

SOME BOYS WITH AIR CHIEF

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Editorial

We launch this Weekly News Sheet with the hope and expectation that it may be the forerunner of a long series. Our policy is to give a record of events as they happen: School matches, debates, plays, film shows, notices, and such like. Outstanding space will be devoted to contributions and correspondence from boys. Later it is hoped to blossom out into a regular school magazine, to appear once or twice in the year, and to be made up in part from contributions to these Weekly News Sheets, which it is hoped boys will collect and keep. The copies this term will be issued free, but in future, to pay for materials and to build up a reserve for a magazine, a charge will be made of one rupee for the term's issues.

Sport

On 22 Nov. in a cricket match against Sargodha City Cricket Club the School team, weakened by the absence of S.A.T.C. members at Lahore, lost badly. S.C.C.C. declared at 102 for 7, and the School could only make 53; Ilyas was top scorer with 11. Thus has ended our hitherto unbeaten record. School team: Kazim, Warris, Ishaque, Anis Beg, Akbar, Mufti, Ilyas, Omar, Suhail, Mazhar, and Shujat.

The same day in a junior House Soccer match Tempest beat Fury by 1 goal (by Kharka) to nil. Teams:- TEMPEST: Anwar, Mahmood, Qamar, Revis, Farooq, Ashfaq, Varris, Ainul, Kharka, Intiaz (Capt.) Shaida: FURY: Abbas, Khalid, Riaz (Capt.) Istiaque, Rauf, Arif, Murtaza, Manzar, Maqbool, Malik, Aftab.

On 27 Nov. there was a Soccer match against Government College. A very vigorous game ended in a loss for the School by one goal. The School team was: Ilyas, Moin, Zakaullah (Capt.); Bakhtiyar, Hamid, Aftab: Kasim, Malik, Jehansher, Obaid, and Mufti.

Results of Soccer matches played before this week: Ist XI v. Ambala School won 2-1; v. Govt. Col. 2nd XI lost 0-2; v. Ambala School won 2-0. School 2nd XI has played four games against Ambala 2nd; all were drawn.

Miscellaneous

The crest for the School blazer has now been approved, and an order has gone for them. It is hoped that they will be available for the Opening Ceremony on 16 December. The competition for a suitable design was won by Karim (56); with Yunus (51) second; they are awarded the prizes offered by the Principal. The winning design shows a shield containing a light blue background with the green roundel of the R.P.A.F. inside. Across this appears the red albatross that decorates Air Force summer uniforms. We are still on the look out for a motto.

The Film shown last week end was called "History is made at Night." It was unfortunate that a "technical hitch" in the projector curtailed it.

A Junior Chess Club has been formed, and meets once a week in Tempest House. At present there is accommodation only for six boys from each house. When a larger room is available many more boys will be able to join.

About half the S.A.T.C., in charge of Mr. Kearsley, visited Lahore last week end; this very successful trip is recorded below.

In the English Essay competition the Senior prize was won by Wahab (92), and the junior prize by Zafarullah (35).

The removal of the chiks this week from the buildings reminds us that the heat has now definitely passed; we shall be very glad when mosquito nets go from our beds.

S.A.T.C. Trip to Lahore

The news that the two upper forms were going to Lahore had spread all over the School. When the day came we packed up our bedding and drove to Sargodha Aerodrome. While the plane was being loaded we went round the Control Tower; then we took our seats, and in a few minutes we were up in the air bound for Lahore. The pilot was kind enough to let us go in turn and look round the Cockpit. For many of the boys it was the first air trip, and they were feeling excited. Everybody was gazing out of the windows at the ground far below. Soon the plane, a Bristol freighter, was over the Chenab, and after another twenty minutes touched down at Lahore. We were received by some of the station Officers who took us along for tea.

As a busy programme had been laid out for us we got down to it at once. There were demonstrations as well as lectures. One interesting part was about air traffic control. They showed us various devices by which they keep in touch with "kites". They had wireless transmitters as well as receivers. They showed us flare pistols. The flares were coloured and each particular colour had a meaning. For instance a red flare meant DANGER, and so on. It was also interesting to see model aeroplanes flying; one of them went out of sight and crashed outside the aerodrome.

We began the second day with some elementary instruction in gliding and wing balancing (that is keeping the wings of the craft level with the help of the stick); all this was done on the ground. Then we boarded a truck and went on a sightseeing tour of the city. Our first visit was to the Zoo, and after that to the Museum. Unfortunately there wasn't time to see everything of interest in the Museum. Lastly we visited the Shalimar Gardens where many boys took Photographes. We returned to the aerodrome, and at exactly two thirty took off for Sargodha again. After forty minutes we were flying over the School, and looking down on the Sunday cricket match; shortly afterwards we were in the School buses on the last stage of our return journey. Anis A. (82)

A Visit to the Zoo

On 21 November the boys of the S.A.T.C. went to see the zoo in Lahore. It is situated in the Mall close to where the Queen's statue stood. It is spread over a large area, and is strongly fenced on all sides. There is only one gate to enter by. The area is divided into several sections, each containing different kinds of bird and animal. The two mounds situated in the centre are very attractive; one of them is planted with trees and evergreen shrubs.

As we entered we saw monkeys on our right and ostriches on our left. If we walk in a south-easterly direction we come across water fowl, ducks, herons, and fishes. Farther on we see bears, parrots, and African birds. Then come the cages in which the lions - "The King of Beasts" - are kept. As we proceeded we saw leopards, panthers, zebras, wolves, jackals, foxes, peacocks, deer, stags, kangaroos, and several other wild animals. One boy at a leopard's cage seized its tail, and pulled it out through the bars. The leopard got rather angry. Under the pipal tree close to the fountain we see an elephant. His huge body inspires awe in the minds of the onlookers - especially women and children.

The zoo is an interesting place where we can amuse ourselves as well as make a useful study of the habits of animals. There is no doubt that a visit to a zoo makes a very pleasant day's outing.

Intiaz (100)

Poem

W I S H I N G

I wish I had a book,
To teach me how to cook!
I wish I had a bow,
To shoot a long arrow!
I wish I had some money,
To buy some bread and honey!
I wish I had suppes ten,
To buy a fountain pen!
I wish I had a bard,
To sell - and buy some curd!
I wish I had a ball,
To bounce against the wall!

But most of all I wish I knew
The way to make each wish come true!

Khurshid (58)

Editorial

We were pleased with the kind reception of the first number of the Weekly News Sheet. But we must point out that its success will greatly depend on a regular supply of articles from boys. The record of the week's events will generally take up about three quarters of the first page; it is for the rest that we are in need of contributions. These should be handed in on Friday night: literary articles to Mr. Boagey, and games and sports information to Aftab(89)

Visit of Sir Hugh Walmsley

We were very pleased to have with us for several days this week Air Marshal Sir Hugh Walmsley K.C.B., K.C.I.E., C.B.E., M.C., D.F.C., Lady Walmsley, and Mr. D.G.T. Harvey of Air Service Training Ltd. Sir Hugh Walmsley addressed the School for a short time on Friday, and congratulated the boys on the progress that they had made. He gave us some first rate advice on leadership; the five qualities for a leader in order of importance were Knowledge, Courage, Experience, Initiative, and Example. He referred to the value of games, and described discipline, as organised unselfishness. We have asked him to give us a short message. This we hope to publish in a later number.

Miscellaneous

A second party of the S.A.T.C. under Mr. Kearsley visited Lahore at the week end, and carried through a programme of air training similar to that of two weeks ago. Enjoyable visits were afterwards arranged to the Zoo, the Museum, and the Shalamar Gardens. In the Museum special interest was shown in the section devoted to the early history of the Indus valley. The party was taken and brought back, as before, in a Bristol Freighter.

In the Urdu essay competition the Senior Prize was awarded to Tassawar(98), and the Junior Prize to Malik (57).

The films shown on Saturday night included two information films on Australia, a Micky Rooney, and a Laurel and Hardy.

The editors of The Planesman, the 'magazine' which had appeared in separate sheets on the Library notice boards on alternate Mondays and which has now been superseded by the Weekly News Sheet, ask us to thank all those who contributed to it, and to remind them that the Weekly News Sheet is awaiting the products of their literary talents.

On Tuesday this week the School examinations will begin.

Sport

On Nov. 29 in a House Soccer match FURY defeated TEMPEST 1-0; the goal, a penalty, was scored by Jehansher. Teams; FURY: Aftab (Capt.); Mahsud, Mufti; Shujhat, Ashik, Ishaque; Muzzamal, Malik, Jehansher, Obaid, Ilyas. TEMPEST: Mazhar; Zakaullah, (Capt), Moin; Anis Beg, Qamar, Bakhtiyar; Abul, Anis(82), Kharka, D'Silva, Karim(56).

On 2 Dec. there were Soccer, Hockey, and Cricket matches. In the Soccer match the School lost to Government College 2nd. XI by two goals to four; the goals were scored by D'Silva and Malik (57). School team; Mazhar; Zakaullah (Capt.), Qamar; Bakhtiyar, Ashik, Moin; Malik, Obaid, Jehansher; D'Silva, Mufti.

In the hockey match against Government High School the School 2nd. XI drew 0-0. School team: Revis; Ejaz, Shujhat; Maqbool, Mahmood, Varris; Karim(56), Manzar, Abbas (Capt.), Ashfaq. Murtaza.

In a Junior House Cricket match TEMPEST beat FURY by ten wickets. Both sides were weakened by calls from the School sides. For TEMPEST Amjad made 17 & 13 n.o. and took 9 for 21; Imtiaz took 6 for 12. TEMPEST: Imtiaz(Capt.), Amjad, Farooq, Husain, Rabbani, Anwar, Iqbal, Qureshi, Kharka, Nazar, Syeed, Asmat, Aftab, Arif, Riaz, and Iqbal(10).

On 6 Dec. in a House match where teams were weakened by the absence of S.A.T.C. party FURY beat TEMPEST by an innings and 37 runs. FURY: Meerza (Capt.) Obaid, Shujhat, Aftab, Ishtiaq, Mahsud, Asmat, Sarwat, Kazim, Rizvi. TEMPEST: Karim (90), Anis (82), Imtiaz, Husain, Farooq, Hatif, Bakhtiyar, Ashfaq, Amjad, Ejaz, and Omar.

On 4 Dec. for there was a rehearsal for the Sports which are to be held on 16 Dec. at the Opening Ceremony. No points were awarded, and one or two events were omitted. In the relay race (8 x 220 yards) FURY beat TEMPEST by about 25 yards in 3 minutes 53½ seconds.

Cricket Matches

Of the five School matches played this term four have been won, and one

lost. The results of the four matches played before the issue of the Weekly News Sheet are as follows:-

The School v. The Masters

The School made 72 for 5 declared (Anis Ahmed 42 not out);

The Masters 69 (Mr. Kearsley 31; Mr. Sprawson 25; Kazim 5 wickets for 10)

The School v. Sargodha City C.C.

Sargodha City C.C. 108 for 9 declared (Kazim 3 for 18);

The School 112 for 7 wickets (Mufti 25, Ilyas 23).

The School v. Gymkhana Club

Gymkhana Club 61 (Ilyas 3 for 13);

The School 88 for 8 wickets (Ishaque 21).

The School v. Gymkhana Club

The School 53 (Sarwat 16)

Gymkhana Club 50 (Kazim 7 wickets for 24).

Fiction

A H M E D ' S H O S T

It was Jamil's seventh birthday. He had invited many of his classmates to his party, including Ahmed. Jamil's father was a rich merchant; Ahmed's father was a C.I.D. man and lately he had been very busy. He was trying to solve a crime which had baffled many senior officers. The police knew that Indian rice was being smuggled into Pakistan, but they did not know who the ring-leader was. They had given the job of finding the smuggler to Mr. Khan (Ahmed's father) and they promised to promote him if he were successful.

As soon as Ahmed was ready Mr. Khan took him to Jamil's house in his car. Ahmed saw many of his friends giving Jamil presents, so he advanced and gave Jamil a toy train. Then Jamil asked Ahmed and his father to go to the dining hall for tea. Now Ahmed was extremely fond of pastries, and when a plate of them was passed on to him he took as many as he could. But he only got five and that, of course, did not satisfy him. He awaited patiently for more, but none were to be seen. Ahmed then got an idea. He got up from his chair and went towards the door through which he had seen the bearer come with the pastries. There Ahmed saw before him a long gallery with rooms on both sides of it. He was not sure which was the kitchen, but he decided to find out for himself, so he entered the one nearest him.

Just as Ahmed was entering the room his father saw him and got up to call him back. But when Mr. Khan reached the door he could not see Ahmed so he started to search for him in the room Ahmed had seemed to enter. Then he caught a fleeting glimpse of his son in the adjoining room and after a little chase he managed to catch him up. He began to scold Ahmed, but when he learnt that he had got up from his seat to get some pastries he forgave him. While doing this, however, Mr. Khan saw a bag of Indian rice hidden in the corner of the room. At first Mr. Khan thought it was the work of a careless servant (Indian rice could be bought in the market), but when he examined it carefully he saw that it was put there purposely to cover up the tiny door of a room which was filled with bags of rice.

Mr. Khan quickly ran up to the dining room and, after summoning some policemen, arrested Jamil's father. The guests were at first shocked, but when they saw the room of rice they had to believe that Jamil's father was a notorious smuggler. The staff, of course, was very pleased with Mr. Khan and he was promoted as had been promised. On the other hand Mr. Khan was very pleased with his son and bought him many pastries, which, of course, he liked.

Aero-Modelling

Aero-modelling was started in September and all the boys above number fifty-one were allowed to take part in it. When the equipment arrived the Principal issued models to the boys and appointed Mr. Buckman the aero-modelling instructor. On 7th and 16th of October new supplies of equipment were received. By this time most of the boys had finished making their models and on November 1st. Mr. Buckman arranged to have them flown on the nearby R.P.A.F. runway. Each boy tried his luck; and though there were a few crashes, on the whole the models flew very well.

On 22nd November a new supply of models arrived and it is being issued by Muzammel who is now in charge of the store. We hope that boys will continue to take an interest in this hobby and that even those who do not model themselves will come to see the displays which we intend to hold in the future.

Imtiaz(100)

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