

Dr. L. N. Fisher, Bishop of Natal, who presented the prizes on Speech Day, 1940, with the Rector, after the ceremony.

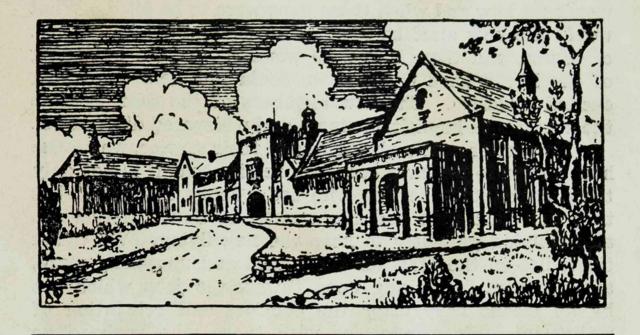
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EDITORIAL

Every country, every walk of life has, in one way or another, been affected by the ravages of the present war. This land of ours has not escaped, far removed though it is from the areas of actual strife. The men and women of South Africa have seen their country's need and, in a surprisingly short time, have built up a fighting force of which we are justly proud.

We, at Michaelhouse, have lost eight trustworthy and efficient masters, who have gone to fight for their King

and Country and, much as we miss them, we realise the necessity for their absence, and admire them for giving up their peaceful work to face they know not what. But what of the gaps they left? With certain misgivings we wondered how and when those gaps were to be filled. What would the new staff be like? The men would be elderly, of course, and there might be women! At the beginning of the Michaelmas Quarter we could not help displaying excited curiosity. The new members of the Staff became the subjects of inquisitive stares and whispered discussions.

Now, after nearly six months of their service, we realise how fortunate we have been; we realise that it is not only those on military service who are "doing their bit," but that the older men and the women of South Africa are also rallying gallantly to keep the flag flying. We thank the ladies on the Staff for their hard and unceasing work, and the men for taking upon themselves jobs which are by no means easy after the comfort and relaxation of retirement. We sympathise with those who wish to go but cannot be released, and hasten to assure them that they are doing their duty every bit as much as those who have gone North.

The Chronicle of May, 1940, pointed out that much of the responsibility of "carrying on" would fall upon the shoulders of the boys themselves. So far these responsibilities seem, on the whole, to have been realised and most are making an effort to keep School life upon its natural course. Not only are the boys aiding the National war effort by their general attitude and behaviour, but they have responded most generously to appeals in aid of war funds. The Fête, held on 26th October, for which everyone worked extremely hard, was a great success, and at the end of it we felt that our efforts had been justified.

And now we turn towards another year, wondering what victories, what setbacks it has in store. We, at Michaelhouse, must, by hard work and intelligent pursuit of possible solutions to the problems that surround us, prepare for the great job that will have to be done when this war is over. We have no time to waste. We must follow the example of our Nation and "GO TO IT"!

RECTOR'S REPORT

My Lord, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Sir Edward Harding had hoped to be with us to-day and to give away the prizes. But the date was fixed some months ago and when the session of Parliament made this date impossible for Sir Edward it was no longer possible for us to change it. So we shall hope to welcome him here on some future occasion. Meanwhile, my Lord, we are most grateful to you for agreeing to combine in yourself, as you are so well qualified to do, the functions both of Chairman and of distinguished visitor. I should like also at the outset to offer a very hearty welcome to all of you parents and friends of the School who have managed to come to Michaelhouse to-day. I have heard it said by cynics that the main attraction on occasions such as these is the lunch. You are the living disproofs of that libel and your presence here is to us both a pleasure and an encouragement. might add that the Natal War Funds are benefiting by £70 as a result of the removal of the lunch from to-day's proceedings and of the action of subject prizewinners in accepting Certificates instead of books. I should perhaps explain that we did not consider it right that this should be allowed in the case of endowed and special prizes.

Michaelhouse has the good fortune to be so placed that a year of war has made no difference to our physical surroundings, but nevertheless the effect of the War on the life of the School has been in many ways great. We had a large building scheme begun and in view for the consolidation of the School, and all that has had to be suspended for the time being. Fortunately we had reached the point at which the first stage of the new Chapel was complete and have also been able almost to finish the programme of building and reconstruction of Staff houses.

I had not intended that the inauguration of Pascoe House should be accompanied by a considerable rise in the total numbers of the School, but we have felt it right to use the newly acquired elasticity of accommodation to take in a considerable number of boys who in peace time have been or would have been at school in England.

For the Staff this year has been a difficult one. not easy for an individual to determine the point at which it becomes his duty to leave his civilian job for active The creation of exemption tribunals should in time do something by providing an outside judgment of what is a man's duty. Meanwhile we have lost seven men, Messrs. Melville, van Heijst, Pridmore, Chutter, Simon, Davis and Gaylard. This by no means exhausts the number of men on the Staff who are willing to go. But I judged that the point had been reached at which a halt must be called, and I felt it my duty to refuse permission to three more who wished to go in this last month. I have also released Mr. Hall, who has been in England since July, 1939, for military service, but have not yet heard what he has been Mr. Hardcastle, his opposite number in the able to do. year's exchange, has left us to return to England. I know, enjoyed his year with us, but he could not have been more sorry to leave than we all were to see him go. He has left a deep impression and many of you, having sons in the Scout Troop, will know how much very many boys owe to him. That Troop represents his most concrete achievement and while we recognise the difficulties we shall all strive to see that it is worthily maintained. has not been easy to fill so many gaps, but we have been fortunate in being able to secure the temporary services on the teaching staff of Messrs. Bishop, Williams, Chard, Pardoe and Thomas, and also of Miss Ball. The list is too long for me to embarrass them by cataloguing their many virtues and accomplishments. I will only say that between them their experience covers a good deal of the world and this cannot fail to be of advantage to us. Miss Clarence has just taken over the teaching of Drawing from Mr. D. Pennington and will have time to devote herself to the

most important task of developing that side of our activities. The building, known as "Vectis," is now at once the Art and Music School. But Art is a manysided matter and if Miss Clarence is able to widen our understanding of the word she will have laid Michaelhouse under great debt. It is already evident more boys are becoming alive to the various possibilities and that there is much talent in the School that has hitherto lain concealed.

I need hardly say that with so many changes the timetable has frequently become to me a nightmare. have had visions of myself posed somewhat in the manner of Tenniel's "Alice," overwhelmed by a snowstorm of cards carrying nightmare instructions to some unfortunate schoolmaster to divide himself into two halves in order to teach two different sets in different places at the same time! is inevitable that there should have been some disturbance to the work of many boys, but I have tried to minimise it and there will not, I hope, be much more before the end of the year. I have said that it has been a difficult time for the Staff and I must add that they, those who have gone and those who are still here, have triumphed over the inevitable distractions of the times and stuck to their job in a way which has been worthy of high praise. Nor have I any doubt that we shall be able in the coming months to maintain the fine traditions of this School and to strengthen them and mould them further.

The general activities of the School have carried on with little change. The war has certainly helped us in our efforts to improve the Cadet Corps. It has been made more interesting and the boys are more ready to be interested in it. There is most welcome evidence of increased help and support from the authorities; I hope that this will mean rapid progress in many directions. We have tried to make a start with signalling, and could do much if we could get equipment. In games the year has not been outstanding either for success or failure, and in the present Rugger season we have been much hampered by quarantine.

The Matriculation results last December were very gratifying, particularly in respect of the high proportion who were placed in the first or second classes, 78 per cent. of those who obtained Matriculation Certificates. Out of 66 entries there were 19 First Class, 23 Second Class, 12 Third Class, 3 Leaving Certificates, 9 failures. The proportion who returned to the VIth Form was also high and their work has been organised in greater detail than before. While I realise that the war is likely to affect this side of our work, I am increasingly convinced of the great potential value of the post matriculation year to any boy who matriculates under 17, and to some who do not.

During last Quarter four inspectors visited Michaelhouse, at my invitation, from the Provincial Department of Education. It does not seem right that we should allow our entirely independent position to suggest either that we are superior to criticism or unready to welcome it, and we are grateful to the Director for permitting the inspection. The Inspectors spent three days here and were given every facility to see all sides of the School's life. I think I may say that they enjoyed their visit, and certainly we enjoyed having them. They expressed themselves as very well satisfied with what they saw. They made a number of useful suggestions, and I like to think that just as they brought us help from their wide experience they may also have gathered something which may be useful elsewhere. I was interested to notice that they showed a particularly lively interest in the working of the Post-Matriculation Class.

The list of Old Boys serving with the Forces is long and growing. There are many of them both in the South African Air Force and in the R.A.F. Already two have won the D.F.C. — Squadron-Leader G. C. Tomlinson and Flying Officer R. N. Selley. We think of them with pride, and are glad that there are sons of Michaelhouse in what is for the moment the front line of the battle for the things we all hold dear. But we know that the Old Boys in the other fighting services can equally be trusted to "quit them like men."

I suppose we all of us often find ourselves wondering whether it is only through its Staff and those who are already its Old Boys that Michaelhouse will be called to contribute directly to the fighting of this War. I do not know what is the answer to that question, but I do know that boys

now at School will have laid upon them immense responsibilities in the years that will follow. They may undertake those responsibilities and succeed in playing a worthy part in the building of a saner order, or they may undertake them and fail in face of the great difficulties with which they will be confronted, or they may refuse to undertake them. It is the last alternative which I regard with the greatest horror. I speak of this to-day because this is the one occasion in the year when I can address at least a cross-section of the parents of my boys, and every year that I spend in the profession of a schoolmaster only deepens my conviction that without the parents the School can do little. I hope that you have sent your boys here because you believe in the ideals which inform this School. Certainly if we are to succeed in sending your sons out determined to play their part in the re-sowing that must follow the plough of war we must have your co-operation in fact as well as in theory. Many parents in these days are willing to prefer that their sons, and daughters, too, should die rather than be false to their ideals. Are we - for I also am a parent — willing that they should live for those ideals if they are not called to die for them? Do we ask for our children a safe career or a useful vocation? Make no mistake about it, whatever they may say, our way of looking at such a question will largely determine theirs. Here at Michaelhouse we make it our aim to encourage our boys in every way to become aware of the many problems that face us. We try to foster their interest and to feed it with knowledge. I believe that that is an integral and vital part of education. Ideally no boy should go out from a school like this without having realised the existence of the many problems that confront us and having done a little serious thinking about one or other of them - be it public health, or Native problems, or international order, the problem of the relations between the two white races in this country, or distribution and supply, or what you It is a pregnant fact that this year the title "Bantu Studies" has appeared for the first time in the VIth Form timetable, an experiment which has already shown most encouraging results. And I would mention that it is with regard to matters such as these that the post-matriculation year can be one of the greatest usefulness and importance. I should like at this point to acknowledge with gratitude the help we have received from outside in arranging talks and discussions for the senior boys. We are particularly indebted to Professor Burchell and others from the staff of the Natal University College. But it is not essential for a boy to reach the VIth Form before he can take an intelligent interest in the many problems crying out for attack, and whatever the age of your boy I do most earnestly appeal for your help and co-operation in this matter. That you can best give us by believing and by letting your sons know that you believe, that education is not merely concerned with the training of the body and the filling of the mind with the answers to examination questions, but that it must lead to that aliveness of mind which is never content to pass by on the other side. I am not asking that all our boys should be encouraged to become doctors, parsons or schoolmasters — to name the three careers commonly referred to as "vocations." I am asking that both you and we make it clear that whatever they become we look to them to be both willing and anxious to take every opportunity they meet of helping to find solutions to the problems of their generation. If every boy who left Michaelhouse had that attitude to life we, parents and schoolmasters, would have achieved something of immense value, and of the greatest importance both for the future of this country and of the world.

This School is a Christian foundation. That is one reason why I hate the suggestion which I sometimes hear that Michaelhouse is a snob's school. To look down upon another man because he belongs to a different class, whether social, racial or economic, is the meaning of snobbery. is natural enough to the Nazi with his myth of Nordic racial superiority; it should be abomination to the Christian. But I must not spend time on a digression. I want to conclude by stating my belief, and I hope re-echoing yours, that the Christian faith properly understood provides the only sure basis on which our world can be rebuilt. the man who knows his answer to the question what life is for can effectively undertake the task of building the framework in which the lives of our children and our children's children will be lived. There are two answers in the field to-day: One is that of Christ and the other is that of Hitler. Between them we have to choose or to condemn ourselves to futility. We try here to help your boys to choose rightly. That is our highest task and in that, too, we need your help.

SPEECH DAY, 1940

This year Speech Day was held on Thursday, 5th September. A cold wind tempered by sunshine was blowing across the terraces when the Rector and Mrs. Snell welcomed the visitors and gave them tea. The reception was followed by a Physical Training display on the Punch Bowl by IVth Forms and the Gym. Club. The visitors made a round of the exhibitions of Photography, Art and Carpentry, Physics and Chemistry, Natural History and Scout Pioneering activities. The exhibits were marked by their originality and clarity of explanation.

The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Natal presided at the giving away of prizes and certificates. Dr. Fisher began his speech by pointing out that the prize giving was to some extent shorn of its outward glories as the Cabinet Ministers were all busy in Parliament and there was no eminent person to present the prizes. There had also not been the array of books on the table because, with the consent of the boys, the money which the School would have expended on prizes had been given to war funds.

Dr. Fisher congratulated the Rector on the very good recovery he had made after his recent operation for appendicitis, and went on to say that it was no use letting a school become second rate and that, in this time of war, there was not the slightest intention of letting Michaelhouse go down. "You have a Rowing Blue, and, privately, I am rather glad that it was Cambridge," he said, adding that in England no schoolmasters over the age of 25 were allowed to leave to join up, but the age had since been increased to 30. "You must keep your schools up to full standard," said Dr. Fisher, "and I am not only thinking of passing examinations, but I am thinking also of the character and the type of the boys. Michaelhouse is being kept up to full standard."

Dr. Fisher went on to say that Michaelhouse had both masters and boys on active service. Sometimes, he said, one found a master under a boy whom he was teaching a few years ago. He thought that must be very interesting, but it gave an excellent example of that comradeship which existed in the army. "I would like to say a word about those whose duty lies here at the present moment," said Dr. Fisher. "It is hard to stick to the task in hand, but

by doing so we are generally making our best contribution. It is quite likely that before long some of you senior boys will be serving in the forces, and when that comes you will be having the first great test of your live, and army life is a test—it makes or mars men."

Continuing, Dr. Fisher advised the boys to let it be their aim to come back from their army life bigger men so that they are better fitted to take their places in the affairs of the country. Referring to those who had to remain behind, he said that they had a vital share in the winning of the war, and he trusted that those boys who were at school during the war would, after the war, do their job better than it had been done in his generation. "Do not despise your job if you are not in the active forces. You are just as important as those who are in training in camp."

Speaking of the award of certificates instead of subject prizes, Dr. Fisher said that certificates were not much to show for the hard work which they represented, but they meant a great deal. They wanted people to do their bit without thinking of the reward, and the certificates stood for that principle.

Concluding, Dr. Fisher wished Godspeed to those who would be leaving School at the end of the year, saying that wherever they might go and whatever they might do, they would go out with their best wishes, both in this time of war and in the years which follow.

Dr. Fisher then presented the books and certificate prizes.

The prize winners were:—

The Tatham Memorial Essay Prize: K. Whitaker.

The Old Boys' Essay Prizes: Upper School, R. F. Pennington; Lower School, A. W. Mountford.

The Rector's Prize for Latin: K. Whitaker.

The Hutchinson Mathematical Prizes: Upper School, L. B. Ballenden; Lower School, I. J. Ferguson.

The Hudson-Bennett Reading Prizes: Upper School, J. S. Schlesinger; Lower School, R. P. M. Holliday.

The Hudson-Bennett Prizes for Natural History: Upper School: J. Fehrsen; Lower School: P. M. F. Niven.

The Prize for Ancient History: R. F. Pennington.

The School Music Prizes: (1) R. Clausen, (2) R. Poynton.

Dramatic Society Prizes: (1) H. Barnby, (2) J. Schlesinger.

Carpentry Prizes: (1) F. Tucker, (2) K. G. Witthaus.

General Knowledge Prizes: Upper School, J. C. Wagner; Lower School, H. A. Campbell.

THE SIXTH FORM.

English: J. Schlesinger. Science: L. B. Ballenden.

THE UPPER FIFTH FORMS.

Afrikaans: W. L. Vowles. Chemistry: P. J. Williams. English: W. L. Vowles. French: S. Anderson. History: L. C. Jennings. Latin: F. B. Barnes. Mathematics: D. S. Fleischer and P. J. Williams. Geography: F. Bluck and P. Otto. Physics: D. S. Fleischer.

THE LOWER FIFTH FORMS.

Afrikaans: K. G. Witthaus. Chemistry: K. G. Witthaus. English: K. G. Witthaus. French: P. W. Sutton. Geography: E. D. Bower. History: H. W. Miller. Latin: D. G. Shaw. Mathematics: K. G. Witthaus. Physics: K. G. Witthaus. Physics: K. G. Witthaus. Physical Science: G D. Campbell.

THE FOURTH FORMS.

Afrikaans: I. J. Ferguson. English: I. J. Ferguson and H. C. Twycross. French: J. P. Neall and P. M. Tylden-Wright. Geography: A. W. Mountford and R. A. S. Barnes. History: H. C. Twycross. Latin: H. M. Bull. Mathematics: H. C. Twycross. Science: H. C. Twycross and I. J. Ferguson.

THE THIRD FORMS.

Afrikaans: D. Giddy. English: D. Giddy. History: R. R. Richards. Latin: A. R. Cannon. Mathematics: J. J. H. Rymer. Science: H. A. Campbell.

We were very happy to welcome Mr. Currey, who spent a week with us in August. On Sunday, 25th, Mr. Currey was to have preached in the Chapel, but owing to the failure of the electric supply, the service was held by candlelight in the Hall. The sermon was splendid and everyone appreciated it.

SCHOOL NOTES

Seven members of the Staff are now serving in the South African forces for the duration. Messrs. Simon, Davis and Gaylard went North in July with their unit, and one is now serving "somewhere in East Africa." Messrs. Melville, van Heijst and Pridmore left us in July when their unit was mobilised, and have since been training "somewhere in Africa." We hear that Messrs. Melville and Pridmore have been transferred to another unit.

Congratulations to Rev. J. B. Chutter on his appointment as Military Chaplain. He took up his duties at the end of September.

Congratulations also to Messrs. van Heijst and Gaylard on their promotion to non-commissioned rank. We wish them all the best of luck; there is not one who does not admire their effort and the spirit in which they have taken up their new duties. The thoughts of all of us are especially with those who are already up North.

Mr. Hall has remained in England on war work, and we wish him the best of luck.

Mr. Hardcastle, who replaced Mr. Hall for a year, returned to England in August, where he is continuing his duties at Clifton College. His great keenness, unbounded energy and adventurous spirit will be much missed by all, both Staff and boys. Those who are Scouts will, perhaps, miss him most of all. He was the founder of the Michaelhouse Troop and his tremendous enthusiasm for the movement, and the vast amount of hard work which he put into it, made Scouting very popular and gave the Troop a most excellent start. He has our very best wishes for the future.

We warmly welcome those who came so readily last Quarter to carry on the work of the masters on Active Service. The newcomers were Mr. F. S. Bishop (B.A. London. A.K.C.), who was at Michaelhouse from 1913-1927; Mr. F. F. P. Williams, who was Organising District Head-

master on the Rand; Mr. F. S. Pardoe (B.A. Oxon.) who was teaching and farming in England; Mr. B. Chard (B.A. Oxon.) who was in the service of H.H. Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda; Mr. C. M. B. Thomas (M.A. Bristol) who was in the Egyptian Government Service; Miss M. K. Ball (M.A., Cantab.) who came from Herschel School, Cape; Miss E. B. Clarence, who came from Maritzburg.

Mr. R. A. Jansen (M.A. Stellenbosch) left the Staff at the end of the Michaelmas Quarter. We were very sorry to lose him, and he will be very much missed on the Rugger field and by the Afrikaans department. We wish him every success at his new school, Dale College, Kingwilliamstown.

We welcome Mr. H. J. Truter (M.A. Stellenbosch) who has come to assist in the Afrikaans department.

During the last six months, four lecturers have been kind enough to come to Michaelhouse and give talks upon the various aspects of the Bantu problem.

Professor Burchell, of the N.U.C., Maritzburg, started the series by delivering a lecture on "Native Tribal Law." He showed how the Native family is the unit of Native administration, and gave some interesting examples of Native superstitions.

Mr. Reuling, from Adams College, spoke on "The Bantu Boy at Work and Play." Among other enlightening remarks, Mr. Reuling said that it was mainly environment that made a difference between the European and Native boy.

Mr. Ellis, who is also from Adams College, compared statistics of the Union Government Native Educational Department with those of West African departments. His lecture was very detailed and contained a great deal of research, but was, perhaps, a little above the heads of most of the boys.

Senator Dr. Brookes, the Principal of Adams College, was the last of these lecturers. His subject was "The

Economic Aspects of the Bantu Problem." He dealt with this extremely wide subject admirably in the short time at his disposal.

All the lectures were well attended and were concluded by the answering of various questions.

We greatly appreciate the generous self-sacrifice of these gentlemen who have given up so much of their spare time in coming to lecture at Michaelhouse, and hope that next year this series of lectures may be continued.

We are very proud to add yet another name to our long list of Rhodes Scholars. Congratulations to Desmond Henwood, who has won the 1941 Scholarship. Desmond Henwood came to East, Michaelhouse, in 1932. He passed both the Junior Certificate and the Matriculation in the first class, gaining distinction in Mathematics in the latter examination. After a post-Matriculation course at Michaelhouse, D. Henwood went to the N.U.C., Maritzburg, where he took as his major subjects for the B.A. Degree, Latin and Roman Law, and obtained distinction in the latter subject.

In the field of sport, Desmond Henwood has also done well. At Michaelhouse he obtained his colours at both Cricket and Rugby and he was Captain of Swimming. He was vice-captain of the 1st Rugby XV and played in the Combined Natal Schools team in 1936 and for the Combined Natal Universities in 1937 and 1938. In Durban, Desmond Henwood played senior Cricket for Greyville and senior Rugby for Berea-Rovers.

Henwood has been on Active Service since June of this year. He will take up his Scholarship at the end of hostilities, and read Law at Oxford.

The Michaelhouse boys who have been awarded the Rhodes Scholarship are: J. J. L. Sisson, C. G. Roach, K. M. Pennington, A. W. Lister, G. M. Melville, H. S. Fisher, E. E. W. M. Hindson, B. J. Stubbings, H. F. Lydall, L. M. Thompson, D. Henwood.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs. A. R. Walshaw on the birth of a daughter, Meryl, born on September 8th.

The dining tables in Hall have been considerably brightened by the generous use of flowers and for this, together with more attractive meals, the School wishes to thank Mrs. Bateson.

SCHOOL PREFECTS

D. R. Lee (Head of School, Captain of Cricket, Rugby and Athletics), J. O. Harle, A. D. van Velden, G. Chater, F. B. K. Tucker, J. A. P. Smith (Library Prefect, Captain of Hockey), J. M. O. Stewart, D. G. A. Wallace, R. F. Pennington.

East: J. O. Harle. West: D. R. Lee. Founders: J. M. O. Stewart. Farfield: A. D. van Velden. Tatham: G. Chater. Pascoes: F. B. K. Tucker.

HOUSE PREFECTS

East: P. T. Peake, J. M. Kidd (Captain of Tennis), R. A. Hamlyn, E. F. Harriss, J. B. A. West.

West: J. M. Otto, H. G. Chapman, K. Whitaker, J. Schlesinger, G. M. Dorning, F. B. Barnes (Captain of Squash).

Founders: D. G. Wood, D. F. E. Kirkman, J. C. Okell, A. T. B. Meyer, H. G. Vercoe.

Farfield: P. McK. Reid, D. G. Grice, J. B. Cox (Captain of Swimming), F. Storm.

Tatham: C. H. van Hasselt, P. A. Caswell, D. S. Fleischer.

Pascoe's: L. B. Ballenden, T. C. M. Monk, R. C. Mackintosh, H. G. Barnby.

VALETE

Boys who left in June, 1940: J. H. Allen, G. C. Blampied, J. E. F. Broom, L. Dawson-Squibb, J. D. K. Eyles, G. W. Meiklereid, D. W. R. Shand, R. G. Southey, R. K. Walker, T. B. Ware.

Boys who left in September, 1940: T. J. Sharp, M. Q. Sturgeon.

SALVETE

Boys who came in August, 1940: T. B. Button, A. J. M. Clesham, J. G. Clark, D. B. G. Deane, C. J. English, C. M. Fergusson, R. W. H. Holt, A. R. Hargrave, R. P. W. Parker, D. H. Parry, W. W. Pulford, I. F. Rennie, D. G. A. Sym, A. Fairley, A. R. R. Crosse-Crosse.

Boys who came in October, 1940: A. N. Cheales, W. M. Martindale, B. A. F. Reade, M. J. F. Turner, J. M. Webster, R. C. K. Welsh.

CHAPEL NOTES

When Mr. J. B. Chutter went to take up a Military Chaplaincy, the Rector's father-in-law, the Rev. R. A. Sidebottom, was asked to come out from retirement in England to help us during the war. This he did, arriving at the beginning of the fourth Quarter.

In the Crypt, R. E. Clausen is now the official organist.

Late in October, new candlesticks and Cross for the Altar arrived from Mowbrays. These are made of a very beautiful white metal, and though a little large—for they were bought for use ultimately upon the larger Altar of the New Chapel, as yet unfinished—look extremely handsome.

Michaelmass had to be celebrated, with the Bishop's authority, on S. Matthew's Day, September 21st, since the School was not assembled on September 29th.

LIBRARY NOTES

During the past few months the overseas periodicals have been arriving with more and more irregularity, but nevertheless they do still arrive, and their postponement only serves to make them even more popular than they were previously.

By Speech Day, 5th September, the two clocks which Mr. Flemming, the School Architect, so kindly presented to the Library, had been installed. They were fitted into the panels above the fireplace, while between them was engraved the School Crest and the year of the opening of the Library. Of the two clocks, one is for South African time, whereas the other is a marvellous piece of ingenuity showing the relative times in different parts of the world. This handsome gift has made a worthy and useful addition to the Library.

Through the kindness of Miss Mitchell, of Tweedie, we have acquired a number of useful volumes from her late brother's Library. Included in these books are bound volumes of Blackwood's Magazine which contain excellent reading, and in the fiction line "Tales from the Outposts" and Rafael Sabatini's collected novels. We are very grateful to Miss Mitchell for her generosity.

MICHAELHOUSE WAR FÊTE

The Rector opened this Fête at two o'clock on the 26th September. In his speech over the microphone, which was set up in the Punch Bowl Pavilion, he welcomed the visitors and said that he hoped they would enjoy themselves. The Fête was run almost entirely by the boys, with a minimum of Staff supervision.

Roughly fifty sideshows were scattered on Hannah's, including lucky dips, darts, skittles, a Monte Carlo gambling stall, "golf-putting," "hammering the nail," "fishing for coins" with two knitting needles, fortune-telling, and many others. A large cake, sweets and produce stall in the shade of the trees between the two cricket grounds attracted the hungry and weary. We should like to thank those who provided sweets and cakes for sale, and also those who sent horses for a gymkhana, which was held on the Rugby grounds.

In the cricket nets there were Hitler and Mussolini shies, complete with yelling touts! On the Punch Bowl there was heated competition in the bun and treacle race, the apple-bobbing race and in the four-legged race, which caused great amusement. A House competition was also held, in which each House was represented by six boys. The game was a type of basket ball, but the competitors were in sacks and the basket was replaced by a bath-tub on the ground! There were very few rules, but plenty of fun.

We take the opportunity here to thank all the donors who very kindly gave articles to be raffled. The drawing of the raffles took place after tea in the Punch Bowl Pavilion. The Staff, who had bought many tickets in each raffle, succeeded in winning the majority of the prizes, and they very kindly returned their prizes to be sold by American auction.

The climax in amusement was reached in a handicapped Staff Race, run in caps and gowns, in which the runners ranged from twenty-three year olds to seventy-five year olds!

In conclusion, Mr. K. Pennington made a short speech in which he thanked both the boys and the visitors for aiding the war funds so generously. He then thanked Mr. Schlesinger, who had provided the microphones and loudspeakers, and Mr. Morton, who had so kindly assisted in setting up the apparatus.

We should like to thank the Indian and Native Staff for their spontaneous offer to give their pay for overtime duty during the Fête to the war funds.

SCOUT NOTES

Since the introduction of Scouting into Michaelhouse last October, the Troop has expanded considerably—from 26 to 48 Scouts, who are divided into six Patrols; in fact, the year of Scouting has been most successful. There are several 1st Class Scouts, and many proficiency badges which encourage individual interests have been won. There are, no doubt, many other boys who are keen to join the Scouts, but this is not possible as such a large Troop would be difficult to maintain and organize. The possibility of a Rover Scout Troop for the Sixth Form has been considered, and it is hoped that this may eventually be possible.

The many gullies and streams in the vicinity of the School have offered remarkable opportunities for pioneering, and many parties of Scouts have indeed utilized these to the fullest extent, gaining useful knowledge and experience. In addition to this, a certain amount of tree-felling and logging has been done on the School Estate.

Several week-end camps have been held since the beginning of the year, some at Lexden, the permanent Scout training camp at Maritzburg, and others nearer the School. All have been very enjoyable and have given excellent opportunities for Scout training. In September a small party of Scouts spent a week-end near the Drakensberg Mountains, which offered a new scope for pioneering and enabled a certain amount of climbing to be done.

The many and varied Scout activities have given plenty opportunity for initiative and leadership, which is perhaps one of the greatest attractions in Scouting. Every year the more senior boys leave, and so almost everyone has an opportunity of leading a Patrol and carrying out his ideas.

The Scouts now have a small camp site of their own on the School premises, and, in addition to this, a hut which

is used as "headquarters." On Speech Day an exhibition consisting of models, camps and an aerial run-way was held there. In June the Troop took part in a Scout Concert in Maritzburg and staged several good turns under the supervision of Mr. Hardcastle, the Scoutmaster.

Unfortunately, at the beginning of August Mr. Hard-castle had to return to England. The two Assistant Scoutmasters, Messrs. Simon and Gaylard, are also away on active service, so it is left to the Patrol Leaders themselves to organize activities and carry on the Troop. There are difficulties, however, but, with the exceptionally good start which the Troop obtained from Mr. Hardcastle, it will certainly keep going. In addition to this, the support of the Staff and Scout Headquarters, locally and provincially, is very encouraging and will be of great assistance in the maintenance of the Troop.

The Science Exhibitions on Speech Day

The Science exhibitions in the Physics and Biology laboratories again proved popular on Speech Day, and their success brought reward to those who had spent so much time in preparation.

Most outstanding in the Physics laboratory was the apparatus for analysing sound waves and depicting them in a visible form on a screen. Sound picked up by a microphone was broadcast, to be received by a wireless set which amplified it to a coneless loudspeaker. An agitating mirror attached to the loudspeaker caused oscillation in a light beam and produced the visible wave form on a screen.

Other Physics exhibits illustrated the prinicples operating electric motors, hot water systems and natural geysers, and we were also shown how, apparently, we might look through a brick.

In the Chemistry section there were included exhibits illustrating the process of tanning, the production of artificial silk, and the formation of plastics.

In the Biology laboratory examples of the plant life of the district were on show, and there was a display of specimens from the Natural History Society's collection of birds. There were also working experiments of several kinds, including demonstrations of muscular action in a frog's leg, and the circulation of blood in the capillaries of the foot of a living frog.

SIXTH FORM PLAY

"I KILLED THE COUNT"

On Saturday, 8th June, the Sixth Form presented "I Killed the Count," a three-act play by Alec Coppel. This is an interesting play—a detective-play with an unusual twist—but it is rather too ambitious for amateurs. So many parts of the dialogue are similar to other parts that it is obviously very easy for amateur actors to be confused. The play could also, with advantage, be considerably shortened.

Of the individual actors, Schlesinger had by far the longest part, which he filled well, though he might perhaps have been a little more brusque; he held the interest of the audience whenever he was on the stage, and infused life and reality into the whole play. Chapman was a suitably languid contrast as the young product of Hendon. Ballenden made an effective ex-convict, and Lee looked the part of an American sportsman. Smith, the manager of of the block of flats, was suitably distressed, but should learn how to use his hands. Van Hasselt and Dawson-Squibb filled their parts reasonably well, except that the latter forgot his lines badly at one stage. Blampied made a good stolid policeman, and Chater an adequately excited Mr. Diamond.

Of the female characters, Broom was rather colourless, and Walker had an extremely difficult part to play—one almost impossible for a boy to attempt.

The staging was as good as ever, the "curtain scene" being particularly effective. The play was produced by Mr. R. G. H. Green.

Cast (in order of their appearance):

Count Victor Mattoni C. H. van Hasselt.
Polly K. Whitaker.
Divisional Inspector Davidson J. S. Schlesinger.
Detective Raines H. G. Chapman.
Martin J. A. P. Smith.
P.C. Clifton G. C. Blampied.
Louise Rogers J. F. Broom.
Renée La Lune R. K. Walker.
Samuel Diamond G. Chater.
Johnson A. van Velden.
Mullet L. B. Ballenden.
Bernard K. Froy D. R. Lee.
Viscount Gorrington L. Dawson-Squibb.

LITERARY SOCIETY

The Society has been continuing its activities with enthusiasm during the last six months, and has been meeting regularly once a fortnight.

Many members feel that the Society does not meet often enough, but it is very difficult to arrange extra meetings at times which do not coincide with the activities of other Societies. The one advantage of not having too many meetings during the Quarter is that when they are few and far between they are anticipated with greater enthusiasm, and when they do take place everyone is genuinely enthusiastic and in this way the meetings are always a success.

The plays that have been read by the Society throughout the last two Quarters have been on the long side, and thus we have not been able to read very many. The three plays we have so far read have been "Dinner at Eight," by Kaufman, Shaw's "Caesar and Cleopatra," and Galsworthy's "Escape."

Although these plays were long, they held everyone's attention right up to the last word, and were very much enjoyed by the whole Society.

LITERARY SECTION

TO A CAT.

Oh, silly cat, why must you miaow?
You'll get your food soon, anyhow.
The cat next door is not amused,
Your vocal chords are sore abused.
Why must you squeak and squawk and howl,
And make such noises harsh and foul?
That moon will never come to you;
Go kill a rat and go and chew.
Keep on your hearth-rug and be still,
Or squat upon some window-sill.
Give your tender throat a rest,
Don't you think that would be best?
That awful noise I won't allow,
Oh, silly cat, why must you miaow?

G.V.L.

EVENING.

When as the daylight fades, and the departing sun Hurries behind the earth, and evening has begun, To some still-moving stream, I slowly do repair, And wonder at the work of Nature everywhere. Beneath some willow, swaying in the wind, I lie Upon the verdant grass, and then I wonder why We wish to live this life of restlessness. When we could love each other, and would gladly bless Our enemies: but no! I think upon the peace Of this fair sparkling river, and the graceful ease With which it flows, upon its weary way to find The mother stream. I marvel at the sighing wind Which, blowing, moves the leafy branches of this tree With gentle movements, like the surging of the sea. And as I lie and meditate upon the sight, I notice all the shadows of the growing night; Then suddenly I think again. While I have lain, In this cruel war, a thousand mortals have been slain. G.C. (B.1.)

THOUGHTS ON LEAVING MICHAELHOUSE.

As I sit here and think four short years back, I wonder how a term seem'd long and slow; And only now, when it is time to go, Do I perceive the truth; and all is black. I tried to do my part and stick by right, But there were times when I could not decide 'Twixt right and wrong, and then I sought a guide, Or went to bed and lay awake at night. And now, what lies in those dark years ahead? Deep down within me lurks a gloating fear. Let some remember me, when I am dead, Oh, God; and grant to me a vision clear, That sometimes here of me it may be said: "To him, at least his School was ever dear."

J.S.S.

NAZI SPOTS

(With apologies to Rudyard Kipling)

Some call it Propaganda; some call it a disease:
Those spots upon our bodies that bring the doctor's fees.
We itched in many places—I'm scratching as I write—
Beware there, 'ware for the hated plague
That makes you such a sight!

It often stops our matches; it even stopped our dance; We hate those German measles; we haven't got a chance. We're fed up to our molars; we're in a sorry plight. Beware there, 'ware for the hated plague That makes you such a sight!

Our hats off to the Sisters, who fought it in the "San."; It may have made them vicious, but a thankless beast is man.

They rushed around in circles, they dosed with all their might.

Beware there, 'ware for the hated plague That makes you such a sight!

Though we think it's pretty rotten, we admit it might be worse:

But the GERMAN part of measles is what really makes us curse.

The Nazis and the measles are both a blinking blight. Beware there, 'ware you hated plagues, We'll show you we can fight!

J.S.S.

NIGHT.

When the cool wind blows
And the curtains are drawn—
When the daylight goes
And a new night is born,
Then out come the Things that move in the night,
And out stretch the wings of the birds of the night.

When the full moon comes up And the foolish cocks crow— Then dew fills the cup Of the flower below For the birds of the morning who sleep in the night And hide from the Things that kill in the night.

When the silvery moon
Has risen its height,
Then the Things know that soon
For their food they must fight.
When the moonlight has passed
And the night is most dark,
Then the rat breathes his last
And the cat's eyes spark;
For the darkness has ceased for the Things of the night,
And the light in the East means the end of the night.
G.V.L.

HEARD OVER THE TELEPHONE.

"Hello! Hello! Hello, Flora! Is that you?"

"Oh, my dear, wasn't the music beautiful last night? You know, dear, I've been to every opera—what's that? oh, yes, 'The Soldiers Chorus'—in 'Pagliacci'—it was lovely, wasn't it? Not 'Pagliacci'? But, my dear, I'm sure it was 'Pagliacci' because I remember saying 'Wasn't Marguerite good?'. Oh, my dear, I'm so sorry, I was talking about that other one—you know, the one with all the pilgrims in it-'Madame Butterfly.' You didn't see it? Oh, my dear, you should have. You see, this Japanese girl falls in love with an Australian naval officer, who goes with a whole lot of German pilgrims to get the Pope's blessing in Rome. Then they sing that too, too divine chorus, 'The Humming Chorus'—what's that?—no, my dear, I'm not talking about 'Tannhauser' or 'Butterfly,' the name is 'Rigoletto' -that's the name of the Pilgrim. When he comes back to China, he finds his wife married to an American soldier. so she stabs herself. Then they sing that utterly heavenly song 'On With the Motley.' Really, Claude Dinruby was utterly devastating as Santuzza-that's the name of the clown. Well, dear, I must ring off now, as I'm just off to see 'Cavalliera-Laboheme' again - that's the one where Violetta, the heroine, dies and they all sing 'Ah, Mimi, you will never return to me.' What? Oh, you don't see why they call her Mimi—well, why shouldn't they? After all, it is grand opera, you must realise that, my dear. Anyway, they all die, and—what's that?. Oh, goodbye, dear."

G.V.L.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The year started with considerable enthusiasm and the membership was higher than it had been since 1936. Unfortunately this enthusiasm died down somewhat, owing to lack of meetings, which are very difficult to fit in to the School curriculum without interfering with other Societies or entertainments.

The old artefact site on Mr. Webster's farm was opened once again, and a considerable number of snakes were caught and sent to the South African Institute of Medical Research, where their venom is used in the manufacture of serum.

The exhibition, held in the Biology Laboratory on Speech Day, was a great success and was appreciated by many of the visitors.

We are very grateful to Mr. Hudson-Bennett for the cabinet of birds which he so kindly presented to the Society. This generous gift has raised the collection of stuffed birds by almost fifty per cent.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Both Senior and Junior sections have held fortnightly meetings.

Meetings of the Junior section have included talks and demonstrations on simple photographic processes. The Senior section meetings included talks by Mr. D. Pennington on composition, by van Hasselt on touching-up and spotting of exhibition prints, and by Vercoe on the lighting of still life groups. These talks have been practical and well demonstrated or illustrated. It is hoped that more of the Junior members will attend the Senior meetings as well as their own.

On Speech Day a very successful exhibition was held in the Art Room. Although there were fewer prints than on some previous occasions, there were some fine photographs and the general standard was higher than usual. However, it must be remembered that exhibition photographs cannot be produced overnight. In the present Quarter the competition is to take the form of a "treasure hunt."

C. H. H. Barry, who left last year, is to be congratulated on his photograph of the "Three Smart Girls," which was especially mentioned in the report of the Durban exhibition as the only photograph showing originality.

MUSIC NOTES

During the last six months the School music has progressed steadily. We have had many concerts arranged both by ourselves and by outside artists. Of these concerts, two were for the Musical Society only. Miss Mary Stewart gave a pleasant pianoforte recital, and later, Mr. Charles Hampson played many 'cello pieces including Brahms E. Minor Sonata. Miss Freda Firth and Mr. Lea-Morgan played some variations, composed by Mr. Lea-Morgan, for two pianos.

Mr. Grogan Caney, assisted by Mr. Roy Carter and Miss Pattie Price, arranged a School concert in aid of war funds. Mr. Keppoch McDonald and Mrs. Thelma McDonald gave us a recital of operatic arias. During the third Quarter of the year the School itself gave a concert for war funds. The songs by Messrs. Bishop, Strickland and Birks were much enjoyed.

The inter-House musical competition was held at the end of the first term. The standard of the finalists was high, both in vocal and instrumental pieces. The Cup was won by Pascoes.

Owing to quarantine, there have been none of the usual trips to hear concerts in Maritzburg.

The School Choral Society is doing well and hopes to produce a musical show next year.

The School orchestra has given its first public performance, which was enjoyed by all.

The choir has improved steadily throughout the last half-year. In Chapel it has sung many anthems, including "Blessed be the God and Father," by Wesley, and various settings of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis. It is expected that the carol service at the end of the year will be more praiseworthy than ever.

The music rooms have been renovated, and there is now a small concert hall in which performances can be given to small audiences. Mr. Adolph Hallis gave a pianoforte recital there at the beginning of the Christmas Quarter.

R. Clausen is the junior Chapel Organist, where the singing has greatly improved. Mr. Lea-Morgan continues to give enjoyable organ recitals in Chapel on Sunday evenings.

Finally, we must thank the Rector for his interest in School music, and for the support he has given us.

J.F.B.

DEBATING SOCIETY

Some very successful meetings have been held, despite the fact that membership dropped slightly in the Michaelmas Quarter. As an experiment it was decided to postpone some of the meetings of the Michaelmas Quarter until the Christmas Quarter, so that they could be held on Saturdays. This arrangement has proved successful, so that next session meetings will probably take place throughout the whole year, although at less frequent intervals than hitherto.

On June 9th Mr. Davis successfully moved that "The excessive speed of scientific development is one of the major disasters of the Twentieth Century." He was seconded by Mr. Birks and opposed by the Rector and Mr. Chapman.

It was a unique occasion when, on June 16th, two ladies, Mrs. Snell and Mrs. Melville, proposed that "Women should have equal opportunities in professions with men." Despite their eloquent appeal, opposed by Tucker and Chater, the motion was lost by 13 votes to 17.

At the following meeting the Society was privileged to hear a very interesting paper by Mr. K. M. Pennington, entitled "Black and White in South Africa." From the discussion which followed, it was apparent that members had obtained some idea of the tremendous problems facing South Africa in the future.

On August 4th, at the beginning of the new Quarter, the following new officers were elected to replace those who had left in, June: Chairman, L. B. Ballenden; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, J. M. Pennington; Member for Lower Fifth, J. R. Whiting; Usher, G. V. Lange; Reporter, J. S. Schlesinger. After the disposal of this business there was a Hat Debate.

On August 17th Okell proposed that "Even in times of danger the State has no right to call upon the individual to sacrifice his freedom." He was seconded by Witthaus and opposed by Rilett and Williams. The motion was lost.

The motion before the House on 31st August read that "The only possible solution for South African future is a Republic," and we were interested to find Mr. Lyon proposing and Mr. Jansen opposing this motion, their supporters being Tucker and Chater. Despite a vigorous speech by Mr. Lyon and some wise remarks from the floor by Mr. K. M. Pennington, the motion was lost. On this occasion, as on others, one wondered whether members did try to vote according to the speeches, rather than according to their own prejudices. Another lesson which members should have learned from this debate, was that they should always be prepared to speak on either side of a motion, even though this involves contradiction of their usual beliefs.

At the last debate of the Quarter, Scogings proposed that "The modern child is to be deplored rather than welcomed." He was seconded by Rilett and opposed by McKenzie and du Plessis. The motion was lost.

On October 12th, Barnes and Whiting proposed that "In the interests of civilization America should declare war on the Axis Powers immediately." Schlesinger represented American opinion and Challinor opposed this motion. The opposition scored a telling point when they drew attention to the fact that America was in any case not yet ready to fight and that, if she kept all her armament production for herself, then Britain would be adversely affected. The

motion was lost after what was probably the best debate of the session.

The Society has decided to cancel its annual dinner and to devote the amount usually subscribed to war funds.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

The Society has been carrying on its activities with enthusiasm during the past two Quarters, and most of the meetings have been well attended. It was found that very few boys came to meetings when they were held after Cadets on Friday afternoons, and thus the Society has endeavoured in the last few meetings to change the time to Friday or Saturday evenings, and in this way a much larger attendance has been ensured.

The Society met four times last Quarter, and at the first meeting Dr. A. Byer, from N.U.C., gave an extraordinarily interesting lecture on the Floral Vegetation of Natal. This lecture was unfortunately held on a Friday afternoon, and not very many boys were present.

At the next meeting, which was held on the 23rd August, Reid lectured on "Oils and Fats," and Witthaus and Webb gave an interesting talk, together with lantern slides, on "Surface Tension."

On the 5th September we were lucky in getting Mr. A. R. Brown, chief chemist at Lever Bros., to come up from Durban and give us a very interesting talk on the raw materials used in soap manufacture.

Our final meeting last Quarter was held on the 20th September, when Ballenden and Fleischer gave talks on "Artificial Silk" and "Static Electricity" respectively. Both these lectures contained a lot of sound material, and were well delivered.

So far this Quarter we have had one meeting, which was held on Saturday, 26th October. This meeting was different from pervious meetings in that there were no lectures given, but instead, Mr. J. L. Robinson showed three very interesting short films. The subjects of these films were "Electrons," "Spiders" and "Rubber."

THE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

A Stamp Club, under the direction and reorganisation of Mrs. Snell, has been meeting on Sunday evenings after Chapel, and the interest in Stamps is increasing steadily.

At the moment the membership is not very large, and it is to be hoped that in the future a few more boys may become interested and follow the example of H.M. the late King George V, who was a keen philatelist.

J.M.M.

SHOOTING

Shooting has naturally experienced many difficulties because of the war. The .303 shooting has ceased altogether, as the Defence Department has taken all our .303 rifles. There was also some doubt, for a time, whether we should be able to continue with .22 shooting, because of a shortage of ammunition. We have, however, received temporary supplies and are at the moment leading on the first two rounds of the "Frank Stevens" Competition and in the Molyneux Cup. The third round of the "Frank Stevens" will decide both these. We were second in the Union in the Inter-Provincial Competition, which was again won by Natal.

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We are glad to learn, as we go to press, that we have won the Frank Stevens Shield and Molyneux Cup for 1940; the details of the scores are not yet available. This is the first time for many years that we have won any Shooting trophy, though we have been in the running for some time now.

ATHLETICS

The Ramparts had to be postponed until the Christmas Quarter owing to illness. The new House Cup, presented by F. R. Alexander, was won by West. Results:

SENIOR.

1.	West (2, 4, 12, 13, 17, 21)	69
2.	Founders (2, 5, 11, 15, 25, 29)	87
3.	Pascoes	125
4.	Tatham	132
5.	Farfield	147
6.	East	151

JUNIOR.

1.	West (4, 5, 8, 13, 14, 24)	68
2.	East (2, 3, 7, 12, 33, 34)	91
3.	Founders	114
4.	Farfield	117
5.	Tatham	156
	Pascoes	

INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS.

Senior: Equal 1st, Holt, Stewart, Isaac. Time: 40min. 18½ secs.

Junior: 1st, Taylor; 2nd, Stubbings; 3rd, Goodbrand. Time: 20min. 26secs. (Record.)

Stewart and Holt represented the School in the Invitation Schools Mile at Estcourt. Stewart was third and Holt sixth. They both ran well.

TENNIS NOTES

Owing to a run of epidemics throughout the year we have found extreme difficulty in arranging matches, and so far we have only managed to play two. The first of these was against the Michaelhouse Staff Tennis team and we were beaten by 11 matches to 5. The second match, which was an all-day affair, was played against N.U.C. There were singles and doubles, and in the end N.U.C. managed to secure the victory by 9 matches to 6. We are very grateful to Mr. Gersigny for being generous enough to coach the School on Wednesday afternoons.

The following played in the team: J. M. Kidd (capt.) and G. W. Springorum; F. B. Barnes and J. A. Wallace; D. R. Lee and J. M. Stewart; G. D. Wallace and G. F. Moule.

HOCKEY

The season, as regards matches, was inevitably disorganised owing to the war. In the Lent Quarter matches were played against a team brought by Mr. Johnson, of Hilton, which consisted of members of the Hilton and Michaelhouse Staffs and four Hilton boys. The School lost 1—2, the match being somewhat marred by injuries to Caswell and Smith. Later in the Quarter the School XI beat a Staff team 2—1.

The Bunnies played Hilton Bunnies at Hilton on June 13th and won fairly easily, in an interesting game, by 4 goals to 2.

After July, we returned to find Messrs. Melville and Davis gone, though the advent of Mr. Thomas was a great help to the running of the Hockey. Through the season the Hockey was organised on a basis of pairs of Houses, varying day by day, whose Hockey Captains submitted 33 graded players from which three games were able to be compiled, the Houses being mixed. This proved a desirable innovation. Rugger Games i and ii continued to play Hockey on Mondays, as originally.

To wind up the season an American Tournament, in which eight matched teams, captained by School Hockey Colours or Masters, competed, was played on the last Monday and Wednesday of the Quarter. Matches lasted 20 minutes and each team played all of the others, the winners being the "Shimmies," captained by Mr. Chapman.

School matches and House match descriptions and results are appended.

Colours were awarded to: J. A. P. Smith (Captain), D. R. Lee, E. F. Harriss, P. T. Peake, J. M. Kidd, J. B. Cox, T. C. Monk, G. D. A. Wallace and P. A. Caswell.

v. DURBAN NOMADS. Saturday, September 7th.

Owing to the disintegrating effect of the war upon Maritzburg Clubs, and the incidence of epidemics, this was the first match of the season for the XI. Against an uneven side (which contained many Old Boys, but were handicapped by being one short most of the time) the School did well to win 2—1. Play was a little scrappy in the first half. Nomads scored after about 20 minutes, Caswell equalising shortly before half-time. The second half was much better. Our forwards began to combine and Cleverly shot a good goal. But for the brilliance of the visiting goalie, several more shots would have succeeded. Harriss made some good

saves, and the defence broke up most of the visiting forwards' rushes. Arkwright, deputising at back, did very well, as also did Cleverly at inside right.

Team: Harriss, Smith, Arkwright, Kidd, Lee, Cox, Chater, Caswell, Wallace ii, Cleverly, Monk.

v. NUCLIADS. Saturday, September 14.

Played on a wet ground in unpleasant weather, the Hockey was surprisingly fast and good. In the first half the School forwards had rather the better of the exchanges and after 15 minutes Whitaker scored. In the second half, Nucliads pressed strongly and scored twice. The play continued to be very even, and when the final whistle went the School were on the point of securing a penalty corner. The School were unlucky not to draw, and combined very well against a lively opposition.

Team: Harriss, Smith, Peake, Cox, Lee, Kidd, Whitaker, Cleverly, Gersigny, Caswell, Monk.

HOCKEY CHARACTERS.

- J. A. P. Smith (Captain. Left Back): Proved a conscientious captain and well merited his place at full-back. His defence was sound, and, though he tended to tackle on the wrong side, he was very difficult to pass, combining well with Peake, the other back.
- E. F. Harriss (Goalkeeper): Kept goal excellently throughout the season and never once did he let the team down. His ability for kicking the ball almost to the half-way line was a great asset to the team and roused much enthusiasm among the spectators.
- P. T. Peake (Right Back): Played staunchly and steadily throughout the season. His positional play and stickwork were excellent and he fully deserved his colours.
- J. B. Cox (Left Half): Played pleasing Hockey when he wanted to, but he was inclined to have bad days when he slacked off and did not play at all well.
- D. R. Lee (Centre Half): Kept the side together magnificently and many a time did the forwards benefit from his sharp through passes. With Lee as Centre Half the game was always open and full of variety.
- J. M. Kidd (Right Half): Played lethargic but, nevertheless, excellent Hockey throughout the season, relying mostly on his stickwork and positional play.

- K. Whitaker (Left Wing): Came into the team as left wing in the middle of the season and maintained his place with considerable merit. Once or twice his play fell to rather a low level, but, on the whole, he played sound and intelligent Hockey.
- G. D. A. Wallace (Left Inside): Unluckily damaged his back during the season and was unable to represent the School XI against Nomads and Nucliads. In the matches he did play his standard was very high, his smashing shots at goal coming in very useful indeed.
- J. H. A. Wallace (Centre Forward): Played crudely but effectively throughout the season. Owing to a rather fiery temper he was wont to become a little over-excited, but nevertheless his play was very beneficial to the team.
- P. A. Caswell (Right Inside): Lacking the customary speed of an inside forward, he relied mainly on his stickwork and positional play, and kept up a high standard throughout the season.
- T. C. Monk (Right Wing): Played excellently in every match of the season. His speed usually enabled him to outrun his opposing halves and backs, and his general play on the wing was worthy of considerable merit.

SENIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

First Round. September 10th.

West, 12; Pascoes, 3. A very one-sided game, with the winners combining well. The Pascoe forwards alone showed some individual promise.

Founders, 2; Farfield, 1. In a scrappy game a much depleted Farfield side lost owing to the ineffectiveness of their forward line, notwithstanding the Trojan work of their halves. The Founders forwards had more thrust. Cleverly was excellent, and Ellis-Brown and Payn good.

Second Round. September 12th.

West, 2; Founders, 0. Despite continuous misty rain, the Hockey was quite good. Founders had all the best of the game in the first half, and only Hall's brilliance in goal saved more than one score. Just on half-time West scored

and in the second half had rather the better of the exchanges, securing a second goal towards the close. The wetness made it difficult to stand.

East, 3; Tatham, 2. In this match, too, the Hockey was interesting, though too robust in the second half. Rain made it difficult to keep a footing, but play was good in the first half. At half-time the score was 3—1. Tatham were unlucky in having a forward line disorganised through illness. East had a pronounced advantage in goal.

Senior Final. September 17th.

West, 9; East, 0. Most disappointing as a match. The East forwards lacked thrust and the goalkeeper allowed himself to be repeatedly outwitted. There was no finesse in the East play, whereas the West team played extremely well, the forwards combining admirably, and the defence, with Lee as its king-pin, being virtually impregnable.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

First Round. September 11th.

Pascoe's, 3; East, 1. A boisterous and inferior game in which East, though scoring in the last five seconds of the game, played on the whole worse than their opponents, throwing away many chances in the circle through slowness and uncertainty. Booker, at back for Pascoe's, was effective, and Fehrsen worked hard.

Founders, 4; Fairfield, 2. Not a good game. The Farfield forwards were outpaced and did little with the ball, whereas the Founder's line combined at times quite well.

Second Round. September 17th.

West, 4; Pascoe's, 0. Owing to a breach of rules the semi-final between West and Pascoe's had to be replayed. The replay resulted in a win of 4—0 for West. The game was rough and scrappy. H. H. Isaac and D. H. Brownplayed well for West.

Tatham, 4; Founders, 0. Tatham, though not at full strength, showed superior combination and thrust. Founders were desperately slow and never once looked like winning, and in the end the game resulted in a win of 4—0 for Tatham. For the victors, Banks and Vowles played a good game.

Junior Final.

The final of the Junior Hockey resulted in a draw, 2—2, West appearing to be the better team. In the replay, however, the Tatham forwards, with their forceful centre, Vowles, played so well that they led 6—0 until a few minutes of the end, when West rallied and scored two goals. Result: Tatham, 6; West, 2.

RUGBY

The Schools' trials were played in pouring rain this year. Durban beat Maritzburg, and Northern Districts beat Hilton-Michaelhouse. We were represented by H. Barnby, J. B. Cox, D. R. Lee, F. B. Barnes, G. Chater, G. M. Dorning, G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, G. Blampied, J. Owen-Jones, D. G. Wood.

D. R. Lee is to be congratulated on being chosen for the Natal Schools XV.

During the year, Colours were awarded as follows:— 1st XV. Colours: F. B. Barnes, G. D. Wallace.

1st XV Blazers: G. W. Springorum, J. Owen-Jones, G. Blampied, R. A. Hamlyn, H. G. Barnby, R. F. Pennington, D. G. Wood, W L Vowles, E. F. Harriss, J. Fitzgerald, P. T. Peake.

2nd XV Badge: J. F. Moor, J. M. Kidd, M. D. Schiever, J. Schlesinger, J. B. Cox, D. Fleischer, F. W. Dorning, C. M. Beith.

At the beginning of the season D. R. Lee was elected Captain and G. Chater Vice-Captain.

1st XV.

With five of last year's XV back, together with several of the 2nd XV, we hoped to have a reasonably strong side, but we were bitterly disappointed. Our record is the worst for many years. The only bright spot was the fact that we were able to beat Hilton, but, apart from that game when we played really well, the side played uninspiring Rugby. The team lacked finish and polish, mainly due to a sad lack of speed. Many good movements were started but nothing ever resulted from them. The forwards played well on one or two occasions, but were too slow and lacking

in hustling tactics to be of real use. The backs were also very slow and showed little initiative; their defence was very weak. Lee, as captain, was not very inspiring and seemed unable to ginger up his side; he played good attacking Rugby throughout, but his defence was weak. Peake, Cox and Kidd all had a try at full-back. Peake was safe, but incredibly slow; Cox started well, but went to pieces: Kidd showed promise towards the end of the season, but both he and Cox were weak tacklers. Wallace i started the season in great style, but was crocked and did not seem the same person on his return to the game. Barnby has the makings of a good footballer, but is a player of moods and is lacking in speed. Vowles improved as the season progressed, and should be useful next year. Cox, like Barnby, is another player who plays really well when he feels inclined. Barnes played sound but rather dull Rugby for one who knows the game so well. He seemed afraid of trying unorthodox movements. Chater was not the same player as last year, and was most disappointing; he tried to do too much on his own. Dorning i played well but did not improve as he was expected to do. Springorum was the most improved forward, and will do really well with experience. Hamlyn hooked consistently well, but was apt to lose his head when he got the ball in the open. Jones kicked splendidly, but his play lacked finish. pied pushed well in the scrum but did many foolish things in the open. Wood was a good scrummager, but did very Fitzgerald showed promise but was unfortulittle else. nate in being off for a long time with a bad knee. nington was improving rapidly at the end of the season. He lacked speed and weight, but his anticipation and footwork were good. Harriss, as eighth man, lacked thrust and his handling was weak.

1st XV GENERAL RESULTS.

				Points			
P.	w.	L.	D.	F.	A.		
14	5	8	1	167	194		

				Points			
P.	w.	L.	D.	F.			
10	3	6	1	110	125		

SCHOOL MATCHES.

MICHAELHOUSE v. OLD BOYS.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 2nd. Lost 13-24.

On paper the Old Boys did not have a particularly good side, but all were in good training and were ably led by Eric Miller. The Old Boys backs played good, sound Rugby, running straight and handling well, while Mike Henderson, at fly, was in very good form. For so early in the season the School did creditably well, particularly the forwards, who more than held their own. The School got on top too late as they scored ten points in the last five minutes. In the first half Springorum scored a good try following a splendid forward rush. Vowles and Chater scored in the second half.

1st XV: J. B. Cox; G. D. Wallace, H. G. Barnby, D. R. Lee, W. L. Vowles; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. M. Dorning, G. W. Springorum, J. Owen-Jones, G. Blampied, R. A. Hamlyn, D. Fleischer, P. T. Peake, M. D. Schiever.

Referee: Mr. K. M. Pennington.

MICHAELHOUSE v. ST. CHARLES COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 11th. Lost 6-16.

Our opponents played too fast and too experienced a game for us. Our forwards would not heel the ball back from the loose scrums and we were beaten in the set scrums as well. Hogben, at scrum half, played a grand game for our opponents and seemed to be everywhere. He scored three of their four tries as well as getting across and tackling our wings on at least two occasions when they were about to score.

1st XV: J. B. Cox; G. D. Wallace, G. Chater, D. R. Lee, C. M. Beith; F. B. Barnes, J. Moor; G. M. Dorning, G. W. Springorum, J. Owen-Jones, R. A. Hamlyn, G. Blampied, R. F. Pennington, J. P. Fitzgerald, P. T. Peake.

Referee: Mr. C. C. Randell.

MICHAELHOUSE v. CEDARA.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 7th. Won 11-8.

This was meant to be more or less a practice game, but it soon developed into a hard match in which we played

really good Rugby and did really well to beat our opponents who had a formidable side. Hamlyn was hooking well and our backs got the ball fairly frequently. Kidd was somewhat slow in getting the line going. Beith scored two good tries.

1st XV: J. B. Cox; D. G. Wallace, G. Chater, D. R. Lee, C. M. Beith; J. M. Kidd, J. Moor; G. M. Dorning, D. Fleischer, J. Owen-Jones, G. Blampied, R. A. Hamlyn, P. T. Peake, R. F. Pennington, J. P. Fitzgerald.

MICHAELHOUSE v. MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Played at Maritzburg College on May 18th. Lost 8-11.

Although the standard of Rugby in this game was never very high, the match was full of excitement. The College forwards dominated the play but the backs were weak, while our backs got very few opportunities. Cox was weak in defence while Moor was slow in getting the ball away, but he scored a great try in the second half.

1st XV: J. B. Cox; G. D. Wallace, G. Chater, D. R. Lee, W. L. Vowles; F. B. Barnes, J. F. Moor; G. M. Dorning, G. W. Springorum, J. Owen-Jones, R. A. Hamlyn, J. P. Fitzgerald, M. D. Schiever, E. F. Harriss, D. G. Wood.

Referee: Mr. C. A. Filday.

MICHAELHOUSE v. BEREA-ROVERS.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 24th. Lost 14-24.

This was a grand game to watch. The Rovers brought up a strong side and played delightful open Rugby. Wade, at centre, and Egeland, at loose forward, played very well for the Rovers, while Lee was in good form for us. Owen-Jones kicked a magnificent penalty for us. Cox was weak in defence. The score was only 11—6 at half-time, but the Rovers scored 13 points very quickly in the second half, while we took some time to recover and scored towards the end of the game.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; G. D. Wallace, J. B. Cox, D. R. Lee, P. B. Somerset; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, J. P. Fitzgerald, G. Blampied, D. G. Wood, G. M. Dorning, J. Owen-Jones, E. F. Harriss.

Referee: Mr. K. M. Pennington

MICHAELHOUSE v DURBAN COLLEGIANS.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 31st. Won 19-13.

As two Durban Regiments had been called up for active service the previous week, the Collegians had great difficulty in raising a team at all. The side that came up was by no means weak and we played good Rugby to win. Hamlyn hooked well, while the forwards were particularly good in the loose. Owen-Jones again kicked two fine penalty goals. Beith, Chater and Hamlyn scored tries for us.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; P. B. Somerset, D. R. Lee, W. L. Vowles, C. M. Beith; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, J. Owen-Jones, G. Blampied, D. G. Wood, R. F. Pennington, M. D. Schiever, E. F. Harriss.

Referee: Mr. A. P. Woods.

MICHAELHOUSE v. GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL.

Played at Michaelhouse on June 8th. Won 24-3.

The forwards played well in this match, particularly in getting the ball back from the loose, so that the backs were given golden opportunities of which they made full use. Wallace, Lee and Vowles each scored a try, while Owen-Jones scored a try and kicked two grand penalties. Barnes dropped a goal at a time when the result of the game was very open, and it rather took the wind out of our opponents' sails.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; G. D. Wallace, D. R. Lee, W. L. Vowles, H. G. Barnby; F. B. Barnes, J. F. Moor; G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, J. Owen-Jones, D. G. Wood, G. C. Blampied, G. M. Dorning, M. D. Schiever, E. F. Harriss.

MICHAELHOUSE v. HILTON COLLECE.

Played at Michaelhouse on June 15th. Won 18-0.

We rose to the occasion in this game and played really well for the only time during the season. After the first ten minutes, when Hilton attacked very strongly, our forwards asserted themselves and eventually outplayed their opponents. Our backs were given a good deal of the ball, and for once played constructive Rugby. Lee was seen to advantage, while Barnby played the game of his life and was outstandingly good. Hilton, attacking very

strongly at first, seemed almost certain to score first when Batchelor got away, but Lee brought off a great dive tackle to save the situation. This seemed to wake up our team as we pressed almost immediately, and, following a quick heel from the loose, Lee was able to give Barnby an overlap and he scored in the corner. This was the only score at half-time.

Within five minutes of the re-start, Barnes broke beautifully, and Barnby, anticipating marvellously, came in from the wing and was perfectly placed to score under the posts. This was the turning point of the game, as we remained right on top for the rest of the time. Barnby scored another fine try after a great run when Lee had given him the overlap; Owen-Jones goaled with a great kick. Shortly afterwards Lee broke and beat the full-back to score a good. Harriss kicked a good goal. Wallace, promoted from the 3rd XV, played a really fine game.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; H. G. Barnby, D. R. Lee, J. B. Cox, W. L. Vowles; F. B. Barnes, J. H. Wallace; G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, J. Owen-Jones, G. C. Blampied, D. G. Wood, G. M. Dorning, M. D. Schiever, E. F. Harriss.

MICHAELHOUSE v. ST. CHARLES COLLEGE. Played at St. Charles on June 22nd. Lost 5—32.

Playing on a field which was very slippery, due to heavy rains, our team looked like so many cart horses on an ice rink, while our opponents were very nimble and remarkably steady. The net result was that we were completely outclassed and lost by the biggest margin that a Michaelhouse team has lost by for over twenty years. The St. Charles halves and threequarters gave an outstanding display under difficult conditions. Springorum scored our only try, following a good break by Lee. Our defence was shockingly weak, particularly that of our backs.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; P. J. Williams, D. R. Lee, J. B. Cox, H. G. Barnby; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, J. Owen-Smith, G. C. Blampied, D. G. Wood, G. M. Dorning, M. D. Schiever, R. F. Pennington.

MICHAELHOUSE v. D.H.S.

Played at D.H.S. on June 25th. Lost 3-25.

With several players absent, we were no match for our opponents in this match. The D.H.S. forwards were heavy and tall and did what they liked with our pack, with the result that we were on the defensive throughout the game. We did very well to keep the score to 8—3 up to half-time, but we cracked badly in the second half. Cox proved our downfall as he let his man through time after time. Our score was the result of a good penalty kick by Owen-Jones.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; H. G. Barnby, D. R. Lee, J. B. Cox, G. M. McLung; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, J. Owen-Jones, D. G. Wood, G. C. Blampied, G. D. Morning, F. W. Dorning, R. F. Pennington.

Referee: Mr. G. Sweetman.

MICHAELHOUSE v. MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on August 10th. Drawn 9-9.

This was rather a poor match to watch as neither side played constructive Rugby, and many opportunities went begging through bad passing or poor handling. The score was 3—3 at half-time and then we led 9—6 and sat on the College line for ten minutes but could not score through some error or other. The College then dribbled the ball from their goal line to ours and scored. Luckily the kick went astray and we were then defending desperately until the whistle blew. Lee scored a try for us while Owen-Jones and Harriss kicked penalties.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; H. G. Barnby, D. R. Lee, W. L. Vowles, D. G. Wallace; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. M. Dorning, G. W. Springorum, J. Owen-Jones, D. G. Wood, R. F. Pennington, E. F. Harriss, J. Schlesinger, D. Fleischer.

Referee: Mr. S. de Kock.

MICHAELHOUSE v. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.

Played at St. John's on August 17th. Lost 9-18.

St. John's started off with tremendous dash and determination, while we were completely at sixes and sevens until the last twenty minutes, when we were all over our opponents. We might have pulled off a sensational victory if we had made full use of our many opportunities during that time. Lee's defence was shockingly weak, and three of their tries were due to his poor tackling. St. John's had a number of penalties awarded against them mainly for off-side play, and we could have won the match if our kicking had been at all up to standard. The score was 8-3 at half-time, but they scored two goals within five minutes of the restart. The second was a penalty try when Lee quite accidentally (it seemed so from off the field) fell and tripped one of the opponents who was also running for the ball. This seemed to wake us up and we then began to gain control, but frittered our opportunities away. Lee and Owen-Jones kicked penalties for us, while Pennington scored a try.

1st XV: P. T. Peake; G. D. Wallace, D. R. Lee, W. L. Vowles, H. G. Barnby; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. M. Dorning, G. W. Springorum, J. Owen-Jones, R. A. Hamlyn, D. G. Wood, R. F. Pennington, E. F. Harriss, J. Fitzgerald.

MICHAELHOUSE v. ESTCOURT HIGH SCHOOL.

Played at Estcourt on August 28th. Won 22-0.

Our forwards were too good for the Estcourt pack, and our threes got the ball consistently. The game was played in a high wind which prevented our backs from passing and handling with certainty. Tries were scored by Dorning i, Wallace ii, Barnby and Owen-Jones.

1st XV: J. M. Kidd; C. M. Beith, H. G. Barnby, D. R. Lee, G. D. Wallace; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. W. Springorum, R. A. Hamlyn, J. Owen-Jones, D. G. Wood, J. Fitzgerald, R. F. Pennington, G. M. Dorning, E. F. Harriss.

Referee: Mr. S. Griffin.

MICHAELHOUSE v. D.H.S.

Played at Michaelhouse on August 31st. Lost 6-11.

This was a good hard game, which we might have won with a bit more luck and speed, and had we held one or two important passes. Our forwards stood up to the heavy D.H.S. pack very well indeed and towards the end of the game had them well beaten. Lee played well but made two blunders. He made two beautiful breaks, but in the first he passed too soon to his wing, and in the second he kicked ahead instead of drawing the full back and passing to his wing. D.H.S. scored under the posts early on in the game and it looked as if we were going to get badly beaten, but we kept them out until shortly before half-time when they scored again. We played much better in the second half. Barnby scored a try following a quick heel from the loose and Owen-Jones kicked a penalty. We then attacked strongly for about a quarter of an hour and should have scored, but let our opportunities slip. D.H.S. renewed the pressure and then scored. We were attacking again when the final whistle blew.

1st XV: J. M. Kidd; G. D. Wallace, D. R. Lee, W. L. Vowles, H. G. Barnby; F. B. Barnes, G. Chater; G. W. Springorum, J. Schlesinger, J. Owen-Jones, D. G. Wood, J. Fitzgerald, G. M. Dorning, R. F. Pennington, E. F. Harriss.

Referee: Mr. C. A. Filday.

2nd XV.

After a lean year last season, the 2nd XV came into its own once more and played sound, attractive Rugby. The forwards were good without showing any sign of brilliance, while the backs were comparatively fast. The team lacked a fly-half. Moor ii was outstanding at scrum half while Beith, who played several games for the 1st XV, was a scoring wing. McClung showed promise as a centre as did Williams on the wing.

2nd XV GENERAL RESULTS.

				Points			
P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.		
10	8	2	0	141	58		

SCHOOL MATCHES.

				Points			
P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.		
8	6	2	0	111	42		

MICHAELHOUSE v. OLD BOYS.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 2nd. Won 10-8.

This was a good game in which the sides were very evenly matched. The Old Boys missed an easy convert, otherwise the game would have been a draw.

2nd XV: J. M. Stewart; P. J. Williams, G. M. McClung, P. B. Somerset, C M. Beith; J. M. Kidd, J. Moor; R. F. Pennington, J. P. Fitzgerald, E. F. Harriss, F. B. Tucker, A. F. van Velden, D. G. Wood, J. O. Harle, F. W. Dorning.

MICHAELHOUSE v. ST. CHARLES COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 11th. Won 17-0.

Our forwards played very well and gave the backs many opportunities, not all of which were used to any advantage.

2nd XV: J. M. Stewart; P. J. Williams, G. M. McClung, P. B. Somerset, D. Grice; J. M. Kidd, J. H. Wallace; F. W. Dorning, D. S. Fleischer, D. M. Schiever, E. F. Harriss, J. O. Harle, F. B. Tucker, D. G. Wood, A. D. van Velden.

MICHAELHOUSE v. MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Played at Maritzburg College on May 18th. Won 15—8. This was a much closer match than the score indicates as Dorning kicked very accurately. Our forwards played well, but the backs made too many mistakes both in attack and defence.

2nd XV: J. M. Stewart; P. B. Somerset, G. M. McClung, P. T. Peake, C. M. Beith; H. G. Barnby, J. H. Wallace; R. F. Pennington, G. Blampied, D. Fleischer, F. W. Dorning, J. O. Harle, A. D. van Velden, H. D. Hall, F. B. Tucker.

MICHAELHOUSE v. BEREA-ROVERS.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 24th. Won 20-8.

Our opponents were a very mixed side, consisting of some 2nd team, some 3rd team, and some under 19 players, and they never got going. Our backs played well in this game.

2nd XV: J. M. Stewart; W. L. Vowles, G. M. McClung, H. G. Barnby, C. M. Beith; J. M. Kidd, J. F. Moor; F. W.

Dorning, J. Schlesinger, J. O. Harle, H. W. Miller, D. S. Fleischer, M. D. Schiever, R. F. Pennington, A. D. van Velden.

MICHAELHOUSE v. GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL.

Played at Michaelhouse on June 8th. Won 27-3.

We proved too heavy and too fast for our opponents in this game and won very comfortably.

2nd XV: J. M. Stewart; P. B. Somerset, J. B. Cox, G. M. McClung, C. M. Beith; J. M Kidd, J. H. Wallace; F. W. Dorning, J. Schlesinger, F. B. Tucker, D. S. Fleischer, H. W. Miller, R. F. Pennington, A. van Velden, J. O. Harle.

MICHAELHOUSE v. HILTON COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on June 15th. Won 9-0.

Our backs were very weak in this game and did not use the many opportunities which were given them by the forwards, who were much better than their opponents. Hilton defended very stubbornly indeed.

2nd XV: J. M. Stewart; P. J. Williams, G. M. McClung, P. B. Somerset, C. M. Beith; J. M. Kidd, J. F. Moor; R. Fawcett, J. Schlesinger, F. B. Tucker, H. Miller, D. S. Fleischer, R. F. Pennington, F. W. Dorning, A. D. van Velden.

MICHAELHOUSE v. ST. CHARLES COLLEGE.

Played at St. Charles on June 22nd. Lost 3-6.

On a slippery ground our backs played very poor Rugby indeed. The forwards played well but should have kept the ball to themselves far more. We had our chances but let them slip.

2nd XV: J. M. Stewart; van Hasselt, A. Curlewis, D. G. Grice, G. M. McClung; J. M. Kidd, J. Williamson; F. B. Tucker, J. Schlesinger, R. Fawcett, D. S. Fleischer, H. W. Miller, F. W. Dorning, A. D. van Velden, J. O. Harle.

MICHAELHOUSE v. D.H.S.

Played at D.H.S. on June 25th. Lost 0-16.

Owing to a misunderstanding we only played 14 men in this game as Ellis Brown did not appear. Added to this, several of the regular 2nd XV were unable to play, so that the 3rd XV players were roped in. The D.H.S. scored all their points in the first half, after which we defended stoutly.

MICHAELHOUSE v. MARITZBURG COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on August 10th. Won 28-3.

We played good constructive Rugby in this game. The forwards and backs combined very well.

2nd XV: J. M. Kidd; P. J. Williams, D. G. Grice, J. B. Cox, C. M. Beith; J. H. Wallace, J. F. Moor; M. D. Schiever, F. W. Dorning, R. Fawcett, A. D. van Velden, J. O. Harle, F. B. Tucker, M. Paton, J. C. Meintjies.

MICHAELHOUSE v. D.H.S.

Played at Michaelhouse on August 31st. Won 12-6.

We should have won this game more comfortably, but Wallace was weak in attack. The forwards again played well.

2nd XV: P. T. Peake; P. J. Williams, J. B. Cox, D. G. Grice, C. M. Beith; J. H. Wallace, J. F. Moor; R. Fawcett, M. Paton, A. van Velden, D. Fleischer, H. W. Miller, F. W. Dorning, M. D. Schiever, J. O. Harle.

3rd XV.

This team was a decided improvement on that of last year. Unfortunately for them several matches had to be cancelled on account of epidemics. The strength of the team lay in the forwards, while the backs were sound.

3rd XV GENERAL RESULTS.

Points

P. W. L. D. F. A. 6 4 2 0 74 29

3rd XV v. STAFF XV.

Played at Michaelhouse on April 27th. Lost 3-11.

3rd XV: Chapman; van Hasselt, Curlewis i, Arkwright, Ellis Brown; Wallace ii, Williamson; Ballendon, Schlesinger, Tidboald i, Waters, Challenor, Butcher, Fawcett, Caswell.

3rd XV v. OLD BOYS.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 2nd. Won 8-3.

3rd XV: Chapman; Kirkman, Grice, Curlewis i, van Hasselt; Arkwright, Wallace ii; Ballenden, Schlesinger, Hall i, Meintjies, Taylor i, Miller, Caswell, Fawcett.

3rd XV v. ST. CHARLES COLLEGE.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 11th. Won 24-6.

3rd XV: Chapman; Kirkman, Curlewis i, Williamson, van Hasselt; Arkwright, Shipster ii; Caswell, Schlesinger, Miller, Waters, Meintjies, Caswell, Fawcett, Butcher.

3rd XV v. WESTON FARM SCHOOL.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 18th. Won 22-0.

3rd XV: Chapman; Williams i, Curlewis i, Williamson, van Hasselt; Arkwright, Shipster ii; Caswell, Schlesinger, Miller, Ballenden, Meintjies, Tidboald, Butcher, Fawcett.

3rd XV v. ESTCOURT HIGH SCHOOL 2nd XV.

Played at Michaelhouse on June 8th. Win 11-0.

3rd XV: Chapman; Williams i, Curlewis i, Gishford, van Hasselt; Arkwright, Williamson; Tidboald, Caswell, Bluck, Butcher, Chaplin, Meintjies, Ballenden, Waters.

3rd XV v. ST. CHARLES.

Played at St. Charles on June 22nd. Lost 6-9.

3rd XV: Chapman; Ellis Brown, Whitaker, Gishford, Ternouth; Arkwright, Holt; Ballenden, Down, Bobbert, Bluck, Tidboald i, Butcher, Chaplin, Challenor.

OTHER MATCHES.

4th XV v. OLD BOYS.

Played at Michaelhouse on May 2nd. Won 5-3.

4th XV: Southey; Rouillard, Allen i, Williamson, Ellis Brown; Whitaker, Holt; Bluck, Down, Dawson-Squibb, Butcher, Smith, Chaplin, Bobbert, Anderson ii.

4th XV v. WESTON.

Played at Weston on August 17th. Won 20—0.

4th XV: Brown iii; Kirkman, Caswell, Gishford, Ternouth; Chapman, Williamson; Ballenden, Smith, Reid, Taylor i, Chaplin, Bobbert, Allen i, Ellis Brown.

BUNNIES v. CORDWALLES.

Played at Cordwalles on August 24th. Won 28-3.

Bunnies: Price Moor; Rymer, Taylor ii, Harker ii, Holliday; Deavin, Hindle; McBride, Giddy, Bassett-Smith, Oberlin-Harris, Nel, Neall, Gough, Williams iii.

1st XV HOUSE MATCHES.

After two very close games, West managed to win this event. Tatham were unlucky in that several of their good players were unable to play owing to injuries.

FIRST ROUND.

East beat Pascoe's, 30-0.

Pascoe's put up a very creditable performance in this game and defended stoutly.

East: Peake; Waters, McClung, Somerset, Dekema; Kidd, Williamson; Blampied, Hamlyn, Owen Jones, Harle, Meintjies, Schiever, Twycross, Harriss i.

Pascoe's: Harden, Williams i, Welch, Raw, Monk; Barnby, Simpson; Pennington i, Tucker, Biggs, Ballenden, Bluck, Booker, Brown ii, Fehrsen.

West beat Farfield, 28-0.

Farfield found the West forwards and Lee too strong for them.

West: Chapman; Curlewis ii, Lee i, Curlewis i, Beith; Barnes i, Barnes ii; Springorum, Schlesinger, Dorning ii, Tidboald i, Saville, Dorning i, Challenor, Bower.

Farfield: Illidge; Rouillard, Cox, Grice, Brown ii; Arkwright, Holt; van Velden, Bird, Down, Lewis, Alexander, Reid, Auret i, Moule.

SECOND ROUND.

East beat Founders, 48-0.

Founders were very weak and could not hold the East threequarters.

East: Peake; Somserset, Schiever, McClung, Waters; Kidd, Williamson; Harle, Hamlyn, Meintjies, Blampied, Twycross, West, Harriss i, Ferguson.

Founders: Mostert; Kirkman, Ellis Brown, Cleverly, Webber; Moore, Young, Wood, Miller, Bobbert, Allen ii, Lawrence, Watt, Haggie, Horton.

West beat Tatham, 12—8.

This was a splendid game in which both sides played good sound hard Rugby.

West: Chapman; Curlewis ii, Lee i, Curlewis ii, Beith; Barnes i, Southey; Springorum, Schlesinger, Dorning ii, Tidboald i, Otto, Challinor, Dorning i, Bower.

Tatham: Shipster i; van Hasselt, Gishford, Vowles, Ternouth; Wallace i, Wallace ii; Fleischer, Caswell, Fawcett, Allen i, Smith, Butcher, Anderson ii, Barrett.

FINAL.

West beat East, 6-3.

In contrast to the West-Tatham match this was a very dull affair. Each side was playing for safety and very little spectacular play was seen.

West: Chapman; Beith, Curlewis i, Lee i, Curlewis ii; Barnes i, Southey; Springorum, Schlesinger, Dorning ii, Tidboald i, Challenor, Otto, Dorning i, Bower.

East: Peake; Somerset, Schiever, McClung, Waters; Kidd, Williamson; Harle, Hamlyn, Meintjies, Blampied, Twycross, Owen Jones, Harriss i, Ferguson.

2nd XV HOUSE MATCHES.

The Rugby played in this competition was not at all good. West won after a stern struggle with East in the final.

FIRST ROUND.

Farfield beat Founders, 9—6. West beat Pascoe's, 22—6.

SECOND ROUND.

East beat Farfield, 8—3. West beat Tathm, 8—0.

FINAL.

East drew with West, 6—6. West beat East, 5—0.

West: Price Moor; Isaac i, Gersigny, Williams ii, Earle; Whitaker, Barnes ii; Beaton, Pennington ii, Moore i, Saville, Johnson ii, Brown i, Stainbank, Whiting.

HOUSE LEAGUES.

We reverted to the House League system for the month of August for all those not in First or Second Game. Although the standard of Rugby was not particularly high, some interesting matches were played. Pascoe's won the 1st XV League while West won the 2nd XV. In each case neither side lost a match.

CADET NOTES

The high hopes expressed in these Notes which appeared in the last issue of the Chronicle have, alas, been only partly realised. The Camp, which was to have been held in Pietermaritzburg in July, had to be cancelled because the accommodation was required for the very necessary task of training certain A.C.F. regiments. It was found possible to hold a Training Course for Student Officers and N.C.O'.s at Glenwood High School in July. The Corps was represented by 2nd-Lieuts. (S.O.) Lee, Harle, Chater, Ballenden, Dawson-Squibb and Barnby, and by Sergts. Otto and Vercoe. 2nd-Lieuts. Green, Chapman and Walshaw attended to assist in the organisation and training. All reports show that the course was very well organised, and therefore both enjoyable and instructive.

Normal work has been carried out during the year, culminating in the Annual Inspection on October 18th. Colonel Daniel, Officer Commanding Natal Command, was unable to be present, but we were very pleased to welcome our old friend, Major A. C. Sparks, as the inspecting officer, and Major P. Hardaker, who is now responsible for all Cadet activities throughout the Command. The performance put up was very gratifying to the Officers and N.C.O.'s who had put in a great deal of hard work during the year.

All carbines have been recalled, and in their place wooden dummy rifles have been issued. Although these are very much lighter than the carbines, they have proved very satisfactory, and add to the appearance of the Corps on parade because of their uniform size. Field work has now to be carried out in deathly silence—until we are able to equip ourselves with "rattles" to represent rifle and machine gun fire. We hope to be equipped with these before the Field Day, scheduled to take place early in December.

2nd Lieut. (S.O.) Blampied left us in June and is now a member of an A.C.F. unit, while 2nd Lieut (S.O.) Dawson-

Squibb, who left at the same time, expects shortly to be on active service. Their places have been taken by 2nd-Lieuts. (S.O.) Vercoe and Tucker. 2nd Lieut. Jansen has left on transfer to Dale College Cadets, Kingwilliamstown, and Lieut. Simon and 2nd Lieuts. Davis and Gaylard are now members of a unit "somewhere in Kenya."

In spite of the depletion in the ranks of our officers, the work of the Corps is being carried on with enthusiasm, and, I think we can claim, with gratifying success.

OBITUARY

JOHN ALLEN.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of John Allen, who died at Johannesburg in July, after an operation for peritonitis. Five of the pall-bearers were Michaelhouse boys.

A friend of all, his death was deeply felt by the whole School, and, as testimony to our sorrow, we observed silence at our first assembly in the Memorial Hall.

He came to Michaelhouse in September, 1937, and was made a House Prefect in Founders in 1940. It is given to some, and it was given to John Allen, to show us that a life guided by a clear, simple sense of duty and a love of friends, needs no glittering prize.

To his parents, sister and Andrew, we offer our most sincere sympathy.

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

OBITUARY

A. P. HALL.

"Alphie" Hall, as he was affectionately known by so many O.M.'s, passed away on June 3rd after a long illness, borne with the greatest fortitude and cheerfulness. After five and a half years at Cordwalles, he joined the Staff at Michaelhouse in February, 1917, and for 9½ years was a strong personality in many branches of School life. A brilliant teacher and enthusiastic cricketer, he came into close contact with most boys who passed through the School in those days. He had a habit, too, of wandering round the quadrangle, especially early on Sunday mornings, talking to groups of boys, who were always at ease with him. They will remember his keen sense of humour and ready wit, and his lively interest in all they did.

He was choirmaster for several years, Editor of the Chronicle, and ran the Cricket during C. W. Hannah's absence for several seasons. Few will forget his peculiar action as a bowler; fewer still did not have the greatest respect for his left-arm deliveries on a matting wicket. His skill earned him a place in the Northern Districts XI on more than one occasion.

After leaving Michaelhouse, he spent many years in Rhodesia as secretary of an asbestos mine. Some four years ago, his health, which had never been robust, caused him to retire, and he spent the rest of his life with his sister in Durban, periodically leaving her to stay with friends. We are glad to think that the Old Boys Club recognised his services by making him a Vice-President this year. He was here for the last meeting in May, looking very frail, but happy to be amongst so many of his old friends.

EDWARD PERRY HAMLYN.

Perry Hamlyn was at the School from 1932 The son of a sugar farmer on the North to 1934. Coast, he was from the first determined to work on the land. Not taking very kindly to school work, he went from us to Weston Farm Training School, where the promise he had shown here on the playing fields was quickly fulfilled. On the completion of his course about two years ago he became farm manager for his aunt, Mrs. Harding, in the Mooi River district. In August he corrected a native, who had proved troublesome at his work. The boy drew a knife and in the ensuing scuffle Perry was stabbed in the stomach, and died some hours later. We extend our sympathy to his mother and brother.

JOHN GYWN HUNGERFORD

The notorious main road between Johannesburg and Pretoria has been responsible for many fatal accidents in recent years. John Hungerford is the second O.M. victim of a car crash there. It appears that he was taking T. R. E. Morrison and T. M. McLeod back to Roberts Heights, where all of them were training. They had had trouble with the lights, but it is not clear what ultimately caused the smash. Hungerford died from serious injuries, Morrison was very badly cut, while McLeod's escape was miraculous.

The only son of Johannesburg parents, John entered Founders in 1936 and successfully passed his Matriculation three years later. He was a quiet, retiring boy, but was very well liked by those who knew him. He had a passion for motoring, and soon after leaving School bought a fast little car, in which he visited the School more than once. We offer our condolences to his sorrowing father and mother.

O.M. DECORATIONS.

In addition to the two D.F.C.'s which were mentioned in our last issue as being won by Squadron-Leader G. C. Tomlinson and Flying Officer R. N. Selley, of the R.A.F., brief news has reached us that Flight-Lieut G. F. Chater has won the same decoration for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. His courage has at all times been an inspiration to his men. We have since heard that this award has been followed by his promotion to Squadron-Leader. For four months he took part in the heroic defence of Portsmouth against the Luftwaffe.

CASUALTY LIST.

Flying-Officer D. Heaton Nicholls, R.A.F., prisoner of war since October, 1939.

Squadron-Leader G. C. Tomlinson, R.A.F., missing in May, but rejoined his unit within three days. Injured when machine crashed after being shot down.

Flying-Officer John Ing, R.A.F., missing since May in Flanders.

Pilot-Officer B. P. Young, R.A.F., shot down in flames and severely wounded in legs and stomach in France in May.

Sergt. A. W. Parker, Rhodesian Regt., shrapnel wound in foot in British Somaliland.

Lieut. G. A. Jamieson, Nigerian Regt., badly wounded and missing on border of Kenya in August.

Flying-Officer J. A. G. Chomley, R.A.F., missing over English Channel since August 12th.

Pilot-Officer E. J. Morris, R.A.F., wounded in aerial combat in August.

J. G. Hungerford, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F., died during training from car accident.

Flying-Officer G. P. W. Austin, R.A.F., missing from aerial operations on a dive bomber in October, believed killed.

Many O.M.'s have quickly responded to our appeal for information about men on active service, but we are nevertheless conscious that the above list and those that follow cannot claim to be complete. May we therefore ask those whose names are omitted to let us know of the activities of themselves and any other Old Boys they may meet in uniform? We would also, of course, welcome news of promotions and changes of unit and all other items that should appear in what aims ultimately at being a complete record of O.M.'s who serve in this war.

There is difficulty, too, in keeping pace with changes of address. We are most anxious that Chronicles should continue to reach members at the front, but many are being returned through the Dead Letter Office. Please tell us what address should be used for the duration.

O.M.'S ON SERVICE OVERSEAS.

List of O.M.'s on service in overseas units, excluding those whose names appeared in the last issue, unless they have received promotion, as under:—

F. Graham Bell, R.N.; M. Blumberg, Pupil Pilot, R.A.F.; Dr. N. R. Butcher, Lieut., R.A.M.C.

S. A. Coakes, Observer, R.A.F.

A. M. Davidson, R.A.F.; R. D. Daly, Surgeon Lieut., R.N.V.R.; J. C. Dawson-Squibb, Flying-Officer, R.A.F.; L. Dawson-Squibb, Cadet, R.A.F.; I. C. B. Dickinson, R.E.; P. A. Dorehill, Cadet, R.A.F.; G. Dove-Wilson, Tank Corps.

W. B. Hallowes, 2nd Lieut., K.A.R.; G. P. Hayward, Sub-Lieut., R.N.V.R.; M. Harker, Pupil Pilot, R.A.F.; G. E. W. Holley, Indian Police; E. W. Seymour Hosley, Flying-Officer, S.A.A.F.; T. Hunter, Cadet, R.A.F.; I. S. Haggie, Cadet, R.A.F.

Dr. P. M. Smythe, R.A.M.C.

R. D. C. Tomlinson, Cadet, R.A.F.; D. H. Thompson, Major, R.A.M.C.

S. R. Whiting, Flying-Officer, R.A.F.

O.M.'S ON SERVICE WITH UNION FORCES.

K. Abbot, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; C. M. Adams, Cadet, S.A.A.F.; D. Addison, Rhodesian Signalling Corps; F. R. Alexander, Pte., 2nd I.L.H., transferred S.A. Engineers; C. Acutt, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; F. D. Acutt, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; R. W. B. Acutt, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; A. W. Allen, L/Cpl., S.A. Irish; R. W. Anderson, Gunner, S.A. Artillery; H. Alder, Air Gunner,, S.A.A.F.; D. Antrobus, 16th Field Coy., S.A. Engineers; R. M. Antrobus, Sapper, S.A. Engineers; J. C. Ardington, Cpl., U.M.R.; J. C. Arnott, Lieut., N.M.R.; D. Atkins, Gunner, S.A. Anti-Aircraft Brigade; J. S. Aubrey, Q Services.

G. S. Baber, Ordinary Seaman, R.N.V.R.; C. Bain Marais, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; P. W. B. Banham, Lieut., 1st N.M.R.; J. E. M. Barnes, Pte, 1st N.M.R.; N. J. Barnes, Air Gunner, S.A.A.F.; C. H. Barry, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; L. G. C. Baylis, Lieut.-Col., A.D.I.T.; G. F. Beaumont, Capt., N.M.R.; N. Graham Bell, U.M.R.; G. Graham Bell, S.A.M.C.; J. M. Black, Lieut., Transvaal Scottish; G. Blackbeard, Air Gunner, S.A.A.F.; G. C. Blampied, Pte., S.A. Irish; J. B. Booth, 2nd Lieut., 2nd R.D.L.I.; S. Bowley Smith, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; G. W. Boyes, Lieut., Q. Services; H. E. Boyes, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; H. D. Brisker, Sergt., S.A.M.C.; D. Broadhurst, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.F.; G. C. Brown, Sub-Lieut., R.N.V.R.; P. G. B. Brown, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; E. T. Brunskill, Air Gunner, S.A.A.F.; G. Buchanan Clarke, S.A.A.F., Radio Signal Coy.; M. W. Burgess, Cpl., S.A. Artillery; E. C. Burdon, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; R. Burdon, Cadet Officer, S.A. Artillery; E. M. Burchell, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; R. R. Butcher, Lieut., H.Q.'s., Pretoria; H. R. Butcher, Capt., H.Q.'s, Pretoria; P. J. Buzzard, Gunner, S.A.A.

P. Campbell, Transvaal Scottish; J. Campbell, Gunner, S.A.A.; M. C. Campbell, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; D. H. B. Carlisle, R.N.V.R.; R. Carey Coles, Witwatersrand Rifles; R. Carr, S.A. Field Survey Corps; R. N. Carter, Sergt., U.M.R.; T. D. Catchpole, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.F.; R. J. Cathcart, Sergt., N.M.R.; K. B. Challinor, I.L.H.; W. J. Chaplin, Gunner, S.A.A.; T. G. Chater, Air Gunner, S.A.A.F.; F. G. Chennels, U.M.R.; G, J. Chennels, U.M.R.; B. Christopher, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; L. C. Clarkson, Capt., N.M.R.; B. C. Cochrane, Cadet Officer, Roberts Heights; R. Collins, Cpl., S.A.A.; K. M. Collins, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; E. L. Crockett, Pte., 1st

- R.D.L.I.; W. G. Crockett, 2nd Lieut., R.D.L.I.; C. J. Crowe, Capt, U.M.R.; N. G. R. Crowe, R.N.V.R.; R. Cornwall, Gunner, S.A.A.; D. R. Currie, Pte., S.A.A.
- O. C. Dawson, 2nd Lieut., R.D.L.I.; D. W. Dawson, 2nd Lieut., R.D.L.I.; J. McN. Davis, Pte., Capetown Highlanders; J. B. Dick, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; A. Doull, Gunner, S.A.A.; J. Dickens, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; L. T. Drew, Sergt., N.M.R.; A. R. S. Dorning, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; H. M. Drummond, Pte., R.N.C.; R. R. Drummond, Gunner, S.A.A.; K. Drysdale, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; R. de Gale, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; A. Durose.
- E. S. Edminson, 4th Motor Transport Corps; W. A. F. Edwards, Tpr., 5th Mounted Regt.; J. J. Egeland, Gunner, S.A.A.; L. Egeland, Staff Captain; W. L. D. Elliot, Lieut.; P. England, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.F.; D. B. Evans, 2nd Lieut., S.A.M.T. Coy.
- H. W. Farrer, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; D. W. Featherstone, S.A.A.F.; P. Featonby Smith, Air Gunner, S.A.A.F.; J. Fenwick, Native Corps; H. Fellowes, R.N.V.R.; G. D. B. Forder, Pte., 1st I.L.H.; S. R. E. Forrester, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.F., seconded R.A.F.; J. H. Forsdick, 2nd Lieut., 4th M.T. Coy.; P. Francis; P. B. Franklin, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; E. Fynney, Cpl., 1st N.M.R.; R. Friel; S. R. Fleischer, Lieut.-Col., S.A.E.
- V. Gillitt, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; J. A. Goldsby, Lieut., 1st I.L.H.; W. J. Gough, S.A.A.F.; W. V. Goldby, Lieut., 1st I.L.H.; A. Gowans, S/Sergt., 1st N.M.R.; J. W. Gray, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; A. G. Grice, Cpl., 1st I.L.H.; L. E. Greene, Pte., 1st R.N.C.
- J P. Haine, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; W. L. Hall, S.A. Tank Corps; C. W. Hallowes, Sergt., Armoured Cars; F. M. Hallowes, Native Corps; K. B. Hall, Gunner, S.A.A.; A. Harriss, Pupil Pilot, SA.A.F.; J. B. Harker, Pte., R.N.C.; A. M. Harvey, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; P. Hathorn, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; J. Heeley, Pte., 2nd Transvaal Scottish; E. Heney, Sergt., S.A. Signalling Corps; P. G. Henwood, R.N.V.R.; D. Henwood, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; T. Heywood Harris, Pte., S.A.M.C.; J. C. Hickson, Lieut. S.A.A.F.; T. E. B. Hill, Sergt., U.M.R.; B. R. Hindson, Lieut., N.M.R.; E. E. W. M. Hindson, Lieut., S.A.A.; A. T. Hoernlé, Gunner, S.A.A.; J. Holley, Lieut., S.A. Motor Cycle Corps; Dr. D. H.

- Hooper, S.A.M.C.; R. Howden, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; A. W. G. Hunter, Sapper, S.A. Engineers.
- G. N. P. Jackson, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; M. G. Jackson, Q Services; N. James, Gunner, S.A.A.; E. A. Johnson, 4th Mounted Regt.; P. A. Jonsson, 2nd Lt., Tank Corps; M. R. Johnston, Gunner, S.A.A.; C. B. M. B. Jones, Pte., Dukes; D. Jones, Sergt., Engineers, 4th Brigade, H.Q.'s; L. Joyner, N.M.R.
- P. Kellett, S.A. Irish; J. Kennan, Gunner, S.A.A.; A. F. B. Kerr, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; C. W. P. Kerr, 5th Field Co., S.A.E.; J. F. B. Kerr, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; G. M. Kimber, Lieut., Q. Services; L. Knight, Gunner, S.A.A.; R. D. F. King, R.N.C.; H. P. Knubley, 1st N.M.R.; D. B. Koe, Q Services.
- W. I. Ladlau, 2nd Lieut., R.D.L.I.; R. F. Leach, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; D. Leeds, Cpl., S.A. Signals Corps; G. B. Leeds, Cpl., S.A. Signals Corps; R. H. Lee, Pte, 1st R.N.C.; A. F. Lees, Gunner, S.A.A.; K. L'Estrange, Lieut., U.M.R.; E. M. Lewis, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.F.; J. L. Lister, Lieut., H.Q.'s; T. Lister, R.N.C.; W. H. S. Lister, S.A.M.T. Coy; A. A. Lloyd, Cadet Officer, S.A.A.; M. B. Lloyd, Cpl., S.A. Signal Corps; G. B. Long, Q Services; F. C. Lorentz, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; H. A. Lorentz, Pte., 1st S.A. Irish; L. A. Lorentz, Pte., 1st S.A. Scottish; D. B. Lyle, Gunner, S.A.A.
- A. K. McFie, Gunner, S.A.A.; J. MacIlwaine, Rhodesian Artillery; D. H. McKerrow, Pte., 1st I.L.H.; T. M. McLeod, Air Gunner, S.A.A.F.; K. M. Mackenzie, 2nd Lieut., Permanent Force; D. H. McIntosh, 2nd Lieut., R.D.L.I.; R. G. Mackenzie, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; J. S. M. MacNab, S.A. Signallers; R. McFie, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; C. L. MacNeillie, 3rd Transvaal Scottish; N. J. McKechnie, Pte., 1st R.N.C.
- N. B. F. Mann, Gunner, S.A.A.; A. Melville, Lieut., Q Services; C. Melville, Cadet, S.A.A.; W. N. Methley, Lieut., 1st R.N.C.; C. W. F. G. Mills, S.A.A.F.; E. F. Mitchell Innes, Capt., R.N.C.; F. L. Moon, Sergt., Transvaal Scottish; J. Moultrie, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; R. T. E. Morrison, Air Gunner, S.A.A.F.
- P. Nairn, Pte., 2nd Transvaal Scottish; B. M. Norton, Pte., 1st R.N.C.
- S. F. W. Orbell, Cadet, Military College, Roberts Heights; J. G. Orford, S.A.A.F.; F. B. Oscroft, Sergt.-Major,

5th Mounted Regt.; L. Oscroft, Cpl., U.M.R.; G. Oscroft, Pte., U.M.R.; A. Oxley Oxland, Gunner, S.A.A.

- J. H. Parson, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; L. J. Palframan, 2nd Lieut., 2nd Pretoria Regt.; Dr. J. Parker, Lieut., R.A.M.C.; A. W. Parker, 2nd Lieut., Rhodesian Engineers; R. S. Parker, Pte.. Rhodesian Engineers; G. B. Payn, Native Corps; L. W. Payn, Native Corps; M. E. Pennington, 2nd Lieut., S.A. Tank Corps; G. O. M. Pennington, L/Cpl., 1st R.N.C.; J. Peycke, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; N. M. Phillips, Cadet, S.A.A.F.; R. G. Poynton, 1st Field Coy., S.A. Engineers, P. Powell, Native Corps; K. Potts, Sergt., Defence Force; D. Pringle, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; J. Pridmore, Gunner, S.A.A.
- B. H. Ralfe, Lieut., 2nd R.N.C.; B. G. Ralfe, Lieut., Native Corps; E. D. Ralfe, Pte., 2nd R.N.C.; R. E. Rawlinson, Sergt., 2nd Transvaal Scottish; C. Rawlinson, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; H. G. Rawson, 3rd Armoured Cars, S.A.T.C.; H. D. Reid, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.F.; J. F. Rethman, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; C. L. Reynolds, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; G. Ridge, Q Services; J. Roach, S.A.A.F.; A. R. Roberts, Pte., 2nd Transvaal Scottish; J. B. Robertson, Gunner, S.A.A.; M. W. Robertson, Gunner, S.A.H.A.; S. F. C. Robinson, Sapper, S.A. Engineers; J. D. Robinson, Cadet, S.A.A.; N. I. Robinson, 1st R.N.C.; R. J. Robinson, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.; J. R. H. Rogers, Lieut., 1st I.L.H.; G. E. Rose, Tpr., 4th Mounted Regiment; G. T. Ross, Gunner, S.A.A.; T. Rose Price, S.A.A.F. (Radio and Signals); A. M. Rosholt, Gunner, S.A.A.
- A. H. Sandison, S.A. Anti-Aircraft Brigade; E. H. Schram, Pte., M.T.C.; T. D. Scott, Lieut., R.N.C.; A. F. Scruby, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.; G. Sedgewick, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; G. D. Selley, Sapper, S.A. Engineers; J. K. Shannon, Pte., S.A. Irish; C. Shaw, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; G. A. Shaw, Native Corps; Rev. V. Shaw, Capt. Chaplain, 1st R.N.C.; W. F. Short, Major, S.A. Field Survey Corps; B. C. Siedle, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.; K. W. Simpson, 2nd Lieut., S.A. Survey Corps; J. D. M. Sinclair, Lieut., Garrison Artillery; J. S. Sinton, Sergt., S.A.A.F. (A.I.L.O.); W. G. Smerdon, Gunner, S.A.A.; H. H. S. Simmons, 1st R.N.C.; B. Shearer, 2nd

Lieut., S.A.A.F.; A. Clive Smith, Lieut., S.A. Anti-Aircraft Brigade; R. Smith, 1st R.N.C.; W. M. Smythe, Q Services; C. O. Smythe, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; A. W. Sperryn, 1st N.M.R.; F. D. Stacey, Q Services; C. D. Stainbank, 1st R.N.C.; E. J. Steele, Native Corps; R. Steere, S.A. Field Survey Corps; H. B. Stevenson, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; G. T. Stewart, Gunner, S.A.A.; L. Storm, S.A. Signal Corps; R. W. D. Stewart, 2nd Lieut., 2nd N.M.R.; Dr. H. H. Stott, S.A.M.C.; K. B. Strachan, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; K. W. Strachan, S.A.A.F.; R. Strachan, S.A. Armoured Cars; G. Strachan, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; P. C. Strachan, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; B. J. Stubbings, 2nd Lieut., 1st Kenya Regt.; P. J. Susskind, Gunner, S.A.A.; L. Symons, S.A.A.

A. A. L. Tatham, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; F. St. G. Tatham, 2nd Lieut., S.A.A.; J. M. Taylor, Cadet Officer, S.A.A.; J. W. Taylor, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.; H. G. Thomson, Sergt., S.A. Engineers; G. S. F. Tolmer, H.Q.S., N.M.R.; R. Tomlinson, Lieut., 1st R.N.C., R. Trebble, 1st Transvaal Scottish; L. H. Trotter, L/Cpl., 1st N.M.R.; K. Trotter, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; D. S. Turner, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; D. W. Turner, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; L. W. Turner, Pte., 2nd R.N.C.

D. van der Linden, Cadet, R.A.F.; N. H. B. van der Riet; D. L. Visick, 2nd Lieut., S.A. Field Survey Corps.

J. H. Walker, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; P. Walker, L/Cpl., 1st N.M.R.; A. Wallace, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; C. N. Wallace, Lieut., Indian Service Corps; D. D. Waterman, 2nd Lieut., 4th Field Co., S.A. Engineers; G. B. Waterman, N.M.R.; C. B. B. Watson, Sub-Lieut., R.N.V.R.; C. H. Webb, 2nd Lieut., 2nd Pretoria Regt.; M. R. Webb, Pte., 1st N.M.R.; W. D. Wilson, 2nd Lieut., Liaison Officer, S.A.A.F.; J. D. Wilson, 2nd Lieut., Liaison Officer, S.A.A.F.; A. H. V. Winter, Pte., 1st R.N.C.; P. K. Wright, 1st I.L.H.

D. P. Young, Pupil Pilot, S.A.A.F.

The following letter is printed by the kindness of Pilot-Officer E. J. Morris' parents. It is a graphic account of what a day can be in the life of the gallant Air Force men in defence of England:—

31st August, 1940.

My Dearest Mother and Father,

In my last letter I believe I protested at not having been in action; during the four days I have been here I have been in three fights and have jumped out by parachute.

The very first day we went up we ran into about 40 fighters and 20 bombers; there were 12 of us. I had a crack at a couple of fighters, ME109's, which half rolled and shot back to France without any apparent damage; I only got very short bursts in. Then I had another crack at a Heinkel 111 bomber who jettisoned his bombs and hurried home; I only managed to silence the rear gunners on him. That was my first battle, as by this time I was the only aircraft in the sky, although about five minutes before there had been 72; this gives you some idea of the speed of these aerial battles. The same morning I and two others were sent off to intercept a seaplane over the Channel, and between us we managed to shoot it down.

The next day there was little activity, but yesterday was my full day. We took off at about 11.30 on aerodrome defence, and saw 18 bombers and about 20 fighters above I was leading the flight of six. I told the other section to look after the fighters, and I decided to make a head-on attack on the bombers to split them up so as to make our job easier. I got well above and to the side of them and dived in front firing pretty blindly. I went over the top of the first three, but failed to appreciate that the second three were so close and stepped up. Add to that the closing speed was somewhere around 500 m.p.h. All I saw was a grey blur, and I felt an awful bump on my right wing. I immediately went into a violent spin, and realised that I had collided with one of the machines of the second flight. I then tried to get out, and succeeded after what seemed an age, but in reality was only a few seconds; luckily we were at 16,000 feet. It was great fun floating down, and I must say there was no hesitancy on my part to jump. Things happened so quickly that I didn't have time to take stock of my reactions or emotions at the time.

Anyway, I landed quite O.K. with a bit of a bump and a few bruises. Then I was pounced upon by the irate civil population, three of them, armed with anything from hammers to 12 bore shot guns. When I had proved my identity all was well, and they gave me some beer and took me to the nearest telephone. I forgot to say while I was coming down by parachute, I saw my vis-a-vis plunging to earth minus wings, with both engines on fire, and saw him crash with an almighty column of flame. Three of the occupants got out by parachute and I met one of them later. However I digress. I was taken by some Canadian soldiers to their Brigade headquarters, and there met the Brigadier who was very nice to me and let me see the prisoners, etc. Afterwards I had some lunch with them and returned here in one of their cars. While I was telephoning from a farm house the ladies thereof embarrassed me by insisting on kissing me and intimating that I was Public Hero No. 1. I, together with my trusty parachute, eventually arrived back here, and I went to see the rest of the boys, who had given me up for lost. Incidentally, I did split that formation up, and we shot seven of them down.

That afternoon I had another narrow escape. The warning went, and three of us and a W.A.A.F. were driving out to the aircraft to take off when we saw the Jerries overhead, so we parked the car and dashed into the nearest shelter. About ten seconds after, a 1,000 lb. bomb exploded about 25 feet from us and hurled the car about 60 feet into the air, finally depositing it upside down in a hangar through the roof. Luckily, the shelter was a good one and no damage was sustained, but the crater was enormous, and had we not made a dash for it there is little doubt we should have been blown up.

War is truly long periods of boredom interspersed with short periods of acute fear.

Well, goodbye, my dears, for a week. I am in excellent form and in a hurry.

Tons of love,

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 1940.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, held at Michaelhouse at 11.15 a.m. on Ascension Day, May 2nd, 1940.

Before business started the President asked those present to stand for a few minutes in memory of C. A. Mair (1906-11) and C. H. Moss (1935-38) who had died during the year.

He then invited the Rector to address the meeting. In doing so, Mr. Snell referred to difficulties arising out of the War, to the appeal which was under consideration by the Governors for the extension of the School buildings, and to the Board's consequent attitude to the new School Pavilion scheme launched by the Club. He was thanked and retired.

The following were at the meeting or visited the School during the day: R. W. B. Acutt, F. D. Acutt, C. H. Acutt, C. Adams, C. C. Akerman, J. A. Aitken, J. M. Aitken, I. Argo, H. L. Antrobus, J. E. M. Barnes, D. A. N. Beevers, D. Black, A. R. Edward Blair, E. M. Burchell, E. T. Brunskill, J. B. Booth, W. H. Bennett, L. G. C. Baylis, B. W. Bachelor, G. S. Baber, H. S. Bowley Smith, P. D. Barnard, G. Buchanan-Clarke, E. L. Crockett, F. B. Calder, T. G. Chater, G. R. Chapman, N. G. R. Crowe, M. Crosoer, G. L. Crossman, W. Crockett, D. R. Currie, O. C. Dawson, R. Drummond, H. Drummond, L. T. Drew, O. W. Dyer, W. R. Evans, G. Forder, M. H. Forder, R. Forsdick, D. W. Featherstone, D. N. Forsyth, G. Forrester, E. W. Gibson, G. Goodricke, L. E. Greene, V. W. Greene, J. Gray, M. W. Hosking, L. H. Harris, J. M. C. Henderson, P. Heywood-Harris, D. R. Hall, J. Hungerford, J. P. Haine, R. Howden, H. A. Harriss, W. L. Hall, A. P. Hall, F. Greaves, P. Hathorn, G. N. P. Jackson, P. A. D. Jonsson, D. B. Koe, H. P. Knubley, T. Kerr, J. Kerr, K. L'Estrange, N. G. Lyon, A. W. Lister, W. Ladlau, T. Lister, A. A. Lloyd (Auditor), A. V. Large, H. T. P. Large, R. May, D. McIntosh, E. R. Miller, R. C. Miller, T. MacMurray, G. McFie, A. W. Mackay, R. T. E. Morrison, C. F. Moor, G. Moor, J. Price Moor (President), J. S. M. Macnab, J. Methley, T. M. McLeod, R. G. McKenzie, J. E. McKenzie, A. Melville, C. Melville, J. D. S. Moore, F. L. Moon, E. F. Mitchell-Innes, W. I.

Mackenzie, N. B. F. Mann, A. A. Osborn, D. Pennington, G. Pennington, K. Pennington (Hon. Secretary), M. Pennington, C. J. Peycke, R. E. Poynton, J. H. Parson, D. W. Pape, J. Pridmore, D. H. Pringle, G. E. Robinson, D. Russell, T. A. Strickland, P. C. Strachan, E. Schram, A. W. Sperryn, P. J. Steele, F. R. Schiever, R. Smith, W. G. Smerdon, E. Scott, E. Saville, A. T. Tatham, D. W. Turner, R. Turner, L. W. Turner, J. M. Thorp, S. Tucker, J. W. Taylor, R. Tomlinson, K. Trotter, J. C. Traill, F. St. G. Tatham, J. S. Vermaak, P. Walker, R. S. Webb, A. A. V. Winter, P. Wright, F. B. Waller, K. Young, M. R. Webb, J. D. Woods, R. Wilson, E. H. Vear, A. P. Woods.

BUSINESS.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed. The only point arising out of them was the Secretary's report about the material he had collected to assist the Governors in proceeding with the portrait of Eldred Pascoe.

J. Price Moor apologised for his diffidence in the chair, and referred in particular to a telegram he had received from Mr. R. F. Currey, wishing those present a successful gathering; the unhappy precedent the Club had created by electing him President in his absence!; the large number of O.M.'s who were already on active service overseas; the happy state of the Club's finances; the sluggish growth of the Jubilee Insurance Scheme. The Hon. Secretary moved the adoption of this report, and said that from the successful and amusing way the President was carrying out his duties, it was obvious that the Club's choice had been the right one.

Secretary and Treasurer's Financial Statement.—This was adopted amidst applause, the President again appealing for wider support for the Jubilee Insurance Scheme. The Hon. Secretary also raised the question of how often the Members' Roll should be printed, and it was agreed that this should be every two years.

MICHAELHOUSE OLD BOYS' CLUB.

Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for Year ended 31st March, 1940.

EXPENDITURE.

			EXPENDITURE.			
193	8-19	39		1939	-19	40
£14	8	10	To Postages	£24	18	2
2	8	7	"Bank Charges	1	8	10
6	5	6	" Stationery	8	16	0
87	10	11	" Chronicles	95	0	0
0	10	0	" Depreciation		_	
12	15	0	" Typist	13	10	0
4	17	0	"Dinner		_	
2	0	9	" Club Matches		-	
0	10	0	" Registration of Club Colours	0	10	0
52	10	0	" Honorarium, Secretary	52	10	0
2	0	1	" Donations		-	
	—		" Members' Roll	16	0	0
112	10	0	" Balance transferred to Capital A/c.	81	10	10
£298	6	8		£294	3	10
			REVENUE.			
£79	10	2	By Interest Received	£84	2	6
167	5	9	" Life Subscriptions	170	3	0
45	5	3	" Instalment Life Subscriptions	37	2	0
6	5	6	" Clothes	2	16	4
£298	6	8		£294	3	10
			Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 1940.			

LIABILITIES.

Capital Fund—					
	£	s. d.	£	s.	d.
Balance as at 1st April, 1939	1,611	11 10			
Add Excess of Revenue over Ex-					
penditure for Year	81	10 10			
			1,693	2	8
			44 000		_
			£1,693	2	8

ASSETS.						· Laboratoria
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash—	100	0	_			
At Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.)	103		5			
In Hand	6	10	9	110	5	2
Gundar Debtorg				2	0	0
Sundry Debtors				100		
City Permanent Building Society "A"						
Shares	1,300	0	0			
United Building Society 5% Preferent						
Shares	250	0	0	1	•	•
	O BYON	NY.		1,550	1	0
Stationery on Hand				6	0 10	0
Typewriter Suspense Account—				U	10	U
Preference Dividend accrued on City						
Permanent Building Society "A"						
Shares				24	7	6
				£1,693	2	8
			-			

Auditor's Report to Members of Michaelhouse Old Boys' Club.

I have examined the foregoing Statement of Revenue and Expenditure and Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers of the Club, and have obtained all the information and explanations required.

The Club has kept proper books and records.

The Balance Sheet is, in my opinion, properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Club's affairs according to the information and explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Club.

A. A. LLOYD,

Chartered Accountant (S.A.),

Durban, 23rd April, 1940.

Hon. Auditor.

The election of officers followed.

- (a) President. J. Price Moor was re-elected amidst applause.
- (b) Vice-Presidents. These were re-elected with the addition of Mr. A. P. Hall, formerly a classical master and for several years cricket coach, and happily present at the meeting. The list therefore reads: A. H. Adair, Col. L. G. C. Baylis, F. S. Bishop, R. F. Currey, Rev. Dobree, C. W. Hannah, J. J. L. Sisson, A. T. Tatham and A. P. Hall, and the Presidents ex officio of the Club Branches.

- (c) Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. K. M. Pennington was re-elected. He announced that the Governors had granted him six months' leave, and Messrs. D. Pennington, C. Melville and A. P. Woods were accordingly asked to share his duties during his absence as they had done on a previous occasion.
- (d) Hon. Auditor. A. A. Lloyd was re-elected and thanked warmly for his services during the year.
- (e) Committee. This was re-elected with the addition of A. W. Lister, and so reads: President and Hon. Secretary ex officio, W. Hudson Bennett, E. W. Gibson, A. W. Lister, C. Melville, A. T. Tatham, A. P. Woods, and the Secretaries of all Branches.

The following 55 new members were elected under Rules 5 and 7: C. M. Adams, C. C. Akerman, I. E. Allanson, F. R. Alexander, I. D. Argo, C. T. Bain Marais, I. S. S. Barnes, J. E. M. Barnes, C. H. H. Barry, D. A. N. Beevers, G. G. Blackbeard, O. Brash, G. J. Chennels, R. Cornwall, P. Crawford, E. L. Crockett, D. Daly, G. L. H. Diering, G. M. Dixon, O. W. Dyer, D. W. Featherstone, W. H. Fitzgerald, J. F. Fraundorfer, J. A. Goldsmith, W. J. E. Hagger, W. L. Hall, K. B. Hall, E. Heney, D. Henwood, E. W. Johnson, P. A. D. Jonsson, W. H. Kelly, A. V. Lange, H. O. Lee, R. McFie, W. N. MacGillivray, D. H. McKerrow, K. M. Mackenzie, T. M. McLeod, R. T. E. Morrison, P. E. Moxley, A. A. Osborn, E. W. L. Popham, A. K. C. Reynolds, F. D. Richards, W. E. Robarts, F. R. Schiever, E. J. C. Schram, W. G. Smerdon, C. D. Stainbank, C. E. R. Till, A. R. Thorpe, M. G. White, W. A. Williamson, P. K. Wright.

Reports from the various Branches were read as follows:—

of your Club has the honour to present the following report of its activities during the past twelve months.

At the Annual General Meeting the following were elected the Committee for the coming year: Chairman, L. T. H. Trotter; Vice-Chairman, A. Doull; Committee, J. C. Sulin, R. W. B. Acutt, O. C. Dawson, E. R. Miller; Hon. Secretary, A. W. Sperryn.

Due to various reasons, the chief of which was the unsettled state at the outbreak of war, the Club did not enjoy as successful a year as last year. The first function to be arranged was a Tennis Day at the Durban Country Club, which was voted an outstanding success by all those O.M.'s and those of the fair sex who attended.. In view of the decision taken at the last A.G.M. to support the Durban-Rovers Rugby Club, your committee has given that Club its active support during the past Rugby season.

Four Durban teams participated in the Hudson Bennett Golf Competition which was held in Maritzburg on Sunday, 10th September. Again this year, combining with Old Hiltonians, we rowed an eight against D.H.S. Old Boys and were beaten by threequarters of a length in an exciting race over two and a half miles. The time taken was 15 min. 15 sec. The Annual Dance, which was to have been held on the 9th September last, was cancelled.

A. W. SPERRYN, Hon. Sec.

(b) Transvaal. I have much pleasure in reporting on the Club's activities during the year, and submitting for your approval the audited accounts.

The income that accrued from the dance was lower than that of the previous year and the decrease is accounted for by the fact that there was a smaller attendance. Our investments yielded £12 8s., being interest and dividends. Your Committee discussed at great length the possibility of investing further funds in Unit Securities or other shares, but decided that it would be safer to have surplus monies in the Building Society on current account. The Unit Securities shown on the Balance Sheet are valued at a figure slightly higher than the market price, against which you will note we have created an Investment Reserve, over the past few years.

I now come to the social activities, and it is with regret that I report that they were most unsatisfactory. I would like to stress that this is in no way due to the lack of organisation by your Committee, but rather to the apathy which has been shown by the majority of Old Boys. I quote an instance in the Hockey match against Old Andreans, which yielded four playing Old Boys and a few spectators. Thus, when organising fixtures, your Committee has only

contacted those Old Boys known to be interested. I would like to record the appreciation of your Committee of the efforts made by Messrs. R. Friel and J. Wilson in promoting small but extremely enjoyable golf and tennis matches.

Of our Old Boys Dance, held on the 28th April, 1939, little need be said. Although the numbers were lower than usual, it proved once again to be a first-class show. I trust the Dance, to be held on the 26th April this year, will prove to be an even greater success both financially and socially. Your Committee has received numerous invitations to dances and dinners by kindred Associations.

In conclusion, I should like to record an appreciation of the assistance given by Miss Stephens, without whom the Secretary would really have to work, and also by Mr. Stevenson. Our thanks are due to Mr. Bell for his untiring interest in the Clubland the use of his office and staff. Finally may I wish the incoming Committee all success for the ensuing year.

A. S. JACK, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

(c) Natal Midlands. The Midlands Branch is unable to have a variety of functions which the other Branches enjoy, but, nevertheless, we are able to report quite a successful year.

At our General Meeting last August, it was decided to hold our dance on a fixed date every year, the last Friday before the Michaelmas holidays. Owing to the outbreak of this regrettable war it was cancelled, but it was held last Friday evening. It was run under the auspices of the S.A. Women's Auxiliary Services and all proceeds are to be donated to War Funds. Taking the price of the tickets into consideration, numbers were slightly disappointing. The final figures are not yet complete, but I may safely say we'll be able to hand over between £30 and £35.

Our sporting activities are devoted to Cricket and Golf. Last October the School A team generously gave us another fixture, and a very enjoyable day's Cricket resulted. My Committee ask me to record their very hearty thanks for the hospitality the Staff always meet out to us. We were able to field three teams for the

popular Hudson Bennett Golf Trophy, Old Boys from places as far apart as Bergville and Greytown taking part. The Midlands Branch is determined to carry off that Trophy to the backveld one day!

Mr. Ken Pennington very kindly brought up a team of golfers to Estcourt, comprised of ten members of the Staff and two local players. Unfortunately, we haven't twelve golfing Old Boys, but with the assistance of some of the Golf Club members, we managed to win by a narrow margin. The decision will, no doubt, be heavily reversed this coming Sunday when the Staff haven't got to cope with dongas and stones. This return match takes place at Howick.

I should like to conclude my report by saying how pleased and proud we were that you elected one of our members—Mr. J. Price Moor—to the presidential chair last year.

DAVID W. TURNER, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

year for the first time, in addition to some of the usual social and sporting activities, we managed to arrange a debate against the School. Our speakers dined with the Staff before the debate, and if you add this to the fact that our team consisted of Messrs. Jackson and James, two local advocates, you will not be surprised to hear that their eloquence was a little too much for the opposition. Let us hope that this debate will become an annual fixture.

The Branch entered six teams in the Hudson Bennett Golf Competition, which was held at the Maritzburg Country Club, and it is interesting to see that our teams finished up in the first three and the last three places. The leading team returned a score of 697, while the last team returned close on 1000.

The usual Show Week lunch was held at the Victoria Hotel again, but, unlike previous years, the gathering was not a great success. Only 13 Old Boys turned up, with the result that we were considerably out of pocket. This lunch can be most enjoyable, and I would like to ask all Old Boys who will be in Maritzburg during Show Week this year to make an effort to attend.

The annual Michaelhouse—Hilton Old Boys' Ball was held in the Town Hall on the Friday of Show Week again last year, and was a greater success than the previous year, both socially and financially. From the financial point of view, the success was entirely due to a committee of women who very kindly again did the catering for us.

Thanks to the efforts of Mr. Gerald Pennington, a team consisting largely of Old Boys, played a Hockey match against the School XI on the 21st June. The School side was rather depleted, with the result that we managed to win 5—2.

That, gentlemen, concludes my report on what, I have to confess, were the only activities of the Branch for the past year.

L. E. GREENE, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

- (e) Cambridge. The Branch was struggling under great difficulties imposed by the war, but was confident that its old enthusiasm would return with peace.
 - (f) Grahamstown sent no report.

GENERAL.

The Chairman spoke at some length of the desirability of the Old Boys of the School helping the Governors to extend the buildings of the School from time to time as a mark of their appreciation of what Michaelhouse stood for and what it had done for them. There was real need for a new Pavilion, worthy of the strong Cricket traditions of the School, and the Governors, being committed to a big building programme, were unable to consider such a scheme for some time. He therefore appealed to all O.M.'s to subscribe generously to the Pavilion Fund, which had been launched in a circular in March. Several members spoke to the subject, some feeling that the figure aimed at, £2,500, was too high, but all in agreement that something should be done. The scheme was unanimously adopted.

In referring to the death of Bishop Frederick Samuel Baines, for many years Chairman of Governors, Mr. A. T. Tatham moved that the appreciation of his services to the School be recorded by the Club, and that the Hon. Secretary

be instructed to convey this message to his relatives: "This meeting unanimously records its full appreciation of the devotion to the welfare of Michaelhouse of Frederick Samuel Baines during his long period as Chairman of the Board of Governors. We know that it was largely due to his wise counsel and unstinting financial help that the School was able to weather its storms in the early days and establish itself in the front rank of South African schools. We also send our deep sympathy to his surviving relatives."

On the proposal of Mr. G. Pennington, it was agreed that the Club donate £50 to the Rector of Michaelhouse for investment, the income to be used annually for a prize or prizes at the School as a memorial to the late Bishop and Chairman of Governors. It was left to the Rector and Club Hon. Secretary to decide the form of competition for which this prize should be awarded.

In view of the Club's resolution last year, it was suggested that it was a matter of real interest, worthy of record, that the Berea Rovers Under XX side had won the Durban League last year, and 13 of its members were O.M.'s.

At the Hon. Secretary's suggestion, it was agreed that the Club should send a contribution of ten guineas (£10/10/-) to the Horace Cameron Pavilion Fund at Hilton College.

PERSONAL NOTES

- D. Atkins came out from Cambridge in June and has joined the Anti-Aircraft Brigade.
- R. W. Anderson, after completing his time at Cambridge, returned to Natal and has joined the N.F.A.
- Congratulations to Tom Archibald on his engagement to Miss Cicely Turner, of Matiwane, who had three brothers at the School. He is sugar farming near Esperanza. His elder brother, Brian, welcomed the arrival of a son and heir on October 12th.
- Denis Acutt is engaged to Miss Lesley d'Almeida, of Durban. He and Barry have since joined the pupil pilots course of the S.A.A.F.
- Pilot Officer H. T. Archbell, who is with the R.A.F. in Egypt, was recently awarded the Palestine Medal.
- Dr. T. M. Adnams is now a Surgeon Lieut.-Commander on a destroyer, and has been through desperate experiences in the Norwegian campaign and elsewhere.
- J. L. Baylis returned from England this year. He is taking an architectural course at Capetown University.
- G. S. Baber visited the School recently in the uniform of an ordinary seaman of the British Navy. He is on a heavy cruiser, and is one of a small band of O.M.'s who have decided to serve their country at sea in this war.
- C. H. Barry, after spending some time in the S.A.A.F. as an Air Mechanic Photographer, is training as a pupil pilot. Michael, who got his degree at Oxford in June, has been lumberjacking in Sussex, and hopes to return to this country at the end of the year after his Bar Finals. We offer them our sympathy in losing their father in October.

- D. Button, who kindly sent his usual budget of O.M. news from Capetown, has been elected Secretary of the University Athletic Committee. He and D. Edington helped the U.C.T. team to tie for first place in the Western Province 10 mile cross country championship, finishing 6th and 2nd respectively.
- Cyril Baylis relinquished his command of the R.D.L.I. some months ago on promotion to the important task of Assistant Director of Infantry Training.
- Many recent O.M.'s will be interested to know that R. A. Brown, who was on the Staff for some years, has a commission in the Gloucester Regiment. He has been stationed in N. Ireland for some time.
- J. E. F. Broom is doing Accountancy in Johannesburg.
- The engagement of Andrew Milne Buchan to Miss Barbara Scott, of Maritzburg, was announced last winter.
- Neil Graham Bell soon after his wedding in May went off with his regiment. "Tert" is with the S.A. Medical Corps. He took a leading part in the Durban Repertory production, "George and Margaret." Frank has been called up in England and has joined the Navy.
- M. Blumberg left some months ago with the second Rhoian Contingent to join the R.A.F. in England.
- We wish all prosperity to Lionel Crowe and Miss Joan Knapp, who were married in Maritzburg in August. They are farming at Seven Oaks.
- John Chomley passed out of Cranwell at the end of last year and was gazetted as a Flying Officer in the R.A.F. After recovering from a serious crash in January, in which he broke his jaw in three places, he took part in the defence of England in a Hurricane, and was reported missing on August 12th. We hope to hear of his safety soon.

- Good luck to Tom Catchpole and his fiancee, Miss Sue Gwendoline Womble, of California. He recently passed first out of a large batch of new S.A.A.F. pilots, and he is now up North helping to warm up the Italians.
- S. A. Coakes went to England in April with a batch of N. Rhodesians to join the R.A.F. He is training as an observer in the South of England, and has been in the direct line of most of the Nazi bombing attacks on London.
- Noel Cullum, after getting his wings at the successful conclusion of his S.A.A.F. training, was sent back to his job as engineer in the S.A.R. & H.
- R. C. Coles was selected from the 1st Witwatersrand Rifles for a four months officers course at Roberts Heights. He finished his bankers' examinations last year.
- G. W. Cumming has had an operation, which he hopes will make him fit for active service by the New Year. He was recuperating at Salt Rock Hotel in October.
- We congratulate Roy Drummond on his engagement to Miss Noelle Fyvie, of Estcourt. He is in training with the Artillery.
- Alex Doull's son and heir was born on July 8th, just before he went into camp with the Artillery.
- R. A. Dyer, who has been for many years with the Department of Botany in Pretoria, does duty with the Police Reserve. His son wrote the School entrance exam. this year.
- Surgeon Lieut.-Commander R. D. Daly has been in the R.N.V.R. He qualified as a dental surgeon in London, where he has lived ever since. He is the "toothwright" on a destroyer.
- Pat Dorehill has joined the R.A.F. as a pupil pilot and is training in Rhodesia under the Empire scheme.

- I. C. B. Dickinson passed A and B of the A.M.I.C.E. examinations in London in June. He is now in the Army.
- We wish all good fortune to James B. Dick who was married to Miss Peggy Anne Nimmo, of Maritzburg, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, in Durban, on Saturday, November 9th. He was down on special leave from the S.A.A.F.
- David Edington has returned from Cambridge to this country, and is finishing his medical studies at Capetown University, where he has quickly broken the mile record by eight seconds.
- L. W. G. Eccles was much impressed by what he saw of England in war time during his recent leave. The Colonial Office would not release him for active service and he and his family returned to N. Rhodesia in July.
- George Forder, who has been teaching at Pridwin for some years, has joined the I.L.H., and enjoys camp life.
- Good fortune to John Forsdick and his bride, Miss Hope Timson, who were married in June. He has a commission after passing well out of the officers course at Roberts Heights.
- We also wish a happy future to Cecil John Fleming and Reveira Gay Roberts, of Bushtick, who were married in Bulawayo on August 12th.
- And also to John Fenwick, A.R.M., Mahlabatini, who married Miss Jessie Frances Pitcairn, of Nongoma, on June 29th.
- Halford Fellowes has been in the R.N.V.R. After being on a tanker to India, he was transferred to an armed merchantman and has recently been in British waters.
- J. Foaden is combining his engineering course at Howard College with O.T.C. work. He is Acting C.S.M.

- We offer our good wishes to A. G. Grice, who married Miss Laurie Maureen van Niekerk at St. Mark's Church, Johannesburg, on September 21st. He is a Corporal in the I.L.H.
- Congratulations to A. Gowans, who passed the finals for his Chartered Accountancy examinations this year. He is "up North" with his regiment, in which he is Staff-Sergeant.
- We have had another long account of O.M. activities at Rhodes from Roy Gathorne. The University Hockey side includes, besides himself, G. le May, R. Cunliffe and Fitzgerald.
- Dr. R. Gowans is assistant Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeon in the Royal Infirmary at Edinburgh.
- We are grateful to C. W. Hallowes for full news of his clan:
 All five are now on service. We congratulate Rupert
 on his marriage to Miss Helen Chennels, of Eshowe,
 at Kyamba, Kenya, on June 22nd. We hope it will not
 be long before they can settle down to farm there.
 He has a commission in the Army Service Corps.
- G. P. Hayward had a most exciting escape from Tunisia after the collapse of France. He made his way in every conceivable vehicle through Algeria and Morocco to Gibraltar and ultimately reached England, where he now has a commission in the R.N.V.R., due to his long experience with Imperial Airways.
- Geoffrey Holley, after successfully completing his career at Cambridge, has been appointed to the Indian Police. Before joining this service, he has to do four months training in a regular unit of the British Army.
- We are indebted to John Hickson for details of several O.M.'s he has met in training at Roberts Heights. In the week-ends, he and Maurice Pennington prove invincible as a pair against unwary golfers.

- A. W. G. Hunter has postponed the completion of his course at Witwatersrand University and has joined the Engineer Corps. He sent a welcome report of other O.M.'s in his unit.
- J. H. Heeley was working on the staff of the Union Cor-Poration, Ltd., in Johannesburg, before he joined the Transvaal Scottish.
- Tim Henderson's last letter from America gave a full account of the feeling there towards the war, which has proved extraordinarily accurate in the light of events during the last six months. He hopes to have completed his studies next spring and to return to this country.
- Congratulations to T. Heywood Harris who got a 3rd in his History Tripos at Cambridge last June under the difficult war conditions. He is back in the Union and has joined the S.A.M.C.
- A. T. Hoernlé, who has been for some years with the S.A. Mutual Insurance Co. at Capetown, is "up North" as a Gunner.
- Rev. H. Harker, who is an A.R.P. Warden in his parish, Greenford, in the East End of London, reports that recently over a hundred bombs fell in less than a minute inside the parish.
- Congratulations to Derek Jones, who is engaged to Miss Moraig Sinclair, of the Dargle. He is a Sergeant in the Engineers.
- Neville James' daughter and heiress arrived in June. He is in training with the Artillery.
- Alan Jack, the enthusiastic secretary of the Transvaal Branch, is accountant to Electrolux (S.A.) Pty. Ltd., in Johannesburg.

- Louis Kriel, after some years on the editorial staff of the London "Times," returned to this country to join a Transvaal paper. He has, however, returned to England, this time as Afrikaans announcer for the B.B.C.
- K. Knutzen has been gaining practical experience on his father's mine, a hundred miles from Salisbury.
- E. L. Kirkcaldie has joined a firm of manufacturing chemists in Edinburgh as a junior partner. He is still in the Scottish International Hockey side. He spent many hours as umpire or linesman at the centre court at Wimbledon in the summer before the war started, and had a magnificent close-up of most of the leading tennis players of the world.
- H. P. Knubley was one of the three O.M.'s who were successful in the finals of the Chartered Accountancy examinations in June. He is on active service.
- W. H. S. Lister, who has been for some years in the Union Public Health Department in Pretoria, is to be congratulated on passing his B.A. by private study. He had an exciting journey on his way "up North" with his unit.
- D. Loxton is working on the Robinson Deep gold mine near Johannesburg.
- G. le May has done well as an opening bat at Rhodes University.
- Dennis Lyle was admitted on August 1st as an attorney of the Natal Supreme Court. He has since joined the Gunners.
- Ralph Lund, who is a surveyor on the Sub Nigel, is engaged to Miss Joan Coventry, of Acton Holmes, near Ladysmith. Congratulations!
- A. A. Lloyd, who is a Gunner with the Artillery, has been selected for an officer's course.

- E. M. Lewis recently passed very high out of his final training course with the S.A.A.F., has his wings and commission, and has gone North for further training and service.
- E. J. Morris, who was wounded recently in aerial combat, sent a most thrilling account of a day he experienced in August, and his mother kindly sent it to us for publication in these notes. He has been in the R.A.F. for some years.
- All good luck to C. W. F. G. Mills, who married Miss Judith Robertson, of Senekal, on August 10th. He is now with the S.A.A.F.
- C. MacNeillie was transferred early in the year from Empangeni to the Brakpan branch of Barclays Bank. He has since joined the Transvaal Scottish.
- A. D. T. Montagu was promoted to Agricultural Superintendent on the Gold Coast in 1937, and sent the following year to Trinidad for a refresher course at the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, where he was awarded its Associateship. He is now back in West Africa making a big survey for the Colonial Office. His wife, two sons and a daughter, have to live in England owing to the severity of the climate.
- W. Nicol, who is now living at Stockport, in Cheshire, reports that he is doing A.R.P. work in Manchester, and has hiked everywhere in the Lake District.
- W. F. Otto is married to Miss Isherwood, of Maritzburg. He lives at Vryheid, and works in the P.W.D.
- Basil Oscroft, who is a Staff-Sergeant in the S.A.M.B., sent us a long list of O.M.'s he had met in training.
- P. S. Pearce won the Squash championship at Rhodes this year. Three other O.M.'s reached the quarter finals, R. Gathorne, S. Harris and T. Hickman.

- C. J. Palmer is on long leave from Calcutta, having arrived with his wife and two sons in July.
- Rex Poynton has been learning to fly in Sussex, where he also did a lot of gliding.
- P. Perkins has joined the Native Affairs Department of S. Rhodesia and is stationed at Tjolotjo, east of the Falls. He took part in an exciting lion hunt recently, in the course of which his colleague was knocked over by the brute as it charged and fatally wounded a native alongside him.
- J. H. Parson in June passed the Intermediate, Section A examinations of the S.A. Accountants Society.
- J. B. Robertson was successful in the final of his Chartered Accountancy examinations. He has since joined the Artillery.
- Henry Ralfe has another son, born in September.
- Michael Rosholt, who had successfully taken his second year Accountancy examinations, joined the Transvaal Scottish at the outbreak of war, but has since joined the Artillery.
- Bertram Ralfe welcomed the arrival of a daughter in May. He is now out with the Carbineers, and his wife is running the farm.
- Long life and happiness to Tom Rose Price and Miss Zoe Bands, of Durban, who were married in Johannesburg on June 28th. He is serving with the S.A.A.F.
- A. R. Roberts has been working with the Vacuum Oil Co., but is now on active service.
- C. R. N. Starling has another son, born on October 8th.

- Congratulations to W. M. Smythe, who became engaged to Miss Betty Jones, of Ladysmith, in May.
- Noel Sacke worked for a year on a platinum mine near Rustenburg, and then joined the Gov. Gold Mining Areas at Brakpan. He is now in the Tank Corps.
- R. G. Southey is helping his father on their farm near Cedarville.
- Peter Susskind, who had sampled Potchefstroom on an agricultural course at the University, is now in the Artillery. We are grateful to him for very full details of O.M.'s he has met on active service, and commend his example to others.
- A. H. Sandison, who married in 1936 and has a daughter, was recently transferred to Capetown. He is now a Gunner in the Anti-Aircraft Brigade. His brother, George, is with Dunlops, Ltd., in Durban, and married Miss Joan Dold last year. She is a daughter of H. Dold, another O.M.
- A. W. Sperryn happily carried his secretarial enthusiasm with him into the N.M.R., and sent a complete list of O.M.'s serving with his Regiment.
- John Sinclair, who has a commission in the Garrison Artiltillery, has been stationed for months at an isolated spot.
- R. E. Sewell, after a long period of training near London, has been gazetted with a comission in the Royal Engineers.
- D. H. Thompson, whose leave on the French Riviera was cut short by Hitler's invasion of the Netherlands, was through the evacuation of Dunkirk, being one of the last units to get away. They had to abandon all their

kit 15 miles away and make a rush for the beach. It was a hazardous experience, particularly as they saw three transports sunk by dive bombers as they were about to embark. His services with the B.E.F. have been recognised by his appointment as Deputy Assistant Director of Medical Services to a division and promotion to the rank of Major.

- Squadron-Leader G. C. Tomlinson, D.F.C., had a lucky escape in the operations in Flanders with the B.E.F. After shooting his opponent down himself he was forced to land with a damaged machine which crashed. He got away with the loss of three teeth, a lump of metal in his arm, and severe cuts and bruises. He has since been in command of a fighter training squadron in England, with a staff of instructors who have seen active service. His first child, a girl, was born on March 27th.
- R. L. Tatham set up a record by passing his Railway
 Maintenance examinations 5 per cent. higher than any
 previous candidate in the Transvaal.
- Senior O.M.'s will be interested to know that A. C. Thornton is Chief Warden and organiser of A.R.P. for Bulawayo. He has a son in the R.A.F. and two sons-in-law with the Rhodesian forces.
- E. Vine, B.Sc., Ph.D., London, has been studying agricultural chemistry at the Imperial College, Trinidad.
- A. H. V. Winter, who is with the Carbineers, sent a fascinating account of trout fishing "somewhere in Africa."

 His unit was camped near a fine stream and many fine fish were taken, often by methods that make a keen fly fisherman squirm! He is determined to go back there after the war with a proper outfit.

- D. D. Waterman obtained his B.Sc. in Mining and Metallurgy two years ago at the Witwatersrand University, and celebrated his success by a tour of Canada and America. On his return he was appointed Surveyor to the Rose Deep Mine, and in his spare time obtained his A Pilot's licence. He now has a commission in the Engineers.
- P. K. Wright is with the I.L.H., and sent us a long list of O.M.'s on service.
- R. K. Walker is having practical experience in an architect's office before starting his course at Witwatersrand University next year.
- S. R. Whiting obtained his wings in the R.A.F. in October.
- A. W. Walters, after many years in the Treasury at Maseru, has received well deserved promotion to the important post of Financial Secretary to the Bechuanaland Government.
- Good luck to Maurice Webb and Miss Betty Hedley, of Durban, who were married in Durban just before he went off to full time training with his regiment, the 1st N.M.R.
- Pilot Officer B. P. Young was very much in the news in July, when the R.A.F. training film was shown in Durban, as the cadet who won the Sword of Honour at Cranwell the year the film was made. He took the leading part, and reminded us vividly of his many successes on the School stage. In June he was shot down in flames in Flanders, but managed to escape by parachute badly burned. On landing, he was mistakenly fired on by our own troops and severely wounded. Happily he has now fully recovered.

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