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EDITORIAL

On Founder's Day, December 1st 1946, we celebrated the 90th birthday of our Founder, Mrs. Oliphant.

During the past year we have said goodbye to many of our boys, who have left Welham for their public schools. In their place we have welcomed new boys, a large number of whom are of Kindergarten age. There are now 132 boys at Welham.

During Long Term a few cases of measles and whooping cough caused the school to be put into quarantine; apart from this, the health of the boys has been good.

The usual sports and games have been enjoyed; swimming in the Doon School swimming bath being much appreciated during the hot weather.

In April, the school was honoured by a visit from His Excellency Field Marshal Sir Claude J.E. Auchinleck, G.C.B., G.C.I.E., C.S.I., D.S.O., O.B.E., A.D.C., Commander-in-Chief, who, after speaking to each boy and viewing an exhibition of school work, wrote: "It was a real pleasure to be able at last to satisfy a long-standing desire to see the Welham Preparatory School, of which I had heard so much from many friends. It was a real joy to meet Miss Oliphant and her cheerful and obviously efficient staff, and to meet individually each one of the happy and intelligent children they look after so well, many of them sons of old friends of my own. I came away after a most happy, but for me all too short visit, feeling refreshed and encouraged and wishing that India had more schools of this kind."

J.E. Auchinleck, Field-Marshal. 21st/23rd April 1947.

ANNUAL REPORT 1st DECEMBER, 1946.

Mr. Pritchard, Ladies, Gentlemen and Old Boys. We thank you for coming to join us in our tenth Founder's Day celebrations. It is my Mother's 90th Birthday and she, our Founder, knows that Welham School is remembering her today.

There always seems to be a special significance in each anniversary as it comes along and this tenth one registers the achievement of what my assistants and I set out to do when we started the School in January 1937 with only SIX boys. Our present number is 125! It has been very gradual going up to the end of last year. Since then, we have had a 25% increase. This was made possible because of the new hostel—SEVEN SEAS which was put into use at the beginning of this term. There has been an influx of 7 and 8 year-olds. I may mention that preference in priority of our long waiting list is given to BROTHERS and/or UNDER-SEVENS. This rule has been waived in a few special cases for sons of officers who were serving overseas during the War. In February, an additional class was formed known as Lower Remove. It is a special coaching class for 10-year old boys weak in English and has proved very successful. During the year, we have passed on 24 boys to their 'big' schools—17 to the Doon School, 1 to the R.I.M. College and 6 to others. It has been a good year of work and progress and Welham School has been blessed with good health.

In spite of abnormal conditions, the annual fees of Rs. 1,300/- have not been increased since January 1944. As a temporary measure, this year, I was obliged to make a dearness charge of Rs. 100/- per head. It is anticipated that from January 1947, the fees will be raised by 100/- or 200/- according to the necessity.

It is surely fitting for me to include in the School's first decadal record, the part played by the PARENTS and GUARDIANS especially those who entrusted their small sons to my care in the School's earliest days. Their confidence and co-operation have been a mutual partnership of immense help to me.

My grateful thanks are due to our Medical Officer, Dr. Hoon. His professional services for ten consecutive years have been the mainstay of the boys' welfare.

To all members of the Staff assisting me in the work of Welham Preparatory School, I tender my sincerest thanks. We work with a full understanding of the needs of our small boys and this team spirit creates the right and happy atmosphere, and this is the secret of the School's success and popularity.

Since last Founder's Day, we have said 'good-bye' to some Staff Members—Mrs. Fraser, after her second spell at Welham, and she has left behind an excellent record of teaching and devotion to duty; Mrs. Yates and Mr. Izharuddin, both of whom I can say that their teaching services will not be forgotten. We have welcomed several new members—Sister Barbara Smith who is in charge of the School Hospital; Mrs. Jones, the two Misses Chaytor, and the return of Mr. Zuberi, all of the teaching staff; Mrs. Mills, Miss Lane, Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Vincent, members of the House staff; Mr. J.K. Sharma, assistant Games Master.

As usual, for the year's GAMES activities, I read the reports of the Masters responsible. Mr. Gaur on FOOTBALL:— We had a very encouraging season this year. Our young footballers gave a very good account of themselves during the Inter-Company matches, which were very exciting and well contested. Football COLOURS for Long Term, were won by Birendra and Aslam. Mr. Gaur on HOCKEY:— The hockey season was remarkably successful this year. The boys showed great enthusiasm for the game. This year again the Juvenile Hockey League of the Dehra Dun District Sports Association was not held due to insufficient number of entries, which was a great disappointment to our players. We thank Raja Dhiraj Mahesh Inder Singh of Patiala for very kindly presenting an Inter-Company Hockey Cup for the Junior Section. Hockey COLOURS for Long Term were awarded to Vinod and Arjun. Mr. Kuriyan on ATHLETICS:— We sent a team of 5 to the 6th Dehra Dun District Olympics. Saifuddin obtained 3rd place in the broad jump and our relay team came second in the relay race. Mr. Kuriyan on Swimming:— During Long Term we had

a very successful swimming season. The number of boys who learned to swim has increased and so has the number of boys who use the deep end of the bath. The diving, though not of a high order of excellence was very enthusiastic, some even venturing from the highest board, which we think is very good for small boys. This term, the Inter-Company competitions were revived and held with great success. The Ganges team, having a predominance of talent won easily. The competitions were all the keener for the fact that Rani Sahiba Mahesh Indar Singh has given us a trophy for swimming. We thank her for this Cup. Our thanks are due to Mr. Foot for kindly allowing us the use of the Doon School Swimming Bath. COLOURS were awarded to Arshad, Vimal, Mustafa, Kanchan, Zafar Ali and Inder Singh.

Mr. Kuriyan on CRICKET:— The practice pitches have been increased to four so that more boys might get the benefit of practice. This experiment has proved successful, as many promising cricketers were discovered in the younger section. On Sundays the boys are allowed to organize games themselves and the cricketers always elect to play cricket matches. It says much for their sense of responsibility and interest that though they are left entirely to themselves there has been no accident or unpleasantness. The inter-Company trophy was annexed by Jumna in both terms. COLOURS were awarded to Balkishan and Birendra.

Last year's Annual Report had a note of lament—for the mysterious disappearance of the Founder's Shield—Ganges/Jumna Inter-Company. In April this year, much to the delight of all, it made its sudden reappearance—but the mystery still remains unsolved! This shield with the familiar School elephant is a constant reminder of our motto FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH.

Earlier in the year, I thought the 'promised land' had come! It appeared that I had by chance found a suitable estate for the School's future home; 30 acres at a pre-war price I lost no time in negotiating for the property. However, the deal did not materialize; it was found that the tenants of about half the acreage under cultivation would NOT LEAVE IF DESIRED-

they came under Government protection. Nothing further yet has happened in the matter of the School's long-standing need for a grant of land. Let us continue to hope it will come soon!

I will now ask Mr. Pritchard to give the Founder's Day Address.

FOUNDER'S DAY ADDRESS

1st of December, 1946, given by Mr. J.C. Pritchard, M.A., Principal of the Prince of Wales's Royal Indian Military College.

Miss Oliphant and the boys of Welham Preparatory School, Ladies and Gentlemen.

This is the tenth anniversary of Founder's Day and what tremendous credit is due to the organizing and administrative ability, the steadfastness of purpose and above all to the guidance and sympathetic attitude of Miss Oliphant. It is, indeed, a great achievement. You are young yet to appreciate to the full the great debt which is owed to this school, not only as individuals, not only by Dehra Dun, but even more important, by India. Such schools as this are vitally important to the India of to-day and of to-morrow, It requires no practised eye to see at a glance that you are happy, contented and fit. The human face does depict these three exceedingly important items. Happiness, contentment and physical well-being can and must depend on environment and the atmosphere of care and attention. How lucky you are to be here.

Some years ago my own son, who is now at school in England, had the privilege of being a member of this school. It was only for a short time but I do know he was very happy here. He was only a little boy then . . . he is not very big now and I am sure that he benefited much by what he learnt here not only from books but in the other equally important (I think personally more important) things. I refer in particular to good manners, an ability to take the rough with the smooth and to keep smiling when things go wrong. All these things have served him in good stead and will continue to do so all his life through. I know full well that you are enjoying the same advantages which he enjoyed, and may you profit by them as he has done.

We have had several boys at the R.I.M.C. from the Welham Preparatory School. Unfortunately I must'nt say anything about them as I see several of them here to-day and they might get a trifle swollen-headed if I said what I really thought about them and their predecessors . . . or would'nt they ?

The annual report which Miss Oliphant has just read to us strikes me as being very encouraging indeed. In the last year history has been made and is in the making at your school. I refer to the increase in numbers, the long waiting list, the initiation of a new hostel . . . "The Seven Seas" . . . an attractive name, I think, and the successful introduction of a special coaching class for the over-age boys weak in English, and lastly the negotiations for an estate commensurate with the needs of an expanding establishment. May the undertaking in spite of the initial setbacks, succeed in the near future.

SCHOOL DIARY

Short Term 1946.

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| Sept. 3rd | School re-opened. Mrs. Jones, Miss Lane and Miss Chaytor joined the staff. |
| 5th | Joint company meeting was held. Miss Oliphant announced the names of the company captains. |
| 7th | School cinema. |
| 8th | Boys visited relatives and friends at the Doon School. |
| 12th | Swimming. |
| 15th | Mr Zuberi returned to Welham. |
| 20th | School placed in quarantine for measles. |
| 21st | School cinema. |
| 22nd | Miss Middleton left Welham, to be married. |
| 28th | School cinema. |
| Oct. 5th | Dassehra Holiday. Picnic to Ahsau river. School cinema in the evening. |
| 8th | School cinema. |
| 12th | " " |
| 13th | Measles quarantine ended. Boys visited relatives and friends at the Doon School. |

- 15th School cinema.
 19th " "
 20th Senior boys' picnic to Rai Nadi was cancelled, owing to heavy rain. Boys visited relatives and friends at the Doon School.
 21st School cinema.
 22nd Boys enjoyed a conjuror's entertainment.
 24th Divali holiday. In the morning the boys saw "Bairam Khan" at Prabhat Cinema. A cricket match was played in the afternoon, followed by a picnic tea. After dark, the boys let off their fireworks.
 26th School cinema.
 27th Senior boys' picnic to Rai Nadi.
 28th School cinema.
- Nov. 1st " "
 2th Olympic Arts and Music competition.
 3rd Olympic Arts and Music competition prize-giving. Our boys gained many prizes.
 5th Id holiday Muslim boys attended prayers in the morning. After a picnic tea, a company football match was played. Jumna won.
 7th School cinema.
 9th Boys attended the Olympic Games.
 10th Armistice Day poppies were sold in the school, and the sum of Rs. 216/-/- was realised. Olympic Games Finals and prize distribution.
 11th School cinema.
 16th " "
 21st Boys attended a Ceremonial Parade of Cadets, at the Indian Military Academy.
 23rd School cinema.
 30th " "
- Dec. 1st Founder's Day.
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AWARDS OF MERIT

Short Term 1946

	<u>Progress</u>	<u>Achievement</u>
UPPER I	Tejbir	Rajni
UPPER II	Inder Cheema	Akbar
UPPER III	Narendra	Ashok
UPPER REMOVE	Ravi Vira	Inderjit
LOWER REMOVE	Sardul	Jait Singh
TRANSITION	Shaukat	Bhawani Singh
Lr. TRANSITION	Kanwaljit	Bahadur
K.G.	Rajju	Rashid
HINDI	Inderjit	Lalitkumar
URDU	Munir	Suraj Jit
SINGING	Narendra	Lalitkumar
	Masood	Amar Singh
ART	Kamal	Arjun
	Imtiaz	Jait Singh

AWARDS OF MERIT

Long Term 1946

	<u>Progress</u>	<u>Achievement</u>
UPPER I	Nawshir	Tejbir
UPPER II	Rukma	Ashok
UPPER III	Abhay	Waris
UPPER REMOVE	Kamlendra	Rabindra
LOWER REMOVE	Imtiaz	Rajendra
TRANSITION	Henry	Prabhakar
Lr. TRANSITION	Rajju	Kanwaljit
K.G.	Sidha	Rajiv
HINDI		
URDU	Lalit	Ashok
SINGING	Rashid	Sardul
	Yogendra	Nawshir
	Hanumanth	Karaminder
ART	Nanda	Waris
	Lalji	Imtiaz

4th OLYMPIC ARTS AND CRAFTS COMPETITION**Art Awards****PAINTING**

Jait Singh

1st

Pyarelal

2nd

PASTELS

Jafar

1st

Pyarelal }

2nd

Narendra }

CHARCOAL DRAWING

Jait Singh	.....	1st
Ashfaq	.....	2nd

CLAY MODELLING

Jait Singh	1st
Arjun	2nd

POTTERY-PAINTING

Arjun	1st
Jait Singh	2nd

PIANO

Rahim	1st
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VIOLIN

Lalitkumar	2nd
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SITAR

Raghusher	1st
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SINGING

W.P.S. choir	2nd
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FOOTBALL

The boys practised with a will to keep up the Welham standard this season. With a view to giving a fillip to the young footballers, a new series of matches was introduced this year, viz., the Midgets vs. the Giants, which proved very popular among the boys. The Midgets gave a grand display of soccer and earned well deserved victory over the Giants by scoring 2-0.

Jumna was lucky enough to carry away the Cariappa Inter-Company Football Challenge Cup for both the terms against their heavy opponents.

The following boys won football colours:

Surjit, Raghusher and Saifuddin	.....	Short Term 1946
Surjit, Rudra and Babulu	.....	Long Term 1947

FOOTBALL XI

- Surjit (G.):— A promising player.
- Afzal (L.B.):— Is a new find. Has a bright future if he keeps up interest in the game.
- Rudra (R.B.):— Quite a good Right Full. Should improve checking.
- Pat (L.H.):— A dependable half-back. Should put more force into kicks.
- Aslam (C.H.):— An excellent and reliable Centre Half. He has been a helpful Captain.
- Sardul (R.H.):— Should feed the forwards more often and must improve checking.
- Mickey (L.E.):— Is a promising Left Extreme who understands the technique of the game.
- Babulu (L.I.):— Has improved remarkably. Is a quick and dashing scorer with a promising future.
- Naushir (R.I.):— Fair. Is a fast Right Inner but gets nervous in the goal area.
- Abhay (R.E.):— A very promising Right Extreme. Must keep up interest in the game.

N.K.G.

THE INTER-COMPANY FOOTBALL MATCH

Our Inter Company Football Match was played on the 21st of May.

The players and their teams were quite prepared.

The match started at a quarter to five; the boys got ready and were very excited.

The whistle blew and the Jumna Centre, Billy, started.

Jehangir soon got red in the face. He was the colour of a tomato.

Up to half-time the game was very exciting.

After half time it became more exciting.

Soon a penalty was given against Jumna, which made a chance for Ganges. But unluckily, Jehangir sent a rolling kick and it was saved by Jait Singh, the Jumna goal keeper.

After fifteen minutes Jumna scored a goal. At once a resounding cheer rose from Jumna boys, soon there was another goal followed by another cheer. Both the goals were scored by Billy.

Jumna won by two goals to nil, but both the teams played their best.

After the match we talked about the game, and how it was played; we argued and discussed it.

We had recreation and went to bed very tired.

A.J.M.A.L
Upper I

HOCKEY

As usual, hockey continues to be a most popular game at Welham. The boys showed great enthusiasm over their Inter-Company (Senior and Junior) matches, and the newly introduced the Midgets v's the Giants. In the latter the Midgets gave a crushing defeat to the opponents. The score was 5-1.

Again this year Jumna had the honour of winning the Berwari Inter-Company Challenge Cup for both terms, as well as the Maheshinder Singh Inter-Company trophy for the Junior Section.

The standard of the game was gratifying throughout the year.

Hockey colours were awarded to the following:—

Raghu Sher, Hector and Suraj Jit—Short Term 1946.

Billy, Aslam, Rudra and Surjit—Long Term 1947.

HOCKEY XI

Surjit (G.) :— A dependable goalie.

Rudra (L.B.) :— Is a good full-back with forceful hits. Should improve checking.

Jait Singh (R.B.) :— A good defence.

Jahangir (L.H.) :— A valuable player of the Half Line with his untiring energy and hard hits.

Aslam (C.H.) :— Is an asset to the defence. He feeds his forwards well and has a quick dash, with confidence.

Pat (R.H.) :— A very good half.

Amir (L.E.) :— A steady extreme. Should be more dashing and swift.

Babulu (L.I.) :— Is a dashing scorer with a fine style. Has a bright future if he continues to keep up his interest in the game.

Billy (C.F.) :— Has shown no improvement of late. Should not lose interest in the game.

Abhay (R.I.) :— A promising new player. Should keep up interest in hockey.

Sardul (R.E.) :— A keen right-extreme but sometimes forgets his position, in the heat of the game.

N. K. G.

THE INTER-COMPAY JUNIORS HOCKEY MATCH

Our Juniors' Hockey Match was played on May 26th.

The boys got ready, the whistle blew, and the Centre Forwards started.

They were struggling hard to get a goal but their shots and passes were unsuccessful.

At half time all were very excited because there was no score.

After half-time the game grew more interesting soon there was a struggle, and Jumna made a goal. The boys shouted and cheered Henry who shot the goal. Soon there was another goal scored by Jumna, and another cheer resounded from the Jumna boys.

Henry was the hero of the day, for he shot both goals.

Jumna won with the score two to nil.

It was bad luck for Ganges again.

After the match we argued and discussed it till Recreation time.

AJMAL.
Upper I.

CRICKET.

We had to increase the number of practice pitches to four as the demand for this game had increased and the number of boys who could play this game had increased too. Practice was very vigorous throughout the year, interspersed with matches so as not to let practice pall on the boys. On Sundays the boys generally organised their own matches and ran them themselves.

Improvement in the standard of bowling is very noticeable, though we cannot say the same for batting. The boys are all very smart in the field and take to fielding smartly in a short time.

The inter-Company matches were held as usual and Jumna won in both terms.

Colours were awarded to Surjit, Suraj Jit and Amar Singh.
T. J. K.

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URDU	Munir	Suraj Jit
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	Imtiaz	Jait Singh

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	Lalji	Imtiaz

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PASTELS

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Pyarelal } Narendra }	-----	2nd

CHARCOAL DRAWING

Jait Singh	1st
Ashfaq	2nd

CLAY MODELLING

Jait Singh	1st
Arjun	2nd

POTTERY-PAINING

Arjun	1st
Jait Singh	2nd

PIANO

Rahim	1st
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VIOLIN

Lalitkumar	2nd
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SITAR

Raghusher	1st
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SINGING

W.P.S. choir	2nd
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FOOTBALL

The boys practised with a will to keep up the Welham standard this season. With a view to giving a fillip to the young footballers, a new series of matches was introduced this year, viz., the Midgets vs. the Giants, which proved very popular among the boys. The Midgets gave a grand display of soccer and earned well deserved victory over the Giants by scoring 2-0.

Jumna was lucky enough to carry away the Cariappa Inter-Company Football Challenge Cup for both the terms against their heavy opponents.

The following boys won football colours:

Surjit, Raghusher and Saifuddin	.....	Short Term 1946
Surjit, Rudra and Babulu	.....	Long Term 1947

FOOTBALL XI

- Surjit (G.):— A promising player.
- Afzal (L.B.):— Is a new find. Has a bright future if he keeps up interest in the game.
- Rudra (R.B.):— Quite a good Right Full. Should improve checking.
- Pat (L.H.):— A dependable half-back. Should put more force into kicks.
- Aslam (C.H.):— An excellent and reliable Centre Half. He has been a helpful Captain.
- Sardul (R.H.):— Should feed the forwards more often and must improve checking.
- Mickey (L.E.):— Is a promising Left Extreme who understands the technique of the game.
- Babulu (L.I.):— Has improved remarkably. Is a quick and dashing scorer with a promising future.
- Naushir (R.I.):— Fair. Is a fast Right Inner but gets nervous in the goal area.
- Abhay (R.E.):— A very promising Right Extreme. Must keep up interest in the game.

N.K.G.

THE INTER-COMPANY FOOTBALL MATCH

Our Inter Company Football Match was played on the 21st of May.

The players and their teams were quite prepared.

The match started at a quarter to five; the boys got ready and were very excited.

The whistle blew and the Jumna Centre, Billy, started.

Jehangir soon got red in the face. He was the colour of a tomato.

Up to half-time the game was very exciting.

After half time it became more exciting.

Soon a penalty was given against Jumna, which made a chance for Ganges. But unluckily, Jehangir sent a rolling kick and it was saved by Jait Singh, the Jumna goal keeper.

After fifteen minutes Jumna scored a goal. At once a resounding cheer rose from Jumna boys, soon there was another goal followed by another cheer. Both the goals were scored by Billy.

Jumna won by two goals to nil, but both the teams played their best.

After the match we talked about the game, and how it was played; we argued and discussed it.

We had recreation and went to bed very tired.

A.J.M.A.L
Upper I

HOCKEY

As usual, hockey continues to be a most popular game at Welham. The boys showed great enthusiasm over their Inter-Company (Senior and Junior) matches, and the newly introduced the Midgets v's the Giants. In the latter the Midgets gave a crushing defeat to the opponents. The score was 5-1.

Again this year Jumna had the honour of winning the Berwari Inter-Company Challenge Cup for both terms, as well as the Maheshinder Singh Inter-Company trophy for the Junior Section.

The standard of the game was gratifying throughout the year.

Hockey colours were awarded to the following:—

Raghu Sher, Hector and Suraj Jit—Short Term 1946.

Billy, Aslam, Rudra and Surjit—Long Term 1947.

HOCKEY XI

Surjit (G.) :— A dependable goalie.

Rudra (L.B.) :— Is a good full-back with forceful hits. Should improve checking.

Jait Singh (R.B.) :— A good defence.

Jahangir (L.H.) :— A valuable player of the Half Line with his untiring energy and hard hits.

Aslam (C.H.) :— Is an asset to the defence. He feeds his forwards well and has a quick dash, with confidence.

Pat (R.H.) :— A very good half.

Amir (L.E.) :— A steady extreme. Should be more dashing and swift.

Babulu (L.I.) :— Is a dashing scorer with a fine style. Has a bright future if he continues to keep up his interest in the game.

Billy (C.F.) :— Has shown no improvement of late. Should not lose interest in the game.

Abhay (R.I.) :— A promising new player. Should keep up interest in hockey.

Sardul (R.E.) :— A keen right-extreme but sometimes forgets his position, in the heat of the game.

N. K. G.

THE INTER-COMPAY JUNIORS HOCKEY MATCH

Our Juniors' Hockey Match was played on May 26th.

The boys got ready, the whistle blew, and the Centre Forwards started.

They were struggling hard to get a goal but their shots and passes were unsuccessful.

At half time all were very excited because there was no score.

After half-time the game grew more interesting soon there was a struggle, and Jumna made a goal. The boys shouted and cheered Henry who shot the goal. Soon there was another goal scored by Jumna, and another cheer resounded from the Jumna boys.

Henry was the hero of the day, for he shot both goals.

Jumna won with the score two to nil.

It was bad luck for Ganges again.

After the match we argued and discussed it till Recreation time.

AJMAL.
Upper I.

CRICKET.

We had to increase the number of practice pitches to four as the demand for this game had increased and the number of boys who could play this game had increased too. Practice was very vigorous throughout the year, interspersed with matches so as not to let practice pall on the boys. On Sundays the boys generally organised their own matches and ran them themselves.

Improvement in the standard of bowling is very noticeable, though we cannot say the same for batting. The boys are all very smart in the field and take to fielding smartly in a short time.

The inter-Company matches were held as usual and Jumna won in both terms.

Colours were awarded to Surjit, Suraj Jit and Amar Singh.
T. J. K.

THE INTER-COMPANY CRICKET MATCH

The Inter-Company Cricket Match was played on the 4th and 7th June. Ganges won the toss and fielded first. Babulu gave such a fine shot on the leg-point that it went for a boundary.

In the beginning Jumna had a very good score, but towards the end of the match, the wickets fell rapidly.

Billy made 24 runs, which was the highest score.

However Jumna's score was not bad. It was 70.

Ganges made a very good beginning with a score of 37 for 2 wickets, at the end of the first day's play. The game was continued in the evening of the 7th June. Ganges continued batting, but made poor scores. Nanda and Rukma tried to tire the bowler.

At last Rukma was run out. After Abhay and Surjit were out, the whole team was out very quickly, Nawsher taking six wickets. Jumna fielded very well on the 7th June. Ganges scored 54 runs.

The score was 54-70. Jumna won by 16 runs.

The Jumna boys were very excited because on the first day we had no hope of winning the match.

MAHESH.

Upper II.

SWIMMING

We were again very kindly allowed the use of the Doon School Bath but what with one thing or another we were able to use it only for a very short period.

Even during that short time great improvement was noticed among the smaller boys who showed a willingness to learn swimming instead of splashing about in the shallow end.

This year there were not many outstanding swimmers but it was made up for by the large number of boys who could swim the length.

Due to lack of time and to the fact that most of the boys were concentrating on swimming not much progress was made in diving.

T. J. K.

ATHLETICS

Due to the increase in the numbers of boys, one more jumping pit had to be made and thus all the boys except the very smallest had practice at the jumps. They were very enthusiastic and there is much promising material.

We entered a team for the Olympic Meet held in Novr., 46 and it took 2nd place in the relay.

The Inter Company athletics cup was won by Jamna in Short Term 46 and by Ganges in Long Term, 47 by a narrow margin after an exciting struggle.

Colours were awarded to Saifuddin, Amar Singh, Birendra, Amarjeet and Narendra.

T.J.K.

THE MOON

Look at the moon, she shines so bright,
Especially in the dead of night;
She shines above from such a height
But yet on us she sheds her light.
And when the sun goes down
The moon she wears her silver gown.

*Mehdi Jafar
Upper I.*

SAVING A DEER

On ! gentle deer, take care ! take care !
All the hunters are well aware ;
For you they look,
Just like some crook.
Oh ! sweet deer, take care ! take care !
Oh ! noble deer, run, run !
For the hunters are after you, each with a gun.
The hounds will smell,
And they'll be able to tell,
Where you are hiding.
So I advise you not to stay,
Or they'll bring you to bay.
Take care ! take care ! Oh ! gentle deer.

Nawshir Khurody.
Upper I.

A TALK WITH A SPARROW

Oh ! sweet bird that sings all day,
I do wish you wouldn't stay
All the time so far away !
You needn't be frightened,
For I have no tightened
Long bow and arrow
To shoot you with, dear sparrow.

Kamal Bhagat.
Upper I.

KILMURT FEAST

On Kilmurt Feast my work is done;
Then to the woods with knife and gun.
I shoot the bison, tiger, deer,
I am a fearless mountaineer.

*Nanda Cariappa.
Upper III.*

SHOPPING

I went to a-shop with a boy,
I bought him an engine toy;
I made a little girl cry,
As I was passing by.

*Bheem.
Upper Remove.*

A FISHERMAN

I went a-fishing,
The water was splashing;
My heart beat fast,
The water went past.
I saw a fish,
And a man with a dish.
It was the month of June.
The man hummed a tune.

*Rabinder Mehta.
Upper Remove.*

LIFE AT WELHAM SCHOOL.

We have many pleasures in school.

When I came, I was so excited to see the school film. We have it every Saturday. I enjoy it very much.

We have many picnics every term. One day Miss Oliphant said, "We are going for a picnic tomorrow." When we heard it, we were so excited that we could not sleep that night.

We go swimming, in the Long Term. We are sorry that we haven't a swimming pool of our own. How we wish we could have one!

We have conjurors' shows. I liked this term's show the best.

We have plays in Hindi and English. Last term we had a play called "The Pied Piper." It was very good.

I like examinations very much. At the end of the term we have examinations, and at the beginning of the next term we get promotion.

We have Good Night party just before we go home. We wear Indian clothes.

We have Founder's Day on December 1st, when there is a very good programme. We look forward to our Founder's Day every year.

Life in Welham School is so happy that I wish to stay here for ever.

Kamlendra.
Upper Remove.

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S VISIT TO OUR SCHOOL

When I woke up on Monday morning April 21st, I was very excited because the C-in-C was visiting our school and I was to cheer him when he was leaving.

When the rising bell went I got up and brushed my teeth, washed my face, changed my clothes and went up to the main building.

I was very excited during the classes and at last the lunch bell went. After lunch we had our baths and put on white ducks and blazers.

We all lined up the verandah and Miss Oliphant came. She sat down, because her leg was hurting.

After a while the C-in-C came in a car, followed by two other cars.

Tejbir, the Ganges captain, went to welcome him. Tejbir made a speech. He and Miss Oliphant sat on chairs. The boys went one by one to the C-in-C and Miss Oliphant told him their names.

When this was finished he inspected our work. First, he saw our Art and clay models. Then he went to the K.G. After visiting the K.G. he went to the other classes I took a photograph of him. One of his staff came up to me and asked me. "Have you taken a photograph of the C-in-C?"

I said, "Yes, sir." When the C-in-C left our class room we all followed him. He went to White House. When he was stepping into his car I said, "Three cheers for His Excellency"

He said "Thank you," and I took a photograph of him. He said "Have you taken my photograph?"

I said "Yes, sir," and he went away.

*Narendra Singh
Upper II.*

FOUNDER'S DAY 1946.

On the 1st Dec. 1946 was our Founder's Day. In the morning we arranged the chairs for the visitors. Then we put the stage up for the play. It was very beautiful, and covered with a blue cloth.

We had our lunch on one of the playing fields and did not rest but played with our Meccano sets.

Then we changed into our grey suits and went to the school building where we met our old boys who came from Doon School and R.I.M.C.

Later on the visitors also came, and the I.M.A. band played. After that Miss Oliphant and the Principal of R.I.M.C. gave the Founder's Day Addresses.

Then we saw a play called, "The Pied Piper of Hamelin" The boys acted marvellously.

When the play was finished some boys also sang and played the sitar and violin.

Then we had a lovely tea with the Doon School boys. The band played for us. For tea, there were Indian sweets, cold drinks and many other delicious things.

After tea, the visitors saw our class work and art, and our dormitories.

When they had left our school we had our supper. Then we helped the bearers to put away the chairs, and afterward went to our beds feeling very happy.

*Mahesh Chandra
Upper I*

MY SURPRISE

I was coming home after the close of the term, very angry with myself as I had been promised a present if I did not fail in any subject and I had failed just by one mark.

However, when I arrived at Bombay Central I forgot all about it as I was excited at the thought of seeing my mother. When the train stopped there she was on the platform. I jumped down and kissed her.

When I arrived home I had a good bath and helped my mother to unpack my things.

As I opened my attache case I found my examination papers, and at once remembered the failure. I told my mother about it and she was very sorry.

When my father came from the office, he was very pleased to see us fit and well. He was also very sorry to hear about my failure.

That night I went to bed earlier than usual as I was tired.

The next day, after breakfast, my report came. After my mother had read it, she looked a bit puzzled, then she asked me "In which subject did you fail?" I said "Fractions." Then she handed me the report. I looked where the word "Fraction" was written and found that I had got a II class for that subject. I was delighted, so were my mother and my father. Then I said excitedly "I may have copied it down wrongly".

I was very happy, as my father said that he was going to take me to the sports shop where I could buy anything I wanted. I bought a cricket bat and a ball, and returned home happily.

That night, when I went to bed, I said to myself "Well, its not so bad as I thought!"

Nawshir Khurody
Upper I

A PICNIC TO LACHIWALA

On our Mid-term holiday we picniced at Lachiwala. Some boys went to Rai Nadi for a swim. I was one of them.

When we arrived at Rai Nadi, we changed into our swimming shorts and had a swim. We dived from Mr Gaur's shoulders.

I had a snap taken of me while diving.

After a two mile drive we came to Lachiwala and had our lunch. As I was very hungry I ate so much that I had to loosen my buckle.

Next, boys caught fish while I played catch with balls. I soon stopped and went to look for exploded shells but was not successful.

When the boys rested I played cards with Mr. Gaur. He was too good for me.

After that we had another swim. The best part was when we got under a small fall and let the water rush over us. We dived this time also, but it was not such fun.

After tea we sat and talked to each other for about half an hour. Finally the buses came and took us back to school.

It was a most tiring journey for the boys who had caught fish, for they wanted to fill their bottles with fresh water for their fish.

At last we arrived at school and sat down to dinner.

Kamal Bhagat
Upper I

A RAILWAY STATION AT A BUSY TIME OF THE DAY

It is interesting to see the platform crowded with people and the coolies waiting eagerly for the train to come. When it arrives, the coolies run down the platform with the slowing train, each trying to secure a compartment from which to remove the luggage.

Soon a faint whistle is heard and the station becomes alive with all kinds of busy people.- Here and there a newspaper boy shouts "Statesman" or some other name of a paper. The ticket office is soon crowded with people pushing and shoving to get a ticket quickly, and get a good place in the train. A few minutes later the train puffs in, causing confusion on the platform. About ten minutes later the guard whistles and waves a green flag and the train gradually moves off, some people waving goodbye to friends from the train, and the people on the platform waving back.

Some poor people go to the tea stall and some go to a fruit seller. After the train has passed, the station again becomes quiet

Tejvir Singh
Upper I

THE FLOWER SHOW

We started for the Flower Show after lunch in our white ducks, blazers and ties.

We lined up, and many boys pushed and shoved for the front. They soon got a surprise, because Mr. Kuriyan said "About turn", and the boys who were pushed back stood first.

When we arrived at the Ranger's College, where the flower show took place, we sat on the grass for a little while, watching the cars and well dressed men and women pass by, as there was a

great crowd in the hall. When we were called we quickly lined up, as we were excited at the prospect of seeing the flowers.

As soon as we entered the hall, a beautiful sight met our eyes; the hall was decorated with some exquisite flowers beautifully arranged in vases. After we had passed through the hall we came into a long verandah where there were many flowers on one side and leaves stuck on paper on the other side.

We went from one side to another, learning the names of all the flowers.

After a little while we went out and looked at the stalls, then sat on the grass and waited for our sweets. We soon got a small bag of potato chips, and after that a bag of sweets. We ate our sweets and played about, and were very happy when we saw the elephants coming in, as we knew that we would have elephant rides. While some boys had rides, the Seven Seas boys went for tea. I soon got tired of eating sweet things.

After tea we had elephant rides. After everyone had had rides we lined up and came back to school.

Many Doon School boys won cups for exhibiting leaves.

Miss Lane exhibited a vase full of flowers, but did not get a prize. We came back, had our dinner and went straight to bed, as we were quite tired.

Nawshir Khurody
Upper I.

AT THE ZOO

On Diwali Day we went to the Zoo.

First we bought some monkey-nuts at the gate. As we entered, we saw the graceful swans swimming. We went further, and saw the peacocks and peahens flaunting about with spread tails.

The ostriches also looked fine with their fine white tail feathers.

The dear little fawns nestled close to their mother, the father with his stately antlers and his head high up looked like the king of all stags.

The funny monkeys jumped about and chattered away as we threw in monkey nuts.

The terrifying bears, tigers, and lions roared as we made faces at them.

Last of all we saw birds with rainbaw coloured feathers chirruping away.

As we left, I thought of writing a story about my visit to the Zoo.

*Kamal Bhagat
Upper I.*

A PICNIC TO JUMNIPUR

On Friday, March 7th we were granted a holiday by Miss Oliphant. She told her staff to decide where we were going to picnic.

Mr. Kuriyan said, "I think it will be better to go to Jumnipur because the weather is very cold and the water there is shallow."

Miss Oliphant agreed with him, and said we should start at 8 o'clock in the morning.

We arrived at Jumnipur at about 11 o'clock. There were some houses and camps under the shady trees.

At 12 o'clock we had our lunch and then rested a while

Soon we were allowed to paddle in the river. When we reached it we first began to catch fish with our handkerchiefs.

The trick was, that one boy should hold one end of the handkerchief, and the other boy the other end, and then put the handkerchief in the river. When the fish came on the handkerchief, the two boys should pull the handkerchief out of the river and if there was a fish they should put it in a bottle.

So we did this and caught many fish in that way.

Next, one of our masters called us for tea. At tea-time we had some buns and milk

After that our happy crowd started off to school and arrived at 5 o'clock. That was the end of our enjoyable holiday.

Mehdi Jafar
Upper I.

THE MAGIC RING

Once upon a time there was a boy. His parents were very sad because he never told the truth.

One day he was playing in the garden when a man came and asked him if his father was there. The boy replied, "He has gone out for a walk."

Just then his father came out from the house and said to the man, "What shall I do with my son? He never tells the truth." The man asked the father to go away. Then he gave the boy a ring and went away. It was made of gold with a diamond on top.

The boy was very happy and ran to his mother to show the ring. His mother asked him from where he got it. The boy replied, "When I was playing in the garden, I found it under an apple tree."

As soon as he said these words the ring changed into thorns and began to prick him. He cried, and told his mother that his father's friend had given it to him. At once the the thorns changed into a ring once again.

From that day the boy never told a lie, and his parents were very happy.

*Mahesh Chandra
Upper I.*

THE ADVENTURES OF A RUPEE

I was a silver rupee with many other friends in the Mint. I was very proud of my shining coat. I was taken to the bank, and from there I was taken by a rich merchant.

The merchant was very careless. He had a hole in his pocket, so I fell out. A boy found me and took me home. He told his mother the whole story of how he had found me.

That night I stayed in his purse. I got such a surprise to find many other friends there.

My friends told the whole story of their lives, and I also told my adventures. That same night I heard that the whole family was going to America. So the next morning they were busy packing. I was very excited about it.

Then they set out. On the way, a pirate captured the ship and took me with my friends. I stayed in a box of iron, filled with jewels and treasure.

*Manabendra.
Upper II.*

A DOG'S TALE OF WOE

I was in a house where my master used to treat me very cruelly.

One day at four o'clock in the morning as I was

asleep he came to my kennel and pulled me out of my kennel by the collar. I was badly hurt, but could not say anything. He had a horse-whip with which he whipped me.

I was sent every morning to mind the sheep till sunset. He gave me a few crumbs to eat.

Once I had to go without food for ten days. I felt so hungry and weak that I could not walk. Yet I was made to work all day and whipped if I refused to work.

One day I went to the field and saw a woman staring at me. She said, "Little puppy, why do you cry?" I told her all my troubles. She said, "I will take you to another home." I said, "Please do." She said "Follow me as I fly." So I followed her. She brought me here, and I am so glad to be with you.

*Kamlendra.
Upper Remove.*

A PICNIC TO LACHIWALA

When the Commander-in-Chief came to visit our school, he asked Miss Oliphant to give us a holiday.

The rising bell rang at half past five next morning. "Get up Bheem!" "We'll catch fish." "Where is my haversack?" "I can't find my water bottle!" With these shouts, I was pulled out of my bed.

We were going for an early morning picnic. I dressed as quickly as I could and immediately after our Chota Hazri we started.

We sang all the way. When we were near Lachiwala a boy called out, "Look look." I saw some monkeys. One of them had a sweet baby on its back.

When we reached Lachiwala the good swimmers went to swim in deep water. We played rugby in the water and I made a goal.

After enjoying ourselves in the water for some time, we had our breakfast. It was a delicious meal consisting of corn flakes, white bread with butter and jam, boiled eggs, vegetables and tea.

After breakfast we again changed into our swimming clothes and swam with the other boys. Some of the boys caught fish.

After half an hour Mr. Gaur said, "Get out of the water and change." We all changed and had a juicy orange each.

When we had finished our oranges we lined up by houses and our numbers were checked by our house mistresses. Then we got into the bus and started.

I was hoping to see the monkeys again on the way back, but there was no sign of them. However, I saw a jackal running across the road. It was frightened of the bus and ran fast. When it was running I saw that it was lame. The boys in the bus cried out "A lame jackal, a lame jackal!" But we had no time to watch the jackal because the bus drove fast and brought us quickly to school.

Bheem.
Upper Remove.

LAUGHS FROM OUR CLASSES

An Interjecton is a *shocking* word.

Mistress: In England, people do not eat goats.

Pupil: No, you eat dogs—"hot dogs."

Pyarelal is a *vege-terrier*.

Pupil: Mr Gaur says that if I can have my music lesson at 2-30 p.m, it won't *collapse* with him.

I am a *living* boy this term.

The hills look beautiful; Some are brown, some are green, and some are *Technicolor*.

Pradumna can't return to school this term. He has an *automatic* heart.

NEW ARRIVALS

Short Term, 1946

Staff

Mrs. Jones

Miss Chaytor

Miss Lane

Long Term, 1947

Mr. Zuberi

Upper I

Upper II

Upper III

**Kulbir
Rajesh
Waris
Shivendra**

Upper Remove

Fazal

Puabindra

Bheem

Satish

Lower Remove

Daulat

Transition

Inder Singh

Ranjit

Duleep
Pritam
Prabhakar
Asif
Naresh
Brijendra

Lower Transition

Jagatjit
Arjun
Udai Singh

Anwar
Davendra
Anil
Randhir

Kindergarten

Satbir
Gajbir
Narendra
Khalid
Rajendra
Jamil
Benoy
Chattar Pati
Jitendra Pal
Rashid
Tariq
Deependra

Netra
Bedendra
Pronobendra
Rajiv
Daljit
Gurjit
Iqbal
Javaid
Nater
Ranvir
Jai
Hindal

Rajju
Anand
Anil

Ravindra

GOODBYES

December 1946

Staff

June 1947

Miss Khaestgir

Miss Middleton

Mr. Si ldiqui

Boys

Arjun

Madan

Amar Singh

Akhbar

Brijesh

Inder Cheema

Pyarelal

Rajni

Lalit Kumar

Raghusher

Birendra

Amarjeet

Surnj Jit

Shafique

Surrindar

Azim

Saifuddin

Tejbir

Manabendra

Surjit

Nawshir

Jait Singh

Nadir

Narendra

Jaffar

Lalit

Rukma

Rudra

Shivendra

Waris

Prabhakar

Daulat