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THE CHRONICLE.

The Summer holiday in 1940 was an unusual one. We realised that many girls would not be able to get away from Chester, and we therefore decided to keep the School open for a part of the time. Two holiday courses were arranged at which attendance was optional, and at each nearly half the School was present. Officially the Summer Term ended on Friday, July 26th, but we kept open for an extra week and worked more or less on the lines of the School time-table. After three weeks holiday we re-opened from August 26th to September 11th for a course of more varied occupations. Miss Desgratoulet, Miss Hicks and Miss Pearson produced plays in the Junior, Senior and Middle School. Miss Homewood supervised the making of puppets and the production of a puppet show. Under the guidance of Miss Ayrton and Miss Whittam there were various musical activities, including the making and playing of bamboo pipes. Miss S. Wheeler came to help with gardening and gave much valuable advice about gardens in war time. Our occupations also included games and gymnastics, and all the time the girls were busy with their knitting for the forces.

On September 10th we had an Open Day, and had the pleasure of welcoming to the School many of the parents of girls then in attendance. Our afternoon began with an entertainment which included the playing of the pipes, short dramatic performances and some gymnastics. After tea there were puppet shows and a display of the work done during the course. Our visitors gave generously to a silver collection with the result that the sum of £10 7s. 6d. was raised for our War Comforts Fund.

Miss Desgratoulet retired at the end of the Summer Term, but we did not say good-bye to her then as she came in the holidays and helped with characteristic keenness and efficiency. We are glad that she is living not far from Chester, so that we see her sometimes, and are able to keep in close touch with her. She was succeeded on the Staff by Miss Maggs, who is already entering whole-heartedly into the life of the School.

During the Summer Miss Foulkes volunteered to act as a driver in the Field Army Nursing Yeomanry and she was called up towards the end of September. After some months in Aberdeen she has been transferred to Camberley, where she is a driving instructor. Her place at the Queen's School has been taken by Miss Doncaster, whom we are glad to have with us.

On Friday, September 27th, the Town Clerk of Chester introduced to us Councillor Hurst, of Salford, a representative of the Ministry of Information. He gave us a talk entitled "Gossip and Rumour," and the girls showed their interest by the number of questions they asked afterwards.

I feel sure that we all have the happiest memory of the visit paid to us on Thursday, October 24th, by "Romany" and his dog Raq. In imagination he took us for a pleasant and interesting country walk, and we learnt much about birds and their ways from his talk, and from his rapid black and white sketches made while we watched with amazement and admiration.

We gave much sympathy to Miss Wakefield, who had an operation in November, and was away from School for the second half of the Autumn Term and the first half of the Spring Term. We congratulated Miss Holland Williams, and the other mistresses in the Preparatory Department, on the success with which they carried on in her absence. Miss Wakefield came back at the end of February looking well and strong.

On Wednesday, November 27th, a large number of girls went from the School to an Orchestral Concert given by the Merseyside Orchestra, in the Cathedral.

We had hoped that Miss Jameson would have been with us until the end of this School year, but changing circumstances made her decide to retire at Christmas. Ever since the last war, since 1917, she has done splendid work as Hon. Secretary of the Queen's School National Savings Association. Many Old Girls will be interested to hear that she has not given up this kind of work, and that she has recently been appointed Hon. Secretary of the Chester National Savings Street Groups Committee.

When the School re-opened in January we were glad to give a welcome to Miss Osman, who has quickly identified herself with our interests.

The Merseyside Orchestra gave a second Orchestral Concert in the Cathedral on Wednesday, February 5th, and again we were able to send a party of girls.

Our Prize Giving, on February 19th, was held in the School, and we were grateful to the Lord Bishop of Chester for coming to give away the prizes. It was disappointing that Mrs. Brown was not able to preside, and we had to thank Mr. James for taking her place as Chairman, at short notice.

On Monday, March 10th, Miss Walford gave the senior girls an interesting account of her work in a School in India.

In preparation for Chester's War Weapons Week, held from March 22nd to 29th, we had a poster competition in the School and Mr. J. W. Clarke kindly acted as adjudicator. The two prizes of Savings Stamps were awarded to Sheila Walton and Christine Mayson, and a number of the best posters were selected to be shown at the display in the Town Hall during War Weapons Week. Our preparations also included puppet shows for those girls who had not already seen them, and an Upper School party, very efficiently organised by Miss Wood and some of the senior girls. The result of the School effort in Savings that week is shown elsewhere.

During the Spring Term Bishop Tubbs was again generous in the time that he gave to our Confirmation Class. Twenty-eight Queen's School girls were confirmed by the Bishop of Chester in the Cathedral on Wednesday, April 2nd.

We have missed Miss Wood who has been away, through illness, for the first half of the Summer Term. Her absence would have been a serious matter, especially for our examination candidates, if Mr. C. J. Vincent had not given us most valuable help.

We have always been proud of the public spirit and varied work of one of our Old Girls, Miss Allington Hughes, J.P., and we now have to congratulate her on being an M.B.E. Her name appeared in the recent Birthday Honours.

At the time of going to press we are looking forward with pleasure to concerts to be given in the Town Hall on Wednesday, June 18th, when Solomon is honouring Chester with a visit. We hope to take parties of girls from the School.

Those of us who have been connected with the Queen's School for many years realise that this last year has brought us great changes. We know that the Meetings of the Old Girls' Association can never be quite the same without Miss Day, but in our hearts we also know that we will endeavour to carry on the tradition that she has so well and truly founded.

M. T. NEDHAM.

IN MEMORIAM.

Katharine Day.

Katharine Day was one of those rare people with a true genius for friendship and she was the most faithful friend that the Queen's School ever had. She knew and loved it first as a pupil, then for many years as a member of the Staff, and finally after her retirement she was proud to become a member of its Governing Body.

But the rôle in which most of us will recall her most vividly is that of Honorary Secretary to the Old Girls' Association: a living link between all the generations that passed through the School: never losing interest in any single member, keeping in touch with an incredible number by correspondence and bringing a sense of fellowship into our gatherings.

She loved both teaching and learning and in the course of her busy, active life she would find time to revive her memory of a Greek play or to learn to read Italian.

One could not have a better companion on a holiday than Katharine Day. She enjoyed every moment, never tired and never grumbled. I am thinking in particular of a boating holiday on French rivers and canals in the summer of 1913, when she made the third of a trio that was perfect company.

Those who were near her in the long and painful months of her last illness will not forget her faith and fortitude, her cheerfulness and determination to carry on as long as her strength lasted.

L. P. Brown.

When Miss Day retired from the Staff of the Queen's School the Old Girls' present took the form of a cheque which they hoped that she would spend on travel. She fulfilled their wishes by visiting Alexandria, where she stayed for some months, and Cyprus, and later Rome, where I had the joy of an Easter holiday with her.

It may be remembered that she marked the Diamond Jubilee of the School by a gift of one hundred pounds to form the nucleus of a fund to assist Queen's School girls of limited means who wish to go to a University, or to some other place of higher education. The money is invested in the Day Trust Fund, and she hoped that in the days to come

the sum would be considerably increased. It has been suggested that a Memorial to her should take the form of contributions to this fund, and that the name should be changed to the Day Memorial Fund.

Contributions to the Memorial may be sent to Miss Ayrton, the Hon. Treasurer of the Old Girls' Association, or to myself, at the School.

M. T. NEDHAM.

Claribel Spurling.

There will be many old Queen's School girls who have heard with regret of the death of Miss Spurling. Hers was a zestful personality. She was never without some interest and generally managed to impart something of it to those who were in her company. She delighted in making new contacts and in new experiences.

Her connection with Chester began on her father's appointment as one of the resident canons of the Cathedral. Not long afterwards—in 1907—a vacancy for a History Mistress having occurred on the Queen's School Staff, she was appointed thereto, taking also German as a subsidiary subject. During my absence in 1914, she deputised as Head Mistress and her subsequent successful application for appointment as Head Mistress of the Birkenhead High School doubtless was the outcome of her wish for wider scope for her C powers. The war induced a desire for other work and she threw, up her post with the intention of going to relatives in Canada, to find, however, that she could not obtain the necessary permit to travel. She then turned her thoughts to definite war work and this she found with the "Wrens." Soon after the conclusion of the Great War, she retired, and 1920 found her experimenting in a new sphere as Warden of the Ellis Lloyd Jones Hall, a hostel associated with Manchester University College. There she became deeply interested in the movement to stablish an international club for university women and in 1929 her good work for the cause was recognised by her appointment as Warden of Crosby Hall where she remained some ten or twelve years until failing health led to her resignation.

Her heart was always in Oxford where her youth had been spent and there, after an unsatisfying experiment in life in a small village, she made her home. She knew that her hold on life was uncertain, but she did not allow the knowledge to weigh on her. And so she passed away, to the end active up to the limits of her powers, and interested.

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ROYAL DRAWING SOCIETY. (War-time Competition).

Commended Class I. A. Avery, S. Fair, D. Johnstone-Hogg, M. Seed, M. Walley, Geoffrey Wood.

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

Number of members—268.

Amount saved April 1940—March 1941—£3,011 15s. Total to May 31st, 1941—£7,896 6s. 6d.

A great response has been made to the national appeal for larger savings. The number of members in the group has nearly doubled. In addition to Savings Certificates, Defence Bonds can now be bought outright or by cards with half-crown stamps. Great enthusiasm for Chester's War Weapons Week was stimulated by a poster competition, a progressive games party, competitions and puppet shows. The indicator was sent up through the roof with a total of £1,589.

M. R. W. (Hon. Secretary).

WAR COMFORTS.

Since September nearly 200 knitted comforts have been sent away from school. In the Autumn Term we obtained wool from the Cheshire Regiment Comforts Fund, and the school from Form III upwards concentrated on making cap comforters. Since then several of the senior girls have made pullovers, and many of the others, mittens and gloves.

Comforts for the Air Force and Navy have also been made and these have been distributed through the W.V.S.

The following articles have been sent away since September:—

15 scarves; 29 pairs of socks;

29 helmets; 24 pairs of wristlets;

42 pairs of mittens;

6 pullovers;

7 pairs of gloves; 39 cap comforters;

1 blanket;

2 operation stockings.

During the holiday period in August several girls made hospital tidies, and these were continued by one Form in the Autumn Term. A large number of face cloths was also made, and a parcel of these was sent for use in hospitals abroad.

M. H.

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL ST. JOHN CADET DIVISION.

In the Autumn Term a Cadet Company was formed of girls from Form V Lower to the Sixth. All the members were very keen, and after some hard work passed their preliminary First Aid Examination which was taken by Mrs. Graham in the Spring Term. Feeling that they have done the ground work of First Aid, the Cadets are now tackling Home Nursing and are hoping to take their examination this term.

A team from the division is entering for a First Aid competition for Cadets, and Miss Baxter is very kindly taking them for extra classes. Although up to now the Cadets have been mainly concerned with work for examinations, it is hoped that other interests will be taken up later on. On April 19th several Cadets helped to collect for the Chester Flag Day in aid of the Red Cross and St John organisation.

All the Cadets are very grateful to Miss Ayrton and Miss Baxter for giving up their free time to take classes; and especially to the latter for coming on several mornings of her Christmas holidays to take Cadets in the games' pavilion in spite of the inconvenience of burst pipes there!

ELSPETH STALKER (Form VI).

PRELIMINARY FIRST AID CERTIFICATES.

February 21st, 1941-19 passed.

Mary Ashe, Eleanor Crowe, Audrey Gawthorne, Dilys Hardy, Sheila Hughes, Elizabeth Johns, Dorothy Johnstone-Hogg, Marjorie Jones, Lia Low, Pamela Morgan, Mary Musgrave, Josephine Newitt, Clara Plews, Elspeth Stalker, Patricia Thompson, Mary Venables, Sheila Walton, Edna Wicks, Margaret Williams.

March 28th, 1941-40 passed.

Hazel Ashmore, Gwyneth Bartley, Jean Bate, Mary Bateman, Joan Bentley, Mary Blencowe, Joan Brookes, Margaret Brown, Pat Brown, Petronelle Stewart-Browne, Janet Campbell, Ethel Condell, Nona De Gruchy, Barbara Devereux, Margaret Edwards, Shelagh Fair, June Griffiths, Gene Hamilton, Moyna Johnstone-Hogg, Joyce Jones,

Shelagh Jones, Molly Lanceley, Mary Murdoch, Elizabeth Murr, Doreen Parker, Ishbel Ross, Patricia Rowe, Elizabeth Rowley, Diana Stone, Margaret Slack, Jean Taft, Olive Thorogood, Joyce Townsend, Pamela Waghorne, Marion Walley, Doreen Wilkinson, Patricia Williams, Janet Wood, Ursula Wood, Stephanie Yates.

GAMES, 1940-41. Summer Term, 1940.

Stroke practice throughout the school improved, although some girls must still make more effort to produce their strokes accurately when they play in a game.

Only very few girls mastered net-play. Any girl who is keen to become a good tennis player must practise until she can play net effectively.

1st VI.

Margaret Gerrard (Capt.) Patricia Smith	}	1st Couple.
Joyce Jones Elizabeth Scarratt	}	2nd Couple.
Dilys Hardy Kathleen Chapman or Elspeth Stalker	}	3rd Couple.

Senior and Junior House matches were won by Thompson House. Patricia Smith and Joyce Jones gained their colours.

TENNIS FIXTURES.

1st VI.

June 1st	West Kirby High School	Away		Lost 0-3
June 22nd	Belvedere School	Home		Lost 1-2
June 29th	Sir John Deane's	Home	• • •	Won 50
July 5th	Liverpool College, Huyton	Away	• • •	Lost 0—3
July 13th	Howell's School, Denbigh			
	· (2nd VI)	Away		Lost 10—12

HOCKEY.

Senior Games. Autumn Term, 1940,

Hockey throughout the upper forms was disappointing. Each player was far too content to play a game without either thought or energy.

Forms IV Upper A and B have a number of promising players. I hope that next year they will help a great deal to raise the standard of senior games and provide some useful members for the 1st XI. To do this they must be still quicker on to the ball and play a much more aggressive game.

Middle School Games.

Towards the end of the term most members of Lower IV A and B improved, although they must put twice as much energy into their game. Some members showed a marked improvement in their stickwork.

In Forms Remove A and B there was plenty of energy and enthusiasm. Hitting still needs practice.

Form III played quite a good beginners' game towards the end of their second term. They learned the places on the field very well and kept their places in a game. Sometimes the game was slow, because dribbling was poor. This needs much more practice.

School 1st XI.

The team really did improve in speed, stickwork and determination. The forwards at last realised that goals can only be scored after a combined effort of stickwork and push.

The halves and backs were beginning to interchange more effectively, although the halves must back up more quickly.

The backs were steady and put their dodges into play.

The goalkeeper ran out to tackle very well.

lst XI.

G.	Mary Ashe.
R.B.	Irene Barton,
L.B.	Elizabeth Johns.
R.H.	Dilys Hardy.
C.H.	Elspeth Stalker (Capt.).
L.H.	Margaret Slack or Phyllis O'Donnell.
R.W.	Kathleen Ashworth,
R.I.	Mary Musgrave.
C.	Mary Venables,
L.I.	Doreen Parker.

Irene Barton gained her colours.

Senior House matches were won by Thompson House,

L.W. Audrey Gawthorne.

Junior matches were won by Westminster House.

HOCKEY FIXTURES.

Oct.	5th	Sir John Deane's	Home	 Cancelled
Oct.	12th	Ursuline Convent	Home	 Won 3-1
Oct.	26th	Hawarden County School	Home	 Won 3—2
Nov.	11th	City High School	Away	 Lost 8-0
Nov.	30th	City High School	Home	 Lost 3-0
Dec.	18th	Staff	Home	 Draw 2-2

LACROSSE.

Senior Games. Spring Term, 1941.

The standard of the game in the upper part of the school was definitely poor. The game is naturally uninteresting and slow when players can neither catch the ball nor pick up.

In Forms Upper IV A and B the players can catch and throw quite well.

Their game was disappointing because again it lacked energy.

Defence players marked quite well but were ineffective in body-checking.

Middle School Games.

Lower IV A and B.

Although catching and throwing showed a marked improvement throughout the term, the game was often spoilt by poor picking up.

Some players made quite promising defence, because they marked well.

Remove A and B.

Girls in these Forms practised their stickwork well with good results. Remove A had some good passing and catching when they played in a game. Remove B could catch quite well, and were quick, but their passing was not so good.

School 1st XII.

The team had only one match, but it was enough to show what determination will do. Not for one minute did any player give up. I hope this spirit has come to stay!

1st XII.

G. P.T. C.P.

Jean McMillan. Mary Ashe. Margaret Cooke. Elspeth Stalker (Capt.). ЗМ

3M Elspeth Stainer (Corp., R.D. Dilys Johnstone-Hogg or Elizabeth Johns.

L.D. Audrey Gawthorne.

C. Moyna Johnstone-Hogg. R.A. Mary Musgrave. L.A. Dilys Hardy.

3H. Doreen Parker.

Kathleen Chapman or Shelagh Fair. 2H.

1H. Mary Venables.

Doreen Parker and Dilys Hardy gained their colours. Senior House Matches were not played because of bad weather. Junior House matches were won by Sandford House. March 29th, Moreton Hall, Home, lost 7-4.

C. B.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The difficulties of the black-out prevented us from holding any meetings in the Autumn Term. In the Spring Term, however, as the evenings grew lighter, we were able to arrange two meetings. The first of these was a Nonsense Reading when a delightful and amusing selection from such Masters of Nonsense as Edward Lear and Lewis Carroll was read

At the second meeting two plays were read most successfully, "Hyacinth Halvey" and "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," the one an Irish play by Lady Gregory, the other written by Sir J. M. Barrie during the last war.

In these days of rationing, we feel that the Tea Committee merit a special word of thanks for the ample refreshments, which would have been more than creditable, even by prewar standards.

JOSEPHINE NEWITT (Secretary).

THE FOURTH FORMS' DRAMATIC COMPETITION.

At the end of the Spring Term the school was entertained by the Fourth Forms. The performance was arranged as a dramatic competition. Each form chose a scene from Shakespeare and produced it entirely by themselves.

Before we went into the Hall we caught tantalising glimpses of colourful costumes and faces completely disguised with burnt cork. The stage was set with a very large number of chairs and we wondered rather anxiously how the characters themselves would have room, but IV Upper A tidied themselves away very neatly and our imagination supplied all that was lacking to make an Italian courtroom.

IV Lower A dispensed with scenery altogether and IV Upper B nobly erected a massive tree-trunk to represent the Forest of Arden. We admired the presence of mind that could regard a crashing screen as merely a passing nuisance and saw with suspicion a drawing-pin used in the Forest of Arden.

IV Lower B chose one of the best-known scenes from a "Midsummer Night's Dream," and though we did hear a Form-mate describe the fairies appearance as looking "very like a scenic railway," we found them very charming.

Although the combined wisdom of the Upper VI decided that IV Lower B deserved first place, we felt that all the plays were very good. Both actors and audience thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

JOSEPHINE NEWITT (Form VI).

VICTORY.

In Scotland on one night in May When German raiders chanced that way, Herr Rudolf Hess, a German fine, Jumped from an M.E. 109.

He drifted down by parachute And muttered softly, "Das ist gut." While chewing carpets, might and main, The Fuehrer screamed, "The man's insane!"

One day when earth is plunged in gloom, From out the darkening skies will loom A giant shape, with medals gay—And Goering will have come to stay.

Then Hitler, meek and full of fear, A silent Goebbels in the rear, Will join their patriotic friends, While peace upon the world descends.

MARGARET MEACOCK (Form IV Upper A).

TO A LEMON.

Hail to thee, oh lemon Far, far away! Shall I ever see you more? Perhaps, some day.

How we miss you on a picnic, The luscious lemonade! How we miss you on the Tuesday, The day pancakes are made!

What about the fish and chips? The lemon's missing there, For substitutes and vinegar I vow I do not care.

Oh fair and golden lemon That you would fly to me, Heeding not the sinking ships Away at sea!

NINA BENTLEY (Form IV Lower A).

AN INCIDENT IN A QUEUE.

Mrs. Jones.—" Come along, this shop looks as though there is something inside worth having."

Mrs. Wood.—"Yes. Should we have a chance?"

Mrs. J.—"I should think so."

Mrs. W.—"Do you know Freddie Smith has gone to Egypt to fight?"

Mrs. J.—"Really? Isn't it a shame?"

Mrs. W-"Why?"

Mrs. J.—"Well, poor Mr. Smith died, so I heard, at five o'clock on Wednesday morning."

Mrs. W .-- "But I saw Mr. Smith in the bus."

Mrs. J.—"You couldn't, if he's dead. Oh, I think I shall go and get my meat. We've been waiting nearly an hour."

Mrs. W.—"Let's wait a bit longer, because it may be something worth having."

Mrs. J.—"You're right, but I don't think we've got a chance."

Mrs. W.—"I know, let's have three guesses each. I say chocolates, eggs or sweets."

Mrs. J.—"I say cigarettes, oranges or onions."

Mrs. W.--"Ask that lady what it is for."

Mrs. J.—"Please can you tell me what this queue is for?"

Lady.—"Birdseed."

Mrs. J .- "What? Birdseed? But I haven't a bird!"

Mary Shephard (Form Remove A).



THE KEEPING OF MICE.



When a person announces that he is going to keep a mouse, the grown-up concerned says "Oh, you can't, they smell," or "they attract mice," or "they breed too quickly." Mice do not smell if they are kept perfectly clean; and it is only when the cleaning is put off from day to day that they do. They must be cleaned thoroughly once a day, and sawdust, sprinkled on the floor; helps to keep the cage from smelling. Other mice are not attracted, unless food is left about, or the cage smells. Breeding cannot be helped; mice breed every six weeks, counting from when the last batch were one month old. Baby mice can be drowned immediately they are born, and then they suffer no pain.

When choosing mice, it is best to have a pair, and only two mice kept in one cage, which must be clean and airy. Two mice of the same sex will fight until the larger or more powerful kills the other in the end. A revolving wheel must never be put in a cage as it is liable to kill the mice.

The feeding of mice is most important, as no mouse can thrive unless it is properly fed. It is best to feed them once a day in the evening, and food must be given in moderation, because a young mouse will eat until it bursts. Any of



the following can be given:—oats, canary seed, cake, biscuits, nuts, porridge oats, brown bread, cornflakes, rice pudding, and bread and milk. Mice are very fond of green food, like dandelion leaves, groundsel and lettuce. Green food must be given in small quantities. Hard food must be given to keep

their teeth short, or they will grow long, and they will not be able to eat, and will die.

Mice like shavings to rest in, or cotton wool. They must have it clean once a week, except when they have young. Then on no account must they be disturbed, or the mother will eat them. To make sure this does not happen do not look at the babies until they are at least two weeks old.

Mice will live for many years, and make good, tame, and loving pets, if they are well cared for.



MARY BURGESS (Form IV Lower A).

THE STORY-TELLER.

About him in a circle on the dusty ground Are gathered all the children, great and small. The Story-Teller, old and bearded sits. And weaves for them his tales of Djinns, and all His lore of Caliph's gardens and of Barbers' sons Of secret cities and ancient days; And as he tells he beats his tiny drum To call more listeners, and some one strays Into the circle of his magic words The sun climbs slowly down the sky, Anew. And flares are lit above the market-stalls. And up and down the heedless crowd goes by, Chaffering for bargains, laughing, quarrelling. But in the circle of his magic no one stirs As he begins: "There was a Caliph once," Or tells the tale of "The Three Calenders." GENE HAMILTON (Form V Lower).

JACK FROST.

Jack Frost crept into the house last night, And left the windows feathery white, He painted on them houses, trees, And ships a-sailing on silvery seas. He painted mountains white with snow, And valleys where swift rivers flow. He painted flowers, and gardens gay And frisky lambs of merry May. He crept outside at break of dawn And spilt white blotches on the lawn. They sparkled brightly in the sun, But soon they vanished, one by one. The window pictures faded quite, Because the sun was shining bright. Jack Frost has fled far, far away, He may come back though any day.

ANNE SELLARS (Form III).

THE CANAL AT LLANGOLLEN, AUTUMN.

Bare are the trees that line the still canal,
The fallen leaves upon the sunlit bank
Like burnished copper all afire are strewn.
The grim, grey mountain dominates above,
Like some stern sentinel, watchful, alert.
The scarcely moving water, like a glass,
Reflects the scene. Upon the bridge I stand
Entranced by the autumn miracle.

BRIDGET LEWIS (Form IV Lower A).

MY BIRD.

He's little, and brown, and wild, and shy, But free to build and thrive. He may fly on his own wild wings, And my bird sings.

Now may he wheel and soar,
With the sunlight on his wings.
He may flit from flower to his heavenly bower,
And my bird sings.

For mine is every bird that flies On free wild wings Between green earth and summer skies, And my bird sings.

CONSTANCE DENNETT (Form Remove A).

A TRIP TO THE SEA.

A trip to the sea! What fun
To bathe and lie in the sun,
And eat ice creams and candy bars,
Then have a ride in the bumper cars.

After lunch a donkey ride All along the water side, Then back home along the sand, There is Mummy on dry land.

VALERIE MEAD (Form I).

THE DRAGON WHO LIKED TOFFEE.

The Dragon simply loved toffee, so that the poor little elfin children couldn't have any at all. They were very upset at this and decided to ask the Magician what to do. Next day they started off to Green Tree Wood to see him.

They walked up a very tall spiral staircase till they came to the door, and the Magician said: "What do you want?" The children answered: "Could you think of anything to stop the Dragon from eating toffee?" The Magician said: "I can't think of anything. I don't think I have a spell to stop dragons eating toffee." So the children went home disappointed

One day Feefo, the glue-maker, very kindly made them some toffee. The children found it stuck their teeth together, as Feefo had mixed half-a-pound of glue to half-a-pound of sugar. The children thought what a splendid idea it would be to give the Dragon some of this toffee so they took it to him. He ate it till his teeth stuck, and he could not open his mouth to eat anything. In the end he starved and died.

Then the children were able to eat toffee to their heart's content.

MARGARET VENABLES (Form II).

THE PROUD PUPPY.

Punch was a little terrier puppy. He had been bought by the Smith family when very young. Nancy Smith would play with him. He loved to play with a ball, barking at it as he did so. But Punch was no good for a house-dog. He rolled over and wagged his tail when anyone came, expecting to be patted or to be given a bone.

"Oh dear!" Mrs. Smith would sigh. "I did hope Punch would improve as a house-dog as he got older."

The Smiths' house was large and its inhabitants were wealthy. Valuable ornaments made of ivory and silver ornamented the dining-room and drawing-room mantelpieces.

One night, when Punch was dozing in his corner of the kitchen, he heard footsteps along the corridor. Up he got to be patted. The person had a flash-lamp, but as it was not very bright he felt his way along the wall as well. As he passed Punch he knocked his ball off the ledge above his corner.

Oh, how delighted Punch was! He barked and yapped. What a pity it wasn't Nancy. She would have turned the light on; he couldn't see properly with this silly flash-lamp.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith came running down-stairs when they heard Punch barking. They saw the man's torch outside the window. Although they did not catch him they telephoned to the police. In his hurry to escape the burglar had dropped all that he had stolen—some of the valuable ornaments.

When the fuss was over how Punch was praised!

"Oh you good dog," said Mrs. Smith, "You are improving! I do believe you're going to be a really good housedog after all."

Punch wagged his tail. Next day he received a big bone for his reward. He strutted round the garden proudly holding it in his mouth, showing all the neighbouring dogs until they were quite mad with jealousy.

NINA BENTLEY (Form IV Lower A).

TO MODESTINE.

O, tiny, hairy Modestine
With dainty, tripping hoofs,
Is not your pace a little slow?
I beg you, give me proofs
That you can really stir your stumps
In sight of village roofs.

My dear beloved Modestine Your large and kindly eyes Have just a hint of mockery. Can it be that you despise The methods of your master To make you top this rise?

O mousey-coloured Modestine You hard, deceitful thing! Unless you stir your little shanks I'll let you know who's king. I'll prick you with my new-made goad, You'll fly—like bird on wing.

DENISE PRITCHARD (Form IV Upper A).

A SHOCKING STORY.

Billy Wrench, the cobbler's son, crawled sadly out of bed. How nice and warm it had been! Ah well, he could do with some grub! He dressed hurriedly, washed (neglecting both ears and neck in his hurry) and raced downstairs. That morning at breakfast his parents were both rather excited, or so it seemed to Billy. "Now Billy," began his mother, "you're not to go along the shore road." "Oh mother," Billy groaned. "Be quiet, Billy, and don't interrupt. There's been a land-slide near James McGregor's house-'bout half a mile up, and a man's been hurt. A sailorish fellow with a bundle on his back, your dad said, going towards Liverpool. Your dad and I think it's best you shouldn't go up there." "Oh but mother, I want to go fishing with George." couldn't go in any case, dear. The road's blocked." "We will consider the matter closed, Billy!" said Mr. Wrench. But Billy didn't consider the matter closed. He spent the rest of the day gossiping about it—as indeed did everyone else in the village. Three days later it was discovered that the man who had been hurt had lost his memory, as the result of a knock on the back of the head. As nothing could be found out about him and there was no clue to his identity, Mr. Wrench had very kindly offered to let him live with them. He was to help Mr. Wrench in the shop. He was called Dick, as no one knew his real name.

Three weeks later, as Billy was sitting on the wall at the back of the garden, he started to think about Dick.

"I wonder how you find your memory when you've once lost it. I'll ask mother." Billy slid down from the wall on which he had been lying. He jumped over the flower bed, knocking off a geranium head on his way, charged across the lawn, and into the kitchen. "Mother, how do people who've lost their memories find them again?" he asked. "Lawks, Billy, how'm I to know? What questions you do ask. Best ask your dad." Billy set off for the shop. When he arrived, he asked his father the same question. His father replied that he thought some kind of shock or knock might do it. And Billy went off satisfied.

That evening Billy waited in the alley way between his father's shop and the house, until he heard Dick's footsteps. As Dick neared the corner, Billy lifted a shovel, which he held in his hand, above his head. An unsuspecting Dick came round the corner, and then—crash! The shovel descended upon his head with great force. He sat down rather suddenly and blinked. "I say, has your mem'ry—." By this time Dick was on his feet and Billy thought that it was time he was going.

After school the next day Billy hurried to his father's shop. He tied a piece of string across the door and then called to Dick. He came running out, tripped over the string, falling flat on his nose and making it bleed. "You young devil, you! I'll teach you." "I was only trying to make your mem'ry..." said Billy—but changed his mind and fled.

He had forgotten all about Dick's memory when, a month later he and Dick went fishing. They had a fine time and caught a whisky bottle, a bicycle wheel and three fair sized fish. Billy was dog-tired when they went home and Dick carried their tackle. In the middle of the night, or so it seemed to him, Billy sat up with a start. He had been dreaming that a goblin had been chasing him with a fishing rod, while he sat, unable to move, on a bicycle tyre, drinking whisky out of a bottle. Oh bother! he'd left his fishing rod in Dick's room and he was going on an early morning expedition with George. Billy slipped out of bed and pattered along the landing to Dick's room. He entered, hoping Dick was not in bed, seized the rod and made for the door. Just at that moment a towel fell off the hook and over Billy's head. To his horror he heard someone coming towards the room. He flapped his arms helplessly. At that moment the person entered the room. A little scream followed. Billy pulled off the towel and went, shamefacedly, to put on the light. But when he saw Dick standing, like an image, staring at him, he screamed, "Ma, ma, Oh! dad, come quick!" Mr. Wrench raced up the stairs two at a time, followed by Mrs. Wrench, puffing and panting. "Billy, Billy, what's the matter-gracious alive, Dick's fainted," ejaculated Mrs. . Wrench.

Three days later Dick was sitting up by the fire talking to a very proud Billy; for Dick's memory had returned, owing to the shock, and wasn't it Billy who had caused that shock? Dick's real name was James Hessingdale. He was a young fisherman from Lowestoft, who had been going to Liverpool to get a job. He told Billy that he had had a shock with ghosts when he was a child, and Billy looked exactly like a ghost in his night-shirt with the towel over his head. James had communicated with his people and was going back the next day. He promised to write to Billy; also to replace the broken rod.

SHEILA GOODY (Form IV Lower B).

WILLIAM JOHN.

William John, when very small, Wasn't afraid of anything at all, Even the sponge couldn't put him off, Though it got in his mouth and made him cough.

William John, when still a small child, Was anything else but meek and mild, He wasn't afraid (or so he said), Of anything at all, but to get him to bed!!

William John, when he went to school, He regularly broke every single rule, And he fought every one of the other chaps, And then for fun ran off with their caps.

William John, when he'd reached seventeen, Was daring and dashing, bold and keen, He didn't stop at the signals red, But scorched along the road instead.

William John is now in the air, He flies along without a care, And brings down Dorniers one by one, These Jerries can't frighten our William John.

SONIA KLETZ (Form IV Upper B).

TO THOSE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES IN AIR RAIDS.

They've written an ode to the Navy,
To the brave lads in khaki and blue,
They've written a song to the fireman,
To wardens and war workers too;
But mine is in praise of the people,
The children, and mothers, and wives,
Who are 'keeping the home fires burning,'
But are feeding the fires with their lives.

PATRICIA THOMPSON (Form V Lower).

A FIRST-AID CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

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Clues down.

- 1. Accompanies all accidents (5).
- 2. Used with a bandage to stop bleeding (3).
- 3. Used as a dressing (4).
- 4 A nurse should not have this (3).
- 5. Used to make cooling drink (6).
- 8. An artery (5).
- Alcohol is given to patients bitten by a rabid animal. (4).
- 11. Causes injury in Air Raid (abbrev.) (2).
- 13. A sense organ (3).
- 16. A bed could face this way (abbrev.) (2).

Clues Across.

- 1. Can be improvised from gate (6)
- 6. Home nurse must keep this tidy (4).
- 7. Nurse should be within call (4).
- 9. Supported by the Q.S.C. in Royal Infirmary (3).
- 11. If a thermometer is this, the mercury rises (3).
- 12. There is a hinge joint here (4).
- 14. An upper limb (abbrev.) (2).
- 15. Causes injury in Air Raid (5).
- 17. A member of this renders F.A. to Bridges (abbrev.).

PAT BROWN

MOYNA JOHNSTONE-HOGG (Form V Upper).

SHELAGH FAIR

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SCHOOL MAGAZINES.

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EXTRACT FROM MISS RUFFELL'S LETTER OF JANUARY 17th, 1941, ADDRESSED TO MISS DAY.

Nabumali is a lovely place to live in, with Mt. Elgon away in the background and a lovely outlier called Nkokenjero (7,000 ft.) just across a valley from my house. Below is a great plain, and we ourselves are about 4,000 feet up, so the heat is not too bad. You would love growing cotton and maize, sweet potatoes, pine-apples, and sweet bananas, while we have such a large plantain garden that when I go down it I invariably get lost, and I feel it is quite primitive enough to run into Dr. Livingstone or someone of that ilk at any minute.

At present I am engaged in learning the theory and practice of combating soil erosion; but as we are on a steep hillside, it is difficult to keep the soil there at all when heavy rain comes, and the children think I am rather mad about putting stones in drains and so on.

Of course, our buildings are rather primitive. We have a brick school building, with a hall and four class-rooms, but no windows—only holes where they should be; one of our dormitories is entirely mud with a straw roof and mud floor, though the other three are either brick or cement; our chapel is very picturesque, made of mud with thatched roof and large window spaces down each long wall, and a doorway (but no door). We have fixed up a small domestic-science room, just across some grass from a round native hut, in which the cooking is done on an open fire with no chimney.

But when you think that thirty or forty years ago the people here were cannibals, and hadn't any idea of reading, writing or anything else of that nature, we feel very advanced in Nabumali.

Just at present I am having three weeks' holiday at Limuru, near Nairobi, in Kenya, which is a gorgeous spot, about 8,000 feet high, and so chilly enough to brace one up a bit. . . .

THE QUEEN'S SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF PAST AND PRESENT PUPILS.

Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting took place on Friday, 5th July, 1940.

Miss Nedham took the chair at 3 o'clock.

Forty-three members were present. Letters of regret for absence had been received from upwards of 40 members.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Arising from the minutes came (1) The explanation from Miss Nedham that, owing to war conditions it had been impossible to hold the projected evening party; and (2) the decision that the revised rules, hitherto not reprinted, should be done as soon as possible.

The list of new members was read:-

Honorary:-Miss Desgratoulet.

Life:—Mildred Thompson, Felicity Blake, Heather Jones, Margaret Seed.

Transferred from annual membership:—Mona Payne and Helen Walley.

Annual:—Doreen Shearer, Mrs. Marsh (R. Linaker), Barbara Jennings, Beryl Dodd, Frances Leach, Jean Wain, Margaret Garvie, Olive Brabner, Joan Lewis, Norma Williams, Rhoda Walley, Dorothy Hardcastle and Barbara Phelps.

Their election was proposed by N. Day, seconded by K. Dobie and carried unanimously.

Election of Officers for 1940-41.

As all the officers were willing to stand for another year, their re-election was proposed by A. Tinkler, seconded by Miss H. Giles and carried unanimously.

Election of Committee Members.

As these also were willing to serve another year, their re-election, en bloc, was proposed by J. Mowle, seconded by J. Holland-Williams and carried unanimously.

Reports.

The Hon. Treasurer read her report. She announced that she had invested £30 of the surplus (£70) in Defence Bonds. On the motion of Mrs. H. F. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Ayrton, it was decided unanimously that a further £20 should likewise be so invested.

The adoption of the Report was proposed by E. Done, seconded by Mrs. Nicholl and carried unanimously.

The Cot Treasurer (M. Dickson) read her Report which she had been unable to prepare in time for the Magazine and which had been drawn up by D. Edwards. It showed a balance of £4 in the bank.

The adoption of the Report was proposed by K. Dobie, seconded by E. Hird-Jones and carried nem con.

"Have Mynde."

Miss Nedham explained that there had been no deficit on last year's Magazine. She proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Hicks and to her helper, Miss Pearson, for so ably editing the Magazine. This was carried with applause.

Under the heading of "Any other Business," an appeal was made to members for French and German novels and papers especially for the use of the Poles in our hospitals.

On the motion of Miss Nedham and with the hearty agreement of all present a vote of good will was passed to Miss Desgratoulet on her retirement after more than 30 years of service.

The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Nedham for presiding, and for her constant welcome to "Old Girls," proposed by Doris Edwards and carried with acclamation.

Tea was served in the Hall and after tea members did war-work, either brought by themselves or provided: e.g., knitting—hospital shoes—patches for blankets.

Officers for 1940-41.

Hon. Secretaries:—K. Day, P. Waymouth.

Hon. Treasurer.—C. Ayrton.

Hon. Cot Secretary:-D. Edwards.

Hon. Cot Treasurer-M. Dickson.

Committee:—E. Higgins E. Hird-Jones (Petters Hughes), M. Lobban (Miln), B. Oldham (Carbutt), S. Trubshaw, M. Ashe (Form VI).

NEW MEMBERS, 1940-41.

Life Members.

Broster, J., 23, Ravenswood Avenue, Rock Ferry, Wirral. Broster, N., 23, Ravenswood Avenue, Rock Ferry, Wirral. Cooper, J., Ridley Hill, Tarporley, Cheshire. Davies, T., Hillcrest, Moston-by-Backford, Chester. Fox, V., Castle Hill, Ewloe, Chester. Gerrard, M., Sunfield, Great Sutton, Wirral. Gosmore, R., Newton Lodge, Tattenhall, Chester. Wynde, J., 8, King's Crescent East, Chester.

Yearly Members.

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Honorary Members.

Desgratoulet, Miss C., West View, Bryniau Road, West Shore, Llandudno, N. Wales. Jameson, Miss, 32, Upper Northgate Street, Chester.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

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Bowler, Mrs. (M. L. Marston), 4, Ludlow Drive, West Kirby, Wirral.

Bliss, Mrs. (P. Dodd), Lammas Lane, Shottle, Belper, Derbyshire.

Brown, J. E., 81, Earlsway, Curzon Park, Chester.

Christie, J. C., 32, Tooting Bec Gardens, London, S.W.16.

Dent, Mrs. (B. Kemp), Shropshire Orthopædic Hospital, Oswestry, Salop.

Evans, Mrs. G. (P. Draper), at 19, Curzon Park, Chester.

Hodgkinson, Mrs. (B. Strong), 21, Park Walk, Newton, Chester.

Jeffray, Mrs. W. A. (A. Nelson), at Wingfield, The Heath, Runcorn, Cheshire.

Jones, Heather, 66, Birchfield Road, Fallowfield, Manchester 14.

Murdock, F., 18, Coulsdon Court Road, Coulsdon, Survey.

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Stewart, B., 45, Playing Place, Kea, Truro, Cornwall.
Williams, Mrs. P. O. (E. Welsh), Gwynfa, Quarry Lane, Kelsall, near Chester.

Yearly Members.

Clark, Mrs. (M. Shaw), 10a, Caledonia Avenue, Cross Roads, Kingston, Jamaica, B.W.1.
Christopherson, M., Colton, Liverpool Road, Chester.
Kay, Margaret, 3, Carlyle Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham 16.
Lewis, C. Joan, 50, Glan Aber Park, Chester.
Miln, Mrs. A. K. (K. Day), 40, Selkirk Road, Chester.
Priestley, B., Marlowe, Sandileigh, Hoole, Chester.
Thomas, Mrs. (Marie Godson), 38, Abbot's Park, Chester.
Tinkler, A., Rayne's, Parkgate Road, Neston, Wirral.

Honorary Members.

Gibson, Mrs. (Miss Eastwood), at Boslow, Pelaverne Drive, Penzance, Cornwall.
 Kingswell, Mrs. W. H. (Miss Maris), Newton Lodge, Outwood, Wakefield, Yorks.
 Wight, Miss R. M., Derwen Deg, Denbigh Road, Ruthin, N. Wales.

ASSOCIATION NOTES.

This last year has been full of sorrows and difficulties for most of us in one way or another, but to every Old Girl, whether a member of the Association or not, one of the greatest has been the death of Miss Day in October last.

We cannot measure her interest in, or her work for the Association. Even after her retirement, every group of new members was greeted with joyful affection year by year, and she was quite marvellous in the way she could recall names and learn new ones.

An appreciation appears elsewhere in the magazine, but this much should be recorded here—Katharine Day has been the living heart of our past and now we must feel that she is the spirit of our future.

The Association was represented at the funeral by the Head Mistress, the Honorary Assistant Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and several Old Girls. We sent a sheaf of flowers from the Chairman, Officers and Committee, and from the members some beautiful red roses.

The question of a memorial is mentioned elsewhere in the magazine and will be discussed at the Annual General Meeting.

News of Old Girls seems rather scanty, although we know that many are busy helping the war effort in special ways. We congratulate Christine Stalker who passed her Medical Finals in December and graduated at St. Andrew's in January last. We send our good wishes for her work as House Surgeon in a Dundee hospital.

We have had visits at School from several who are nursing—from Gwynneth Quinn, now somewhere East with the Forces—from Mary Stone, on leave from a Military hospital in Bath, and from Muriel Conway, at a hospital in Kingston-on-Thames.

There is also news of Olive Mayne who is enjoying her work in a Children's hospital in Wales, and of Muriel Mayne taking a Domestic Science Course at Radbrook College.

A letter to Miss Day from Eveline Meade mentions her school work in British Columbia. Apparently among her children are Sudeten Germans for she says:—"My little Sudetens are very loyal to Britain."

Things do miscarry in the post, especially in times like these and we are particularly sorry that several Old Girls did not receive the notices of Miss Desgratoulet's retirement in July, and of Miss Jameson's at Christmas. However, to both notices there was a very good response, and to each we gave a cheque and a book of names bound in light blue with the School arms stamped on the front. The names, with the accompanying good wishes, were written by Miss Hilda Giles in Miss Desgratoulet's book, and by Miss Desgratoulet in Miss Jameson's book, and we are grateful for their beautiful work.

As a war-time economy of paper and labour, we have decided to omit the list of members. In its place are any changes of address and the names of all new members since the last magazine. Past members will be able to refer for addresses to the 1940 issue, and if they have mislaid or lost it, they can send any letter to School c/o the Association, to be forwarded.

Will yearly members please note that they are asked for their subscriptions each year in the notice of the Annual General Meeting? The Hon. Treasurer would be grateful if they would send them without further notification. This year an additional slip has been put in for those whose subscriptions for 1939 or 1940 (or both!) have not been paid.

There was a "round up" of subscriptions in 1938, before the Diamond Jubilee magazine was printed, and after that, anyone who had not paid since 1937 was taken off the list of members.

But anyone can rejoin and will be gladly welcomed. Our yearly membership subscription is a sounder proposition financially than our life membership, and we would welcome more of them.

After consultation between Miss Day and the Secretary of the London Branch, the funds of that Branch were handed

over to the Association in February, 1940, and the Hon. Treasurer opened a separate account at the Chester Savings Bank with the amount £3 4s. 6d.

With fifteen months' interest at 1/9d., the fund now stands at £3 6s. 3d., and the Hon. Treasurer is going to suggest at the Annual General Meeting that it be invested in National War Savings for the duration of the War.

C. W. AYRTON, Hon. Treasurer.

BIRTHS.

- ASKEY. On 4th February, 1941, to Honour (Humphreys) wife of Philip Askey—twin daughters, Helen Margaret and Ruth Elinor.
- BROWNE. On 4th August, 1940, to Marjorie (Payne) wife of Trevor Browne—a daughter, Margaret Trevor.
- EVANS. On 22nd August, 1940, to Pamela (Draper), wife of Gordon Evans—a daughter, Susan.
- THOMAS. On 12th July, 1940, to Marie (Godson), wife of Francis J. Thomas, of Hernstone, Abbot's Park, Chester—a son, Peter Francis William Arthur.

MARRIAGES.

- CLARK—BUSBY. On 26th October, 1940, at S. Wilfrid's Church, Grappenhall, Philippa, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark, to R. M. V. Busby. elder son of the late Mr. W. N. Busby and of Mrs. Busby, of Alderley Edge.
- ELLIS—MILLIGAN. On 31st August, 1940, Margaret, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, Tramway House, Chester, to Capt. A. B. Milligan, R.A.M.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. McGregor Milligan of Cromar, Southport.
- McNAUGHTON—EATOCK. On 7th December, 1940, at Frodsham, Joan McNaughton to Timothy Eatock.
- NELSON—JEFFRAY. On 6th July, 1940, Anthea, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Runcorn, to W. Allan Jeffray.

DEATHS.

- BURGES.—On 4th February, 1941, at the Chester Royal Infirmary, Lucy Olive, younger daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Burges, of Hoole.
- DAY.—On 14th October, 1940, at Rowton, Katharine Day, Hon. Secretary of the Old Girls' Association since 1899.
- SPURLING.—In December, 1940, at Oxford, Claribel, eldest daughter of the late Canon Spurling, of Keble College, Oxford and Chester, formerly Headmistress of Birkenhead High School and First Warden of Crosby Hall, Chelsea. On the Queen's School Staff 1907-1915.

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