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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Autumn Term will begin on Monday, September 7th.

Miss L. Fenwick, B.A., has been appointed to a permanent post on the staff of the Castleford Grammar School, and will therefore be leaving at the end of the Summer Term. We wish her success and happiness in her new appointment.

Mrs. F. Thomas, M.Sc., will also be leaving at the end of term. She has rendered valuable service to the School during the past four terms at considerable personal inconvenience, and for this we are most grateful.

Congratulations to:—

Major R. Challoner on his escape from occupied France and on the award of a bar to his Military Cross.

D. H. Bamber, F. R. Bailey and N. B. Platt, who have been gazetted to commissions in the Royal Engineers.

E. F. Mason, promoted to Flight-Lieutenant, R.A.F.

W. T. Dewhurst, promoted to Flying-Officer (Pilot), R.A.F.

W. D. Gregory, now commissioned in the Royal Marines.

B. D. Alderson (master), promoted to Flight-Lieutenant, R.A.F.

The School A.T.C. will be camping during August in the Midlands.

Mr. J. Crosswell had three paintings accepted for the Exhibition of Lancashire Art at the Preston Art Gallery.

Councillor T. Huddleston, J.P., a member of the Governing Body, is this year's Chairman of the Poulton-le-Fylde U.D.C.

We congratulate Mr. H. E. Tomlinson, B.A., on gaining the M.A. degree of the Manchester University for a thesis on "The Development of Heraldic Language."

It is with deep regret that we record the death, at the age of fourteen years, of William Mortimer. He was a fine type of boy, full of spirit popular with, his fellows and thorough in everything he undertook. Last year he won the Junior Swimming Championship.

The death of Eric R. Greenwood is much regretted by all who knew him at school. His health had been poor for several years and for this reason he went last September to live in Cheshire.

Recent visitors: Lieut. Ewan Watson, R.N.R., Sergt. R. Stuttard, Cpl. Jackson Smith, F./O. W. T. Dewhurst, Sub-Lieut. J. W. Yates, R.N.V.R., Roy Chadwick, J. A. Walton (President, O.B.A.), H. R. Dennison (Past-President, O.B.A.), Cpl. G. H. Chapman, R.A.C., Norris Bradbury (who has passed the Final Examination of the Pharmaceutical Society), Lieut. J. A. Paterson, P./O. H. N. Moulding, C. Whitehead, P. C. Palin, Cpl. G. Gregory,

R.A.F., who met F. E. Thompson, R.N., in the Middle East, C. E. Donald (Merchant Service), Lance-Cpl. A. Seddon, Sergt. R. Stuttard (R.A.M.C.), L./A./F. C. R. Kingswell.

A. B. Simpson has been promoted to the Executive Class, Civil Service.

A. H. Beckett, M.P.S., probably holds the O.B.'s record for the acquisition of silver medals. He is now at the London University; in his last examination he gained first place and silver medals in both Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Pharmacognosy, and second place with Certificates of Honour in Physiology and Practical Chemistry.

Swimming Sports take place at the Kirkham Baths on Monday, July 20th.

SCOUT NOTES.

Mr. Moulding, the G.S.M., was called up in December, and in February the Junior and Senior Troops were amalgamated, six Patrols (since reduced to five) being formed. The C. of H. is now running the Troop under Mr. Pickett's guidance.

Successful camps were held at Great Tower and Scorton at Easter and Whitsuntide, and camps are to be held by several Patrols at Scorton, Wray, and Great Tower during the Summer holidays.

The Troop was recently presented with a bronze statuette by Mr. J. Rawcliffe, President of the Old Boys' Association, 1941-42, to mark his term of office. It was decided that the statuette should be an Inter-Patrol Trophy to be awarded annually on the points system; the Bulldog Patrol under P.L. J. F. Bostock is now well ahead.

Scouts of the School Group form the nucleus of the Blackpool War Service Patrols; members of the Troop are in the Home Guard, Army Cadet Force, and Civil Defence Messengers; waste paper and medicinal herbs are being collected.

Many new recruits have been invested, and a large number of Second Class and First Class tests have been passed; several Scouts are practically First Class.

The following Badges have been gained in 1942:—

KING'S SCOUT BADGES.

AMBULANCE MAN: P.L.'s J. R. Eccles, J. F. Bostock; Second J. C. Dagnall; Scout R. G. H. Allen.

CIVIL DEFENCE: P.L.'s J. F. Bostock, G. Hope; Seconds P. D. Bell, D. C. Vangen, V. Leach; Scouts J. Withers, J. C. Greenlees, R. M. Barnes, W. Darbyshire and J. Adams.

CYCLIST: P.L.'s R. Swire; Seconds P. D. Bell, J. C. Dagnall, V. Leach; Scouts J. C. Greenlees, R. G. H. Allen.

INTERPRETER: T.L. M. Lowe (German), P.L. J. F. Bostock (French).

RESCUER: P.L.'s J. F. Bostock, G. Hope; Second P. D. Bell.

BUSHMAN'S THONG BADGES.

STARMAN: T.L. M. Lowe.

CAMPER: T.L. M. Lowe.

OTHER BADGES.

NATIONAL SERVICE: Seconds P. D. Bell, V. Leach; Scout J. C. Greenlees.

SWIMMER: P.L.'s J. F. Bostock, G. Hope; Seconds P. D. Bell, J. C. Dagnall; Scout R. G. H. Allen.

Good Camping to all in the holidays!

"MICK."

WOLF-CUB NOTES.

New Cubs are Bennett (from 1st Poulton, now not functioning) and Brook. We have merged into two Sixes only, Blacks and Greys; the former lead by 15 points. Shaw has been awarded a National Service Badge. Commissioner Rex Hazlewood, of Imperial Headquarters, visited the Group on July 9th, and the Pack took part in the special meeting held in the School wood.

AKELA.

NATIONAL SAVINGS BRANCH.

For the 10 weeks up to June 26th our returns are:—

Average number of subscribers per week, 207.

School percentage (weekly average), 47%.

Amount subscribed this term, £512 5s. 0d.

Total amount subscribed since September, 1939, £8,235 10s. 6d.

Forms with the best record: Form IVm., 100%; Form Vm., 94%.

The special National Savings Badges, awarded to Form Secretaries for good work, are gained by K. Fitton, Vm.; R. Matthews, IVm.; P. Hairsnape, Ia.
A.C.O.

SCHOOL SKETCHING CLUB.

Fine weather has enabled members to enjoy the five meetings held this term.

Keen interest has been taken in the sketching of local subjects in the Poulton and Hardhorn districts. Some very creditable work has been produced.
J.C.

AIR TRAINING CORPS.

Senior Flight, 38 Cadets. Junior Flight, 36 Cadets.

Distinguished visitors this term included Air Commodore E. Howard-Williams, M.C., Colonel William Parkinson, J.P., Squadron Leader A. Hindley, Squadron Leader Brewer, and our Old Boy Squadron Leader F. W. Thompson, D.F.C. The Flight has also paraded before Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary of State for Air, and Sir Roger Keyes, Admiral of the Fleet, so we cannot complain of being neglected.

We have also had a most enjoyable Social Evening, at which the Poulton Section of the Women's Junior Air Corps and the Poulton Flight of the Air Training Corps were our guests.

Parades for Air Crew and Ground Crew have continued normally, while between 30 and 40 Cadets have been taken for flights by R.A.F. Pilots this term.

Proficiency Stars and Certificates, not included in last term's list, have been awarded to J. J. Danson, G. W. Dishman and S. Wright.

From 8th August to 15th August we shall be attached to an R.A.F. Station in the Midlands, along with the other units of the Blackpool Wing. Ft.-Lieut. G. Shaw has again been appointed Commandant of the A.T.C. Camp.

On June 30th the School was honoured by a visit from Air Commodore J. A. Chamier, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant of the Air Training Corps, who inspected the engineering workshop and the gymnasium, and afterwards addressed the Cadets in the School Flight. Our distinguished visitor was accompanied by Squadron Leader A. Hindley.

ANNUAL SPORTS, 1942.

Wednesday, May 20th. The Trophies and Awards were presented by Mrs. J. A. Walton, wife of the President, O.B.A. The Middle School Championship Cup, given by Councillor and Mrs. Keirby, was handed to the winner by Mrs. Keirby.

RESULTS.

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Hibbert House	308½	points.
Whittington "	241½	"
Founder's "	199	"
Hodgson "	192	"

SENIOR ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP.

Winner	F. B. Robinson	20	points.
Runner-up	R. Starkie	18	"

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP.

Winner	D. Eakins	15	"
Runner-up	E. F. Whittaker	14	"

JUNIOR ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP.

Winner	W. G. Lunn	20	points.
Runner-up	T. Lucas	10	"

MERIT AWARDS, CLASS "A."—Awarded to (a) Winners of OPEN Events, (b) Competitors who, not taking any 1st place, obtain 13 points or more in OPEN Events (1st place counts 15 points; 2nd place, 7 points; 3rd place, 4 points; 4th place, 1 point).

SENIOR.

D. R. Rimmer	Open 1st (1), 3rd (1), H'cap. 1st (1)	24	points.
F. B. Robinson	" 1st (4)	60	"
W. N. Scott	" 2nd (2), 4th (1)	15	"
R. J. Skinner	" 2nd (2), H'cap. 1st (1)	20	"
R. Starkie	" 1st (3), 2nd (1)	52	"
G. K. Stewart	" 1st (1), H'cap. 2nd (1)	17	"
W. Walker	" 2nd (2), 4th (1)	15	"

MIDDLE.

H. Abram	" 1st (1), 2nd (1), 3rd (1), H'cap. 2nd (1)	23	"
J. Cooper	" 2nd (1), 3rd (2), H'cap. 1st (1)	19	"
K. Craine	" 1st (1), 4th (1)	16	"
D. Eakins	" 1st (2), 2nd (2)	42	"
H. Whitehead	" 1st (1), 2nd (2), H'cap. 1st (1)	33	"
E. F. Whittaker	" 1st (3), H'cap. 1st (1), 2nd (1)	49	"

JUNIOR.

T. Lucas	" 1st (2)	30	"
W. G. Lunn	" 1st (4), 4th (1), H'cap. 1st (1)	67	"

MERIT AWARDS, CLASS "B."

SENIOR. F. C. Davies, R. K. Jenkinson, J. G. Mathieson, J. J. Nightingale, J. A. Robinson.

MIDDLE. A. S. Fitton.

JUNIOR. R. J. Abram, B. D. Bell, P. S. Chapman, W. Darbyshire, R. W. Hopson, W. Roskell, G. B. Shaw, E. Taylor, J. Withers.

ATHLETICS.

Captain : F. B. ROBINSON.
INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS.

Held on May 6th.

Competing Schools were B.G.S., Blackpool G.S., Arnold, St. Joseph's, Lancaster Royal G.S., Rossall, Kirkham G.S., Barrow G.S.

The winning School was Lancaster R.G.S. We gained fifth place.

Team.—Robinson, Starkie, Danson, Dishman, Rimmer, Skinner, Whittaker, Stewart.

For the second year in succession Robinson won both the High Jump (5 ft. 5½ ins. record) and Long Jump (19 ft. ½ in.). The team is to be commended on its efforts and its perseverance during the period of training.

All the members of the team sincerely thank Mr. Taylor for his untiring help and interest ; his advice has been most invaluable.

R.S.

SWIMMING.

The following awards of the Royal Life-Saving Society have been made this term :—

FIRST CLASS INSTRUCTOR : J. Holden.

SECOND CLASS INSTRUCTOR : P. G. England.

BRONZE MEDALLION : P. D. Bell, J. F. Bostock, G. Hope, R. Swire, P. L. H. Withers.

INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE : P. D. Bell, J. F. Bostock, R. M. Carruthers, G. E. Harrison, N. Sargeant, R. Swire, P. L. H. Withers.

J. Walton (VIa.) will be taking the Examination for the Sea Water Diploma, the highest award made, on July 2nd. We wish him the best of luck and success.

THE LEARNERS' CLASS.

About 40 boys have joined the Class, which has been well attended. A number of boys have learned to swim this term and have thus gained points for their Houses.

The results of the Swimming Sports held on July 20th at Kirkham will be in next term's Magazine.

Finally, we must thank Inspector Gill and Detective Drabble for the active interest they have taken in J. Walton's training for the Sea Water Diploma.

SCHOOL SOCIETY—PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION.

This term Mr. Harrison, of Thornton, gave us a demonstration of the processing of 16 mm. ciné film. The meeting was well attended and the enthusiasm and interest shown by the audience helped to repay the demonstrator for the trouble he had taken to make the affair such a success. We hope to see the results shown on the screen some time this term ; there are pictures of the School Sports for the last three years, some being in colour. We tender our grateful thanks to Mr. Harrison for giving up so much of his leisure time to the interest of the Society.

THE HOUSES.

FOUNDER'S HOUSE.

House Masters : Messrs. RAWES, CHARLTON and TOMLINSON.

Captain : F. S. WILLIAMSON.

Vice-Captain : E. F. WHITTAKER.

Secretary : J. G. MATHIESON.

Since last term several House activities have taken place, the chief of these being the Cross-Country Run and the Athletic Sports; in both of these events we were placed third. F. C. Davies and J. G. Mathieson were placed second and third respectively in the Senior Cross-Country Run, while E. F. Whittaker was Middle School Runner-up in the Athletic Sports.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of W. H. Mortimer, Junior Swimming Champion, and to his parents we offer our deepest sympathy.

The Cricket matches and Swimming Sports give a good chance to regain some of our lost points, and if every boy does his share this object can be achieved.

J.G.M.

HIBBERT HOUSE.

House Masters : Messrs. HARRIS, READE and WARBURTON.

Captain : F. B. ROBINSON.

Vice-Captain : A. S. MURRAY.

Secretary : K. MARSDEN.

The term opened very well for Hibbert House. We gained first place in the Athletic Sports, both the Senior and Junior Champions being members of Hibbert House. The points gained from this event will be invaluable to us in the Cock House Competition.

There are two events this term, the Cricket Championship and the Swimming Sports.

Our Cricket results to date are:—

	First Eleven.	Second Eleven.	Third. Eleven.
v. Whittington	Lost.
v. Founder's	Won.
v. Hodgson	Lost.

We wish to congratulate our Captain, F. B. Robinson, upon his fine performance in the Inter-School Athletic Sports, and to wish all our members who are taking examinations at the end of the term the very best of luck.

K.M.

HODGSON HOUSE.

House Masters : Messrs. WADDINGTON, OKELL and ASTELL.

House Captain : J. WALTON.

Vice-Captain : D. R. RIMMER.

Secretary : K. FITTON.

We are pleased to report that Hodgson House won the Cross-Country Race that took place at the beginning of this term.

Although we obtained a lead by winning the Cross-Country, we were unable to hold it in the Sports and were placed last.

The Inter-House Cricket Matches are not yet completed. Only Second and Third Team Matches have been played, all of which we have won.

We wish our Swimming Team success in the Swimming Sports, which is to take place on 20th of July.

Finally, we wish the best of luck to members taking examinations this term.

K.F.

WHITTINGTON HOUSE.

House Masters: Messrs. PICKETT, HOOD and MOULDING.

Captain: W. WALKER.

Secretary: R. STARKIE.

The first event this term was the Cross-Country Run, and on total points we gained second place. In the School Sports the House took second place again, largely due to the notable performances of the Seniors.

To date our performances in the Cricket Competition are:—

	Second Eleven.	Third Eleven.
v. Hibbert	Won.
v. Founder's	Won.
v. Hodgson Lost.	Lost.

May we take this opportunity of congratulating Eddleston on his being selected to play for North Lancashire School Boys' Soccer Team.

Finally, we wish good luck and success to those engaged in examinations and to those who are leaving us this term.

R.S.

OLD BOYS' PAGES. OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

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OLD BOYS' EDITORIAL.

Curtailed as the Old Boys' Pages must be henceforth "for the duration," we shall endeavour to pass along what tidings we have of the O.B.'s in the Services, even if it eventually becomes necessary to adopt a system of abbreviations to record our facts.

Much of these pages will, we are afraid, resemble final notes for School Certificate History, but members will nevertheless find all the facts there in concentrated form.

How we long just now for unlimited space to reproduce in full all the interesting letters that are constantly coming to us from O.B.'s in all parts of the world!

Keep on writing to us and we'll do all we can to see that the news goes round in some size of print!

O.B.F.

OLD BOYS' NOTES AND CORRESPONDENCE.

We welcome as New Members :—

1942. G. W. D. Dishman, 36, Rossall Grange Lane, Fleetwood.

1942. L. S. McKnight, 33, Burns Road, Fleetwood.

Changes in Address :—

1940. W. H. Black, 13, Belgrave Street, Rising Bridge, Accrington.

1938. G. Chapman, 20, Chandos Road, Willesden Green, N.W.2.

1937. D. D. England, 15, Clifton Crescent, Marton, Blackpool.

MARRIAGES.

MASON : GARNER.—On Saturday, 4th April, 1942, at the Church of St. John the Divine, Fairfield, Flying Officer Gordon Herbert Mason to Violet Brenda Garner, of Fairfield.

HALKYARD : BREWER.—On Wednesday, 29th April, 1942, at Thornton Parish Church, Gunner James William Halkyard to Sannie Brewer, of Cleveleys.

PALEY : JONES.—On Monday, 18th May, 1942, at the Drive Methodist Church, St. Annes, Sergt.-Observer Cyril Milner Paley to Edith Jones, of St. Annes.

MASON : FAIRHURST.—On Saturday, 6th June, 1942, at St. Thomas' Church, Stockton Heath, Flight Lieut. Edwin Felix Mason to Betty Fairhurst, of Warrington.

COLLINGS : BIBBY.—On Friday, 19th June, 1942, at Holy Trinity Church, South Shore, Blackpool, Lance Corporal James Collings to Joan Bibby, of Blackpool.

We were pleased to learn that Marine Tom Eccleston was amongst the survivors when H.M.S. "Trinidad" was torpedoed and sunk.

Congratulations to those whose names appear in the Honours List or whose promotions in the Services are recorded.

Airgraph messages have been received from Sergt. P. W. Gillooley (26/3/42), who had "met Dollin out there"; Lieut. D. H. Bamber (15/5/42), "on duty in India at a spot where to see another Englishman is a rare sight indeed"; A.C.2 K. W. Bailey, also in India; and Sergt. James Dickinson (R.A.F.) (1/5/42), who is "gaining experience in many varied subjects in Iraq."

Letters this term come mainly from the Middle East. Pilot Officer E. S. Charlton (Master) wrote (7/4/42) an interesting letter about his life at a Fighter Aerodrome, including details of his recent trips in a Beaufighter, "flat out over the Delta at zero feet, tilting the wings over the palm trees." Corpl. R. W. Fletcher (R.A.S.C., Iraq, 28/3/42) was "wiling away his time in hospital with a damaged finger that had turned septic, but expected to be back on duty with another stripe in a fortnight." L.A.C. R. H. Duxbury (West African Force, 16/4/42) learning "how the other half lives," wouldn't have missed a moment of it, even the malaria and dysentery! Sergt. John Dickinson (attached to a fighter squadron, East Anglia, 9/6/42) tells us that "everything is A.I." and gives details of his life whilst training, prior to going on to operations. L.A.C. H. G. Pearson (M.E.F., 14/3/42) finds his variety of jobs as Motor Transport Fitter very interesting. Corpl. R. Hargreaves (M.E.F., 26/4/42) recalls his "carefree days on the sports field, now replaced by a sinister and tougher fight, confident of the ultimate issue and determined to see the ghastly business through to the end." Signalman W. G. Payne (East Africa Command, 17/3/42) acknowledges the "very acceptable handkerchief which, a thousand miles from civilisation, becomes a very important item." He tells of his visits to Freetown, Durban, Cairo, Nairobi and Addis Ababa. Trooper J. Wood (Tidworth, 3/5/42) thinks that his squadron's motto should be "Nil Sine

Labore" also! A.C.2 D. S. Lane (attached to the Service Police) wrote (2/5/42) a particularly interesting letter of his life in North Wales. Ord. Sig. A. Brown was expecting to move from Skegness for further training and sent us details of two O.B.'s who were "not on our list." Sergt. T. Jenkinson, writing (31/1/42) from Canada, tells of his air trip across Canada to the West Coast, of his chance meeting with an O.B. in the baths at Montreal, and of L.A.C. Dollin, who is in the same camp. L.A.C. L. Cross (South Africa, 8/3/42) had met Sergt. R. Tattersall, R.A.M.C., in Bloemfontein. A few words were exchanged as their trains halted for a short time in the station. "It was good to see one of the old School over 7,000 miles away from home." Pilot Officer H. N. Moulding (Master) has related busy Intelligence Duties in connection with the 1,000 Bomber raids; he is now "resting" on a short course in London.

Amongst those who have visited the School this term have been:—Sergt. Pilot P. D. Taylor, R. Downing, Sergt. T. Benson (who, we regret to report, has since lost an eye as the result of an accident during training), E. G. W. Cross, D. B. Thorpe, K. Hardman, Air Apprentice G. D. Hardwick (Fleet Air Arm), Wireless Mechanic G. C. Chapman (also Fleet Air Arm), Signalman A. C. Gillooley (on embarkation leave, April), L. S. McKnight, Lance-Corporal G. H. Chapman (Master), 2nd Lieut. N. B. Platt, C. Whitehead, Sub. Lieut. R. Thompson (Fleet Air Arm), Trooper W. K. Hatton, A.C. W. Swire (ground staff, stationed in Scotland), Guardsman H. Westerman, G. Curwen (N.F.S., Liverpool), T. B. Eaton (who was "getting a new suit" in the R.A.O.C. the next day), 2nd Lieut. J. A. Paterson (Master, on leave from Ireland), Trooper J. Wood, R. Chadwick (Manchester City Police), Corpl. Jackson Smith (from the South, after a "toughening course, which included 42 miles march on one day, followed by manoeuvres on the next!"), Sub. Lieut. J. W. Yates (Air Rescue Boat Command, S.E. Coast), J. Holden (Manchester Univ.), Sapper G. Darwin (stationed in Scotland).

J. Rawcliffe, President, O.B.A., 1941-42, has presented to the School Scout Troop an Inter-Patrol Trophy to commemorate his year of office.

With regret we record the loss of Captain Harold Redvers Barlow, whose death at sea was confirmed in April; and of Kenneth Edge, who died at Grange the same month; and extend our sympathies to their sorrowing relatives.

BY THE WAY.

The School Roll numbers 441.

New boys are:—

NAME.	FORM.	HOUSE.
T. W. Keirby	Prep.	Founder's.
M. A. Spurgeon	Prep.	Whittington.
J. Green	Shell	Hibbert.
K. Rowe	IIIa.	Whittington.
J. Rodican	IVs.	Hodgson.

The drive for economy in paper has caused your Magazine to wear a somewhat pinched, even emaciated look this term. War imposes these minor inconveniences on all of us; we are grateful that we have sufficient material for essential work; we should not, for example, take kindly to the use of slates in school.

Another war casualty this year has been Speech Day, which has joined such activities as school excursions, camps, trips abroad and concerts in the

limbo of things forgotten. We have been startled recently by the thought that, to many of you, these and other pleasant interludes in our life together are unknown.

There is also a threat of sabotage to our holidays. It may be that when you read these pages this threat will have been removed ; if not, there is more than a possibility that before Christmas we shall be weary of the sight of even your comely faces, which feeling will no doubt be reciprocated by you with ample interest. Perhaps even school holidays will become an unknown pleasure to the boys who are to be here for the next year or two.

The campaign for fresh subscribers to the National Savings movement has inspired at least one Form to great activity. The walls of Prep. have from time to time been adorned (save the mark !) with realistic drawings illustrating in gory detail the fate of those who fail to subscribe.

The first Sports Day on the new cricket field was held in glorious weather after a most unpromising morning ; spectators thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon and the speech made by Mrs. Walton. Mr. Pagett, who retired from Baines's about seven years ago, proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Walton, and appeared to be undiminished in vigour, both mental and physical.

The A.T.C. has been visited by two distinguished Officers of the R.A.F. (For names see elsewhere.) A number of its members enjoyed the privilege of seeing their School from an entirely new angle a few weeks ago.

It appears that we have some keen musicians in the Upper School. Some of them have been observed coming on fire-watching duty armed with gramophones and supplies of records of classical music. They are to be commended on their good taste.

Prep. boys appear to have devised a game of miniature cricket for use during the dinner-hour. At least one Form in the Middle School has done them the honour of following suit ; these boys are doubtless finding the demands of normal games much too exacting for them.

Many of you will long remember the excellent address given at the Founder's Day Service on May 22nd, by the Rev. E. Benson Perkins, Chairman of the First Manchester District of the Methodist Church. He pointed out that you, left with a glorious heritage from the past, are now learning at School to live together as a community, so that, looking forward to a better future, you may help in the creation of a new world out of the disorders of the present time. The Service was conducted by the Headmaster, the Revs. J. H. Richmond and R. J. Drew, and Messrs. R. P. Tomlinson, J.P., and R. Parkinson (Governors) were present. The Choir sang Hopkins' *Te Deum* in G, the Anthem, "*Lo! Round the Throne*" (*H. G. Ley*), and "*God be in my head*" (*Walford Davies*).

CRICKET.

Captain : F. B. ROBINSON.

Secretary : R. STARKIE.

Vice-Captain : W. WALKER.

Cricket Colours have been awarded to K. Craine.

Mathieson has acted as Scorer throughout the season.

FIRST ELEVEN.

Robinson, Murray, Walker, Craine, Starkie, Eddleston, Driver, Stock, Walmsley, Whittaker, Eakins, Brown. Also played : Henderson, Nightingale.

RESULTS.

- May 9—B.G.S., 91 ; v. Ministry of Pensions, 136 for 3. Lost.
- „ 16—B.G.S., 51 ; v. Fleetwood G.S., 23. Won.
Craine, 7 wickets for 10 runs.
- June 2—B.G.S., 67 ; v. Alleyn's, 42. Won.
Craine, 8 wickets for 26 runs.
Walker, 23 runs ; Eddleston, 18 runs.
- „ 6—B.G.S., 88 ; v. Old Boys, 59. Won.
Robinson, 6 wickets for 20 runs ; Stock, 3 wickets for 0 runs.
Craine, 28 runs ; Whittaker, 28 runs.
- „ 10—B.G.S., 51 ; v. Kirkham G.S., 158 for 5. Lost.
Craine, 28 runs.
- „ 13—B.G.S., 114 for 2 ; v. Fleetwood G.S., 111. Won.
Craine, 53 runs, not out ; Walker, 36 runs.
- „ 20—B.G.S., 68 ; v. Ministry of Pensions, 180 for 6. Lost.
Craine, 21 runs.

SECOND ELEVEN.

- June 13—B.G.S., 44 ; v. Blackpool G.S. Second Eleven. Lost.
- „ 20—B.G.S., 75 ; v. Thornton Youth Club, 35. Won.

" UNDER FOURTEEN " CRICKET.

- May 13—B.G.S. v. St. Joseph's College, Blackpool, at Baines's.
St. Joseph's College, 61 ; B.G.S., 92 (Eakins, 24).
- „ 16—B.G.S. v. Bailey Senior School, Fleetwood, at Fleetwood.
B.G.S., 66 ; Bailey Senior School, 30 (Eakins, 5 for 6 ;
Whitehead, 4 for 12).
- June 6—B.G.S. v. Blackpool Grammar School, at Baines's.
B.G.S., 56 ; Blackpool Grammar School, 29 (Lucas, 3 for 0).
- „ 20—B.G.S. v. Bailey Senior School, Fleetwood, at Baines's.
B.G.S., 36 ; Bailey Senior School, 11 (Eakins, 7 for 2 ;
N. Whitehead, 3 for 8).
- „ 27—B.G.S. v. Palatine Central School, Blackpool, at Blackpool.
Palatine Central School, 24 (Whitehead, 7 for 5 ; Eakins,
3 for 14) ; B.G.S., 107 (Eakins, 32 ; Lunn, 25).

July 11—B.G.S. v. Palatine Central School, Blackpool, at Baines's.

B.G.S., 41 ; Palatine Central School, 50 (Eakins, 5 for 17).

„ 16—B.G.S. v. St. Joseph's College, Blackpool, at Blackpool.

St. Joseph's College, 42 (Whitehead, 6 for 24 ; Eakins, 4 for 13) ;
B.G.S., 48.

„ 19—B.G.S. v. Hodgson Senior School, Poulton, at Poulton.

B.G.S., 87 (Cooper, 24) ; Hodgson Senior School, 30 (Eakins,
5 for 11 ; Darbyshire, 5 for 12).

FOOTBALL.

We congratulate H. Eddleston on his award of Schools' Football Colours by the Lancashire Football Association Amateur Committee. He was chosen to play in the annual Representative Match on Bolton Wanderers' ground on May 9th, and had the satisfaction of being in the team which won by 6 goals to 3.