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EDITORIAL

The job of writing an Editorial may be looked forward to with equanimity until the actual time of writing comes. Then it is realised that all the College news appears elsewhere in concise form, written by experts, and it would be out of place for the Editor to reprint his own haphazard version: and that the humour appearing in the Magazine is well above the level of the Editor, and an attempt at a witty Editorial is best left alone. It behoves the Editor, therefore, to merely write until the page is full.

The task of getting together a "Kingstonian" has been more complicated than in previous years due to a session shorter by one term, which has meant more studying in the Summer term than usual, and a corresponding decrease in literary effort. The magazine contains, therefore, about 10 pages less of contributions, but we are very satisfied with the standard of those submitted. With the exception of the work of two or three, the number of contributions received from the Women's Hostel has been low. We exhort them to higher efforts next year if the College remains open to students, especially as it appears that they will be in a large majority.

We have continued with last year's excellent innovation—that of including photographs of College interest. We hope that in future years the Magazine Committee will be elected in the first term of the year, chiefly to assist those with the job of attending to advertisements.

It will be seen, on looking through the Magazine, that although the "year" has presented innumerable difficulties, the activities of the College have been maintained at a high level. We hope that the College will be opening next year, and that its normal life will not be drastically interfered with.

We acknowledge the receipt of The Limit (Loughborough College) and The Gong (University College, Nottingham), and apologise for any omissions.

THE PRINCIPAL'S REVIEW

In common with many other centres of Agricultural Education, the past year has been one of change and uncertainty. The outbreak of war disturbed what promised to be one of the best years in our history. The cancellation of our normal programme of teaching work on the advice of the Ministry of Agriculture was disturbing to staff and students alike. It was felt, however, that the national interest would be served best by the provision of training for members of the Women's Land Army. Fortunately, there was not a complete cessation of agricultural teaching, and many of our students started the present session at the University of Reading. Others decided to postpone their training and settled down to work on farms. Several members of staff were seconded to the War Agricultural Executive Committees to assist in the food production campaign, while the Bursar was called up for service in the R.N.R.

The whole life and atmosphere of the College was completely transformed by the Land Army invasion. From September to December the College was filled with trainees, attending courses of one month's duration. Drawn from all walks of life, and most of them from London, Middlesex and Essex, the W.L.A. volunteers quickly settled down to their new life. From the staff point of view it was a hard grind in more senses than one. Our work achieved a great measure of success, though the shortness of the training period made it largely introductory in character. It was valuable however, as a guide to the selection of those who possessed the capacity to adapt themselves to the needs of agriculture during the war.

In December, the Ministry of Agriculture intimated that the Colleges would be allowed to resume their normal teaching duties. This was more than good news, and in January we started with approximately one hundred students. In the majority of cases, those who had transferred to other centres returned to this College, and the vacant accommodation was taken up by Women's Land Army trainees. Amongst our students we had to welcome some whose local Colleges had not re-opened, and the arrangement of courses to cover these and other requirements necessitated considerable adjustments. What

was particularly surprising was the good entry for the Certificate in Agriculture, in spite of the fact that it had always been assumed that farmers could not spare their sons during the summer term. Arising out of this experience, when times revert to normal it is proposed to make the Certificate in Agriculture course one of three terms duration.

There have been some outstanding events during the session. The hard spell of weather, with temperatures down to 1 or 2 degrees below zero, which even caused radiator bursts in the College, provided small opportunity for football or hockey. The limited time available for teaching with a two-terms session, necessitated the elimination of the usual terminal examinations at Easter. Whether this has been desirable can be proved only after the sessional examinations are held. The black-out of necessity has had to be observed, but some have found it difficult to appreciate their responsibilities and the law has exercised its authority in consequence. In this connection George has now become a resident and has saved more than one offender from the clutches of policemen on duty. Life in the Hostels has been brightened by the installation of wireless sets in the common rooms, while the social life has been greatly improved by the purchase of a radiogram for the large Lecture Hall. The task of still further improving the tone and atmosphere of the College has been continued—this time by panelling the walls of the Entrance, Dining and large Lecture Halls. Refectory tables are also replacing the assortment of tables in the dining hall, some of which carry the marks of the old Kingston days.

A particular honour has been conferred on the College by the decision of the Ministry of Agriculture to make us the training centre for the Ministry's inspectors who have to administer the Seed Potato Inspection Scheme. A new potato sprouting house has been erected and about 6½ acres of the College Farm are devoted to potato variety and disease plots this year.

Staff changes have been more numerous than usual. Dr. Jeffares, who for so many years was our Medical Officer, retired last July, and Dr. Gerrard, his successor in the practice, had a particularly busy time at the College during the spring term with a somewhat extensive outbreak of German measles.

Fortunately this malady ended with the Easter vacation. Mr. H. S. Hall received a well-earned promotion in August by being appointed to the staff of the National Institute for Research in Dairying at Reading. He did not leave alone, however, for he took with him as his wife, Miss M. G. Dobson, who for a year had been Lecturer in Microbiology. Miss E. Turner whose cheery presence graced the Dairy for the past two years, joined the staff of the West of Scotland Agricultural College at Auchincruive at the beginning of the year thereby proving that our emigrating qualities are by no means dead. There is still much leeway, however, to make up in this section of our export trade!

On the commercial side of our activities much success has come our way. The trading departments finished the financial year with very rosy results. Our enlarged farming enterprise has more than justified itself in its first year, while the Dairy and Poultry sections have maintained the reputation that has belonged to them for many years.

The future is less clear at the time of writing. The Minister of Agriculture has stated that some Colleges will be closed down in the immediate future in order to release members of staff for essential food production work in the counties. In so far as the Midland is concerned, many of our staff will have to be seconded once more for this work. It is, however, the intention of the Governing Body to keep our educational work going, so that there will be no closing down in the sense that normal courses will cease. We shall concentrate largely on women students, and thereby keep alive the name and spirit of the College. The value of agricultural education was never more plainly emphasised than by the Government's recognition that Agricultural Education Staffs are essential for vital food production work. This fact has been obvious to those who know anything about it even in more peaceful days. A prosperous agriculture demands an efficient race of farmers and that is what we have been trying to create during the many years of our existence as a teaching centre.

H. G. ROBINSON.

FARMERS I KNOW

A. G. Street has often written and spoken of the enduring nature of the land, which remains one of the few stable things through man's vicissitudes. He would wish, with almost religious fervour, to see man's attachment to the land a thing which will equally endure. I write of Leicestershire, and there the outlook of the farmer is linked with the type of land he farms. It may be that a given type of land attracts to it a complementary type of farmer or that his outlook is influenced after he has had some experience of the soil. On the richer clays with little or no lime requirement, son follows father and a newcomer seldom has the chance to take a farm. Those who are sensitive to atmosphere may detect contentment. Unprogressive if you like, but sound, no stunts, no hankering after novelties, but these men are attached to the land they farm. I am privileged to know some who have worked hard and sacrificed much in order to buy the farm on which they were brought up. They are not embittered and life has for them a fuller meaning than mere money making or the struggle for existence. One of them paints miniatures on winter evenings and has a nice taste in Stilton. Another studies Plato and Aristotle and on the tractor he carries a German dictionary.

On the lighter, more acid soils, the agricultural population is less stable. In many cases a farmer takes a farm, remains a few years, finally giving up the unequal struggle against soil and season to make way for another of farming's many optimists. Some from other counties, I am afraid, have the idea that Leicestershire is a county of lush meadows. Perhaps the Land Fertility Scheme will anchor farmers in these areas more firmly to the land. With a degree of compulsion in its operation I think it will.

It is among the less stable type that the "go ahead" man appears. With grim determination he adapts his practice to existing circumstances to force a living from the unwilling land.

As distinct from the shifting farmer there is the "Settler" type. It is said that the best road in Scotland is the one that leads south, and some very good farmers in this county have taken that road, but sons of Cambria have taken the road east in greater numbers. No doubt Welsh farmers bringing their runts to sell to the graziers found a better outlet for their energies than among the rugged hills. Friends and relatives followed to make what is almost a Welsh colony in the south-western part of the county.

It is customary to speak about the drift from the land, but there is still such a thing as farming in the blood. This is nowhere more marked than among some of our women farmers. There are the widows, real bricks they are, who carry on until such time that a growing son can take over the management of the farm. When I think of these widows I also think of the captains of industry whose triumphal entry into farming is usually only the prelude to an ignominious exit a few years later.

Agriculture is itself, it is unique, the ignorant complacency of the townsman does not fit in. Just as the outlook of the farmer may be linked with the type of land he farms, so may there be some correlation with the breeds of stock he keeps in relation to the dominant types of the district. Conservatism may not be the same thing as respectability, but the Shorthorn, the Shire and the Suffolk seem to confer some degree of agricultural respectability. Friesian breeders, I fancy, seldom attain the status of Aldermen.

I am in agreement with those who regard agriculture as a mode of life as well as a means of livelihood. That is the driving force behind the great majority of the 100 acre tenant farmers. It is not given to them to handle money in large lumps. But among the men with broader acres is one who claims to have stored 20 years' clip of wool and then sold it towards the end of the last war for over £7000. On the other hand a grazier lost £20,000 by the drop in prices in 1921. Probably he made more than that in the preceding few years, anyway he still grazes cattle.

H.R.K.

" AT THE CROSS-ROADS "

Many an hour I spent in wonder
Gazing at the earth and sky,
Here was I, but for what purpose?
Sent for what; by whom; and why?
After deep consideration,
Still unable to explain
How it was that such a creature
Into this environ came.

Then more earthly things I ponder,
What type of work I am to do?
And whom to serve—another question.
God, man, or Nature answers "Who?"
Little time now for reflection,
I must surely work to live,
God and Nature I have chosen,
Now to labour as they bid.

Slowly is my path made clearer,
Two great camps before me frown.
My Masters made the farm and forest,
Without their aid Man made the town,
Therefore I must choose the former;
There to work and there remain,
Until my days on earth are over
I will labour, not in vain.

C. R. WATERS.

YESTERDAY, TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

The story of the Industrial Revolution is a sad one. It was an age of great mechanical and scientific discovery and such a state of affairs made some great industrial development inevitable. But it was surely not inevitable—if more men had been true to the ideals they had—that such development should be the occasion for the growth of large scale selfishness, and for a ruthless and systematic exploitation of the labour of men, women and children of the working class.

With this revolution came the intensive use of machines, successful businesses and applied science, but of what use are all these if, instead of mastering them, we are mastered by them? Why cannot industry be animated by the same aim and outlook which characterises our doctors, nurses and parsons—to serve for the common good.

A person cannot live a life of human Christian decency if all his or her family is crowded into one or two dirty rooms, situated either in some dirty narrow dark alley, or in a basement. If that person's work is just a dull monotonous drudgery he or she is never free from the fear of "going under" in the struggle for existence.

This, however, is the fate of hundreds of thousands of our fellow citizens—*poverty*, which inevitably entails physical and mental deterioration, and above all moral deterioration.

It can be safely asserted that this terrible lack of opportunity on the part of the working man to live, is not a chance thing nor inevitable. It is the result of certain causes, and these are chiefly to be found in the type of industry and society which has developed during the past two centuries.

Many people are pondering over these questions to-day in all seriousness; and others apparently absorbed in pleasure or money-making are dimly aware of such facts.

When these questions are answered in a satisfactory manner—when good housing, higher wages, more leisure time is given to the man, then he will cease to become a number, but will be a human being with a right to live and a mind free from the fear of "going under"; and be capable of thinking and reasoning.

Now what has been the result of man's existence simply as a number? The chaotic state of affairs to-day give the answer—"War". "War is seen to be a wastage, a misuse and a prostitution of lives fitted for better and creative ends. War does not create, it corrupts both the individual and the society. Love, truth and beauty, these are all creative elements and war destroys them all", wrote a famous cleric some 20 years ago. Reading this passage two or three years ago it would mean little to us, but to-day it conveys a sad reality as we are at war.

This reality has shown us the chaotic state in which the world exists and has made us think of some way of improving it.

To-day it is well known that the Churches of Britain are better filled now than they were in pre-war days. Why? Because people go there to "pray for peace" and to ask God to deliver us from this hell on earth. But we cannot call in religion when our own attempts fail, and then dispense with it in other spheres where its application would be inconvenient. Unfortunately this is the case with many people to-day.

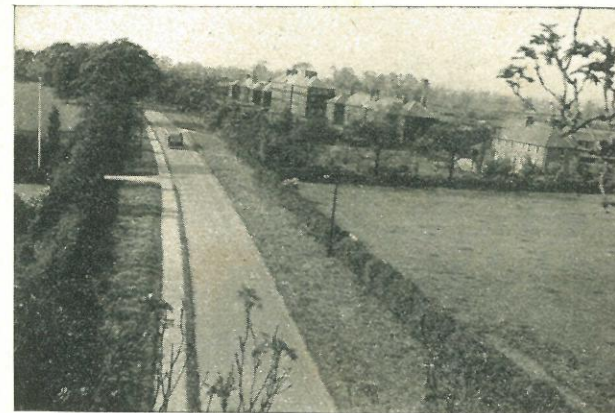
The remodelling of the world depends upon us. We must start at once and practice a new way of living—to try and improve our attitude towards God; to conduct a practical Christianity by living a straightforward life, helping who we can, and bearing illwill towards no-one, and not denying human qualities even in our enemies.

If only this attitude could have been taken 20 years ago we should probably not have to face this cataclysm. But now the damage has been done we must fight to retain that condition of freedom in which we can act these principles and realise that "Our humanity is the way by which men must travel".

E. C. JONES.

D-nkas--r : "Oh, I'm a good old rebel :
Now that's just what I am.
For this fair land of freedom
I do not care a dam'."

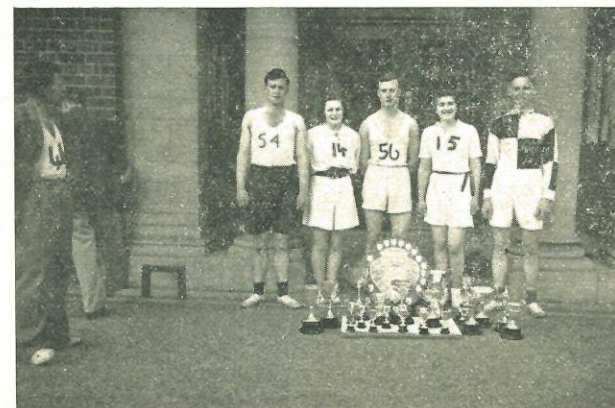
M-son : No gentleman ever weighs more than two hundred pounds.
(Gilbert).



The College.



Floods at Kingston.



Trophy Winners.

GERMAN INVASION

Before I tell my woeful tale,
I hope these verses will not fail
To tell the reader what I mean
When German measles first were seen.

Miss Taylor whirled around with trays,
Her mind was in a tangled maze,
When students in assorted lots
Got very blotchy with red spots.

H.G.R. was worried too,
When other students got the "flu",
But after all it was no sin,
And well he knows youth loves its fling.

Without exception, old or young,
Vicar's daughter—farmer's son,
Feverish tension got so high
That lectures were an awful tie.

Those who got them had no rest,
To hide the evil did their best ;
For once exposed, their future doom
Meant eighteen days confined to room.

Such isolation was a bore,
With Lysol curtains on the door.
Stale old books, and meals so rare—
Lecture notes were always there !

Every morning anxious faces
Searched neck and arm for horrid traces ;
And sure it was a nasty shock
To find on chest a single spot.

Careful plans to look much paler
If confronted by Miss Taylor.
Cosmetics to the women's aid—
Powder did a marvellous trade !

The men tried hard to cover traces
With guilty looks and bearded faces.
Polo jumpers and cheerful laugh,
They bluffed odd members of the staff.

The garden staff was not immune ;
One poor victim faced her doom.
The cook one day when frying chops,
Said, " Heavens, Pacey, I've got spots".

The Vice-President, a victim too,
Said, " Oh dear me, what shall I do ? "
But conscience answered faint, though clear,
" Report, and set example here".

Miss Pritchard had a watchful eye,
And said to students with a sigh,
" Your gumption now is all but nil,
But, after all, perhaps you're ill ? "

And as the end of term grew near
To miss the dance there was great fear.
With paint and powder, collars of height,
They passed unnoticed, danced all night.

When Wednesday came for Going Down
And students went from town to town,
It didn't matter who they saw,
The term was done—Good-bye to law.

G. O. CLARKE.

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING THE " MIDLAND-MADE " BIRD-CATCHER

The Midland-made Bird-catcher consists of two CHAMBERS made of WOOD, either SOUTHWOOD or ELWOOD, according to the proximity of the MILLS concerned. The base is painted WHITE or BROWN and a STORR of PLANTain seeds placed thereon. Attached to these BATES are lengths of cotton tied to a BELTON a pulley leading to a bevel gear operating the knife. (For those lacking in engineering knowledge, a bevel gear is one with a WIGLEY outside used for transmitting a drive through a WRIGHT-angle bend. Should an ominous squeaking sound be heard when the above is functioning it shows that the mechanism BADDILEY needs a little HOYLE or the whole will PETER out.) The bird alights on the lower tray, SPITZER seed or two out, and then, taking a good hold of one of the seeds attempts to SOAR upwards, thus imposing a terrific ICKE upon the cotton. The bird tugging hard at the cotton causes the knife to suddenly swing round and cut the cotton. Flapping vigorously it shoots upwards, through AGATE in the floor of the upper chamber, and can HARLEY believe it's TRUE that it is free, when it finds itself enclosed in the upper chamber.

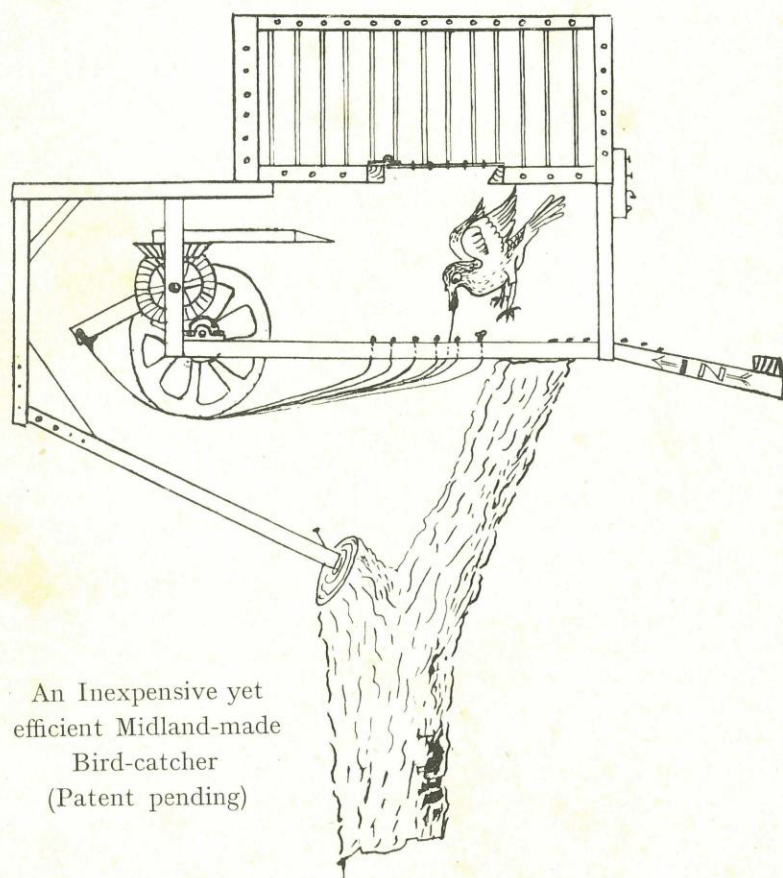
The next problem is what to do with the bird. Several alternatives present themselves:—

(a) If there is a RANDLE at the top, the bird may be allowed to emerge, when one immediately places a HATTON it.

(b) If it is sufficiently large one may decide to COOKE it, provided there is a STOVIN the vicinity, when one can FRY it or STEWART as desired.

(c) Finally should she be broody one could COOPER, or if she be bad tempered shoot her with a MUSCUTT.

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MORE CLERIHEWS—THE STAFF

The Principal
Is whimsical—
And also very clever :
But "there's no correlation whatsoever".

The Manager of the Farm
Doesn't often do much harm ;
But he was rather unpleasant
About chasing a pheasant.

Dr. N. T. Gill
Tries to sugar the bitter pill
Of botany—
But can hardly break the monotony.

Stephen Williams (the Stainless?)
Is certainly not brainless.
He drives us all to desperation
With the Sum of the Squares of Deviation.

Mr. Walker
Is an inveterate talker.
But his chats about dairying
Always seem rather wearying.

Mr. Calder
Plays with set-screws and solder.
With unconcealed glee
He shows us "the big advantage of" the O.H.V.

Has Mr. Holden
Lost his golden
Chance
Of stemming the wire-worm advance?

"Lottie" Ling
Works like anything ;
But his assistant Martin
Takes more care of his partin'.

A symbol
For O. D. Kimble
Would be a pair of boots
Crammed with soft fruits.

"Bobby" Burns
Gives us a variety of turns :
From making the foulest gases
He gives us chats about the Egyptian lasses.

Mr. Ironside
Tells us with pride
That of course
The most important structure is the foot of the horse.

"Wee Georgie" Wood
Never could
Get us to applaud
The Milk Marketing Board.

Do the undertakings
Of Mr. Makings
Have valuable consideration
For their foundation?

COUNSEL TO STUDENTS

(With apologies to Robert Herrick)

Go ye capurtling while ye may,
Term time is fast a-flying ;
For those who do not kiss to-day,
To-morrow may be sighing.

This glorious life of ours is short,
And hour by hour is flitting,
So we had best begin to court,
For we shall soon be quitting.

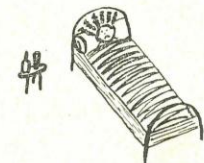
That love is best which is the first,
When man and maid are students ;
We do not only knowledge thirst,
So credit us with prudence.

Then be not shy of all the rules,
But while ye may, go walking ;
In after-years, staff's anger cools,
And of the joy they're talking.

" MARJORIE-DOR."

THE BASHING OF CORNWALL JONES

Corny had the measles—
The end of term was nigh,
And for familiar faces
His soul began to cry.



He'd started cycling homeward
When it commenced to rain,
And before our Taffy knew it
He was mounted on a train.

The train drew into Derby,
Taffy he got out ;
And as he had some time to spare
He thought he'd look about.

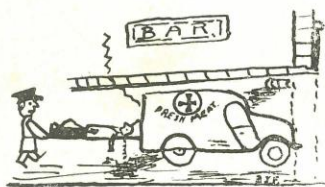


He wandered through the city—
At least that's what men say,
For Taffy now remembers nought
Of what befell that day.

They found him in the gutter,
His head all bathed in gore ;
And someone pinched his suitcase
Before they fetched the Law.



The Law sent for an Ambulance,
They pushed poor Taffy in—
They took him to the Hospital
And washed him free from Gin!



Now Taffy was a Welshman,
So Taffy was not dead,
Although three feet of kerbstone
Projected from his head.



He woke up with a Cambrian
shout,
" Oh, where am I ? " he said.
A lovely nurse just smiled at him,
And strapped him down in bed.



For days he lay, and knew not
why ;
His memory was gone.
He only knows the nurse was
kind,
And washed him—just for fun.



Our Taffy soon recovered—
He'd got a lot of " grit "—
And now he's back at M.A.C.
And looking " Very Fit " !
R. J. F.

THE TOP TABLE

Waud, the President, at billiards does well ;
Likes his new chair, he thinks it is swell.

Gaskill, a runner of whom we are proud,
Ran away with the cups from the rest of the crowd.

Now Eric Wilson is feeling quite sad,
For his better half's left him, poor little lad.

Jones, or Taffy, a Welshman he :
Brassica Rutabaga is his favourite " bee".

Doncaster, who argues the most of the lot,
Makes us all leave the table at quite a fast trot.

Fenton, our he-man, on women doth frown,
Though we think he's a harem hidden in town.

Wallbank, or Arthur, is fond of bed, as you'll learn :
His favourite say is, " I move we adjourn".

When Waters is expecting a strife
He thinks it best to be armed with a knife.

L is for Lawton, the next on the list,
He says its quite pleasant to be frequently kissed.

Bracegirdle is the man who thinks he can dance,
But when with the Land Army you should see him prance.

Alec or Ashmore ; he cuts quite a dash—
Especially with his half-shaved moustache.

Alan Osborne, who left, was Alec's twin :
When the two laughed together they did make a din.

T.T.T.

Eleven Students (men) : The young beaux are for the most part
hampered by dress and habit, the
dandy walk—oh they will never do for
cricket. (Mary Russel Mitford)

Dairy Students : Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning.
(Isaiah v. 9).



Sports Day—The Principal and Lady Belper.



Sports Day—Obstacles.

THANKS FOR THE MEMORY (with apologies)

Thanks for the memory
Of Wednesday afternoons,
Of real hot rhythm tunes,
Of greasy meat,
That Sunday treat
Of cold blancmange and prunes,
How lovely it was.

Thanks for the memory
Of working in Grade A,
Of separating whey,
Of scrubbing floors
Without a pause
To finish for the day,
How lovely it was.

Thanks for the memory
Of Agri's leaflet raid,
Of models Engi's made.
Of dungarees,
Of looks that please,
And students who have strayed,
How lovely it was.

Thanks for the memory
Of eating bread and jam,
Then trying hard to cram;
All Annie's tips
And Percy's quips
For End of Term exam.,
How lovely it was.

K.B.J.R.

PAUSE FOR SONG, GUESS WHO ?

Swing High, Swing Low—*On the P.F.*
Chatterbox—*2nd year N.D.D.*
A Hunting we will go—*It's a Cert.*
O Mamma, get that man for me—*The Women's Hostel.*
There goes my dream. *Ditto.*
Donkey Serenade. *Lady Haw-Haw.*
Why did you leave Heaven? *V.P.*

K.B.J.R.

ANNIE'S CHERUBS AND DADDY'S DARLINGS

Section A of the dairy we be,
Eight students of highest degree,
All one great happy family
Working to get an N.D.D. (combined effort).

Little Ray of Sunshine
Looking very bright,
Asking silly questions
Thinking he is right.

Marian our emblem
Of everything that's sweet,
Skipping round with dazzling smile
On those dainty feet.

Lady Pat, of course she's boss,
Except when "Poicy's" there,
She really does such silly things,
He'll soon lose all his hair.

Not forgetting Dorothy
With her unruly mop,
And her cap, all starched and white,
Sitting on the top. (Sarcasm).

"Hauty Jarge," who grumbles
He is on certif.
Ann, at first, was sharp and short,
But has improved from this.

Last of all we have the twins,
They're left to carry on,
Left behind in that darned dairy,
The rest of us have gone.

D.P.

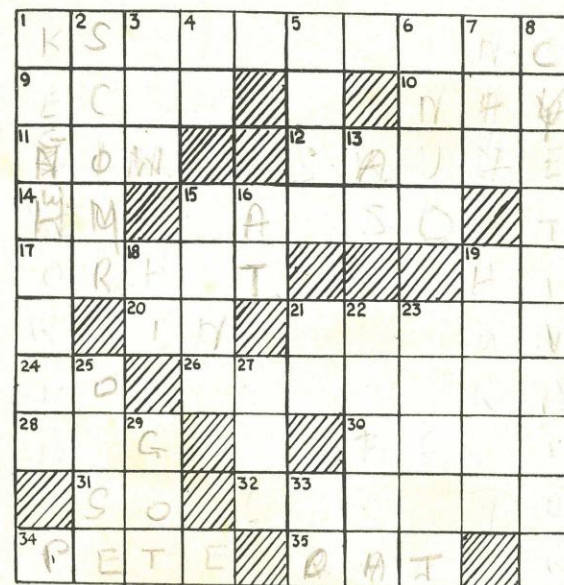
W-ers : The gods are hard to reconcile. (Tennyson).

Z-- Z--k : Worthy professor of the dismal science. (Carlyle)

K-y I-ke : But now I find how dear thou wert to me. (Coleridge)

General Meeting : But who are we that complain? We must
solve the question by complaint or experi-
ment . . . or by learning to go
without. (Edward Thomas).

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



CLUES

ACROSS

1. Favourite College pastime.
9. Goat.
10. No.
11. Present.
12. Pan.
14. The King (abb.).
15. Used by Cowboys.
17. A type of 26 across.
19. Joan of Arc has recently
been made one (abb.).
20. The middle of pint.
21. Favourite lecture (abb.).
24. Preposition.
26. Seems to be all some men
can talk about!
28. A wife should never do this.
30. Genuine.
31. The beginning of soap.
32. Landed property.
34. Boy's name.
35. Cereal.

DOWN

1. A nearby village.
2. Bacteria cause cows to do
this.
3. Preferably made of wood.
4. From.
5. Rough or smooth?
6. Not quite minto.
7. As 10 across.
8. Performs cultivation in one
operation.
13. Like.
15. Famous Theatre.
16. Chez.
18. Heard down Lambeth way.
19. Animal.
21. Colony (abb.).
22. Blood vessel.
23. He cat (anag.).
25. To go hungry.
27. Can be black or white.
29. Obtained.
33. As 30 across.

K.B.J.R.

THE BARD OF AVON AT THE M.A.C.
(with apologies to William Shakespeare)

Book-keeping

"I pray thee cease thy counsel,
Which falls into mine ears as profitless
As water in a sieve : "

Much Ado about Nothing

Giving-in of afore-mentioned curse

"On Thursday, sir? the time is very short."

Romeo & Juliet

Tutti Frutti

"Give not this rotten orange to your friend ;"

Much Ado about Nothing

"A goodly apple rotten at the heart : "

Merchant of Venice

Black-out

"That light we see is burning in my hall ;
How far that little candle throws his beams ! "

Merchant of Venice

Horti. Dept.

"Truly, the tree yields bad fruit."

As You Like It

Springtime (and German Measles)

"When wheat is green and hawthorn buds appear
Sickness is catching."

Midsummer Night's Dream

Crop Husbandry

"I will go root away
The noisome weeds, that without profit suck,
The soil's fertility."

King Richard II

P.M.

"A bloody deed, and desperately despatched ! "

King Richard III

The Dairy

"Robin Goodfellow, are you not he
That frights the maidens of the villagery ;
Skim milk, and sometimes labour in the quern,
And bootless make the breathless housewife churn ?

Midsummer Night's Dream

Poultry Farm

"The scarecrow that affrights our children so."

Henry VI

Examination Swot.

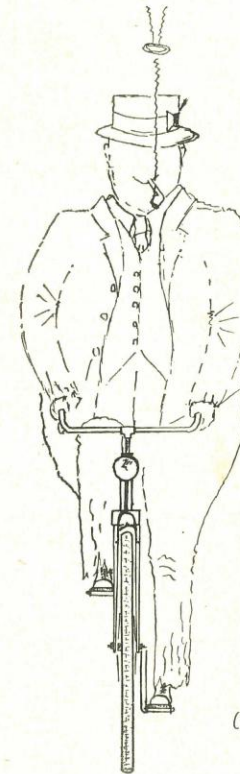
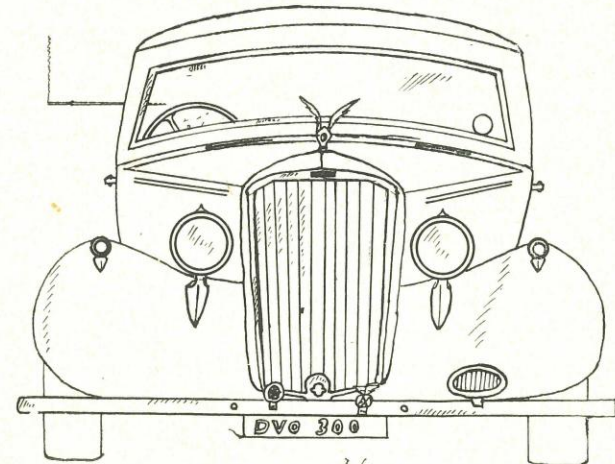
"But look, where sadly the poor wretch comes reading."

Hamlet

"I pray thee, do not mock me, fellow student."

Hamlet

THE FACE OF THINGS TO COME!?!?



C. ARCY
(By Special
Request)

1940 COLLEGE CALENDAR

- Jan. 8—Term commences. Returning students learned of the marriages of Miss Dobson and Mr. Hall, and Miss Robotham and Mr. Blossom.
Mr. Hall had joined the staff at Reading, his place being taken by Mr. C. R. Calder; and Miss L. Bridgeman is the new member of the Bacteriological Staff. We are also pleased to see our Student Secretary of last year, now a member of the Agricultural Staff.
The various Committees are told to "get on with their jobs".
- Jan. 9—In to breakfast. Our appetites are impaired by presence of a contingent of the Women's Land Army.
The Principal's address in the Main Hall. We learn that our live weight increase is to be recorded.
- Jan. 10—Weighing-in ceremony conducted in the Dairy, a "real" heavyweight is revealed!
First Wednesday hop: for the first time in the memories of our contemporaries women outnumber the men!
- Jan. 11—The Principal on "Finland."
- Jan. 13—Skating on Kingston Lake. Weather is too severe for our football and hockey enthusiasts.
- Jan. 15—Audition for the Play, considerable talent amongst the ladies.
- Jan. 17—We make history by institution of dancing lessons for those people "sitting out". Very well attended.
Immediate improvement apparent at the ensuing hop!
- Jan. 18—"Hat Night." We cannot understand why Dr. Gill always draws a winner!
- Jan. 19—Final casting of parts for the Play.
- Jan. 20—Hop and first Social. Still fewer "sitters-out".
- Jan. 22—General Meeting—executive committee elected.
Rehearsals for the play start in earnest.
- Jan. 24—Dancing lessons again very popular.
Election of two new students to Men's Hostel Committee.
- Jan. 27—Well attended "hop" owing to heavy fall of snow.
- Jan. 28—A volunteer corps of men students spends Sunday morning clearing away the snow. A concentration of troops is noticed round the New Hostel!
- Jan. 29—Staff *v.* Students at Billiards, on the Hostel tables.
- Jan. 30—Billiards match concluded. Staff won.
- Jan. 31—Dancing lesson. The intricacies of the waltz are explained. An outbreak of German measles.
- Feb. 3—We hold a very successful Whist Drive, 17 tables.
- Feb. 6—Executive Meeting.

- Feb. 8—Election of various committees.
- Feb. 9—Bow-day, a huge success, the senior table again "top the bill".
The Principal: "Agriculture in Holland".
- Feb. 10—Hop, there are now very few "wallflowers".
- Feb. 15—Dr. Wilson: "From Canada to Mexico in a £10 car".
- Feb. 16—Half-term.
- Feb. 21—First football and hockey practice, some useful talent is revealed. Unfortunate spread of measles.
- Feb. 22—A. Roebuck, Esq.: "The Migration of Birds and Insects".
- Feb. 28—Leap-year dance, quite a few proposals were accepted we hear!
First Football match.
- Feb. 29—Film Show: British Cod Liver Oil Producers Ltd.
A "cold bath" ceremony is efficiently carried out.
- Mar. 1—"Lost, stolen or strayed": One half of a ginger moustache.
- Mar. 2—Visit of Harper-Adams Football team.
- Mar. 6—We visit Harper for the return match. Exciting adventures in Ashby's black-out.
Dress rehearsal of the Play.
- Mar. 8—First night of "The Whole Town's Talking". A crowded enthusiastic house.
- Mar. 9—The Play. Another excellent performance. We welcome many Old Kingstonians.
- Mar. 10—Cross-country walk-over.
- Mar. 11—Ladies' Mile. Miss Icke scores a good win.
Billiards match: Staff *v.* Students, at "The Elms".
- Mar. 12—Billiards continued. Staff won again.
- Mar. 13—Cross-country race—a Derbyshire win.
- Mar. 14—D. H. Findlay, Esq.: "Some observations on the Cultivation of potatoes".
- Mar. 18—2½ miles road race. Mr. H. M. Gaskill wins in great style. A smashing victory for Derbyshire.
- Mar. 19—Executive Committee meet.
- Mar. 20—Football versus H. M. Forces Searchlight Unit. A good game.
50—50 Hop at night.
- Mar. 21—R. N. Dowling, Esq.: "The possible influence of the war on future Agricultural Policy".
- Mar. 22—Billiard Match *v.* Sutton Bonington. We lost by a narrow margin.
Football: Short Agris. *v.* The Rest. A good match.

- Mar. 25—Again the Short Agris. *v.* The Rest. The latter collect the Principal's 100 cigarettes. "Share-out" of the swag after supper.
- Mar. 26—End of term Dance. An excellent evening, despite the persistence of measles!
- Apl. 15—Summer Term commences.
- Apl. 20—First Cricket practice.
- Apl. 22—Cricket and Tennis Committees elected.
- Apl. 24—New contingent of W.L.A. contribute to an excellent hop.
- Apl. 26—First Executive of term.
- Apl. 29—General Meeting. The President and Dr. Gill have a hectic evening!
- May 1—Tennis *v.* Staff. Won.
- May 4—A memorable occasion! or should it be forgotten? O.K.A. bundle Students' Cricket team out for 4 runs.
- May 9—We hold an excellent Half-term Dance.
- May 10—Half-term.
- May 16—2nd year N.D.D.'s visit Derby C.W.S.
- May 17—Grass drying commences.
The cricket team are beaten by a scratch side. They vow vengeance?
- May 18—We journey to Harper-Adams. Both teams win. We have an excellent day.
- May 21—The various teams are photographed.
Cricket team is again beaten by the "junior eleven".
We hear there is to be drastic alteration in the side.
- May 22—Return visit from Harper-Adams. Unfortunately it is very wet.
2nd year N.D.A.'s spend an interesting afternoon at Gotham Gypsum Mine.
- May 23—2nd year N.D.D.'s visit Nottingham Co-op.
- May 25—Heats for Sports.
- May 28—Further Heats.
- June 1—Sports Day. A lovely day and despite the difficult times a good crowd gathered. Competition is very keen.
We understand the Staff Race was the best seen for years! Dance at Kingston at night.
- June 4—Tennis *v.* Staff. Won.
- June 7—Much interest shown in the Ladies' Cricket Match *versus* Lady Belper's A.T.S. team. Our girls win by a comfortable margin.
- June 13—2nd year N.D.D.'s visit Messrs. Kirby & West, Leicester.
- June 14—Short Agri. exams. begin, as they are to leave us a week earlier than expected.
- June 15—Tennis *v.* O.K.A. Won.

THE WHOLE TOWN'S TALKING

The Cast :

Mrs. Simmons	....	....	....	Gertrude Clarke
Annie (<i>the maid</i>)	....	....	....	Jean Abbott
Taxi-driver	....	....	....	G. Clift
Henry Simmons	....	....	....	H. M. Gaskill
Ethel (<i>his daughter</i>)	....	....	....	Rosemary Hamilton
Roger Shields	....	....	....	J. G. Porter
Chester Binney	....	....	....	H. English
Sally	....	....	....	Beryl Shaw
Lila	....	....	....	Ann Storr
Mrs. Jackson	....	....	....	Rita Soar
Donald Swift (<i>Ex-boxer, film director</i>)	....	....	....	A. E. Mason
Letty Lythe (<i>Film Star</i>)	....	....	....	Kathleen Icke
Sadie Bloom	....	....	....	Pamela Muddimer

Producer : Dr. N. T. Gill.

Stage Managers : Miss H. Young and Mr. J. D. Laurance.

Make-up : Mr. R. B. Shaw

Stage and Effects : Mr. R. C. Calder and Mr. R. H. Tolley

Furnishings : Miss M. G. D. Taylor

ACT I

Mrs. Simmons started the play well. The arrangement of the flowers allowed people to settle down quietly. She looked her part and was good. Annie got over her opening sentences to the point and showed us clearly her position in the Simmons's household. The taxi-driver was rather a blot on the landscape, which was intended, so he played his part all right.

Mr. Simmons somehow didn't start well. His words should have been spoken quietly and deliberately, as one who had had a night before. Moreover he was actually on the defensive and soon knew it, but he delivered them as if he had called for afternoon tea. I liked Ethel on her arrival, but positively disliked Roger Shields, which was all as it should be. Simmons didn't get enough bite into his sarcasm nor did he really welcome Ethel at all well. The chief fault of Simmons was he didn't alter his facial expression enough—to show delight and distress, until well on in the play. It was necessary for him to maintain saturninity when being cornered by Mrs. Simmons. This he did very well, but its effect would have been enhanced had he shown greater variety of expression on other occasions. Throughout the conversation Shields plays his part well and gives the audience a correct impression of the character he is depicting.

When he leaves Ethel continues to further describe the type, and she does it with such enthusiasm and charm that one almost believes it to be the right type and makes Simmons's ideas seem really drab. Chester Binney started very well indeed, and the scene with Simmons decking him out came over splendidly. Chester and Ethel were good over the first love making scene. After Shields fetched Ethel the conversation between the downcast Chester and Simmons was good, both were at their best. The arrival of Sally and Lila, and later Mrs. Jackson reminded us that the characters of the play had to fit in with the ordinary life of the community. Their duty was to present to us the reactions of the general public. This they did quite well without detracting interest from the main characters. The interlude over Chester's choice of photographs came over well. Simmons was at his best in this. The scene following the dropping of the photograph was well acted. Mrs. Simmons was particularly good in adopting the changed attitude to Chester and so was Ethel later. The act ends in confusion with eight characters almost talking at the same time. It is perhaps the most difficult portion of the play and really requires a larger stage to get the full effect desired by the author. The Producer deserves praise for getting such a good effect under difficult circumstances.

ACT II

Annie opened the scene peacefully and quite professionally. Mrs. Simmons at the telephone was good. Ethel was not her sprightly self for a time in this act. This was more noticeable because for a time the only alternative was the aimless prattle of Sally and Lila.

The love making of Ethel and Chester was rather stiff, but that is pardonable in view of the audience (Friday). Simmons broke it off rather awkwardly, but made up for it in the telephone conversation which followed. Simmons then dominated the conversation with Chester, during which we get our first inkling of possible trouble with Sadie Bloom. Mrs. Simmons dominated the proceedings over ringing up Donald Swift at the Hotel. After the arrival of the local paper announcing Letty Lythe's visit to the town Chester was particularly good. The audience felt his every thought as one after another of the various actors added to his confusion. Donald Swift's entry took one's mind away from the trouble of Chester. His conversation with Shields was very matter of fact until he was shown the signed photograph of Letty. His wrath, though, at this stage was somewhat forced and nothing to be compared with that which Mrs. Simmons betrayed under the biting sarcasm of he and Simmons. The extravagant signs made by Simons after his wife left were overdone and of the wrong type. Swift was particularly good in the conversation which followed with Simmons and Chester. Letty deserves high praise for boldly tackling the Hollywood accent and, so far as I could tell, keeping it up all

through. Her words, however, were spoken at too regular a pace. This was probably due to the extra concentration on intonation. The confusion of Letty and Swift's second entry, this time together, was really well acted by all, and the act ended on a very good note.

ACT III

Chester and Simmons opened the act very well. Ethel couldn't quite manage the sick at heart attitude in handing back the ring. Shields was his sly wicked self all right. Sadie Bloom comes as rather a blot on the landscape. She is intended to, so must have played her part satisfactorily. Chester was not so good when he came in with Ethel, while Sadie hid behind the curtain. He didn't give the impression of that hopefulness that he should have done. I must confess that I missed completely the most important ceremony of his replacing the engagement ring on Ethel's finger. Mrs. Simmons played her part well with Chester over Miss Bloom, and Simmons smuggled the parcel out of Chester's pocket delightfully. Ethel was better in her rage against Chester. The talk between Simmons and Swift came as a welcome relief to the audience, but it was neatly turned by Shields. With the re-entry of Chester matters reached a climax ending in the fight in the dark. Special praise should be given to the stage engineers who arranged the chandelier upon which Chester dangled when the lights went up. The play ended beautifully, in fact each act started and ended well, a point at which all producers aim. It was a good play very well done and all the actors are to be congratulated upon their efforts. A.R.

DISCUSSION SOCIETY, 1940

The advent of the war presented us with certain difficulties, such as a smaller field from which to choose speakers. Nevertheless, a very successful season has been experienced.

The Meetings were well attended, there being as many as 85 present at some meetings.

The opportunity for discussion at the end of the meeting has well been taken advantage of; and it is gratifying to note, by a large number of first-year students.

It was a pleasant sight to behold as many as four and five people trying to take the floor at once when the annual "Hat Night" was held.

There is one point, however, to which reference must be made. It is the reluctance of a number of people to either "take the chair", or propose a vote of thanks at meetings. To those who have helped us in this direction we say "thank you"; and to the others "make up your minds to take an active part next year", so as to keep well alive one of the most important College Societies.

Jan. 11th: The Principal. "Finland." Mr. Robinson described the country geographically, and gave us a clear conception of the type of farming carried on there. He told us that silage plays a large part in the feeding of livestock, as much as 70-80 lbs. per cow being fed daily. The talk was of special interest, as at the time Finland was a victim of Russian aggression. The talk was illustrated by a number of excellent photographs taken by the speaker.

Jan. 18th: "A Hat Night." A highly successful evening. A number of subjects varied in character were chosen, and practically every person present spoke.

Feb. 9th: The Principal. "Agriculture in Holland." Mr. Robinson gave a very instructive lecture. He described to us the very fine Friesian herds of dairy cattle he saw, and also in some detail, the very intensive system of farming practised in Holland.

Feb. 15th: Dr. A. R. Wilson. "From Canada to Mexico in a £10 Car." Dr. Wilson illustrated the route he followed on the map, and kept us interested in relating his hair-raising adventures.

Feb. 22nd: A. Roebuck, Esq. "The Migration of Birds and Insects." The speaker showed the influence of certain birds and insects on agriculture. The talk was illustrated by slides.

Feb. 29th: K. MacLennan, Esq., of British Cod Liver Oil Producers Ltd. (Hull). The speaker told us of the various ways in which Cod Liver Oil could be used on the farm, and recommended its use in war-time in order to compensate for less favourable conditions and possible defects in animal feeding stuffs. Afterwards three films were shown dealing with the production of Cod Liver Oil and its uses.

Mar. 14th: D. H. Findlay, Esq. "Some Observations on the Cultivation of Potatoes." The speaker described a number of experiments which he himself had carried out with potatoes. Many experiments had shown that big seed yielded a large number of small tubers, and smaller seed yielded bigger potatoes with less waste.

Mar. 21st: R. N. Dowling, Esq. "The possible influence of the War on future Agricultural Policy." Mr. Dowling traced the development of Agriculture during the last century up to the present day. He said he believed that many of the war-time measures adopted by the Government would remain after the war. As one example, he quoted the centralisation of livestock slaughtering.

In conclusion, we should like to thank Mr. Martin for the help he has given us in operating the epidiascope.

E. C. JONES (Hon. Sec.)

SOCIAL AND DANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee's work for the past two-term session has been characterised by many innovations.

The main feature was the acquiring of a magnificent five wavelength radiogram, made possible by the much appreciated consideration of the Principal. This has solved many of our difficulties, as musical talent was not at all abundant.

As many of the new students were unable to dance, it was decided to commence a series of dancing lessons, which proved to be highly successful, and since then it has been a common sight to see everyone present on the floor at our hops.

We held only two Socials during the spring term and a Whist Drive at which there were 17 tables—the Staff carrying off several of the prizes, which Mrs. Blossom so charmingly presented.

The Fancy Dress proved very successful indeed. Nearly everyone turned up in costume providing the judges with a formidable task. Miss Taylor and Dr. N. T. Gill, however, proved equal to the occasion.

The prevalence of German measles prevented many people from attending the Easter End of Term Dance, however those present spent a most enjoyable evening. We also had a Dance before going down for Half Term, and this too was thoroughly enjoyed.

The Sports Dance this year was held in Kingston Parish Hall, and a large number of O.K.A.'s were present in spite of travelling difficulties and other circumstances caused by the war. It was a very warm evening and the running buffet selling refreshing drinks and ices was exceedingly well patronised.

We would like to thank the O.K.A.'s for a delightful evening.

In conclusion, may we say how much we appreciate the way in which all the students have in one way or another helped to make the social side of this session really successful.

K. M. ICKE (Hon. Sec.)

SOCCER CLUB, 1939-40

The 1939-40 season did not start until the beginning of the Easter Term as a result of the war, and even then only one practice game was played before the "great snow". This postponed further play until late February, when regular practice games were resumed. The team had three of last season's eleven in play. Several of the newcomers showed considerable promise. The defence throughout the season, and in particular the half-back line, were instrumental in repulsing many determined attacks. Cooper (the Captain) at right wing was very speedy, as was Fenton at outside left. Dunnett was a very sure centre half.

Only five fixtures, outside College games, were played off, commencing with a home match on 28th February against Nottingham University 2nd XI. This was lost 2-5, Dunnett and Cooper scoring one goal each.

On 2nd March we lost 0-2 to the Harper-Adams Agricultural College team, playing on our own ground. This was followed by a return match on 6th March, also resulting in their winning 1-4. Fenton scored the only goal.

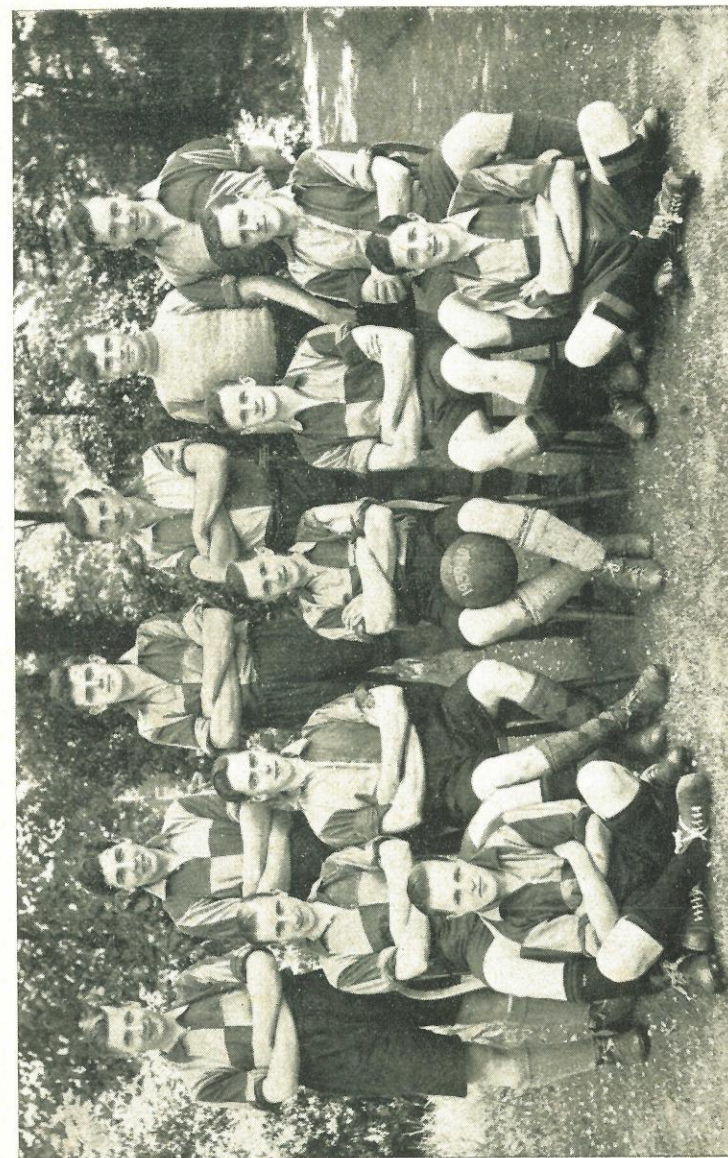
On 9th March the O.K.A.'s won their fixture after an exceedingly strenuous and hard fought game. A team of soldiers from the men of H.M. Forces stationed at Kegworth beat us 6-2 on 20th March, despite the fact that they were not playing four professionals as had been announced. Cooper and Wilson were the scorers in this match.

On 16th March, Table No. 6, having challenged the rest, lost 0-9. On Friday, 22nd March, the Short Agris. beat the Rest, 2-1, and were immediately challenged to a return match on Monday, 25th March. Mr. Robinson had watched the first match, and such was the keenness and rivalry displayed that he announced that he would give a reward of 100 cigarettes to the team winning Monday's match. The Rest strove mightily as a result of this added incentive, and won 4-2 after a fast and exciting game. (A photograph of the lucky team is shown elsewhere in this issue).

Colours were awarded by the Colours Committee to Cooper and Fox.

Dr. Gill was again Chairman of the Committee, and a very efficient referee, for which services the Committee wish to thank him.

R. J. FOX (Hon. Sec.)



SOCCER

R. F. Muscutt	J. G. Porter	J. C. Chatterton	R. R. Vernon	S. Wood	E. C. Jones
R. J. C. Dunnett	A. E. Wilson	H. Cooper* (Captain)	R. J. Fox* (Hon. Sec.)		R. S. Fenton.
J. R. Chambers					M. V. Griggs.

* Denotes Colours.

HOCKEY CLUB, 1939-40

Owing to the actions of "That Man" and also to the weather which hampered all attempts to play or even to mark out the pitch, our first venture with a hockey ball was not until 24th February. However, from this date there was marked activity on the Hockey Front. Men were busy marking out the pitch even before the ground had completely thawed.

The enthusiasm and keenness to play after such a long white winter was very encouraging, and we were able to play either a practice or a match on every half-day till the end of term.

It was with regret that we were unable to play a men's team, and that the ladies' team only played one match. However, the mixed team played four matches with no little success.

Inter-county matches were arranged and were very competitive.

We tender our thanks to Miss Bridgeman, Mr. Morse and Mr. Dominy for their willing help, and also to Mr. Roebuck and Mr. Roberts for their unbiased decisions on the field of play.

G. Day captained the team and was aided by Miss J. Sykes, the Vice-captain.

Principal goal scorers were: J. Blackburn, 4; Miss R. Hamilton, 3.

Colours were awarded to:

Miss P. Fry.
D. Rollett.
G. Day.
M. Stovin.

RESULTS

<i>Ladies</i>			<i>Mixed</i>	
Mrs. Makings' XI....	3-7	Staff	4-2
		Harper-Adams A.C.		2-3
		O.K.A.	3-0
		Staff	1-0
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	3-7			10-5
	—			—

H. F. H. ROBERTS (Hon. Sec.)



HOCKEY

Miss P. A. Fry*
T. W. Taylor
Miss R. Hamilton
* Denotes Colours.

H. F. H. Roberts (Hon. Sec.)
Miss J. Sykes* (Vice-Captain)

N. M. Stovin*
W. G. Day* (Captain)

D. S. Rollett*
Miss M. E. Blore*

N. P. Ward
Mr. J. N. Dominy (Referee)

J. H. Blackburn
Miss M. J. Stewart

TENNIS CLUB, 1940

The fixture list for this season has not been very full, but despite war-time encumbrances we have played several enjoyable matches.

The following have played for the Mixed Team :—

1st couple : W. White and Miss G. O. Clarke (Vice-Capt.).

2nd couple : B. S. Agate and Miss R. V. Soar,

3rd couple : D. S. Rollett (Capt.) and Miss K. M. Icke.

We are sorry to lose our Vice-Captain, Miss Clarke, who left College on 7th June. She was always a most reliable player.

The Men's team this year is particularly strong, but owing to lack of fixtures have had little opportunity of displaying their ability. They will miss the support of E. W. Hoyle, a very useful member of the team, who has left to join H.M. Forces.

As usual, a Tennis Tournament has been played, and we welcomed a very large entry from the Staff, who were most enthusiastic. The Tournament has run smoothly, and many games have been hotly contested. The finalists were B. S. Agate and Miss M. Bloor; and W. White and Miss M. Belton. B. S. Agate and Miss M. Bloor were the winners.

The Club has enjoyed very good weather, and full use has been made of the grass courts. We tender our thanks to Mr. Kimble and the Horticultural Staff who, despite great pressure of work, have spent much time in keeping the courts in good order.

The following have been awarded colours :

Miss G. O. Clarke.

Miss R. V. Soar.

B. S. Agate.

W. White.

The results of matches played to date are as follows :—

							For	Against
Staff	....	....	....	Mixed	Home	....	8	1
Staff	....	....	....	Men	Home	....	9	0
O.K.A.	....	....	....	Mixed	Home	....	5	4
Harper-Adams Agric. College	....	....	....	Men	Away	....	6	3
" " " "	....	....	....	Men	Home	....	Cancelled	
Leicester Domestic Science College	....	....	....	Ladies	Home	....	4	5
Staff	....	....	....	Ladies	Home	....	5	4
Nottingham University Coll. 2nd	....	....	....	Mixed	Away	....	5	4
Loughborough Town	....	....	....	Mixed	Home	....	1	5
							3 drawn	
O.K.A.	....	....	....	Mixed	Home	....	5	4

RITA V. SOAR (Hon. Sec.)



TENNIS

W. White*
Miss K. M. Icke

D. S. Rollett* (Captain)
Miss G. O. Clarke* (Vice-Capt.)

B. S. Agate*
Miss R. V. Soar* (Hon. Sec.)

* Denotes Colours.

CRICKET CLUB, 1940

If variety is the spice of life, our Cricket this year has certainly not lacked seasoning: a raw side began the term with some phenomenal football scores, and the word "cricket" had only to be mentioned in the College to occasion loud outbursts of mirth. However, with the gradual disappearance of the "defeatist" complex, coupled with the exertions of Waud and his Whipper-snappers, and the assistance of Mr. Martin in a couple of matches, the team gradually became welded into an eleven that proved its worth by beating Harper-Adams on their own ground.

Over the match *v.* O.K.A. let us quietly draw a veil lest posterity should hear and in hearing raise the gleeful shout indulged in by our contemporaries—"all out for four" still echoes to our lingering disgrace. Alas, too, for the fond hopes, so jubilantly expressed by the more cocksure members of the team, that the Staff XI would provide a doormat for our cricket spikes—we were beaten by 17 runs, their success inspired no doubt by the marvellous catch that dismissed our opening batsman.

After beating Harper-Adams in a thrilling match at Newport, made possible by Day's brilliant hitting, we were disappointed when the return game was prevented by rain. Inclement weather also made cricket impossible at Bulwell *v.* Henry Mellish School. Loughboro' College Continuations beat us at home, but were vanquished on their own ground by a win and a draw in our favour. Hathernware Ltd. have beaten us once, but we hope to avenge ourselves in the return match, and we have yet to play Loughboro' Town, Loughboro' College and Henry Mellish School.

Great interest was aroused when our women's team, due to Miss Blagg's batting and Cooper's almost professional coaching, beat Lady Belper's A.T.S. team. Wides seemed to be very popular (surely no umpire was better fitted for signalling wides than Smith), but all honour is due to our ladies for their brilliant display.

Special mention must also be made of Cooper as captain and bowler, and the good work done by Blackburn with both bat and ball.

J. C. CHATTERTON (Hon. Sec.)

The ladies' team tender profuse thanks to H. Cooper for his patience in coaching them to victory. It is much regretted that they have had only one fixture.

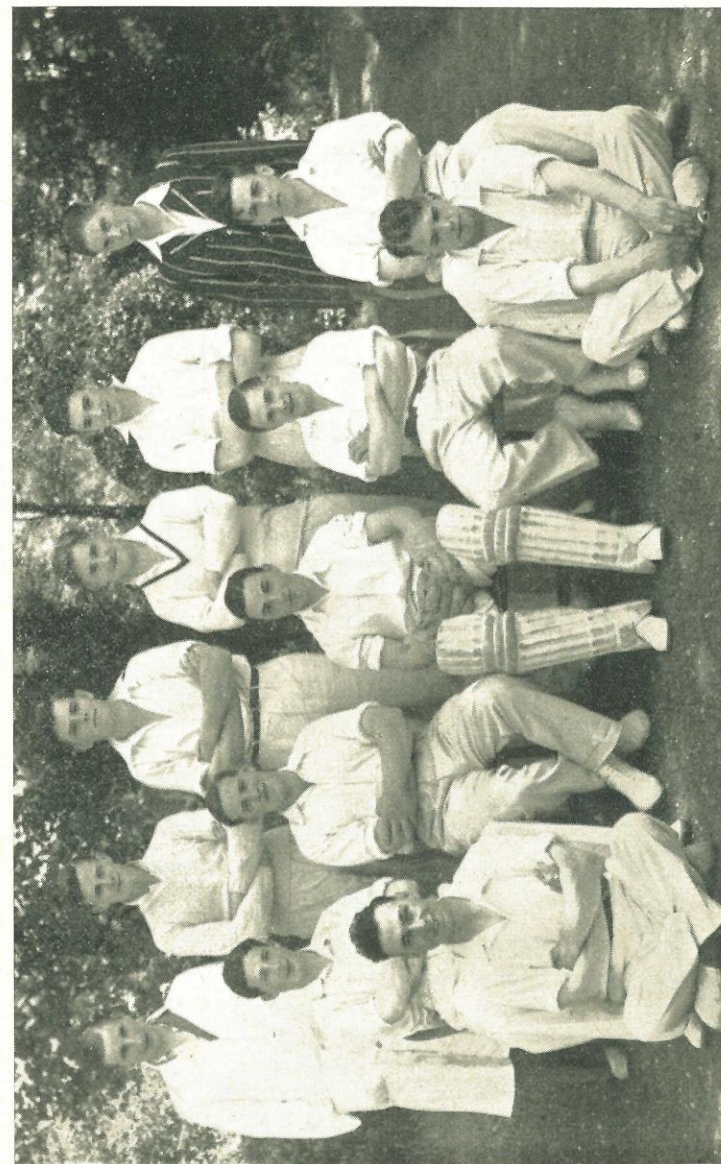
B. A. BLORE (Captain).

Results of Matches to date :—

May 4th, *v.* O.K.A. Home.

M.A.C.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4
O.K.A.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	114

(Blackburn, 5 for 20)



CRICKET

R. J. C. Dunnett (Umpire) R. J. Fox J. C. Chatterton (Hon. Sec.) W. G. Day E. H. Smith W. Lawtey (Scorer)
M. V. Griggs R. S. Fenton (Vice-Capt.) J. G. Southwood H. Cooper (Captain) T. W. Taylor J. H. Blackburn

* Denotes Colours

May 8th, v. Staff, Home.		
M.A.C.	....	53
Staff	....	70
(Cooper, 4 for 11)		
May 15th, v. Loughborough College Continuations, Home.		
M.A.C.	....	27
Loughborough College Continuations	....	88
(Cooper, 5 for 16)		
May 18th, v. Harper-Adams, Away.		
M.A.C.	....	74
Harper-Adams	....	52
May 22nd, v. Harper-Adams, Home.		
Cancelled, due to rain.		
May 29th, v. Henry Mellish, Away.		
Cancelled—rain.		
June 3rd, v. Hathernware Ltd., Home.		
M.A.C.	....	72
Hathernware Ltd.	....	116
(Blackburn, 4 for 19)		
June 4th, v. Loughborough College Continuations, Away.		
M.A.C.	....	48 for 3
Loughborough College Continuations	....	33
(Blackburn, 6 for 11)		
June 5th, v. Loughborough College Continuations, Away.		
M.A.C.	....	122 for 7
(Blackburn 41)		
Loughborough College Continuations	....	64 for 7
June 8th—Ladies v. Lady Belper's A.T.S., Home.		
M.A.C. Ladies	....	89 for 4
(Z. Blagg, 45)		
Lady Belper's A.T.S.	....	53
(B. Lewis, 5 for 6)		

BILLIARDS, SNOOKER AND TABLE-TENNIS

BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER

The season on the whole can be regarded as having been fairly successful considering the fact that the session commenced a term later than usual.

The penny levy per game system was continued successfully on both tables, although the final receipts were down on last year's figures.

The Billiards Tournament, an annual feature, again proved a great attraction, 28 competitors taking part. This figure is of course, smaller than usual, but there are less students this year than in other years.

The Prize-Winners in the Tournament were as follows:—

1. A. M. Dodd.	Finals	—15
2. L. M. Waud.	Handicaps	—110
3. E. H. Smith.		—35

Billiards matches have also been played against the Staff and Sutton Bonington, with rather adverse results.

Scores:

The Staff, 1,223 pts. v. M.A.C., 1,038 pts. Played at M.A.C.
The Staff, 877 pts. v. M.A.C., 753 pts. Played at "The Elms".
Sutton Bonington 911 pts. v. M.A.C., 876 pts. Played at M.A.C.

TABLE-TENNIS

There was not much interest shown for this branch at the beginning, but the table began to be used frequently towards the end of term.

It was hoped to arrange some matches, but there was not time as the Billiards Tournament and the matches occupied nearly everyone at that time.

A. E. WILSON (Hon. Sec.)

ATHLETIC SPORTS

The Annual Athletic Sports were held on Saturday, 1st June, the weather being favourable. In spite of the petrol shortage, and the fact that the weather was not too bright early in the day, a fairly large crowd gathered towards the end of the afternoon.

The standard of sport was good, and the honours were in the balance right until the close of the last event; the competition for both the Victor Ludorum Shield and the County Championship was keen and provided great interest.

Nottinghamshire, the County Champions, were much rivalled by Derbyshire, and the fate of The Robinson Trophy was not decided until the Relay Race at the finish.

The Cross-Country Race, which was held on 13th March, was won by H. M. Gaskill in 40 mins. 39 1/5th secs; he also won the 2 3/4 Miles Road Race on 18th March in 15 mins. 57 4/5th secs. The conditions for the latter race were very heavy owing to a strong wind blowing across the up-hill part of the course.

The Ladies' Mile, run on 11th March, was won by K. M. Icke in 6 mins. 57 4/5th secs, with R. Hamilton a close second.

Throwing the Cricket Ball was won by J. C. Chatterton, who came very near the College record, with a throw of 90 yards 8 inches.

H. M. Gaskill won the Victor Ludorum Shield from last year's holder R. S. Fenton by the narrow margin of three points.

We congratulate Miss R. Hamilton, who excelled herself by winning the Victrix Ludorum Cup, and also Miss K. M. Icke, who obtained 21 points for her County.

The trophies were presented by Lady Belper, who watched the Sports with great interest.

We express our thanks to Mr. C. R. Calder and other members of Staff, who did much valuable work for us in arranging the Sports.

H. COOPER (Hon. Sec.)

RESULTS.

- * 1 Cross Country—Men (The Staff Cup).
Run on 13th March.
1, H. M. Gaskill; 2, J. Porter; 3, R. Waters; 4, J. Blackburn.
Time: 40 mins 39 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.
- * 2 One Mile Road Race—Ladies (The Hunter Memorial Cup)
Run on 11th March.
1, K. M. Icke; 2, R. Hamilton; 3, A. C. Nowill.
Time: 6 mins 57 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
- * 3 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ Miles Road Race—Men (The Milburn Cup).
Run on 18th March.
1, H. M. Gaskill; 2, H. Cooper; 3, R. R. Vernon.
Time: 15 mins. 27 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.
- * 4 880 Yards—Men.
1, H. M. Gaskill; 2, R. R. Vernon; 3, R. C. Dunnett.
Time: 2 mins. 20 secs.
- * 5 Place Kick—Men.
On 25th May.
1, R. S. Fenton; 2, J. C. Chatterton; 3, S. Wood.
Distance: 51 yards 8 inches.
- * 6 100 Yards—Men (The Summers Cup).
1, R. S. Fenton; 2, H. Cooper; 3, A. E. Wilson.
Time: 11 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.
- * 7 100 Yards—Ladies (The Turnor Cup).
1, R. Hamilton; 2, M. E. Blore; 3, K. M. Icke.
Time: 13 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
- * 8 High Jump—Men.
1, J. Blackburn; 2, R. S. Fenton; 3, R. A. Bates.
Height: 4 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ins.
- * 9 High Jump—Ladies.
1, A. C. Nowill; 2, R. Hamilton; 3, K. M. Icke.
Height: 3 ft. 8 ins.
- * 10 220 Yards—Men (The Brewill Cup).
1, R. S. Fenton; 2, A. E. Wilson; 3, H. Cooper.
Time: 25 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.
- * 11 220 Yards—Ladies.
1, R. Hamilton; 2, M. E. Blore; 3, K. M. Icke.
Time: 31 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
- 12 Sack Race—Men.
1, W. H. White; 2, R. J. Fox; 3, R. A. Bates.
- 13 Sack Race—Ladies.
1, B. A. Blore; 2, M. J. Stewart; 3, D. Wood.
- * 14 Long Jump—Men.
1, R. A. Bates; 2, R. S. Fenton; 3, A. E. Wilson.
Distance: 17 ft. 4 ins.
- * 15 Long Jump—Ladies.
1, R. V. Soar; 2, M. E. Blore; 3, K. M. Icke.
Distance: 12 ft. 7 ins.
- * 16 440 Yards—Men.
1, H. M. Gaskill; 2, R. S. Fenton; 3, R. J. Fox.
Time: 58 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.
- 17 Staff Race.
1, Miss R. U. Glossop; 2, Miss P. M. Aldred; 3, P. Walker.

- * 18 120 Yards Hurdles—Men (The Shaw Cup).
1, A. E. Wilson; 2, R. S. Fenton; 3, J. Blackburn.
Time: 19 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.
- * 19 80 Yards Hurdles—Ladies.
1, K. M. Icke; 2, R. Hamilton; 3, Z. Blagg.
Time: 15 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
- * 20 Putting the Weight—Men.
1, B. S. Agate; 2, R. A. Bates; 3, W. H. White.
Distance: 31 ft. 7 ins.
- 21 Wheelbarrow Race—Mixed.
1, B. A. Blore & M. V. Griggs; 2, G. O. Clarke & J. G. Southwood.
- 22 Three-legged Race—Ladies.
1, J. Gutteridge and J. Spiers; 2, Z. Blagg and M. Brindley.
- 23 Three-legged Race—Men.
1, R. A. Bates and A. K. Brown; M. V. Griggs and P. Wilkinson.
- 24 Old Students' Race. 100 Yards—Men.
1, C. A. Haspel; 2, J. W. Rowlands.
- 25 Old Students' Race. 100 Yards—Ladies.
1, T. Bennison; 2, H. Young.
- * 26 One Mile—Men. (The Potter Cup).
1, R. R. Vernon; 2, M. V. Griggs; 3, H. M. Gaskill.
Time: 5 mins. 13 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.
- * 27 Throwing the Cricket Ball—Ladies.
1, R. Hamilton; 2, M. E. Blore; 3, B. A. Blore.
Distance: 50 yds. 6 ins.
- * 28 Throwing the Cricket Ball—Men.
1, J. C. Chatterton; 2, J. Porter; 3, W. G. Day.
Distance: 90 yds. 8 ins.
- * 29 Inter-County Relay Race—Mixed (100 Yards, 220 Yards, 220 Yards, 440 Yards (The Marshall Cup).
1, Derbyshire; 2, Nottinghamshire; 3, Rest.
Time: 2 mins. 7 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.
- 30 Obstacle Race—Men.
1, C. Y. Neil; 2, W. H. White; 3, E. W. Hoyle.
- 31 Obstacle Race—Ladies.
1, M. E. Blore; 2, J. M. Bloor.
- 32 Tug-of-War.
Certificate Agriculture Students *v.* Rest (Men) 1—2
Dairy *v.* Poultry and Farm Pupils (Ladies) 2—0
Old Students *v.* Present Students (Men) 0—2

The Robinson Trophy awarded to the County having the best average points in starred events.

1	Nottinghamshire	Total Points	107,	average per student	6.30
2	Derbyshire	" "	76	" "	5.80
3	Leicestershire	" "	45	" "	2.10

Victor Ludorum (Shield).
H. M. Gaskill, 32 points.

Victrix Ludorum (Cup).

Miss R. Hamilton, 29 points.

The above are awarded to Competitors gaining the highest points aggregate in starred events.

OLD KINGSTONIAN ASSOCIATION.

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OLD KINGSTONIAN ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Owing to prevailing circumstances there is very little to report on the Association's activities during the past year.

As you all know, the September Re-union had to be cancelled at the eleventh hour owing to the outbreak of war and the fact that the College was turned over to the Women's Land Army. It was a disappointment in many ways, particularly for the 1929-31 old students, who were making a special effort to increase their membership numbers. There was also the experiment of inviting members to bring their fiancés. This had not been tried before, and we were hoping to have a record attendance.

During the autumn some of the staff were working for the War Agricultural Executive Committee in different parts of the country, but they returned to duty at the College when normal courses were resumed in January.

On Sports Day this year about 60 members accepted the Principal's invitation for the afternoon. The usual joint dance with the Students' Association could not be held in the College Hall, firstly because of the difficulties of catering, and secondly owing to the fact that there were forty two Land Army Trainees at the College at that time, making numbers rather large for the capacity of the hall. The Association arranged a dance at Kingston Village Hall for members and their friends and members of the Students' Association. A nominal charge of 1/- each was made for tickets, the whole proceeds of which are to be paid to the Red Cross Fund.

At its Meeting on Sports Day the Committee decided that present conditions rule out the holding of a 1940 Re-union, but looked forward to a really good celebration when circumstances have improved. The Committee asked the Officers to act until a General Meeting could be held, but arranged that Miss H. Young should take my place when I moved to a new post near Oakham—I myself having taken over from Mr. Roberts earlier in the year.

The Committee also decided that old students who join up and are members for the year in which they enlist, shall retain their membership for the duration of their war time service, without further subscription.

Before closing this report I would like to convey our good wishes to all members serving in His Majesty's Forces both at home and overseas.

P. SEVERN (Acting Secretary)
7th June, 1940

O.K.A. SPORTS NOTES

The results of matches played between sides representing the O.K.A. and the Students' Association are as follows :—

March 9—Soccer	....	....	won	4—0
Mixed Hockey	....	....	won	3—0
May 4—Cricket	....	....	won	114—4
Mixed Tennis	....	....	lost	4—5
June 15—Mixed Tennis	....	....	lost	4—5

Owing to the fact that the College was closed to normal courses during the Christmas term no O.K.A. sports fixtures were possible until the Easter term. It was thought desirable to try to carry on with these matches for as long as possible under present conditions, and it was very gratifying to me to find such a ready response to invitations sent out for these matches.

The soccer match played on March 9th was most enjoyable and aroused great enthusiasm amongst the student body—thanks to three goals scored by Frank Stretton and one goal from C. A. Haspel along with sterling defensive play by Barber, Henry Stretton and Fisher, the O.K.A. came out victorious by four goals to nil.

The cricket match played on May 4th was most interesting despite the sensational collapse of the Students' batsmen—in reply to the O.K.A. total of 114, the Students only managed to muster four runs; for the O.K.A. Carpenter and Martin each took five wickets for two runs.

The tennis match played on the same day aroused considerable interest due to the fact that the Students have, this year, a very fine team, and for this particular match the O.K.A. also turned out a strong side. After a terrific struggle the students were victorious by five rubbers to four.

In closing, I should once again like to thank all those who have so willingly made up the O.K.A. sides, and I trust that they will continue to do so for many years to come.

S. F. MARTIN (Hon. Sports Secretary).

O.K.A. CASH STATEMENT, 1939

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
In hand and Bank, Jan. 1st	5	10	7½	Magazines, 1939	17	0	0
Subscriptions :—				Postages and 'Phone	7	18	8
1938— 1	0	4	0	Printing and Stationery	5	9	6
1939—187	36	8	0	Sports Dance	7	9	0
1940— 11	2	4	0	Sports Fixtures....	1	18	9
Life— 3	9	9	0	Clerical Help	2	11	0
Re-union, 1938	0	7	6	Literature Service	0	13	4
Literature Service	2	1	2	In hand & Bank, Dec. 31st	15	14	6½
Tennis Balls	0	5	0				
Stained-glass Window							
Fund	2	5	6				
	£58	14	9½		£58	14	9½

O.K.A. BALANCE SHEET, 31st December, 1939

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors :—				Cash in Hand & Bank....	15	14	6½
Magazines	2	3	8½	Sundry Debtors :—			
Postages	0	9	1½	Colours	5	6	8
Stationery	1	2	10	Colours on consignment	3	19	11
Literature Service	0	10	0	Investments :—			
Subscriptions in Advance :—				Cost Price	278	12	0
1940	2	4	0	Accrued Interest	101	10	1
Literature Service	1	5	2				
Life Membership Fund :—							
168 Members	349	15	0				
Balance	47	13	4½				
	£405	3	2½		£405	3	2½

R. B. SHAW,
Hon. Treasurer.

These Accounts are subject to audit.

PERSONAL NOTES

The dates in brackets indicate the years of residence at College as students. P.S.

Congratulations to **W. Allison** (1931-32) upon his marriage last December to Miss North, of Rothley. He still keeps extending his activities at West Leake, and joined the Notts. Special Constabulary in September. **Miss B. M. Alvey** (1935-36) is still very happy in her work at The Long Eaton Co-operative Society's Dairy with cheesemaking and office work.

G. Bacon (1936-39) came back to play tennis against the students on 4th May. **J. C. H. Baker** (1936-38) is in the Royal Engineers, Chemical Warfare Section. He is No. 2014822, No. 5 Company, 12th C.W.T. Bri., R.E.'s, and at the time of writing was in camp—somewhere in England. **J. W. Banner** (1930-31) is now combining a bit of farming with his Milk Bar business, and finds plenty to do. **D. Bell** (1919-22) writes: "I have left Wootton Bassett and been appointed Zone Manager over Group of 8 U.D. factories in Dorset and Wilts, now living Salisbury—Blue pencil busy". **Miss M. Bell** (1932) is still Poultry Farming, adding help to food production for the country, in spite of hard war time conditions. **Mrs. E. M. Bricant** (**E. M. Spurr**, 1919-21) is very sorry at being unable to attend any functions owing to petrol ration. We regret to hear that **Mrs. L. M. Briggs** (**M. Bourne**, 1929-30) has been ill and trust she has now fully recovered. 1929-31 students will be interested to hear that **P. D. Brookes** (1929-31) and **Miss M. Tallents** (1929-31) were married in the autumn. The last we heard of them was that Mrs. Brookes had, at last, got permission to join her husband in the Argentine, and was hoping to sail at any time—this was in January. We hope they are now happily re-united. **J. A. Brown** (1924-26) is a Captain in the Suffolk Regiment, and at the time of writing was "Somewhere in England." He writes: "Brother Noel (**N. A. Brown** —) is also serving with the same Regiment, but in another Battalion. He has two stars up at present, but expect he will soon have a Company—he is very keen. My wife (**A. K. Johnson** (1924-25) is back in the Eastern Counties with the children".

Congratulations to **Mrs. J. B. Carlton** (**D. Pyle**, 1931-33) upon the birth of a daughter in April. Since her marriage last year she has been living in Yorkshire and finds life just as good up there as it was elsewhere. **D. Carpenter** (1935-37) is now on the College farm using his energy to manipulate the grass drier. Our most recent member is **Miss O. Clarke** (1940), who leaves College before the end of term to go to a job in Surrey. **F. Constable** (1938-39) has joined **J. V. Green** (1937-38) in the gardens of Sir Julien Cahn, at Stamford-on-Soar. Our very good wishes to **Miss M. A. Curzon** (1927-28) upon her marriage early in the year.

Mrs. H. Day (**J. Milford**, 1930-31) still manages to visit occasionally in spite of living in the wilds of Hampshire. She has two fine sons. **K. P. Doughty** (1929-31) writes: "At the outbreak of war my services with Silcocks were speedily dispensed with, but after a few months on the dole I found a very congenial job with a Wholesale Tobacconist and Confectioner, so am well away now with fags at wholesale price and sweet samples". **L. R. Doughty** (1919-23) is still in Tanganyika. **J. Doyle** (1930-33) is in the R.A.S.C. and has been out in France since November. He came to see us when on leave in May and was looking remarkably fit tho' somewhat thinner in girth and on top.

H. E. Farmery (1930-31) is now operating a Power Sheep Shearing Unit amongst the Lincolnshire Wold Flocks. **Miss L. M. Froggatt** (1930-33) and friend, who are farming in Surrey, seem to have survived their second year successfully. We hear that a new car has replaced the old Rambling Rover. In the latest communication Miss Froggatt says that **Miss Johnson** (1932-33) has been staying with them and has been persuaded to rejoin the Association—Nice work, that's the spirit! Congratulations to **H. C. Furness** (1932-33), who is now the proud possessor of a second daughter, born on the 26th April.

Mrs. Gibbs (**N. K. Dutton**, 1926-28) went out to the Sudan to join her husband **A. R. K. Gibbs** (1927-28), in December, but unfortunately the climate did not suit her and she had to come home again in May. We are glad to see them re-united for two months leave, which, although short, is better than nothing in these hard times. **J. Gibson** (1920-22) is still carrying on his Land Agency practice and at the same time helping a firm in a neighbouring town, whose staff is depleted owing to war. **Mrs. Gibson** (**E. C. Bats**, —) still finds plenty to do with her three ponies. Our good wishes to **Miss V. V. Gill** (1933-35) upon her marriage last September to Mr. Herrick. She is now living at Melton Mowbray and hoping to breed and show Red Cocker Spaniels as a change from Poultry. **J. J. Gilman** (1934-35) is still up in Scotland working for Messrs Gascoigne, of Reading. **Miss B. E. F. Godley** (1936-38) is still working in the laboratories of the United Dairies in Stafford, together with **Miss S. E. Quin** (1934-1936). We are pleased to see **Miss R. U. Glossop** (1937-39) back at College on the Dairy Staff. She has taken the place of **Miss E. Turner**, who went up to Scotland in the autumn to become assistant instructress at the Dairy School, Auchincruive, Ayr. **Miss A. E. Cunningham** (1937-39) is back at College in the Advisory Chemistry Department.

J. J. Hall (1938-39) was sorry to be unable to come to Sports. He is in 328 Company R.E.R.A.'s. We hear that **S. Harrison** (1937-38) has joined H.M. Forces and has been in France for some time. **W. H. Harrison** has set up a milk drying plant near Louth. **M. J. Harvey** (1936-39) is now working on Mr. Cotton's farm at Diseworth. We hear that **Miss W. E. Harvey** (1925-26) is near Salisbury, S. Rhodesia, opening up a new plot of land. She

writes knowingly of land drainage, planting mealies, etc. **C. A. Haspel** (1927-29) is continuing The Better Milk Crusade. The Company now has four old students—Atkinson, Knight, Wildsmith and self. He and **Mrs. Haspel** (**O. S. Fenton**, 1927-29) will be pleased to see any students or O.K.A.'s at Duffield. Our congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Heath** (**M. Stanger**, —) upon the birth of a daughter in January. We hear that Mrs. Heath and the children came down to South Luffenham for a time, but understand that they are hoping to get a cottage in the country near Edinburgh. Congratulation to **Mrs. Herring** (**M. Pickwell**, 1930-31) upon the birth of a second son in January.

Miss R. Jackson (1923-26) is still at Grantham, very busy with A.R.P. work in spare time. She still plays as good a game of tennis as ever. **Miss J. Jaques** (1925) is still making butter in spite of alarms, excursions, wars and rumours of war. She will be delighted to see any O.K.'s in the district. We would like to extend heartiest congratulations to **Miss H. Jolly** (1938) and **Mr. H. R. Wyeld** (1935-37), who have become engaged.

Miss F. Kelsey (1936-38) is working in a private dairy at Beaconsfield, Bucks. **Miss E. Knowles** (1932-33) is a member of the W.L.A., and is at present working at Kirklington.

J. A. Laing (1936-37) is now farming his own farm of 477 acres at Newton-by-Castleacre, Kings Lynn. Our good wishes to **Miss D. V. S. Lamb** (1924-26) upon her marriage last September to Mr. Gibson. **Mrs. Ledger** (**W. M. Young**, 1920, 1927-28) writes: "I would like to send to O.K. students now working as land girls my best wishes in their war work. It is a splendid healthy life, and I have pleasant memories of when I was able to do my bit in the last war".—From an ex land girl. **Miss E. A. Lowe** (1930-32) is in the Transport Section of the W.A.A.F. We are glad to hear that **H. V. Lowrance** (1936-38) is now recovered after spending a number of months in hospital. He is now in a Survey Training Regiment spending lots of time doing higher maths., which, while good mental training—he says—get one out of one's depth at times and makes engineering agri. calculations appear child's play. He is No. 1518328, B. Battery, 41st Survey Reg. R.A. **A. Lynam** (1933-35) is still with the Milk Marketing Board looking after their interests in Berkshire and Oxon.

S. M. Makings (1922-25) and **S. F. Martin** (1933-35) spend much of their spare time "digging for victory" on the local allotment. **Miss B. Marriott** (1933-34) is still prevented from work among Poultry, but can manage to cycle short distances. We hope she will soon be quite fit again. **J. M. Marsden** (1935-38) writes from the Farm Institute, Sparshott, Winchester: "I am very busy training members of the W.L.A. and at the same time carrying on the normal courses for students. There are five Dairy Students and each month there are five W.L.A. Trainees on the Livestock Course. All being well we hope to complete a very successful year this summer". **J. C. Matthews**

(1934-37) and **J. W. Rowlands** (1933-37) are on the staff of the Staffordshire Farm Institute, Penkridge. We are pleased to hear that **J. M. Mettham** (1937-39) has been able to return to work after being detained by Doctor's Orders with a large wart on his heel. **R. Milburn** (1930-31) is serving with the R.A.F. **Miss R. V. Milburn** (1934-36) is doing V.A.D. Nursing. **Miss L. M. Miller** (1934-37) is still fruit and poultry farming at Dunmow, Essex. **L. D. Moor** (—) is in the R.A.V.C. After a period with the Notts. War Agricultural Executive supervising tractor work **A. B. Moore** (1926-28) has now taken a post as farm manager near Oakham.

Miss M. H. Owen (1925-26) writes: "Since the outbreak of war I have been doing voluntary work for the Army welfare, Acting Secretary for an Anti-Aircraft Division in the Northern Command. Since April I have been working for the N.A.A.F.I. as manageress of a canteen".

Good wishes to **Miss P. M. Polding** (1934-37) upon her engagement to Mr. Harvey. She is still working in the research laboratories of Genatosan Ltd. Our good wishes to **Miss G. Pool** (1934-36) upon her engagement to Mr. F. W. V. Hopkins, B.A. Members of the years 1929-31 will be interested to hear that **Mrs. R. Poole** (**A. L. Spilman**, 1929-31) has a baby daughter, Susan. **Mrs. Ralph Smith** (**B. Wright**, 1930-31) hopes to attend the Sports Day Dance accompanied by her husband. Her second daughter is nearly a year old. **Mrs. J. H. B. Rollett** (**M. F. S. Cranfield**, —) writes: "My husband (**J. H. B. Rollett**, 1933-34) and I are together for the present—he is still training (Sg.-Pilot R.A.F.). We have our two youngest sons with us—the youngest being only 2 months old".—Congratulations.

We regret to announce the death in January last of **F. Salmon** (1937-39). **Miss G. Sanderson** (1934) says she has no special news except that she is very busy with war work. In March **R. N. Scott** (1937-39) wrote that he had been recommended for a Commission in the Royal Artillery—Congratulations and good luck. After being in the Economics Office for a few months **Miss P. Severn** (1930-32) is going into Rutland to work in the office of Ranksborough Farms Ltd, under **Mr. H. J. Slaney** (1924-26). **Miss K. M. Sharpe** (1928) is thoroughly enjoying her job in the heart of Worcestershire, which, she says, is a grand county to work in. **H. C. Smith** (1924-26) is still in Tanganyika. We had hoped to have an interesting account of his work out there, but it has, unfortunately, not arrived in time for printing. **R. Smith** (—) has his time fully occupied with war work, and hopes to take a more active part in the Association when we return to happier times. **Miss S. M. L. Smith** (1929-31) writes: "Still at Midland Counties!! Chief excitement this year has been moving into a flat after years of digs. My commiserations to the many whole circle of friends and acquaintances has been broken up by this censored war". Our best wishes to **Miss E. M. Stocks** (1927-28) upon her marriage last December to Lieut. Peter Brett, R.N.R.

She is trying to carry on the farm in the same old way. Trying to make her hens lay with queer sorts of mash and cows milk on spasmodic cake rations. She reports that **Miss Momford** (1927-28) is married and is farming near Heathfield, Sussex. **C. R. H. Sturgess** (1925-28) is in the Observer Corps. **F. Stretton** (1934-37) is managing the farm attached to Kibworth Hatcheries. **H. Stretton** (1934-37) is on the farm of Mr. Macnamara at Tamworth.

Freddie Taylor (—) is serving with the B.E.F., his whereabouts at present is unknown. All members will be sorry to hear that **Mr. G. Tolley**, who for many years was lecturer in building construction, died in March, 1940, at the age of 73. **A. R. Treble** (1934-37) is still in the Bacteriology Department at Harper-Adams Agricultural College. **Miss P. E. Tucker** (1934-35) is a mobile member of the British Red Cross Society. **Miss E. Turner** (1933-36) left the Dairy Staff in November, 1939, and is now at the Dairy School, The West of Scotland Agricultural College, and feeling quite at home in Scotland. **G. Turner** (1937-38) has a postponement from military service until August 1st. He is now in charge of another farm as well as working at home.

Mrs. Usher (M. C. Spurr, 1928-29) is still living in Shrewsbury, and hasn't seen any O.K.'s for nearly a year.

Miss F. E. Wade (1933-36) is in the Transport Section of the W.A.T.S. **E. Wheldon** (—) is serving in the R.A.S.C. He was booked for France in March, so we are sure he would like to hear from members of his year. His number is 145,486. We regret to announce the death in April, of **M. P. White** (1933-34). **Miss E. Wortley** (1926-27) writes: "I've been having a very busy time lately, having had five evacuees living in, including one teacher, and part of the hall has served as a school for the evacuee children since the outbreak of war. They all left at Easter, and we missed them a lot". (I should think so too!!). "However, other jobs come along in their place. I have trained as a First Aid Worker, and Ambulance Driver, and have now taken on a job of fitting out farmers with land girl workers and hope to be able to get some who have trained at the College, besides running a farmhouse with dairy work. I wish I could get round old Adolf with my trussing knife and needle. I'd larn him". **J. H. Wright** (1937-38) writes: "Owing to the 'infernal' situation I doubt whether I shall be able to attend any of the functions at College this year". He expects to be called up next year, but in the meantime has joined the "Parashooters". Congratulation to **A. J. Wynne** (1936-38), who was married in October, 1938, soon after joining the Economics Staff at College.

Miss Helen Young (1936-38) came to College to help with W.L.A. trainees in the autumn, but since normal activities were resumed she has become assistant to Mr. Kimble.

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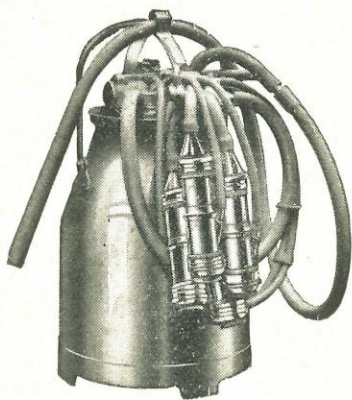
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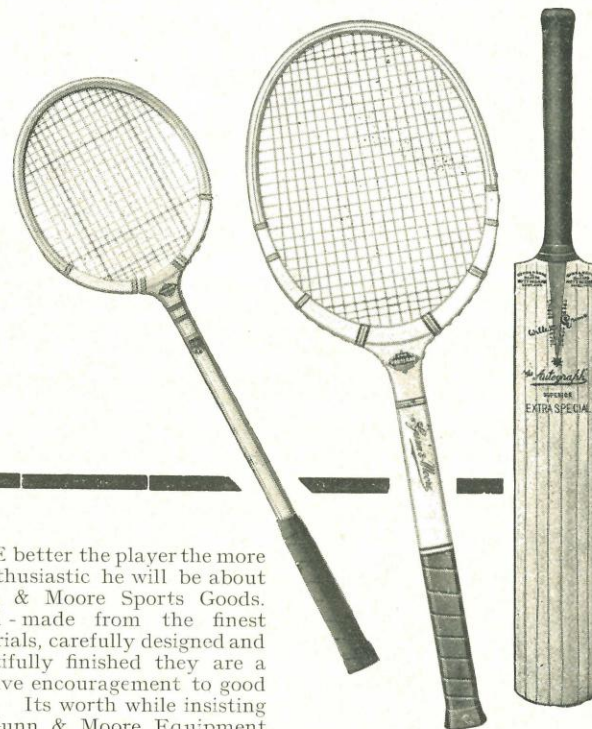
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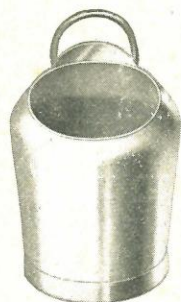
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