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The Staff.

A long-standing tradition of anonymity on the part of the staff in regard to their part in School functions is revealed by a study of previous numbers of "The Lowestoftian." The tradition has been preserved in the pages of this number which follow ; but the circumstances of the year, we feel, justify some brief personal comment on this, the first page.

We have welcomed this year Miss Miles, to teach Art, and Mr. Rolfe, to teach French. Mr. Rolfe took an active part in the Senior Dramatic Society productions. The collaboration of Miss Miles and Mr. Davis transformed our workaday Hall into Fairyland for the Christmas parties of 1952 and provided a spectacle which we shall long remember.

We say good-bye this term to three members of staff.

Mrs. Blair came to the School as Miss Lawrie in 1946. For a time after her marriage in 1948 she had to be prepared to be addressed by either name, and the worst memories were not always those of her pupils. We have appreciated her friendliness and respected her judgment ; we regret her return to her native land, but assure both her and Mr. Blair that our best wishes go with them.

Mr. Link came to the School in 1950, Mrs. Birkett in 1951. As Mrs. Birkett is transferring only herself and not her home to Great Yarmouth, and as Mr. Link is going as assistant for the time being to the Borough Education Officer, we hope that we shall continue to see much of both of them.

We see Miss Joels and Mr. Trent from time to time ; they are most welcome visitors, both to School and to Old Students' functions.

School Officers, 1952-53.

HEAD BOY : J. A. H. Finbow.

HEAD GIRL : Sybil Hume.

PREFECTS : Josephine Crack, Brenda Durrant, Frances Dyos, Jean Hilton, Mary Jordan, Marjorie Newson, Stephanie Peck, Jean Sharman, Scyllia Thurston ; R. Buck, C. Capps, R. Cropley, J. R. Holman, D. Kinghorn, M. D. Soanes, A. Sugden.

HOUSE CAPTAINS : *Cavell*—Stephanie Peck ; *Grace Darling*—Josephine Crack ; *Nightingale*—Marjorie Newson ; *St. Margaret's*—Mary Jordan. *Athenian*—J. R. Holman ; *Roman*—R. Cropley ; *Spartan*—C. Capps ; *Trojan*—E. Malet-Warden.

SOCIETY SECRETARIES : *Senior Dramatic Society*—Christine Rivett ; *Junior Dramatic Society*—Eileen Grice ; *Science Society*—A. Sugden ; *Stamp Club*—R. Self ; *Nature Club*—D. Pye ; *Chess Club*—B. Learner ; *Christian Union*—M. D. Soanes.

GAMES CAPTAINS AND SECRETARIES : *Cricket*—J. R. Holman and J. A. H. Finbow ; *Football*—C. Capps and J. A. H. Finbow ; *Hockey*—Josephine Crack.

School Record.

The Houses.

SOME of the house nights were not so well attended as in past years, but initiative has not been lost : *Cavell* invited friends on Hallowe'en, part of the entertainment being a topical sketch written by Frances Dyos and acted by members of the Sixth ; *Nightingale* gave a beetle-drive and dance for seniors and friends.

The girls continue to support deserving causes through their houses. *Grace Darling* sent books and puzzles to Norwich Isolation Hospital and invited children from St. Nicholas' Home to their Christmas Party ; *Nightingale* contributed to the Guide Dog for the Blind Association, the Florence Nightingale Hospital, and the Lynmouth Flood Relief Fund ; *St. Margaret's* raised £8 15s. by the sale of Christmas seals, paid £5 to the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association, having "adopted" a leper girl, and are now racking their brains for a new source of funds.

Grace Darling came first in the Senior and second in the Junior hockey matches.

Boys' 1951-52 House Competition.

	Football (120)	Athletics (100)	Cricket (80)	Total (300)
1st <i>Trojans</i>	84	85	53	222
2nd <i>Athenians</i>	73	66	80	219
3rd <i>Spartans</i>	67	69	0	136
4th <i>Romans</i>	17	67	27	111

The Senior Dramatic Society.

THREE one-act plays were presented in March, the audiences of parents and friends on the three nights amounting to some 750. That gathering of people interested in the School and the fifty or so pupils working together on and behind the stage justified our efforts, we think. Most of us would prefer to do a full-length play, but the advantages of three were that more players were required—and that there was not so much strain on one poor producer ! But the strain was felt by the lighting experts and scenery-wanglers, especially when they had to deal with three producers at once.

"The Centurion's Billet at Swacking Bulphen" was realistically presented and its farcical elements pleased those who knew some Latin, but the difficulty of mixing some genuine feeling with the farce was hardly overcome—the fault probably of the play rather than of the actors. "Between the Soup and the Savoury" is a piece of cake, as they say; the more "experienced actresses engaged" seized the cake and the opportunity with both hands. "The Little Man" was interesting to present on our limited stage and is of course more worthwhile than most one-acters. It came off, we feel, and the players, new and old, in our Society enjoyed themselves.

We have continued our visits to theatres and other schools' productions, as the "Outings" diary shows, and altogether have had a busy, interesting session.

The Players.

"THE CENTURION'S BILLET AT SWACKING BULPHEN,"
by A. J. Talbot.

Centurion	.....	.....	.....	Malcolm Soanes
Balbus	.....	.....	.....	John Saunders
Cadwol	.....	.....	.....	Michael Outlaw
Cadwol's Wife	.....	.....	.....	Glenda Jenner
Clauden	.....	.....	.....	Barbara Moss
Mordred	.....	.....	.....	June Tripp
Astel	.....	.....	.....	Jasmine Rouse

"BETWEEN THE SOUP AND THE SAVOURY,"
by Gertrude Jennings.

Maria	.....	.....	.....	Valerie Gooch
Ada	.....	.....	.....	Brenda Howard
Emily	.....	.....	.....	Christine Rivett

"THE LITTLE MAN,"
by John Galsworthy.

The Little Man	.....	.....	.....	Michael Francis
The American	.....	.....	.....	Edward Malet-Warden
The Englishman	.....	.....	.....	Roger Cornwell
The Englishwoman	.....	.....	.....	Jean Hilton
The German	.....	.....	.....	David Kinghorn
The Dutch Boy	.....	.....	.....	John Wiseman
The Mother	.....	.....	.....	Mary Secret
The Waiter	.....	.....	.....	John Emerson
The Station Official	.....	.....	.....	Christopher Grapes
The Policeman	.....	.....	.....	Barry Learner
The Porter	.....	.....	.....	John Goffin

Music during the intervals was played by Frances Dyos (violin) and Judith Watson (piano).

The Junior Dramatic Society.

THE J.D.S. has had quite an active year. The several meetings included numerous playreadings and charades and a play written, produced and acted by members of the first forms. One of the year's most interesting events was a playwriting competition, prizes for which were awarded for the best plays from the first, second and third forms respectively. The winners were:—1st Form—Victoria Bird; 2nd Form—Pamela Griggs; 3rd Form—Valerie Jones.

The subject for the annual party was "National Costume." Again the first form members played an important part, winning three of the four prizes:

Boys. 1st Tattersall, Id, Zulu.
2nd, Child, Ic, Greek Boy.

Girls. 1st, Pat Cooper, IIIA, Balinese Dancer.
2nd, Wendy Brown, Id, Hawaiian Dancer.

The entertainment depended for its interest on National Costume and during the interval a "distinguished visitor" (Janet I. Gooch) gave a very amusing talk on "The Society for the Collection of Clothing for Cannibals, Caribs and Coloured Folk in General."

The Stamp Club.

THE Stamp Club has continued to meet regularly throughout the year and the standard of attendance has been maintained. Talks or exhibitions have been given by Cook M. G., Genlloud, Pretty, Self; and Self has been a very efficient secretary. One noteworthy point is the increasing number of girls who come along—whether this is due to the secretary is uncertain. It may be that the boys have been more concerned with playing marbles, and the girls have felt less crowded out. The Coronation is a very expensive time for stamp-collectors, but few of the Club members seem to be unduly disturbed—in fact the certainty of many new issues seems to have made them keener.

The Nature Club.

ALTHOUGH membership is small, it has been constant, the members showing that they are interested and keen. Each member is studying a single bird and making notes on it. Expeditions have been made to the Dell pool, the sea-shore and Corton Woods, and a field survey of part of Gunton Lane is being carried out.

D. PYE.

The Wild Flower Competition.

Only three entries were received this year, but they were all good. Delphine Chinery had 69 correctly named flowers, Josephine Jackson 65 and Helen Morgan 62. We hope that next year these three will aim at collecting 100 different flowers and that there will be more competition.

The Chess Club.

DURING the winter terms, a programme of house matches, a senior and junior tournament and friendly games was followed, with the result that many hard-fought and interesting battles were played over the chess board. There was a good attendance by boys of the upper and lower school, with such keenness that, as an experiment, on Monday nights volunteers coached and taught juniors who were anxious to learn.

The winner of the Junior Tournament was P. Pretty who beat C. Scriven in the final, and the Senior was won by B. Learner who beat R. Newrick in the final.

Results of the House Matches.

House	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
Spartan	11	1	6	23
Athenians	10	—	8	20
Romans	7	1	10	15
Trojans	7	—	11	14

As the above results show, the teams were well balanced.

B.L.

The Christian Union.

DURING this year the Christian Union has become officially affiliated to the Inter-Schools Christian Fellowship. In March we again had the pleasure of welcoming Miss Waters of the I.S.C.F. This time she brought the "Fact and Faith" film, "Dust or Destiny," generally agreed to be the best of the series. Although a good number attended, we are sorry that many did not take the opportunity of seeing it.

Bible Studies have been the principal subject at our meetings this year and our study of St. John's Gospel has furnished us with many interesting and provocative discussions. Other meetings have taken the form of Bible Quizzes and Any Questions.

The Christian Union looks forward to a successful year; it is hoped that the fellowship will increase in numbers and that its scope of activity will be widened when the next session begins.

M.D.S.

Music.

THE outstanding event of the year was undoubtedly the singing of five members of VA at the Lowestoft Schools' Coronation Pageant at Sparrow's Nest on 4th and 6th June. They sang four Elizabethan songs: a ballet, "Now is the month of Maying," by Thomas Morley; an ayre, "Tune thy music to thy heart," by Thomas Campion; a madrigal, "The Silver Swan," by Orlando Gibbons; and a round of the 17th century by Purcell, "Fie, nay prithee John." Stephanie Peck was the narrator. Tudor music is hard to sing, but not only did they sing the music correctly but the style was right—the result of much hard work, enthusiastically tackled. Well done, Margaret Dye, Glenys Chinery, Farman, Woodrow, Walsh. The costumes, stylish and rich, were made in the School and enabled us to present the singing in a realistic and dignified fashion.

During the year our School Hall has again been used by the Lowestoft Music and Arts Society for their recitals, and members of the Sixth Form have continued to act as stewards, sell programmes and serve coffee. Others have taken the wonderful opportunity of attending these concerts, which are of a standard maintained in very few towns in the country. The artists for two of the recitals gave performances in the afternoons to a hall filled by the various secondary schools, Gordon Clinton, bass, and John Hammond of songs and pianoforte pieces, and the London Singers of Tudor music.

Our own concerts have been given by Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Dowson (two), Mr. Rimer, Mr. Hoggett (viola), the School Choir, the senior violin class and VA boys. At the Christmas Carols and Readings the choir also took a leading part, and VA sang four carols in four parts; their standard of singing we hope will be kept up in years to come.

On December 12th, the Choir made its first post-war visit to the Norfolk County Music Festival, entering in the Girls' School Choirs, open, and were placed æqu. 2 by the adjudicator, Mr. David Willcocks of Worcester Cathedral, who ended his report: "A good choir—well disciplined and sensitive."

Hockey, 1952-53.

IN spite of the necessity for cancelling many of the matches owing to bad weather, the hockey season was quite successful.

School 1st XI.

M. Horner, S. Hume, J. Crack (capt.), J. Knights, P. Delf (vice-capt.), P. Woolston, J. Fenn, G. Jenner, J. Barley, G. Chinery, B. Elliott..

School Hockey Colours (bronze badges) were awarded to Brenda Elliott, Sybil Hume, June Knights. Colours were already held by Josephine Crack, Pamela Delf, Joy Barley.

1st XI Results.

Dec. 6th.	v. Yarmouth High School	Home	Win	1—0
Dec. 26th.	v. Old Girls	Home	Abandoned at	2—4
Jan. 17th.	v. Lowestoft Ladies	Home	Win	3—2
Jan. 24th.	v. Yarmouth High School	Away	Win	2—1
Jan. 31st.	v. Sir John Leman School	Away	Loss	3—4
Feb. 28th.	v. Gorleston Ladies	Away	Draw	0—0
Mar. 7th.	v. Leiston Grammar School	Home	Won	6—1

March 21st Ipswich Tournament.

April 6th.	v. Old Girls	Home	Loss	3—5
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Junior XI.

Oct. 7th.	v. Harris Sec. School	Home	Win	4—0
Dec. 6th.	v. Yarmouth High School	Home	Win	2—0
Jan. 24th.	v. Yarmouth High School	Away	Win	5—0
Mar. 9th.	v. Beccles Co. Modern S.	Away	Win	3—1
Mar. 18th.	v. Beccles Co. Modern S.	Home	Draw	1—1

School 2nd XI.

Oct. 8th.	v. St. Mary's Convent 1st XI	Home	Draw	2—2
Mar. 25th.	v. St. Mary's Convent 1st XI	Home	Win	2—0

Ipswich Tournament.

SENIORS : v. East Anglian 0—0 ; v. Eye G.S. 2—1 ; v. Ipswich H.S. 2—0 ; v. Harwich 0—1. Second position with 5 points.

JUNIORS : v. Sir John Leman 0—0 ; v. Stowmarket G.S. 3—0 ; v. Ipswich H.S. 3—1 ; v. Westbourne 1—0 ; v. Harwich 0—0. First position in section.

Result of Final, between Lowestoft G.S. and Northgate S. Ipswich (winners of other section), a draw, 1—1.

Football, 1952-53.

THE 1st XI record of 4 wins, 2 draws and 9 losses is not quite so one-sided as it first appears. The 9 defeats were inflicted by Yarmouth Grammar School (4), Sir John Leman School (3), and Old Boys (2). Thus only three teams actually beat the School XI.

1st XI.

1952.

Sept. 20th.	Home	Sir John Leman School	Loss	1—2
Sept. 27th.	Home	Technical Institute	Win	4—2
Oct. 4th.	Home	Bungay Grammar School	Win	4—1
Oct. 18th.	Away	Sir John Leman School	Loss	0—3
Nov. 1st.	Away	Yarmouth Grammar S.	Loss	1—6
Dec. 6th.	Home	Yarmouth Grammar S.	Loss	1—4
Dec. 26th.	Home	Old Boys	Loss	1—6

1953.

Jan. 17th.	Home	Yarmouth Grammar S.	Loss	2—4
Jan. 24th.	Away	City of Norwich 2nd XI	Win	3—0
Jan. 31st.	Home	Sir John Leman School	Draw	1—1
Feb. 14th.	Home	Duncan Hall	Win	6—0
Feb. 28th.	Away	Sir John Leman School	Loss	1—4
Mar. 7th.	Home	Leiston Grammar School	Draw	3—3
Mar. 21st.	Away.	Yarmouth Grammar S.	Loss	0—7
April 6th.	Home	Old Boys	Loss	1—2

The 2nd XI played Sir John Leman School 2nd XI four times, losing 1—2, and winning 8—4, 5—0 and 6—1.

The Junior XI defeated Beccles County Modern School twice, defeated Alderman Woodrow School and Roman Hill School once and lost to them once. The team gained 2nd place in the newly-formed Lowestoft and District Schools' League.

1st XI colours were awarded to : Lewis, Capps, Warden, Mayhew, Francis, Learner. Half colours : Smith, Moore, Corbin, Jenner, Walker, Long.

Jenner (captain), Long, Whymark, Corbin, Read, Bonaker (reserve) were members of the successful Lowestoft Boys' Team which won seven out of eight matches played in England.

In addition the team visited Frankfurt in Germany, winning two matches, including that against Frankfurt (4-0), and drawing one.

Cricket.

Results for 1952.

May 3rd.	v. Yarmouth G. S.	School 66	Yarmouth 37-1	Draw
May 10th.	v. Bungay G.S.	School 134-3	Bungay 90-8	Draw
May 14th.	v. Lowestoft Police	School 84-7	Police 25	Win
May 17th.	v. Kirkley A	Kirkley 114	School 105-9	Draw
May 31st.	v. Railway	Railway 104-9	School 58	Loss
June 7th.	v. Sir John Leman S.	Beccles 105-6	School 109-3	Win
June 14th.	v. City of Norwich S.	School 32	Norwich 61	Loss
June 28th.	v. Old Boys	School 69-9	Old Boys 37-7	Draw
July 6th.	v. Kirkley A	School 112	Kirkley 113-6	Loss
July 10th.	v. Lowestoft Town A	Town 153-9	School 115-5	Draw
July 12th.	v. Bungay G.S.	Bungay 79	School 48-9	Draw
July 14th.	v. Lowestoft Police	School 65	Police 65-9	Loss
July 17th.	v. Sir John Leman S.	Beccles 117-9	School 127-7	Win
July 18th.	v. Yarmouth G.S.	Yarmouth 79	School 35	Loss
July 19th.	v. Leiston G.S.	School 77	Leiston 37	Win
July 22nd.	v. Leiston G.S.	Leiston 53	School 54-9	Win
July 24th.	v. Lowestoft Town A	Town 115-3	School 43	Loss
July 26th.	v. Mr. Finbow's XI	Finbow's XI 88	School 55	Loss

Batting Averages.

	Innings	Not Out	Runs	Highest Score	Average
Clover	8	0	135	54	16.88
Beckett	18	2	264	57 n.o.	16.5
Sugden	10	3	108	30	15.43
Holman	11	1	147	62 n.o.	14.7
Learner	17	5	157	50 n.o.	13.08



CRICKET XI, 1953.

[A. Sugden.



FOOTBALL XI, 1952-53.

[A. Sugden.



AT THE SUFFOLK SHOW.

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Bowling Averages.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Clover	52.4	6	147	24	6.13
Beckett	222.5	47	400	50	8.0
Seaton	96.1	15	247	25	9.88
Finbow	172.3	36	309	25	12.36

1st XI, 1953.

May 2nd, v. LOWESTOFT RAILWAY, away. Match abandoned.

May 9th, v. KIRKLEY A, at home.

Kirkley batted first and scored very slowly. They declared after tea, having made 68 runs for 7 wickets. Their slow scoring was partly due to steady bowling and keen fielding. The match ended in a draw, the school's last pair playing out time. Finbow took 5 for 15.

May 16, v. YARMOUTH G.S., away.

Yarmouth took all the afternoon to get 40 runs. In an exciting finish, however, the School won in an hour, with a bye while the last pair were at the wicket. Hanley took 5 for 26.

May 23rd, v. C.W.S., at home.

The C.W.S. made 76 and the School got these in as many minutes with 4 wickets to spare, Sugden scoring 24 and Dann 21.

May 27th, v. LOWESTOFT POLICE, at home.

The School had the advantage of batting in a good light, scoring 95 for 2 wickets declared. The Police were out for 28 in very bad light, Walker taking 6 for 17 and Finbow 4 for 11. Sugden had made 42.

May 30th, v. MR. FINBOW'S XI, at home.

This interesting match ended in an easy win for the School. The steady bowling and keen fielding again got rid of the batsmen quickly, Mr. Finbow being the only one to offer opposition. The School scored the 24 runs required for the loss of two wickets, Walker having taken 6 for 12.

June 6th, v. YARMOUTH G.S.

Yarmouth scored 32 for the first wicket, but Grapes (Form IV) coming on to bowl broke this partnership and ended with the remarkable analysis of 10 wickets for 12 runs. Yarmouth were all out for 67. The School batsmen, however, were not on form, and were all out for 40.

Athletics.

The Cross-Country Races, 30th March, 1953.

SENIOR :

1.—A. Beare. 2.—D. Beane. 3.—R. Buck.

JUNIOR :

1.—G. Leech. 2.—P. Nichols. 3.—A. Wood and J. Garnham.

TIMES :

Senior, 33 m. 6.9 s. (a record). Junior, 21 m. 38.2 s.

HOUSE POSITIONS :

Senior : 1—Spartans. 2—Athenians, Trojans. 4—Romans.

Junior : 1—Athenians. 2—Trojans. 3—Spartans. 4—Romans.

The County Sports at Ipswich, 20th June, 1953.

Successes of pupils from School :

GIRLS, UNDER 15 YEARS.

150 Yards. 2nd E. Rushmer.
Long Jump. 3rd P. Hurrell.
Relay. 3rd N. E. Suffolk (including E. Rushmer).

BOYS, UNDER 15 YEARS.

880 Yards. 4th Swatman.
Long Jump. 2nd Paul Knights.
Shot. 3rd Bonaker.
Discus. 4th Hodges.

BOYS, 15 - 17 YEARS.

Hurdles 4th Moore.
100 Yards. 2nd Jenner, 3rd Lewis.
Discus. 3rd Malet-Warden.
Mile. 4th Beare
Relay. 2nd N.E. Suffolk (including Jenner and Lewis).

BOYS, 17 - 19 YEARS.

Long Jump. 1st Mayhew, 19 ft. 6 ins. (Record—the previous record was 18 ft. 8½ ins.).

Eileen Rushmer has been selected to represent Suffolk in the 150 yards race at the All-England Schools' Sports, Uxbridge, 17th and 18th July.

The School Sports, 2nd July, 1953.

A large gathering of parents and friends once again assembled on Sports Day. The afternoon, though not sunny, was not as unpleasantly cold as we have become almost accustomed to expect. Fifteen records were broken (a record); amongst them was the Long Jump of 19 ft. 5 ins., made by John Bayfield in 1927, which Michael Mayhew beat by 2 ins. The trophies were presented by Mrs. Melhuish, a Governor of the School and member of the County Education Committee, who, in congratulating the competitors, stressed the necessity for sport in a balanced education.

RESULTS :

Girls' Events :

100 yds., open.	1 D. Utting, 2 A. Beckett, 3 P. Hurrell.
100 yds., over 15.	1 A. Davey, 2 S. Knights, 3 M. Emerson.
100 yds., 13½-14½.	1 E. Rushmer, 2 D. Chinery, 3 M. Moyse.
100 yds., 12½-13½.	1 P. Griggs, 2 P. Sullivan, 3 C. Snell.
100 yds., under 12½.	1 M. Solomon, 2 P. Knights, 3 R. Silcock.
150 yds., over 14½.	1 A. Beckett, 2 J. Thurston, 3 P. Hurrell.
150 yds., 13½-14½.	1 E. Rushmer, 2 D. Chinery, 3 J. Levett.
150 yds., under 13½.	1 J. Hurn, 2 P. Griggs, 3 M. Solomon.
High Jump, over 14½.	1 A. Beckett, 2 P. Hurrell, 3 P. Woolston.
High Jump, 13½-14½.	1 D. Chinery, 2 D. Field, 3 J. Levett.
High Jump, under 13½.	1 P. Griggs, 2 J. Jeffries, 3 A. Baldry.
Long Jump, over 14½.	1 J. Knights, 2 P. Hurrell, 3 J. Thurston.
Long Jump, 13½-14½.	1 M. Moyse, 2 E. Rushmer, 3 H. Buck and J. Levett.
Long Jump, under 13½.	1 P. Griggs, 2 P. Sullivan, 3 C. Snell.
House Relay, Senior.	1 <i>Nightingale</i> , 2 <i>Cavell</i> , 3 <i>Darling</i> .
House Relay, Junior.	1 <i>Nightingale</i> , 2 <i>St. Margaret</i> , 3 <i>Darling</i> .

Victrix Ludorum : Ann Beckett, 16 points.

Runner-up : Pat Hurrell, 12 points.

House Sports Trophy : *Nightingale* 104 points.

Runners-up : *Cavell* 86 points.

Boys' Events :

100 yds., open.	1 W. Jenner, 2 D. Lewis, 3 T. Hulme.
100 yds., 15-16.	1 W. Jenner, 2 R. Long, 3 D. Foulger.
100 yds., 13½-15.	1 Peter Knights, 2 J. Hodges, 3 B. Milsom.
100 yds., 12½-13½.	1 A. Witt, D. Pye, 3 P. Allington.
100 yds., under 12½.	1 K. Holland, 2 J. Hunter, 3 A. Anderson.
220 yds., over 15.	1 M. Mayhew, 2 W. Jenner, 3 R. Long.
220 yds., 13½-15.	1 D. Potterton, 2 Peter Knights, 3 D. Swatman.

220 yds., 12½-13½. 1 D. Pye, 2 P. Allington, 3 T. Rackham.
 150 yds., under 12½. 1 P. Cook, 2 A. Anderson, 3 G. Reeve.
 440 yds., over 15. 1 R. Long, 2 D. Lewis, 3 A. Beare.
 440 yds., 13-15. 1 D. Swatman, 2 D. Potterton, 3 J. Hodges.
 330 yds., under 13. 1 R. Howes, 2 L. Woolner, 3 T. Hammersley.
 880 yds., over 15. 1 A. Beare, 2 J. Finbow, 3 D. Moore.
 880 yds., 13-15. 1 D. Swatman, 2 J. Armes, 3 M. Leech.
 Mile, open. 1 A. Beare, 2 B. Solomon, 3 D. Beane.
 110 yds., Hurdles. 1 D. Moore, 2 M. Mayhew, 3 P. Walsh.
 80 yds., Hurdles. 1 B. Milsom, 2 J. Hodges, 3 Paul Knights.
 High Jump, over 15. 1 J. Hanley, 2 D. Moore, 3 P. Walsh and R. Newrick.
 High Jump, 13-15. 1 B. Read, 2 H. Bonaker, 3 Paul Knights.
 High Jump, under 13. 1 T. Rackham, 2 A. Blowers, 3 J. Horne.
 Long Jump, over 15. 1 M. Mayhew, 2 G. Miller, 3 E. Malet-Warden.
 Long Jump, 13-15. 1 B. Milsom, 2 P. Knights, 3 S. Pretty.
 Long Jump, under 13. 1 P. Allington, 2 I. Prettyman, J. Horne.
 Shot, open. 1 B. Dann, 2 R. Long, 3 H. Bonaker.
 Discus, open. 1 E. Malet-Warden, 2 H. Bonaker, 3 B. Dann.
 Javelin, open. 1 B. Dann, 2 R. Long, 3 J. Walker.
 House Relay, Junior. 1 *Spartan*, 2 *Trojan*, 3 *Roman*.
 House Relay, Senior. 1 *Trojan*, 2 *Athenian*, 3 *Roman*.

Victor Ludorum : R. Long 20 points.

Runner-up : M. Mayhew 19 points.

House Sports Trophy : *Trojan* 143 points.

Runners-up : *Athenian* 88½ points.

RECORDS BROKEN :

<i>Girls :</i>	<i>Old record.</i>	<i>New record.</i>	
100 yds., 13½-14½	13.2 (1951)	12.3	E. Rushmer
150 yds., over 14½	18.8 (1952)	18.5	A. Beckett
150 yds., 13½-14½	19.7 (1952)	18.3	E. Rushmer
High Jump, under 13½.	3 ft. 11 ins. (1952)	4 ft. 1 in.	P. Griggs
Long Jump, 13½-14½.	14 ft. (1952)	14 ft. 8½ in.	M. Moyse
Long Jump, under 13½.	13 ft. 9 in. (1951)	14 ft. 1 in.	P. Griggs
Junior Relay.	61	58.8	<i>Nightingale</i>

Boys :

100 yds., 15-16.	11.1 (1950)	10.6	W. Jenner
330 yds., under 13.	50.1 (1952)	49.4	R. Howes
880 yds., 13-15.	2 m. 36.2 s. (1952)	2 m. 25.1 s.	D. Swatman
Long Jump, open.	19 ft. 5 in. (1927)	19 ft. 7 in.	M. Mayhew
Long Jump, 13-15.	15 ft. 9 in. (1950)	16 ft. 3 in.	B. Milsom
Long Jump, under 13.	13 ft. 6½ in. (1951)	14 ft. 6½ in.	P. Allington
Discus.	96 ft. 2 in. (1949)	108 ft. 2 in.	E. Malet-Warden
Senior Relay.	49.9 (1952)	48.5	<i>Trojan</i>

Swimming.

The following boys gained awards of the Royal Life Saving Society in 1952 :—

Award of Merit : E. Malet-Warden, B. Charlton, J. A. H. Finbow.

Bronze Medallion : P. Hunt, P. Walsh, J. Wiseman, D. Woodrow.

For instructing and presenting successfully the Bronze Medallion class for examination R. Buck was awarded the R.L.S.S. Instructor's Certificate.

OUTINGS.

Diary.

1952. 18th to 60 to Stratford-on-Avon and South
26th July. Wales.
25th Sept. Fifth form to Norwich: Maddermarket
Theatre production of "As You Like It."
12th Nov. Science Sixth to Cantley Sugar Beet
Factory.
3rd Dec. Fifth and Sixth forms to Gt. Yarmouth:
Yarmouth High School production of
"Victoria Regina."
12th Dec. School Choir to Norwich: Norfolk Musical
Festival.
15th Dec. Sixth form to Norwich: Maddermarket
Theatre production of "The Beggar's
Opera."
1953. 16th Feb. Science Sixth to Gt. Yarmouth: Lacon's
Brewery.
19th Feb. First forms to Norwich: "Peter Pan"
at Theatre Royal.
20th Feb. Sixth form to Norwich: Maddermarket
Theatre production of "Measure for
Measure."
17th and Forms IIIc and IIAB to Norwich:
24th Mar. Cathedral, Guildhall and Castle.
19th Mar. Form VA to Norwich: Maddermarket
Theatre production of "Arms and the
Man."
23rd Mar. Members of Forms V and VI to London:
Houses of Parliament and Law Courts or
Ideal Homes Exhibition.
24th and Forms IV and VI to Beccles: Sir John
26th Mar. Leman School production of "Macbeth."
1st to 14 members of School to Germany.
12th May.
6th May. Science Sixth to Manningtree and Ipswich:
B-X Plastics, Fison's Fertilizers.
5th June. 500 to Ipswich: Suffolk Agricultural Show.
16th June. School to Odeon Theatre, Lowestoft:
Film, "A Queen is Crowned."
18th June. Sixth form to Norwich: Maddermarket
Theatre production of "Hamlet."
10th July. Third forms to Castle Acre.
20th July. Fifth and Sixth forms to Orford, Fram-
lingham, Bungay and Mettingham Castles.

South Wales, July, 1952.

ON 18th July, 1952, a party of 60 boys and girls set off by coach on a visit to South Wales. The first night was spent at the Youth Hostel, Stratford-on-Avon. In the evening we went to the Memorial Theatre to a performance of "As You Like It," with Margaret Leighton as Rosalind and Lawrence Harvey as Orlando. Not the least exciting part of the production was the scenery. The following day we continued our journey to Barry. The Holiday Camp, our touring centre, proved a very pleasant place. From it we went on many interesting excursions: to a tin-plate works, to an iron and steel plant, to the "Hoover" washing-machine factory, to Cardiff docks and along the Gower peninsula. Most of the girls were very disappointed at not being allowed down the coal mine, but later upheld the honour of their sex by beating some male members of the party to the top of Brecon Beacon. The return journey, made on 26th July, allowed us time for a brief visit to Oxford. M.E.

Germany, May, 1953.

I. Diary.

THE party, 31 in number, included six of our boys, members of the Lowestoft Boys' Football team, and eight girls studying German in the School.

Friday, May 1st.—Rough crossing. Harwich - Hook of Holland, on "Princess Beatrix." *Saturday.*—5.45 a.m., arrived Frankfurt am Main—met by officials and hosts—settled in new homes. 6 p.m., official reception at Römer—presented with book and badge of Frankfurt. At dinner, first contact with Wurst and Sauerkraut. *Sunday.*—Afternoon football match between Frankfurt and Lowestoft boys at stadium. Frankfurt v. Cologne, similar to our Cup Final, followed. *Monday.*—Visited Cathedral, Nikolai and Leonhardt churches, Goethe's house, Zoo. *Tuesday.*—Girls with hostesses, majority on Rhine to Die Lorelei—boys to Frankenthal for second match. *Wednesday.*—Girls, 4.30 p.m., Holkein Mittel Schule—dancing, one-act plays, music, games and tea provided by pupils. *Thursday.*—Whole party with hosts to Falkenstein—walk in mountains to Feldbergturm—to Königstein—old castle. *Friday.*—Opel motor factory in Russelsheim. *Saturday.*—To Wiesbaden, to former Casino, and springs—tasted the water—drive in countryside around. Third football match. *Sunday.*—Evening youth organisation meeting and dance in Römer. *Monday.*—Farewell to German friends—2.17 departure. *Tuesday.*—10.36 a.m., back in Lowestoft. M.H.

II. A Trip on the Rhine.

ONE morning, just after 7 a.m., a party of about twenty German and English girls boarded the pleasure cruiser "Rheingold," and departed from Frankfurt to enjoy fifteen hours' cruising along the broad waters of the Rhine. After an inspection of the boat, we all settled down to enjoy the glorious view in the early sunlight. Almost all the hillslopes were terraced and dotted over with tiny cultivated vines, for this district is world-famous for its production of wine.

We had all previously been told of the many lovely and interesting landmarks to be seen. Soon we came in sight of the Niederwald, a statue of Germania, built to commemorate the establishment of the German Empire, after its war with France, in 1871. We also saw the famous Lorelei Rock, whose great bulk rises sheer out of the Rhine. This, the legend says, was the home of a beautiful maiden, whose lovely singing lured fishermen to their doom on the rocks. Some time later we came in sight of the "Mäuseturm," or Mouse Tower, a castle standing on a rock in the river. It was once the home of a certain Bishop Hatto, who refused to give some of his stored corn to the starving poor. Eventually, it is told, rats ate up both the corn and the bishop himself. Other interesting castles were the Pfalz, built during the 11th century on a rock near the centre of the river, and the "Mouse" and "Cats" castles, which were thus nicknamed by the count that built them, because of their peculiar positions. By this time it was getting dusk and the numerous ruined castles made romantic pictures, silhouetted against the skyline. ANN HARDEN.

III. Frankfurt and District.

THE greatest of German poets, Goethe, was born in Frankfurt in 1749. An exact copy of his house has been constructed in memory of him, and contains the furniture actually used by him and almost all the books which he wrote. Every German tries to visit this Goethe Museum.

The Cathedral was badly damaged during the war and the regular services are held in a small chapel while the building is being reconstructed. The beautiful Roman Catholic church is the oldest in the city, and kept in excellent condition by the nuns—who use "hoovers" in these modern times!

The Römer is a group of fine old houses where the Emperors of the Holy Roman Empire were chosen. Round these buildings is the Römerberg or market-place.

We visited the Opel car factory a few miles from Frankfurt. It covers 429 acres, employs 20,000, has its own railway-station, and turns out 360 cars a day. In the entrance-hall were displayed

the latest models and then we saw a museum of old cars, and in one little room, a very old sewing-machine, model of those built by the firm before the days of cars. MARION SMITH.

IV. The Football Matches.

THE Lowestoft Town Boys' visit to Germany can only be regarded with a good deal of satisfaction by all those of us who went and by all those who made it possible for us to go. The purpose of our visit was to play football, not necessarily to win but to gain experience of the continental style of play and for an educational and enjoyable holiday. It can be said that the majority of people expected us to lose at least one of the three games on our programme, that being the first, against Frankfurt Boys. Perhaps it was because a great deal was not expected of us that we were so successful, for in this case we had nothing to lose and everything to gain.

It was a confident team that left England, confident not of our football ability, which was no better than that of any former Lowestoft team but confident in the knowledge that every member of the team would do his best whatever happened.

In each game we played we came up against new obstacles not previously met in English football and but for the spirit and determination of the team these things alone would have beaten us. Against Frankfurt it was the midsummer heat, a large crowd of fifty thousand, and some very strange decisions by the referee who was very fond of his whistle, which he blew loudly on the slightest occasion. In the second game against Frankenthal it was the introduction to the substitute rule, our opponents bringing on three fresh players at half-time. The third game at Wiesbaden was the climax. The two previous games had been played on good grass pitches but Wiesbaden presented us with a field barren of grass and covered with cinder-dust, with the result that we conceded our first goal and dropped our first point. Our reaction to our success? We did our best and were lucky, but it was the former which gave us the satisfaction. W. JENNER.

Notes on Science Sixth Outings.

AT the Sugar Beet Factory, Cantley, the stages by which sugar beet became sugar were explained and followed through the works. Additional interest was derived from an examination of the factory's own methods of making itself self-sufficient by the production, on the spot, of sulphur dioxide, carbon dioxide and lime.

At Lacon's Brewery, Gt. Yarmouth, the chief brewer talked entertainingly on the chemical aspects of brewing, and then the processes of brewing were inspected. Two impressions remained uppermost in the visitors' minds: the cleanliness of the installation; and the occupation of the gentleman professionally designated "chief smeller."

The tour of the plastics works at Manningtree began with a display of film-strips. As one member of the party summarised the visit—"We saw what we were going to see, and then we saw what we had seen." The firm treated the party most generously.

In the afternoon, at Fison's, Ipswich, sulphuric acid and superphosphates were the objects of study. The countless stairways and choking dust-laden air left the visitors exhausted, temporarily at any rate.

R.B., J.F., D.W.

Visit to London.

UNDER the guidance of Mr. Evans, M.P. for the Lowestoft division, we arrived in the House of Lords. The entire chamber is richly decorated in red and gold, with the throne at the south end and the members' benches rising from the central aisle. From the red carpeting of the House of Lords we crossed to the green of the House of Commons. The new chamber formed a great contrast to that of the Lords. Instead of rich red and gold furnishings reminiscent of royal palaces, we were confronted by polished oak benches and pale green carpets which seemed almost dull in comparison, but which, nevertheless, created a dignified atmosphere. Mr. Evans pointed out the Speaker's Chair, the Table of the House, and the black dispatch boxes. We visited St. Stephen's Hall, one of the few remaining parts of the original palace. It is a very dark building, with a magnificent oak roof; it is actually below the level of the Thames and in the past has been flooded. Here, less than a week later, Queen Mary was to lie in state.

After lunch, the boys saw the Speaker's Procession, and then went on to the Law Courts where we were lucky enough to hear Lord Chief Justice Goddard and two other judges in the Court of Criminal Appeal. The lawyers put forward their cases with great eloquence; the judges appeared to pay no attention whatever; but the judge's summing-up showed an understanding of every intricate detail of the case.

J. EDMONDS.

At Olympia, after lunch, the girls visited the Ideal Homes Exhibition. The food section had a great fascination and many free samples found their way back to Lowestoft. The beauty salons, the animal section, the furnishing and the home departments all had their devotees amongst us, but the exhibition which won most general approval was that concerned with materials, particularly the part devoted to nylon. There, some remarkable fashions were displayed.

The two parties re-united at Liverpool Street for the return journey, the girls, at any rate, footsore and weary, laden with leaflets and samples.

M. SAVIDGE.

Impressions of the Suffolk Show, by IVa.

THE colour of the agricultural implements dominated the scene. The oranges, yellows and blues were brilliant when added to the dazzling white of the marquees and the emerald of the grass. The rich chestnuts, glossy blacks and dappled greys of the animals were subdued yet magnificent against this background, and to add still further effects were the red, white and blue bunting and flower decorations of Coronation Year.

J.P.

The white gate swung open, and into the grand ring rumbled the turn-outs, four drays each with four horses of uniform colour—great animals, Shires and Percherons, stepping almost lightly. The most glorious team for looks was the blacks: shiny velvet-like coats, white fetlocks and foreheads and white ribbons. Two teams of chestnuts and one of greys also competed, but did not approach the blacks' perfection; a certain chestnut walked instead of stepping and one of the greys was not persil-perfect in colour. But the whole spectacle was fine. The waggons gleamed, the side-lamps glinted, the feeding bags and wooden bucket beneath swung to and fro, the driver waved his whip and pulled on his black reins. He and his identically-dressed orderlies were smart, but it was the horses that again held the eye, muscles rippling, polished chains swinging as they thundered on.

D.G., P.G.

The aristocrats of the farming world formed the bulk of the crowds. Every one of them carried a shooting-stick, either used as a walking-stick or carried smartly on one arm, or used, to the detriment of passers-by, to point out items of interest. Some were bought on the ground, and I was one of the amused onlookers as an old lady cautiously tried one for comfort. The most arresting sight, however, was of a highly respectable-looking and dignified couple, complete with shooting sticks, creeping into the grandstand under the back canvas.

R.W.

After four hours we had seen the giant caterpillar (which could plough 21 ins. deep), the cattle and sheep in their pens, the Young Farmers' section, the horse jumping, the caravans, the fox-hounds—in fact everything, we thought. But we were wrong, for a Boy Scout from our School, who was selling programmes, asked us whether we had visited the British Oxygen Company's stand, or the model prefab. buildings. When he guided us there we found some of the best attractions which we might have missed, which shows how big and various was the attraction offered. C.H.

Items: Pamphlet-hunters' successes. What use had a member of IIC for "Hormonexa, the scientific food-supplement based on organic extracts"? (J.A.). A German combine-harvester at £1,300, long but compact, working almost noiselessly. It cuts, threshes, binds the straw in bundles which it deposits at the ends (G.T.). Milking by hand. The cow stood munching hay, the cowman spoke to the onlookers and the pail filled surprisingly quickly (S.K.). Two red-faced women demonstrating a washing-machine and a pudding-mixer. The crowd dwindled immediately the dirty towels were clean and the pudding mixed, so that Eastern Electricity did no trade (J.H.). Two ewes and two lambs which had been rescued from the floods at Bawdsey Ferry, Old Felixstowe. They won first prize (G.D.).

We had always thought Bessie was tough. For her, the Det.-book held no terrors. Dashing forwards quailed before her figure in goal. All parted to make way for her on a bicycle. But as we walked along a muddy track a bull, led by a farmer, appeared round the caravans. Where was Bessie? We found her cowering behind us, gazing at the bull with terror on her usually rubicund countenance. However, as none of the bulls which followed took any notice of her, she ventured out and bravely faced them, but when one huge beast in blinkers and with two men holding poles attached to its nose-ring appeared she frantically attempted to hide her red blazer. Again, after hurriedly moving off "in case any should break loose," she recovered, but a cow, frightened out of reverie by the neigh of a horse, ambled towards her and she fled with ashen face leaving us helpless with laughter. M.E.

Examination Successes.

OPEN EXHIBITION TO ST. CATHERINE'S, OXFORD, 1953.
D. Kinghorn.

STATE SCHOLARSHIPS, 1952.

J. Campbell, M. H. Canham (supplementing Open Exhibitions to Colleges of the University of Oxford).
P. L. Burt, J. Prew (on results of G.C.E., Scholarship Level.)

CAMBRIDGE GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION, 1952.

Advanced Level:

K. A. Beckett—Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
K. W. Bezant—Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
P. L. Burt—Maths., Further Maths., Geology, Geography.
J. T. Byatt—Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
L. W. Calcutt—Chemistry, Botany, Zoology.
J. Campbell—English, French, History.
M. H. Canham—Latin, French, German.
D. V. Hunt—English, French, History.
D. Kinghorn—English, History.
J. Overy—Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
S. Carver—Maths., Botany.
P. J. Castleton—English, History.
L. E. Cock—Art, Biology.
S. L. Edmonds—History, Art, Biology.
J. A. Gooda—Art.
L. P. Gosling—Art.
M. R. Hoggett—English, French, History.
M. U. Holland—Art, Biology.
S. P. Hume—Maths., Physics, Biology.
M. Jordan—Physics, Biology.
S. K. Peck—Latin, French, German.
J. Prew—English, History, Biology.
J. P. Sharman—Maths., Physics, Biology.
C. M. Smith—English.
P. R. Tompkins—English, History.

J. Prew shared the LOWMAN MEMORIAL PRIZE, awarded by the examiners for work by a girl in English at Scholarship Level.

Ordinary Level:

(Figures indicate number of subjects).

J. Campbell 1, S. Carver 1, P. J. Castleton 1, J. A. Gooda 1, L. P. Gosling 1, M. U. Holland 1, M. Jordan 1, C. M. Smith 2, S. A. M. Thurston 1, J. P. Sharman 1, L. E. Cock 1.

A. Sugden 5, B. E. Agus 3, P. A. Shanahan 1, B. P. Wooffindin 1, J. P. Wiseman 2.

D. C. Burroughs 5, N. Calver 3, A. L. Clover 3, J. I. Colby 7, R. E. Easter 3, J. C. P. Edmonds 8, M. D. Francis 8, I. C. Hart 6, B. H. Learner 6, R. C. Seaton 7, D. Wright 8, M. E. Wright 7, P. J. H. Ayers 3, D. A. Bailey 5, R. J. Bennis 6, L. Betts 3, D. A. Burgess 4, B. H. Charlton 2, B. J. Dann 4, D. L. Lewis 3, C. J. Long 4, K. E. Prior 5, K. D. Rouse 5, E. K. Tucker 6, R. J. Tucker 6, I. J. Turrell 3, P. H. Bryant 2, J. W. Elliott 5, J. C. Francis 5, K. S. Hazell 1, P. R. Hunt 6, E. Malet-Warden 4, M. J. Mayhew 4, A. J. N. Moore 3, B. R. Ringwood 1, M. L. Roach 8, D. F. Strowger 2.

H. M. Amis 7, D. J. Castleton 6, J. D. Cook 6, P. F. Delf 8, P. M. Gosling 5, F. Y. Harrison 6, M. M. Horner 8, E. A. Leftley 8, M. S. Massey 8, B. D. K. Rice 6, J. Taylor 3, A. R. Vaughan 6, S. F. Broadfoot 1, A. M. Chaplin 1, C. M. Cleveland 5, E. Eliot 2, M. J. Glasscock 3, G. Harmer 6, M. M. Kirk 5, M. C. Raphael 7, D. E. Tripp 3, B. P. Wicks 6, E. A. Woodcock 6, J. A. Beckett 3, M. A. Carr 1, P. Challis 4, B. J. Chambers 3, B. Howard 5, A. D. Russell 1, D. M. Thurston 1, G. M. Thurtle 2, P. A. Youngman 4.

COUNTY MAJOR SCHOLARSHIPS, 1952.

S. Carver, K. Beckett, K. Bezant, J. Overy, L. Calcutt (deferred).

ASSOCIATED BOARD OF THE ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC. Grade VII, Violin. F. Dyos (with distinction).

Where Leavers are Going.

COLLEGES and Universities where members of the Upper Sixth have been accepted, conditionally on their gaining the General Certificate of Education, Advanced, in certain subjects:

C. Capps.	King's College, London.
Margaret Cook.	Birmingham University.
Josephine Crack.	University College, London.
R. D. Cropley.	Queen Mary College, London.
Frances Dyos.	Royal Academy of Music, London.
J. A. H. Finbow.	Sheffield University.
Sybil Hume.	University College, London.
Mary Jordan.	Bedford College, London.
D. Kinghorn.	St. Catherine's, Oxford.
Marjorie Newson.	Girton College, Cambridge.
Stephanie Peck.	Girton College, Cambridge.
Jean Sharman.	Sir John Cass College, London.
Pat Shanahan.	University College, Exeter.
M. D. Soanes.	King's College, London.
Scyllia Thurston.	Brighton Technical College.
Beth Wright.	Nottingham University.

TRAINING COLLEGES:

Barbara Agus—St. Catherine's, Liverpool; Brenda Durrant—Goldsmith's, London; Gwen Harmer—Bath; Jean Hilton—Homerton, Cambridge; Brenda Howard—Norwich; Mary Secret—Avery Hill, London; Shirley Thrower—St. Osyth's, Clacton; Pat Wooffindin—Worcester.

FROM THE LOWER SIXTH:

Ann Beckett—Norfolk and Norwich Hospital; P. H. Bryant—National Provincial Bank; D. Burroughs—Norwich Union; Pamela Delf—Charing Cross Hospital; B. Learner—Welbeck (Officer Training) College; A. Moore—J. Laing & Son, Civil Engineers; R. Seaton—Marconi Radio School, Cardiff and Hamble; N. Wright—Fleet Air Arm Training, Lee-on-Solent.

FROM THE FIFTH:

B. Dann, Brenda Elliott and P. Farman—Civil Service; J. Hanley—Barclay's Bank; R. Jenner—Post Office, Engineer's Dept.; Jean Mitchell and Jocelyn Moore—Nursing; D. Moore—Shell, Engineering Dept.; M. Sims and S. Turrell—Merchant Navy.

Items from the Record.

M. D. Soanes was the winner of the Memorial Reading Prize in July, 1952, after a more closely-contested final reading that of late. Mr. A. E. Mallett, the adjudicator, recalled his association with the competition from its beginning after the 1914-18 war, and gave an interesting account of Joseph Conrad's connection with Lowestoft in his early days as a seaman. Conrad's "Youth" was one of the set books.

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On 28th May, the fat which the chips had been cooked in caught fire, and the procession of police-car, fire-engine and fire-tender gave some hope of an extended Coronation Holiday. But the fire was soon out; only the fumes were disagreeable. We are glad, though, that the cook and her assistants were unharmed.

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Special mention should be made of the success of Marjorie Newson and Stephanie Peck in gaining entrance to Girton against the strong competition which exists, in Arts subjects especially, for a very small number of places. They gained fame in the national press.

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For the record, although we do not need to be reminded for a long time: the School did really well in Coronation festivities, 500 visiting the Suffolk Show, all seeing the Coronation film—and all having three days' holiday besides. We contributed to the Lowestoft Schools' Pageant, as described elsewhere.

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Learner did very well to gain entrance to the Officers' Training College at Welbeck, being one of 45 chosen out of 400.

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National Savings : During the year the School has saved
£359 2s. 0d.

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Welwyn Garden City Grammar School sent our School
£20, to be used for Flood Relief amongst pupils who had
suffered in last January's disaster.

We sent £25 ourselves, in contribution to the joint Dutch
and British Fund organized by the sale of the printed account
of the floods in Holland.

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The fine performance of Grapes (Form IV) in taking all
ten wickets for twelve runs in the match against Yarmouth
Grammar School on 6th June was applauded when the
Headmaster presented him with the ball at Assembly.

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"The Buildings," discussed editorially in our last issue,
continue to expand with our increasing numbers. We are
promised two or three new classrooms, to be built in the year
'53-'54, parallel to the Domestic Science and Art rooms at the
end of the Canteen, and an Assembly Hall, a Gymnasium and
possibly a Craft Room in the following year.

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The great flood in January should be recorded in these
pages, since it affected us considerably, though mercifully none
of our members was hurt. Here is the experience of Yvonne
Bennett, IIa. She writes :

"On January 30th, at 9.50 p.m., my father told me to wake
my brother, but later as I went into the room at the front of
the house, looking out of the window, I saw to my astonishment
big black waves surging up the main road. With my father
and brother, I stood in the hall, salt water swirling round us,
but five minutes later water was over the bottom step of the
stairs and my brother had to be carried. We tried to get the
front door open but by now water was coming in at the top at
all angles. The back gate was our last hope and we struck
valiantly for it. Pushing the gate open, we found that the
flood was about two feet, till—horror—oily water about four
or five feet deep swirled along in a torrent. Taking off my
coat and giving it to my father I decided to try swimming and
in doing so was covered with oil, becoming colder and colder.
Very wet and very weary, I reached St. John's Road with my
father just ahead of me."

And there occurred at St. John's Church an incident which
might have been handed down from mediaeval times in a ballad :

HIGH TIDE AT LOWESTOFT.

On January the thirty-first,
In nineteen fifty-three,
The wind blew hard from the north-west,
And furious was the sea.

That night, the verger, Mr. Cutts,
And forty children too
Were making merry at St. John's—
As usual, the time flew.

At last, he opened wide the door
And bade his guests "Goodbye."
He saw in front of him a wall
Of water, five feet high.

So hastily he shut the door,
And half the children sent
Into the church, where, cold and scared,
To the chancel steps they went,

While Mr. Bennett sat waist-deep
And played them nursery rhymes
On the piano—those which they
Had heard so many times.

He broke a window, after that,
And loud for help he cried.
A P.C. Merrett heard his shout
And tried to get inside.

So to the church he went waist-deep;
To draw the bolt he dived,
And then some other helpers
With a rowing-boat arrived.

They rowed up to the chancel-steps
And called the children near,
For many little ones had crouched
On the altar in their fear.

They carried the children to the boat,
And got them safe outside
By making several trips, but then
Someone suddenly cried :

"O! Don't forget the others, in
The Church Hall up the road."
So up St. John's Road they went next
To fetch another load.

Through the windows then they passed
Candles, and matches too,
For in the darkness on the stage
They knew not what to do.

At last the rescue work was o'er,
And all the party went
Across the road to the Yacht Club
Where much more time they spent,

For everybody had to have
A drink of something hot;
But, when they counted who was there,
One small boy was not!

At home, and sitting on the step,
At last they found this lad.
"Because," he said, "I've got to wait
Till home comes Mum or Dad."

CHRISTINE ARGER.

Old Lowestoftians.

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Club Secretaries : Badminton—Mr. D. Wharton ; Tennis—Mrs. K. Peck ; Football—Mr. R. Larkins.

The Chairman's Remarks.

HAVING completed the War Memorial Library last year we have no large project to report on. Nevertheless, the Association has not been inactive. One very heartening feature is that the membership has now passed the hundred mark compared with sixty-nine paid members last year. I should like to point out that on leaving school, all scholars automatically become members of the Association with no payment until the end of the current year, which ends in March, providing they hand in their name and address to one of the secretaries or any other member of the Committee : after this the subscription is only five shillings yearly, so please make an effort to join and pay your subscription regularly.

The sporting activities of the Association have again been running quite well. The activities of the various clubs are reported separately, but I should like to say how much the Football Club is indebted to Mr. Larkins and a very small band of workers who give a lot of time to the affairs of the Club.

The Badminton Club has again had quite a good season, but we should very much like to see some of the people leaving school take up the game.

The Tennis Club is again playing on the court at the Grand Hotel and here again new members will be welcome.

The usual Christmas Social was held at the School and much of the credit for the success of the evening must be given to Mr. Rimer for the able manner in which he carried out his duties as M.C. during the evening.

Mr. Beckett, who, we are very sorry to report, has moved to London, was presented with a fountain pen in appreciation of the amount of work which he has done for the Association during his years as Chairman. On behalf of the Association I would like to wish him all that is best and assure him we will be very glad to see him whenever he visits Lowestoft.

Once again I would like to express our thanks to Mr. Brooks and the Staff for their co-operation and encouragement.

R. G. WATSON.

Badminton Club.

THE past season has not been, perhaps, colourful, but has been one of steady play and attendance, marred for the writer by an injured ankle. For the first time in several years the Club has shown a profit—a sign of consolidation. There is nothing like a sound financial basis to build on.

Several new players joined this year; we welcome them and hope to see them all again next season, together with any other Old Lowestoftians who fancy themselves at badminton. We can assure them that, with Reg. Regis on the court, there is never a dull moment.

We are very fortunate in having such a fine hall to play in, and we must thank our President, Mr. W. R. B. Brooks for use of it. In our away matches we are afforded an opportunity for comparison. At Southwold we play in the new Civic Hall, where there is great difficulty in seeing the shuttle against the light coloured walls. At Beccles Corn Hall the difficulty is keeping warm; it is more like a corn field in winter. At Wrentham, the floor is so slippery that it would be more suitable for dancing. In Lowestoft we visit St. Peter's Hall and the Y.M.C.A. All of these are much inferior to the School Hall.

Dick Watson, who took the team to Caister, commented favourably on the hall there. I wish to thank him for arranging the match, and to congratulate the team on a fine win.

I would thank all members for their support, and wish them and the Club good fortune next season.

D.G.W.

Football Club.

THE past season has been one of achievement with little effort, for the First Eleven, and one of little achievement, after tremendous efforts for the Reserves.

The First Eleven finished third in the Lowestoft and District League, being beaten by C.W.S. and Town "A". The team managed to take two out of four points from the C.W.S. and three out of four points from the Town "A." Only the Coastal Old Boys took more than two points from the Club, and this team finished fourth in the league. Throughout the season the team failed to score on only one occasion, and that against the C.W.S in an evening match, when we had to field a very depleted team, due to regular members being at work.

In the Suffolk Junior Cup, the team reached the quarter final, losing 3 - 1 to the Lowestoft Town Reserves. This match was played in the gale-force winds, which preceded the Lowestoft floods. The annual friendly match between our Club and the AEC Southall's touring team was a great success once again—the Old Boys losing 3 - 2. A. Beckett was the leading scorer with fifty-eight goals, R. Larkins being second with thirty. The outstanding player was N. Burrell, who worked tirelessly in defence. Team selection varied considerably (thirty-two different players in all), but during March and early April, we fielded a regular reasonably-strong team, which should be able to do service regularly next season.

And so to turn to the Reserves, who were only kept going by super-human efforts by their Secretary. Many, many times the team turned out with less than a full side, and towards the end of the season, we could only keep the team going with the help of several of the School's team. Yet, playing against such odds, and led gallantly by their captain, assisted by A. Hale, the team never gave up, thus gaining a name for sportsmanship and spirit unequalled by any other team in the league.

Thus to turn from the past to the future. The First team is already settled more or less, but we need, desperately, players to form a regular Reserve team. To get these players—particularly boys just leaving school—the Club has adopted a

very bold policy. It costs twenty-five shillings to stage a home match and two guineas for an away match—yet the Club is only to ask the Reserves to pay one shilling per match. How the Club will find the thirty pounds to fill this gap has yet to be decided, but I do sincerely hope that the young players will take advantage of this very cheap means of continuing their football.

Any Old Students desirous of joining the Club, should contact the Secretary :—Mr. R. J. Larkins, 24, Enstone Road, 'phone Lowestoft 509; or watch the Local Items in the "Lowestoft Journal" for the announcement of training nights at the School.

Finally, may we invite any interested Old Boys to support the Club on Saturday afternoons at Walmer Road, or if they are willing to help, to join the non-playing section of the Football Club Committee.

Tennis Club.

PERHAPS it is this season's horrible weather which has caused the scarcity of players. At the moment we still have the use of the court behind the Palais. No doubt there will be more activity during July and August when the younger members have more leisure. Any Old Student wishing to play during the summer holiday is asked to apply to the Secretary for information.

K. PECK.

News of Old Students.

Marriages : Barbara Crabbe, now Mrs. Bryan Twigg and living at North Walsham; John Rodhouse and Monica Durrant; Jill Tillett; Ken. Beckett.

Births : Andrew Mouser, son of Arthur and Iris (née Hepworth); Theresa, second daughter of Lionel and Jean Stray; Vivienne Jane Larkins, daughter of Ray and Norma; Philip James Strong, son of Ken and Margaret. Stanley and Jessie Nobbs also have a new daughter and Frank and Margaret Nichols a son.

Death : We much regret to record the death of Phyllis Sillett.

Hazel Martin has left Cromer and is continuing her nursing training at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. Gordon Lang is at home making a good recovery from his illness. He has become engaged to Pam. Morgan whom he met at Leicester. Rose Bedford is going to London owing to promotion in the C.S.

The following have gone or are to go abroad : Bryan Gee to Canada for R.A.F. training; Roy Rout to the Pyrenees, assisting in investigation of cosmic rays under Professor Blackett; Maurice Fenn as Marketing Officer under the Nigerian Government; John Shelton to S. Rhodesia in Colonial C.S. Accounts; Neville Skinner as University Lecturer in Physics in Nigeria; John Wilkinson from Haifa to Cyprus with Shell Oil; Betty Savage, now Irwin, to the Canadian Embassy in Indonesia where her husband has an appointment.

Phyllis Akerman writes : After a course of training in Moral Welfare and Social Science and two and a half years as an outdoor M.W. worker, I am now at the C.M.S. Training College. This further preparation is necessary for those who offer for overseas missionary service, however good they may be as nurse, doctor, teacher, and welfare-worker. I do not yet know where I am likely to go, if accepted, but am hoping that it will be somewhere in Africa.

The following have successfully completed their Honours degree courses : B. R. Chapman and G. H. Denby, (Manchester), Patrick Wright (Cambridge), Christopher Bayliss (Cambridge).

Pilot Officer K. R. Nunn has gained his wings at No. 3 Flying Training School. He was second to the winner of the Broughton Trophy for the best pupil, and had won an Air Council prize on passing out from Cosford.

Memorial Library.

GRATEFUL acknowledgment is made of gifts of books during the past year from : the Senior Dramatic Society, Form VB (1951-52), Form Vc (1951-52), Miss A. R. C. Murray, Mr. H. L. Baker, Mr. F. Wilkinson, Mr. M. Canham, Mr. G. W. Barker, Mr. W. Richards, Mr. K. K. Beckett, Mr. A. V. Steward, the Rev. E. Brown and Mrs. J. S. Easton (Miss K. Gilfillan).

Our efforts to collect for preservation in the Library a complete set of the numbers of "The Lowestoftian" have met with a generous response from Old Students. Complete success has almost been achieved; only three numbers are now required; Vol. I No. 4 (1915 or 1916), Vol. III Nos. 21 and 22 (1930 and 1931).

Three books which are out of print are desired for the Library. They are: Mr. T. Rising's "Kingfisher Abroad," Mr. R. Mallett's "Doggerel's Dictionary," and Mr. Ford Jenkins' "Port War." If any Old Student has a copy of any of these which he is prepared to part with, it would be most gratefully received.

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