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BANSTEAD RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL FROM THE AIR.

EDITOR'S NOTES.

Soon after I arrived at Banstead in 1933, I expressed the hope that the end of twelve months would see us "settling down." A colleague warned me that "Banstead" never settled down, and I begin to think that there is more than an atom of truth in that statement.

The Past year has again seen many changes - some expected - others quite unexpected. The unfortunate illness and retirement of Mrs. Hattersley, followed by the retirement of Mr. Hattersley, has brought important changes in the direction of the School, details of which are given in another part of this Magazine. We all extend a hearty welcome to Miss Starnes, our new Matron, and I personally am indebted to her for her valuable assistance during the past six months. In this connection I would mention also how much I appreciate the help given by Miss Lodge, Mr. Smith, Mr. Frost and all members of the staff. With goodwill, willing co-operation and sympathetic forbearance, we can face the future with every confidence.

It is gratifying to report that Mrs. Hattersley's health has greatly improved since her retirement, and I welcome with pleasure their continued active interest in the School and its welfare.

Detailed accounts are given on other pages of the outstanding events of the year-in particular, the Jubilee Celebrations, the Camps at Walton and Dymchurch, the Schools journey to Sandown (a new departure), Fête Day and Prize Day. I was pleased to see such a good "line up" of old scholars on Fête Day.

The last six months have seen much activity in the "repairs and decoration" department, and visitors will note how beautiful the School Chapel looks in its brighter colours. They will observe, too, that the Gymnasium, Band Room and "F." and "D." Cottages have been completely re-decorated. The former "Girls' Pro." has now been converted into new Staff Quarters, with cubicles - and very shortly the former Infectious Infirmary will be opened as a Senior Girls' Cottage, in which the girls will have separate furnished cubicles. Resident teachers will assist in the organisation of the activities of the elder girls. A new Dental Room has been provided at the Infirmary and equipped with everything needed by the Dentist to enable him to carry out his sometimes painful, but necessary, work.

Educational successes have continued, three children having won places at the Norwood Central School, whilst eight girls have proceeded to the Norwood Technical Institute.

Visits have been made to the Tower of London, Cadby Hall, the County Hall, Croydon Gas Works, the London Docks and the Imperial Institute. A party of boys recently attended the Old Vic Theatre to witness a performance of "Julius Cæsar," and a small party saw "H.M.S. Pinafore" performed at Epsom. A further treat was a river trip from Westminster to Greenwich.

With the increase in the staff of each Cottage, the children have more time for recreation, and the enjoyment of leisure periods has been added to by the provision of tennis, hockey and other sports equipment. The senior girls attend the local Girls' Friendly Society's weekly meeting, and also proceed to Ewell once a week for instructions in domestic economy.

Arrangements are well forward for the Third Old Boys' Annual Dinner, and it is hoped to hold this on Saturday, December 21st, at the "White Horse" Hotel, Holborn. I look forward to meeting many of the Old Boys again, and we hope that some new faces will be seen at the gathering.

It is gratifying to receive visits or letters from so many old scholars. Reg. Bloom and Wm. Walker keep me regularly informed of their doings at the Fairbridge Farm School in Australia, and letters also arrive occasionally from Basil Garrett. We were particularly pleased to welcome, on Fête Day, R. C. W. Brown ("A" Cottage, 1916-23), who took part in a remarkable rescue in mid-Atlantic last December. He was a member of the boat's crew of the Cunard White Star liner "Ascania" which rescued twelve men from the S.S. "Usworth's" after the Belgian steamer "Jean Jadot" had lost two of her crew and twelve of the "Usworth's" crew in an unsuccessful attempt at rescue. We were privileged to see the five medals presented to Mr. Brown, including the Board of Trade's silver medal presented to him by His Majesty the King at Buckingham Palace on July 10th, 1935. Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Brown - Banstead is proud of him!

The attempt last year to produce the Magazine free to all resulted in a heavy bill of £20 having to be met out of School Funds. Although I could understand the desire of the former Superintendent to make no charge, I do feel that the majority of the staff and old scholars would not wish the children's fund to be depleted to such an extent for their benefit. I am going to suggest that sixpence a copy would not be an unreasonable charge, and I hope that as many as possible will send along this amount in return for their copy of the Magazine. This will enable me to meet part of the cost of production.

It might be well to mention here that, by the order of the L.C.C., old scholars visiting the School are required to pay for any meals supplied. It would assist the House mothers if this were remembered, and if notice of intended visits could be given. I would remind you once again to keep me informed of any change of address.

Thanks to Frank Boyden and his friends in the Royal Artillery Band, we were given musical treat on April 2nd, 1935, in the shape of an orchestral concert of a very high order. Needless to say, the concert, was thoroughly enjoyed by children and adults, and we are extremely grateful to our Old Boys in the R.A. Band and their friends for their kindness. We also wish to thank Miss Saunders for songs rendered in excellent style, and Miss Ennis and her pupils for some interesting dancing. Altogether a splendid evening's entertainment!

Once again I send greeting's sincere to past and present staff and scholars - every happiness for Christmas, and health, peace and contentment in the coming year.

C.L.G.R.

Staff Notes.

Readers may recall that two years ago I reported Mr. Campbell's retirement and Mr. Rayner's appointment as

Headmaster With the retirement of Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley, Mr. Rayner was appointed to the dual post of Headmaster-Superintendent, and Miss Starnes, of Penn, Bucks, was appointed Matron.

On behalf of all members of the staff of Banstead Residential School, we wish them every success and happiness in their new sphere.

With Mr. Rayner taking over the extra duties of Superintendent, Mr. Frost was appointed Senior Master in charge of the day School. Miss W. A. Tibbs was later appointed Senior Mistress in place of Mrs. Mackenzie, who resigned at Easter, 1935, as also did Mrs. Sherwood. The farewell of Mrs. Mackenzie and Mrs. Sherwood was made the occasion for a staff tea party and presentation of parting gifts. Both ladies have rendered valuable service to the girls and boys of this School and we sincerely hope that they will continue to prosper in their home life. Recently the stork alighted on Mrs. Mackenzie's housetop and presented her with a wee son. Congratulations!

Others who have left us during the year include Miss Jones (temporary Matron), Miss Dring ("H"), Mrs. Barber (Girls' Pro.), Miss Kimber (Needle Stores), Miss Bayliss, Mr. Marsh (Boilerman) and Mr. Buck (Plumber).

R.J.F.

The following is a list of the staff at present employed at the School:-

Mr. C. L. G. Rayner (Headmaster).	Miss E. F. Willox.
Miss G. Starnes (Matron).	Miss A. Brown.
Miss M. Lodge.	Miss L. Baker.
Miss F. Coates.	Miss L. M. Russell.
Miss E. D. Arnold.	Miss E. Munt.
Miss A. E. Davis.	Miss F. Brown.
Miss L. Tidd.	Miss A. L. Palmer.
Miss L. Miller.	Mrs. A. E. Fitzgerald.
Miss A. Beadle.	Miss K. Miller.
Mrs. F. Bell.	Mrs. N. Smith.
Miss J. Hitchins.	Miss E. Hopkins.
Miss A. Butler.	Miss J. Hopkins.
Miss R. Allen.	Miss M. Howells.
Miss A. Spratling.	Miss E. Bainbridge.
Miss M. Rose.	Miss C. Davies.
Miss E. Peake.	Miss B. John.
Miss A. Peake.	Miss M. Ward.
Mrs. M. Brown.	Miss P. Chamberlain.
Miss E. Deller.	Miss M. Jones.
Miss A. Cuttill.	Miss E. Lewis.
Miss H. Dalgleish.	Miss E. Shelley.
Miss G. Summers.	Miss M. Warwick.
Miss D. E. Nicol.	Miss E. Warwicker.
Miss F. Vatcher.	Mrs. S. A. Scarsi.
Miss F. Bukin.	Miss G. Allenby.
Miss I. G. C. Powell.	Miss L. Thomas.
Miss A. Russell.	Miss A. Ware.
Miss M. A. Taylor.	Nurse M. E. Bedford.
Mrs. M. E. Young.	Nurse M. Newton.
Miss L. M. Wicks.	Dr. J. N. McB. Ross.
Miss M. Barrett.	Mr. E. White.
Miss A. Rees.	Rev. H. Barr.
Mrs. N. Jones.	Mr. A. R. Grizelle.
Miss S. A. James.	Mr. D. G. Smith.
Miss E. Quinlan.	Mr. A. E. Noble.
Miss F. Carter.	Mr. E. W. Bowers.
Miss M. Crossley.	Mr. S. Charman.
Miss H. Raymond.	Mr. A. J. Newton.
Miss M. M. Davies.	Mr. S. B. Page.
Miss L. M. Eve.	Mr. H. Albury.
Miss J. Nicholson.	M. A. Baker.
Miss V. Shepperd.	Mr. P. Baker.
Miss B. Shepperd.	Mr. B. G. Ford.
Miss L. Looker.	Mr. H. Greatly.
	Mr. F. Hall.

Mr. A. Wells.	Mr. W. Moss.
Mr. M. Ireland.	Mr. C. Shipp.
Mr. F. W. Cutts.	Mr. G. A. Taylor.
Mr. H. Fitzgerald.	Mr. A. Kirkby.
Mr. W. Griffiths.	Mr. J. Lane.
Mr. F. T. Killick.	Mr. T. R. Cox.
Mr. A. Sutton.	Miss L. Ford.
Mr. W. R. Waldron.	Miss E. C. Bowden.
Mr. G. H. Wells.	Miss F. Cook.
Mr. B. Anthony.	Miss M. E. Holland.
Mr. R. Beaston.	Miss E. E. Lee.
Mr. A. E. Craddock.	Miss A. Bailey.
Mr. H. Edmonds.	Miss E. Dempster.
Mr. F. C. Yates.	Miss P. E. Greenhow.
Mr. F. Edmonds.	Mrs. H. G. McRae.
Mr. W. Field.	Miss M. L. Smith.
Mr. G. C. Fletcher.	Mrs. M. Thomas.
Mr. F. C. Killick.	

Letter from Mr. Hattersley.

"Grasmere,"

Longcroft Avenue,
Banstead.

Dear CHILDREN,

So far as I recollect, in my last letter to the Editor I mentioned that probably the contribution would be my last effort for the Magazine.

It seems that I was hasty in such a presentiment, for here I am again.

Since leaving the School, I have often travelled in "memory land," and my thoughts have frequently been with you, and of you. I wonder whether you can guess what I have noticed most, by its absence, in my change to private life? Well, I will tell you. The chatter of numerous voices along the avenue when you were going to and from School - sometimes more than a chatter! The Band in the morning, which reminded me that it was time to prepare for my office, or should I say proceed to the office, perhaps to see unruly boys - or good ones; and also occasional whispers from apparently nowhere, "Sh! - Super." This non-deplume always amused me; it was certainly easy to pronounce.

Having lived in retirement for several months, I have, of course, lost touch with School activities, but I gain a little news from boys I occasionally meet in Banstead.

From all accounts you have had a particularly good time this summer: Camps, School journeys and outings. The School Fête, despite the unfortunate weather, was most enjoyable. The prize distribution I was unable to attend, but I hear that you had the average amount of successes.

It is always pleasant to learn of your success, not only in School, but also after you have left. I often wished that you had more opportunity of hearing of the success of Old Boy, as it would, I feel sure, be a wonderful incentive for you, and create a feeling to do something really great when the opportunity arises as young men and women.

Nothing is gained without hard work, and always remember that other boys and girls in similar schools have no more opportunity than you. Life is certainly a succession of disappointments - your disappointments are trivial - but disappointments have a purpose in life. They stimulate a "grit" which all boys and girls should possess, and becomes evident during their school life either in sport or school.

Remember that "grit" leads to achievements; attempt to be successful in something that you like and you will be surprised how pleasant it is to feel that your efforts have been rewarded.

Having made good in one thing, there is no reason why you should not make another endeavour in some other way, but do not think that you can do everything above the ordinary - very few can, and it is not expected.

Only aspire to that for which you are capable, naturally but always with some effort.

Mrs. Hattersley wishes me to convey her sincere good wishes to you all, and to let you know that she is much better in health. She is always, delighted to have a few words with the girls and boys, when opportunity occurs, generally when you are out walking.

In conclusion, we send you every good wish for Christmas and the New Year.

Yours very sincerely,
GEO. HATTERSLEY.

"Au Revoir."

Relative to the retirement of Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley, which took place in March, 1935, I believe an appreciation of their services as Superintendent and Matron of the School appeared in the last issue of the Magazine. I have not a copy of the Magazine by me to verify this, but in any case I hope readers of the following remarks will extend their indulgence to me for returning to the subject, because this present issue of the Magazine is being sent, out to a larger number of old scholars than was the case last year, and many of them may not have heard that Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley have left the School. The retirement of Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley was due to the breakdown in health of Mrs. Hattersley. Leave of absence covering a period of six months was granted to Mrs. Hattersley, and although a change at the seaside during that period did much to restore her health, she never regained sufficiently to resume her duties as Matron. Mrs. Hattersley's retirement dates from March, 1935, and conditions governing the appointment she held as Matron made it necessary for Mr. Hattersley to relinquish his office as Superintendent at the same time. We could not bid them "au revoir" without asking them to accept some token of our affection and esteem. We did this at a simple little ceremony which took place in the Gymnasium on Thursday, March 28th, when we asked their acceptance of a combination bookcase and bureau. The presentation was made by the Headmaster, Mr. Rayner, and in well-chosen words he spoke of the valuable services rendered to the School by Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley during the period 1925 to 1935. Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley thanked the officers for the beautiful gift, and also for the loyalty and affection which had always been shown them. They said their work at the School had never at any time been an easy task; it had involved much thought and heavy responsibility, but the loyalty and co-operation of the staff had cheered them in their work. They regretted the circumstances which led to their retirement, and they would always value the gift their colleagues had presented to them. Earlier in the week the children gave Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley a parting gift. The presentation took place in the day School and in asking Mrs. Hattersley to accept a cushion, and Mr. Hattersley a paper-knife, a girl and a boy made very charming little speeches.

Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley have had a long experience of Local Government work, a their ten years' service at Banstead proved that they were wise, cautious and impartial administrators. Mrs. Hattersley, who is a State Registered Nurse and C.M.B., commenced nursing training in 1902 and held appointments at St Pancras Infirmary, Dartmouth Park Hill, and later at the Clapham Infirmary. This was followed by a period of private nursing in Devonshire, Charge Nurse at Maidenhead Infirmary, 1907, Matron of St. Marylebone Poor Law Institution, 1907-1925, and Matron of Banstead Residential School, 1925-1935.

Appointments held by Mr. Hattersley include:

Master's Clerk, Crosland Moor Poor Law Institution
- 1901-1905.

Asst. Master, Crosland Moor Poor Law Institution
- 1905-1909.

Asst. Master, York Poor Law Institution - 1909-1911.
Asst. Master, St. Marylebone Institution - 1911-1913.
Master, St. Marylebone Institution - 1913-1925.
Superintendent, Banstead Residential School - 1925-1935.

In addition to the above, Mr. Hattersley is a Past President; of the London District of Poor Law Institutions, Past President of the Association of Principal Officers of Children's Homes and Residential Schools, and Examiner in Institutional Accounts, Poor Law Examination Board. His local activities include an interest in the Yorkshiremen's Society, of which he is a Past President, and an interest in the Banstead Association, of which he is Vice-President.

During the early days of the War, Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley were responsible for the reception and accommodation of about 500 Belgian refugees, also a large number of air raid victims. Speaking of the War, Mr. Hattersley's Army service must not be forgotten. He was connected with the Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment, the Durham Light Infantry, took part in three major engagements in France and was demobilized with the rank of Captain. The foregoing gives some idea of the career, both of Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley, up to the time of their retirement, and I think all will agree that it is a unique record of service. We regret that the ill-health of Mrs. Hattersley has brought about their retirement, and we express the hope that in the less strenuous life they now lead, Mrs. Hattersley may regain something of her former robust health.

May the writer be allowed to say one personal word? And that is that he always found Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley the kindest of friends, and that he believes this has proved the experience of all those who were their colleagues at Banstead.

HAMILTON BARR.

Letter from Miss Seagrave.

"BRASTED,"

BANSTEAD ROAD,
BELMONT,
SUTTON.

My DEAR GIRLS,

Another December has arrived and again I send you my heartiest good wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

I hope this one has been a year of happiness and prosperity, and that you can look back to something worth while having been accomplished. I received a letter from an "Old Girl," who wrote, "I do try and see what good I can do to others, but find it hard. All the years since I have left School I have remembered your words, 'A real Banstead girl will always try to help those in need and never give up hope.'"

The Re-union on October 15th at the Great Central Club was again a lively one, with some Newcomers, and though the ages varied from 50 to 16, all entered equally into the fulfilment of the programme.

Mrs. Wood (*née* May Kenley) rendered "Caller Herrin" as tunelessly as when at School; Vicky Bannister recited the "Owl Critic"; Alice Peterson sang all unaccompanied song she had learned at Banstead. All received much applause, so we may hope for other volunteers next year. The competitions, with two prizes for each event, caused great fun. "Round the Umbrella," which looked easy, was beyond the powers of most of those present, but their efforts were well applauded.

Many girls were delighted to welcome Miss Trevor and to know that Mrs. Mackenzie's absence was owing to the birth of a son on August 18th, and sent hearty congratulations. Miss Black came from Southampton especially for the occasion and returned the same evening to nurse a sick friend. Bravo, Miss Black! Our thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson for so kindly sending out notices of the Re-union during my absence owing to sickness; to Miss Paterson for again so ably presiding at the

piano; to Miss Ennis for her indefatigable energy in organising the games, etc.; to the stewards and other helpers who made things run smoothly. The party numbered 56. Now, girls, add to that in 1936.

Will you please take notice that all Banstead girls are welcome. Invitations are not sent, only time and place of meeting to those girls whose addresses are available. I am continuing my "At Home" afternoons on the last Thursdays in January, April, July and October, and shall be pleased see you.

With every good wish.

Yours, with love,

E. SEAGRAVE.

Letter from Mr. Campbell

My DEAR BANSTEADS,

I have just been reading in the newspapers of the achievements of that fleet of ancient motor cars known as the "Old Crocks" - how they took the Brighton road once again and jogged along as lively as ever.

My thoughts jumped at once to another "fleet" of veterans, whose registration letters are C.C., W.A.H., A.T.J., W.H.G., J.F., etc., etc., and who pop up smiling on certain auspicious occasions, such as Fête Day, Annual Dinner, or in the pages of the Banstead Magazine.

I am not certain whether some of you old scholars ought not to be the cars and be dubbed the "Old Crocks," seeing that you were at Banstead over 30 years ago. Certain it is that we aforesaid veterans were the drivers, and some of us used stick steering too. How we loved guiding you and carefully nursing your capabilities. How proud we were of your sound construction and at your achievements, both in the sporting and reliability trials, as we drove you, lap after lap, round the old Banstead track!

But Time, Methods, Design, Machinery - all change. Others, just as keen, are now guiding the destinies of the old School, but none wish you "God speed" more sincerely, or give you more hearty greetings, than the old veterans, among whom is your well-wisher.

C. C. 103.

Some Old Boys' Notes.

"KINGSMEAD,"

1, UPLAND ROAD,
SUTTON, SURREY.

Here we are again. The reminder that a few notes were wanted came as a shock, reminding me that the year was nearly at its end. My notes this time will be few - as really I have little to write about, and the many activities of the School will have plenty of other commentators. The usual thanks for Christmas greetings, which were as numerous as ever - but letters get fewer each year. I missed the usual card from the Falklands Isles last Christmas, so am wondering if the worthy sender has left there, or whether it got lost in the post. As I haven't the actual address, I cannot write.

All good wishes for Christmas and for 1936.

W.A.H.

George Markland is a good correspondent. Once, twice, and sometimes three times, a year I get a good budget of news, generally accompanied by snapshots. I append extracts from his letter, starting with his address, as he complains he did not get the last number of the Magazine:-

2036, TOWNLEY STREET,
VICTORIA,
BRITISH COLUMBIA,
CANADA.

October 1st, 1935.

DEAR MR. HUTCHINSON,

Very many thanks for letter. I was pleased to hear all your news. Sorry I have been so long answering it. I am pleased to tell you we are all well now, although Jean has had another broken arm. This time it happened at school - the first day after the Christmas holidays. However, it soon got right, but I tell her "she must not make a habit of it." We have had a very nice summer, somewhat hot and very dry. In fact, it is still very dry as I write (October 1st) and we are anxious for some rain. (they could have some of ours.- W.A.H.)

Things are much the same here as when I wrote last plenty of "out of works." I must say I have been very busy for the last six months, but expect a much slacker time during the winter. I see by the papers that business is decidedly picking up in England and hope that the Abyssinian affair will not give it a setback. My brother is out near the Suez Canal and he said things didn't look too good and that the Italians were suffering from malaria badly - also from lack of proper water supplies. However, we must hope that we are not drawn into it. He also said the "Gyppies" were getting uppish and that if was not wise to go out alone in case of brick-throwing, so that the troops were ordered to go out in twos or threes.

I have not received the last number of the Mag., but am still looking forward to getting it. Have you a spare copy? Anyhow, perhaps you will, if you happen to see anyone who has authority in that way, you will remind them again how much we, more or less, exiles look forward to it and appreciate it when it comes.

All good wishes for Christmas if I do not get in another letter before then.

Yours sincerely,
GEO. E. MARKLAND.

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A letter from Johnnie Green, once of "A" gives news of the West Country. He is now at Taunton, and says that trade is a bit slack his way. He is still hankering after a municipal job, but meanwhile is carrying on in his usual cheerful way.

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Talking of municipal jobs, Sutton is now a Borough, and it would rejoice the hearts of any of his old comrades in the Queen's Bays to see their erstwhile comrade, Jack Stemp, on civic occasions. Jack, who is growing quite portly, combines the offices of caretaker and beadle, and at these times - arrayed in top hat and the rest of the ancient costume of that office - proceeds solemnly in front of the Mayor carrying the "bauble." I am afraid if Ross-Gower, Macefield and a few of the rest could be along, the solemnity would vanish.

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I had a visit from Arthur Ross-Gower ("Big Ross") one afternoon lately, accompanied by his family. He has now been out of the service for 12 months and is comfortably settled as steward and manager of a club at Twickenham, where I have been hoping to visit him, but so far have not found the opportunity. His children are all doing well, one boy having obtained a scholarship for Richmond Grammar School and the other at Tiffin's. They evidently inherit the abilities of their father. "Young Ross" is still with the Scots Guards and fills in his spare time at the Corner House (Tottenham Court Road).

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Among other visitors have been Powell (Arthur), Mulheman and Knott. The former has got his eye on a Bandmastership, and

is, according to his own account, going very strong, and working hard. Knott is also doing very well, while Mulheman is plodding along in his usual way.

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We had a pleasant little gathering here in April. As mentioned in the last Magazine, Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley were retiring, and we thought it would be a good idea if we made them a slight presentation of our own, as apart from the general staff one. So the "Chelsea Pensioners," as we sometimes term ourselves, found a few coppers and presented them with a china cabinet, having a little whist drive here to liven matters up, at which drive Mrs. Hattersley appropriately won the first prize. There were present: Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Miss Seagrave, Mr., Mrs. and Miss K. Eagles, Miss Maud Eagles, Mr. Groves, Miss Ennis, Mrs. Hutchinson and myself, and, of course, Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley. All seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly and the evening went all too quickly. Mr. and Mrs. Jones were, unfortunately, unable to come, although subscribers to the gift, as they were away at Bournemouth.

W.A.H.

Jottings from the Cottages.

BANSTEAD.

Remembrance Day, November, 1935.

DEAR OLD GIRLS AND BOYS,

The echoes of the bugles sounding the "Last Post" are just dying away down the "Avenue" - this day - with its memories - one of the saddest days of the year.

Across that cuts the Editor's desire for "Jottings from the Cottages."

This jerks one back to our own "Remembrance Day" - perhaps you haven't heard about it - the second Sunday after Easter - its quite your own, carefully planned and thought out by friends who always have you in mind. So let's sound "Reveille" - the jolly one:-

"Johnnie - Johnnie - get up and dress yerself -
Johnnie - Johnnie - get up and dress."

"Then out of bed at once we spring and sniff the morning air" ? ! !

You can follow the routine quite easily, even into the bathroom, "where they makes yer' wash yerself three times a d'y - r'nough to kill yer."

Breakfast, egg lightly boiled ! ! ! Then the usual bustle and preparation for Church. The sunshine streaming through the windows of our lovely Chapel, the Choir steadily taking its way up the aisle and your service has begun.

One or two faces you'd remember and a smile is allowed, as you think of something in connection with them, perhaps a "Thank you" for some good turn they may have done you in the "good old days."

You thoroughly enjoy all the hymns, because they are your favourites, then "Our Silence" for all old friends, girls and boys who have passed through these Schools.

It sets one thinking: Where are your pals of other days? - (some of you still hang together) the very special friend - what of the rest?

The House Mother's thoughts naturally turn to her girls and boys who are scattered all over the world; in her mind they come back to occupy their old places.

Quiet and hopeful words from our Chaplain, another hymn, the Blessing, then back to the old houses that you know so well. Even there time has been at work - Miss Dring - she's still looking and feeling younger than ever - no longer presides over "H." Cottage - what a parade there would be if every boy who had passed through her hands could answer the roll call. Mrs. Barber, who for so many years watched over your "goings out and in" at the "Pro." Our good wishes will follow them as they start their new and much quieter life.

Miss Bayliss - "Cottage 6"- has left us to be married - lucky man !

Have you ever heard the ring of pride in someone's voice as they say "Oh. I was there in Mr. and Mrs. Langley's time"? In future you will say, just as proudly, "I was here in Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley's time."

So many things, such nice things too, have been said about Mr. and Mrs. Hattersley; those who worked with them know it was well-deserved.

Only one thing should have been contradicted:-
"Now their work is finished."

It's that thought we would leave with you - their work - your work still goes on - your influence leaves its mark for good or ill, it's up to you. Let's have a good shot at numb'ring ourselves amongst those who

"Never doubted clouds would break,
Never dreamed, though right were worsted, wrong
would triumph,
Held we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better, sleep
to wake."

It will be right on to Christmas before some of you get "Our Mag." - Merry Christmas to each one of you and may much success and happiness be yours in the coming year.

Cheerily yours,
I.C.

The Chaplain's Letter

MY DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS,

Although this letter is being written in the middle of November, Christmas is already in our minds. I know preparations are going on to make the fun and jollity of the Christmas holiday this year comparable with the merriment and festivities of any previous year in the history of the School. That, of course, is as it should be, and helps to settle us in the

conviction that of all the seasons of the year, the Christmas season is the happiest. I like to think of it as the "Festival of the Child," and that it derives its inspiration from a beautiful and reverent association with the "Christ-Child" So it is, then, that I send you a Christmas greeting, and feel sure that all of you will enhance your own enjoyment by finding a "niche" in your thoughts for Him whose Birthday we keep in glad remembrance. What I would ask you to remember, not only while you are with us here in School, but when you leave School days behind and go out into the great workshop of the world, that it, is in the sphere of character and conduct that the "Christ-Child" enables us to live worthily, think rightly, and act justly. I was greatly impressed with something I saw in connection with the Silver Jubilee, of our King. Like many of you, I went to see the decorations in the City of London, and one decoration, which seemed to me to attract more than usual attention was worked in beautiful flowers and had the greeting: "Well played, Sire." Cultivating the "Christ-Child" spirit enables everybody to "play well" in the great game of life, and to play well and do our best is all that anyone expects of us. More than that, it is a source of satisfaction to ourselves to know that it is possible to "face life smilingly," and that along the lines of courage, gentleness, kindness and uprightness of life and action, there comes the greatest happiness, contentment and well-being. The Christmas Festival links an old year with a new year, and so I close my letter with a greeting for the year 1936. May it be "crammed" with blessing, and it will be, if you make it your resolve and determination cheerfully to accomplish those things that the "Christ-Child" would have you do.

Ever your sincere friend,

HAMILTON BARR,

Chaplain.



Chapel Items.

Chapel Renovation. Old scholars visiting the School and entering the Chapel will agree that it has taken on a new appearance. Not for many, many years has the Chapel received so thorough a cleaning and re-decorating as that which it has undergone recently. The renovation covered a period of eight weeks, and now with new Chancel curtains, carpets, hassocks and other furnishings the Chapel has been made to look really beautiful. During the period of the-decorating, etc., the Sunday services were held in the Gymnasium.

Organ. Writing in the last Magazine, we said that the matter of installing a new organ in the Chapel was receiving the fullest consideration of the School Committee. We are now happy to say that the installation took place early in the year. We are delighted to have this new instrument, but must leave it to Mr. Grizelle (Organist) to tell you the interesting things about its construction.

Choir. While we congratulate ourselves on having a new organ in the Chapel, all will join in congratulating the Choir boys on their success at the Musical Festivals at Wallington and Sutton. They obtained the highest number of Points

for choral singing and the second highest for ensemble singing. These are the first successes of our Choir boys in open competition with other choirs. We have had a good number of anthems during the year, and on occasions like Easter, Whit Sunday and Harvest Thanksgiving services, special anthems and musical settings to Canticles and Psalms. There are twenty boys in the Choir, and these, with twenty probationers, meet twice weekly for rehearsals.

Good Friday. On the evening of Good Friday we had a programme of sacred music, choral and instrumental. In addition to the children and members of the staff who attended the service, there were many friends from outside the School. It was a pleasure to welcome the St. Mildred's Trio - Miss C. Chambers (pianoforte), Mr. J. Pirson (violin) and Mr. F. Falkner (violoncello) - and the ladies and gentlemen who came to augment the boys' Choir. The whole programme was arranged and carried through by Mr. Grizelle, and we are very grateful to him for making it possible for us to arrange for so unique a service.

Festivals. The Chapel was beautifully decorated for the Easter Festival, and also for the Harvest Thanksgiving services. We are especially grateful to Miss Starnes (Matron) for her gift of flowers. The windows on either side of the Chapel were made to look attractive with flowers, fruit and vegetables, the decoration being done by House mothers and boys and girls. Mr. Waldron made a loaf to represent a sheaf of corn, while among the decorations on one of the windows on the boys' side there was a nice loaf of bread. Our Chapel has a nice display of flowers each Sunday, but on Festival Sundays it is given an added beauty, and to all those who help in the work of decoration we would say a very warm "Thank you."

Confirmation. The Confirmation Service was held on Sunday, July 28th, when the Chaplain presented 67 candidates 28 girls and 39 boys. The service was taken by the new Bishop of Guildford (Dr. Macmillan), who had as his Chaplain the Rev. B. G. Chandler. It was Dr. McMillan's first visit to the School, and he expressed his pleasure at being able to take the service. The service itself was a very impressive one, and the two addresses given by his Lordship were listened to with earnest attention. The candidates received a Confirmation Manual, together with an illuminated card to mark the occasion of their Confirmation and first Communion.

Armistice Day. A special service of remembrance was held in the Chapel on the anniversary of the Armistice of the Great War. The "Two Minutes' Silence" was observed and in the course of the short service which followed the Chaplain gave an address explaining the reason for this great national tribute of remembrance.

Thanks. We should like to express our appreciation of the willing services and co-operation of Mr. Grizelle. He does not spare himself to make the services bright and attractive, and we are grateful for all his help. We thank the Choir boys for their services, and at the same time ask them to be wise enough to take advantage of and value the training they receive. We should like to thank all those ladies and gentlemen who augment the Choir from time to time: Miss Cuttill, Mrs. Gauntlett and Messrs. Bevis, Burt, Gaunlett, Meech, Newman, Smith and Waldron.

The Matron and her staff must be thanked for their care of the Chapel, together with the care of the Communion plate, frontals, surplices, etc., and for the many other little services they render.

We must not fail to thank Mr. Rayner for his help in reading the lessons at the services, and for his co-operation and sympathy in all that relates to the Chaplain's work.

Just one more word of thanks, and that to the big "congregation" who take a full part in the services Sunday by Sunday. It is really helpful when everyone is reverent and attentive, and we should like the "congregation" to know how

greatly we appreciate this very marked feature of our Sunday services.

Choir Notes.

The year's work by our Chapel Choir can be looked upon with satisfaction. The new organ is a great asset and fulfils the requirements both of the Choir and building. The writer spent some weeks during the early part of the year visiting a number of organ builders to select an instrument.

Below is given a specification of the organ supplied by Messrs. Monk and Gunther:-

Great Organ:	Principal, 4ft.; Gamba, 8ft.; Stopped Diapason, 8ft.; Open, 8ft.
Swell Organ:	Trumpet, 8ft.; Gedact, 8ft.; Open Diapason, 8ft.; Principal, 4ft.
Pedal:	Bourdon, 16ft.
Tremblant Couplers:	Swell to Great, Swell to Pedals.
Action:	Tubular Pneumatic.

The maximum amount of work has been crowded into the minimum of space. However, it is not yet completed. We have never yet heard the Full Organ, as it has been built for an electric blower, and the hand blowing is only temporary. An unusually heavy Swell is a special feature of the instrument, invaluable in Choir accompanying. During the past year the Choir has done well in competitive work, entering for two Musical Festivals: the Wallington and Beddington district and the Sutton and Cheam district. In the former they were first in ensemble singing and second in Church Choirs.

In the Sutton and Cheam Festival they carried off the Challenge Shield with 80 points out of 100. It is satisfactory to be able to say that their articulation was marked "Excellent," the adjudicator (Reginald Jacques, Esq., M.A., B.Mus. (Oxon.), A.R.C.M.) remarking that he could hear every word.

RAYMOND A. GRIZELLE,
Organist and Choirmaster.

The Silver Jubilee of His Majesty the King.

The Silver Jubilee will long be remembered by the children of Banstead. The day began with a short service in the School Chapel at 10 a.m., the Scouts afterwards parading under the Scoutmaster (Mr. Waldron) to attend the local service at 11.30 a.m. at the Banstead Council House.

After dinner, all children over seven years of age proceeded to the Recreation Ground at Banstead Village to join in the local celebrations - a fine afternoon of athletic events, in which our children gained twelve successes - followed by a sumptuous tea. Each child received a Jubilee mug - a gift from the local committee. Meanwhile, the younger children were being entertained in the Gymnasium - first a Punch and Judy show followed by tea, etc., arranged and supervised by Matron and her staff.

The Avenue and many Cottages were specially decorated, the whole School looking very gay with flags and bunting - with the large Union Jack flying from the new flagstaff.

The Scouts and many of the elder children attended the torchlight procession and bonfire at 10 p.m. on Banstead Downs - the final event in a memorable day.

Many of the staff gave valuable assistance in the organisation of the local Jubilee celebrations and the Headmaster, Mr. Cutts, and Mr. Waldron were members of the special organising committee for the Banstead area.

Approximately 100 children visited London in small parties during Jubilee Week to view the decorations and flood lighting - and 75 of the oldest were fortunate enough to attend at the Mall, London, on Saturday, May 11th, to see His Majesty's Jubilee procession.

Fête Day, 1935.

What a day to remember ! - a huge crowd and a heavy deluge from the heavens above. That we were able to finish all the events was due to the co-operation of officials and competitors, but the weather did not prevent the programme from running smoothly.

A most interesting programme of dancing, drill and music was carried through, in spite of a heavy thunder shower, which sent everyone to cover.

The athletic events revealed close rivalry between the four "Houses" and eventually Yellow team proved the victors for the second year in succession.

The Fancy Dress Parade was a great success and the House mothers are to be congratulated on their ingenuity in producing such a wonderful variety of entries.

Miss Sayle, the Chairman of the Managing committee, presided at the prize-giving in the Gymnasium after tea, and in her speech she thanked everyone for carrying out a strenuous programme successfully under such trying conditions.

Below we give details of the programme and athletic events:-

PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT.

1. Percussion Band..... JUNIORS.
2. Golliwog Dance..... GIRLS.
3. Club Swinging..... BOYS.
4. Drill Through the Ages..... GIRLS.
(a) 1735; (b) 1835; (c) 1935.

ATHLETIC RESULTS.

TINY TOTS. - 1, K. Butler; 2, P. Prentice; 3, R. Bell.
 INFANT GIRLS.- 1, I. Goodman; 2, I. Sprigg. 1, J. Butler; 2, J. Nunn.
 INFANT BOYS. - 1, T. Attridge; 2, F. Upton. 1, R. Holmes; 2, T. Humphries.
 50 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 8. - 1, C. Upton; 2, R. Wheeler; 3, O. Parris; 4, J. Bendall.
 50 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 8. - 1, G. Triplett; 2, J. Rixon; 3, R. Furness; 4, J. Harley.
 50 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 9. - 1, B. Marshall; 2, L. Quantrill; 3, B. Ayling; 4, C. Beane.
 50 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 9. - 1, R. Harris; 2, W. King; 3, H. Smith.
 LONG JUMP, BOYS OVER 13. - 1, A. Dennis; 2, B. Bushnell; 3, F. Blair; 4, L. Stoker.
 70 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 10. - 1, Q. Powell; 2, F. Gough; 3, M. Wright; 4, J. Brown.
 70 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 10. - 1, G. Tinsley; 2, G. Smith; 3, E. Talbot; 4, J. Moo.
 80 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 11. - 1, B. Endres; 2, A. Shelton; 3, V. Folkes; 4, G. Small.
 80 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 11. - 1, R. Constant; 2, R. Lewis; 3, J. Thompson; 4, G. Stowe.
 100 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 13. - 1, N. Powell; 2, G. Carr; 3, F. Brown; 4, S. Clark.
 100 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 13. - 1, F. Dennis; 2, J. Barker; 3, C. Doughty; 4, H. McKay.
 100 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 14. - 1, V. Upton; 2, R. Stevens; 3, L. Thompson; 4, O. Kelf.
 100 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 14. - 1, J. Ferguson; 2, A. Healey; 3, J. Walpole; 4, G. Morgan.
 LONG JUMP, BOYS UNDER 13. - 1, F. Dennis; 2, H. Axam; 3, A. Beane; 4, J. Talbot.
 100 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 16. - 1, B. Wilkins; 2, D. Brown; 3, P. Howes; 4, R. Gregory.
 100 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 16. - 1, A. Dennis; 2, F. Smith; 3, F. Blair; 4, A. Lewis.
 SKIPPING, GIRLS UNDER 12. - 1, B. Endres; 2, F. Cubbon.
 SKIPPING, GIRLS OVER 12. - 1, B. Wilkins; 2, M. Broome.
 220 YARDS, BOYS UNDER 14. - 1, A. Healey; 2, J. Ferguson; 3, E. Rigiani; 4, J. Walpole.

220 YARDS, BOYS OVER 14. - 1, A. Dennis; 2, J. Brodie; 3, H. Etell; 4, A. Lewis.
 150 YARDS, GIRLS UNDER 14. - 1, N. Powell; 2, F. Brown; 3, G. Carr; 4, R. Stevens.
 150 YARDS, GIRLS OVER 14. - 1, P. Mills; 2, M. Swinnard; 3, G. Boulton; 4, M. Broome.
 440 YARDS, BOYS OVER 13. - 1, H. Etell; 2, F. Smith; 3, A. Lewis; 4, B. Bushnell.
 SACK RACE, BOYS UNDER 12. - 1, J. Barker; 2, A. Franklin.
 SACK RACE, BOYS OVER 12. - 1, H. McKay; 2, E. Hall.
 HURDLES, GIRLS UNDER 13. - 1, N. Powell; 2, S. Clark; 3, M. Ratcliffe; 4, A. Shelton.
 HURDLES, GIRLS OVER 13. - 1, P. Dodson; 2, P. Mills; 3, R. Gregory; 4, R. Wright.
 HURDLES, BOYS UNDER 13. - 1, F. Dennis; 2, J. Thompson; 3, D. Lewis; 4, S. Clark.
 HURDLES, BOYS OVER 13. - 1, B. Bushnell; 2, F. Blair; 3, H. Etell; 4, F. Smith.
 RELAY RACE, GIRLS. - Green and Red (dead heat); 3, Blue; 4, Yellow.
 RELAY RACE, Boys. - 1, Yellow; 2, Green; 3, Blue; 4, Red.
 RELAY RACE, MIXED. - 1, Yellow; 2, Red; 3, Blue; 4, Green.
 TUG-OF-WAR. - 1, Green; 2, Blue.

Prize Day, Friday, October 25th, 1935.

"Tempus Fugit." Prize Day "rolls" round once more. Fortune favours us - the sun looks down upon a mass of smiling faces as we march down the Avenue - and so to the Gymnasium. The "stage is set," excitement grows; anticipations and hopes add to the medley of sounds as we assemble for the annual distribution of prizes.

We are privileged to have a goodly number of visitors, including our Chairman, Miss Sayle, M.A., M.B.E., and G. W. Currie, Esq., L.C.C., who is to present the prizes.

Did I hear "An angel" whisper "Enter the Managers" as the gardening staff file in ?

There was a noticeable hush as the senior girls opened the programme of entertainment. The "harmonising" in the rendering of "Derry Vale" was very effective. Paul Leicester "claimed" the hearts of the audience with his recitation and the great applause was well deserved. The infants, followed by Class 10, made gallant attempts "to get over." The diminutive ladies - what coyness ! A varied display of dancing, given by selected girls, was very charming - the "Scotties" being most attractive. The Dutch "boys" and girls looked somewhat distinguished and their clog dancing was well received by the audience.

The entertainment concluded with the singing of two songs by the augmented Choir. A noticeable feature of the singing was the distinct pronunciation of the words - a detail much appreciated by everybody.

The entertainment over, the Headmaster gave his report for the year. He discussed the changes in staff and the difficulties that had to be met during the last six months. With the help of Matron and other members of the staff, these had been overcome, and it was now hoped that the "wheels" would run more smoothly. A brief summary of what had been achieved, not only in the day School, but on the administrative side, was outlined. The report concluded with a word of thanks to all those who had helped to make the work of the Headmaster a less difficult task.

Miss Sayle introduced G. W. Currie, Esq., L.C.C., who presented the prizes. He congratulated the staff on its work, but he emphasised the point that the character of the School lay in the hands of those who were and had been scholars.

A vote of thanks was passed by Miss Sayle, and was seconded by Mr. Higgs, one of the oldest members of the Managing Committee.

Last, but not least, was the speech made by T. Jones, Esq., L.C.C. He congratulated the boys and girls on their performance

and, in conclusion, remarked that Banstead Residential School was one of which the London County Council may well be proud - "a real jewel" Such a compliment was very gratifying to the audience.

The National Anthem was the finale to another of our successful Prize Days.

Below we give the programme and the list of prize winners:-
PROGRAMME.

1. Songs: (a) "Skye Boat Song".....SENIOR GIRLS.
(b) "In Derry Vale."
2. Recitation: "The Silver World"PAUL LEICESTER.
3. Song: "Marble Arch".....INFANTS.
4. Clog Dance GIRLS.
5. Song: "The Woman and the Pedlar"..... JUNIORS.
6. Recitation: "Staffordshire".....ETHEL ANDREWS.
7. Scotch DanceGIRLS.
8. Songs: (a) "Eriskay Love Lilt"BOYS.
(b) "Forty Years On."

Presentation of Prizes by G. W. CURRIE, Esq., L.C.C.

The National Anthem.

GIRLS

Lily Shakeshaft - Nursery.
Iris Tedder - Inf. (Oct.)
Doreen Tinsey - Inf. (Oct.)
Beatrice Smith - Inf. (Mar.)
Doris Taylor - Cl. 10 (Oct.)
Olive Arnold - Cl. 10 (Mar.)
Queenie Warner - Cl. 9 (Oct.)
Ruby Tedder - Cl. 9 (Mar.)
Joan Carr - Cl. 9 (Handwk.)
Evelyn Currie - Cl. 8 (Mar.)
Lily Jones - Cl. 7 (Oct.)
Marjorie Gable - Cl. 7 (Mar.)
Meredith Clem - Cl. 6 (Oct.)
Doris Arnold - Cl. 6 (Mar.)
Violet Upton - Cl. 6
(Handwk.)
Joan Tedder - Cl. 4 (Oct.)
Best All Round.
Emily Hayes - Cl. 4 (Mar.),
Cl. 4 (Oct.), Arith., Cl. 4
Annie May - Cl. 4 (Mar.)
Ethel Bennett - Cl. 4 (Eng.)
Elizabeth Booker - Cl. 4
(Craftwork).
Lily Halsey - Cl. 4 (Art).
Rose Wright - Cl. 2 (Oct.),
Cl. 2 (Mar.)
Patimah Taibe - Cl. 2 (Oct.)
Sybil Clarke - Cl. 2 (Mar.),
Cl. 2 (Eng.), Nature Study.
Vera Earle - Cl. 2 (Arith.)
Ethel Andrews - Cl. 2 (Art).
Phyllis Mills - Cl. 2
(needlework).
Frances Cubbon -
General Knowledge.
Gladys Boulton -
General Knowledge.
Elizabeth Franklin -
General Knowledge.
Bessie Wilkins -
Physical Exercise.
Lily Tinsley - Special.
Margaret Broome - Guides,
Domestic Economy.
Annie Harber - Brownies.

BOYS

John Hulbert - Nursery.
Harry Gable - Inf. (Mar.)
Fred Anderson - Inf. (Mar.)
George Osmond - Inf. (Oct.)
Ernest Hampson - Inf. (Oct.)
Barnard Warner - Inf. (Mar.)
Alec Phillips - Cl. 10 (Oct.)
Donald Rogers - Cl. 10 (Mar.)
John Lammin - Cl. 10
(Handwork).
Henry Smith - Cl. 9 (Oct.)
Julian Clarke - Cl. 9 (Mar.)
Joel Folkes - Cl. 8 (Oct.)
Albert Hemley - Cl. 8 (Mar.)
Charles Doughty - Cl. 8
(Handwork).
Arthur Wagstaffe -
Cl. 7 (Oct.)
James Slack - Cl. 7 (Mar.)
Robert Wheatcroft -
Cl. 7 (Handwork), (Cubs).
Frank Dennis - Cl. 6 (Oct.)
Robert Clarke - Cl. 6 (Mar.)
Richard Attridge -
Cl. 6 (Handwork).
Cyril Skingle - Cl. 5 (Oct.)
Charles Baker - Cl. 5 (Oct.)
Leonard Morgan - Cl. 5 (Mar.)
Frank Schallo - Cl. 5 (Mar.)
Reginald Lewis
Cl. 5 (Handwork).
Fred Barlow - Cl. 3 (Oct),
Cl. 3 (Mar.), Cl. 3 (Arith.)
George Ellis - Cl. 3 (Oct.)
William Wright
Cl. 3 (Mar.), Cl. 3 (Eng.)
Charles Anderson - Cl. 3 (Art).
Albert Drane -
Cl. 3 (Woodwork).
William Hewitt - Cl. 1 (Oct.),
Cl. 1 (Mar.)
Thomas Hunnisett -
Cl. 1 (Oct.), Cl. 1 (Mar.),
Cl. 1 (Special).
George Walker
Cl. 1 (Arith.), Scout.

Elsie Wright -
Domestic Economy.
Nellie Freeman -
Domestic Economy.
Kathleen Shelton -
Domestic Economy.
Ruby Walker -
Continuation Cl.
Violet Clapham -
Continuation Cl.
Joyce Wilkes - Scripture.
BRONZE MEDALLIONS.
L. Halsey.
R. Gregory.
D. Brown.
R. Wright.
B. Wilkins.
P. Howes.
M. Broome.
F. Pegram.
V. Pondor.
BAR to B.M.
G. Boulton.
SHIELDS.
Sports-Cottage 11.
Drill-Cottage 4.
Punctuality-Cottage 2.

Walter Dyke - Cl. 1 (Eng.)
Alfred Lewis - Cl. 1 (Art).
Ronald Pendrey -
Cl. 1 (Woodwork).
Frank Blair - Band
Fred Smith - Special.
George Chandler - Nature
Study, School Garden.
Charles Gaize - School Garden.
Valentine Lee -
School Garden.
William Smith -
General Knowledge.
David Gowan -
General Knowledge.
Joseph Brodie -
General Knowledge.
Leslie Pegram - Choir.
Walter Johnson -
Continuation Cl.
Ralph Wilkes -
Continuation Cl.
Ronald Sprigg -
Physical Exercise.
Alec Barr - Scripture.
BRONZE MEDALLIONS.
T. Upton.
R. Gray.
F. Tompkins.
A. Barr.
V. Lee.
H. McKillop.
SHIELDS.
Drill - "C."
Boxing - "D."
Football - "G."
Cricket - "B."
Garden - "K."
Punctuality - "B."
Swimming - "G."
Scouts - Bulldog Patrol.

Walton Camp.

A new experience was gained by many of our children this year, for on August 23rd 120 of the senior children, with six officers, left Banstead to spend two weeks under canvas at Walton-on-Naze, with 120 children from the Shirley Residential School. The Headmaster acted as Camp Commandant for the two Schools.

The morning of August 23rd was wet and stormy, but a cheerful party departed in charabancs about 10 a.m., and, after a long journey via London and Chelmsford, where we had a short halt, we arrived at Walton about 2.30 p.m. to find a hot dinner awaiting us.

In spite of the indifferent weather, a very enjoyable fortnight was spent. The food was excellent and the general arrangements for our comfort most satisfactory. Amongst the various activities were bathing, inter-School football and netball matches, cricket, trips on the boating lake, a sports day, a visit to the pier entertainment (by Clown Sunshine), a fancy dress parade on the pier, a visit to the local cinema, an all-day visit to Clacton, country walks, a splendid concert given by the children, and a "camp fire" organised by Mr. Waldron and Mr. Smith. Lack of space prevents us from giving a full account of the many activities indulged in, but we shall long remember the exploits of the millions of earwigs present with us, the sensation caused by the two strange "boys" entering camp one afternoon, and the efforts of "George" to remove his pyjamas from the flagstaff on the last morning. And Miss Rose has never discovered who or what caused her bed to collapse at a very inopportune

moment ! Certain it is, however, that all hearts were sad when the charabancs drew up for the return journey on Friday, September, 6th, and as we bade "farewell" to the rear party (and the earwigs!) our hope was that 1936 would see us at Walton again.

Dymchurch Holiday Camp

This year's camping was marred by the unusually wet weather and the holiday camp took up the Zuider Zee appearance with bits and pieces of timber reaching from hut to landing stages, where one felt moderately safe to continue one's journey, chiefly to and from the dining hall.

We set off on Friday, August 23rd, after the weather had definitely decided to behave its worst, taking with us the younger element of the School, who certainly made the very best of a gloomy situation. Most of these were to experience their first seaside holiday, and it is to be hoped that the mud and rain will not survive long in their memories. A special corridor train was chartered for us, providing plenty of comfort for all. After entraining at Banstead, we soon found ourselves speeding south through the Kentish Wealds towards our destination. On reaching Romney, we transferred to the miniature railway and proceeded onwards to Dymchurch.

On arrival at the holiday camp, most of us were rather surprised to find the party had to be split up into three sections, for on previous occasions we had been together. This made things particularly awkward, especially in regard to the tinies, but when other school parties left the camp, those sturdy youngsters were given quarters to themselves, and they appeared ever so much happier in their new surroundings. The girls were allocated a portion of the Berkshire block, whilst the boys were in a new hut in the Yorkshire block, and about 60 boys were accommodated in the old cinema hut.

Taking all things into consideration, a cheerful spirit prevailed, which fully counteracted the spiteful weather. Whenever we could get out between the showers and storms, we did so with great hilarity. Opportunity for swimming was not over abundant so if the weather and sea were favourable, we indulged in bathing or paddling; those who preferred crab catching or jelly fish hunting, did so to their heart's content. When it rained so hard to prevent us either taking a walk or proceeding to the beach, we endeavoured to entertain ourselves in the huts. Some very enjoyable walks were indulged in when the weather was doubtful. Those who went to St. Mary's Church will probably remember "A fine pair of legs !" This reminds me of the two very pleasant open-air Sunday services, at which something like 1,200 children must have assembled. The Rev. McDonald, of Goldings, officiated, whilst Mr. Parr, of Shirley School, provided the music with his cornet.

Concerning our playing field activities, we attempted an inter-Cottage cricket league, which, owing to the weather, had to be curtailed. However, we played most of the games and there was great enthusiasm to complete the competition. We played Shirley at cricket and lost by only one run. The girls also played them at netball and lost, but defeated them in the game of stoolball.

A sand-castle competition was held when the tide was at its lowest. All the children, and, I may say, grown-ups as well, entered into this whole heartedly - a busier collection of youngsters would want a lot of finding. Some very splendid models and designs were exhibited and the judges had great difficulty in selecting the "order of merit"; to enumerate them all would almost fill this Magazine, but nearly all those who made the attempt at some design or other were awarded prizes, these being distributed by Matron.

One morning a journey was made on the miniature railway to Dungeness Lighthouse. On arriving at the lighthouse, we were

informed that it was not open for visitors until 1 p.m., and as we had to get back to dinner before then, it was rather disappointing to most of the children, as they had anticipated looking down from the top of the lighthouse to the world beneath them, so we were compelled to spend our time on the beach watching the huge breakers coming in, the sea being particularly rough at the time. The train journey was rather fun, and also the peculiar little fisher men's hutments situated amongst the vast expanse of shingle.

One did not hear the mention of creatures crawling about at night, but the raindrops were equally a source of annoyance. It is understood that some very big creatures were prowling about, who were known as the "Three Musketeers." Whether their muskets were borrowed from the Cadets, one cannot say ! Still, they held their own at Newmarket, where disaster awaited any intruders.

A great innovation this year was the presence of the night watchman. His perambulations gave us a sense of security, and his personal interest in the younger element at night earned for him great appreciation, not only from ourselves, but also from our friends at Shirley, who, I learn since, have recognised his valuable services.

The Shirley School staff provided a farewell concert for all the children in camp, and this was thoroughly enjoyed. Our sincere thanks must be accorded Mr. Parr and his colleagues for their splendid effort in brightening up yet another evening for us.

We returned to Banstead on Friday, 6th September, leaving the camp at 8.15 a.m., travelling in the spacious corridor train that provided ample room for all, arriving at Banstead Station about 12.15 p.m. "Gob-stoppers" were provided on the journey - these gave an onlooker the impression that most of the children were suffering from tooth ache !

The School Journey.

A family of 42 - twenty boys, twenty girls, a mistress and master - with a fortnight's holiday in the Isle of Wight in front of them, such was the little School journey party that set out on May 10th from Banstead Residential School with 42 carefully labelled suitcases.

And what a really good holiday we had from that moment until we came home very sunburnt and very happy on May 24th.

Each day was full of fresh adventure, whether in the form of a really lovely ten mile tramp over the downs, and through woods and copses starred with bluebells and ragged robins, or in charabancs to visit Carisbrooke Castle, Osborne House, St. Catherine's Lighthouse or Portsmouth Dockyard.

We walked well, talked well, ate well, laughed well, listened well and slept well from the beginning of each new day at 7.30 until we jumped into bed about 8.30 after a day well spent.

We were Banstead's first School Journey party, and we feel that no other will be quite like us, because there is something very exciting about "first things."

We found some very good friends in Mr. and Miss Earthy, Alec, Kenneth and Mary at the "Balconies," and when we had to say "Goodbye," I don't know who was the most sorry - we to go, or they to lose us.

"Entre Naus."

1935 has been a disappointing year for the Band, which ceased to function as a Band in February. However, with new "learners" and a number of new brass instruments, we look forward to 1936 with increased optimism.

Encouraging reports come from all parts of those who have left the School for Army life - giving satisfaction and pleasure to us all.

W. Hudson is now on the first, rung of the promotion ladder in the IXth Lancers. He hopes to get to Kneller Hall, on a Band Sergeant's course, in the near future.

R. Ponsford, with Moon and Mobey, is enjoying life at Dover. Sport is the chief topic, football and boxing being most popular.

T. Healey and D. Rochefort have got well established in the D.C.L.I. They have found V. Stannard very helpful. E. Mulholland was looking forward to an operation for adenoids, but managed to be very useful in the cricket field in the summer. Cricket and cross-country runs appear to be their strong suit.

A. Powell has had a busy year with the Band of the K.R.R.C., but Belfast is a good station for a good Band. I have not heard what progress he has made in "Maths." or his First Class Certificate of Education.

G. Hunnisett has had a spell at Woolwich for drill so Band work has been at a discount. He certainly found congenial company there during his enforced absence from Portsmouth. Enquiries for another good boy testify the high standard of Old Boys in R.A. W. Waite was happy with the Somerset L.I. in Colchester and was hopeful of getting into the first Band soon. W. Johnson hopes to join him in the near future. From the Band President of the 1st Battn. Lancashire Fusiliers I have had good reports of A. Constable and A. Brown. "First class musicians and most satisfactory in every other way." For an unsolicited testimonial that is very good.

I am pleased to say that very rarely have we had adverse reports of those who have chosen an Army Band for a career. Whenever I have met a B.M. who has a Banstead boy, he rarely fails to record a wish that he had more. Last summer, at a well-known seaside resort, a Band was playing, and one old Banstead boy was a soloist. In reply to my query as to how he was getting on, the B.M. replied, "I wish I had another half-a-dozen like him."

In the 2nd Battalion The Cheshire Regiment, where a goodly number have made their homes, the report is "Good Musicians, but will not bother to get the First Class Certificate of Education, without which promotion to high rank is impossible." Fear of

responsibility is, I think, the root of the matter. Yet one has got through his entrance examination and will be at Kneller Hall in January to commence a course of instruction for Bandmaster - Charlie Cox, and I feel sure that he has the good wishes of every boy who was contemporary with him. He certainly has mine.

Three more have joined that happy band: Frank Blair, Henry Etell and Ralph Wilkes. Catterick does not strike me as being a Garden of Eden, but one cannot always live where one would like. Army life does give one a variety of stations. The one occupied is never so good as the one left, and certainly is never so good as the next one to come. That is true of many phases of life. The good old cry of "Roll on!" must have something to roll on to.

William Coggins left us for civic life, but I have had no news of him since he left.

Charlie Rolph, who is with the Royal Tank Corps, writes to tell me that they have a new Bandmaster, and that there is an excellent opportunity for really good boys in his Band.

A Band Boy serves an apprenticeship until he is 18 years of age and his future career depends on his work during that time. A boy from a School Band has two or three years' preliminary training and so has an excellent start. But one must not forget the leopard who cannot change his spots.

Fête and Prize Days will be dealt with elsewhere. At the latter we missed many familiar faces.

Frank Blair was awarded the Band Prize. A persevering boy who should do well.

Occasionally I am asked, "Can you tell me my brother's address?" And when this Magazine is being sent out, it is a problem to know where Old Boys are. A card with your change of address would ensure you getting news of your old School, which means those you have left behind. A letter to a brother or sister whom you have left behind would be not only a kindly act, but a duty performed.

To all of you who read these notes, wherever you may be, I send my hearty greetings and good wishes for 1936.

A.E.N.



Old Boys' Re-union, 1934.

The second Annual Re-union Dinner was held on Saturday, December 15th, at the "White Horse" Hotel, Holborn. At 6.30 p.m. the "lads" began to assemble, and at 7 o'clock a

company of seventy sat down to a splendid meal, the Superintendent, Mr. Hattersley, presiding. After the usual toasts and a few brief speeches, the company listened to an excellent entertainment, interspersed with many reminiscences

and informal speeches. A photograph of the assembled company was taken, a reproduction of which appears in this issue, together with a list of those present. During the evening a scheme was inaugurated to assist those "Old Boys" temporarily out of employment, but I am happy to state that up to the time of going to press, the Secretary has received no appeals for assistance. We are greatly indebted to Mr. Hattersley, and to Mr. C. G. Lee, for the splendid arrangements made for the dinner.

The following were present:

Present Staff: G. Hattersley, C. L. G. Rayner, Rev. H. Barr, F. W. Cutts, R. J. Frost, A. E. Noble, D. G. Smith, W. R. Waldron.

Former Staff: C. Campbell, J. Fisher, W. A. Hutchinson.
Old Boys: C. F. Phipps, F. Shelton, N. Palmer, H. Leadley, J. Foster, A. Shears, G. Shears, R. D. Waters, R. Pharant, Lieut. D. W. Jones, W. Hodder, R. J. Hodder, A. Sweetland, K. Croft, F. Brittain, G. Stevens, C. T. Derrick, B. H. Franklin, E. J. Collins, J. Batchelor, B. Loons, W. F. Simpson, E. A. Craddock, C. Brittain, C. G. Lee, E. Tregonning, --, Elliott, T. Crook, R. Bramley, D. O. Paul, E. Mobey, A. G. Davis, W. T. Cobb, C. A. Rush, T. A. Rush, W. Coleman, K. E. Donaldson, E. A. Cherry, G. Simpson, W. R. Prior, N. E. Powell, F. Stuckey, D. A. Cameron, H. Donahoo, H. Hatch, F. Eatwell, W. H. Douglas, T. Stapleton, A. Hewitt, F. Boyden, A. Heathcote, E. Woodman, W. J. Rumens, W. Clancy, W. Lutchford, W. Gardiner, C. Crook, E. W. Bowers.

The: Christmas Party.

A "breaking-up" party was again held on Thursday, December 20th, 1934, the juniors at 2.30 p.m. and the seniors at 5.30 p.m. The Gymnasium was gay with flags and balloons, and the tables looked very attractive with their collection of cakes, jellies, crackers and decorations. After a real Christmas tea, the juniors joined in community singing, and then followed a splendid exhibition of classic dancing by our friends from the "Berlandina" School of Dancing. Excitement ran high when the Christmas Tree was unloaded and gifts distributed to all present.

Thanks to the assistance of many willing helpers, the tables were re-stocked with good things, and the seniors sat down to their Christmas tea at 5.30 p.m. A short entertainment of songs by members of the staff followed tea, and then we were treated to a fine performance of "Scrooge" by the pupils of Miss Ferris, who very kindly brought her girls from Wimbledon to entertain us. Our senior girls gave us a short, but attractive, interlude of dancing, and the final item was the distribution of balloons, and of gifts from the "Bran Tub."

The usual Christmas Tree party for the infants was held after Christmas, and, thanks to the kindness of Mrs. Hattersley and her many helpers, the "kiddies" had a right royal time.

The Friendless Tea Party and Concert.

On Friday, 4th January, Mrs. Hattersley gave her usual tea Party to over 200 children, who, by all appearances, thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The Gymnasium and tables were gaily decorated and a considerable quantity of good things was provided, so that the children could have their fill before settling down to the concert that was to follow immediately after the tea. Crackers were pulled and paper hats were donned, followed by the great feast of tea, cakes, jellies and fruit salad, etc. How it all disappeared was marvellous. I believe there were many tight belts, and also pockets, if the truth were known!

After the tea, tables were cleared away and chairs put into

position in readiness for the concert which was to follow.

The concert depicted a scene from St. Michael's School, where some mischievous boys were the horror of their headmaster, especially the new boy, Watt, who had great difficulty in describing his name. All the scholars were in a happy frame of mind, but appeared over boisterous in their convictions, at the same time pelting their master with most appalling questions, one of the many being, "What goes 99 bonk?" I should say, "Ask Percy Kelly, he'll tell you with out any hesitation."

Those who took part were: - Mr. Waldron; Mr. Bowen; Mr. Cutts; Mr. F. Edmonds; Headmaster; 1st Scholar, John Thompson; 2nd Scholar, John Watt; 3rd Scholar, Peter Goff.

The school scene was followed by a short programme of community singing, after which the children were entertained by a conjuror and ventriloquist, who concluded with a Punch and Judy show.

Our heartfelt appreciation is conveyed to Mrs. Hattersley and her helpers for all the great kindness bestowed, and for the happiness which their efforts produced. This was fully responded to by the heartiness of the cheers accorded by the children at the end of the evening.

Scout News.

It will serve our purpose if we divide our "Scout News" into two main divisions and let one deal with the activities of our School Troop and the other outline the activities of our local Association.

The 1st Banstead. By the time you read these notes we shall have started our winter session. Writing beforehand, we ought to mention that it is our intention to begin the session with a "Jubilee" party for the Scouts and Guides, and Cubs and Brownies. The Jubilee party is not in connection with the Silver Jubilee of their Majesties the King and Queen. It is to mark the occasion of the Silver Jubilee in the Scout Movement of our Scoutmaster, W. R. Waldron. Twenty-five years ago. Mr. Waldron joined our School Troop, and we thought the anniversary a fitting occasion to have a party. It should prove a good beginning to our winter programme of work.

Talking of parties reminds us that last Christmas all our Scouts and Cubs were taken to the pantomime at Wimbledon. This treat, together with a gift of sweets and fruit, was made possible by the kindly gesture of a very dear friend of our Troop, who paid all expenses. For many, many years this friend has helped our Troop in some such way as this, and we are very grateful for the kindness shown to us.

Our numbers keep very much the same as in former years. We have 36 Scouts and 24 Cubs. Our weekly parades showed a good average attendance throughout the year, and what is more pleasing, the Patrols showed pleasant and keen rivalry in passing the usual Scout tests. What we should like to see, however, is a larger number of Scouts gaining badges. There is a wide range of badges to be obtained, and it is within the ability of every one of our Scouts to qualify for one or more. It will mean effort on your part to satisfy the examiners, but that is where your Scout training should prove useful, for it inculcates the "stick-at-it-till-you-get-it" spirit, and not to be discouraged if you fail to pass the requirements the first time you try. We have a local Scout - one of a new Troop formed in the district - who came to us to pass him in swimming and first aid. He failed to pass both tests the first time he presented himself, and he failed in one of the two tests on a second occasion, but to-day that particular boy is a "King's Scout," and the first in the new troop to gain so high a distinction. We do not expect all our 1st Banstead Scouts to qualify as King's Scouts, but we do say with emphasis that all of you have the ability to qualify for one or more badges, and we hope during the present session you will make the effort.

During the year we took part in the District Jamboree held at Walton-on-the-Hill. The afternoon was spent in Patrol and Pack competitions and the evening around a camp fire. The 1st Banstead - both Scouts and Cubs succeeded in gaining the highest number of points in the competitions. We also took part in a swimming gala organised by the local Association. The gala was held in our School swimming bath, and 11 Groups competed. We obtained second place with 16 points, the 1st Walton beating us by two points. We attended the Jubilee celebrations and took part in the torchlight procession, and on St. George's Day we attended divine service at the Nork Parish Church, and, along with all local Scouts, we renewed our Scout promise. The camp fire at Burgh Heath was a jolly affair and much enjoyed. Our Scout "Band" played several items during the evening. Mention, too, must be made of "Scout Week" (October 27th - November 2nd). It proved a very busy time for us. We took part in the Church parade on the Sunday, attended one or two "film" meetings, turned up in full force at the camp fire sing-song, and at the Scout concert on the Saturday rendered some special choral singing. In addition, we had a good number of exhibits on view at the exhibition in the Village School, and our woodwork, models and general handicrafts compared very favourably with those exhibited by the other Troops in the district. Looking back over the year, we can say that it has been a most successful year and stands comparable with any previous year in the history of our Troop.

The Local Association. Definite progress has been made in every direction by the Association during its second year of existence - numbers have increased and more district activities have resulted in better attendance. The total number of Scouts and Scouters at 30th September, 1935, was 274, an increase of 55 during the year. It is very pleasing to report the formation of two new Groups, a Scout Troop at Banstead Free Church and a Cub Pack at Kingswood. There are now 11 Groups in the local Association. During the year one King Scout badge has been issued, 17 second class, 20 proficiency badges and, six Cub badges. It is interesting to notice that during the year the local Association organised a Church parade, a District Jamboree, a camp fire, a Jubilee torchlight procession, a swimming gala, week-end camps and a Scout week. The District Commissioner and his staff are to be congratulated on the year's working. It would seem that the Banstead Association is determined to be among the leading Associations in the County.

Now for one final word. Our weekly parade for Scouts is held in the Gymnasium on Tuesday evenings at 6.30, while that for the Cubs is held on Wednesdays at the same hour. Boys wanting to join the Scouts or Cubs should come along some Tuesday or Wednesday evening, when the Scoutmaster (Mr. Waldron) and the Cubmistress (Mrs. Waldron) will be pleased to welcome them.

"National Savings" (known as Fir Tree Road School Savings Association).

The National Savings Movement in this School will shortly be entering upon its sixth year of existence and the following statistics shew that this means of saving has been readily acceptable, although there is plenty of room for "improvement." I appeal particularly to the children, who perhaps do not yet appreciate the true spending value of money, and strongly advise the saving of as many coppers as they can.

It is surprising how, by a regular weekly saving, the end of the year produces quite a useful sum, and added to this there is interest for those who are able to save as much as 15s. This looks quite a big sum, but it is possible, and quite a number of children are in possession of one or more certificates already.

I would thank one or two of the House mothers for their valuable assistance in encouraging the "spirit of saving," and purchasing a weekly supply of stamps for the children's cards.

It is by a continual war on the "spendthrift" that we can help to combat so many of the evils of to-day; a person who wisely saves to-day is enabled to spend wisely at a later period. The amount of money saved by staff and children during the period above referred to is:-

1930	£82	11s.	11d.
1931	£155	10s.	3d.
1932	£180	19s.	9d.
1933	£169	8s.	5d.
1934	£85	4s.	0d.
1935	£52	8s.	0d.

The decrease in the total sum does not necessarily shew that the savings spirit is on the decline, as the number of members remain about the same throughout; it is that small amounts are invested. The aim of the National Savings Committee is to encourage as many to save as possible - this fact is borne out by a statement made at the recent Conference of voluntary workers of the South-Eastern Region, comprising, Surrey, Kent and Sussex.

It was stated that the Government, although desiring the community to save as much as possible, were not pressing for the small investors' money, as they were able to obtain money from other sources at a low rate of interest.

A few items of interest are extracted from a report submitted to this (Banstead) district obtained during the Conference:

Investments standing to the credit of the community in the Post Office Savings Bank, Trustees Savings Bank and National Savings Certificates: £1,278 millions.

Advances by Government from such savings, enabling 800 local authorities to build 2,600,000 homes since the War.

As a final note, particularly for those who are not already members of our Savings Association. I would state that the National Savings Movement is organised by the British Government for small investments, sums of money as small as one penny upwards. Full particulars can be obtained on application.

D.G.S.

Girls' Swimming Notes, 1935.

The first important event of the year concerning swimming was the examination held on July 25th. Mrs. Cumming once more devoted nearly a day to the girls, testing them in the various grades, both for the London Schools Certificates and the Royal Life Saving awards. She was very pleased, both with the theory and the water-work. The Results were as follows:

50 YARDS, SECOND CLASS.

E. Wright, I. Welsh, M. Ellis, F. Cubbon, J. Endres, I. Norton, E. Andrews, V. Thompson, P. Taibe, F. Brown, J. Shillingford, M. Cross, H. Halsey.

100 YARDS, FIRST CLASS.

F. Marshall, N. Freeman, F. Stevens, R. Cusden, H. Lee, E. Wright, I. Welsh, M. Ellis, F. Cubbon, J. Endros, J. Norton, E. Andrews, V. Thompson, P. Taibe, F. Brown, J. Shillingford.

ELEMENTARY LIFE SAVING.

F. Marshall, N. Freeman, F. Stevens, M. Ellis, F. Cubbon, I. Norton, V. Thompson, P. Taibe, F. Brown, K. Bennett, M. Tusting, K. Shelton.

ADVANCED LIFE SAVING.

L. Halsey, R. Gregory, V. Ponder.

ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE.

L. Halsey, R. Gregory, V. Ponder.

BRONZE MEDALLIONS.

L. Halsey, R. Gregory, V. Ponder, D. Brown, R. Wright,
B. Wilkins, P. Hows, M. Brown, F. Pegram.

BAR TO BRONZE MEDALLION.

G. Boulton.

The total for the year being 57, against 70 last year, but the number of bronze medallions gained was a record, and the bar to a bronze medallion was the first gained by any girl at this School. We are hoping all the bronze medallists will qualify for their bars next year, although it is a very faint hope, for two have gone to Norwood, and rumour has it that four others are to go to service shortly.

The second event of interest was the Swimming Sports, held as usual on the morning of Prize Day, which took place on October 25th. This year it was run on the lines of our previous inter-School sports held at Westminster. The girls were divided into four houses, namely, Red, Blue, Green, Yellow. Those over 14 years of age on Prize Day swam as seniors and those under 14 as juniors. Points were awarded - three for a first, two for a second and one for a third - for each event, except the team race, where the first, gained four points; second, two; and third, one.

In the Junior House section, Green came first with 12 points, and in the Senior House section, Green again won with 14 points. In the grand total, Green won the beautiful new cup with 26 points. Red were second with 19 points, Blue third with nine points and Yellow fourth with seven points.

Swimming Notes (Boys).

This year we have not been quite so successful in obtaining as many awards as last year, although it was to be hoped that, had November's examination taken place, we should have succeeded in beating all past records. However, providing the examination is held before the end of the year, we hope to surpass previous records by a fairly large margin.

CLASSIFICATION OF AWARDS FOR 1935.

Learner's Certificate	44
2nd Class Certificate	44
1st Class Certificate	36
Elementary L.S. Certificate	17
Advanced L.S. Certificate, L.S.S.A.	15
Elementary L.S. Certificate, R.L.S.S.	16
Intermediate L.S. Certificate, R.L.S.S.	10
Bronze Medallions, R.L.S.S.	10
Bar to Bronze Medallion	1
Total: Swimming Awards	124
Life Saving Awards	69

Heartiest congratulations to all certificate winners, and especially to those candidates who passed for the Royal Life Saving Society's bronze medallion.

The Annual Swimming Competitions were held on Prize Day, October 25th, and were slightly different from those held in previous years. Instead of the events being inter-Cottage, they were inter-House, there being four Houses, points being awarded for each event and a cup given to the winning House, the results being as follows:-

Red.	Green.	Blue.	Yellow.
17	20	19	10

Winners of the Cup: Green House.

ROYAL ARTILLERY OLD BOYS' INTER-COTTAGE SWIMMING CUP.

Points were awarded on the year's progress as follows:

POINTS.	CATEGORY.	A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.	G.	H.	K.
8	Bronze Med.	8	--	8	8	--	--	16	8	--
6	Inter. Cert.	6	--	6	12	--	--	12	12	--
4	Adv. L.S.	4	--	4	8	--	--	8	4	--
3	Elem. L.S.	6	--	6	12	--	--	18	6	--
2	1st Class Cert.	--	6	6	10	--	--	10	2	--
1	2nd Class Cert.	5	10	7	6	--	2	10	6	2
1	Sections	3	8	5	5	1	7	12	3	6
		<u>32</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>8</u>

Winners of the R.A. Cup: "G" Cottage.

Boxing. Notes.

After a prolonged effort, the Boxing Competitions were brought to a successful conclusion when the finals were held in the Gymnasium on May 8th. When considering the number of entries (108) which, by the way, are quite voluntary, much could be said with regard to this section of physical culture, and one wonders for what reason does a boy wish to learn boxing? Perhaps the team spirit is responsible for his desire. If so, all well and good. Yet what boy does not consider himself a little hero if he wins anything by physical endurance? However, courage and self-control are the predominant features which are most noticeable when one witnesses the numerous contests that have to be fought out. Many favourable comments could be passed on the tenacity and pluck shown by the competitors, especially by those who fought their way through to the finals.

There were several interesting bouts and the footwork showed a remarkable improvement, although the "Piston-rod Left" requires much practice, as also the guarding; feinting and ducking were in evidence during some of the bouts. A reminder that loss of temper is extremely fatal and can only terminate in an unsatisfactory state of affairs. This, I am sorry to say, happened in the case of the heavy weights' final, which was a remarkably good contest as far as it went.

The results of the finals were as follows:-

	FINALISTS.	WINNERS.
Heavy Weight	J. Smith } T. Healey }	T. Smith.
Cruiser Weight	L. Phillips } L. Stoker }	L. Stoker.
Middle Weight	A. Dennis } C. Anderson }	A. Dennis.
Welter Weight	H. Slack } J. Walpole }	J. Walpole.
Light Weight	F. Tompkins } N. Stoker }	F. Tompkins.
Feather Weight	A. Osmond } J. Barker }	J. Barker.
Paper Weight	V. Warner } J. Bennett }	V. Warner.
Gnat Weight	A. Franklin } W. Barker }	W. Barker.

BOXING POINTS FOR THE "KEELING" SHIELD.

	A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.	G.	H.	K.
Semi-Final	2	7	2	8	--	1	4	--	7
S.-F. Winners	2	4	4	10	--	2	2	--	8
Finals	8	8	2	10	--	--	2	--	4
	<u>12</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>19</u>

Winners of the "Keeling" Shield: "D." Cottage.

Our thanks are extended to the following members of the staff who kindly assisted at the Final Competitions: Referee, Mr. Noble; Judges, Mr. Frost, Mr. Waldron; Timekeeper, Rev. H. Barr; M.C., Mr. Cutts.

Football, 1934-35.

The past season provided its usual crop of ups and downs in the way of matches.

One or two matches should have been won, but on the other hand there were several which we should have lost, and by some chance Fortune smiled upon us.

The senior team found their path strewn with formidable opposition and could only finish third in the League. Our juniors played more League matches, but managed to finish a close second in the Junior League table.

In both teams inside forwards were difficult to find, and had they been found, our chances of winning both Leagues would have been greater.

Apart from League matches, we had numerous friendly matches with teams from Sutton, Epsom, Belmont, Banstead, Burgh Heath, etc.

These were nearly all home games, as the various teams have difficulty in finding grounds of their own, and also they all say that the Banstead School air radiates good feeling and fellowship. It may interest all Old Boys that the number of fouls given against us could be counted on the fingers one hand.

Our Chelsea F.C. benefactor, H. H. Palmer, was always ready to supply us with tickets to witness the best teams in the country at Stamford Bridge. At these matches we learn a lot. To Mr. Palmer again we offer our sincere thanks in cold print, but with a depth of feeling in our hearts.

The Epsom and Leatherhead School District XI again won the championship of Surrey. We supplied various boys for preliminary rounds and in the final on the Epsom Town ground we had the honour to supply John Smith ("D.") and Fred Smith ("G.") Each boy received a silver medal commemorating the event.

C. Gaize ("H.") was reserve for the final match.

Our prospects this season are not very bright, but with training I expect that they will polish up considerably as the season progresses.

In conclusion, I take this opportunity of thanking all who helped to make 1934-35 a success. It would take too much space to record all the names, but my thanks are sincere.

R. J. FROST.

Athletics.

The Asstead Sports took place on May 29th and we were again favoured with a brilliantly fine day. Some excellent running was witnessed, the following successes being gained by us:-

BOYS. - 1st, 220 yards, J. Smith; 2nd, 80 yards, F. Dennis; 2nd, 100 yards, A. Healey; 2nd, 400 yards, H. Etell; 2nd, Relay, Seniors; 3rd, 100 yards, J. Ferguson; 3rd, 220 yards, A. Dennis; 3rd, 80 yards, R. Constant; 3rd, High Jump, H. McKillop.

GIRLS. - 2nd, 70 yards, A. Shelton; 3rd, 80 yards, F. Brown; 3rd, 100 yards, N. Powell.

Our old friends, the Tolworth Central School, again beat us in an Athletic Contest at Tolworth by 70 points to 41.

Cottage Cricket, 1935.

Some exciting matches and much good play were witnessed in this competition. As is usual in cricket, the unexpected happened, and the favourites ("G.") were knocked out in the semi-final. "B." Cottage deservedly won the "Rendel" shield and mention must be made of the excellent all-round play of their Captain, Albert Drane, who was chiefly instrumental in bringing victory and the Shield to "B."

School Cricket.

Although our matches were not numerous, some very interesting games were played during the season, including a tussle with our old friends - Leatherhead Central School. Albert Drane won the bat presented by the Headmaster for the best individual performance during the season.

Netball.

The 1934-35 season was again disappointing in results, although the team showed improved form in the Epsom Schools League. The present season (1935-36) has begun well, and the team has completed the first half of its League programme without defeat. The latest and most notable performance was the defeat of the League Champions, Epsom Council School, by 23-16. Gladys Boulton scored a personal triumph in this match by "netting" 21 goals. Congratulations to the team and to the trainers: Miss Tibbs and Miss Ennis.

The Cottage, Football League.

Many thrilling matches were played throughout this competition and it was a great pity that "H." Cottage were unable to run the marathon, as they were, for the time being, disbanded owing to unforeseen circumstances. As "F." and "G." had equal points, a deciding game, for the Shield was played, "G." winning by 2 goals to nil. Heartiest congratulations to the winning Cottage and many thanks to Mr. F. Edmonds for acting as referee when opportunity afforded.

The final results were as follows:

	PLD.	WON.	LOST.	DRW	FOR.	AGST.	PTS.
"A"	8	6	2	0	25	21	12
"B"	7	2	4	1	18	12	5
"C"	7	0	5	2	7	52	2
"D"	8	5	2	1	46	9	11
"E"	8	2	5	1	12	44	5
"F"	8	7	1	0	42	8	14
"G"	8	7	1	0	43	15	14
"H"	6	1	5	0	4	25	2
"K"	8	1	6	1	14	37	3

The Circle Club.

At the time of writing, the leaves have commenced to fall, which always reminds us of the mysterious Circle Club; in fact, we hardly realise its existence, except when, we are tapped on the shoulder for our monthly subscription. It is really surprising how these small sums mount up and what rapture of delight they bring to the members at Christmas time.

During the past months we have lost three members and gained two. Our Treasurer has worthily kept us together and appears to have had no difficulty in obtaining the subscriptions due.

It is sincerely hoped that Mrs. MacKenzie and Mrs. Sherwood, who retired from the Club on leaving the School, will be present at the next Christmas dinner as guests of the Club.

We wish these and all past members every happiness for the coming Yuletide, and we also heartily welcome our new members, Miss Starnes and Miss Tibbs, hoping they will enjoy very many happy days with us all.

B.R.S. Social Club.

Summer, 1935, saw a meeting of all the staff - resident and non-resident - in the Gymnasium. The object of the meeting was to inaugurate a Social Club and so bring everyone together to form a happy community.

The meeting was extremely well attended and the necessary machinery was set in motion.

It was proposed to group cricket, badminton, tennis and social

activities, each with its small committee, under one Club.

An election of officers was held and resulted as follows:-

Chairman: C. L. G. Rayner, Esq.

Vice-Chairman: Rev. Hamilton Barr.

General Committee: Matron, Miss Lodge, Miss Bryars, Miss Cuttill, Messrs. Cutts, Colley, Page, Waldron.

Cricket Secretary: Mr. F. Edmonds.

Tennis Secretary: Miss Allen.

Badminton Secretary: Mr. F. Edmonds.

Treasurer: Mr. A. E. Noble.

General Secretary: Mr. R. J. Frost.

A programme of Whist Drives and Dances was planned, and these have been thoroughly enjoyed by all who have participated.

A visit to the Aldershot Tattoo was arranged, and all who made the journey were well rewarded with a fine, warm evening.

The Committee have plans for a theatre visit and a weekend "hike."

The Committee extend a hearty welcome to all members of the staff to join our Club and so carry out our foremost aim:

The promotion of sport and social intercourse among all members of the staff.

Badminton.

A good number of the staff are now getting recreation and amusement by playing this game and we enjoyed a very successful season last year.

Twelve matches were played, and all of these proved very close and interesting, but we managed to emerge victorious on nine occasions.

Staff Cricket.

Despite the fact that we had some difficulty in raising a full team each week, and especially at the latter end of the season, we succeeded in winning eleven of the seventeen matches played, and most of these proved very enjoyable.

Batting reached quite a good standard at times, and on the whole the scoring proved that it was rather stronger than the bowling.

Matches played, 17; won, 11; lost, 5; drawn, 1.

Craftwork.

The following gained distinction at the annual competition of the Sutton and Cheam School of Art: - 2nd prize for Woodwork: Ronald Pendry. Highly commended for Weaving: Peggy Howes, Minnie Roberts, Nellie Freeman.

Dramatic Notes.

On March 29th and 30th the following children took part in the performance of "Daddy Long-Legs" given by the Nork Players - the local Amateur Dramatic Society - at the Banstead Institute: Minnie Roberts, Olive Kelf, Doris Brown, Ethel Andrews, Doris Arnold, Francis Cubbon and Paul Leicester.

The following account is reprinted from the "Banstead Quarterly," the organ of the Banstead Association:-

"Jean Webster's famous play came to the Institute on March 29th and 30th, and concluded the season of the Nork Players, playing to full houses on both evenings. Much might be said in praise of a well-cast and well-acted performance, and as is usual with the Players of late, criticism is somewhat difficult. It was, perhaps, a matter for regret that Judy Abbott was not permitted two pigtaileds, and Freddie Perkins, splendidly played by Paul Leicester, a pair of really torn trousers! These, however, are minor details, and the performance was none the less thoroughly enjoyed by a crowded hall on each evening.

OBITUARY. With the deepest regret we report the death of Miss C. Keeling, a former Chairman, and for many years a member of the School Managing Committee, The funeral took place at Strete, Devonshire, on December 7th, 1935.

The orphan children at the John Grier Home (played by Minnie Roberts, Olive Kelf, Doris Brown, Ethel Andrews, Paul Leicester, Francis Cubbon and Doris Arnold) had received excellent training at the hands of the producer, John Legg, and it was indeed a real joy to watch them and to observe the complete absence of self-consciousness. Marjorie Heaver as Judy Abbott might have shown a little more contrast in her roles of drudge at an orphan home and the college student, but generally her performance was excellent and merits great praise. Cyril Leigh Bennett as Daddy Long-Legs (Jervis Pendleton) was well cast in a part which suited him to perfection, giving an easy-balanced performance which is so pleasing to an audience. Among the lesser parts which revolve round the two principals, Ada Outhwaite as Miss Pritchard was extremely good, giving a polished and careful performance. Stuart Urmetzer, as Jimmie McBride, made a good 'silly ass,' brother to Katherine Clement (playing Sallie McBride), who, together with Ethel Marsden as Julia Pendleton, made two very skittish college students. Katherleen Leigh Bennett deserves praise for her handling of the part of Mrs. Lippett, the two-faced matron of the home, and some disappointment was felt that Eric Coard as Cyrus Wykoff was only with us for a short time. Prompting was conspicuous by its absence, and the whole play delightfully free from any awkwardness. John Legg is to be congratulated on an excellent performance, well staged by T. Marsden. As usual, the Nork Light Orchestra very ably filled in the intervals with musical selections. - B.C.T.D."

The Banstead Dictionary.

My period of duty at Banstead School, short as it is, has resulted in the accumulation and addition of new words to my vocabulary, hitherto unknown to me. As a point of interest to old scholars, I quote the following:

Bread -DONK.	Patch on trouser-HYMN BOOK.
Deaf - WACKY.	Fight - SLOG.
Miser - SCOTCH.	Bed - DOSS.
To hurry - DO A LAP OR SLASH.	Belongings - GORGE.
Penny - DEE.	Visited - CALLED UP.
Clear off - PUSH A BARROW.	Big - FLOPPING.
Pudding - DOOK.	Pay - DIBS.
GIRL - SALLY.	Cheap watch - TINTICKER.
Hair brushed back -	Nice - NATTY.
HAIR -SLASHED BACK.	Extra work - GRUDGE WORK.
Sweets - SUCKERS.	Angry - RARE.
Bald head - MOON.	Punishment on the seat -
Untidy - NAZZER.	BENDER.

No doubt some of the above are of long standing, and, I hope, will revive pleasant memories to those who spent their early days at Banstead School.

H.C.

Guide Notes.

The number of Guides in the Company is 35, this being the full number the two officers can deal with satisfactorily.

A second lieutenant is urgently needed.

There has been a marked improvement in both work and conduct during the year. "Work for others" has been a special feature. Knitted garments have been made for children in the distressed areas, through the Personal Service League, and great interest is being shown in a Mission School at Foochow, China, for which we have a collecting box. The Guides have received two letters from the school and have now written one back for Christmas.

The usual local activities have not been forgotten. Gladys Boulton has been promoted to Company Leader and has won two proficiency badges since the last report.