcolm is not so composed, is somewhat henpecked; his subtle irony is changed into

sarcasm, and his assumed absent-mindedness into a slightly more obviously assumed absent-mindedness. Gladys the maid, is shown as a



"sweet mild thing," but the scene which brings out the stout commonsense and strength of character possessed by the intelligent but uncultured mind is omitted. In the last scene much clever dialogue is added to bring out the contrast between the new maid and Gladys, and perhaps not to let Leon Kerr (who plays the part of the new maid) feel like the "First Gravedigger" in "Hamlet." These additions were quite successful in adding humorous touches to the play.

The stage setting was modified to avoid actions which were not essential to the play and whose omission would make easier the acting of Mr. Sterling's amateur cast. Nevertheless, the stage setting was appropriate to the play and possessed simple elegance.

The make-up of the cast, particularly Gladys, was meticulously done. No outsider could guess that Gladys' part was played by a boy (Maurice Ritchie). He looked so prettily feminine. Norman Burn with his walrus moustache, who played Malcolm, looked the elderly gentleman that he was meant to be. In Alice, the Mother, the superficial hardness of character was brought out in the make-up. Beer, the new maid, did look foreign, if not French.

The story of "George and Margaret" is no doubt known to our readers. We will, therefore, not refer to it, but will confine our comments to the acting.

Undoubtedly, the most outstanding success in the play was Mark Murch as Alice, the Mother. He portrayed most cleverly the almost perpetual state of agitation in which Alice lived. This was brought out almost perfectly in the manner in which Alice dusted the table while telephoning to her friend, Margaret. The fainting act was excellently done, and the fits of hysterical weeping were superb. The references to the days when Malcolm was courting Alice were made in that slightly coquettish manner which one would expect from an elderly lady of fifty when recalling her days of courtship. Malcolm, for his part, was excellent in showing just that amount of irritation which one feels when one's better half insists on recalling those acts of humiliation which the male of the species is subjected to by his tantalising partner. N. Burn was excellent in his expression of Malcolm's sarcastic remarks, in bringing out the bond of sympathy that existed between the

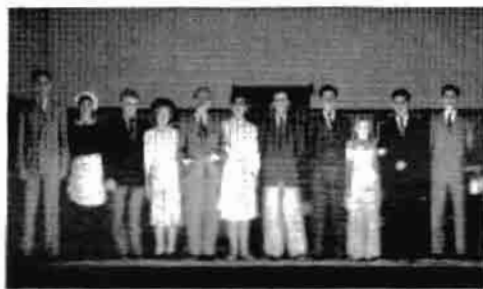
Father and his daughter, Frankie. That 'knowing all' wink which he gave Roger could not be improved upon.

Windsor Thomas as Frankie was not quite successful in his portrayal of the aggressive "Don Juan among girls" that Frankie was meant to be. But, considering that he is but a young lad of twelve years, he must be considered a great success. He did succeed extraordinarily well in displaying "the pangs of doubted love."

M. Herz was quite successful as the pompous boring Claude. A. Raza did not leave much to be desired as Dudley, the jester of the family, though at times his delivery was faulty. R. Murch as Roger had a difficult part to play and must be congratulated for playing it with fair success. Leon Kerr, as Beer the new maid, gave quite an amusing and well-rendered imitation of the French maid.

The scenes which must be regarded as outstanding were the one in which Claude tells the family that he is going to marry Gladys, and the one in which George and Margaret are announced as arriving. The pandemonium that occurs when the arrival of George and Margaret is announced, possesses all the humour of the incongruent Old Malcolm watering the flowers in the vases with a watering can brought roars of laughter from the audience.

Mr. Sterling must be congratulated for the spark of genius he has displayed in his manner of adapting the play in respect of script, characters and stage set-up. If we are to judge the success of a play from the reactions of the audience, then Mr. Sterling's presentation of Sherwood College Amateur Dramatic Society in "George and Margaret" must be considered a stupendous success.



CHARACTERS (IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)

Gladys	...	...	the maid	...	Maurice Ritchie
Mr. Malcolm Garth-Bander			the Father		Norman Burn
Mrs. Alice Garth-Bander		...	the Mother	...	Mark Murch
Dudley	...	...	younger son	...	Asad Raza
Frankie	...	...	daughter	...	Windsor Thomas
Claude	...	...	elder son	...	Michael Herz
Roger Frampton	...	...	Dudley's friend	...	Raj Murch
Beer	...	...	the new maid	...	Leon Kerr

THE INFORMAL CONCERT.

Is music really the food of Love? Well, it certainly is an essential part of our Life here and a part of our Happiness too. Then the occasion presents itself when we can share this happiness with others.

On June the 6th was our informal concert, one of the highlights of Founder's Week. A packed Hall and an audience aglow with pleasant anticipation was nothing new. It was just a part of the past: of the tremendous reputation of these concerts.

The first item was the Percussion Band conducted by Harban Singh. The most prejudiced among their audience could not have gainsaid the fact that, for such youngsters, they were superb. Well done, Harban!

Next was a piano Trio brilliantly executed by Windsor Thomas, Leon Kerr and John Barnes and thoroughly enjoyed by us.

Mr. McFarlane, then, treated us to ten minutes of those grand old Irish songs one never tires of hearing. Apart from the fact that Mr. McFarlane is an old boy—and Sherwood loves its old boys—his rich tenor captivated us all, so much so that, by special request, he sang "My Ain Folk" as a further item on the programme. The Sherwood Choir sang with him. The excellence of that item can be better imagined than described.

Mrs. Pratt's sword dance was something quite out of the ordinary: a burst of colour and movement and a delightful interlude.

Special mention must be made of "Songs" by All Saints' College. They are always beautiful, but this time the girls surpassed themselves. "Merrily Singing" and "Playtime's Golden Hours" were superb in their rendering.

The Finals of the Elocution Contest now took place. A few diverting twenty minutes followed when all the candidates spoke so well and the choice of subject-matter was so interesting that the judges could not have found it easy to pronounce the following as winners:—

S. Raza (Senior Division), A. Borthwick (Middle Division) and

R. Lean (Junior Division).

Then an interval of ten minutes.

Alan Thompson and Peter Henna now gave us a piano duet. As always, this was very enjoyable.

These two lads never fail to do justice to the excellent training they receive from Mr. Thompson.

St. Mary's Convent sang some lovely little arias. Their singing must be heard to be appreciated. So I shall not do them the injustice of trying to commit to paper the effect, upon us, of their much appreciated item.

Songs by Mr. Culpepper, a piano duet by Andrew Borthwick and Norman Rowe and a two-part song by Andrew Borthwick, Maurice Ritchie, Windsor Thomas and Malcolm Nagle, were the next items on the programme. Mr. Culpepper never fails to entertain us with his guitar. Indeed, he never fails to turn up. We are deeply thankful to him for the interest he maintains in his old school. Besides, his items get many "encores." Andrew and Norman show no perturbation at what has gone before or by what is to come after. They are perfectly confident in their own power to charm, and well may they be for one never tires of listening to them. Who does not enjoy a part song? Especially one so lovely as Mendelssohn's "The Maybells and the Flowers." This, along with another German Folk song, thrilled the audience as perhaps nothing else did that evening, and put us in the right state of mind to take in the airy splendour and beauty of the folk dance that followed.

St. Mary's Convent do everything extremely well and this gay dance was no anti-climax to what went before.

The Piano duet by Elizabeth Hotz and Jean Vincent-Brown of All Saints' School was of exceptionally high standard. I doubt if Schubert's "Marche Militaire" could have been played better.

Then came the Grand Finale. Sherwood Choir sang a number of jolly little songs, the chief among which were: "Polly Oliver," "A Cottage well Thatched With Straw," "Hold Your Hand out You Naughty Boy" and several Old Choruses. These items were excellently rendered and were much appreciated.

And so *au revoir*. Next year is a long time to wait for another concert. We thank you, Mr. Thompson.

T. STERLING.

THE O. S. S. DANCE.

Once again Sherwoodians, past and present, friends and well-wishers of the School, and girls and staff of All Saints, met at Milton Hall to attend the O. S. S. Dance on Thursday, June 7th.

Last year someone wondered why the O. S. S. Dance was so called, as Old Boys were conspicuous by their absence. Maybe this remark was a challenge to Old Boys for this year quite a fair number of them graced the occasion with their presence.

Our popular M. C. "Ernie" gave of his best to make the show great fun and a strong success. He was responsible for the artistic decoration of the Hall. Streamers of blue, maroon, and white,

huge balloons and lights all tastefully arranged, delighted the eye as one walked into the hall. The Kumaon Regimental Centre lent their band, and seeing them, seated on the stage, while our M. C. chatted to their conductor, the forecast was "a fine evening, fun and frolic for all."

The band struck up the first tune; some couples took the floor; others hailed friends and exchanged news, and some sat by happily watching the dancers. Good music, good company and a good floor did much to achieve the right atmosphere for a successful function. Everybody seemed happy. The young men from Sherwood and their lady friends from across the way, enjoyed themselves

as only teen-agers can. They seemed determined to make the most of the time at their disposal, for it was known that the girls had to go back early. The young couples apparently decided to enjoy every moment of the present, and postpone the evil hour of their departure to the very last permissible second! Like Cinderella of the fairy tale, they too, had to return before the clock struck twelve; they had no fairy coach to become a pumpkin, nor coachmen to become white mice, but if they did not leave at the correct time there would be the danger of incurring the anger of the Powers that Be. So to compensate for this early departure, a lot of fun had to be crowded into a little time.

To ensure enjoyment for young and old, dancers and non-dancers, a number of novelty dances figured in the evening's programme. The balloon dance raised a good laugh! The lady and gentleman gazed soulfully into one another's eyes, while endeavouring to balance a balloon between their foreheads and at the same time do a quick step or a waltz. Lest they be tempted to touch the balloon with their hands, the M. C. ordered hands to be clasped firmly behind their backs. The result was that the dance provided a great deal of amusement to the onlookers.

The spot dance and statue dance were also the cause of a good few laughs, particularly the latter. It is pretty difficult to whirl and twirl around

the hall to very catchy music, and then suddenly to stand dead still, caught perhaps at a most awkward angle, while the whole hall watches and laughs heartily at your discomfort and self-consciousness. The couple who won the prize earned it and well deserved it.

Supper time! and Mervyn rose to the occasion. The long tables set round the Gym. Hall were laden with "goodies." Noisy, happy, empty folk hurried down to supper. There was a very suggestive silence, and *hey presto!* the plates on the table were empty, and noisy, happy folk stood around, and with the "goodies" inside them, took up the conversation where they had left off! "Thanks Mervyn" "Furdy does us well" and "that salad was more-ish" testified to the excellence of the spread.

All Saints Girls then hurried away, and with them went a fair slice of the politics of the evening. Spirits flagged somewhat, though there was a rally when Ernie Waller announced Ladies' Choice. After this dance, there were a few more dances and then folk started leaving. Everybody agreed it had been a most enjoyable evening, and hoped to meet again at the O. S. S. dance next year. A hearty vote of thanks to "Ernie" and his band of helpers who gave us a really good time that evening.

M. de Sa.

AVENGED.

Yes, there it was again—a faint tapping on the window-pane. This was the eighth time that it had occurred, and I had now become rather unnerved. I walked to the door, fingering the pocket revolver I carried. I had come out here with but one thought in my head, and that was to avenge my assassinated superior officer. Many abnormal things had taken place in the village since my arrival, and two men had answered me very ambiguously down at the Inn.

When I reached the door, I opened it and stepped boldly out into the open but I saw nobody. Related to the tapping on the window-pane this did not make sense, and my mounting fears made me decide not to tempt my disturbers by sleeping alone in the house. After putting on my great coat and carefully locking the door with a stout padlock, I made my way towards the Inn. I felt I was being irresistibly drawn towards some exciting adventure, so I saw that I was fully prepared for any emergency. I examined my revolver and loaded its six chambers, ready for a draw on an instant. My trusty knife I carried round my waist, if hand-to-hand fighting were to become necessary.

On arriving at the Inn I saw two men in the lounge, busily engaged in a whispered conversation. They were the same two men who had acted suspiciously at my previous examination of the inhabitants of the village. Adventure comes only to those who seek it, so I strode boldly for-

ward towards the bar and ordered a drink. My sudden appearance was not appreciated by the two men, because they lost no time in making a quick getaway. I swallowed my drink and walked out through the back door. I saw the two men whom I was trailing walk down the road and turn at a bend near the Post Office. I followed with all haste and was just in time to see them enter an old dilapidated house about half a mile from the Inn. They put on the lights and commenced to start a log fire.

I crept up to the window and saw one of the men open a trap door in the floor and take out a wallet containing a bundle of notes. My superior officer had been deprived of his wallet and money, so I craned my neck to catch a glimpse of the stolen property. I was all excitement now and ready for the worst. Then one of the men spoke, and my doubts were quickly set at rest. "Poor Major Drew," he said, "what a nice present he has given us for keeps. This money will help us to pay our henchmen." That piece of information was enough for me; I sprang into the room and told the two men to throw their hands above their heads and to hand over the stolen goods. They made a fight of it instead, so my revolver barked twice in self-defence.

Major Drew was dead, but so were his murderers. He had been avenged.

D. de Sa.

Std. VI.

SAVED IN THE NICK OF TIME.

"Look before you leap" is a maxim with a timely warning. Many of us do not bother to look before we leap, as in the case of Bai.

Dan awoke at the break of dawn and prepared his breakfast of fish. He had just reached his last mouthful, when he heard a great commotion coming from the direction of the beach. He ran to the cliffs that overlooked the sea and saw Bai swimming for his life. Slowly the reason for Bai's haste dawned on Dan; the triangular fin of a shark moving swiftly towards the bay indicated the grave peril in which Bai was placed.

Dan surveyed the monster for a moment and realised that it was a Killer Shark, the terror of the ocean. Without a moment's further hesitation, Dan dived perilously off the cliffs. He hit the water with scarcely a splash and came to the surface a good fifty feet away. Now would the value of the training he had had show itself. His arms whirled like a windmill and his feet churned the water behind him into a frothy shower as he skimmed along the water on his errand of mercy. Would he be able to reach the bay before the shark closed in on Bai? He put everything he had into his powerful strokes and reached the bay, but the shark was also there.

Dan realised he had to fight the shark so he braced himself for battle and turned to face his

antagonist. A shiver ran down his spine as he saw the leviathan dart towards him, with vicious eyes and gaping jaws. Dan was just able to move out of its path but the monster, foiled of its human prey, returned to the attack with redoubled speed and vigour. For a second time the shark missed its mark, and, as it careered headlong past him, Dan grappled with its fin and began stabbing the slimy body with his short knife.

Down, down into the deep both shark and man plunged, locked in deadly combat. Being unable to get rid of its enemy the shark lashed out with its tail and succeeded in freeing itself. Gasping for breath, Dan came to the surface only to see the shark make towards him with flashing teeth hideously set in an expression of hate on its face. Dan lifted his arm to strike but it had lost its strength, and he fell backwards, utterly helpless and at the mercy of his more formidable opponent.

The game was nearly up, when suddenly out of the blue a shiny arc cut through the water and buried itself in the Killer Shark; slowly it rolled over, dead, and Dan knew that Bai's scythe-like knife had not failed to find its mark. He had been saved in the nick of time.

S. RANA,
Std. VIII.

TENNIS.

Tennis has always proved very popular, especially on holidays and this year was no exception. The year opened with 45 boys giving in their names for the Tennis Club. They were as usual divided into three sections according to their ability, and each section had an opportunity of using the courts three evenings in the week. The standard of tennis was not particularly high, but improved considerably in the 1½ months between the commencement of term and the Inter House Tournaments. We have two courts available. The top court is used by the staff and the better boys while the lower court is used by the others. The upper court is in a good condition but the lower is sadly in need of reconditioning, and a completely new surface put on. This all requires money, and we wonder if one or more of our parents whose interest lies in this game, would help us to make this court more suitable for play. We would greatly appreciate any help.

The House Tennis was played off in the first week of May, matches consisting of 4 singles and 2 doubles. On paper, Friar Tuck had the strongest team, but appear to lack the temperament for tournament play, with the result that Robin Hood came through as winners. The Tournament pro-

vided some very interesting tennis, and right through the competition was as keen if not more keen than in previous years. The umpiring was done by the boys themselves, and I do not think there was a single case of an error arising. I should like to take this opportunity of thanking those who umpired, for the very thorough manner in which they did this rather unpleasant duty. Now a word on each of the matches played in the competition.

Robin Hood vs. Allen-a-dale, 3-1.

S. Rana vs. P. Singh, 6-4, 3-6, 0-6.

Rana opened with a flourish, winning Singh's service and also his own. With this lead he felt he could afford to relax a bit, but received a shock when Singh won his own service without conceding a point. Rana returned the compliment. After which the games went with the service, and the first set to Rana. Singh played a great deal better in the second set and Rana was fortunate to win three games. The last set was closer than the score indicates, and some quite good tennis was witnessed. The first four games went to deuce before being decided.

R. Ghose vs. F. Banche. 6-3, 6-2.

Banche can play good tennis but does not appear to be over-interested in the game. Ghose on the other hand plays seriously and steadily and it was these qualities that pulled him through.

A. Thompson and B. Payne vs. R. Nulty and A. Singh. 6-0, 6-0.

The A. D. pair could offer very little opposition. Thompson played a great deal better than last year, while Payne played in his usual steady manner. Singh is particularly weak, and Nulty keen but below average.

R. Ghose vs. P. Singh. 6-5, 6-3.

A very interesting game. At one stage in the first set Singh led 4-1, then Ghose came into his own and won 4 games in a row. Singh made a tremendous effort to bring the scores level again. Ghose had the advantage of service in the last game of the set, and made no mistake about it. In the second set, Singh led at 3-1, but again failed to keep the advantage, Ghose winning the next 5 games to take the set and the match.

Friar Tuck vs. Little John. 3-1.

I. Greene vs. R. Singh. 6-4, 6-2.

Greene is by far the best player among the boys. He takes full advantage of his height and reach, and plays a consistently good service. Singh did extraordinarily well to extend him in the first set and would have done as well in the second if he did not give in so easily. Singh for his age plays very well, but is inclined to be too casual especially when losing, a very bad fault.

P. Hennan vs. A. Dayal. 6-1, 6-1.

Last year Dayal showed great promise, so this result was particularly disappointing. Hennan is no doubt the better player, and his standard in this game was very high, but I somehow felt at the time that Dayal should have taken at least 3 games in each set. Perhaps Hennan's run of four games in the first set had much to do with it.

K. Mathradas and S. Haidar vs. J. Payne and M. Hotz. 6-4, 6-0.

Haidar played as a substitute for A. Raza who was away at the time. The F. T. pair were badly balanced in more ways than one. The L. J. pair had only to return the ball and await for their opponents to make the errors.

I. Greene vs. A. Dayal. 6-0, 6-3.

The first set was a walk-over for Greene. In the second set Dayal pulled himself together and decided to give Greene some opposition, and at the end of the sixth game the match reached an interesting stage with the score at 3-3. Dayal having won last service without allowing Greene to take a point. Greene then won his service but with a struggle. Dayal appeared to be tiring and Greene's superior courtcraft told at this stage, and the latter won the next two games and the set.

Robin Hood vs. Little John. 3-1.

S. Rana vs. R. Singh. 6-2, 4-6, 6-2.

Rana opened well to win his service fairly comfortably. Singh replied by winning the next five games and with little opposition from Rana, and after conceding the next, went on to win the set. There was not much to see or talk about in this set. The next opened again with Rana's service which he this time lost. In fact he lost the first three games. Singh felt this was easy money and decided to relax,—a very bad fault with this player. When he is losing he loses interest, and when he is winning he becomes too cock sure. This game was no exception. Having won the first set comfortably and the first three games of the second, he decided to play to the gallery. In the next seven games Rana won six and the set. The last set was the most interesting, and closer than the score would seem to indicate.

R. Ghose vs. A. Dayal. 6-2, 6-0.

An interesting match in which some very steady tennis was played by both. The match was more even than the score would indicate; even in the second set, four of the games had eventually to be decided on 'van all'.

S. Rana vs. A. Dayal. 5-6, 6-1, 6-3.

A very close first set was followed by a one-sided second set. Dayal played a very steady game, his fore hand being particularly pleasing. Rana is inclined to be erratic, a good stroke being followed by a thoroughly bad one. He should attempt to regulate his play. In the final set, Rana took the first three games, Dayal the following three, and Rana the last three.

A. Thompson and B. Payne vs. J. Payne and M. Hotz. 6-3, 6-4.

The L. J. pair won the first game with little trouble, and R. H. the next five with even less. The R. H. pair decided upon slow and steady play, their opponents chose just the opposite tactics, and though bigger in size they knew a great deal less about the game. It must, however, be said that L. J. made a tremendous effort but lacked the technique.

Friar Tuck vs. Allen-a-date. 3-0.

I. Greene vs. P. Singh. 6-2, 6-5.

The only redeeming feature of the first set was in the seventh game when Singh won Greene's service game at love. The second set was a great deal more interesting and a number of good rallies were witnessed.

P. Hennan vs. F. Banche. 6-4, 6-1.

Hennan has been playing very much better tennis this year than last. His back-hand is still a weak point, but his fore-hand has gained more strength. Banche did well to take four games in the first set, and though he could only manage one game in the second he made Hennan fight all the way.

A. Raza and S. Haider vs. R. Nulty and S. Chatterjee. 6-2, 6-3.

F. T. decided that Haider would be a great deal more useful than Mathradas, and so he proved to be, Raza strengthening the attack. A. D. also made a change putting Chatterjee in place of A. Singh. Both sides were somewhat strengthened by the change each made, and the match proved more interesting than it might otherwise have been.

Allen-a-dale vs. Little John. 3-1.

P. Singh vs. R. Singh. 6-3, 2-6, 6-4.

An interesting match, both players giving a good account of themselves. In the first set, though the standard was good and the set gave one the impression of being a close affair, no game went to deuce. P. Singh struck a bad patch in the second set and was fortunate to take two games. Both players were inclined to be over cautious in the final set with the result that their tennis suffered, and though it was the longest in games it was the shortest in time.

P. Singh vs. A. Dayal. 6-3, 6-2.

A good match with honours fluctuating in the first set. In this set Singh took two games without losing a point, one on his own service and one on Dayal's service. Dayal has a fine style which should pay dividends when he is older. The second set, though still producing some good tennis, was Singh's from the start. He played with greater confidence.

R. Nulty and M. Chatterjee vs. M. Hotz and J. Payne. 6-3, 5-6, 6-2.

If the score is any indication, then the two teams were very closely matched and going over the score sheet I find that no less than five games in each of the first two sets had to be decided at 'van all.' In the final set L. J. appeared to be overcome and A. D. ran through.

Robin Hood vs. Friar Tuck. 3-2.

This was the most important part of the competition as the Cup depended on the results of this encounter, and as such it seemed only right that all five matches had to be played before the result could be decided.

R. Ghose vs. I. Greene. 2-6, 3-6.

The result was as expected, but Ghose played very well, and many of the games were particularly close. Greene took a little while to settle down, and while he was doing so Ghose took the first two games. Greene had in the meanwhile found his length and took the next six. The second set started with each winning the other's service, and this continued to the sixth game. Greene then won three games in a row to win the match.

S. Rana vs. P. Hennan. 0-6, 6-1, 6-2.

Hennan should never have lost this match, and particularly after literally running away with the first set. He even took the first game of the second

set. He then took it easy with disastrous results, because when he did decide to pull himself together he found that he could not do so. Hennan is capable of playing well as he showed in the first set, but he is also capable of playing a very foolish game as he showed in the second set. This is an all too common fault among school boys, and as such it is well for them to learn these lessons from actual experience.

R. Ghose vs. P. Hennan. 6-1, 6-4.

A good game, which might have reached an even higher standard if both players were not so conscious of how important to their House the result was to be. Ghose appeared the more calm of the two, Hennan was inclined to play too carefully. It was, however, a very keen struggle with the game running slightly in Ghose's favour. If Hennan could overcome the obvious weakness of his back-hand his tennis would improve 100%.

S. Rana vs. I. Greene. 4-6, 1-6.

Rana played particularly well in the first set, and was at one stage leading, 4-2. But nothing worries Greene, and that is the secret of his success. He is not bothered by the score, and he went on to win the next four games and the set. Having forced the issue in the first set, he continued to dominate the play and though Rana fought hard all the way he could do very little against Greene's superior play and experience.

A. Thompson and B. Payne vs. A. Raza and S. Haider. 6-2, 6-5.

A game is not won till it is lost, neither is a match. R. H. found this out and nearly to their cost. A lapse at the end of the second set when the score stood at 5-3 in the favour of F. T. all but lost the set for the R. H. pair. But just in time they pulled themselves together and won the all-important ninth game. Then began a titanic struggle, both games going to deuce, and R. H. just managing to win the vital points. In fact in the final game, F. T. were leading 40-30 and the service with them but a beautiful cross court stroke by Thompson won the point, and then followed the next two points in quick succession.

The final results were as follows:—

R. H. beat A. D. 1-1.

R. H. beat L. J. 3-1.

R. H. beat F. T. 3-2.

F. T. beat A. D. 3-0.

F. T. beat L. J. 3-1.

A. D. beat L. J. 3-1.

Positions:—1. R. H.

2. F. T.

3. A. D.

4. L. J.

HANDICAP AND OPEN TENNIS TOURNAMENTS.

The entries for these competitions were fewer than in previous years but the keenness and the standard of tennis was as high as ever. Both Handicap events produced upsets and up to the very final it was impossible to place the winner. The first surprise came with the defeat of R. Singh (-40) at the hands of S. Haidar (-115). Singh was runner-up last year and was seeded top in the competition this year. He evidently underestimated the strength of his young opponent and received a big shock when Haidar took the first set after conceding only one game. Singh opened strongly in the second set taking the first two games. Haidar refused to be bothered and showed this by winning the next three. Singh later led 5-4 and should have won this set on his service but Haidar literally ran away with it and the match. Last year's winner, A. Daval, was also eliminated. Daval playing -140 lost to B. Payne (-130) the scores being 6-3, 6-3. Haidar and Payne met in the final. Payne, I think, expected to lose for he was all worked up for the match. It was a very good final. Haidar just managed to win the first set at 6-5. There is little doubt that Payne had got back his confidence and realised that Haidar was not unbeatable. Had he done so earlier he might have won the first set and the match for he ran away with the second set allowing Haidar to take only one game. The third set promised to be a keen struggle for it was not expected that Haidar would give up without a struggle. Payne won his service and then Haidar his. The next game went to deuce before Haidar won it. He further went on to win his own service. Payne had lost the advantage he had gained for it was now necessary for him to win his own and Haidar's service. Haidar, however, refused to co-operate and swarmed his opponent to take the set at 6-3. There is little doubt that Haidar was a very worthy winner. He had a difficult half and deserved his success. Alan Thompson provided the upsets in the Senior Handicap event. Playing at -15 he gave our best player I. Greene (-40) the biggest shock of his life by beating him at 6-3, 6-4. Thompson played very well and led 5-1 in the first set before it dawned on Greene that he was up against a player who, though he had only been playing tennis for less than two years, was no "sparrow."

Thompson proved this beyond any doubt by taking four games in a row in the second set and Greene, though playing good hard tennis, was fortunate to claim 4 games, in this set. Thompson had now reached the final. His opponent was R. Ghose (-30) a fine, steady player. He had beaten Raza and Banche earlier, his game with Banche being particularly good, both players playing good steady tennis. Banche could develop into a really good player if he took a keener interest in the game for he has a natural game sense. The final, as expected, provided good, clean, hard tennis. Ghose took the initiative and led 5-3 and only conceded one more game before taking the set. In the next set the first four games went with the service. Both players were playing cautiously. Then Thompson came into his own and before Ghose realised what was up Thompson had taken the next four games and the set. The final set was keen and interesting, the fortunes of the game fluctuating. Thompson at this stage was making less mistakes than his opponent and so it was not long before this began to tell, and Ghose lost a vital game when the score stood at 4-3 in Thompson's favour. The latter then went on to win the set and the match.

In the open competition the best eight players were chosen and there is little doubt that the best game of the series was played in the first game of this tournament between Greene and G. Davis. It was unfortunate that Davis drew Greene in the first match for it was a match worthy of a final. The standard of tennis was particularly good, both players displaying a great deal of court craft. Davis' cross court play was really pleasing to watch while Greene brought off some seemingly impossible returns. On this match Davis was awarded a special cup which he richly deserved. Ghose was expected to come through in the lower half but lost very tamely to P. Singh. The final between Greene and Singh was below standard. The former was full of confidence while the latter with less experience was overcome by the occasion and played below his normal standard. But it was nevertheless enjoyable, and quite good tennis was seen.

Past vs. Present—Table Tennis.

The Past can be forgiven if they have the impression that the Table Tennis is an initial handicap, which they must first wipe off with a win in some other game, before they can settle down to the business of handing over the Wooden Spoon, for these Competitions, to the Present. Many of the Old Boys who come up for Founder's Week seldom see a Table Tennis court in their home towns and few ever play on those they may see. Nevertheless, year after year, the Past sportingly put out a team often having to include some who, on the very morning of the match, have their first lessons in service, scoring and other niceties of the game. The Present, on the other hand, have four courts always at their disposal and the problem is always which of the enthusiastic young players, all with a certain amount of proficiency, to exclude from the match. This year, therefore, the Past v. Present match consisted of 6 Singles and 3 Doubles, the Past being permitted the same six players in Doubles as in Singles and the Present being required to field six different players for the Doubles. Before the Doubles' games began the Present had already established a winning lead in the Singles.

Ranjit Singh, playing at No. 1 for the Present again, added a feather to his cap by defeating Mr. Lean, a skilled and experienced player but

lacking in serious practice. Singh's victory, though, was well merited. He was nervous at the start but was quick to realise that he had the power and stroke execution that could give him victory.

RESULTS.

Singles.—

- R. T. Lean (Past) lost to R. Singh, 15—21; 15—21.
 E. Watts (Past) lost to P. Puri, 17—21; 18—21.
 U. Rana (Past) beat F. Banche, 21—11; 13—21; 21—18.
 V. Daval (Past) lost to I. Greene, 12—21; 21—17; 8—21.
 D. Lean (Past) lost to K. Dogra, 2—21; 3—21.
 R. Mathur (Past) lost to S. Haidar, 12—21; 10—21.

Doubles.—

- R. Lean and E. Watts beat A. and R. Daval, 9—21; 21—14; 21—6.
 U. Rana and D. Lean lost to D. Shah and Basu, 12—21; 12—21.
 V. Daval and R. Mathur lost to R. Ghose and A. Raza, 21—10; 14—21; 10—21.

Present Won.—7—2.

T. R. G.

Table Tennis. Thomas Trophy. Open Singles Championship.

The enthusiasm for Table Tennis, especially with the middle section of the School, has often led to unofficial leagues and handicap tournaments, for the selection of a champion. This year, consequent on the presentation of a trophy by Mr. Stanley Thomas, Superintendent of Police and a Sherwood parent, it was possible to organise an official tournament to discover the undisputed champion of Sherwood at Table Tennis. Naturally, it was decided that this could not be a handicap tournament.

There were nearly 50 entries. This means that almost everyone in the Upper School, who could play, was eager to participate in the inaugural Thomas Trophy Tournament.

There were 8 leagues, each of which contained one player who, on current form and House Room gossip, should have beaten the others in his league. It speaks well, though, for the spirit of the competitors that in two of the leagues the seeded players had to yield to others. The 8 league winners were left in for the Tournament Proper.

Unfortunately, one of these eight was overcome, not by any of the other seven, but by the Mumps. The 'dark horse' of the tournament was undoubtedly John Basu. In two months of assiduous practice he had developed a large degree of skill and a steadiness that helped him greatly against more flashy players. It is also suspected that the fancy

pants Basu always wore when playing were a part of his tournament strategy. Basu did extremely well to defeat Greene in the Semi-final. It was a match that produced much excitement and a good standard of Table Tennis. Basu also gave R. Singh, who had annihilated all earlier opponents, a trying time in the Final, which went to 5 games. Singh was probably over-anxious to establish official claim to a title he had unofficially held for 3 years—"Table Tennis Champion of Sherwood College". Well though Basu played, one felt that Singh, by virtue of his wider stroke repertoire would win. Most of his winning shots were superb and left his opponent standing.

Thus to Ranjit Singh fell the honour of inscribing his name as the first winner of the Thomas Trophy.

Results of Tournament Proper:

- Quarter-Finals.*—R. Singh (I. J.) beat K. Dogra (R.H.), 21—9; 21—16.
 P. Puri (R.H.) beat M. Nagle (A.D.), 21—8; 21—19.
 J. Basu (R.H.) beat B. Bower (R.H.), 23—21; 21—15.
 I. Greene (F.T.) w.o. D. Burn (F.T.).
Semi-Finals.—R. Singh beat P. Puri, 21—9; 21—17.
 J. Basu beat I. Greene, 9—21; 21—19; 21—19.
Final.—R. Singh beat J. Basu, 18—21; 21—14; 21—19; 19—21; 21—14.

T. R. G.

House Table Tennis—1951.

Play in the Thomas Trophy Tournament made it easy for House Captains to select teams of ten and arrange the players in order of merit as singles representatives. These ten singles players also formed five doubles pairs, so that a tie consisted of 15 matches ruling out the possibility of a draw. The Mumps depleted all the House teams but favoured none and, therefore, did not upset any of the team results.

Robin Hood, on paper, had the strongest team and for once forecasts proved correct. The winning House were well served by their four Thomas Trophy quarter-finalists and won all their three ties but not before their captain, Ghose, had provided the sensation of the season by going down to see Kevin McMahon, substituting for a substitute, in the deciding tie between Friar Tuck and

Robin Hood: Ghose was completely bewildered in the final game which he lost, 2—21!

R. Singh of Little John, the new Thomas Cup holder, maintained his good record. He has now been undefeated, both at Singles and Doubles, for three consecutive seasons. Arora, who a year ago had fair to rival Singh this year, should have learnt that indifference and lack of practice cannot make a champion at anything. Of others, not mentioned earlier in this account, the most promising were M. Nagle and S. Haidar.

RESULTS:—Robin Hood beat Friar Tuck; beat Little John; beat Allen-a-Dale.
Friar Tuck beat Little John; beat Allen-a-Dale.
Little John beat Allen-a-Dale.

THOS. R. GASPER.

PHYSICAL TRAINING NOTES.

Once again it gives me great pleasure, in fact greater pleasure than ever, to write a few words about our Physical Training. I say greater than ever, because I feel that Sherwood has to a certain extent been "put on the map" once



again, due to our very successful display in town. At the commencement of term, we started training hard for our annual Physical Training Display during Founder's Week, and thanks to the eagerness of all the boys, we were able to have two Gymnastic Teams, one Horsework Team, Massed P. T., and four large Pyramids, to say nothing of Stds. 2 and 3, who did their part by doing some Stick Exercises, and thanks to Mrs. Waller and Mrs. Reghelini, they produced a nice little item with the 'babies' imitating animals, etc. It is really amazing what one can do with very small children, with just a little patience, determination, and above all, a little eagerness. His Excellency

Sir Homi Mody again presided, and took the Salute at the March Past, and after speaking to the boys, gave them two days holiday, which they thoroughly deserved. It was sad indeed to see a smaller squad 'on parade' this year, but still, the high standard was maintained. Thanks to the great interest, hard work, and enthusiasm of Mr. Thompson, who is officiating till the new Principal, the Rev. R. C. Llewelyn comes, our numbers, in the short space of three weeks, have already gone up and so I feel sure, that it will not be long before we will have large numbers again 'on parade'. Next came the display in town during 'Festival Week.' The organizers in trying to collect money for an up-to-date Gymnasium and Pavilion, had Cricket matches in which the Ladies played the Gentlemen, Fancy Dress Hockey and Football matches, Indian Dances, and various other items, but Sherwood's P.T. dwarfed the lot, and 'stole' the entire week. Fifteen to twenty thousand people witnessed the show, all were very pleased with our boys especially the Horsework



and Groundwork boys, who thrilled the crowds with their stunts. After a short spell, all four Houses commenced training for the House Physical Training Competition, which was a pleasant change after the unwelcome and monotonous visits to the Cricket Nets, and every boy gave of his best throughout the training period, and again on the final day. It was a real tussle, not only for the boys, but for the Judges, Messrs.



Thompson, Sterling and M. Fordham, and when all points had been added and deducted for mistakes, etc., Allen Dale came first, with Robin Hood a very close second, while Friar Tuck and Little John tied for third place, there being only a difference of six points between all four Houses. I thank all three Judges for the very patient and thorough manner in which they sat throughout the two-hour performance, and congratulate R. Ghose on giving a fine display of leadership. At the time of writing the House Boxing is in full swing, and a full report appears elsewhere in the Magazine. I am glad to say that every boy in the College entered, except those who were declared medically unfit, and we saw some excellent 'scraps' in all weights. It is good to know that the Sherwood boy can still 'take it and hand it out'. Once again I thank all the Staff who so willingly helped to make the tournament the

success it was; Messrs. Thompson, Sterling, Duckett, Pratt and Fordham for helping with the Judging, Messrs. Waller, Reghelin, and Krishna, for keeping a careful and watchful eye on the watches; Mr. Gasper for Recording, and Mr. W. S. Wright for Reporting. Boxing is taught in this College, because it is one of the best all-round sports for boys to adopt. When in training, the legs, arms, shoulders, chest, neck and abdomen are all 'exercised' in smooth yet effective movements, whilst



the lungs, heart, and all the vital organs of the system are developed and strengthened proportionately. Furthermore the boy who takes up boxing for the sake of the sport it provides, and not for any financial gain, will face life with the same confidence and fortitude with which he meets an opponent in the ring, and win or lose, he will take the result in good part, and in the spirit of sportsmanship, that has held the Sherwood boy in good

stead throughout the world.

W. FORDHAM, P.T.I.

BOXING NOTES 1951.

The programme of the finals with the winners is given below together with a commentary on a select number of fights.

1. MIGHTY ATOMS (under 3 stones).
N. Chatterjee vs. *Jagjit Singh.
2. LILLIPUTIAN (3 st.—3 st. 7 lbs.)
K. Desai vs. *Y. Khan.
3. NOVICE (3 st. 7 lb.—4 st.)
R. Jemmett vs. *H. Singh.

Singh was a superior boxer—he had a better idea but was inclined to forget that he was boxing. His punches were forceful and varied and his footwork quite interesting to watch.

Jemmett was a plucky loser—he took just as much as he gave and nearly won his fight but failed to see his opportunities.

4. PAPER (4 st.—4 st. 7 lbs.)
*K. McMahon vs. V. Vasudeva.

K. McMahon, an old colour, proved a fairly easy winner—a really neat and interesting boxer to watch. He brought his science to play and made the most of his opportunities, and particularly with his back swings was very quick and light in his footwork.

Vasudeva failed to take advantage of his long reach and body weight or to follow on with his in-swings.

5. MIDGETS (4 st. 7 lbs.—5 st.)
D. Shah vs. *R. Daval.

This was a really good fight and Daval was a deserving winner. Shah showed his skill of defence and footwork to good advantage and though he had a more effective punch and collected his back hits well, he was borne down eventually by his taller opponent.

Daval displayed little science but took full advantage of his height and weight in his straight hitting. I think he won mostly on stamina.

6. MOSQUITO (5 st.—5 st. 7 lbs.)
*K. Saxen vs. M. Ali.

This was a very good fight fought at a hard pace.

Saxen had the advantage of age, experience and force. He was an aggressive type of boxer specially when driven. He used his in-swings to good effect and scored on his straight hitting.

Ali showed promise in every respect as a junior scientific boxer but was up against a tough opponent. He gave him a run for his statuette.

7. GNAT (5 st. 7 lbs.—6 st.)
*M. Nagle vs. B. M. Singh.

These two opponents were pretty well matched, with Nagle having a better idea of boxing and Singh depending on his sledge hammer tactics. Singh had a better punch (and a hot head) but Nagle scored on his straight hitting which was surprisingly good and accurate. He was a deserving winner.

8. FLY (6 st.—6 st. 7 lbs.)
R. Khan vs. *A. Wittenbaker.

Wittenbaker gave a fine exhibition of the noble art. He was, however, unable to prove his worth against an opponent who had no idea of boxing and who relied only on his punch which, terrific as it is, for his age, he failed to connect all through the fight.

9. BANTAM (6 st. 7 lbs. 7 st.)
A. Singh vs. R. Singh.

10. FEATHER (7 st.—7 st. 7 lbs.)
*B. Payne vs. A. Thompson.

Payne a very neat and scientific boxer gave a demonstration of a panther grappling with its prey. Wary and on the alert for opportunities he gradually wore down his opponent with his quick, short jabs. A pretty boxer to watch.

Thompson who was sportingly substituted for R. Nulty who was invalided with a fractured wrist, took the punishment similarly meted out to him in a previous fight. He had a lot of go in him but no eye for his opponent's defence which he could have worn down with his very hard punches.

11. LIGHT (7 st. 7 lbs.—8 st. 4 lbs.)
F. Banche vs. G. Davis.

A fight which promised to be the highlight of the evening and had given much food for speculation both among the staff and the boys, did not come off. F. Banche continues to be the ghost that has to be laid.

12. WELTER (8 st. 4 lbs.—9 st.)
*G. Brain vs. J. Payne.

This fight was the highlight of the evening. It called for a real exercise of the brain and brought in some measure of pain to the finalists. It was a good hard hitting fight, fought at an even pace. Brain used his body weight to a good advantage and scored effectively on his short jabs. He, however, lacked variety in his punches—a deserving winner.

Payne a more scientific boxer lacked force in his punch and owing to the crowding tactics of his opponent, was given no chance to use his longer reach. Rather disappointing on the whole.

13. MIDDLE (9 st.—9 st. 10 lbs.)
R. Ghose vs. *P. Singh.

14. HEAVY (9 st. 10 lbs.—10 st. 10 lbs.)
*I. Greene vs. B. Seth.

A good exhibition fight, spoiled by too much clinching.

OTHER AWARDS.

Junior good loser, B. Bower.

A good junior boxer, M. Ali.

Good losers, F. Bower, P. Hennan, M. Shah.
Special cup for gentlemen's behaviour in the ring—H. Arnold.

Junior, A. Wittenbaker.

Most scientific boxer—

Senior, F. Banche.

House Boxing Cup—Allen-a-Dale.

Moody Challenge Cup (for runners-up)—Robin Hood.

S. A. Thomas, Esq., Superintendent of Police, presided and gave away the prizes.

"Reporter",

W. WILSON-WRIGHT.

*The winners.

CHESS NOTES.

Though only considered a minor event, the House Chess tournament probably covers more playing time than any of the more important outdoor sports. Long before the tournament is due to begin House Captains must get some idea of the relative strength of their individual players. If N, after several trial games with Y, proves himself the more reliable player, then it is in the interests of his House that he be given a more exalted position in the team.

As Chess is about the only game I can think of in which there is no element of luck, one should be pretty certain of the result before a match

begins. But carelessness, so prevalent amongst schoolboys, is responsible for a lot of upsets. In the Robin Hood-Friar Tuck match, D. Shah, the strongest player in the School, should have been sure of his two points against Stanley Thomas who substituted for Greene. But he lost the first game, and as it turned out, his carelessness cost Robin Hood the Chess Trophy and Cook House.

In following the games given below a good deal of carelessness will be noticed. But this, as I have said, is a common fault in the young, and the generous reader will admit that the standard of Chess here at Sherwood is remarkably high.

The first round was played on Saturday, July 21st.

Robin Hood				Friar Tuck			
D. Shah	...	...	1	S. Thomas	...	...	1
R. Ghose	...	...	1	B. M. Singh	...	...	1
A. Thompson	...	...	1	H. Mathur	...	...	1
R. Chadha	...	...	0	A. Borthwick	...	...	2
M. Shah	...	...	2	A. Kak	...	...	0
S. Khan	...	...	2	N. W. Khan	...	...	0
B. Bower	...	...	3	S. Haidar	...	...	14
K. Datta	...	...	3	A. Raza	...	...	14
K. Saxen	...	...	3	S. Rowe	...	...	1
J. Basu	...	...	3	F. Harby	...	...	1
			10				10

D. Shah		S. Thomas		D. Shah		S. Thomas	
1.	P — K4	P	K4	8.	P — KR3	P	Q3
2.	N — KB3	N	KB3	9.	N — Q3	R	QN1
3.	N — B3	N	B3	10.	P — KB3	N	KB3
4.	B — B4	N	KN3	11.	N × N ch.	P	× N
5.	O — O	N	Q3	12.	P — B4	P	× P
6.	N — KN3	Q	× N	13.	R × P		
7.	P — Q3	Q	R5				Black wins.
S. Haidar		B. Bower		S. Haidar		B. Bower	
1.	P — K4	P	K4	14.	Q — Q2	P	B4
2.	N — KB3	N	QR3	15.	P × P	P	× P
3.	N — B3	B	B4	16.	P — QB3	P	R3?
4.	B — B4	N	B3	17.	P × N	Q	× P
5.	O — O	O	O	18.	N — B2	N	× P
6.	P — Q3	N	KN3	19.	Q — K1	Q	B6
7.	B — KN5	N	B3	20.	Q — B1	N	— Q7
8.	P — QR3	P	KR3	21.	R — K1	P	— QN4
9.	B — R4	P	Q3	22.	B — Q5	QR	— Q1?
10.	P — QN4	B	Q5	23.	B × R	R	× B
11.	Q — Q2	B	N5	24.	B — R2	P	— N5
12.	N — K1	B	× N	25.	P × P	R	× P
13.	Q × B	N	— Q5				Black wins.

Little John				Allen-a-Dale			
M. Hotz	...	...	2	J. Agrawal	...	...	0
J. Payne	...	...	0	F. Singh	...	...	2
P. Karanjia	...	...	0	M. Nagle	...	...	2
R. Kettle	...	...	1	B. Seth	...	...	1
E. Bower	...	...	1	M. Chatterjee	...	...	1
H. Arnold	...	...	2	A. Zamir	...	...	0
R. Dayal	...	...	0	R. Nulty	...	...	2
R. Singh	...	...	1	S. Puri	...	...	1
R. Mehra	...	...	1	G. Goel	...	...	1
K. Hundal	...	...	1/2	K. Khan	...	...	1 1/2
8 1/2				11 1/2			

M. Chatterjee		E. Bower					
1. P — K4	P — K4	17. N × P	B — K4	17. N × P	B — K4		
2. Q — N4	P — KN3	18. P — Q4 ?	N × P	18. P — Q4 ?	N × P		
3. B — B4	N — KB3	19. Q — B1	B — B3	19. Q — B1	B — B3		
4. Q — K2	P — B3	20. N × P	B — Q1	20. N × P	B — Q1		
5. P — Q3	P — Q4	21. P — KB3	B — K3	21. P — KB3	B — K3		
6. B — N3	P — QN4	22. P × N	B — R4 ch.	22. P × N	B — R4 ch.		
7. B — N5	B — K2	23. B — Q2	B — Q1	23. B — Q2	B — Q1		
8. N — KB3	P — KR3	24. N — N6 ?	Q — N2 bad	24. N — N6 ?	Q — N2 bad		
9. B — K3	N — R3	25. N × R	Q × N	25. N × R	Q × N		
10. N × P	N — QN5	26. O — O	Q × P	26. O — O	Q × P		
11. N — QB3	P — KR4	27. B — B3	B — B5	27. B — B3	B — B5		
12. P — QR3	B — N5	28. R — K1	B — K7	28. R — K1	B — K7		
13. Q — Q2		29. P — Q5	B — N3 ch.	29. P — Q5	B — N3 ch.		
P — B3 would put two of Black's pieces en prise.		30. K — R1	F — R5	30. K — R1	F — R5		
	13. P — R4	31. B × R	P — R6	31. B × R	P — R6		
14. P × N	RP × P	32. R — N1	B — B6	32. R — N1	B — B6		
15. N — R2	B — Q3	33. P — B	Q × P ch.	33. P — B	Q × P ch.		
16. N × QBP	Q — Q2	34. R — N2	Q × R mate.	34. R — N2	Q × R mate.		
				a shock for White!			

AUGUST 2nd.

Friar Tuck				Little John			
L. Greene	...	...	1	M. Hotz	...	...	1
B. M. Singh	...	...	2	J. Payne	...	...	0
H. Mathur	...	...	2	P. Karanjia	...	...	0
A. Borthwick	...	...	1	R. Kettle	...	...	1
K. McMahon	...	...	0	E. Bower	...	...	2
N. W. Khan	...	...	0	H. Arnold	...	...	2
S. Haidar	...	...	1	R. Dayal	...	...	1
A. Raza	...	...	1	R. Singh	...	...	1
N. Rowe	...	...	1	R. Mehra	...	...	1
E. Hartley	...	...	2	K. Hundal	...	...	0
11				9			

AUGUST 4th.

Allen-a-Dale				Robin Hood			
J. Agrawal	...	...	0	D. Shah	...	...	2
P. Singh	...	...	0	R. Ghose	...	...	2
M. Nagle	...	...	1	A. Thompson	...	...	1
B. Seth	...	...	2	H. Rana	...	...	0
M. Chatterjee	...	...	1	M. Shah	...	...	1
B. Singh	...	...	1	S. Khan	...	...	1
R. Nulty	...	...	1/2	B. Bower	...	...	1 1/2
S. Puri	...	...	1	K. Dogra	...	...	1
G. Goel	...	...	2	K. Saxen	...	...	0
S. Singh Rai	...	...	1 1/2	J. Basu	...	...	1/2
10				10			

S. Rana		B. Seth					
1. P — K4	P — K4	11. N × B	P — Q3	11. N × B	P — Q3		
2. N — QB3	N — QB3	12. N — Q3	P — KB3	12. N — Q3	P — KB3		
3. B — B4	B — B4	13. B — R4	R — K1	13. B — R4	R — K1		
4. Q — B3	N — R3	14. P — KB3	P — Q4	14. P — KB3	P — Q4		
5. P — Q4	P × P	15. N — QB5	P — QN3	15. N — QB5	P — QN3		
6. B × N	O — O	16. Q — KN3	P × N	16. Q — KN3	P × N		
7. N — R4	N — K4	17. O — O — O	P × P	17. O — O — O	P × P		
8. Q — KN3	Q — KB3	18. P × P	Q × P	18. P × P	Q × P		
9. B — KN5	Q — KN3	19. N — KB3	N — K6	19. N — KB3	N — K6		
10. Q — KB4	N × B	20. B × P	Q — QB7	20. B × P	Q — QB7		

AUGUST 5th.

Little John				Robin Hood			
M. Hotz	...	...	11½	D. Shah	...	...	1½
J. Payne	...	...	0	R. Ghose	...	...	2
P. Karanjia	...	...	1	A. Thompson	...	...	1
R. Kettle	...	...	0	H. Rana	...	...	2
E. Bower	...	...	2	M. Shah	...	...	0
H. Arnold	...	...	2	S. Khan	...	...	0
R. Daval	...	...	0	B. Bower	...	...	2
R. Singh	...	...	1	K. Dogra	...	...	1
R. Mehra	...	...	0	K. Saxen	...	...	2
K. Hundal	...	...	1	J. Basu	...	...	1
8½				11½			

A. Thompson	P. Karanjia
1. P — K4	P — K4
2. N — KB3	N — QB3
3. B — B4	N — B3
4. P — Q3	B — B4
5. B — KN5	P — KR3
6. B — R4	P — KN4
7. B — N3	P — Q3
8. P — B3	N — KN5
9. P — Q4	B — N3
10. N × KP	P × N
11. Q — B3	P × P
12. Q × P mate.	

AUGUST 11th.

Allen-a-Dale beat Friar Tuck

The positions after the sixth round of the tournament were as follows:—

Allen-a-Dale	...	5 points.
Robin Hood	...	4 points.
Friar Tuck	...	3 points.
Little John	...	0 points.

Here are two games from the Final of the Individual Tournament which was won by D. Shah.

D. Shah	M. Hotz
1. P — K4	P — K4
2. N — KB3	N — QB3
3. B — B4	N — B3
4. N — B5	B — B4
5. KN — N5	P — Q4
6. N × P	N × N
7. P — Q3	QN — K2
8. P × N	N × P
9. O — O	P — KB3
10. N — K4	B — Q5
11. P — QB3	B — N3
12. B — N3	F — B3
13. P — QB4	N — B5
14. B × N	P × B
15. P — B5	B — B2
16. Q — R5 ch.	P — N3
17. N × P ch.	Q × N
18. QR — K1 ch.	K × Q1
19. Q — Q1	Q — R5

20. R — K4	B — B4
21. P — N3	Q — R6
22. R — Q4 ch.	K — K2
23. Q — K2 ch.	K — B3
24. Q — B5	B — N5
25. Q — N2	B — K4
26. R — K4	P — B6
27. Q × Q	B × Q
28. R — K1	QR — K1
29. P — Q4	R — K2 ?
30. P × B ch.	K — B4
31. R — KR4	B — N5
32. P — KR3	B — R4
33. P — N4 ch.	K — N4
34. R × B ch.	P × R
35. P × P	K × P

and Black should win.
The game resulted in stalemate at the 70th move.

D. Shah	M. Hotz
1. P — K4	P — K4
2. N — KB5	N — QB3
3. B — B4	B — B4
4. P — QN4	B × P
5. O — O	N — B3
6. P — B3	B — R4
7. P — Q3	P — Q3
8. P — Q4	Q — K2
9. P × P	P × P
10. B — R3	Q — Q2
11. Q × Q ch.	B × Q
12. R — Q1	R — Q1
13. N — N5	B — K3
14. R × R ch.	N × R
15. B — N5 ch.	P — B3
16. B — R4	P — N4

17. B — N3	P — KR3
18. N — B3	N × P
19. N × P	P — N5
20. P × P	B — N3
21. N — Q3	O — O (B — Q5!)
22. P — N5	P — QB4
23. P — B5 ?	P — B5 d. ch.
24. K — B1	R — K1 ?
25. P × N	P × B
26. P × P	B × P
27. N — Q3	B — QB7
28. N — B2	R — K4
29. R — B1	B — R5

and loses.

HOCKEY NOTES.

The hockey season opened on the 20th March, with a match between two teams composed entirely of boys. From this match it became evident that the defence was weaker than in previous years, and we were without a goalkeeper. After last year's big defeat at the hands of La Martinière on their ground, we realised that if we were to hold our own against them this year a tremendous amount of training and practice would have to be put in. We had never been defeated on our ground and the team was determined that this record be maintained. The team were particularly fortunate in getting plenty of support from the

local teams and we were able to arrange 14 outside fixtures before the La Martinière match. We are indebted to all the teams that were kind enough to come up the hill to play us and at the same time give our XI the practice and training they so urgently required. The team gave an excellent account of themselves in the match against La Martinière and though we say it our friends from Lucknow were very fortunate to get away with a draw. An account of the match appears elsewhere in the Magazine. The following is a list of our outside fixtures and the results. There is little doubt the XI improved with each match.

Date	Opponents	Score	Where Played.
5th April	vs. C. R. S. T.	2-1	Home
9th April	vs. St. Joseph's College.	0-3	Away
10th April	vs. C. R. S. T.	1-2	Home
11th April	vs. G. I. C.	4-2	"
12th April	vs. Naini Wanderers.	0-4	"
13th April	vs. St. Joseph's College.	1-1	"
16th April	vs. Naini Wanderers.	1-3	Away
17th April	vs. G. I. C.	1-3	Home
18th April	vs. St. Joseph's College.	2-4	"
19th April	vs. Naini Wanderers.	3-3	"
21st April	vs. Golden Club.	1-2	"
23rd April	vs. C. R. S. T.	1-1	"
24th April	vs. G. I. C.	3-1	"
25th April	vs. Naini Wanderers.		"

The following were eventually awarded their colours and represented the School against La Martinière.

	J. Payne				
	P. Hennan	G. Brain			
	R. Ghose	F. Banche	R. Singh		
M. Hotz	I. Greene (Capt.)	U. Rana	A. Daulatram		A. Raza
		Reserve—H. Rana.			

Ten pictures of the Eleven:

- J. PAYNE.**—Considering he was practically compelled to play in goal because of the lack of good goalkeepers in the School, he did extremely well. He has plenty of courage, but uses his stick more than his pads. His real place is as an inside-forward, in which position he plays with plenty of dash.
- P. HENNAN.**—Has at times risen to great heights. Much depends upon the first five minutes of a game. Is inclined to be nervous, and somewhat slow in recovering. Hits well.
- G. BRAIN.**—A sound back, and the best of forwards find it difficult to pass him. Hits the ball clean and hard.
- R. GHOSE.**—A steady half-back with a tremendous amount of energy. Feeds his extreme and thinks before getting rid of the ball.
- F. BANCHE.**—A tower of strength in the pivot position. Is always in the correct place at the correct time. Never seems to get tired.
- R. SINGH.**—A young player who has filled this position particularly well. Inclined to be somewhat slow on the ball, but should develop into a fine half with practice.

M. HOTZ.—What he lacks in technique he more than makes up for in speed and keenness. A very useful member of the team.

I. GREENE.—As Captain of the XI did a very fine job of work, and the progress the team made was to a great extent due to him. An excellent forward with good ball control and stickwork. Must, however, learn to make the most of his opportunities, and avoid dribbling in the circle in order to get closer to the opposing goalkeeper.

U. RANA.—A useful centre-forward with plenty of dash and speed. Distributes his passes well, though should open out his play a bit more.

A. DAULATRAM.—Very useful with his stick, but mishits very frequently when in the circle due mostly to over keenness but also to holding his stick incorrectly.

A. RAZA.—A fast extreme who improves with each game. Sends across some very good passes but must try to avoid running round the ball, instead of taking it on his crook.

H. RANA.—A very useful reserve because of his ability to play both in the defence as well as in the forward line. Clears the ball well when playing back, and is a speedy forward. Could develop into a good player in either position.

HOUSE MATCHES.

The House Matches actually occupy the most interesting fortnight of the season. The "C" teams always provide the greatest amount of enthusiasm both to the players and the spectators. Wherever the ball is 20 players are around it. Supporters on the side line can shout themselves hoarse in telling the players what to do and what not to do.—but no notice is taken by the players of these valuable suggestions; the members of the House "C" teams are a law unto themselves, and even House Masters and House Prefects cannot change this. Of all the Sections the "C" teams are the most difficult to predict. As an example, Robin Hood beat Little John 5-2, Little John beat Friar Tuck 1-0, Friar Tuck beat Allen-a-Dale 1-0, and Allen-a-Dale beat Robin Hood 2-0. At one stage it was thought that the whole Tournament would have to be played again in order to find to which House the "C" team cup should be awarded, but fortunately a last-minute goal (literally speaking) by Allen-a-Dale against Little John decided the issue and saved us a replay of all the matches.

The "B" teams provided a good standard of hockey, and this was particularly evident in the final match between Robin Hood and Allen-a-Dale. The first half was played at a fast pace, and both sides missed excellent opportunities of scoring.

The goalkeepers of both sides, particularly were outstanding. At the end of this half the scores were level, neither side having scored a goal. When play was resumed after the interval, Robin Hood immediately forced the play into the opposing half, and it was not long before B. Bower scored for R. H. sending the ball into the goal from off a long corner. A. D. attacked with vigour, and during a scrimmage in front of the goal, R. H. goalkeeper in saving threw the ball. S. Singh of A. D. took the bully, but Malhotra of R. H. rose to the occasion and had the ball out of the circle before Singh could do anything about it. R. H. had an opportunity of increasing their lead when Puri had only the goalkeeper to beat but failed to convert. Though A. D. tried hard to level the score the final whistle went with R. H. the victors by 1-0, and this victory also gave them the "B" team cup.

Allen-a-Dale should easily have won the "A" team cup, but a lapse against Little John, against whom they could only draw, cost them the tournament. In addition Robin Hood also forced them to a draw in the final match, and so R. H. came out winners, having won two matches and drawn one.

The detailed results are given below:—

	C					B					A					GRAND TOTAL
	R.H.	F.T.	L.J.	A.D.	Total Points	R.H.	F.T.	L.J.	A.D.	Total Points	R.H.	F.T.	L.J.	A.D.	Total Points	
R.H.	X	0-0	5-0	0-2	3	X	3-0	5-0	1-0	6	X	2-0	3-0	1-1	5	14
F.T.	0-0	X	0-1	1-0	3	0-2	X	0-1	0-3	0	0-2	X	2-2	0-2	1	4
L.J.	0-5	1-0	X	0-1	2	0-5	1-0	X	0-2	2	0-3	2-2	X	0-0	2	6
A.D.	2-0	0-1	1-0	X	4	0-1	3-0	2-0	X	4	1-1	2-0	0-0	X	4	12

Winners of the Cups:—
 "A" Team Robin Hood.
 "B" Teams Robin Hood.
 "C" Teams Allen-a-Dale.

Final Positions:—
 1. R. H.
 2. A. D.
 3. L. J.
 4. F. T.

PAST vs. PRESENT.

This fixture was played at 4³⁰ p.m. on the 4th June. At about 2 o'clock the Heavens opened and it came down in torrents. That it could not continue till 4 o'clock was evident to everyone, but whether the ground would be in a fit state to play on was another matter. Fortunately the storm only lasted for 45 minutes, and within 10 minutes of it stopping the sun showed its face. We are fortunate in having a field that absorbs moisture very quickly, and within an hour the field was in a condition to play on. The start was, however, postponed for 15 minutes, and precisely at 4-45 (I.S.T.) the referee blew his whistle and the teams took their places on the field. The Present had to give ground in the first minute but were soon

on the offensive, and all but scored. Pavne had an opportunity of scoring but was given off-side. The Past had some difficulty in finding their feet, and took some time to settle down. The first short corner came in the 8th minute, but Mr. D. Leau of the Past stopped the ball and cleared well. Shortly afterwards A. Raza ran up and all but scored. Two minutes later Banlic had an excellent opportunity of opening the account for the Present but missed the goal from 5 yards. The Present continued to press, and eventually M. Holz sent across a very good centre from the right which L. Greene made no mistake about. So after 17 minutes' play the Present led by 1-0. Five minutes later the same player took a nice pass from

R. Ghose but his shot hit the cross-bar and came into play again, and was then cleared by Dogra in the Past goal. Messrs. D. Lean and Pratt made a number of efforts to equalise but just could not get through the Present defence. On one occasion the former just missed scoring when the Present goal-keeper, M. Chatterjee just managed to get his stick to the ball in time. Dogra in the Past goal saved from Greene at the expense of a short corner from which A. Raza failed to score, the ball being well cleared by Mr. R. Lean. The Present increased their lead to two just before half time. The Past opened the second half with a terrific dash by Messrs. D. Lean, Pratt, and Rana, and that they never scored was really a bit of bad luck. The Present then went into the attack and Banche shot high from the top of the circle. A few minutes later Greene missed a sitter from 3 yards. Fayne increased the score to 3-0 in the 13th minute. After the bully Mr. Pratt ran down and

an almost certain goal was saved by Ghose at the expense of a short corner which the Past were unable to convert. I. Greene made it 4-0 in the 18th minute, and Banche made it 5 in the 25th minute, and so ended a very good game. The Present played well and the Past deserve great credit for their gallant effort. Mr. Watts, the centre-half of the Past had a difficult task in the pivot position; he played hard right to the end and a solo run down just before time just failed to find the net. Mr. Calpepper, an old boy both in years and in the sense of being in the School many years ago, played a stout game in the defence, and it was only in the second half when the altitude and his age began to tell that the opposing forwards were able to get past him. Congratulations to the Present for their victory, but even they will acknowledge that the Past gave them a run for their money.

E. W. W.

The 17th Annual Hockey Fixture with La Martinière, Lucknow.

La Martinière College.

		H. Brachio		
	P. Donegan		*R. DeCunha	
	S. Vohra	*M. Conroy		C. Foley
M. Greene	R. Sharps	*D. Jones	*W. Cox	I. Chona

Sherwood College.

		J. Payne		
	*G. Brain		P. Heman	
	R. Ghose	*F. Banche		R. Singh
*M. Hotz	*U. Rana	I* Greene	A. Daulatram	A. Raza

*Denotes 'old colour'.

April 28th, 1951. L. M. C.—1; S. C.—1.

The Inter School Hockey Fixture this year was packed with thrills. It was a grand game, but unfortunately the verdict was a 1-1 draw. Sherwood definitely dictated terms throughout the game. A very correct estimate of the play can be gauged from the fact that the Sherwoodians forced no less than 6 short, and two long corners, whilst the visitors failed to gain a single corner.

A few minutes before the scheduled time to begin, both teams were introduced to the Rev. K. C. McPherson. Following this, there was the toss of the coin; D. Jones, the La Martinière Captain, having called correctly, chose to defend the cottage end, whilst the Sherwoodians faced the sun.

The game began on a breezy note. Cox, the Martinière left inner, ran down with the ball until he was checked by one of Sherwood's "young 'old colours,'" Brain. For the next few minutes the Sherwoodians made a dangerous raid on the Martinière goal. Hotz and Greene both shot, but Brachio saved twice in grand style, whilst Donegan soon cleared the ball from the danger zone.

Flay remained in mid-field for a short while before the visiting centre-half, Conroy, dexterously passed to Cox. Once again the Martinière forwards were beyond our "25" line. This time, Cox cleverly dribbled our defenders and, finding a gaping goal before him, made no mistake, in



THE COMBINED TEAMS—LA MARTINIÈRE MATCH.

crashing the ball into the net. Payne, the Sherwoodian 'keeper', was completely beaten.

Six minutes of play over and Sherwood one goal down; that was the position when Jones and Greene bullied off for the second time.

Stung by the early reverse, Sherwood's forwards began a new offensive with increased vigour. Rana, following a skirmish with Donegan and DeCunha, could do no better than hit wide of the goal mouth. After the '25' that followed, Greene had a crack at the goal; and forced a short corner. This was followed by yet another short corner, yet both went unheeded. Shortly after, Daulatram actually beat Brachio with a shot at goal, but his shot lacked power, and whilst the ball was just about to trickle into the goal, Conroy, apparently dropping in from nowhere, pounced on the ball and made away with it. Screams and screeches followed from nerve-racked spectators when Brain foiled a brilliant left flank (Jones, Cox, Chona) manoeuvre. Consequently, the ball was back with our forwards, who, when the half-time whistle blew were busily engaged in missing corners and therefore, goals.

After half time, the game was completely dominated by the home team. The Sherwoodians brought considerable pressure to bear on their opponents. It was fairly obvious that this pressure could not remain abortive. Yet, our forwards just lacked that necessary "finish", that would have so altered the complexion of the game.

Greene excelled himself in this half. He once raced right down with the ball, and was dribbling his way right into the goal mouth, leaving behind him a host of puzzled defenders, when most unfortunately the ball slipped out of the boundary line. Yet, despite his brilliance and the excellent support he received from Hotz and Rana, many scoring opportunities were wasted.

Raza, at left extreme, did some useful work. Half-way through the second half he sent it beauti-



THE REV'D. K. MACPHERSON SHAKING HANDS WITH OUR VISITORS—LA MARTINIÈRE MATCH.

fully, only to see his pass go unheeded. Shortly after, no less than three short corners resulted in quick succession, yet the Sherwoodians proved incapable of converting them.

Only twice, in the second half, did the Martinière forwards go past the Sherwoodian "25" line. The first time was when Jones, after a magnificent run-down, was alone in the "D" with Payne, a clear opportunity of scoring, and then, as though by some miracle, he hit absolutely wide of goal.

Five minutes of play were left; our forwards had spent half their evening in the Martinière "D" without any success. Then suddenly, Daulatram passed to Greene. This time there was no mistake. With a tremendous shot that went whizzing into the net Greene's labour bore fruit. Sherwood had equalised.

Amidst resounding cheers, Jones and Greene bullied off again. Now, for the second time the ball crossed our "25" line. Cox tried pursuing it, but was stopped by Banche. For the last two minutes the ball was back in the Martinière goal-area. Hotz was enjoying a duel with DeCunha when the final whistle blew, leaving the game a 1-1 draw. Pandemonium now set in as our young enthusiasts galloped on to the field to thump their appreciation on each deserving back.

Great credit must be given to Brachio, Conroy and Vohra for the very efficient manner in which they withstood the continuous Sherwoodian raids. Jones and Cox are delightful players to watch, and were a constant source of danger to the home team. Ghose, Banche and Brain were towers of strength in the Sherwood XI.

Incidentally, this was the 17th inter-school encounter. So far Sherwood has won eight games; L. M. C.—4; whilst the remainder have been drawn. We can still boast of never losing on our home ground, whilst we have lowered the "old gold and blue" at Lucknow.

Municipal Board Hockey Tournament.

After a lapse of many years the College once again entered the Municipal Board Hockey Tournament in October. Much hard training was done in preparation and the following outside fixtures were arranged:—

Opposition	Result	Played at Home.
Sherwood vs. Naini Wanderers	2-1	..
.. vs. Naini Wanderers	3-2	.. Away.
.. vs. C. R. S. T.	5-1	.. at Home
.. vs. New Blood	2-1	.. at Home
.. vs. C. R. S. T.	3-4	.. at Home.
.. vs. New Blood	1-1	.. Away.
.. vs. C. R. S. T.	2-2	.. Away.
.. vs. Naini Wanderers	1-1	.. at Home.
.. vs. Naini Wanderers	1-5	.. Away.
.. vs. G. I. C.	2-1	.. at Home
.. vs. N. W. Youngs	2-1	.. at Home.

With this good practice against the best local teams our XI felt confident that they would give a good account of themselves in the tournament.

Municipal Board Hockey Tournament. The Draw.

Naini Wanderers	Bye	}	Naini Wanderers	}	} Naini Wanderers
C. R. S. T. "A"	New Blood				
New Blood		}	}		
O. B. A. Whites	Shree Kishan Club			}	
Shree Kishan Club		}	}		
Golden Club	Bye			}		Golden Club	}
Sherwood College	Bye	}	}		
N. W. Youngs	N. W. Youngs			}	
C. R. S. T. "B"		}	}		
G. I. C.	Bye			}	
C. R. S. T. Old Boys	Bye	}	}		
					C. R. S. T.

Last year's winners and runners-up were seeded top and bottom while the remaining three byes were given to what the committee considered the most likely strong past teams. So Sherwood were given a bye. Our first opponents were the N. W. Youngs, a not very powerful team. There is little doubt that the XI were confident of a stage fight, for they played completely defenceless. We were fortunate to force a draw in such an extra time, and the replay was fixed for the following afternoon. The team played a great deal better in the replay, and at half time we were 2 goals up, the scores being Banche (a fine shot) and Sanyal (a corner) that gave the goalkeeper, Chatterjee, Greene, and Raza. The second half found our own confident and the Youngs seemed to be and all but equalised. There is little doubt that we were by far the better team and a defeat of 4 goals would not have over-rated our XI.

The semi-final against C. R. S. T. Old Boys provided a high standard of hockey and plenty of thrills. The first 15 minutes found us on the defensive, but Chatterjee in goal rose to the occasion, and saved well. He was very ably supported by the backs and half backs. We had probably the best half line in the tournament, and Ghose as right half was outstanding. After this the team settled down and played with greater confidence.

Half time found the teams level, no side having scored a goal. The second half found us very much on top, and the pace was beginning to tell on the C. R. S. T., and it was not long before Payne opened the account for Sherwood, and a soon while later Greene made it 2-0. We continued to have the better of the exchanges and missed at least three further excellent opportunities of scoring. At the final whistle we were still 2 goals to the good, and everyone felt that the better team had come into the final.

The final was played on the 29th October. Naini Wanderers, as expected, had come through in the top half of the draw. They had already won the Cup two years in succession, and were hoping to complete their 'hat-trick'. It was generally felt, and acknowledged by our opponents, that Sherwood were the only team capable of stopping their 'run'. This game more than ever showed our boys the importance of making the most of opportunities offered. Within two minutes of the bully off, we should have opened the scoring, but Greene failed to convert from 5 yards. Throughout this half the game was very even, the defence holding the Naini Wanderers' fast forwards. Just before the interval, Raza ran down on the 7-80, but just failed to connect near the circle, and the pass to Greene who had only the goal to aim at.

beat, thus failed to materialise. The second half saw us definitely on top. Raza on the left sent a beautiful pass to Seth, which the latter made no mistake about, and so Sherwood had drawn first blood. A few minutes later the Naini forwards moved down and made a stinging shot by their centre-forward which was saved by Chatterjee, but a muddle among the backs failed to get the ball out of the circle, and their inside-right converted, bringing the score level. The play then found Naini on the defensive. A fine pass from the left was just missed by Payne hardly two feet from the goal. Naini Wanderers took the lead in the 16th minute, when an individual run by their right-inner found the net. The XI went all out, and had an excellent opportunity of drawing level when Greene after a solo effort, hit into the goal-keeper's pads barely a yard from the goal line. Five minutes later the same player was very unfortunate not to convert a hard shot that went over the cross bar. The team fought hard till the end but just could not make the net. Even Naini Wanderers acknowledge that they were most fortunate to have won.

The Chairman of the Municipal Board Distributed the Cups to the winners and runners-up,

and both he and the Secretary of the local Sports Association complimented Sherwood on their fine standard of hockey and an even higher standard of sportsmanship. R. Ghose was presented with a special cup as one of the most outstanding players in the Tournament.

Goal:—M. Chatterjee.

Backs:—G. Brain, S. Rana.

Halves:—R. Ghose, F. Banche, R. Singh.

Forwards:—M. Hotz, J. Payne, I. Greene, B. Seth, A. Raza.

Reserve:—A. Thompson.

I congratulate every member of the team in doing so well. They were a credit to themselves and the College they represented. The halves, backs and goal-keeper deserve a special pat on the back for their standard of play. Greene and Raza among the forwards are particularly clever with their sticks and on a number of occasions had the opposing defense puzzled. We hope that in 1952 the team will play as good and as hard hockey as this team of 1951.

E. W. W.

THE IZATNAGAR VISIT.

It was on August 16th that we heard from the Secretary of the District Sports Association, Izatnagar, that our invitation had been accepted and that a group of sixteen players would soon be in our midst to play against our boys at hockey and football.

On the 27th our guests arrived in Naini Tal, and they were met at the terminus by members of our hockey and football teams, accompanied by Mr. E. W. Waller and Mr. W. R. Pratt. The day was warm and bright and it augured well for the two fixtures ahead. Both matches were held under very favourable weather conditions, and the spirit in which they were played holds rich promise of further interesting exchanges in the future.

We reproduce below an account which appeared in *The Statesman* of the two encounters, and wish to thank the Officiating Principal of the College, the District Traffic Superintendent, Izatnagar, and the District Sports Secretary for having made these exchanges possible.

FROM THE STATESMAN.

4-1 FOOTBALL WIN OVER IZATNAGAR.

Sherwood's Success

(From A Correspondent.)

Naini Tal, August 31.—In their two-day fixture with Izatnagar district, Sherwood College, Naini Tal, drew in hockey and gained a resounding victory in football. The matches were held in Naini Tal.

The hockey match took place on August 27th. In the Izatnagar team was Md. Yaqoob, a U.P. selected player. Sherwood were the first to score. A. Raza, their outside-left, made a splendid run right to the goalmouth, and, off his pass, B. Seth, the inside-left, netted. Before half-time, Seth again met with success, running in to score off the goal-keeper's pads.

The second half was much faster, the Izatnagar team giving a grand display of stickwork and ball

control. Md. Younus made a solo effort and scored the first goal for Izatnagar, and within four minutes Zama Khan helped to level the score. Both sides now strove for the winning goal, but without result.

In football the following day, Sherwood won by four goals to one. The first goal came from a corner kick, Dass of Izatnagar heading past his own goal-keeper. B. Seth then volleyed a ball returning from the Izatnagar penalty box but his shot struck the crossbar and went over. Soon after, however, he ran in to score the second goal for Sherwood, after the Izatnagar custodian had got his hands to the ball but failed to hold it.

When play was resumed after half-time, Zama Khan reduced the lead. He shot the one and only goal for Izatnagar when R. Singh, the Sherwood goal-keeper, failed to gather cleanly. Sherwood continued to press and regained the initiative, B. Seth netting their third goal through a pass from R. Ghose. P. Singh came along with a late goal to put the issue beyond all doubt.

THE TEAMS.

HOCKEY—

Izatnagar:—H. Akhtar; Md. Yaqoob and V. Prakash; S. Lal, K. Khan and K. Singh; S. Dhami; C. Z. Khan; M. Younus, R. Dass and H. Singh.

Sherwood:—M. Chatterjee; G. Brain and H. Rana; R. Singh, F. Banche and R. Ghose; A. Raza, B. Seth, I. Greene (C), J. Payne and M. Hotz.

FOOTBALL.—

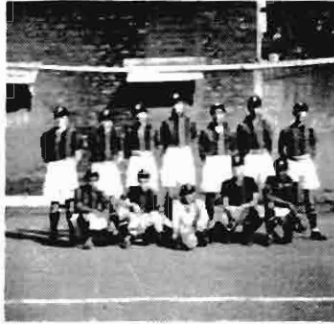
Izatnagar:—H. Shanker; M. Younus and H. Akhtar; M. Yaqoob, R. Dass and K. Singh; V. Prakash, S. Lal, S. Dhami (C), Z. Khan and H. Singh.

Sherwood:—R. Singh; G. Brain and N. Rowe; R. Ghose, F. Banche and M. Shah; B. Payne, B. Seth, I. Greene (C), P. Singh and A. Thompson.



PRESENT

(l. to R) BACK row:—M. Holtz, B. Seth, R. Lean, I. Greene, P. Singh and J. Payne.
FRONT row:—R. Ghose, G. Brain, F. Banche, N. Rowe, M. Shah.
With the ball—R. Singh.



THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL XI.

FRONT row:—M. Shah, N. Rowe, R. Singh, G. Brain and R. Ghose (V.C.).
BACK row:—M. Holtz (reserve), A. Thompson, P. Singh, I. Greene (C), F. Banche, B. Seth, B. Payne.



PAST

(l. to R) BACK row:—R. Lean (Ref.), E. Bower, A. Raza, U. Rana, D. Lean, and R. Mathur.
FRONT row:—V. Daval, B. Payne, E. Watts, C. Culpeper, P. Henman, and R. Nulty.

Sherwood vs. O.T.R. Izatnagar (Hockey).

The Izatnagar team consisted of Md. Yaqoob, a U. P. selected player and at least four other selected players, and so we were quite prepared to go down to such an experienced team. We also gather that, though they did not expect to do brilliantly in Football, they had every intention of showing us how hockey should be played. The first five minutes of the game made them realise that if they hoped to defeat us they would have to go all out. Our Eleven more than held their own; in fact we were the first to score. A. Raza, out outside-left, made a splendid run down, and sent in a beautiful pass to Seth at inside-left; the latter made no mistake about it and

sent in a shot that left their goalkeeper baffled. Just before half time, Seth increased the lead, running in to score off the goal-keeper's pad. The second half was played at a very fast pace, both teams playing excellent hockey. A lapse midway through this half gave Md. Yaqoob an opportunity of getting through, and before our Eleven realised what had happened, this player scored twice in about as many minutes. Both teams strived to obtain the winning goal, but at the final whistle the teams were still level, the score being 2—2. Our team deserve great credit for putting up so fine a performance against a team with such a background of experience.

Football—Past vs. Present

Past—1

Present—5

This encounter between youth and comparison, old age was one of the activities associated with the celebrations during Founder's Week. We were extremely pleased to have with us a sufficient number of old boys to warrant an interesting exchange.

The match took place on Thursday, June 7th. The Present mustered a fairly strong side but the sycophants of certain newcomers was a matter for conjecture, so the Past took heart and four-shadowed a runaway victory for themselves.

Promptly at 4:30 p.m. the Past kicked off and the ball swung into play. The game had barely progressed ten minutes, when B. Seth of the Present gathered a pass from I. Greene, the centre-forward, and, after adroitly tapping the ball to his left to beat D. Lean, the opposing right-back, he shot the first goal for his side. The ball found the net, safely out of C. Culpeper's reach.

The game was stiff young, and, according to the mature observations of the "veterans", anything could happen before time was up. Very soon, something did happen; B. Seth again attacked. He controlled a splendid pass from B. Payne, the left-wing, and shot without much hesitation. The ball struck the upright and rebounded into play but, this time, Seth made certain by scoring with a low ground drive.

To the Past a two-goal lead was disconcerting, and the Present now began to experience stiffening resistance. D. Lean played with consummate skill and determination, while E. Watts kept battering at the ball like a mediæval ram to stem the tide of invasion. For a short while, matters looked critical for the Present, and there was a dangerous sortie before their goal mouth. The backs, however, played like Titans, and N. Rowe broke up the threat by kicking the ball out of "touch". On the throw-in, R. Ghose, the

Present right-half, made a clever anticipation and gave a long pass to M. Hotz on the wing. Hotz used his speed to good advantage and gave P. Singh, the inner, a well-directed pass. Singh moved in and scored from point-blank range. Half time then followed, with the Present three goals ahead and seemingly well-placed for victory.

On the resumption of play, E. Watts moved up as centre forward, and U. Rana took his place in the half line. This was a tactical move, fraught with great danger for the Present. Not a few were the occasions when Watts all but scored; it was the defence which, time and again, foiled him, and, in the end, his threatening moves dissipated themselves in a series of abortive raids. Then an amazing goal fell to the Past; E. Watts dribbled his way right into the opposing penalty box and looked like scoring, when N. Rowe

rushed out to tackle him. Rowe confused the issue but he failed to control the ball, and it flew onward to his co-defender, G. Brain. Brain sallied forth but mistimed the ball, and R. Mathur seized the opportunity to score the one and only goal for the Past.

Young blood must have its day, and, as the game progressed, it became all too evident that the Present were closing in on the kill. They exerted unrelenting pressure, with their half-line moving up to close any possible escape gap. This manoeuvre soon brought dividends, when J. Greene beat the Past defenders and scored the fourth goal for his side. This was a splendid individual effort, and it was a spectacular end to a great game when Greene again scored with a "header" off a pass from F. Bauche, the centre-half.

THE TEAMS.

PAST

		D. Lean	C. Culpepper	B. Payne		
	P. Hennan		E. Watts		R. Nudiv	
V. Dayal		A. Raza	U. Rana	E. Bower		R. Mathur

PRESENT

J. Payne		B. Seth	J. Greene	P. Singh		M. Hotz
	M. Shah		F. Bauche		R. Ghose	
		C. Brain	R. Singh	N. Rowe		

FOOTBALL NOTES.

It was on the termination of Founders' Week that the Football Season commenced. Formal practice began on June 11th, and Set Matches provided the necessary training for the subsequent House encounters.

This year the Weather Clerk beamed kindly on us so most of the games were played on dry ground. Off-setting this stroke of good fortune, however, was the epidemic of mumps which behaved in a manner far more fatal and upsetting than has the most capricious monsoon. At critical moments during the House Matches, Mr. Mumps rendered void the high hopes placed in certain star-players, and their substitution by individuals from a lower division became a necessary evil. Nevertheless, team spirit was high, and the House Competitions were as keenly contested as ever.

On July 2nd, the "C" Division House Matches commenced. The Houses were fairly even so the struggle for supremacy resolved itself on the ability of the youngsters to chase the ball wherever it chanced to go, and to kick it without much ado. Plenty of new talent came to light, and J. Rossiter, Pannu Singh, I. Ali and C. Yadav shone as luminaries on the soccer horizon. It was after some don fighting that Little John annexed the "C" Division trophy.

In the "B" Division matches, which began on July 16th, there was less crowding in on the ball and more of an approach to correct soccer. Kicking and ball control were somewhat erratic but opportunism never lacked adherents. It was in this division that many boys were incapacitated with mumps so we were prevented from seeing in action several players who give promise of becoming really good footballers. Outstanding in this division were S. Singh Rai, D. Shah, M. Nagle, Sohan Singh, B. Bower, I. Kerr, K. McMahon and E. Hartley. It was in the fitness of things that Allen-a-Dale should have emerged victorious and carried off the "B" Division trophy.

By far the most interesting exchanges took place in the Senior Football. Here we were treated to some excellent displays, replete with grim determination and heroic effort. Allen-a-Dale looked strong on paper but they were more so in action and maintained a magnificent record by not conceding a win, or even a draw, to any other House. Little John was at the other end of the scales and failed to register a win. There was little to choose between Robin Hood and Polar Tuck, though the latter forged ahead, second to Allen-a-Dale.

	A					B					C				
	R.H.	F.T.	L.J.	A.D.	Total	R.H.	F.T.	L.J.	A.D.	Total	R.H.	F.T.	L.J.	A.D.	Total
R.H.	X	0	2	0	2	X	2	1	0	3	X	1	0	1	2
F.T.	2	X	2	0	4	0	X	0	2	2	1	X	0	2	3
L.J.	0	0	X	0	0	1	2	X	0	3	2	2	X	0	4
A.D.	2	2	2	X	6	2	0	2	X	4	1	0	2	X	3

FINAL TALLY

1st	Allen-a-Dale	...	...	13	points
2nd	Fiat Tuck	...	...	9	points
3rd	Robin Hood	...	...	7	points
	Little John	...	...	7	points

THE COLLEGE ELEVEN.

Each year, the selection of a representative College Eleven presents two problems: players who move out of school have to be suitably replaced, and the entire complement has then to go through the necessary period of training to be welded into a team. Difficulties which at first appear insuperable, slowly begin to resolve themselves, and it is amazing how, with practice and encouragement, a really good team can be fashioned.

This year the Eleven has been a youthful side but its lack of years and experience has not detracted from the fact that it has done exceptionally well: playing good, clean football in true Sherwood tradition. More than this, it has been a side amenable to advice and suggestion, and these qualities have done much to make it a strong fighting unit with plenty of punch. I have considered it a great privilege to be associated with so grand a set of lads, and all the success the Eleven has earned has been due in great measure to the untiring efforts of its members.

We were fortunate to have a number of outside matches with local teams, and in all these exchanges the Eleven did splendidly. The Police proved our toughest opponents but they played us at the commencement of the season, when we were yet in the "green" stage, and then for the Eleven to lose through a solitary penalty kick was a performance of no mean stature. The Police team challenged us again but just when the School football season had given place to athletics, otherwise I am sure the Eleven would have turned the tables on their erstwhile victors.

When news came through that Izatnagar district had accepted our challenge, morning practice

became the order of the day. The team evinced considerable keenness and made great headway in trapping, heading, and mastering the flight of the ball. Wing movements and effective methods of cross-field passing did much to build up a spirit of understanding between the players, and, when the great day came, the College Eleven were not found wanting. Elsewhere in this issue we reproduce an account of the match from the columns of *The Statesman*.

As I conclude these notes, I must say how grateful I am to the Officiating Principal for the splendid encouragement he has given us. He readily agreed to the suggestion that we challenge Izatnagar, and the success of our lads vindicated the hopes he placed in them. Quite spontaneously he also declared that we should continue these fixtures, as sport in school has to be nurtured and encouraged.

To three other people my thanks are also due. Mr. M. Fordham did a great job with his efficient arrangements for Tea, sometimes at very short notice, for visiting teams, and the nice spread and special dinner which he provided during the Izatnagar visit brought showers of blessings on his head. Mrs. I. Waller worked hard at the team caps, and, for the distinctive "E's" which she embroidered on them, I say a very big Thank You. The Hospital Sister was kept busy right through the soccer season, attending to a multitude of casualties and making them fit for the next encounter. Her tinctures and lotions did fine restorative work, and the players have cause to be rightly thankful to her. Both literally and metaphorically I give her a pat on the back.

THE COLLEGE TEAM.

B. Payne	B. Seth	*I. Greene (C)	P. Singh	A. Thompson
R. Ghose (V.C.)	G. Brain	F. Banche	N. Rowe	M. Shah
		R. Singh		

Reserve:—M. Holz.

*Old Colour.

R. SINGH.—A fairly dependable goal-keeper who is particularly good with rising shots. Has learnt to punch forcefully with both hands but is slow to get down for ground thrusts.

G. BRAIN.—A sound left-back with a good follow-through kick. Traps well and gives good wing passes. A cool dribbler who would do very well with more speed.

N. ROWE.—Has plenty of dash and tackles without hesitation, though with too much disregard for his own safety. A useful right-back who, in the position he occupies, must develop a more powerful kick. Heads to advantage.

F. BANCHE.—A hard-working centre-half. Kicks like a giant with both feet. Tries long shots at goal but must curb this tendency on dry ground. Heading inclined to be hasty. Passes cleverly.

M. SHAH.—A right-wing half with commendable spirit. Gets to the ball quickly and masters it with the inflexion of his body. Must give quicker passes "along" and not "skyward." Good at a dead trap.

R. GHOSE.—Left-wing half and Vice-Captain of the Eleven. Tackles tenaciously and worries an opponent into submission. Heads the swiftest ball with pachidermi toughness and gets good direction by using his head as a lever. Feeds correctly but needs to develop a more powerful volley.

B. PAYNE.—A left-wing who puts all he has into a game. Fearlessness is his greatest asset. Somewhat slow to get away but overcomes this by taking the ball on the outside of the foot to beat an opponent. Must kick more quickly after a break-through.

B. SETH.—An inside-left with a natural soccer sense. A real goal-getter who kicks low drives straight to the corner of the net. Slow to swing the ball forward but a great opportunist and an invaluable link in the attack. Never fails to convert a penalty.

I. GREENE.—Centre-forward and Captain of the Eleven. A keen header and dribbler who has lately been sacrificing individual effort to beat an on-coming attack by the opposing defence. Has developed a quick get-away and a method of snap-shooting at goal, though the latter suffers, at times, from undue haste. Traps well.

P. SINGH.—An inside-right with a great turn of speed. His instep kick is faulty, the ball very often twisting outwards. At close range he is dangerous as he gets in like a flash. His heading must be less from the crown of the head.

A. THOMPSON.—A late addition to the team in the position of right-wing. He has done fairly well in outside fixtures, giving some good passes right over to the centre. His angular kicks at goal are also dangerous. Must vary his method of beating the defence by moving inwards or effecting a change pass with the inside-right. Heading needs considerable improvement.

THIS YEAR'S OUTSIDE FIXTURES.

1. Sherwood vs. the Police	...	Sherwood	...	0.	Police	...	1
2. Sherwood vs. Govt. Intermediate College	...	Sherwood	...	4.	G. I. C.	...	1
3. Sherwood vs. C. R. S. T.	...	Sherwood	...	5.	C. R. S. T.	...	0
4. Sherwood vs. Government Inter College	...	Sherwood	...	4.	G. I. C.	...	3
5. Sherwood vs. Naini Wanderers	...	Sherwood	...	3.	N. W.	...	2
6. Sherwood vs. Government Inter College	...	Sherwood	...	7.	G. I. C.	...	1
7. Sherwood vs. Izatnagar	...	Sherwood	...	4.	Izatnagar	...	1

Distinction Caps were awarded to:—I. Greene, R. Ghose, G. Brain, B. Seth and F. Banche.

CRICKET.

This year the cricket season was surprisingly short. But we have a worthy excuse for our seeming slackness. Mr. Lean, our Principal and Cricket coach, left us in mid-term, so our number of outside matches was reduced to a mere three. Without the aid of Mr. Gasper we would not have even had those

The opening match of the year was between teams consisting of the boys and masters of the school. The teams were the "Hasbeens" and the "Maybes," and the latter lost by 28 runs. The most outstanding events of this match were the innings of 10 and 21 by E. Bower for the "Maybes" and the fine all-round performances of E. Watts, who scored 67 and secured 7 wickets for the cost of only 38 runs.

During the course of the year, we played the Naini Wanderers and the Colvin Club, but both of these resulted in a narrow draw. We also played an Army team. It was originally intended to be a single-innings match, but since we had no difficulty in skittling the team for a mere 43, and gaining almost a century lead, thanks to the bowling of

K. Khan and the unbeaten 40 by R. Singh, we allowed them to bat again.

The Inter-House Cricket Tournament was highlighted by some splendid all-round playing by A. Dayal and E. Hartley in the seniors and juniors, respectively. R. Singh's bowling and batting, as well as that of F. Banche, deserves some commendation, while M. Hotz's 70 against Robin Hood was a praiseworthy effort, though it was marred by several "lives." R. Ghose had the distinction of stumping all his victims. The senior cricket was won by Little John, and A. D. and F. T. drew for the Junior.

In the Annual Founder's Past vs. Present Cricket Match, the Past won by 80 runs. They were aided in their victory by the really excellent all-round display of E. Watts, who took 7 wickets for 38 runs, and went on to score a century. M. Hotz made history by opening for the Present, and carrying his bat for an unbeaten 43, though he was again aided by several "lives." The best bowler for the Present was F. Banche, who secured 4 wickets at the personal cost of only 20 runs. He is Sherwood's Cricket Captain, and it is largely due to him that we have lost no outside matches this year.

SEASON'S AVERAGES.

BATTING: [Qualification: 90 Runs—Average 12.]

Name.	No. of Completed Innings	Total	Highest Score	Average
1. M. Hotz	7	186	71	26.57
2. R. Singh	7	93	40*	13.3
3. A. Dayal	8	101	32	12.60
4. F. Banche	10	120	43	12.00
R. Ghose	9	108	37	12.00

* Indicate "Not Out."

BOWLING: [Qualification: 19 Wickets—Average 7.5]

Name.	No. of Overs	Maidens	Wickets.	Runs.	Average.
1. M. Shah	45.2	13	19	101	5.32
2. K. Khan	82	26	32	177	5.53
3. R. Singh	47.7	10	24	136	5.67
4. F. Banche	59.2	18	20	117	5.85

F. Banche, though fourth in the season's averages, shows that his bowling was the steadiest, his average per over being less than 2 runs.

Inter-House Batting and Bowling Scores.

SENIORS.

BATTING:

Name.	No. of completed Innings.	Total.	Highest Score.	Average.
1. M. Holz	2	100	70	50
2. A. Daval	3	57	32	19.0
3. R. Singh	2	37	25*	18.5
R. Ghose	2	37	33*	18.5
4. F. Banche	3	55	43	18.3

* Denotes Not Out.

BOWLING:

Name.	No. of Overs.	Wickets.	Runs.	Average.
1. A. Dayal	15.1	14	35	2.5
2. R. Singh	17.5	16	45	2.5
3. F. Banche	30.1	11	46	4.2
4. K. Khan	28	13	58	4.5
5. M. Shah	36.2	15	95	6.3

JUNIORS.

BATTING:

Name.	No. of completed Innings.	Total.	Highest Score	Average.
1. E. Hartley	4	103	37	25.75
2. J. Shannan	4	87	37	21.75
3. J. Barnes	4	64	33	16
4. M. Nagle	5	74	43	14.8
5. A. Kak	3	42	17	14.0

BOWLING:

Name.	Overs.	Wickets.	Runs.	Average.
1. E. Hartley	37.4	17	60	3.5
2. S. Haidar	11	7	25	3.6
3. A. Kak	44.5	19	72	3.8
4. M. Nagle	49.1	18	95	5.3
D. Shah	29	11	58	5.3
5. S. Puri	47.5	19	107	5.6

Also bowled:

K. McMahon	4	3	10	3.3
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Leading Cricketers

SENIORS

- F. BANCHE.—A stylish bat with a wide range of strokes. He is rather weak on the off—hence he is apt to be stumped. He bowls off-breaks well, with an occasional bumper. An excellent field—team captain—can bowl the “googly.”
- A. DAYAL.—Executes his strokes with force, particularly on the off side. A medium fast bowler, who excels in off breaks. Headed the bowling averages. A safe field.
- R. SINGH.—Does not possess many strokes but has a good eye. Bowls leg-breaks which come off the pitch fairly fast. Opens for the College. A safe field.
- M. HOTZ.—A forceful batsman who has been aided by luck to a large extent. Opens batting for Sherwood, and has had a successful season. Headed the batting averages.
- R. GHOSH.—A steady player who is strong on the leg-side, but shows a tendency to poke at balls on the off. A good wicket-keeper who stands up to fast bowling, and stumps well. However, due to this, he gives away quite a few extras when facing swing bowlers. An excellent field when not keeping wicket.
- H. RANA.—Is strong on leg and off side, but has a tendency to hit too near the wicket, and is therefore sometimes out “hit-wicket.” Sherwood's opening bowler, and bowls round the wicket. His breaks are very effective. An excellent fielder. Was unfortunately ill for the House matches.
- F. BOWER.—An opening batsman, who is by far the steadiest in the School—too steady, and hardly ever punishes loose balls. An accurate bowler, but is rather slow. A fair field.
- K. KHAN.—An off break bowler who bowls for Sherwood as an opener. The fastest in the School who is accurate, and effective. He tires quickly, and when hit frequently, gives full “lobs.”
- M. SHAH.—As a batsman, he lacks strokes. He, however, has an excellent eye, and times his strokes with precision. A medium pace bowler, who bowls for long spells. His speciality is a break. Was successful in outside matches. A good field.

JUNIORS

- E. HARTLEY.—Had the double distinction of topping both the batting and bowling averages. Has a fair knowledge of strokes, but fails to punish all loose balls. Bowls a ball on the middle stump, turning away to the off. Very accurate. A fair field.
- J. SHANNAN.—An extremely steady opener. Over-cautious but has some beautiful leg strokes. Rather weak on the off. A good field.
- J. BARNES.—Another opening batsman who is too steady. Lacks variety of strokes but can be relied on to score when he has dug himself in. A safe field.
- M. NAGLE.—Has less strokes than others, but has an excellent eye. Is rather a “slogger.” Keeps a good length while bowling, and is accurate. A fairly slow bowler who breaks the ball well. An excellent field.
- A. KAK.—A good bat with quite a repertoire of strokes. Has a tendency to lift the ball. He is a good bowler also. Bowls “googlies” and mixes his breaks well. An excellent field.
- S. HAIDAR.—An opening bat—too cautious and initially nervous. Sometimes he shows a few good strokes. Bowls well, coming second in the averages. A slow bowler and a good field.
- D. SHAH.—A stylish bat who does not appear to have an aptitude for fast bowling. Bowls off-breaks, but also gives full tosses when frequently hit to the boundary. An excellent field.
- S. PURI.—A fast bowler whose bowling is spoilt by too long a run. Sacrifices accuracy for speed.
- B. BOWER.—A batsman whose innings is often spoilt by poking at balls off the off stump. An off-break bowler with a reasonable amount of speed. A very good field.
- J. BASU.

ATHLETICS.

Our 1951 athletic season was not as long as those of previous years on account of the monsoon. Having let us off in July, it decided to vent its spleen on us in September, with the consequent result that we had a bare fortnight in which to train before the heats.

The boys were not, however, lacking in zeal. The smaller element, particularly, were so enthusiastic that they attempted to contract Pneumonia with almost monotonous regularity, by running during a heavy downpour of rain. Bad luck took its toll, and N. Rowe of Friar Tuck, a boy whom all were in favour of obtaining the Junior “Rex Ludorum,” languished in hospital with a fractured ulna. Barring these little set-backs, our athletics were extremely successful.

Sports Day dawned on us on October 3rd, but the sky was overcast with clouds in the morning. These had rather a threatening aspect, but with the exception of a few light showers of rain, they were of no consequence. Lady Modi honoured us with her presence. The standard of running was lower than that of previous years, few records being broken, but this was amply compensated by enthusiasm. I would here like to mention the Senior Marathon record which was set up by F. Banche this year. Unfortunately, there was a little doubt concerning the accuracy of the timing, but this must cast no slur on his magnificent performance. Another very good record was created by R. Singh for the Junior Hop, Step and Jump.



LADY MODI PRESENTS THE PRIZES



A VOTE OF THANKS TO THE PARENTS
WHO PRESENTED ALL SPORTS DAY CUPS



LADY MODI TAKES THE SALUTE

In the Senior and Junior divisions, F. Banche and J. Basu managed to do fairly well in the long races, but the sprints were monopolised by M. Hotz and M. Shah respectively. Both did extremely well in the field events also, and eventually gained their well-earned reward in the shape of the coveted "Rex Ludorum."

In the division for athletes under twelve years, D. DeSa proved to be the best athlete.

Trophies for the best Senior and Junior all-rounders went to F. Banche and R. Singh respectively. The correctness of these decisions is demonstrat-



SPORTS DAY MARCH PAST OF THE HOUSES.

ed by the fact that they both represent the School in all games.

Lady Modi took the Salute at the College March Past and afterwards kindly presented the prizes. Since Sherwood was faced with the view of a continuous stretch of *Desahra* holidays, they abstained from appealing for the usual extra one.

Lady Modi and the Principal then said a few words suited to the occasion. After this, the College captain gave three cheers for her. The boys responded with gusto, and thus another Sherwood Sports Day concluded.

J. BASU.

ATHLETIC RESULTS:

SENIOR EVENTS—

100 Yds.	(Record E. Watts, 10.2", '46).		
1. M. Hotz (10.8"), L.J.	2. F. Singh, A.D.	3. A. Raza, F.T.	
220 Yds.	(Record 24.2", E. Watts, '46).		
1. M. Hotz (25"), L. J.	2. P. Singh, A.D.	3. A. Raza, F.T.	
440 Yds.	(Record 55.8", D. Hardakar, '38).		
1. F. Banche (58"), A.D.	2. R. Ghose, R.H.	3. M. Hotz, L.J.	
$\frac{1}{2}$ Mile.	(Record 2' 8.8", D. Carnegie, '47).		
1. F. Banche (2' 23.8"), A.D.	2. R. Ghose, R.H.	3. M. Hotz, L.J.	
Mile.	(Record 4' 59", S. Burrett, '44).		
1. F. Banche (5' 27.4"), A.D.	2. R. Ghose, R.H.	3. M. Hotz, L.J.	
120 Yds. Hurdles.	(Record 16.3", H. Webber, '36).		
1. P. Singh (A.D.), 17.5"	2. I. Greene, F.T.	3. R. Rana, R.H.	
Broad Jump.	(Record 20' 2", F. Grange, '32).		
1. A. Raza (17' 4"), F.T.	2. I. Greene, F.T.	3. F. Banche, A.D.	
Hop. Step and Jump.	(Record 40' 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", B. Forbes, '46).		
1. M. Hotz (37' 8"), L.J.	2. A. Raza, F.T.	3. F. Banche, A.D.	
High Jump.	(Record 5' 8", S. Kapur, '42).		
1. P. Singh (5' 0"), A.D.	2. M. Hotz, L.J.	3. A. Raza, F.T.	
16 lb. Shot Putt.	(Record 32' 2", R. Webber, '36).		
1. M. Hotz (28' 8"), L.J.	2. P. Singh, A.D.	3. I. Greene, F.T.	
Discus Throw.	(Record 98' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", R. Crawshaw, '44).		
1. I. Greene (79' 1"), F.T.	2. M. Hotz, L.J.	3. R. Ghose, R.H.	
4 x 100 Yds. Relay.	(Record 46.2", R.H., '46).		
1. A.D. [P. Singh, F. Banche, R. Nulty, K. Khan]	47.0.	2. L.J.	3. R.H.
4 x 220 Yds. Relay.	(Record 1' 45.2", R.H., '46).		
1. A.D. [P. Singh, F. Banche, R. Nulty, K. Khan]	1' 47.8".	2. R.H.	3. L.J.
4 x 100 Yds (Hurdles Relay).	[Record 61.5", R.H., '47].		
1. A.D. [P. Singh, F. Banche, G. Brain, K. Khan]	69.0".	2. R.H.	3. L.J.
Broad Jump (Team).	[Record 38' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", L.J., '44].		
1. F.T. (Greene, Raza), 31' 4".	2. A.D.	3. R.H.	
Hop. Step and Jump (Team).	[Record 76' 1", F.T., '45].		
1. F.T. (I. Greene, A. Raza), 71' 5".	2. A.D.	3. L.J.	
High Jump (Team).	[Record 10' 11", A.D., '42].		
1. A.D. (P. Singh, F. Banche), 9' 7".	2. L.J.	3. F.T.	
Shot Putt (Team).	[Record 58' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", F.T., '48].		
1. A.D. (P. Singh, F. Banche), 51' 11".	2. L.J.	3. F.T.	
Discus Throw (Team).	[Record 173' 5", F.T., '44].		
1. L.J. (M. Hotz, J. Payne), 134' 6".	2. A.D.	3. R.H.	
Rex Ludorum: M. Hotz.	Best All-Round Athlete: F. Banche.		

JUNIOR EVENTS—

- 100 Yds. (Record 11.3", S. Rana, '50).
1. M. Shah (11.7), R.H. 2. N. Rowe, F.T. 3. R. Singh, L.J.
- 220 Yds. (Record 26.8", B. Adolphus, S. Rana, '50).
1. M. Shah (27.4"), R.H. 2. N. Rowe, F.T. 3. R. Singh, L.J.
- 440 Yds. (Record 61.4", D. Carr, '38).
1. N. Rowe (64.5"), F.T. 2. M. Shah, R.H. 3. J. Basu, R.H.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ Mile. (Record 2' 28.4", R. Hefferan '46).
1. J. Basu (2' 37"), R.H. 2. P. Puri, R.H. 3. H. Arnold, L.J.
- Mile. (Record 5' 25.2", S. Burrett, '41).
1. J. Basu (5' 48.5"), R.H. 2. P. Puri, R.H. 3. N. Rowe, F.T.
- 100 Yds. (Hurdles). [Record 16.3", S. Rana, '50].
1. M. Shah (17.5"), R.H. 2. S. Singh Rai, A.D. 3. H. Arnold, L.J.
- Broad Jump. [Record 16' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", S. Abrahams, '39].
1. R. Singh (15' 6"), L.J. 2. M. Shah, R.H. 3. A. Dayal, L.J.
- Hop, Step and Jump. [Record 34' 2", S. Afzal, '41].
1. R. Singh (New Record 34' 7"), L.J. 2. M. Shah, R.H. 3. A. Dayal, L.J.
- High Jump. [Record 4' 11", S. Tewari, '36].
1. M. Shah (4' 4"), R.H. 2. A. Dayal, L.J. 3. P. Puri, R.H.
- 12 lb. Shot Putt. [Record 32' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", P. Higgins, '44].
1. H. Arnold (27' 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "), L.J. 2. R. Singh, L.J. 3. M. Shah, R.H.
- 4 x 100 Yds. Relay. [Record 50.9", R.H., '50].
1. R. H. [M. Shah, J. Basu, P. Puri, B. Bower] 52.4". 2. L.J. 3. F.T.
- 4 x 220 Yds. Relay. [Record 1' 57.6", A.D., '45].
1. R. H. [M. Shah, J. Basu, P. Puri, B. Bower] 1' 58.5". 2. L.J. 3. F.T.
- 4 x 440 Yds. Relay. [Record 4' 30.4", F.T., '44].
1. R.H. [M. Shah, J. Basu, P. Puri, B. Bower] 4' 42". 2. L.J. 3. F.T.
- Broad Jump (Team). [Record 30' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", A.D., '45].
1. L.J. (R. Singh, A. Dayal), 28' 9". 2. R.H. 3. A.D.
- Hop, Step and Jump (Team). [Record 65' 10", A.D., '41].
1. L. J. (R. Singh, A. Dayal), 64' 1". 2. R.H. 3. F.T.
- Shot Putt (Team). [Record 60' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", F.T., '44].
1. L. J. (R. Singh—H. Arnold), 58' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". 2. R.H. 3. F.T.
- High Jump (Team). [Record 9' 9", F.T., '42].
1. R. H. (M. Shah—P. Puri), 8' 5". 2. L.J. 3. A.D.
- Rex Ludorum: M. Shah.
- Best All-Round Athlete: R. Singh.

UNDER TWELVE YEARS—

- 100 Yds. (Record 12.8", L. Beanland, '39).
1. D. deSa (15"), A.D. 2. S. Singh, L.J. 3. S. Khan, (R.H.).
- 220 Yds. (Record 31.0", D. Catley, '38).
1. D. deSa (31.8") 2. S. Khan, R.H. 3. S. Singh, L.J.
- 440 Yds. (Record 70.2", T. Mackinson, '44).
1. S. Khan (76.5"), R.H. 2. S. Singh, L.J. 3. G. Vance, A.D.
- Broad Jump (Record 13' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", C. Reilly, '43).
1. D. deSa (12' 6"), A.D. 2. E. Hartley, F.T. 3. S. Khan, R.H.
- 4 x 220 Yds. Relay. (Record 2' 11.4", R.H., '45)
1. A.D. (P. Sen-Gupta, M. Ali, G. Vance, D. deSa), 2' 19.4". 2. R.H. 3. L.J.
- Broad Jump (Team). [Record 26' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", R.H. '43].
1. F.T. (K. McMahon—E. Hartley), 23' 10". 2. A.D. 3. R.H.
- Champion Athlete: D. deSa.

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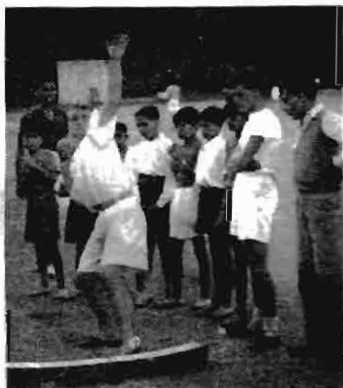
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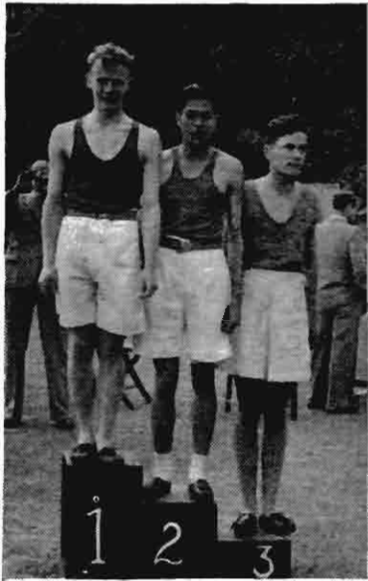
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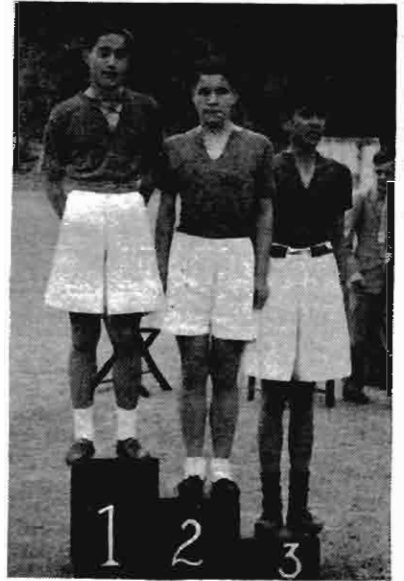
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UNDER TEN YEARS—

- 100 Yds. (Record 13 8", R. Webb, '40).
1. J. Rossiter (15"), F.T. 2. P. Whiting, R.H. 3. B. Singh, A.D.
- 220 Yds. (Record 32.8", A. Khan, '40 & D. deSa, '49).
1. P. Whiting, R.H. 2. B. Singh, A.D. 3. Y. Khan, F.T.
- Broad Jump. (Record 11' 7 1/2", T. Montrieo, '45).
1. B. Singh (10' 7"), A.D. 2. J. Rossiter, F.T. 3. P. Singh Rai, R.H.
- 4 x 110 Yds. Relay. (Record 68.6", R.H., '44).
1. F.T. (R. Feik, H. Singh, Y. Khan, J. Rossiter), 72.4". 2. R.H. 3. A.D.
- Broad Jump (Team). (Record 21' 9", F.T., '49).
1. F.T. (J. Rossiter, M. Singh), 19' 4". 2. A.D. 3. R.H.

UNDER EIGHT YEARS—

- 50 Yds. (Record 7.8", M. Dawson, '43).
1. R. Oddy (8.6"), A.D. 2. M. Pritchard, F.T. 3. G. Gupta, A.D.
- 100 Yds. (Record 15.1", I. Cooper, '44).
1. R. Oddy (16.5"), A.D. 2. M. Pritchard, F.T. 3. G. Gupta, A.D.
- 4 x 50 Yds. Relay (Record 34.4", F.T., '49).
1. L. J. (K. Manson, K. Rekhari, S. Singh, R. Khanna). 2. Allen-a-Dale.
- 4 x 440 Yds. Relay (Open). (Record)
1. St. Joseph's (D. King, K. Philips, K. Louis, P. Hanvey), 3' 51". 2. Sherwood.
- Sir Hugh Inglis Cup for Team Events: ... Allen-a-Dale.
- Dyer Shield for Athletics: ... Robin Hood.
- Cock-House 1951: ... 1. Allen-a-Dale.
... 2. Robin Hood.
... 3. Little John.
... 4. Friar Tuck.



ALLEN-A DALE COCK HOUSE

HOUSE MARATHONS.

The House Marathon Competition has always been an important event in the House Competitions; an event looked forward to with interest and excitement, and one not lacking in surprise. Till 1949 it was considered a separate competition towards the 'Cock' House. It was, however, felt that this was unduly stressing the Marathon, and, therefore, it was decided in 1950 to consider it as a part of the Athletic Competition, the other two sections being made up of Individual Events and Team Events. The points for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places were 12, 8, 6 and 4 respectively. The total points obtained in the three sections decided the places in the Athletic Competition. This year it was decided to make a further change. Points were to be awarded for the first twelve places in each division. The total number of points thus obtained were to be added to the points obtained in the Individual and Team Events. The Grand Total would decide the House positions in the Athletic Competition.

The practice runs for the Marathon commenced early in August. Each practice brought new hopes and new disappointments to each House. Even on the final day, it was not possible to foretell which House would score the greatest number of points. M. Hotz was expected to be first in the Senior Division with F. Banche a close second. In the Junior Division J. Basu was considered a sure winner with P. Puri a close second. The results in the other age groups were unknown, though prophets were not lacking in Horseman Wing, each having his own favourite. But, alas, most of them were false prophets!

The Clerk of the Weather had been very generous to us during the Founder's Week; he was equally generous to us on the day of the Marathon. We are now convinced that the powers that be have definitely appointed an old Sherwoodian to the job this year. Let's hope he retains that job, even though he is guilty of nepotism! The day of the Marathon proved to be an ideal day—cloudy but of which even Sherwood's Meteorologist (Mr. Sterling) could easily venture to say with an air of much learning and conviction that there would be no rain till after lunch.

The Staff were to meet in the Common Room at 8.15 a.m. to synchronise their watches. This being done, punctually at 8.20 the first group left for their starting point.

What excitement there was among the boys! There was quite a generous display of individual 'mottoes' chalked on the back of their vests: "A. D.'s Last Hope," "Sure Winner," "Bound to Fail," "Also Ran," etc.

Punctually at 9 a.m. the first race started and a minute later a red shirt (R. Oddy) was seen round the bend to be the eventual winner by

5 yards. R. Khanna of Little John was 2nd, G. Gupta, last year's winner, came third with M. Pritchard of Friar Tuck a very close fourth. In this race a new record (1 min. 8 sec.) was established.

The Under 10 race started at 9.5 a.m. S. Salam of Friar Tuck came first with Peter Whiting of Robin Hood a close second. The 3rd place went to H. Singh of Friar Tuck. Then came the mob. Soon we were on the look-out for the last man. Twice we gave this unwelcomed place to the wrong boy.

The Juniors were the next to come in. Here Robin Hood were easy winners, J. Basu and F. Puri being first and second, D. Shah, M. Shah and B. Bower being 6th, 7th and 8th respectively. The third place went to N. Rowe of Friar Tuck. He has probably established an all-time record of 15 min. 9 sec. for the course.

In the Midget Division, E. Hartley of Friar Tuck was an easy first and S. Singh of Little John, an easy second, R. Wali Khan, heavy-weight of Standard I, came third.

The Senior Marathon was looked forward to with the greatest excitement. Suddenly a red shirt was spotted in the distance; all of us knew that this must be F. Banche of Allen-a-Dale. Banche took the lead at the very start and easily maintained that lead. He came in with quite a spurt and was the winner of the race with a 25-yard lead and the record equalled. R. Ghose of Robin Hood was 2nd, and A. Thompson of Robin Hood gave all of us a surprise by coming third. His was not an easy victory, for M. Hotz and A. Aurora made quite an effort for the third place. During the race there were quite frequent changes of position among these three. G. Brain who was expected to come third came eighth.

Altogether for the Marathon there was an entry of 150 boys out of a possible entry of 172. This shows the keen spirit of the boys and their eagerness to do their best irrespective of the fact whether they were likely winners or not. They did, certainly, put in a tremendous effort. The first place went easily to Robin Hood with a total of 118 points; Friar Tuck came second with 106 points, Allen-a-Dale third with 91 points and Little John were fourth with 75 points. Robin Hood's victory was largely due to the efforts of their Juniors.

No account of the Marathon would be complete without a reference to Mr. M. Fordham whose duty it was to provide hot cocoa and buns for all. These were particularly welcomed by the boys after their strenuous efforts.

Altogether it was an enjoyable day for boys, staff and visitors, marred by neither accidents nor weather.

RESULTS

	TODDLERS (Under 8)	MIDLE (Under 10)	MIDGET (Under 12)	JUNIOR (Under 15)	SENIOR (Over 15)
Record	1' 21.5"	1' 44"	3' 41"	6' 16.8"	10' 45"
1951	1' 8"	2' 40"	5' 25"	7' 22"	10' 45"
	R. Oddy	S. Salam	E. Hartley	J. Basu	F. Banche
	R. Khanna	P. Whiting	S. Singh	P. Furi	R. Ghose
	G. Gupta	H. Singh	R. Wali Khan	N. Rowe	A. Thompson
	M. Pritchard	P. Singh Rai	S. Khan	B. M. Singh	M. Hotz.
	I. Jain	R. Jit Singh	G. Vance	M. Nagle	K. Aurora
	K. K. Singh	N. Bahl	K. McMahon	D. Shah	S. Rana
	S. S. Malhi	S. Ramani	B. Singh	M. Shah	A. Singh
	V. Vashishta	J. Rossiter	S. Thomas	B. Bower	G. Brain
	K. Rekhari	B. Singh	S. Naug	F. Anis	B. Seth
	M. Singh	M. Singh	A. Murch	W. Thomas	I. Greene
	K. Manson	A. Chatterjee	T. Said	D. Burn	P. Singh
	N. Chatterjee	R. Feik	R. Yadev	T. Zutshic	R. Murch

A. F. R.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

Both the Junior and Senior Debating Societies functioned efficiently and enthusiastically. There were ten Junior debates and eight Senior debates. Not only do we seek to teach our boys to be good speakers and skilful debaters, but, what I feel is very important, to conduct their debates in the proper Parliamentary procedure, adapted, of course, to the needs of a School debating society. It was very encouraging to see boys rising on points of order, information and explanation. Whenever a debate was thrown open to the House, the boys responded splendidly. The principal speakers themselves approached the subject for discussion in a spirit of research and produced statistics and quotations in support of their arguments. In one Junior debate—"The Statesman has been of greater benefit to his country than the soldier"—the arguments were illustrated from Greek, Roman, European, English and Indian History. 75% of the historical facts were correct, a really remarkable achievement for school boys under 15 years.

The subjects debated were of a high standard and ranged from a masculine assertion of rights—"Woman's place is in the home" to problems of national importance—"India should retain English as the State Language." The Junior Debating Society had many excellent speakers and consequently all the Junior debates were a great success. The two outstanding Junior speakers were J. Basu and J. Agarwal. They were both excellent in the marshalling of their facts, presentation of their arguments, and in skilfully seizing on any weakness in the argument of their opponents. By far the most outstanding speaker was N. Burn. His theme was always logically developed and his opponent's arguments replied to with that gentle irony which never failed to stir a ripple of laughter from the audience.

This College can justly claim that it is doing its bit to train the next generation to take their place in India's Parliament, State Legislatures and Embassies.

Senior Literary and Debating Society.

This year an unusual amount of interest has been taken in the Debating Society, and perhaps that is why many of the year's debates have been so outstandingly good. We have, furthermore, been most fortunate in possessing as our Chairman for the majority of meetings, Mr. A. Reghelini, whose considerable public experience has always been placed at the disposal of members of the Society.

The first meeting was, as is customary, devoted to the choice of officials for the year, and those who were chosen went forth determined to execute their responsibilities creditably.

Two debates then took place before the actual House Competition, and both were instrumental

in bringing to light the latent talent in many members of the House. They also provided practice for the budding Ciceros and Churchills.

The House debates were run on the League system this year, i.e., each House had to baffle arguments with each of the three other Houses in turn.

To emphasise debating qualities it was further decided that speakers should not be given information as to which side of the argument they were supporting, but should draw for sides just before the commencement of the debate.

Nevertheless, all the House Debates were keenly contested, and some extremely good speeches were

delivered, showing that a great deal of research had been put in by the speakers.

The first debate was between Robin Hood and Friar Tuck, who met to consider the subject, "The people in Ancient Greece were happier than those in Modern Europe." Robin Hood who championed the Ancient Greeks, won the debate.

In the next debate, "The Modern Schoolboy is burdened with too many subjects." Allen-a-Dale, who opposed the motion, scored a victory over Little John.

The three debates which followed, were won by Robin Hood, Allen-a-Dale, and Little John, respectively, thus leaving the first two houses to contest the final subject, which was, "A Woman's place is in the Home."

Robin Hood supported the motion, and Allen-a-Dale opposed it. The speakers expatiated at length on the relative merits of Work and Homes, and the judges were unanimous in awarding the issue to Allen-a-Dale, who thus won the House Debates.

The names of the four House teams were as follows:—

Allen-a-Dale: N. Burn (chief), A. Singh, P. Singh and G. Brain.

Robin Hood: G. Davis (chief), A. Thompson, R. Ghosh and B. Payne.

Little John: E. Bower (chief), M. Ritchie, J. Payne and M. Hotz.

Friar Tuck: A. Raza (chief), I. Greene, P. Hennan and H. Mathur.

This year's activities terminated with a Mock Trial staged by the Society, an account of which appears elsewhere in this Magazine.

We all extend our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Reghlini and others of the staff who took the chair, and I must assure my vice-secretary, I. Greene, of my gratitude for the help he has given through the year.

In conclusion, I would like to wish the Society all the success it has enjoyed this year, in the coming term. May it produce men, who by speaking sensibly and eloquently, will extricate the World from the disturbed state it is in at present, and make it a better place.

Good Luck.

N. BURN.

Junior Literary Reading and Debating Society.

The year started with the election of officials for the Society. The officials were chosen carefully and intelligently, and the fruits of the choices blossomed forth during the year. I was elected Secretary, and Mr. P. Karanjia was chosen for the post of Assistant Secretary. The four marshalls were: Messrs. R. Dayal, A. Borthwick, R. Singh and S. Haidar.

Once again, Mr. A. Reghlini presided over most of our meetings. Having taught us the elementary stages of debating during the previous year, he went on to expound to us the methods of rising on points of order, information, and explanation. His efforts met with ripe success, and in the course of the year, many promising speakers were revealed. The most prominent debaters were Messrs. J. Agrawal, D. deSa, P. Karanjia and L. Kerr. Mr. A. Borthwick also earned a great deal of his unstinted praise.

This year, in sharp contrast to other years, the debates were run on the league system. Previously we had the system of eliminating houses from the competition. That system was rudely termed "knock-out." Thus, instead of the usual three Inter-House Debates, we had six.

For the second successive year, Allen-a-Dale won the Junior Inter-House Debates, in spite of the fact that their ranks were sadly depleted by the epidemic of mumps, which struck during the competition. The subject under discussion in the finals was, "In the opinion of the House, the Statesman has been a greater benefit to mankind

than the Soldier." The topic included a vast category of events, and called for extensive research in the way of reading. Nothing daunted, the members of the teams put forth heated but logical arguments. Although Robin-Hood lost the debate by a small margin, I had the good fortune to secure the Best Junior Debater's prize.

The Society had about ten debates during the year, six of which were House Debates. This large number is solely the result of our debates being run on the league system.

Whenever I required aid, I was ably assisted by Mr. Karanjia. The marshalls, too, effected their share of work efficiently, and we all combined to have a very successful year.

The House teams were:—

Allen-a-Dale: Messrs. J. Agrawal, F. Sinclair, D. deSa and M. Nagle.

Robin-Hood: Messrs. J. Basu, P. Puri, B. Bower and K. Saxen.

Little John: Messrs. P. Karanjia, A. Dayal, L. Kerr and H. Arnold.

Friar Tuck: Messrs. A. Borthwick, S. Haidar, N. Khan and E. Hartley.

I ask Mr. Reghlini to accept our grateful appreciation and thanks for his unsparing work, on our behalf and may success attend the Society for the rest of the years if exists.

J. BASU.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

Although I cannot say we enjoyed a full season this term, I nevertheless make bold to state that the meetings held this year were just as interesting and educational as those held in previous years. In spite of the fact that we had only few meetings, two to be exact; the members of the Society, I am sure, have gained a wealth of knowledge on two very important subjects.

The first meeting of the year, was, as usual, held in order to vote into office a Secretary and Vice-Secretary. Messrs. Thompson, Ghose, Heman, P. Singh, Raza, Greene and E. Bower were proposed and seconded by members of the House. All other members wishing to resign, I was unanimously elected Secretary, and Mr. P. Singh as my Vice-Secretary for the second consecutive year.

In the early part of the term a film entitled "Secrets of Life" came to Naini Tal. In place of a meeting the Society went to the film and there witnessed and studied the startling Secrets

of Life. This film proved to be highly educational since it portrayed clearly the stark realities of life.

The third and last meeting of the term was an address on the all-important subject "The Care Of The Eyes". We were very fortunate indeed to have Dr. Kapur speaking to us on this subject. After going to great pains to explain to us clearly the consequences of neglecting the eye, the House, I am sure, felt quite relieved to know that he was giving each member of the School a free examination. Since this was a subject of such vital importance to us the 4th Std. upwards were requested to attend.

I cannot close this note without a word of thanks to Mr. T. Gasper, our Chairman, for his whole-hearted help and guidance and the House for their attention and co-operation. Mr. P. Singh, our Vice-Secretary must also be warmly thanked for his ever-ready help and co-operation.

ERIC J. BOWER.

"KING CATARRHO".

"Oyez! Oyez! Oyez!

To all our subjects be it known
His Majesty, the King, has shown
Symptoms of a dread disease.

A chronic and perpetual sneeze."
And what is more, the princess's hand in

marriage
To him who affects a cure. But woe to him who
fails!

Out of this simple idea sprang forty minutes of excellent entertainment bringing to a glorious conclusion the events of Speech Day.

Our babes never fail to respond to the fun of putting on an act, and yet take it all seriously enough to ensure that there are no mistakes.

The acting was of the usual high standard. Few really understand how difficult it is to create just the right effect when, for our medium, we have such tiny children as some who were on the stage that night. S. Naug, or King Catarrho if you like, was really good in his difficult rôle of despot. He might have spoken a trifle clearer, though. D. Parsons as the Princess Yolande, and K. McMahon as the Prince of the Golden Isles next dominated the play. It was hard to say who got the greater share of attention, K. McMahon with his self assurance and splendid acting or D. Parsons, with his charming femininity and shy reticence. One spoke much and one said little, but both were a credit to the producer. J. Rossiter was good, undoubtedly, but a little mild for an executioner. However, occasional flourishes of that axe and a sinister rig-out kept us terrified for the most part. Ri. Seth and Ro. Seth, Funks, the Lord Chamberlain and Solfarino, Master of the King's Music, respectively, were beyond reproach in their unobtrusive yet important parts. Both nearly lost their heads in the literal sense of the term. In fact they seem to have been in imminent peril of their lives, throughout. Both acted as though they were, and this is important for to act without dialogue is difficult, especially for youngsters. B. Ramani as

Herald could have articulated a little more clearly. However, his deportment was excellent and this more than made up for the slight lapse. S. Chatterjee made a jester of infinite resource. He never ceased prancing about, and only an irascible monarch like King Catarrho could have failed to be amused.

Then there were Pages and Courtiers and Ladies and Maids of Honour and Guards; all very important and indispensable. Each one of our little "stars" fitted in and contributed his special talent to the general, undisputed success of the play.

The stage get-up was extremely simple yet strikingly effective. A dais, an interior back cloth and a few chairs was all. Yet there was nothing wanting or incomplete.

No word of criticism was, or could have been, passed against the costumes. It is difficult to describe them in detail. After all "the finished article" is what really matters. And the result was superb: a veritable riot of colour and extravagance. It was hard to pick up certain of our roughest elements from that fantasy of iridescence.

To Mr. Thompson goes the credit for the excellent musical background and the singing which was clear and sweet, as only children's can be.

Our appreciation and thanks to all those ladies who contributed in any way to the final result. A special vote of thanks to Mrs. Waller whose unremitting labour and clever organisation gave us a play which was not only up to the standard of previous years but which paid her great tribute as a producer of no mean ability.

The end was a happy one. After many had tried, and failed, to cure the King, a Prince, in the guise of the Wise Man of the Hills, succeeded. As a just reward he was given the hand of the Princess, in marriage. A general pardon followed and all were happy.

"The whole night long with Dance and Song
We'll honour this festal day".

T. M. STERLING.

THE MOCK TRIAL.

(The characters appearing in this trial are not fictitious, and all resemblance to living persons is absolutely intentional.)

The Case in brief:—On the 24th day of June, in this year of our Lord 1951, the two accused, Mr. Vanishing Razor Blade Swallower and Mr. Pigeon-Toed Butterfly Catcher, of whom you shall hear more anon, did wilfully and with malice aforethought commit grave and indictable THEFT in the precincts of the Church of St. John in the Wilderness and the Prefects' Study of Happy Foresters' College. The articles stolen were some penicillin lozenges from the Vestry, a number of pears from the Church compound, a blanket belong-

ing to the chowkidar of Happy Foresters' College, and a quantity of miscellaneous loot. The blanket in question was too "hole-y" to be righteous!

Circumstantial evidence proved that the accused were guilty of the crime, and Jeremy Bentham could not have thought of a more fitting punishment than that which was meted out by the Judge. The case was conducted before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Short and Saucy "Ludoo" Mackay, and before a jury of right good citizens, both men and women.

Judge (The Hon'ble Justice Short & Saucy "Ludoo" Mackay)	...	...	...	...	...	K. McMahon.
Prosecuting Counsel	...	...	...	...	...	N. Burn, K.C.
Defending Counsel	...	...	...	...	...	A. Thompson, Bar-at-Law.
Usher	...	...	...	...	...	D. K. Agrawal.
Clerk of Assize	...	...	...	...	...	E. Bower.
Judge's Clerk	...	...	...	...	...	B. Bower.
Policemen	...	...	...	...	...	Ri. & Ro. Seth.
Accused Mr. Vanishing Razor Blade Swallower	...	...	...	...	...	M. Chatterjee.
.. Mr. Pigeon-Toed Butterfly Catcher	...	...	...	...	...	B. Murray.
WITNESSES:—						
Prosecuting:—						
Mrs. Howling Housepoint Mania	...	...	...	...	...	M. Ritchie.
Mr. Tsetse Fly Sleeping Sickness Forty Winks	...	...	...	...	...	J. Basu.
Mr. Golfing Ches. Champion Falsetto	...	...	...	...	...	P. Hemman.
Mr. Mighty Moustache Mohan (Chowkidar)	...	...	...	...	...	A. Singh.
Mr. Bloated Bhutta Zoom-Zooma	...	...	...	...	...	A. Raza.
Mr. Step In Duty Roster	...	...	...	...	...	R. Murch.
Defending:—						
Mr. Langa Chukna Jai Hind	...	...	...	...	...	K. Khan.
Mr. Boxing Backlift Armstrong	...	...	...	...	...	F. Banche.
Ms. Soda Bicarh Senna	...	...	...	...	...	L. Kerr.
Mr. Neverwrong Always Right	...	...	...	...	...	I. Greene.
JURY:—						
Mr. Husky Dusky Dil-kec Ghose	...	...	...	...	...	R. Ghose.
Mr. Brawny Wailing Wheeler Brain	...	...	...	...	...	G. Brain.
Miss Shv but Sure Bashful Bower	...	...	...	...	...	Patricia Bower.
Mr. Shami Kabab Halwa Puri	...	...	...	...	...	P. Puri.
Miss Super Charmois Bhandaria Vasudeva	...	...	...	...	...	Sharmi Vasudeva.
Mr. Modest Mauler Swimming Swan Payne	...	...	...	...	...	B. Payne.
Miss Jean Lean but Full of Beans Brown	...	...	...	...	...	Jean Vincent-Brown.
*Mr. Singapore Swimming Chuds Dayal	...	...	...	...	...	A. Dayal.
Mr. Specimen "Z." Cagnev Karanjia	...	...	...	...	...	P. Karanjia.
Miss Mighty Messenger Milligram Hotz	...	...	...	...	...	Elizabeth Hotz.
*Mr. Sauntering Samron School-Captain Payne	...	...	...	...	...	J. Payne.
Miss Trippetty-Trap Trappetty Trip Tripp	...	...	...	...	...	Fay Tripp.
*Miss Sophisticated Sop Copper-Top Thomas	...	...	...	...	...	Megan Thomas.
Mr. Bellowing Debater Sinatra Davis	...	...	...	...	...	G. Davis.
Foreman of the Jury: Geoffrey Davis						
*Objection raised and sustained						

In the annals of Sherwood the case was perhaps the lengthiest on record; it went into fourteen pages of typed foolscap paper. The accused fought stubbornly behind the alibi that the stolen property was their Chemistry "Prep." but it transpired that the Qualitative Analysis was incorrect, and the testimony of Mr. Bloated Bhutta Zoom-Zooma to the effect that he was hit on the head with an over-grown Sherwood loaf remaining from the Middle Ages, left no doubt that the miscreants were guilty of a culpable crime.

The Jury retired for a few minutes to consider the pros and cons of the case and then returned to declare the accused GUILTY. The Judge held there were no extenuating circumstances, so he sentenced Mr. Vanishing Razor Blade Swallower and Mr. Pigeon-Toed Butterfly Catcher to sing a song on the subject of their nefarious theft and then to swallow literally their words by partaking of roasted bhuttas, but with NO BUTTER!

To Norman Burn goes the credit for an exceptionally clever script, punctuated with humour and laughs galore.

W. R. P.

THE CHOIR PICNIC.



The mid-morning sun shone down on the heads of the stalwart band grouped outside the Music Block. All were agog to start the trek to Patwadanga for the picnic, and all eyes were turned expectantly towards the spot from which Mr. Thompson, replete with hat and cane, was expected to appear. He arrived soon after, and set off, surrounded by a bodyguard of trebles and altos all carolling blithely, while the more reliable basses and tenors were dispatched to fetch the Principal.

Half-an-hour later a solemn cortege wound its way through the All Saint's playing fields, where a motley throng of girls were enjoying a Hindi lesson. One naturally assumes that the remainder of the Hindi lesson suffered. One might say that Hindi, for once, lost its fatal charm, and failed to grip "les femmés." An hour later, the Principal and one of the tenors were splashing through streams and falling over rocks in a dogged attempt to follow the arrows drawn, most considerably, by the other basses and tenors, whose joyful spirits spurred them on to greater speeds. Meanwhile Mr. Thompson and the trebles were arriving at the Patwadanga Rest House, where they were welcomed by a fusillade of chestnuts, launched by Mike Holz and Ivor Greene, who had secured strategic positions in an early bus, bearing the picnic fare to Patwadanga.

At length all were happily re-united round the table cloths on which lunch was temptingly set out. A very good repast was enjoyed by all, especially the Principal, who was intent on taking snapshots of the group with his beloved camera—snapshots which will depict the majority of trebles nonchalantly abstracting portions of "Burfi" from each other's plates.

After lunch, the older and wiser amongst us commandeered mattresses from the rest house and enjoyed a brief siesta, which was also recorded by the indefatigable Principal with his camera.

The smaller fry had gone to the Vaccine Depot with Mr. Mervyn Fordham, ostensibly to sample the delights of the preserving room at a temperature of -10c., but in reality to swing on the swings, provided, one supposes, for the recreation of workers in the Depot.

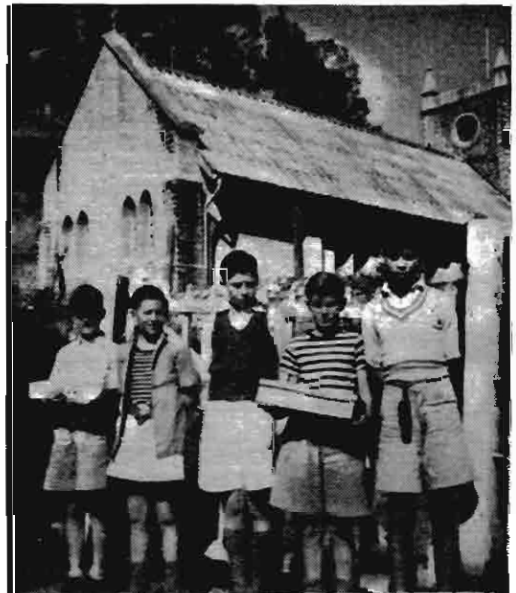
A general exodus to Kalona was then proposed, and the long-suffering Loquat tree, which was the boast of the district, was exploited as only Sherwood boys can exploit. The wily Mervyn, whose mouth was suspiciously full, professed ignorance as to the whereabouts of the gooseberry bushes, so the party wended their way back to the resthouse for tea. The way would have seemed irksome, but for Harold "Elephant" Arnold's graceful and agile pursuit of the Patwadangar butterflies.

On arrival at the rest house, someone expressed a wish that cars could travel over the roads of the region. At this, Ivor Greene was heard to remark that a Vauxhall could do so, as it "Vaux all the way there, and Vaux all the way back."

As it was tea time, a crowd of over-willing helpers poured forth to mete out the dainties which were immediately pounced upon by ravenous trebles and altos till they were forced to give way to the more sedate basses and tenors.

The bus having arrived, farewell snapshots were taken, and the vehicle with its load of happy humanity all bawling different songs in different keys lumbered off—the end of a perfect day.

N. BURN.



THE FAREWELL CONCERT.

Once again, Sherwood saw the end of another year, and all its friends attended the final meeting at the informal Farewell Concert on Saturday, 24th November.

The concert was held in Milman Hall, which was gaily decorated with streamers, balloons and a Christmas Tree, ornamented with lighted bulbs. The stage was lit up with lights from almost every quarter, so the audience could see the acting clearly.

The customary Kindergarten Percussion Band headed the proceedings. These tiny tots of Sherwood wished us a merry journey to the plains in "Jingle Bells", and their exit was accompanied by a storm of applause. Small though they were, they entertained the visitors with a thoroughly commendable effort.

Peter Hennan and Alan Thompson then treated us to a duet. Their playing proved that the high standard of music in Sherwood has still been maintained. The boys of Horsman Wing enacted a drama entitled "The Capture of the Robbers". This contained a degree of excitement coupled with plenty of music as well as some excellent singing by W. Thomas, and its success was well merited.

The Whiting twins then performed a simple, yet melodious duet. Their remarkable similarity, both in speech and features, amused the audience.

Then came the turn of the All Saints' girls to amuse us with their frolics. They each impersonated a boy in Sherwood, with outstanding success, and mocked his peculiarities. Much of the substance for the scene was derived from the Annual Fancy Dress Ball between the two schools. For the moment, the Sherwood Boys were put to discomfort, but they soon struck back.

The next item was a few nursery rhymes by R. Patel and S. Thomas. They played simply but effectively, and the audience showed their appreciation.

The Sixth Standard Choir then gave us a few songs, the most prominent of which was

"Cornelius March". This song was sung beautifully, and the sixth can rightly claim to have the best class choir in the School. M. Ritchie and W. Thomas then sang "Over the Rainbow" and "Beautiful Dreamer", and they literally held the listeners entranced while they were singing.

After this came another piano duet by A. Borthwick and N. Rowe, and they were followed by an amusing medley of nursery rhymes in rounds by Standard Five.

Sherwood Staff, excluding the ladies, showed their mettle. They, like the Kindergarten, performed a type of "Per-Con-cussion" Band, but they also bellicked around like infants. The audience were gipped helpless in fits of laughter and the desired encore was satisfied.

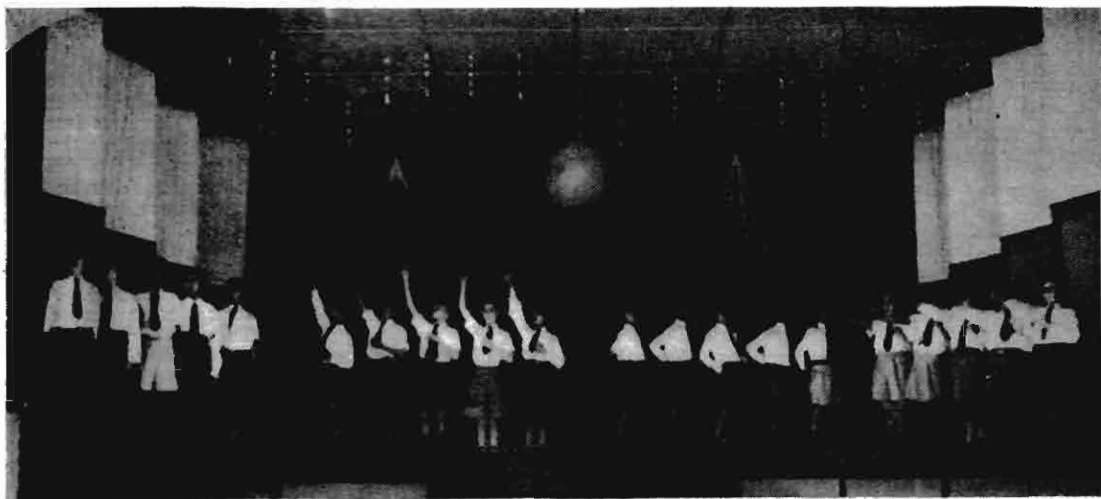
In reply to the All Saints' challenge, boys imitated the main item of the former's concert, "The Princess and the Swineherd". The close imitation, and the excellence of the acting, sent the audience into an uncontrollable outburst of mirth, and an encore was demanded. Unluckily, due no doubt to the influence of the approaching Farewell Dinner, this was refused.

The following prefects' act was also greeted with roars of laughter. The prefects were dressed in the uniform of All Saints' and they excelled in their impersonations. They played with tennis balls on the stage, and whenever one slipped, I. Greene, dressed as an Indian dancer, retrieved it. His gesticulations resulted in a demand for another encore, and the request was duly granted.

After J. Barnes, W. Thomas and L. Kerr had played a trio on the piano, the Principal, Mr. Llewelyn, said a few words, and announced the final item; the Choir.

They did not allow even a slight deterioration of their reputation for a high standard of singing. They first sang "Nancy Lee" and "Farewell to the Forest"! Then the audience rose and joined in the celebrated song, "Auld Lang Syne", which was a fitting finale to Sherwood's Annual Farewell Concert.

J. BASU.



CONTRAPUNTAL RECITATION, STANDARD V.

THE TREASURE HUNT.

The hunt was on Thursday, 29th November. G. Davis and J. Basu composed all the clues in the form of rhymes, and concealed them in the morning. The Principal rightly thought that this would be a method of ridding the boys of the after-examination monotony, and the result exceeded his expectations. All thought that the most senior team (Std. VIII) would easily outstrip the rest, but how wrong they were.

The pointer to the first clue was read to the whole school in the hall:

"Fastened on the Principal's gate,
The needed clue doth you await;
Spare neither you, nor your shoe,
For this is the beginning of your chew."

The solution was easy enough, and there was an immediate stampede to the Principal's gate, with Std. VIII in the lead. In the ensuing confusion, the gate was nearly wrenched off its hinges, to the horror of the owner. There it was written:

1. "On a tree at Tiffin Top,
Is thereabout fastened a note,
Hurry on and do not stop,
Or it'll be eaten by a goat."
(And we will then claim the tote. G.D. J.B.)

The solution to Clue 2 was obvious to all, and the boys streamed up to Avasipata. A member of Std. VIII again was the first to find the note pinned prominently on a tree. It read:

2. Right up there just near Het Seat,
Is a new-built hut,
Inside it, ye shall surely meet,
The message, and may be a but*.
*no success.

This clue was so simple that Std. VIII almost felt the treasure clinking in their pockets. No other boys experienced any difficulty in the solution, and all felt that treasure hunts consist of merely reading and running. But soon they learnt their mistake. The next clue was a baffler:

3. "Look beneath the bulging rock,
Just past the short-cut bend;
For there the clue we did dock,
And thither do we send."
(Only a dozen or so clues left: G.D. J.B.)

The last line added to their growing discomfort. Where was the short-cut bend? There were so many. The seniors went off in the wrong direction, and lost the scent; others went to Giant Rock. But it was a Std. VI team who realised that the short-cut was the one by which all had come up. They were off, while the most strongly favoured team was admiring the blue azure of the sky.

Clue 4 was also simple:

4. "There (no, not beneath the sheltering palms)
But opposite the College gate;
Lies a director of the way,
Where the note is lying await."

The boys ran straight to the sign-post, and then found rather a misleading clue. Meanwhile the rest of the school were still vainly scouring Dorothy's Seat, and some of the seniors had given up, after a pathetically feeble effort. At that time, mere youngsters were emulating them. The clue was:

5. "Where abideth the heavenly host,
Thither go and take your cue,
The entrance doth the message boast,
And in the face doth it stare you."

All Saints' College was meant, but the boys did not delve into the words, since they were being closely pursued. They first ran all the way to St. Nicholas' Church. Finally, tired and footsore, they came to the first All Saints' Gate and saw:

Clue X "Sorry folks, you've been bluffed,
We're afraid you've got the wrong gait,
Your appetite will not be saite,
Ha! Ha! Ha!"
[Wit! J.B. G.D.: Editor and Sub., Punch.]

Muttering threats which boded ill for the writers of the blind clue, they trudged to the main gate. Here, staring them in the face, was:

6. "Where the ecclesiastical man,
Doth perform his weekly work,
Find the clue if you can,
Beneath the cane it doth lurk."
(We hope you are enjoying the walk.)

The main word here was "weekly," which would have led them to the Church, but they paid more attention to "cane." Though wicker was intended, in a short while, to the Principal's astonishment, his office was over-run by a horde of yelling school boys, all demanding his cane. After he had got over the shock, he declared himself willing to give it to them with interest, with the result that their zeal dimmed perceptibly. At length they realised their error, and limped back to St. Nicholas', discouraged and disheartened. After intense searching, their efforts were rewarded by finding a slip of paper under a cane basket. This helped to stop some boys from climbing through the windows of the Church to look under the cane-strung benches. They read:

7. "Go to where the fishes swim,
Take care you do not run right past,
And there you'll find just on the brim,
The clue which is the second last."

Four boys: N. Rowe, K. Dogra, I. Kerr and S. Khan went to the fish pond, while the others vainly searched Government House swimming-pool. At the pond, the boys saw:

Clue 8. "Where Robin (Hood) and his merry trio,
Have their names written on show,
Thither run and do it well,
Or else you'll hear the luncheon bell."

The quick wits of the Std. VI team instantaneously solved this clue, and they hastened back to the board at Sherwood where the names of the 4 Houses were written, taking full advantage of their lead over the careless, but persistent, boys at the swimming-pool. With hot feet and aching

corns, they stumbled into the hall, and shook the board vigorously, with a reckless disregard to the fragility of the glass. With tired hands and dust-filled pores, they read the final clue:

FINALE. Congratulations, you've come first,
We own it was a heavy trudge,
Now you may slake your thirst,
And partake of tuckshop fudge,
If you can make young Fordie budge."

As they finished reading, the luncheon bell rang, and at just the right time. For it pealed "victory" for the winners, and for others the successful termination of Sherwood's first Treasure Hunt.

J. BASU.

LAST DAYS OF TERM.

Six more days to go home! What a joyous feeling! The last week of term is on. The 'last six' has begun. This year contrary to tradition there were organised hikes and games and competitions. Seniors were grouped into classes, the Intermediate class being unattached. At first they were envied but later their position became unpopular owing to such a grand time being arranged for the others.

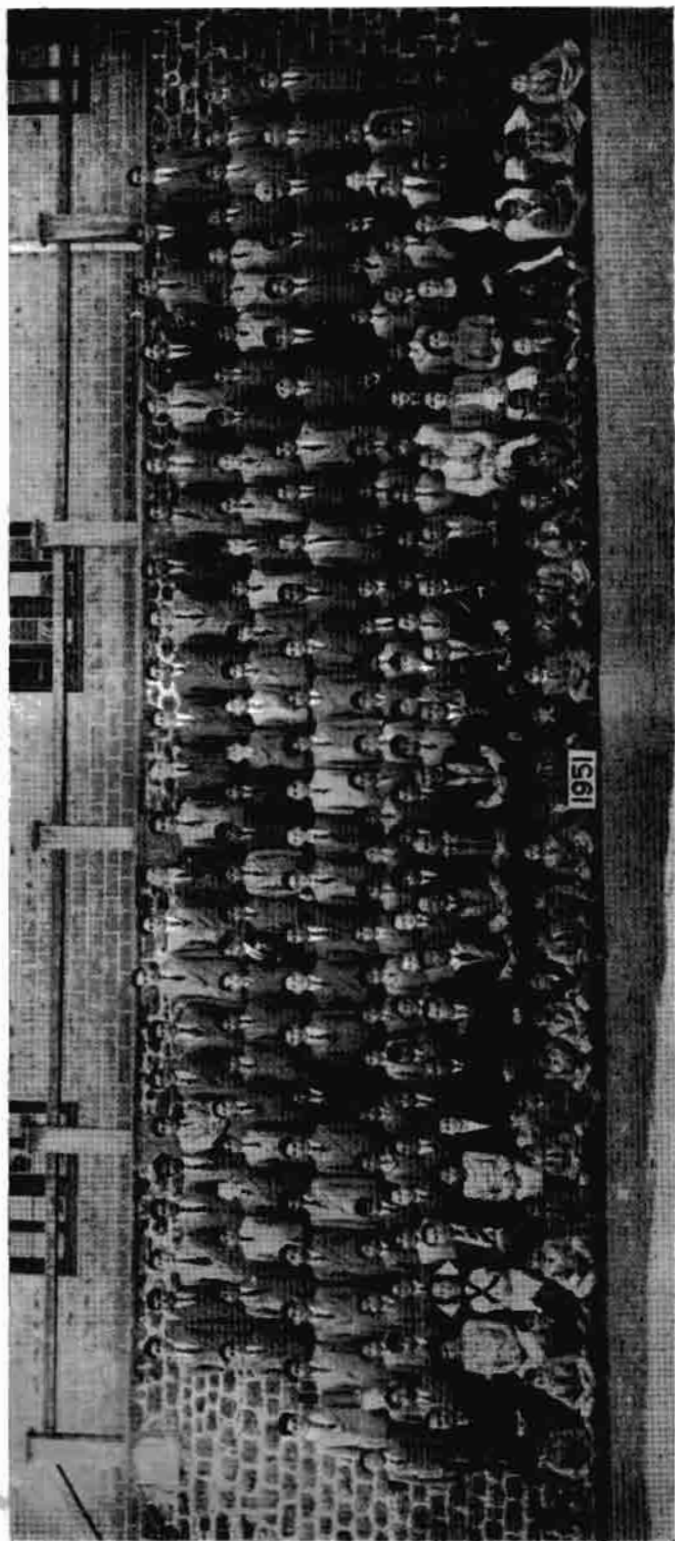
On the first day there were class hikes to Land's End, the Cutting and other places. In the afternoon there was chess or library reading, and in the evening after a ghastly story entitled 'Smee' (It's me), Mr. Jewelen decided to play the game. Each person is given a slip of paper, all of which, with one exception are blank. On the exclusive slip is printed the word 'Smee'. The lights are turned out and 'Smee' whose identity is unknown to the others slips out to hide. A player on meeting another player challenges him with the word 'Smee'. If the player challenged is not 'Smee' he answers by saying 'Smee'. But 'Smee' when challenged does not answer, and his challenger joins up with him, and so on until the whole party joins up. The last few players are forfeited, and have to sing an impromptu song. 'Smee' was such a riotous game that the prefects frowned hard, and 'Smee' was abandoned for the rest of the week. The next day hockey and rounders were the chief occupation. No heads were broken and no fights ensued. In the evening a competition was held in which various words had to be unjumbled to form the name of a boy or master, e.g., 'Twirl his gown'—Wilson-Wright, 'Duchpart'—

Pritchard. The winner was A. Daval with all twenty correct. A more difficult competition on the lines of crossword clues was held the next day. Once again each clue pointed to a boy or master. Some were easy and solved by most competitors; e.g., 'The victory sign should be in the centre of the platform'—Davis, or 'A degree enfolds this muddled sailor'—Batra, but there were some trasers which no one managed. For example 'Half of us in the middle of a mixed dress'—Bower; or 'He naturally said thank you after the dog turned round'—Gupta; or most obscure of all 'Usually accompanies a tummy upset'. Every one put 'Payne' but the answer was 'Bowles', and the explanation was that 'bowels out of order' makes Bowles. This was going too far. Thirteen out of twenty was the best score. The following day the Treasure Hunt was organised, an account of which appears on a previous page. Clues took the searchers from Sherwood to Tiffin Top, and thence to Dorothy's seat, the short cut, Dwarikastan, All Saints, St. Nicholas, Government House fishpond and back to School. The winning team (Dogra, Rowe, Khan and Kerr) were awarded a rupee order at the Tuck Shop.

Terminal Orders came round almost before we were ready for them. Many were the extra pants, and those who wore them! However, nothing came of it.

Tomorrow we go home. It seems as if only yesterday we arrived here. Good-bye Sherwood! Quiet shall your vicinity be.

D. DE SA. (Standard 11)



COLLEGE GROUP

HOUSE NOTES—Robin Hood.

Our House was not considered to be in the running for Cock-House. However, inspite of our weakness in the shape of a deficiency of seniors who did not arrive, Mr. Waller, our House-Master, infusing in us his inexhaustible enthusiasm and keenness of spirit, helped us to give this year's Cock-House extremely close competition. We were beaten by a single point in a hundred, which I think is the narrowest margin by which a House has ever been beaten.

We started the year well. Our House members were determined to live up to our motto whether they won or lost, and they met with early success. In addition to this, we had the encouragement of our previous House Captain, B. Kent.

The House Hockey Trophy was won by us, after fighting strongly contested matches in the finals against Allen-a-Dale, both in the senior and junior competitions.

We secured the Tennis Trophy also, though we met with stern resistance in the shape of Friar Tuck's lanky combinations.

Then we struck a patch of bad luck. One of our best all-rounders, H. Rana, injured himself.

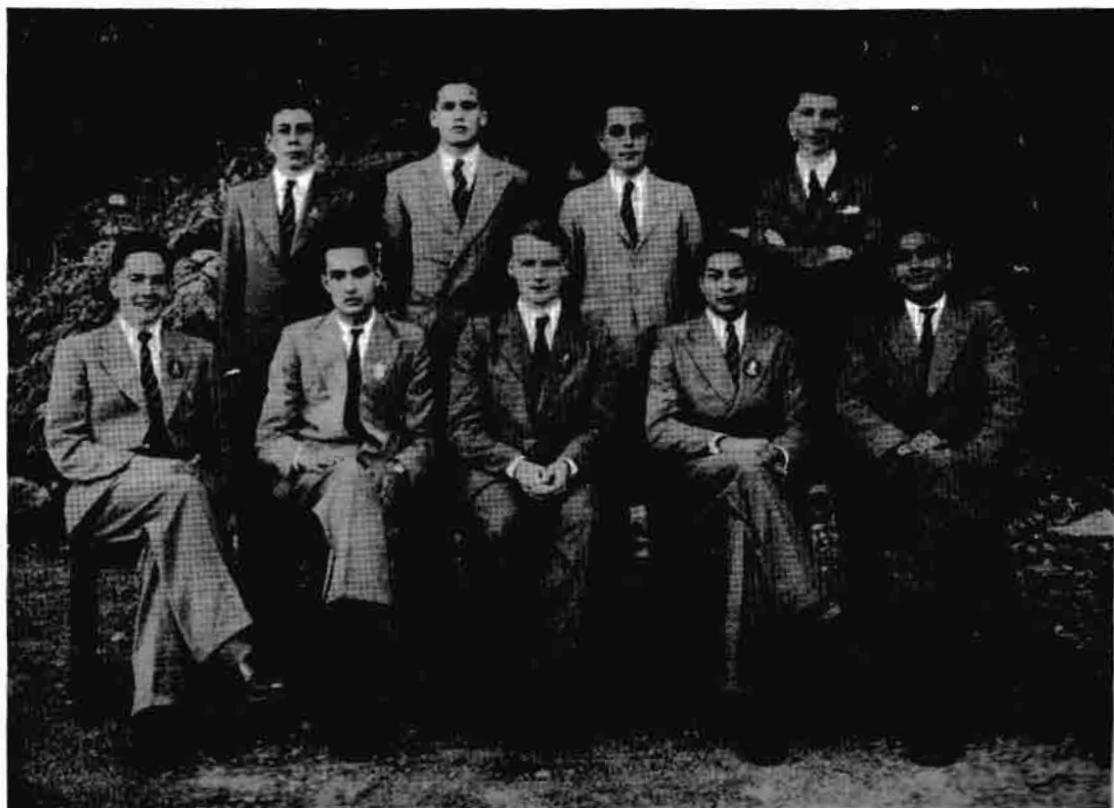
Since he was Sherwood's pace-bowler, we felt his loss keenly in the Cricket, and to a lesser extent, in the Football.

The Inter-House Debates were the next competitions. Our juniors did fairly well, and the best junior speaker was a boy in Robin Hood. Then disaster lay as a yawning chasm in our path. G. Davis, our best senior debater, and generally considered to be the best debater in the School, was stricken with Jaundice. The resulting defeat in the finals of the senior debates was therefore a foregone conclusion.

The House Physical Training and Boxing competitions were the next we encountered. In both of these, we did fairly well, coming a very close second.

While these were being contested, the House Table-Tennis was in progress. In this we made a clean sweep, having four out of the eight quarter-finalists in the Thomas Table-Tennis Tournament. These were J. Basu, P. Puri, K. Dogra and B. Bower, the latter being Sherwood's junior champion.

In the question of studies, we did extremely well, winning the Study Trophy and being runner-up in the Sharma.



PREFECTS.

Finally, as the end of the year drew near, and the grim menace of the Final Examinations loomed before us, we came to the last competition; Sports. Here again our juniors aided us to a great extent. Like last year, they monopolised the relay cups, our team being unaltered for all the relays. They consisted of M. Shah, J. Basu, F. Puri and B. Bower, who was the best athlete in his division in the previous year. M. Shah, who was awarded the Rex Ludorum, was our principal mainstay. In the section in which we were weakest, I managed to accomplish my

modest portion, and our reward was the Sport's Cup.

Though we lost Cock-House by a mere point, I am proud to have been the Captain of a House which played the game for the spirit of the game. In one sense only we lost, but our moral spirit of victory will never be submerged in the depths of defeat. With the aid of Mr. Waller's guidance our House is bound eventually to triumph again.

R. GHOSH
(House Captain).

ALLEN-A-DALE.

It is with great pleasure that I have witnessed this year, our rise from obscurity to eminence. Looking back on the year's events, I am able to say with full confidence, that our successes have been due to that corporate spirit underlying our motto, "NEVER GIVE IN". Throughout this year the House has held together, and throughout there has been an excellent 'House Spirit' which has enabled Allen-a-Dale to come out on top, gaining most of the coveted trophies.

We acquitted ourselves fairly honourably in the first of the year's events, Hockey. Here we secured a creditable second place.

Next came the House Tennis competition, our bogey, as, though we possessed one or two players of considerable prowess, our team on the whole was rather weak. Contrary to pessimistic belief, however, we secured third place, beating Little John.

We were fortunate in possessing many redoubtable cricketers, as it is chiefly due to them that we gained second place in the House Cricket.

Both Junior and Senior House Debates were won by us, chiefly due to the untiring efforts of N. Burn in the Seniors, who was awarded the best speaker's scroll, and Jagat Agrawal in the Juniors, who was also justly awarded a special Debating prize.

Our next success was the winning of the coveted Football Cup. Both Junior and Senior teams sailed together through the competition without losing a match.

Then came the Chess Tournament, where, contrary to all expectations, we wrested the Trophy from Robin Hood.

We had now planted our feet firmly on the ladder of success, and strengthened our footing

considerably by winning the House Boxing Cup. Here our thanks go to Frank Banche, Gerald Brain and Richard Nulty who lived up to their terrible reputations by ousting all their opponents most speedily.

We now had a short run of bad luck, and brought up the rear in both Table Tennis and Efficiency, thus allowing Robin Hood to draw dangerously near.

Further concern was caused by our third place in the Marathons, despite the Herculean performance of Frank Banche who equalled the previous Senior Record, and Roger Oddy who won the Under-8 Marathons.

However, our success in winning the Study Cup, thanks chiefly to N. Burn who won the Senior Essay and the General Knowledge Competition, Satish Puri, Jagat Agrawal, Derick deSa and P. Sen-Gupta.

The last House event was the 'Athletics' in which we came second fairly comfortably. In connection with the Athletics I must mention Roger Oddy, Derek deSa and Frank Banche who did very well indeed.

With the Athletics the House Competitions came to a close, leaving us with the Cock House Cup.

Our success was due in considerable measure to Mr. Regheimi, our House Master, whose interest and advice, particularly with regard to the Debates, was invaluable.

Well done Allen-a-Dale! Keep up this grand spirit and you will never fail.

"Good Luck and Good Hunting."

P. SINGH.
(House Captain).

LITTLE JOHN.

In the beginning of the year the House appeared to be very weak, but we were nevertheless determined to do our best. Our main strength lay in our juniors, most of whom played in all the 1st XI's. Special mention must be made of R. Singh, who is the best junior all rounder in the School, A. Dayal, J. Payne and R. Dayal, all of whom contributed invaluable service to the House.

Little John commenced the year fairly unsatisfactorily by coming third in Hockey and last in Tennis, but we came into our own by winning the Cricket Trophy for the third consecutive year. Here I must pause to congratulate our skipper, A. Dayal, on his excellent leadership, and R. Singh on his consistent bowling. This gave us new hope and encouragement but unfortunately we were not able to annex any more competitions, although we came very close to winning the Sharma.

In football we came third, in spite of the fact that the Under-Twelve football was won by us. Our

Table Tennis results were most disappointing considering we had some of the leading players in the School, including the School Champion, R. Singh.

In this manner competitions came and went but not in our direction. In the Debates, Study, House Efficiency, Athletics and Physical Training we came third; and in the House Boxing and Chess we came last. In the Marathons as usual, Little John came last thereby monopolising the position that we have held for years.

I cannot, on any account, close this note without a word of thanks to Mr. Gasper for his ever ready co-operation and help. At the same time I feel duty bound to thank all the members of the House for their enthusiasm and whole-hearted loyalty.

M. HOLTZ,
(House Captain)

FRIAR TUCK.

When the term began in March, I was extremely delighted to learn that I had been chosen to Captain the House, which I had served (faithfully I hope) for five years.

First, I wish to congratulate the House on the keenness and the enthusiasm which they displayed in every out-door and in-door activity. At the commencement of the term we were seriously handicapped due to the absence of many of our seniors who had to leave us last year. This, however, did not hinder us from trying our level best in the House Hockey Tournament, and even though we were placed last, we played the game in the spirit of the game, and accepted our defeat with a smile. The cricket season brought us better luck, for our juniors managed to annex the Junior Cricket Trophy, and Errol Hartley was awarded the prize for being the most promising Junior Cricketer. We hoped to win the House Tennis Cup, but we were beaten into second place by Robin Hood.

The football season, however, proved to be a success for us, because we were only beaten by Allen-a-Dale, and thus, once again, we came second. In the House F.I. Competition we were obliged to share the honours for third place with Little John, but we were rather disappointed when we were again beaten by Robin Hood into second

position, in both the Table Tennis and the House Chess Tournaments.

When the Boxing Tournament commenced in August we hoped to come at least second, but here again we lost second place by a single point. Our main difficulty throughout the term, was that we were lacking in seniors, and this resulted in our being placed last in the Athletics. Our juniors were also seriously handicapped because N. Rowe fractured his hand at a most untimely moment. The greatest achievement of the year was our winning of the House Efficiency Trophy, which itself goes to prove that we were the most efficient House.

I cannot conclude this note without deeply thanking Mr. Pratt, our House Master, whose moral support was extremely encouraging for us, and who gave us very valuable and unstinted advice whenever we needed it. In addition, I must also thank my fellow House Prefects, P. Heman and A. Raza, who carried out their duties conscientiously and well. We tried hard and accepted our defeats and victories in the right spirit, and I am sure that if this spirit of co-operation persists, we shall eventually be at the top in time to come.

I. V. GREENE, *House Captain*

CALLING OLD SHERWOODIANS.

Old Sherwoodians Wherever You are.

Your new Secretary is in touch with far too few of you. In fact with hardly any more of you now than he was before taking over the duties of Secretary lately.

He is aware of the very strong Sherwood contingent in and around London and is confident that there will soon be an English branch of the O.S.S. After all with Mr. Binns, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Lean—two former secretaries, two former Senior Masters and two former Principals!—organisation of such a branch ought to be comparatively easy.

It would be ideal to include in this section of the Magazine news of Old Boys and their activities but this is so sparse that it had better wait for the next issue of the Sherwoodian. It is hoped that by then your Secretary will have a fairly comprehensive catalogue of the activities of Old Sherwoodians everywhere.

In the meanwhile he will endeavour at regular intervals to send out newsletters. These will be sent direct to all in India, and parts of the world other than the U.K. from whom the Secretary receives a direct request and the copies of these newsletters will be distributed through a London agent to Old Sherwoodians in the U.K. who write to the Secretary at Sherwood to have their names put on the list.

The Principal's Appeal is recommended to all of you. It is superfluous to stress how urgently this money is needed if Sherwood is to continue to fill the important place it has been for so long.

The first official duty your new Secretary undertook was to condole with Mrs. Chill on the sad death of our Grand Old man Waller Churchill Chill last July. Your Secretary is not in possession of vital statistics relating to Mr. Chill's long association with Sherwood as pupil, pupil teacher and assistant master, but he has very vivid and pleasant memories of that placid, fatherly gentleman whom we always regarded as our own "Mr. Chips." R. I. P.

T. R. G.

 EDITORIAL POST SCRIPT.

The Editor apologises for the late appearance of this Magazine due in part at least to his late arrival last year. Those who have read of Sherwood's reduced numbers in recent years will be glad to know that there is an enrolment of

more than a hundred new boys this term, and that the College is rapidly engaged in building up to its former strength.

R. C. LEWELYN.
