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## School Notes.

### GOVERNORS.

There has been one change on our Governing Body caused by the resignation of the Rev. H. K. Warrand who, for ten years has represented the Council of St. John's College, Cambridge. The family of Warrand has been associated with the School for many years, the General, so well known in his day for his public services, having been educated at the School and afterwards serving on the Governing Body. It was therefore with great regret that we heard that Mr. Warrand had felt obliged to relinquish his place. His constant attendance at our meetings, his valuable advice and kindly interest, his presence at our Old Southwellian dinners proved his real affection for the School.

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His place has been taken by Dr. Shaw, whose work at University College and at Church House commends him to our old Collegiate Foundation.

### STAFF.

The year has seen changes on the School Staff.

Mr. W. J. Nevett left us at Christmas to take up an appointment in Commerce to everyone's regret. Southwell Rugby Club and Cricket Club lost a most useful member when he left. At the School he was well cast in *Macbeth* for the gallant "Serjeant" and Old Siward, and in *She Stoops to Conquer* he fitted the part of the genial "Sir Charles Marlow."

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His place on the Staff was taken by Mr. W. Gorin, B.A., who put in two useful terms, leaving in July last to take up an appointment at the Cathedral School, Truro. We wish him every success. Mr. Gorin identified himself with all School activities, Rifle Club, Debating Society and Swimming.

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Mr. F. A. Samuels was appointed to the Staff of Wakefield Grammar School in January, 1934, after five years at Southwell. A complete generation of Southwellians will have reason to remember Mr. Samuels' valuable services to the School.

Mr. Samuels' chief work was the Scout Troop which he started and trained. As a marksman he was, of course, outstanding, and was the mainstay of the School and Town Rifle Club.

We congratulate him on his appointment as also on his marriage (on September 5th) to Miss Muriel Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee, of Southwell, and wish Mr. and Mrs. Samuels every happiness.

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Mr. C. A. Holbard, M.A. (St. John's College, Cambridge) came from the Hereford Cathedral School to take up the Science teaching in Mr. Samuels' place. We extend a hearty welcome to him.

To judge by the enthusiasm of the School in the region of biology during the Summer Term, Mr. Holland is preparing the way for a keen and useful "Field Club." *band*

### THE SCHOOL.

The results of the School Certificate Examination are frankly disappointing, but we must congratulate E. C. Dodd and K. B. St. Clair on their successes.

Congratulations also to G. Mason on his London Matriculation result.

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The coming term (September, 1934) is marked by the record numbers in the School of 80, 27 boarders and 53 day boys.

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The numbers during the year have been : Autumn, 78 ; Spring, 77 ; Summer, 76.

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We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of *The Brunts School Magazine*, *The Nottinghamian*, *The Magnusian*, *The Pavior*, *The Centaur*, *The Newtonian*, and *The Wycombiensian*.

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The following left in July, 1933, or during the year :—

		Left	Entered	
E. Cox,	VI	July	Sept., '26	S.C., 1st XI Colours. 1st XV Colours.
C. Fleury,	VI	"	Sept., '32	
G. R. Hibbard,	VI	"	Sept., '25	S.C. H.S.C. 1st XI Cols. 1st XV Colours. Notts. Cap.
G. Gray,	VA	"	May, '28	1st XI Colours.
R. Hipwell,	VA	"	Sept., '27	S.C.
W. H. Brown,	VB	"	Sept., '28	
T. K. Bird,	IV	"	Sept., '29	
G. Mason,	VI	Dec.	Sept., '28	S.C. 1st XV Colours.
A. Hopkinson,	IV	"	May, '32	
S. T. Easter,	III	"	May, '31	
H. Revill,	VI	Dec., '33	Sept., '29	S.C. 1st XI Colours. 1st XV Colours.



		<i>Left</i>	<i>Entered</i>	
F. J. Cooper,	VB	Dec. '33	Sept., '29	1st XV Colours, County Cap.
K. Smeeton,	VB	April, '34	Sept., '31	
D. Keetley,	VA	April, '34	Jan., '29	1st XV Colours.
C. Judson,	VA	April, '34	Sept., '29	1st XV Colours.
E. Hall,	VB	July, '33	Jan., '29	
J. R. Bowskill,	III	Feb., '34	Sept., '33	

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The following entered the School during the year 1933-34 :

Bowskill, J. R.	..	Special Place	..	Form	III.
Fowkes, R.	..	"	"	"	III.
Heath, A.	..	"	"	"	III.
Wallis, P. E.	..	Chorister	..	"	II.
Wade, J.	..	Boarder	..	"	III.
Cant, R. B.	..	"	..	"	III.
Sweny, S. P.	..	"	..	"	III.
Croft, R. W.	..	"	..	"	II.
Matthews, A. D.	..	"	..	"	II.
Parr, J. M.	..	Day Boy	..	"	III.
Allwood, J. E. G.	..	"	..	"	III.
Peacock, J. N.	..	"	..	"	II.
Willment, J. R.	..	"	..	"	II.
Smith, J. B.	..	"	..	"	III.
Clarke, J. B.	..	Boarder	..	"	III.
Starmer, G. J.	..	"	..	"	II.
Mosedale, G. C.	..	Chorister	..	"	II.
Rainbow, W. G.	..	"	..	"	II.
Hemington, G. H.	..	Day Boy	..	"	II.
Smith, S. P.	..	"	..	"	II.
Smith, G. L. B.	..	Boarder	..	"	II.

## Speech Day.

There was an exceptionally large gathering at the Speech Day, held on November 9th in the Great Hall of Bishop's Manor. It was one of the most successful of our Speech Days, due in a great measure to the charm and interest of the speech of Principal Stewart of University College.

The chair was taken by the Bishop and on the platform were the Provost of Southwell, Archdeacon Hacking, Canon Field, Dr. Willoughby, Mr. Straw, Mr. J. H. Kirkby, Mr. W. A. James, Mr. A. G. Merryweather, Professor Brose, and Mr. N. A. Metcalfe.

The Head Master gave a comprehensive report of the School's activities during the past year. As the events of the year under review have been fully recorded in our last issue and space is valuable we cannot do more than give the briefest summary. The record itself follows the normal lines. It is the comment on the passage of events which is most pregnant.

The Head Master reported a steady rise in numbers and urged foresight in the matter of new houses. An interesting analysis was given of the sources of supply to the School, in which it was shown how small a contribution was made by Southwell itself.

The Head Master then alluded to recent successes, to the progress of the Middle School and to the part played by outside influences upon the schoolboy's life which he claimed were stronger than school influences.

The misfortunes of tonsillitis and mumps formed an unusual feature in a review which had hitherto been singularly free from reports of illness.

After referring to the outside activities in Rugby, Cricket, Scouting and Drama, Mr. Matthews concluded with a justification for his gentle art of "forcing" schoolboys to take a full share in school life. "I have not yet heard a boy ask if he is forced to do Algebra or French. But it would be equally reasonable as to question the advisability of turning up on a school occasion. Could a school play the game as we do if we did not rope all in? There are many boys now left who might well have passed through school life without contributing their talent or even discovering that they had any talents but for that gentle "forcing."

Commenting on the report the Bishop said the Head Master had referred to the stately and dignified setting in which they were met. They were stately and dignified, but they were more than that, they were a very delightful and happy family. The Minster Grammar School, as they knew, had a great tradition, in fact it was the oldest school in Nottinghamshire, and one of the oldest of its kind in the country. But though they were old, they were new always, and had the spirit of modern life and times.

"Now I go to a great many prize-givings," the Bishop continued, "but there is always one thing I am certain of when I hear your Head Master's report, and that is that we will have something unconventional and something worth listening to. We all come here year after year and we all go away having enjoyed ourselves."

The Head Master had pointed out some of the merits and some of the demerits of the School as he saw it and he had referred to the fact that the connection between the School and the Cathedral is very near. In these modern days that connection was good to see and in the choir of Southwell Minster they possessed one of the very best choirs that any Cathedral had in this country.



## PRINCIPAL STEWART'S CONGRATULATIONS.

After handing the prizes to the winners, Principal Stewart said he would like first of all to thank most cordially the Chairman and the Head Master for their more than kindly references to himself and the University College at Nottingham. Canon Field was a Governor of the College and when the time came, as it would, for a new constitution of the College, when it would benefit the people of Southwell as well as the people of Nottingham, provision would be made for the Bishop of Southwell to sit on the governing body too. They had been good enough to find room on the governing body of the Minster Grammar School for a representative of the College.

There went to the College a number, not a large number, of boys from that school, and he was sorry that Hibbard, who had recently gone there, was not present that afternoon to receive his prize. The high standard of duty had been so firmly planted in his mind that he was determined to stay and work in some stuffy laboratory instead of asking to be excused. But in any way they could help young men from Southwell and that area he assured them they would be only too glad. (Applause.)

Principal Stewart was sure that they would like him to congratulate the Head Master, Staff and boys of Southwell Grammar School on the record of the year's activities. The Head Master had given them a comprehensive picture of life both in the schoolroom and on the playing field and everyone concerned deserved a word of commendation. That afternoon he was intrigued by the brilliant achievement of the School Rugby football team. When the Head Master told them of the 101 points to none victory he tried to calculate how many times the forwards, halves and three-quarters must have crossed the enemy's lines, and he would be looking forward to the School challenging the winners of the Oxford and Cambridge match. When they had beaten them they might send a challenge to the Barbarians or the Tigers—or even to the next visiting team of the All Blacks. (Laughter.) He wished them the very best of luck this year and in the next cricket season.

The Head Master's report had a most happy and distinctive touch of humour about it, but it also contained a great deal of important and sensible advice not only to the boys but to the parents as well. He (the speaker) ought really to sit down just advising them to take to heart all the ideals which Mr. Matthews had set out. He said there were a certain number of boys who went from the School to the University. It was not to be expected, nor, indeed, perhaps, desirable, that the stream should be greatly increased.

While it was a function of a school to lay foundations for university training in the case of a few, and to do everything possible to help the few, nevertheless that ought never to be done at the sacrifice of the interests of the majority, who would not go to universities, but go out after leaving school into professional or commercial life, or agriculture.

## "LADS O' PAIRTS."

It was perhaps a reproach to some of the old grammar schools in Scotland that the attention of the Staff was absorbed in the brilliant children, the "lads o' pairts," to the neglect of the less brilliant. Schools and school authorities should ever have in mind the development of the majority, as well as the more intellectually able minority of their pupils, in order to send them out into life with a training in mind and also a character fit for the citizens of a great and free country.

No one speaking in that beautiful and historic hall could fail to be deeply conscious of the continuity of history or fail to think of those generations of boys who had gone out from there into the world—from a school which had got those immensely long traditions behind it. One among many other qualities which the English race had was sympathy with the under dog. Speakers at prize-givings gave so much sympathy to the under dog or less clever boy that the prizewinners were sometimes left out in the cold. He congratulated the prize-winners and wished them success in whatever line of life they were taking. They knew as did he that it was not so much the winning of a prize that was really important in school life, but those habits of discipline and orderliness and hard work which were of such a profound influence on character during the rest of their lives.

There were only two things he would like to say to the boys of the School. Firstly, he might tell them they would benefit immensely if they could read as much as possible; not merely newspapers—excellent though they were, one could spend too much time on trivialities—but good books and the standard novels. Also, he had spoken to them about hard work. He didn't mean that they should give up all their time to work, for all work and no play made Jack a dull boy, nor that they should sacrifice their work for play. But they should throw heart and soul into whatever they did and their lives should be balanced by a happy combination of work and play. He hoped everyone of them would live up to the prestige and fame of the School. (Applause.)

In conclusion, Principal Stewart asked the Head Master if he would give the whole school a whole holiday.



The Bishop, in calling upon Canon Field to propose a vote of thanks to Principal Stewart, referred to the record assembly of Governors which was present that afternoon. That day was the birthday of one of their most respected and dear friends—Canon Field—and although he would not say exactly how old he was, he was one of the youngest of them all (Applause.)

The Canon's thanks were seconded by Archdeacon Conybeare, and Principal Stewart briefly acknowledged.

### THE PRIZE LIST.

*Form Prizes*: VI, G. R. Hibbard; VA, G. R. Hipwell; VB, V. Cottam; IV, C. R. Heald; III, R. H. Thorne; II, B. Dodd.

*English and History* (Canon Glaister's Bequest): R. Trueman, G. Gray, R. H. Thorne.

*Mathematics and Science*: K. B. St. Clair, H. Revill, E. Dodd, H. Hurst, W. Bratley.

*Scout Prize* (awarded by Mr. N. A. Metcalfe): G. Mason.

*School Certificates*: J. P. D. Norfolk (exemption from Matriculation), G. R. Hipwell, H. Revill.

*Starkey Scholarship* (Value £10): E. C. Cox.

*Starkey Prize* (Value in Books £2 10s.): J. D. P. Norfolk.

*Revis Studentship and College Studentship, University College, Nottingham*: G. R. Hibbard.

### GAMES RECORDS, 1932-33.

Football: Played, 9; won, 5; lost, 4.

Cricket: Played, 13; won, 7; lost, 4; drawn, 2.

Representing the Schools of Notts. v. School of Derbyshire: G. H. Hibbard, E. C. Cox.

Representing the Schools of County and City v. Notts. Club and Ground: G. R. Hibbard.

Rifle Club (Certificate awarded by S.M.R.C. for a "possible" score in match-firing): G. Mason.

### "She Stoops to Conquer."

A HAPPY REVIVAL OF GOLDSMITH'S DELIGHTFUL COMEDY.

Our decision to revive this after eight years proved a great success. The audiences were bigger and more enthusiastic than ever before. We were fortunate again in our leading ladies, not only in having Ruth Matthews as Kate Hardcastle but in our newcomers: Woodward as an excellent Mrs. Hardcastle and Hatcher as a charming Constance Neville.

Moreover the balance of the comedy was admirably served in casting Mr. Matthews as the interesting old gentleman Mr. Hardcastle, a part which he evidently enjoyed, and Mr. Doy as the Squire Lumpkin; while Mr. Ball's "Young Marlow" both grave and gay was quite perfect. The outstanding scenes were those between Kate and Marlow and Marlow and the old gentleman. F. Barrett brought his customary elegance and experience to his old part of Hastings. The "supers" had a gay time over their "iron brew," and Cottam's Tolroddle became a popular number for many weeks.

### CHARACTERS in the order of their appearance.

<i>Mrs. Hardcastle</i>	..	..	..	..	..	A. E. Woodward
<i>Mr. Hardcastle</i>	..	..	..	..	..	R. Matthews
<i>Tony Lumpkin</i> (his stepson)	..	..	..	..	..	D. H. Doy
<i>Kate Hardcastle</i> (his daughter)	..	..	..	..	..	Ruth Matthews
<i>Muggins</i>	} three shabby fellows {	..	..	..	..	H. Hurst
<i>Slang</i>		..	..	..	..	V. Cottam
<i>Twist</i>		..	..	..	..	E. Dodd
<i>Stingo</i> (landlord of the "Three Pigeons")		..	..	..	..	F. J. Cooper
<i>Young Marlow</i>	..	..	..	..	..	J. K. Ball
<i>Hastings</i>	..	..	..	..	..	F. Barrett
<i>Diggory</i> (a servant)	..	..	..	..	..	V. Cottam
<i>Constance Neville</i> (Mrs. Hardcastle's niece)	..	..	..	..	..	W. B. Hatcher
<i>A Maid</i>	..	..	..	..	..	D. Keetley
<i>Sir Charles Marlow</i>	..	..	..	..	..	W. J. Nevett

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### ACT I.

<i>Scene I</i>	..	Mr. Hardcastle's House.
<i>Scene II</i>	..	"The Three Pigeons."

### ACTS II, III and IV.

Room in Mr. Hardcastle's House.

### ACT V.

<i>Scene I</i>	..	At the bottom of the Garden.
<i>Scene II</i>	..	Room in Mr. Hardcastle's House.

Lighting and Stage fittings by G. Mason and F. A. Samuels.

The Play produced by R. Matthews.

### Football, 1933-34.

Generally the football report consists of a series of excuses for defeats sustained in the past season. Not that the excuses are not justified as, with our small numbers, we shall always be lighter than our opponents. However, it is very pleasant this year to be able to congratulate the team on maintaining



an unbeaten record and on scoring 296 points to 33. This record was nearly lost after Christmas when we were weakened, particularly by losing Mason, and Henry Mellish had strengthened their team. After a terrific struggle we just managed to get on level terms, having been nine points down at half-time.

It was unfortunate that three matches had to be cancelled through frost or other causes. For the first time, on November 1st, we played a school of our own size when Humphrey Perkins, Barrow-on-Soar were our visitors. Then we amassed the enormous total of 101 points, and that in a deluge of rain! The excitement was intense when Cooper brought the total to three figures with the last kick of the match. In the return game at Barrow we left out all "colours" and found it very difficult to beat the home team. The difference between 101 and 3 illustrates the value that some half-dozen players were to the side.

Speed and accuracy outside the scrum were mainly responsible for our overwhelming victories. Mason, good the previous season, improved very considerably and in his year of captaincy showed that he was the best wing three-quarter we have ever had. Very fast off the mark, strong and resolute in his running, and with the ability to take his passes going at full speed, he was always a source of trouble to our opponents. His centre was Revill, the brainiest player on the side, whose long, raking stride made him appear comparatively slow whereas, in reality, he was nearly as fast as Mason. He had a wonderful eye for an opening and was an ideal connecting link between his wing and Norfolk at outside half. Norfolk a sturdily built player, took and gave his passes well and had a cast-iron defence.

Perhaps the real discovery of the season was Keatley at scrum-half. Small, strong and nimble, with a tireless spirit, he more than held his own with his opposite number and was always quick to seize a chance to send his backs away. As a rule, the forwards were outweighed but they worked well together and the excellent hooking of Judson ensured a liberal supply of the ball to the three-quarters. Cooper was always to the fore, especially in the loose, and he used his size and weight splendidly. His fine place-kicking was a tremendous asset to his side. This and his all-round ability earned him a Notts. Public Schoolboy's county cap, an honour which had not previously come our way. Well done, Cooper!

It is sufficient to say of those not already mentioned that they played hard and unselfishly and were worthy members of the best side we have ever turned out. May

their keenness form a tradition which will have its effect for many years to come.

This season, the experiment of running a house league was introduced and its success has made certain of its continuance. The teams for this league consisted of players who had not played in the 1st XV and the middle school football therefore benefited considerably. This competition was eventually won by Thomas's.

In the senior matches, Booth's proved much too strong for the other houses and retained the cup that they had won the previous year.

It is early yet to form any idea of the strength of next season's team, but we hope that the keenness of last year will continue and that the places of those who have left will be adequately filled.

#### LAST SEASONS' TEAM WAS GENERALLY:

St. Clair; Beech, Caudwell, H. Revill, G. Mason; J. D. Norfolk, D. A. Keatley; F. J. Cooper, E. C. Judson, Helmy, Hatcher, Cottam, Smee, Hurst, Trueman.

#### RESULTS.

		Played, 8; Won, 7; Drawn, 1.		
Oct.	5—Southwell R.F.C. "A"	.. ..	Home.	Won: 14—3
"	18—High Pavement "A"	.. ..	Away.	Won: 33—6
"	25—Magnus "A"	.. ..	Away.	Won: 23—0
Nov.	1—Humphrey Perkins'	.. ..	Home.	Won: 101—0
"	8—Henry Mellish "A"	.. ..	Home.	Won: 59—0
"	15—Humphrey Perkins'	.. ..	Away.	Won: 3—0
"	29—Magnus "A"	.. ..	Home.	Won: 39—0
Jan.	31—Henry Mellish "A"	.. ..	Away.	Draw: 24—24

### *Athletic Sports, 1934.*

The Athletic Sports were held on Tuesday, April 10th, the last day of the Easter Term. The field was in fine condition and the weather perfect, which probably accounts for the fact that the number of visitors was much larger than usual.

Generally speaking, the standard of the running in the senior events was lower than for some years, there being no outstanding performer. However, this added to, rather than detracted from, the interest as all the events were more keenly contested. In no case could the result be safely predicted and it was quite in keeping with the general order of things to find that Norfolk won the Victor Ludorum cup when most people considered St. Clair almost a certain winner, especially as he had six points start for events previously decided. Throughout the meeting they kept up a ding-dong



struggle, Norfolk eventually proving successful by 19 points to 18.

Thomas's won the house challenge cup chiefly through their successes in the junior events. In Peacock, Allen and Lee they have three of the most promising runners of recent years. To Peacock all distances come alike, from 100 yards to five miles and he should develop into a really good athlete. Lee collected no fewer than 20 points, his results including five firsts, two seconds and a third. This precocious 12-year old was even in the final of the "under 15" hurdles! Of Thomas's total of  $85\frac{1}{2}$  points, these three and St. Clair obtained  $57\frac{1}{2}$ .

Through the generosity of Mr. William Lee we were enabled for the first time, to include hurdle races in the programme and we would like to take this opportunity to thank him for this latest evidence of his great interest in the School.

During the past few years we have gradually been eliminating any events, such as the obstacle race, in which chance plays as great a part as skill. Now we have dispensed with all handicap races, which can never be really satisfactory. There has always been a tendency to be grossly over-generous to the small boy who, nevertheless, inevitably has the sympathy of the spectators. The number of events for competitors of all ages has been increased and it can now be safely said that if a boy does not appear in action on sports day it is certainly because he does not possess the necessary ability. The sack race has been retained; the fact that Templeman has been in the final heat every year of his career serves to illustrate that a certain form of skill is called for.

A complete half-term is now devoted to athletics and the final meeting is the outcome of weeks of eliminating heats and hard training. What used to be more or less a pleasant social function is now a genuine test of athletic prowess and stamina, in which all members of the School have competed.

The detailed results are as follows:—

LONG JUMP (open).—1, Norfolk; 2, St. Clair; 3, Beech.  
100 YARDS (under 11).—1, Thornton; 2, Dodd; 3, Hardstaff.  
100 YARDS (open).—1, Norfolk; 2, Beech; 3, Smee.  
100 YARDS (under 13).—1, Lee; 2, Smith; 3, Cant.  
HIGH JUMP (open).—1, Norfolk; 2, St. Clair; 3, Judson and Smee.  
100 YARDS (under 10).—1, Thornton; 2, Matthews; 3, Peacock ii.  
100 YARDS (under 14).—1, Lee; 2, Peacock i; 3, Allen ii.  
440 YARDS (open).—1, St. Clair; 2, Norfolk; 3, Beech.  
HIGH JUMP (under 14).—1, Clarke i and Allen ii; 3, Thorne.

220 YARDS (under 12).—1, Smith; 2, Easter; 3, Thornton.  
120 YARDS HURDLES (open).—1, Norfolk; 2, Beech; 3, Smee.  
220 YARDS (under 14).—1, Lee; 2, Peacock i; 3, Allen ii.  
FOOTBALL RACE (open).—1 Cottam; 2, Norfolk; 3, Snaith.  
120 YARDS HURDLES (under 15).—1, Smee; 2, Caudwell.  
220 YARDS (under 13).—1, Lee; 2, Smith; 3, Allwood.  
220 YARDS (open).—1, Norfolk; 2, St. Clair; 3, Beech.  
SACK RACE (under 14).—1, Naylor; 2, Lee; 3, Templeman.  
440 YARDS (under 14).—1, Peacock i; 2, Lee; 3, Burgon.  
HALF-MILE (open).—1, Judson; 2, Beech; 3, Helmy.  
POTATO RACE (under 12).—1, Smith; 2, Hardstaff; 3, Fowkes.  
POTATO RACE (under 14).—1, Peacock i; 2, Clarke i; 3, France.  
POTATO RACE (open).—1, St. Clair; 2, Beech; 3, Cottam.  
OLD BOYS' RACE.—1, Cox; 2, Walker; 3, Mason.  
JUNIOR RELAY RACE "B."—1, Thomas's; 2, Gray's; 3, Booth's.  
SENIOR RELAY RACE.—1, Booth's; 2, Thomas's; 3, Gray's.  
JUNIOR RELAY RACE "A."—1, Thomas's; 2, Booth's; 3, Gray's.  
TUG-OF-WAR.—1, Booth's; 2, Thomas's; 3, Gray's.

The following events were decided previously:—

ONE MILE (open).—1, St. Clair; 2, Beech; 3, Smeeton.  
SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY.—1, Beech (Booth's); 2, St. Clair (Gray's); 3, Smeeton (Thomas's).  
JUNIOR CROSS-COUNTRY (under 14).—1, Peacock i (Thomas's); 2, Clarke i (Booth's); 3, Lee (Gray's).  
JUNIOR CROSS-COUNTRY (under 12).—1, Neil (Gray's); 2, Hardstaff (Booth's); 3, Fowkes (Thomas's).  
THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (open).—1, Smeeton; 2, Beech; 3, St. Clair.  
THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (under 14).—1, Lee; 2, Allen ii; 3, Thorpe.  
HALF-MILE (under 14).—1, Peacock i; 2, Clarke i; 3, Lee.  
HALF-MILE (under 12).—1, Croft; 2, Hardstaff; 3, Smith.

At the conclusion of the programme, the Cups were presented by Mrs. E. B. Hibbert, wife of the President of the Old Southwellian Society.

Mile Cup .. .. K. B. St. Clair. ✓  
Cross-Country Cup .. D. P. Beech.  
Victor Ludorum .. .. J. D. P. Norfolk.  
Inter-House Cup .. .. Thomas's (K. B. St. Clair, ✓  
Capt.).  
Football Cup .. .. Booth's (F. J. Cooper, Capt.).

16 points



*Tug-of-War Cake* .. .. Booth's.

*Old Boy's Prize* .. .. P. Cox.

*Replicas on returning Cups* : G. R. Hibbard, F. J. Cooper.

Our thanks are once more due to the judges, whose efficiency contributes in no small measure to the enjoyment of the afternoon.

## Rifle Club.

### OFFICERS.

<i>President</i>	.. ..	The Head Master.
<i>Chairman</i>	.. ..	C. A. Holbard, Esq.
<i>Secretary</i>	.. ..	W. Gorin, Esq.
<i>Captain</i>	.. ..	J. D. Norfolk.
<i>Committee</i>	.. ..	F. A. Baxter.
		D. A. Keetley.

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This year has been one of moderate success despite the handicap of losing Mr. Samuels and Mason at Christmas. The Club, which was badly in debt at the beginning of the year, has been put on a sound financial basis and we have now no liabilities.

In the Spring Term the younger members showed great keenness though not great accuracy in their shooting, and as the future success of the Club in competitions depends on these younger members, it is hoped that they will make strenuous efforts to improve their shooting in the coming year.

The team which fired in the Short Range League Competition was not very fortunate, possibly because we were unable to go through the season with a permanent team. After the departure of Mr. Samuels and Mason, both crack shots, their places were taken, though hardly filled, by the present Chairman and Secretary, while our President also helped the team by firing in two rounds of the competition.

At this point we must tender the thanks of the Club to Mr. Ball, who acted as our referee and witnessed our cards throughout the competition.

It was always rather a pathetic sight to see our Chairman and Secretary at the butts. We both protested very frequently that we much preferred open sights to "these aperture things"—and these protests always served as an excuse (*faute de mieux*) for our bad, or at best indifferently good shooting. Mr. Holbard also made a great sensation by wondering volubly whether he should or should not wear his spectacles for shooting, and whether three clicks to the right

on the backsight gadget would raise or lower his sights. The Secretary on the other hand always received much sympathy. Should he score a "bull" he would be advised to give himself a rest in order to steady his nerves for the next shot; should he get an "outer" the advice was still "rest awhile" with a sympathetic reference to the tiredness of his eyes. All members of the team were agreed on one point however—that the telescope offers plenty of opportunities for funny remarks concerning the shooting of their comrades.

The Club is now losing one of its older members, our Captain, who is also the best shot in the School, and Norfolk takes with him on his departure for Nottingham University, the best wishes of the Club for his success.—"Good shooting, Bullet."

## Cricket, 1934.

For the second year in succession, the weather generally has been perfect for cricket and it seems a pity that the 1st XI were not strong enough to make better use of the fast, true wickets. Aided by a kindly providence we won four of our first five matches and consequently over-rated our abilities. Subsequent games, however, enabled us to assess our worth at its true value and it must be confessed that we had a very uneven, inconsistent team. Some of its members may be excused on the score of youth but there would seem to be no reason for the repeated failures of the more experienced players.

Norfolk, the Captain, was having a moderately good season until the latter part of June, after which he could do nothing right. He set a good example in the field, where again we have been very patchy. On occasions the fielding has been very good but there have been too many lapses which have proved costly and sometimes disastrous. With the limited talent at his disposal, Norfolk has done his best and it may well be that the cares of Captaincy have adversely affected his form.

One of the real disappointments has been the batting of Trueman, from whom we expected great things. Except for one good innings his contributions have been almost negligible. However, he has fielded excellently in the slips and has been the mainstay of the bowling, as his forty wickets for less than 11 runs apiece testify. His consistency in this respect is a marked contrast to the bowling of Beech, who was our only bowler with a semblance of pace. On some occasions he bowled really well but towards the latter part



of the season he treated the opposition to a glut of medium paced half-volleys interspersed with long-hops on the leg side. Had he maintained his early form our results might have been decidedly better.

The table of averages would seem to show that St. Clair was our most effective bowler, but it merely serves to illustrate the fallacy of statistics. He has certainly got several wickets cheaply but, as a rule, his length has been atrocious and his victims the "rabbits" who have not had sufficient experience to deal with a ball on the third bounce. His batting has been of far greater value to the side although he has not scored as freely as we expected.

The most improved player is Caudwell, who had the distinction of scoring a century against Grosvenor. Although the opposition was weak it was still a notable feat for a boy of fourteen. He hits the ball very hard and is never afraid to go for the runs as he showed against High School "under 15" XI when he scored 66 in half an hour.

Cottam has kept wicket adequately, although far from brilliantly. Of the remaining members of the side, Hurst has been the most useful, fielding well at point and sometimes making runs when badly needed.

Leaving this rather dismal story, it is pleasant to note that there are some very promising juniors. Clarke and Allen should develop into really good bowlers and several other members of the junior sides have shown that they have the right idea of the game.

Booth's were successful in winning the House Cup and Gray's were the junior champions.

The 1st XI has generally been: J. D. Norfolk, R. H. Trueman, K. B. St. Clair, D. P. Beech, A. Caudwell, Cottam, Smee, Heald, Sheppard, Hurst, Allen ii.

## RESULTS.

Played, 15; Won, 6; Lost, 9.

May 9—Magnus 2nd .. ..	A.	Won: 47—36
" 10—Kelham S.S.M. .. ..	H.	Won: 97—70
" 16—High Pavement 2nd .. ..	A.	Lost: 39—54 (3)
" 23—Grosvenor .. ..	H.	Won: 132 (3)—24
" 30—Magnus 2nd .. ..	H.	Won: 100—55
" 31—High School "A" .. ..	A.	Lost: 57—118 (4)
June 6—High Pavement 2nd .. ..	H.	Lost: 117—129 (6)
" 20—D. H. Doy's XI .. ..	H.	Won: 85—64
" 27—Grosvenor .. ..	A.	Won: 211 (4)—28
" 28—High School "A" .. ..	H.	Lost: 49—141
July 4—D. H. Doy's XI .. ..	H.	Lost: 104—135 (8)
" 11—Henry Mellish "A" .. ..	H.	Lost: 81—99 (6)
" 14—Henry Mellish "A" .. ..	A.	Lost: 46—120 (7)
" 18—Kelham S.S.M. .. ..	A.	Lost: 47—131 (9)
" 26—Old Boys .. ..	H.	Lost:

## "UNDER 15" MATCHES.

June 2—High School .. ..	A.	Lost: 21—65 (3)
" 30—High School .. ..	A.	Won: 109 (7)—108

(8 dec.)

## "UNDER 14" MATCHES.

May 16—Magnus .. ..	H.	Draw: 30—30
July 11—Magnus .. ..	A.	Won: 45—43

## AVERAGES.

## BATTING.

	Innings.	Times Not out.	Total.	Highest Score.	Average.
A. Caudwell .. ..	15	2	235	101*	18.08
J. D. Norfolk .. ..	13	1	170	46	14.17
K. B. St. Clair .. ..	15	0	167	47	11.31
Heald .. ..	10	2	81	22*	10.12
R. H. Trueman .. ..	15	0	122	86	8.12

## BOWLING.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
K. B. St. Clair .. ..	68	26	158	22	7.18
D. P. Beech .. ..	125	34	338	34	9.94
R. H. Trueman .. ..	155	42	427	40	10.67
J. D. Norfolk .. ..	43	8	145	9	16.11

*The School Society.*

## OFFICERS.

*President* .. .. The Head Master.

*Chairman* .. .. W. Gorin, Esq.

*Secretary* .. .. E. C. Dodd.

*Committee*: J. D. Norfolk, K. B. St. Clair, R. H. Trueman, V. G. Cottam, J. U. Smee.

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The School Society was organized in the Spring Term by Mr. Gorin and held eight meetings, of which the first was held on January 27th to fix a Constitution for the Society.

At the second meeting on February 3rd, a debate was held, the subject being that "This House considers that life in the country has many advantages over life in the town." The motion was carried after some discussion, in which the "set speakers" were Mr. Miller and Mr. Lee supporting the motion, opposed by Mr. Smee and Mr. Dodd.

Impromptu debates made a very humorous and pleasant meeting on our next "réunion" on February 10th. Subjects both comic and serious were discussed by various members of the Society.

The next four meetings were all well attended, as at each we were addressed by a member of the Society. Mr. Holbard on February 17th read a paper dealing with the vitally important topic of "Food" and at the conclusion received



a very hearty vote of thanks from the Society. On March 3rd, Mr. Doy entertained us for an hour with his talk on "Aeroplanes," a talk filled with interesting and humorous reminiscences; while on March 10th the President and Mr. Ball read to us, Mr. Matthews giving an excellent dramatic reading of W. W. Jacob's play, *The Monkey's Paw*, while Mr. Ball read a short story by H. G. Wells: *The Inexperienced Ghost*.

On March 17th, Mr. Norfolk opened a discussion on Peace by reading a paper on that subject, and the reading was followed by a very keen discussion among members of the Society.

Another debate provided the "*piece de résistance*" at our last meeting on March 24th, when the President took the chair. The motion under discussion was that "This House considers that the Church is out of date and should adapt itself to modern requirements." The motion was passed, though not without stern opposition from Messrs. Smee and St. Clair, and from the President and Chairman.

Altogether we had a very satisfactory season and may look forward to an even better one next Spring, as members are now thoroughly at home with "Constitutional procedure," though as the present Chairman is now leaving the School, there cannot possibly be so many "points of order."

Finally, just a word of thanks from the Society to those of its members who helped to make a success of the season's work.

### Lantern Lectures.

Mr. Hugh Summers, F.R.Hist.S., gave four comprehensive lantern lectures on Highways and Byways in Nottinghamshire during the Spring Term. To each generation Mr. Summers reveals the wealth of historical and geographical interest which Nottinghamshire possesses. No one is more able to do this or more willing. Mr. Summers' researches into our County history together with his wide knowledge of ecclesiastical architecture and his excellent camera work make him a lecturer we are always pleased to hear.

On February 14th we had a fascinating Travel Talk on Malta and Italy and a journey through France by Miss Brady, who illustrated her lecture by much interesting material from the countries and cities she had recently visited.

### Scout Troop and Cub Pack.

The Scouts have put in some good training under Mr. Ball who has taken over since Mr. Samuels left. The results are seen in the excellent number attending camp at Ingoldmells and in the Cubs' week-end adventures. Norfolk and Revill have also done yeoman service with the Town pack. This should be the main purpose of a School Troop, to furnish efficient Scouters for Town Troops. There is a great shortage everywhere and Headquarters are alive to the possibilities of School Troops as a source of supply.

There are twenty lively Cubs at the Rodney clamouring for an Akela. As an occasional visitor to the Pack I can assure a volunteer of a rousing reception and a jolly good evening's entertainment—a little heated but well worth while.

GROUP SCOUTMASTER.

### Old Southwellian Society.

The activities of the past year show that the Society is in a flourishing condition and each re-union compared more than favourably with its corresponding function of the previous year. Despite the fog, the dance was extremely well attended and the band from Cranwell was certainly one of the best that has been heard in the Assembly Rooms.

The School Fund continues to mount slowly and it is hoped that all Old Boys will bear in mind that they can contribute any sum, however small, at any time. Mr. William Lee sent a cheque for £10 which was earmarked for the purchase of hurdles for the School Sports. More recently he has given a contribution of ten guineas for the supply of two seats, made of battleship teak, for the school yard. Mr. F. J. Dawes, already a subscriber to the general fund, has presented a cup, to the value of £5, which will be awarded annually to the best junior boy at the athletic sports. To these two loyal members and to every other subscriber our thanks are due and we hope that their example will be followed by many others.

After the cricket match on July 26th an informal dinner and dance was held and the experiment was such a success that next year it will be carried out on a much larger scale.

The dinner was held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, on February 3rd, and the attendance of 68 was a record. Mr. G. S. Kirkby, who occupied the chair, is to be heartily congratulated on the unqualified success of his year of office. His successor is Mr. E. B. Hibbert of Mansfield, one of the founders of the Society.



At the Annual Meeting, Mr. D. H. Doy was made an honorary life member for services rendered. Such an honour is most unusual and therefore most highly appreciated. The Hon. Secretary's report on last year's activities was read as follows :—

“ Mr. President and Gentlemen,

“ I have the honour to present to you once more my report on the activities of the Society for the year which has just finished. This year has undoubtedly been one of progress and I am pleased to record this immediately as my opening remarks in previous years have certainly been critical if not actually dismal. The membership roll has increased by nine life members and five annual members. This increase in life members is a record during my tenure of office and it speaks well for the regard in which present boys hold the Society when I am able to state that it is becoming the custom of those who are leaving school to conjure guineas from the pockets of unwilling parents in order to ensure that the inestimable benefits of keeping in touch with the School shall not be lost. The number of annual members is naturally a variable quantity and very few keep up regular payments. Theoretically, it is economically unsound to enrol a life member under the age of 70 years as his guinea represents roughly only eight years of his life ; but judging by the irregularity of their payments some members would require the life of a Methusaleh before the sum total was £1. Therefore, we favour life membership on the principle that “ a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.” Nevertheless, there are stalwarts who roll up every year with their half-crowns and thus show a lively interest in the Society.

“ However, this is no time for criticism as the Society is on a sounder basis than it has ever been. This was sufficiently demonstrated by the outstanding success of every social function of the year. The dinner at the Saracen's Head was held on February 4th, and was attended by over sixty members, the attendance constituting a record for recent years. The catering of Mr. Heald was first class and everyone expressed his satisfaction at all the arrangements and a determination to come to Southwell again. It seems providential that, at the General Meeting held before the dinner, by a majority vote it was decided to hold the 1934 dinner at Southwell. Whether this decision was for the best, you will be able to judge in a few moments. I do not think you will be disappointed.

“ The cricket match was held on July 13th, and to some extent thirteen on this occasion proved to be unlucky for it happened to be about the one wet day in a wonderful summer. No play was possible before lunch, which we enjoyed to the full at the hotel. About two o'clock the drizzle ceased and we started play immediately. Without stopping for tea the game went on till 6.30, when the last Old Boy's wicket fell, 15 runs short of the School total. Thus for two successive years, strong Old Boys XI's have been overcome and it behoves us to congratulate the School on the continued high standard of its cricket. After the match, we came down to a splendid tea provided by the Head Master and Mrs. Matthews. This formed a fitting conclusion to a re-union in which jolly good-fellowship more than triumphed over the unkindness of the clerk of the weather.

“ The dance, held on December 21st, was once more very enjoyable and must be voted a success in every way, except financially. Unfortunately, the evening of the dance was one of the foggiest of the winter but no less than 76 braved the elements. Had the weather been kind there would have been well over a hundred present. The loss of £1 is insignificant compared with the great enjoyment experienced by everyone. Once more we are indebted to Mr. H. A. J. Merryweather for his able organization and to the dance sub-committee for working so diligently to make this re-union a success.

“ Early in the year Mr. Turton suggested the formation of a school fund to which Old Boys could contribute at any time. The object of the fund was to have at hand a sum of money which might be used for the benefit of the School, or any of its members should occasion arise. The fund has now reached nearly £25, of which £10 was given on the understanding that it should be used for the purchase of hurdles for the school sports. No doubt further mention of this will be made during the evening but it cannot be over-emphasized that contributions as small as one shilling will be welcomed. We want as many members as possible to feel that they have a vested interest in the School and to realize that in future years this constantly growing sum may be vitally necessary to its well-being. If an old boy of the time of William the Conqueror had invested  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. at 5 per cent Compound Interest the school fund would now stand at considerably over two thousand billion pounds. Well, the school was in existence then and even such a trivial sum might be useful to your successors in A.D. 3000. Therefore, we hope that members will give early and often, however small each instalment may be.



"It is with great regret that I record the death of two Old Boys. Ernest William Coppock died on July 15th. He had for some years been a member of our General Committee and had served the Society well. Then, in the autumn, came the tragedy of "Billy" Swift. He was an athlete of whose achievements any school might be proud and it is more than probable that, had he lived, he would have represented England in international athletics. His charming personality was quite unspoilt by his success and all who knew him experienced a feeling of real loss at his passing.

"In conclusion, gentlemen, I would like to thank all those who have made my task a pleasure rather than a matter of duty. Particularly, would I like to mention Mr. Gibson, my colleague, whose only failing is his refusal to write a report; and you, Mr. President, who have done so much during your term of office to further the interests of the Society. For the Committee I will say just this, that they have done their best at all times to make the Secretary's life a happy one."

#### SOME OLD SOUTHWELLIAN NOTES.

A letter was received in January from Victoria giving news of a very old Old Boy, Arthur Cane.

"My father, says the writer, Miss Mary Cane, "has just died in his 98th year, and eight of his brothers attended the Southwell Grammar School. They were the sons of the late Rev. T. C. Cane of Brackenhurst and must have been at the School from the middle 1830's to the 1860's.

It is more than 80 years since my father, who was the fifth son, left school as he arrived in Australia in 1853. He never revisited England.

I should esteem it a favour if you would let me know if the School is in the same building as it was in my father's day (1), and also if the boys still have to be at school by 7 a.m. (2). Father often told us how he and his brothers had to ride one and a half miles to school, be there by seven o'clock, then home for breakfast and back to school again."

1. It is. 2. They do not.—(Editor).

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The Head Master of those days was Charles Taylor who came in 1840 and left in 1853.

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Mr. William Lee has added yet another delightful gift to the School, two seats in battleship teak, for the playground.

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J. Dawes who was present at the cricket match has given a cup for the Junior Victor Ludorum. This generous gift will be a great encouragement as it often happens that a junior contributes many points towards his House championship in the Athletic Sports.

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It was with great sorrow that we learnt of the death of Arthur Hopkinson in a street accident in March. He had left school at the end of the previous term and was killed while cycling to his work. The School and Staff sent a wreath and was represented at his funeral by the Rev. C. Redman, the Head Master and Mrs. Matthews and Miss Ruth Matthews.

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It is difficult to keep pace with Old Boy marriages, but if it is not too late we should like to congratulate Carl Harrison, Stanley Cooke, Joseph Gibson, Neville Ross, and Philip Cox.

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Walton on the birth of a son.

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We had a visit from Mike King who after a successful course in the South African training ship *Botha*, where he passed out First with a silver medal for navigation and seamanship is now sailing between South Africa and U.S.A. ports.

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News and even gossip about Old Southwellians is always welcome and the Editor suggests that a sub-committee of the O.S. Committee act as a collecting agency of O.S. news.

#### *Provisional Calendar for 1934-1935.*

AUTUMN TERM opens	.. .. .	September 19th.
Speech Day	.. .. .	November 8th.
Half-Term	.. .. .	November 8th—11th.
Play	.. .. .	December 13th, 14th, 15th.
Term ends	.. .. .	December 19th.

SPRING TERM opens	.. .. .	January 16th.
O.S. DINNER	.. .. .	February 2nd.
Half-Term	.. .. .	March 2nd—4th.
Athletic Sports	.. .. .	April 4th.
Term ends	.. .. .	April 10th.

SUMMER TERM opens	.. .. .	May 3rd.
Half-Term	.. .. .	June 8th—10th.
Certificate Examinations	.. .. .	July 15th—26th.
Term ends	.. .. .	July 26th.