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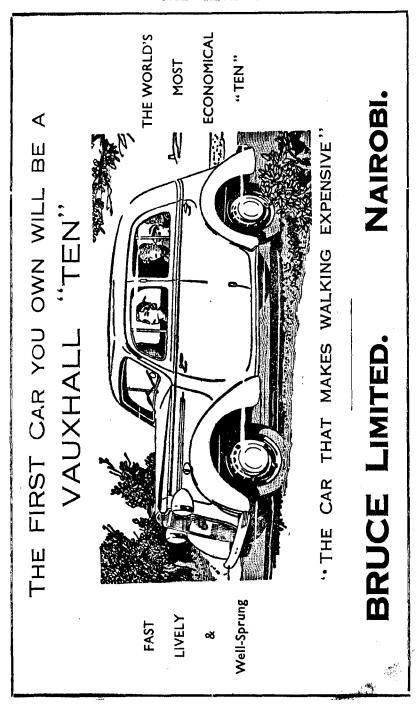
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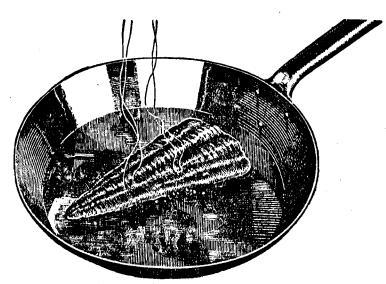
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#### **Editorial**

In earlier editions of the 'Impala' there has always been a considerable shortage of contributions, their number has increased with every publication, and it is satisfactory to record that in the last two numbers a large percentage of the magazine has been contributions. It seems very peculiar that conributions are so few and far between especially as there are so many subjects which a boy could write about.

It was hoped that one or two photographs would be included in this issue but owing to a somewhat hurried publication, it has not been possible. In our next issue some will undoubtedly be published.

In conclusion, the editor would like to draw the attention of readers to the advertisements as they are not of the ordinary type and are well worth reading. We should like to thank all firms who have put an advertisement in our pages.



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#### School Notes.

We wish to congratulate M. Turner and J. F. Carnegie on their appointment as Sub-editors of the Impala.

Mr. Pemberton left us near the end of last term for England. We wish him a very enjoyable leave.

The new School lorry was ready for use in April; it is a great improvement on the old one and everyone was very pleased to get it.

The prefects for the last two terms have been:-

R. T. Clegg (Head of School), F. Randall, O. J. Keeble, R. MacGregor (Rhodes), H. Spencer-Palmer, W. Poppleton (Clive), R. Stocker, B. Norman (Hawke) and J. O. Harries (Grigg).

At the beginning of this term Miss Wilson took Miss Lane's place as Matron, the latter having gone on leave. Miss Beckingsale has come back to the School in the place of Miss Witty.

The Dramatic Society must be congratulated on their very creditable performance at the end of the December term, a full account of which appears elsewhere.

We wish success to the candidates who sat for the School Certificate and the Higher School Certificate recently.

Captains of games for this year have been:-

Captain of Hockey - W. Poppleton Captain of Cricket - F. Randall Captain of Rugby - W. Poppleton.

Nearly all the School attended the performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" which was specially shown for Nairobi schools. Judging from the amount of applause which was given, everybody enjoyed themselves very much.

We hear that J. B. Clegg has passed his finals in Agriculture at Oxford.

In the recent Agricultural Show held at Nakuru, P. D. Abrams won the Cup for cattle and pig judging. Also K. Johansen and J. F. Carnegie won third and first prizes for carving and painting respectively.

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We should like to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Gledhill on the birth of a son on 4th July.

The Navy Cup for the Cross-country race was retained by Rhodes House. The time of the winner, F. Randall, was not as good as that of last year, but this is probably due to the fact that only a few practice runs had been possible.

H. Benson, an Old Boy, who is now at Shrewsbury School, stroked the second eight to victory for the first time in history at Marlow Regatta, thus winning the Public Schools Challenge Vase for eights.

We were all sorry to hear that Mr. Earnshaw is leaving at the end of this term. We congratulate his on his appointment as Superintendent of Education in Sierra Leone.

At the end of the December term the Swimming Sports were held at the Salisbury Bath. Hawke House succeeded in gaining the biggest aggregate of points.

On the 28th February the O. T. C. was inspected by Inspector General Gifford.

Last term Herr Kolb came to the School and showed a series of slides of his journey through northern Europe which he had just completed. The slides were very interesting and Herr Kolb told the School what they were about and pointed out anything of interest in them.

The Boxing Championships were held on 23rd March. The Cup for the house gaining the most points was won by Rhodes House.

Last term 25 boys were confirmed at the Cathedral and St. Andrew's Church.

Opportunities were afforded for the whole School to see the films "Romeo and Juliet" and "Victoria the Great." Part of the School also saw "Elephant Boy."

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#### Empire Day.

Empire Day was celebrated in the usual fashion by a parade of the O. T. C., followed by prize-giving in the Hall. The Guard of Honour was inspected by the Acting Colonial Secretary, Mr. Harragin. After the march past everybody went to the Hall where, after a short service, the Head - master gave a brief account of the School year which had just been completed. Mr. Astley drew the attention of his listeners to the cricket pavilion which has been erected in the memory of Captain Nicholson. The latter had refused to accept any personal gift, but had insisted that the money collected by the School and the Old Cambrians should be used for something which would be a lasting benefit to the School. This, said Mr. Astley, was typical of him.

The change in the School year was completed during 1937, which meant that boys entered the School in September instead of January for the first time. Next September the boarding accommodation would be strained to capacity, and Mr. Astley pointed out that if every boy were to be accommodated the School would have to be extended.

During 1937 fifty-six boys left, the majority going into business and five going into H.M.'s Forces. A number of the Old Boys were reported to be doing well and rising to positions of responsibility. The health of the School had been good, a tribute to all concerned. The School teams had given a good account of themselves, the Hockey team reaching the second round of the Craig Cup, where they were beaten in the replay only after extra time. Great enthusiasm had been displayed amongst the Colts, who had the advantage over the bigger boys of being able to play against other Schools.

Mr. Astley said that his reason for giving his listeners such a detailed account of the School's activities on the playing-field and in the classroom was to show that, given a good home, there was nothing wrong with Kenya boys.

In closing, Mr. Astley expressed his thanks to all those who had helped the School in any way. The Staff had supported him loyally and had given their best to the School. He also said that without the help of the prefects it would be impossible to keep up the spirit which makes the difference between a school and an institution.

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The prizes were then presented by Mr. Harragin, who then made a speech which combined the amusing and the serious. In opening he expressed his sorrow that Sir Armigel de V. Wade was not present. He was still more sorry because of the reason which prevented him from being there. In the more serious part of his speech he reviewed the affairs of the world during the past year and said how few people realised that they had been on the verge of a world war and to the downfall of civilisation. It was with the idea of keeping peace that Britain was re-arming, and not with the idea of aggression. The smaller powers welcomed Britain's policy, for they knew that they could rely on a "fair deal" wherever and whenever Britain was concerned. He congratulated the O.T.C. on their good performance and said that every boy in Kenya had the solemn duty of assisting the native tribes. He finished by saying that the Empire was held together by goodwill and not by force.

Mr. Bradshaw, the Acting Chief Inspector of Schools, finished off the ceremony with a short speech in which he emphasised the danger of Asiatics and Africans taking the place of Europeans if the latter did not live up to the school motto, "to the uttermost", with all their ability.

The following is a list of those who received prizes or certificates:-

FORM 3. Form Prize

F. Moon

Presented by E.A.T. Dutton, Esq.

English.

F. Moon.

Presented by E. M. de Waal, Esq.

Mathematics.

P. V. Arderne.

Binks Memorial Prize.

FORM 2.

Form Prize.

K. Johansen.

Presented by R. Norbury, Esq.

English.

J. Lavers.

Presented by R. Lambourn, Esq.

Mathematics.

K. Johansen.

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P. D. Abrams.

English. J. King.

Presented by Capt. J. H. Whittenbury.

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#### Hockey.

A successful season was brought to a close with the advent of Rugger, in the early days of March. Although the 1st XI had barely two weeks practice before the first match, the side which eventually took the field was in no way inferior to previous years, and fully justified its early promise. This season the practice was introduced of keeping the 1st XXII separate from the rest of the School games, and the consequent increase of coaching and keenness proved the correctness of this experiment. The School, however, has been horribly handicapped by lack of a murrum ground, and will continue to suffer in this respect until something can be done about it. All the 1st XI matches were played away, and a murrum ground had to be hired on several occasions for practice games. This factor is bound, in time, to tell on the keenness of the younger players, who rarely get a chance to watch their School side play.

The results of the Matches played were encouraging, and by far the most outstanding games were those played in the 1st and 2nd Rounds of the Craig Cup. In the 2nd Round we drew in a thrilling game with Parklands 1st XI after extra time, and in the Replay, were only just beaten, being without our most potential goal-scorer. The weakness, if any, lay with the Backs, who, lacking experience, seemed to lose all their initiative when once beaten by the opposing forwards. This factor was overcome towards the end of a season, in which the forwards never once diminished in dash and constructive ability.

Poppleton I proved himself to be a keen and industrious Captain and combined well with Luckhurst at centre-forward; the latter excelled in quickness near the enemy goal and was a prolific scorer. Norman, the Vice-Captain, played steadily, though sometimes he lacked accuracy in the opponents' circle. The wings, Harries J.O., and de Haaff I, made up in speed what they were wanting in precision of stick-work. Cooper, at centre-half, was always sound, though he often tired in the second half of matches, while McGregor I at wing-half never tired and was a tower of strength. Of the backs, Lavers and Randall improved the most, and Abrams I in goal played fearlessly, but needs experience.

The 2nd XI showed plenty of enthusiasm and some ability, which augurs well for 1939, and soundly led by Clegg, won a good match against the Old Cambrians 2nd XI.

At the end of the Season, Colours were awarded to Poppleton I, Norman, Luckhurst, Cooper, McGregor I.

The following played as regular members of the teams Poppleton W., Norman, Luckhurst, Harries J.O., de Haaff, Cooper, Macgregor, Randall, Driscoll, Lavers and Abrams P. The following also played in the team: Stocker, Johansen and O'Toole,

#### Results of Hockey Matches.

Match	Gr	ound		Result	Score
School v Parklands	Parklan	ds Frier	idly	lost	0-4
School v Kabete 'B'	, ,	Craig	Cup	won	4-1
School v Parklands			,,	drawn	3-3
Six-a-side.					
School v Railway 'B'	,,		en en Person	won	2-0
School v Muthaiga	91	•	٠.	lost	1-3
School v Sikh Union	Sikh U	Union Fr	iendly	lost	1-5
School v Old Cambrians	Railw		,,	lost	0-6
School v Gymkhana	Gymk	hana	1)	won	5-0
School v Nondescript Tea	ım Parkl	ands	,,	lost	0-3
School v 2nd XI	,		,,	won	8-0
School v Sikh Union	Sikh	Union	,,	lost	1-5
School v Nondescript Tea	am Park	lands	$\stackrel{\circ}{\boldsymbol{n}}_{i}=\frac{1}{q_{i}}$	won	3-2
Played Won	Lost	Drew	. · · · · .	Goals	11.
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# Prince of Wales School Cricket 1937 - 1938.

Played 18. Won 5. Lost 10. Drawn 3.

Batting. Name.	Inn.	Total.	Highest.	Not out.	Average.
Luckhurst	12	238	54	1	21.6
Gledhill	5	80	31	Õ	16
Luckham	4	58	20	Õ	14.5
Cooper	18	236	69 *	ĭ	13.9
Shaw	12	122	37	$ar{2}$	12.2
Mackrell	7	83	55	Ō	11.9
Driscoll	17	198	64	ŏ	11.6
Randall	18	121	23 *	$\ddot{2}$	7.6
Harries J.	15	91	20 *	$ar{f 2}$	7
Ley	6	41	26	ō	6.8
Norbury	14	65	19*	š	5.9
	16	74	19	3	5.7
Macgregor Poppleton	17	74	18	Ö	4.4
Seed	5	12	7 *	ì	3
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James	Also Datte	11	11 *	1	11
Barton	1	8	8	Ô	8
Turner	3	15	9*	ř	7.5
Norman	3	17	9	ô	5.7
Keeble	i	4	4	ŏ	4
	$\overset{1}{2}$	. 3	3 *	ĭ	3
Whittingham	3	2	2 *	$\hat{f 2}$	$\overset{\circ}{2}$
Harries A.	1	õ	õ	ō	ō
Preddy	l	0	0	ŏ	ŏ
Johansen	1	5	5*	ĭ	U
Lavers	* Not out				

Bowling. Name.	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
Gledhill	54	9	144	24	6
Shaw	56	9	184	18	10.2
Seed	34	3	130	12	10.8
	44	<b>2</b>	214	18	11.9
Macgregor Randall	42	7	185	13	14.2
Driscoll	71	4	360	20	18
Cooper	86	8	361	19	19

	Also bowled.				
Luckhurst	3	0	8	3	2.7
Harries A.	4	0	29	3	9.7
Barton	10	0	<b>3</b> 5	4	8.8
Luckham	3	0	10	1	10
Turner	11	0	71	3	23.7
Ley Norbury	8	1	24	l	24
Norbury	8	0	48	2	<b>24</b>

#### Catches.

Harries J. O. 8. Driscole 18 Norbury 7. Shaw 6. Poppleton, Cooper 4. Mackrell, Randall 3. Seed, Gledhill, Luckham, Harries A., Luckhurst 2. Turner 2. Barton, Macgregor; Lavers 1.

#### Stumped.

Luckhurst 1.

#### Colts' Cricket.

During this season a regular Colts' Club has been formed for those under 14. One day per week has been set aside for regular practice, either in trial games or nets.

Of those left over from last year, Trundell as Captain, has shown steady form with bat and ball, though in the field he must learn to dominate the game and use more imagination in placing his men. Dodd, bowling lefthand round the wicket has been the most dangerous in attack, and can turn the ball both ways - he can also score runs quickly but is weak on the off-side. Carver plays straight but lacks power while Whittenbury has proved himself a steady all-rounder. Of the new boys, Irvine II. has shown the most promise and hits the ball in the middle of the bat. Buswell as a bowler has managed to get some nip off the matting, while both Davidson III. and Simpson were useful members of the side. The tail has wagged on occasions and McGregor 11. and Armstrong make up in keenness what they may lack in dexterity.

Out of the three matches played, we won two. By far the most exciting was a win over Pembroke House in an all day match, in which time just prevented a two innings victory. This game was most noteworthy for the absence of dropped catchesnot one being floored in the first innings - and an extremely bright knock of 64 by Irvine II, who treated the bowling of his erstwhile companions with scant respect. This was undoubtedly the best performance of the Term.

In our first match against Kenton the bowlers were on top and Whittenbury was the most dangerous. In the second 'nerves' and the absence of three of the regular players combined towards our defeat, in spite of a gallant last wicket partnership by Buswell and Benson II.

The Under 15 Team, captained by E. Smith, played one match against the Primary School in February and won easily. Although we outclassed our opponents who were probably nervous at playing away, a definite improvement in the style of cricket produced by the Primary was very noticeable, thanks no doubt to the keen encouragement and coaching of Mr. Cooper.

#### Rugby Football.

The whole school has been playing Rugby since the second half of last term and a full programme of School and House matches have been enthusiastically contested.

For the purposes of practice and coaching, the School was divided into four divisions. This enabled boys of comparatively equal size and ability to play together. The scheme has been successful, as is shown by the scoring abilities of some of the junior threequarters, notably Macgregor, Van Aardt, Moore, and MacLennan.

The season began with a few old colours to form the nucleus of the XV, from whom Poppleton W. was chosen captain with Clegg R. as his vice. From the beginning, there was promising and enthusiastic material and soon the XV became formidable. Happily, the Nairobi clubs turned out good sides and most of the games were evenly contested. One match, in particular, against the Nondescripts, was a revelation of the capabilities of the School XV. That game was won 25-24, after our opponents had lead on three occasions. In all, we played 10 matches against Nairobi clubs, of which 6 were won, with 2 drawn. Altogether, we scored 148 points and had 118 scored against us.

The whole side has been well balanced, excellently led by their captain, Poppleton W., and has set a high standard for future years. The forwards were energetic, capable and speedy, while the backs greatly improved in thrust and scoring ability. The ability of Macgregor R., to play fullback and in any back position was of great use when we suffered from injuries as the grounds became harder. Against the Nondescripts, he revealed unsuspected scoring powers. Together with Shaw J., who played fullback on occasions, he positions himself well, has a good kick, tackling and falling on the ball fearlessly.

All the threequarters were speedy and resourceful, with Lavers J., and Katzler, as the real thrusters. Both had an eye for the opening and made excellent us of it. Lavers was unfortunate to be injured when playing against the Nondescripts and missed several matches. Katzler's speed and strength enabled him to score on many occasions. Harries J. O. played regularly and efficiently, proving an effective link between the scrum and his wing. In Norbury, the School have, perhaps, the fastest wing we have ever had. But the fact was not appreciated by the other threequarters. If the ball had been passed along the line of threequarters at speed to give Norbury room to show his paces, he would undoubtedly have rounded his opponent time and again. With his limited opportunities, Norbury played well, but he must realise that he can never take a pass cleanly unless he watches the ball.

In Randall F. and Luckhurst G., we have had two excellent halves. Randall, at scrum half, flung out hard and long passes in excellent style. In defence his tackling was very good and he often saved dangerous moves by dropping on the ball. Luckhurst seems to be able to take any kind of pass; he proved a most efficient link between the scrum and threequarters. Although slightly built, he played robust and clever football, cutting through with surprising speed. His ability to drop goals is disconcerting to his opponents.

The forwards, from the first match, played together. They were often more than a match for their opponents in the loose. Their speed and purposeful robust play was especially commendable, although, when dribbling, they were inclined to kick too far ahead. Poppleton W., Abrams P., and de Haaff were always on the ball. Their tackling was deadly. Clegg R., the hooker, worked quickly and with good results. He was ably supported by de Haaff and Cooper. With Keeble, Cooper was always in the thick of every scrum and maul. Stocker, playing in the second row with Johansen was both energetic and bustling.

The value of Johansen's height was especially noticeable in the line out; he invariably got the ball and made full use of it. Johansen has been a very efficient forward in every phase of the game and his ability in goal kicking is reflected in the numerous conversions he made.

Norman, Moulton G., and Lawrence, all played when injuries to the regular member of the XV gave them their opportunities.

The following played for the XV during the season:—Poppleton, Clegg, Abrams P., de Haaff, Johansen, Keeble, Cooper, Stocker, Moulton, Lawrence, Randall F., Luckhurst G., Norbury W. R., Driscoll D., Harries J. O., Lavers J., Katzler, Macgregor R., Shaw J., Mr. Gladhill and Mr. Luckham. Caps and colours were awarded to Clegg, Abrams, Johansen, de Haaff, Luckhurst and Randall, while Cooper and Macgregor received their colours.

Mr. Gledhill coached the team throughout the season and it is undoubtedly due to him that the season was such a success.

# School v Old Cambrians - 26th March.

This match was played on the School Ground, the home team winning by 27 - 9.

In the first half the School had it practically all their own way and scored 21 points.

The ground was wet and consequently the forwards had the ball most of the time - the three-quarters only got going on one or two occasions.

Harries brought off a very good try when he completely defeated two Old Cambrians by a very well executed swerve.

In the second-half the forwards slackened off and the Old Cambrians began to score. However, the School kept their very good lead until 'no-side' was sounded.

# School v Railway - 5th April.

After the very creditable performance of the School team in their first match, this one turned out a great disappointment. The Railway side was weak and the School ought to have beaten them thoroughly.

There was nothing of note during the match and the game became one of scrums, heels and "knock-ons". Kicking to touch too often was a failure of both three-quarter lines.

The result was a draw, 3 - 3.

# School v Muthaiga - 9th April.

Although it appears from the score that the School had an easy win, the game was very even.

The School tries came at more or less even intervals throughout the game, the majority being scored by Mr. Gledhill.

All the School forwards played hard and managed to keep the ball in the Muthaiga half during most of the game.

Johansen brought off some very good kicks and De Haaf some very hard tackles. The three-quarters were not as good as the forwards and knocked on a great deal and tended to starve their wings.

# School v Nairobi Colts - 17th May.

It was unfortunate that the most important match of the season had to be played only a few days after the beginning of the term which meant that the School team was out of training. In spite of this the School put up a very good performance against their much heavier opponents.

Just before the game was due to start it began to rain and continued to do so throughout the game. Owing to this the ball became very heavy and slippery and neither side succeeded in converting a single try. The three-quarters of both sides were unable to get moving really well owing to the state of the ground and ball.

The Nairobi Colts pressed from the start and the play was for the most part in the School half during the first half.

In spite of their hard and persistent attacks our opponents only scored a short time before half-time.

At the outset of the second half the Colts scored again as a result of a very clever and well executed three-quarter movement. For some time the play was even and then Dodd scored for the Colts.

No further score was made until near the end of the game, when the School forwards, as a whole, scored a try. Almost immediately afterwards the Colts scored, thus re-establishing their lead of nine points. The score at 'no-side' was 12 - 3 against the School.

# School v Nondescripts - 24th May.

This proved to be a very exciting match and was won by the School - 25 - 24. Individually the Nondescripts were the better side, but their great variety of build (in the forwards particularly) hampered them. During the game the lead changed hands three or four times, all during the second half.

The School scored two goals in quick succession near the beginning of the game and continued to press throughout the first half. The score at half-time was 13-9 in the School's favour.

At the beginning of the second-half the School suffered a setback and the Nondescripts scored quickly, making their score 20, before the school scored again. The School three-quarter line had been weakened because Lavers had to retire after having hurt his arm.

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The Nondescripts had the substantial lead now of 7 points, but the School pressed hard and lowered it to one point.

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Each side in turn scored again, the Nondescripts a try and the School a goal. As the School try was converted the whistle for 'no-side' went. The School had won by the narrow margin of one point and one second.

#### School v R.A.F. -2nd June.

This match, in spite of the fact that it was played hard was very poor, as our opponents persistently fly-kicked which completely spoilt the whole run of the game. The ball was slightly wet, but the three-quarters were able to handle it with ease.

Throughout the first-half neither side had any advantage over the other and no score was made.

The second-half was similar but the R.A.F. managed to score two tries, neither of which were converted.

The School tackled well in defence throughout the game. On several occasions they were within a yard of the R.A.F line but were unable to carry the ball over and convert.

#### School v Muthaiga -7th June.

The Muthaiga side proved to be strong and several 1st XV men were playing.

At the beginning of the game the School were awarded a free-kick because Muthaiga had four men in their front rank. Johansen kicked and, as the place of the infringement was near our opponents' goal-line, converted without difficulty. Shortly afterwards the School scored again from free-kick, making the score 6 - 0. The two sets of forwards were well matched and fought very hard for the ball.

De Haaf tackled well throughout the game.

In the tight scrums the School were better and got the ball out to their three-quarters nearly every time. The latter, however, outmatched by their opposite numbers and seldom broke through. At 'no-side' the score was 12 - 12.

#### School v Nondescripts -14th June.

In this match the School had an easier time than in the previous one played on Empire Day. The Nondescripts did not have so strong a team as some of their 1st XV. men were playing an important match some days later and therefore did not play in this game.

The School pressed from the start and it was not very long before they scored. By half time they had a substantial lead but, during the second-half, they slacked off a bit with the result that the Nondescripts very nearly caught up their score. Throughout the game there was a tendency amongst the School team to tackle high, with the result that the Nondescripts broke through more often than they should have done. At no-side the score was 21 - 15 in the School's favour.

#### School v Old Cambrians -21st June.

The Old Cambrians turned out what appeared to be a very strong side. They were much heavier than the School and their forwards ought to have had the game their own way. However, this was not the case as the Old Cambrians combined very poorly - so much of their efforts was useless.

Within a few minutes of the beginning of the game MacGregor got the ball and after a very fine run of about 30 yards scored a try. Very shortly afterwards the School scored again, thus making their score 6 in the first five minutes.

Shaw played very well at back and Luckhurst at fly-half It was through invariably got the three-quarter moving. superior team work that the School won and a good example of wits over brawn.

# School v Railway - 25th June.

This was the last match of the season and was played on the School ground. The School team was weakened because Johansen and MacGregor were unable to play as they had sustained injuries a few days previously in a house match.

Shortly after half-time Lavers had to go off, as he hurt his elbow. As a result of this the School had to play with seven forwards, who played well against a heavier pack.

In the second-half the School seldom heeled the ball as they were outweighted.

Shaw played very well at back and undoubtedly saved many tries. Harries was also good at centre and often gained a lot of ground.

#### Rugby House Matches.

Both Clive and Rhodes were very strong this term and it was a much disputed point as to who should win the Senior Cup. As is happened, these two Houses drew for it.

In the second and third fifteens Rhodes was much stronger than the other three Houses and had no difficulty in winning the Cup.

The Junior Cup was awarded on the combined results of the second and third fifteens.

#### 1st ROUND:

#### 1st XV.

Rhodes and Clive beat Hawke and Grigg — 44-5 Hawke and Clive beat Grigg and Rhodes — 6-0 Grigg and Clive beat Hawke and Rhodes — 21-16

#### and XV.

Rhodes and Clive beat Hawke and Grigg — 41-0
Rhodes and Hawke beat Clive and Grigg — 27,13
Rhodes and Grigg drew with Clive and Hawke 6-6

3rd	XV.
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#### Pictures.

On Saturdey May 14th; Dr. Guy Johnson entertained the School for about an hour with some very good films of his bwn taking. "Amongst those he showed were some taken at the Elizabethan Fayre, recently held in the grounds of Government House; these were of special interestito the School since they displayed the School Buglers who, dressed up as heralds of that period, announced, amongst other things, the arrival of Queen Elizabeth.

Following this came a film which consisted of close-ups of most flowers which are to be found in a Kenya garden. They were extraordinarily clear and showed up all the details of the

flowers plainly. One scene was rendered most interesting as there were a number of bees working on the flower and one was able to see their movements better than is possible with the naked eye.

The next film on the programme was one which had a most unusual subject. The latter was a drop of water taken from an ordinary vase. The photographs were, of course, taken through a very powerful microscope and showed that a drop of water has a tremendous number of bacteria in it. The latter were of many different shapes and were all continually moving about. One particular species looked like what I should imagine, an aerial view of logs being floated down a river to the paper mills.

Dr. Guy Johnson gave a very realistic idea of the size of these bacteria when he said that if the hole in a ten-cent piece were magnified to the same extent, it would be bigger than the earth.

The next film was the most interesting one shown. It was taken on a trip to the Murchison Falls. The first part of the journey up to Butiaba was undertaken by air and views were shown of the Ripon Falls and Nile Bridge. Numerous views of 'hippo' and crocodile were shown; many were very close and every detail could be seen on their bodies. The photographs of the Fall themselves were very impressive and gave a very concrete idea of their grandeur.

Various very good pictures were shown of some elephant which were taken from the Tree-Tops Hotel, Nyeri. They were taken about 3 o'clock in the afternoon while the beasts were leisurely strolling down to the water-hole to drink. There were, unfortunately, no big tuskers amongst them.

The evening closed with the "Devil of Delamere Avenue". This caused great amusement, especially such events as the 'concertina' action of the towers of the Nairobi Mosque.

On the 9th July, Mr. Crudge of Imperial Airways, showed slides of all the types of machines which have been used by his company since the inauguration of their first air service in 1924. Mr. Crudge impressed on the School that in order to make air-travel a success, the need of absolute dependability had been seen from the very start. In order to accomplish this, aircraft designers had built planes with several engines so that, in the case of partial engine failure, the plane could proceed to its destination. As would be expected, the size of the air-craft had increased owing partly to the increase in passenger traffic, and partly to the adoption of the Empire Air scheme. By this all letters are sent air-mail without any surcharge.

In order to cope with the increase in both passenger and freight traffic, designers had produced the new flyingboats. The reasons for building sea-craft were many, but the principal one was economy. In operating an air-service with flying-boats, all up-keep costs of aerodromes are eliminated and, in many instances, petrol can be procured cheaper because it has not to be transported inland.

Mr. Crudge finished his lecture with a film showing the training of the pilots who operate these new flying-boats. A fairly thorough knowledge of seamanship is required and a pilot has to know how to take a sounding and to moor a boat. An understanding of the motors in necessary also.

Included in this film were some very good pictures of the building of the Empire flying-boats and a good idea was given of the enormous amount of work entailed in the construction of an air-liner.

#### School Concert.

The outstanding event at the end of the last term of 1937, was the concert which was produced on the 14th and 15th of December. Although it was not so ambitious an undertaking as some of the plays which our Dramatic Society has produced in Nairobi, it was generally voted a very creditable performance. For the last week of the term our gymnasium ceased to be such, and temporarily became a theatre; those who had not seen it before were surprised at the transformation.

The first item on the programme was a series of humorous "Curtain-raisers" entitled "Changing Professions", which was produced by Mr. Redhead. The idea was that a person, on changing his profession, sometimes carries into his new career technical language pertaining to his old one. We saw in rapid succession "The Caddie who became a Waiter", the "Shakespearean Actress who became a Masseuse", the "Plumber who became a Fireman" and finally the "Motor Salesman who became a Doctor". These sketches were quite well done, but a number of the actors spoke too quickly, with the result that some of the points were lost to the audience.

They were followed by a song "Sea Fever", and "Linden Lea", given as an encore, both of which were well rendered by Mr. James in a pleasant baritone. The School Choral Society

then sang two part songs, "O who will o'er the downs" and "Summer Morning", followed by a carol "In Dulci Jubilo". They are to be congratulated on keeping a certain measure of tune, in spite of having to sing from a most difficult acoustical position.

The next item was a play in one act entitled "The Grand Cham's Diamond" by Allan Monkhouse. This was a character study of a typical middle-class Cockney "lidy" with regard to her reaction when a valuable diamond which had been stolen accidentally came into her possession. To the amazement of her husband and daughter, she wanted to keep the jewel and escape to South Americal The developments were both exciting and amusing, and the play ended with the family back in the old rut, Mrs. Perkins having "had her bit of fun for onc't." The play was well acted, Norbury excelling himself as Mrs. Perkins. having the angular features and the voice suited to the part. Poppleton, as the detective and fiance to the daughter of the house, was a little too stolid to be natural, and appeared to lack confidence. On the first night the play nearly came to grief when the dialogue got muddled, and of course something had to go amiss when the lights were out, despite careful rehearsals, and as a result the best laugh in the play was lost. The audience, however, were extraordinarily appreciative and seemed prepared to put up with anything and still retain their good humour.

After a short interval there was another one-act play, "The Play's the Thing", specially adapted by Mr. Luckham from the sketch by Harold Simpson and Morris Harvey. This was a modern comedy acted entirely without any furniture or effects, rather in the style of Shakespeare. Pelling as Dickson, the perfect English butler, was excellent, but should have spoken up more, and the same criticism applies to Driscoll, who played the part of the rather bored "young man about town" very well. Mortimer was marvellous as the elderly lady, and it was unfortunate that he did not have more to do, as the rest of the pseudofemale cast were rather weak. The "noises off" were one of the best features of the play, and well deserve a special mention. A lack of experience was evident on the first night, when the players would not wait for the laughter to stop before continuing with the dialogue, and a lot of good lines were lost in this way.

After this, Carver sang "Early One Morning" and was deservedly well applauded, and then the Male Voice Choir sang three negro spirituals, "Old Folks at Home", "My Old Kentucky Home" and "Poor Old Joe". These last three songs were sung to a hurriedly improvised camp-fire setting, which was however quite effective.

The last item was "A Christmas Story," written and produced by Mr. Barton on the well-known theme of Dickens' "Scrooge." Stocker, who played the leading role, acted extremely well, but although he was perfectly correct in assuming a gruff voice he overdid it to such an extent that some of the audience declared that they went home with sore throats from listening! The original scheme was that the miser should mend his ways after listening to the waits outside, but the idea of anyone being so impressed by the singing of the School Choral Society was, with all due apologies, a little too steep, so the change in his character was brought about by the ghost of his dead partner instead. The ghost scene was really well done, Matthias being admirably suited to the part. The concert closed with "Good King Wenceslas" and "Auld Lang Syne." Stocker's exhortation to the audience to join in the singing of the latter was well received on the first evening, but met with little response on the second.

Altogether it was an excellent show, and in spite of the fact that the school was breaking up the next day for the Christmas holidays everyone seemed to be quite happy! A special word of thanks is due to Mrs. Barton, who accompanied throughout, and we should also like to thank all those who assist the school very considerably by lending their support to such functions.

#### The Elizabethan Fayre.

I arrived at the gate, and beheld a number of queerly dressed men, who reminded me of those seen in History books, who took the collection.

Then, after going towards the noise, I saw some sign-boards, which had inscribed on them "To Ye Olde Market Place", so I followed the path and came face to face with an old man who tried to entice me to his stall, where he had a football, which had to be kicked through a hole in the wall. After trying my luck, I made my way towards "Ye Olde Mermaid Tavern", and after quenching my thirst, I followed a large crowd, which began to cheer as they heard a couple of heralds blowing the alarm. Then to their utmost joy they saw Queen Elizabeth with her attendants and friends making their way towards the maypole, where the younger generation were dancing and making merriment. The Queen, after watching the children,

visited a number of stalls, where she bought something from each. On returning to her Palace, the crowd slowly moved towards a field in front of Government House, where the "jousting" was to be performed before Her Majesty the Queen. Two men on gallant steeds, accompanied by their ladies, came and stood at one end. In accordance with the sounding of a trumpet, one man went careering down the course, towards the other end, and then the "jousting" began. Sir Wilton de Tiger Fangs sat his black charger like a marble statue, with an evil leer upon his bearded lips.

His opponent sat his white horse like a man, with a pleasant smile upon his face.

With lances couched, they thundered down the course in deadly strife. Queen Elizabeth screamed as she saw her favourite thudded to the ground, under the lance of his gallant antagonist. The crowed greeted the challenger's victory with loud cheers. But Sir Wilton was unhurt, because the lances were made of reeds. After the victor had received his "spurs", I concluded the afternoon with a delightful tea, on which I spent my last tanner.

M. I. M.

#### New Year's Day in Mombasa.

It was one of Mombasa's hottest days, when a car drew up at my hotel and collected me. We motored down to the docks to see a flying-boat which was due to arrive. On our arrival we heard the drone of an aeroplane, and a few minutes later it appeared out of the sky. It circled overhead and turning its nose into the wind, came to rest gracefully on the water. The Imperial Airways launch went out from the landing stage to where the plane was moored. As the plane was late it only stopped a short time to refill and was soon on its way to Kisumu.

A loud shout from behind attracted my attention, and a friend of mine asked me whether I would like to go out with him in his yacht. I was only too pleased and ran to join a party who had been also invited. On getting it out of its borth and out of the harbour, we had to sail against the wind. After three-quarter's of an hours sailing we were clear of the channel that leads into the harbour, and heading straight for the open sea. The yacht a sea going vessel was thirty feet long and called the "ULU".

When we were about five miles out we met a crowd of native fishermen in their dugouts. It was amazing how they took these primitive boats fitted with outriggers, so for out to sea without any mishap. Although from the yacht several fishing lines were let out, nothing was caught.

On our return journey, as we entered the channel between the coral reefs, we met a largo steamer. It seemed to tower over us on account of the short distance between the two boats. One of the native crew was frightened it would run us down, and wanted to steer further to port, but the owner of the yacht would not budge an inch, as once before he had been stranded on the reef and had had to wait there for four hours until the tide came up.

An hour later we were back in the harbour, and so ended New Year's Day.

D.M.

#### Ruined Town of Ghedi.

Our party stood still in dead silence as we watched this town, so utterly devoid of life and sound; no birds sang in the trees and only an occasional bark of a baboon broke the silence. We instinctively came nearer each other as we slowly went into these dark, dismal ruins. Trees now grew through the floors of decayed houses and towered high above our heads. The more we penetrated these ruins the greater became the silence. Huge wells, long since dry, were dotted round about and were a menace to safety. We saw a buck down one of them which was particularly deep, and finished it off by dropping a rock of convenient size on its head, for it was still conscious. We were suddenly startled by a loud barking behind us and, turning in our tracks, we saw some baboons who were very interested in us. Our hair sank down again for we had experienced a bad fright and had expected a spook of sorts.

The silence preyed on our nerves and the slightest noise out of the ordinary, made us jump.

We came upon what was evidently a temple in which was an altar. On the latter was a cup and a string of beads which had presumably been left by some superstitious native. By this time dusk was falling, but we decided to see some more of these very interesting ruins.

In the forest it was dark, although it was still quite light outside.

On our return journey we were very badly frightened when we heard a terrific roar from an animal which was apparently on the verge of dying, since the roar was not repeated. This made us walk rather quickly in the direction of our car. When we reached it we found an askari who was very glad of our company, as he had also heard the roar. He proceeded to tell us the following story in very grave tones:-

"Do not come here near midnight as the ghosts will catch you and kill you", he said.

We asked him the reason for his statement, but he replied that he did not know one. All he did know was that seven of his friends came near the ruins one night and were beaten to death by the ghosts.

By this time it was 6.30 and we started to go home.

After arriving we had a good dinner and went off to bed.

J. L.

#### Eight Hours in the Indian Ocean.

The following story, a short account of which appeared in the East African Standard some time ago, was told to me by a certain Mr. X, who did not wish his name to be disclosed.

About a year ago, after bringing a Folbot out from England, Mr. X decided to sail from Kilifi to Mombasa. The Folbot was about 17 ft. long, and the sides were of a rubber composition. It also carried a main and mizzen sail. Before setting out, Mr. X procured provisions, blankets, and a Kapok mattress, which was later to save his life.

One morning, very early, he sailed from Kilifi, and when he had proceeded about four miles out to sea, he discovered that the tiller ropes were entangled with rudder. A loaded Folbot is very unstable, so that Mr. X had a very difficult job to clear the rudder. Eventually, it was done, however, and Mr. X camped out the night on the Takamanga beach, about four miles from Kilifi. Early next morning, he again set sail, and after a long trip arrived about 15 miles from Mombasa. It was then that 3 or 4 dhows came astern from Lamu. As he was feeling

very tired, he thought of hailing the dhows and putting the boat on, and so getting a 'lift' to Mombasa. But, on second thoughts, he decided that he would rather get into Mombasa under his own sail!

After letting them pass, he considered the advisability of camping on a nearby beach, but eventually decided to complete the trip that day.

On approaching Mombasa, the tide was ebbing strongly and there was a strong North-east wind. It is an unwise thing to sail with a strong following wind, and against an ebb tide.

Suddenly, about 3 miles outside the reef, a huge wave capsized the boat, and Mr. X was thrown into the water. At first, being very flustered, he thought of drowning and sharks, but, after a little time, he turned the boat over and hung on. But the waves quickly rolled it over again, so he climbed onto it, and sat astride. Seizing a scull, which was floating nearby, he attempted to paddle, but the sails being set under the water, the boat began to drift further out to sea. It rolled again, and pitched him into the water. A few minutes later, it again overturned, and the Kapok mattress, which had been fixed in the bottom, floated up and enveloped him, wrapping itself round his legs; and under his arms. At first he thought that mattress would hamper his swimming, not realising that it would save him.

It was then about four o'clock and he tried to paddle shorewards, at the same time hanging onto the boat. But it seemed to be dragging him further out to sea, so he abandoned it, and continued on the mattress. After some time he became extremely exhausted, and began to think that the end was near. He suffered a great deal from cramp, and after some time lost all consciousness. The mattress still supported his weight, and when he came round, it was about 7 o'clock. The wind had died, and he felt strangely comfortable. A little later he dozed, and when he awoke, he found to his astonishment that he was drifting into the harbour, past the lighthouse. A flash of light attracting his attention, he looked up, and found the lighthouse literally towering above him. Being so near help evidently revived him, for he shouted, and was heard by the lighthouse keeper. The latter then phoned up the pilot office and the police.

Not knowing that help was at hand, Mr. X was carried swiftly by the current towards Kilindini. He made a feeble effort to reach the shore, but, in his exhausted condition, the current proved too strong for him.

Suddenly, he heard the sound of an engine, and made out the outline of a boat. He shouted, and it bore down, and picked him up. On being taken from the water, Mr. X suddenly felt extremely cold! Dry clothes were produced, and the launch then headed from Mbaraki. On landing, the police immediately hurried him to hospital, were he was given food, and a warming drink.

When he awoke, he felt only just warm. Outside, since it was the hot season, the temperature was about 97° F. in the shade!!!

The port officer searched for Mr. X's boat, but up till this day it has never been traced.

Interviews with local newspaper correspondents concluded Mr. X's ordeal.

M.T.

#### Before the Cross-Country Race.

Grim Predictions to a Glutton before the Cross-Country Race.

You Greedy Grigg, you'll get a stitch, The worst you ever got.

I know you'll get it, yes I know, For eating such a lot.

The proteins will with fats unite Below the first steep slope,

And so with starch your belly stuff, Then may you lose all hope

Of coming even twenty-third (Which for a Grigg is good),

But totter down the race track blurred, Because you loved your food.

#### Hyaena Hunting.

Every night we used to hear about four hyaenas not very far from the house and so Gordon and I decided one day it would be a good idea if we sat up one night and tried to shoot one. In the morning we had shot a couple of "Tommy" and we decided to use their entrails as a bait. Owing to rain we could do nothing for the next two plays, but the third was nice and sunny and we got everything ready. We made a platform with some floorboards of an old wagon in a tree about half a mile from the house. The tree was in a favourable position as it commanded two bends of the spruit.

Needless to say our bait was really 'fruity' by this time and should have attracted game from a considerable distance. In the morning I dragged them for about a mile in a sack and at the end of a very long rope, hoping that the hyaenas might pick up the scent. I finally placed them about twenty-five yards from the tree in which we had built our platform.

We took up our positions at about five o'clock in the afternoon. We had a large mattress covering the platform and also plenty of coats and blankets to keep us warm. Our weapons consisted of a 12-bore shot-gun and a .22 rifle with adequate ammunition for both. We had also fixed a car head-lamp as a searchlight.

We made a lot of noise which must have frightened the hyaenas considerably. However, we heard one at about 7 o' clock and we kept quiet for a few moments, but were soon making as much noise as we had been previously. About an hour later we heard a hyaena about a hundred yards away. Naturally we thought that it had picked up the scent of our bait. One fact kept worrying us, however, and that was that a hyeana would pick up the scent near us but follow it in the wrong direction. Apparently, this happened or else the hyaena scented us, for all was quiet until about midnight.

It had been agreed that I should keep watch until midnight when Gordon and my brother, Eric, should take over. However, when the time came to change I decided that I had no desire to go sleep-walking over the edge nor to roll over, so I volunteered to keep watch for the rest of the night.

Whenever we thought that there were no hyaenas about we used to shine our spotlight over the plains just to see how far it could shine, but this probably frightened them away more than anything else.

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When the first streaks of dawn appeared we gave up all hope of shooting anything, so Gordon and I went and tried to get a buck while Eric went up to the house to get some tea and matches. We did not get a buck, but came back to the tree, made a fire, and had a cup of really good cup of tea. We then broke up camp and returned home about ten o'clock feeling none the worse for our night in a tree.

We decided we would try again next holidays and came to the conclusion that silence is as essential as a rifle.

K.J.

#### The Photographic Club.

The membership of the club has now reached twentyseven and great keenness has been shown by all members.

Empire Day came at the beginning of the term and many snaps were taken of the Guard of Honour and O.T.C. Band. The latter had to face quite a crowd of enthusiasts before the parade began. All sorts of weapons were used, from the miniature made presumably to hang from a watch-chain to the more common box-camera.

Members can, thanks to Mr. Lindahl, procure films and printing paper at reduced prices, enabling them to take more photographs. It has to be admitted that all results are not so successful as is hoped, but the occasional good one is to be found.

There is a possibility of a competition at some future date but the subject has not yet been decided on. Cameras will, no doubt, be seen a lot on Sports Day, which means that more time will be spent in the dark room. The Snaps you take to-day are the Pictures of the future.

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## The Old Cambrian Hockey Club. 1937/8.

In a season where most of the local competitions were overshadowed by the visit of the South African team, it was gratifying to record a very successful season from the Club's point of view.

We at last achieved the desire of running two league teams, and although the second team finished up as wooden spoonists in the Presidents Cup, there were no occasions when If you have left school, but still have a brother there,

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anything but a complete team took the field. The second team are to be congratulated on putting up such a good show in their first venture in leagues, and they must not be downhearted that they ended up in such a lowly position. It will make, or should make them more enthusiastic during the coming season, when we hope to run a second team again.

Last season saw a reverse of positions in the Merchants Shield, and Craig Cup. In 1937 we finished badly in the former competition, but exceeded even our own expectations by winning the Craig Cup. Last season we did extremely well in the Merchants Shield, but failed badly in the Knock out Cup.

#### Merchants Shield.

P. W. D. L. Goals. Pts. For. Ag. 12. 5. 5. 2. 28. 21. 15.

In this league we were runners up to Gymkhana, who were three points ahead of us; we had the satisfaction of scoring more goals than any other club, and not being beaten after the middle of October, easily the best effort the club has ever made in League Hockey.

#### Six A Side.

The annual six a side tournament saw Old Cambrians have three teams in the field, but alas we didn't manage to reach the final. The results are tabulated herewith:-

- A team beat Kabete Bees 1 & 1. s. c. to 1. lost to Kabete Hornets 0-3.
- B team beat R.A.F. "C" 2-0, lost to R.A.F. "A" 0-1.
- C team lost to Kabete Hornets 1-1 & 2. s. c. (s. c. means short corner).

The match that will go down in the annals of Old Cambrian Hockey was the "C" team game against Kabete Hornets, and Old Cambrians nearly pulled the match off. It will be seen that they fared much better than did the "A" team. The "C" team consisted of six unexperienced players pitting their strength against Kabete's pick, at least three of whom played against the South Africans. It wasn't until near the end of full time that our team was beaten by a couple of short corners. Personally, the writer has this match to blame for his inactivity in the match which followed, the B team against R.A.F., on account of the excitement caused by such a stout effort by the "C" team.

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#### Craig Cup.

The holders, ourselves, were completely annihilated by Parklands in the first round, to the tune of 3-0. McDonald, the pivot, was suffering from flu, and was a passenger for the whole game. The second half saw the Club buck up, but the Parklands defence seemed impossible to penetrate.

#### The Players.

Last season's first team players were practically the same as the season before.

- Goalies. Drayton & Genower played in goal alternately; the former was not the force he had been in 1937, probably on account of lack of practice, but Genower improved, and he is a plucky goalie, and with tuition should prove a good last line of defence.
- **Backs.** I. Dewar & O'shea, played sterling games throughout the season, and at the latter end of the season, Comminos proved that he was a better back than forward.
- Halves. McDonald, the captain, was a tower of strength in the centre, and was playing throughout the season at the top of his form. C. Dewar improved a great deal, but was erratic at times. The left half position was never permanent, several players changing over throughout the season.
- Forwards. The left wing & Centre positions again proved difficult to fill, but we managed somehow.

Jarrett, Alexander & Destro were again the mainstays of the attack, and the two former obtained nearly all the goals in the League.

The second team I have omitted to mention, and will conclude with a brief paragraph on the prospects for the coming season. Before this, however, I would like to mention that McDonald & Jarrett both played for the H.A.K. team against the South Africans.

Prospects. We are hoping to run two teams again this year, but of course that depends on the number of members available. The first team should be about as strong as last year, although we are doubtful about I. Dewar, who hurt his knee badly at Rugger this year. We hope he has a speedy recovery. There is a chance that an old stalwart, Randovery will be turning out again, and if that is the case, our left wing problem will be solved.

S. L. Jarrett, Hon. Secretary.

#### Old Cambrian Cricket Club. 1937/8.

The biggest blow of the season was the loss of our score book, by, of all people, the Hon. Secretary of the Society, and I am unable to append the averages for the season.

The team was very weak last season, Nixon was transferred to Uganda, and his loss was a great one from a bowling point of view. However, the team was quite enthusiastic, and shewed more spirit that in the previous season.

We only managed to record two wins in 13 matches, but nevertheless had some close finishes. The best score of the season was against Parklands when Stanley & Jarrett had an opening partnership of 193, scoring 71, & 103 respectively. Our lowest total was against Gymkhana who skittled us out for 73.

Some of the younger players improved a great deal, notably Dewar, whose batting came a great deal towards the end of the season, even though straight bats to Colin are fairy tales. Dodd bowled well throughout the season, and Stanley too, while the Noble brothers put in valuable work with both bat & ball.

Once again we are indebted to Mr. Astley for the School ground, and for the provision of teas, and I would like to record the Clubs thanks.

The result of the seasons play was as follows:-

Played 13, Won 2. Lost 6, Drawn 5.

#### Old Cambrian Rugby Football Club

1937, Progression.

1938, Retardation.

An unusual way to commence notes on the Club Rugby, but that I think sums up the 1938 season in a nutshell. The season is just finishing as I write these notes.

We commenced the season with about 35 players, and although two or three of the 1937 team were away, the prospects of a good season were definitely there, and we started off in good style, winning our first few fixtures, but this soon stopped. Two or three players were injured, and lack of enthusiasm soon

became evident. Attendances at practices were extremely poor, and when the team was being beaten again and again, the majority of players lost a great deal of interest.

I cannot stress too much the importance of the Rugby team keeping that spirit which was so much in evidence last year, as until the team retains that spirit permanently, the Rugby will deteriorate, and the Club will suffer accordingly. Perhaps this may be remedied next year, when a movement is to be made to obtain combined practices with Nondescripts. This will certainly benefit us tremendously, and perhaps restore the old confidence we had in ourselves.

In the N.D.C. we finished last but one, a poor effort considering how well we did the previous season, the results were:-

P. W. D. L. Points. Pts. For. Ag. 8. 1. 2. 5. 46. 92. 4.

R. A. F. eliminated us in the first round of the Enterprise Cup by 12-0, and our only real success was a very fine win over Nakuru at the beginning of the season by 20 points to 11. We returned the visit, taking up about 8 of our own players, and augmenting the side with players from other clubs. We were beaten 25 - 13, after an excellent game, and considering the weak side we took up it was a sterling effort.

We entered three teams for the 7 a side competition, but did not manage to repeat last years performance of reaching the final. The results:-

Old Cambrians beat Nond. "B" 13.0. beat Old Cambs "B" 13-6, lost to Nondescripts 28.3.

Old Cambs "A" lost to Muthaiga 0-13.

Well, it is hard to write on so poor a season, but next season something will have to be done, and all members who read these notes are requested to bear in mind that they can do a great deal to foster the team spirit and enthusiasm that is so essential if the Rugby section is to prosper.

S. L. Jarrett.

Hon. Secretary.

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#### Old Cambrian Notes.

The number of new members enrolled since the last issue of the Magazine has been disappointing. May I again urge every member to use his influence in getting Old Boys to join the Society, and for the guidance of prospective members the following are the new subscriptions:-

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We had our new field, adjoining the Prince of Wales School playing fields, levelled and planted, but owing to the failure of the rains it is not looking too bright.

We did not do too well in the Athletic World during the last year, but I hope that this will be remedied by successful Hockey and Cricket Seasons, which will be in full swing next month.

We intend holding our third Annual Dance on Friday the 9th September, and application for tickets should be made to the Honorary Secretary, P.O. Box 440, Nairobi, as soon as possible. We can assure every body present of a jolly good time, so do come along and thus help the Society.

G. Comninos, Hon. Secretary.

#### Old Cambrian Society Dance, 1937.

By Our Social Editor.

The second Old Cambrian Dance was held at Torr's Hotel on the 14th August 1937, and was voted by one and all to be a great success. Torr's was again decorated with the Shield bearing the Crest of the Society, and in place of the Society's colours there were great clusters of baloons hanging from the roof. These were released at midnight, but only lived a short life in the hands of the swarthy Cambrians and their partners.

Captain and Mrs. Nicholson, to whom we all had to say "farewell", took a large party, which included Mrs. Astley (the new headmaster) and Mrs. Astley, Mrs. and Mr. James, Mrs. Roy Mayer and Mr. Johnstone Nimmo. The President of the Seciety, Mr. E. G. Morris, with the help of his daughter Penelope, entertained another large party. During the evening Mr. Morris presented to Captain Nicholson, on behalf of the Society, a pair of gold Cuff-links as a momento of the School and the Old Cambrians. After a great deal of persuasion Captain Nicholson gave a short speach in which he asked all those who were interested in the School and its activities to contribute towards the new Cricket Pavillion, which was being built with money collected by the Old Cambrians for the presentation to himself. He pointed out how much the school neaded the pavillion, and said that nothing would give him greater pleasure than to see it erected as a Memorial to himself. He then paid tribute to the hard work done by Mr. Comninos as Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Society, and said that he hoped the rest of the members would work to keep the Society together as Mr. Comninos had done. This speech was received with loud applause followed by the singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow"; the dancing then continued and after the band packed up music was supplied by Mr. Johnstone Nimmo and Mr. Robert Duncan on Piano and drums.

Old Cambrians obviously enjoying themselves were Mr. Comninos dancing with Miss M. Lang, Mr. D. Lang with Miss M. Tate, Mr. R. Alexander with Miss M. Pollok, and Mr. D. Destro with his sister, Miss R. Destro.

Miss Juju Muter, Miss Tony Anderson and Miss Irene Duncan were all partnered by Cambrians, namely Mr. T. Scade, Mr. D. Suffield and Mr. E. Jessop.

A very large and jolly party consisted of Miss G. Bell, Miss U. Milstead, Miss D. Smith, Miss J. Howard, Mr. B. Shaw, Mr. C. Heath, Mr. J. R. Bell and Mr. D. Milstead. Mr. and Mrs. B. Finch were again representing the married Cambrians, they were supported by unmarried Cambrians in Mr. E. C. Green, Mr. P. Breckenridge and Mr. Howard, the party being completed by Miss D. O'Shea, Miss M. Hudson and Miss S. Nordlinger.

I think I am again correct in saying that the Old Cambrians are not the only ones who will look forward to the mext dance, which I believe is being held at Torr's Hotel on the 9th September, 1988.

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