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IN several ways this year has been a unique one for the School. Some of those ways were tragic, others were matters of rejoicing. The death of a boy and the resignation of a master in the middle of the year were events that taxed the School's spirit to the utmost. Its mettle was also put to the test by the absence at various times during the year of three of its Faculty on sabbatical leaves. We feel that the School has met these tests and profited by them, and that the year is ending well.

The addition of Mr. Francis Cadwalader to the Foundation, and the coming of Bishop McKinstry to the Diocese and the Foundation, have given the School a renewed feeling of confidence and security.

We have been much distressed by the Founder's illness; and his speedy recovery to strength and his usual active life has been the constant prayer of the School.

It is appropriate that early in this report grateful mention should be made of the three men, Messrs. MacInnes, Cameron and Sherwood who acted as headmaster during the Headmaster's sabbatical. Performing the Headmaster's duties each for a month at a time, in addition to their regular teaching and other work, they

did a splendid job. When crises arose they met them swiftly and firmly. The Headmaster returned refreshed from his own leave to find the School in shining orderliness, and everyone ready to finish strong. We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation of the chance the Board has given us of having these very helpful and enjoyable leaves of absence. Mr. Sherwood spent his studying in France, Mr. MacInnes teaching at Rugby School and Marlborough College in England, and the Headmaster at General Seminary and Calvary Church, New York, with a trip to Bermuda at the end.

In last year's report mention was made of retrenchment in giving the Sixth Form responsibility and authority. This year's Sixth made a splendid start and showed that it could bear much more of the burden and heat of the day. The pace was not always sustained, but the finish was strong, and it is now evident that our next important step is greater sharing of the discipline and leadership of the School between Faculty and boys. A new step in this direction has already been made by assigning Sixth Formers to be advisors to the younger boys, so that each boy has not only a Faculty but also a Sixth Form Advisor.

It is also clear that the disciplinary system, which has grown these nine years until it more nearly resembles the Jewish Talmud than the Christian Summary of the Law, should be overhauled by a committee of boys and masters, and simplified and clarified to the point where it is more practical and effective.

One lesson learned from the automobile accident which was fatal to Charles Turner is that we should

eliminate all driving of boys in cars except what is absolutely necessary for their participation and development in the School's program. Accordingly we have stiffened the rules governing riding in cars, and this step has met with almost unanimous approval from the parents.

Charles Turner was in his seventeenth year. He entered St. Andrew's from St. James' School in September, 1936. His athletic career was distinguished for a boy of small stature and light build. He was star and Captain of the Junior football team, and on the Varsity squad this year. He wrestled in the lighter weights of the Varsity Wrestling Team, and was Co-Captain of the Varsity Tennis Team.

His interests were social and athletic rather than studious, but he worked for *The Andean* the first year it appeared, and this year he was in the Choir. There was a certain frank hard-headedness about Charles which made him rather a typical American boy. He had many close friends, among townspeople and workmen as well as the boys and masters of the School. Well co-ordinated, daring and fond of excitement, he had the ambition of becoming an aviator. Though he was the first to question what could not be proved by a working model or mathematical demonstration, he was becoming increasingly aware of the importance of school spirit, and his contribution to the life here was steadily growing.

He is survived by his mother and a sister. Mrs. Turner is giving in his memory a tennis prize, which has been competed for in a tournament. About half the School

entered this, and it proved to be an outstanding athletic activity of the year.

As the main planting program has been completed, it was necessary this year only to replace dead plants and trees, and to fill in certain spots. The beginning of the entrance drive was graded and landscaped. All trees and shrubs were fed during the winter, and a more systematic spraying program was carried out. The planting shows the effect of this good care, and visitors to the School are beginning to have the impression that we had to clear out a forest to build it, rather than that we began with a wheat field!

The Boathouse gulley has been practically completed, as far as landscaping is concerned, except for some trails through the main part. Lawns are growing near the boathouse where briars and honeysuckle formerly choked the small trees. Tulips and iris adorn the sward. The banks are graded and planted with sod and honeysuckle, and the effect is most satisfactory.

Nothing is being done to the lawns until the Japanese beetles have moved on. The Department of Agriculture has innoculated some sections of our lawns with bacteria which are supposed to cause a fatal disease among the beetle larvae. The results of this project, which is still in the experimental stage, will be watched with interest.

All six tennis courts were completely regraded and resurfaced with clay from the School property, to the great improvement of the playing surface. Sixty red pines have been donated by the boys and their parents as a memorial to Charles Turner, and will be planted

next fall as a windbreak around the tennis courts, where Charles so often starred as Co-Captain.

A set of Burbank's works were given the School by its Founder. Mrs. Lewis Meade Treadwell presented a fair linen cloth to the Chapel. The boys and graduates of Pennsylvania, South Carolina, New York and Maryland have now hung their State flags in the Chapel. Mention was made in the fall report of the beautiful mural in the Dining Room, which is to be formally dedicated this week. Unfortunately Mr. Wyeth has had heart trouble, and will be unable to attend and speak about the mural, as he had consented to do.

The new milk house was finished at the Farm, and is a great improvement. The problem of selling milk during vacation is as well settled as it can be, with Sylvan Seal Dairies established as a regular customer.

Improved grain prices enabled us to sell some wheat and corn late in the spring at better than the earlier prices. We raised eight or ten brood sows this year instead of four as formerly, and sold a good many pigs. More small pine trees were planted in the rolling end of the field along the highway, and this plantation, started three years ago, now shows signs of becoming a formidable forest.

We ended the year with 117 boys, distributed by states as follows: Pennsylvania, 36; New York, 19; Maryland, 14; Delaware, 9; Washington, D. C. and New Jersey, 6 each; Connecticut and Virginia, 4 each; two each from Germany, Tennessee, Georgia, West Virginia and Illinois; and one each from the Hawaiian Islands, Massachusetts, Maine, Nebraska, Texas, Indiana, Ohio, and

North and South Carolina, a total of 20 states, the Hawaiian Islands and Germany. Two of our boys enjoyed residence this year in German schools as exchange students. This plan has been an excellent one, and the broadening on both sides has been most interesting. A better way of promoting understanding can hardly be imagined, but unfortunately the exchange is to be suspended for next year.

The disciplinary record was the best in the history of the School at the end of the Fall Term. 54 per cent of the School ended the year on the White List, and 25 boys or 21 per cent of the School were on bounds at one time or other during the year. This compares favorably with last year.

The recreation program included Miss Cornelia Stabler, the monologist, Professor Michael Dorizas, popular lecturer from the University of Pennsylvania, and Professor Roemert, with slides of living protozoa. The Students' Orchestra of Wilmington played one evening in the Spring Term, to the great delight and admiration of the School. Mrs. Carl Austin gave an informal piano recital. There were two dances with an average of 45 girls in attendance. The Criss Cross Club gave two one-act plays, and sponsored an amateur night in the fall. The Fortieth Century Athletic Club staged an elaborate sporting evening with unique features in boxing and wrestling, including the appearance of a "masked marvel."

Our three publications, the *Cardinal* (news sheet), *Andrean* (literary magazine) and the *Criss Cross* (year book) merged into one editorial and business board, and

now appear in co-ordinated succession. This cuts down time, expense and duplicated requests for advertising. The change has shown its value in the quality and improved financing of the publications.

With the purchase of some instruments, Captain Williams began practice for a School Band. A good start has been made toward this, and we hope next year for results which will edify the general public.

The Athletics schedule was the largest we have ever had. The Wrestling, Tennis and Junior Baseball teams had very good records, the Crew broke better than even, and the Football, Basketball and Baseball teams came out the short end. With 50 contests with outside teams during the Spring term alone, it is probable that our schedule should be cut down. One reason for the increase is our joining the Inter-State Academic League, a group of schools around Baltimore and Washington. This may be offset by more intra-mural contests for our junior teams. In this connection it is planned to have a Varsity and a Junior Varsity Football squad next fall, and to have the rest of the School play six-man football, which is coming into great vogue. A welcome period of skating gave variety to the sports of the winter term.

Bishop McKinstry confirmed 10 boys on March 12th. We had a fine Christmas Carol Service, followed by the annual Christmas Party and Tree for the employees and their families. This was the first time that the School has been here for this party, and it was pleasant to have the Sixth Form act as hosts.

The Good Friday Meditation was led by the Headmaster, and the Chaplain was preacher at the Celebra-

tion on Easter, and also delivered the Baccalureate Sermon. The School enjoyed sermons by Dr. Ogilby, and the Rev. Messrs. John Williams and Charles F. Penniman, also Mr. Burleson's illustrated lecture on Indian missions.

Mr. Scott acted as Alumni Secretary this year. This important phase of the School's life got the attention it deserved, and much closer touch was kept with our old boys. A comprehensive system of visible records is being set up for all former members of the School. The achievements of the Alumni have been a source of great pride to us. Robert Crane led the Freshman Class at Washington College, Loring Batten won the Kingsley Scholarship at Yale, and Edwin Sibert passed the highest competitive examinations in his district for the Naval Academy. Hollingsworth Whyte won the Théâtre Intime Prize at Princeton for his play "We Rileys." George Culleney, '34, led his class at the Berkeley Divinity School. Several alumni have been on Dean's Lists and have won awards in athletics. Four of them, Miller Shaw, George Culleney, James de Peyster, and Arthur Patten are now married, and Pierce Fenhamen and William Roberts are about to be.

The health this year set a record. There were exactly half as many Infirmary cases as in 1936-37, 50 compared to 100 in that year. Last year there were 54. The number of Infirmary days and nights was 104, compared to 154 last year. The number of cases given treatment was 399 compared to 451 last year. The number of office visits was 2163 against 2350 last year. Twenty cases of biliousness and 11 attacks of gastro-enteritis of unknown

cause constituted a large part of the year's sickness. We were mercifully free from the usual infectious diseases. Poison Ivy had 26 sufferers, and 14 boys had boils.

Some of this good showing may be ascribed to circumstances over which the School and boys have no control, but credit should be given to Miss Miller's fine supervision of the boys' health practices, and her early treatment of incipient illness. We feel also that the School's program has been more closely integrated this year with the recommendations of the Health Committee.

The average gain in weight of 98 boys was $8\frac{3}{4}$ pounds, a quarter of a pound less than last year. Fourteen boys lost an average of $5\frac{1}{2}$ pounds, compared to 10 who lost last year. Twenty-two boys gained up to 5 pounds, 37 from 5 to 10 pounds, 28 from 10 to 15, 10 from 15 to 20, and one boy gained $23\frac{1}{2}$ pounds.

Mr. Tonks is to marry Miss Margery Mitchell in Providence, R. I. on June 30th. They will live in the Gymnasium Apartment, with whatever Spaniel puppies are left from the litter of 11 recently borne by "Tinker" Tonks.

Miss Jourdan as Dietitian kept up the high standard set by Miss Bowers last year. Miss Jane Dunkelberger acted as switchboard operator and Assistant Secretary during the last afternoon and evening. For the first time we employed a Night Watchman. In spite of these signs that we have grown from a small group into an institution, we hope to keep the family type of life here, and to that end we plan to preserve and in some cases to revive the personal touch conferred in visits to Masters' houses, teas, breakfasts and the like. This sort of

informal hospitality means much to the boys, and provides a medium for the friendly relationships essential to the well-being of a School on our plan.

The ladies of the School added some appropriate touches to the decoration of the Masters' Common Room, and their gardens have kept the School supplied through the spring with a variety of beautiful flowers.

The School opened last fall at one of the most momentous times in modern history, when Mr. Chamberlain flew to Munich and secured what he described as "peace in our time." Whatever may be the ultimate accuracy of this description, we were near enough war in our time to see again clearly the implications of such an ominous event for the School. The Headmaster was attending a Church School entirely devoid of past military traditions when the United States entered the World War. He well remembers the drills on half holidays, and the sweaty maneuvers on Saturday afternoons, when we toiled up hills and through slashing and brambles, and made forays at double-quick along the dusty roads. Fortunate was he who fell before a blank cartridge, and was declared by the umpires to be a bona fide casualty. Sweet indeed was the cold shower which removed the grime and heat of this simulated warfare.

All this did our souls good, but there were other things that none of us wish for our boys; the interruption of college careers, the departure of some of our finest masters for the front, the news that old boys had been shot down in France. That these things have not yet come upon us should make us deeply thankful. And yet it should not cause us to relax our efforts to eliminate war

as a possible destroyer of school generations as well as of civilized institutions in general.

The year ends with the School facing another problem, not to be considered in the same category as war, and yet in its own way also a curse on mankind. We refer to the fact that some boys will fail courses, will have to tutor and attend summer schools, and miss some of the golden delights of a summer vacation from boarding school. If it were a question of a mere handful of boys having to undergo this torture, it could be dismissed as "just one of those things." But when a large percentage of the boys of the private schools have to pursue summer studies to remove conditions and failures, the situation is worth more than a shrug of the shoulders.

We have been making some study of the cause of failures here this year. Some of them come from the misplacing of boys in courses. Perhaps a boy is accepted by the School with reluctance. His entrance examinations show little promise, but he does some summer study and enters. Or perhaps a boy able to do work in one form is tried in a higher form because parental pride pleads for it. There is a certain percentage of academic casualties from such stretching of points, but sometimes it proves to be justified. The answer here is eternal vigilance.

Far more often failing work is done because a boy who is capable of doing the work simply is not putting forth the effort. There are boys who always aim just to pass, and who end by failing. There are boys who put hard study only into those courses which "interest" them

or "will help them in business." The ability to deal with the boy who doesn't work hard is one of the searching tests of a school, and, as any schoolmaster knows, there is no easy panacea for this.

We feel that this whole problem has been aggravated recently by two factors.

First, the secondary schools have been caught between two forces. The colleges have been raising their standards and entrance requirements. Compare the College Boards of 1920 with those of 1940. But the schools which prepare for the secondary schools have not yet been able to gear up their standards proportionately. In some cases they are doing excellent jobs, but when it is considered from what a wide range of schools boys come to the secondary schools, it will be seen how difficult is the task. The secondary school has to take the same sort of scholastic material and prepare it in the same time for stiffer college requirements. Accordingly the number of failures increases, or that is our impression.

Second, there is the general state of confusion in the nation, its sense of being bogged down in difficulties which have one common denominator, namely, that they have all been caused by "someone else." This state of confusion, this paralysis of enterprise, this loss of purpose, inevitably reflect themselves in the thought and attitudes of the young. We cannot be surprised if they catch from the world around them some sense of futility and of contentment just to "get by."

When America finds its own destiny of world leadership, and becomes willing to pay the price of it, so that

her thinking and acting again acquire purpose and firmness and power, her youth will embody those qualities, and the armies of those in summer school will be decimated!

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The severe drought this summer killed a number of our new trees and shrubs, in spite of the heroic efforts of the men to get water to all of them. Some of the men even spent parts of their vacations in this emergency work. We propose the replacement of all plants lost, and the thickening up of some plantations this year.

The Japanese beetles were at their all-time high here this year, and we hope they will have passed their peak and will decline from now on. Effective sprays have been worked out for this supreme pest, and we will spray at least our vines and shrubs next summer.

Some heavy rains broke the drought and restored the natural greenness around the grounds. They never looked better than when the School returned from vacation.

As soon as the weather is cooler, we shall start planting the Charles Turner Memorial Grove of pines around the tennis courts. Over \$400 has been subscribed for this by boys, parents and employees of the School.

The Silver Lake dam partly washed out again, for the third time in the last few years. We are assured by the Highway Department that the dam will be rebuilt as soon as possible. For the second successive season Camp Appoquinimink has been unable to open, and the empty weediness of Silver Lake has become discouragingly oppressive.

Further development of the Boathouse Gulley was made during July, when trails were made from the Gymnasium to the Boathouse.

We are glad to announce the following important gifts to the School since the last meeting:

A fine Italian antique cabinet, from Mr. Allan J. Henry, in memory of his uncle, Rev. Canon de Nancrede. The cabinet is now installed in the Reception Hall.

An excellent portrait of Bishop Coleman, Second Bishop of Delaware, given the School by the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The painter is unknown. The portrait has been restored by Mr. Frank Schoonover, and now hangs in the Dining Room beside Bishop Cook's picture.

Several big game heads and a number of books for the Library, from Mrs. Pell's mother and brother, Mrs. William Roscoe Bonsal, and Mr. William Roscoe Bonsal, Jr. Most of the heads were shot by Mr. Bonsal in Alaska and the Rockies.

The Farm had an expensive year, for two reasons: first, though the crops were excellent, the corn our best ever and the wheat just short of 30 bushels an acre, the prices were rather low; and second, there was a large amount of repairing necessary, chiefly to the end of the cow stable and in the farmhouse, and the purchase of a new Chevrolet truck to replace the old Ford.

Our boar won a red ribbon at the Kent and Sussex Fair. The dairy record was less impressive than it has been previously, largely because some of our best cows

have died or dried up. This fall we bought two registered Holsteins from Mr. Kein of Delaware City, and we plan to breed a herd of Registered Holsteins to supplement our present herd of 11 Registered Jerseys.

The new milk house has been a great improvement, the cow stable is kept in excellent condition, and the cooling system operates dependably. With the supplanting of grade cows with registered animals, we should have a prize dairy.

The orchard should have borne a substantial crop of apples this year, but a frost in May destroyed the blossoms before they could develop. A bushel of apples was the total product, but they were very large and good, and bode well for the future yield of the orchard.

Our last refugee has returned from Europe. Mr. and Mrs. MacInnes, Mr. Scott and several boys and graduates were among the hordes who got back to this country on anything they could. Our enrolment is now at 117 boys, exactly the same as the average enrolment last year.

Of our two new masters, Mr. Hillier is occupying the apartment adjoining the South Dormitory, and Mr. Dennison part of the Fifth Form Corridor apartment. Captain Williams is living at the Farm, in view of his very full schedule of music lessons, including some 40 boys.

Twelve boys are living in the Gymnasium Game Room and Tower Room, and eight double rooms have been made triple in the corridors. There are five vacant alcoves in the East Dormitory, or youngest boys' dormitory. There are therefore 15 boys who have to live in quarters not designed for that purpose or for their

present number of occupants. The Fourth Form are rooming in four different dormitories, whereas it would be desirable to have them in one corridor of rooms.

Every time we have an entertainment we realize more keenly the need for an Auditorium. The rooms in the Gymnasium have bad echoes, and will need extensive acoustic treatment if they are to be used for sound movies, lectures, or concerts.

We also need a handy place for School meetings. The present Study Hall, which provides desks for about half the School, offers no seats except shelves, window sills and the floor to the boys who do not regularly study there. It is impossible to have an impressive and dignified School meeting there.

The Library shelves and books have to be carried upstairs to a classroom every summer to keep the books from getting mouldy. More books are needed, and we are trying to remedy this defect to some extent by increasing the Library budget this year.

What we have just written is frankly designed to show our need for the next addition, which will complete the Main Building, and to express our hope that the erection of this will be accomplished in the next few years.

We have already mentioned the new masters. Mr. Hillier is a graduate of Davidson College and the University of Virginia and has taught at Christ Church School and Randolph-Macon Academy. Mr. Dennison graduated from Princeton last June.

Mr. MacInnes has many interesting comments on his experiences while teaching at Rugby School and Marlborough College last year. Mr. Hutton will leave

on his sabbatical in February. Mr. Hall's condition seems to be better, and he has gone south for the winter in high hopes that he may be well enough to undertake some special work at St. Andrew's in the not too distant future.

The Curriculum is the same this year, except that we have a somewhat larger number of divisions in some courses. Three textbooks, one in French and two in Sacred Studies, which are being used this year, were written by members of the Faculty.

The policy of football for all boys physically able to play is being continued, but there is a change in the arrangement of the squads. Boys were allowed to volunteer for either the Varsity or Junior Varsity squads, or to play six-man football on one of four club teams, which held their first matches last week. These clubs have given themselves such titles as "The Skunks," "The Vultures," "The Dragons," and "The Blind Tigers," and are evenly matched. The Varsity and Junior Varsity squads each play an outside schedule. Nine masters in all are engaged in coaching some form of football. There are a riding squad and a tennis squad for those unable to play football.

The disciplinary system was overhauled thoroughly last spring, and the result is simpler, clearer and less cumbersome. More reliance than ever is being placed on self-discipline and on personal relations between boys and masters and boys and Praefects. The Praefects are members of the Disciplinary Committee, and the Faculty Advisors of the upper forms, the Chaplain, and the Headmaster are unofficial members of the Student

Vestry. In this and other ways we are trying to restore the close association between students and Faculty which existed quite naturally when the School was smaller. We are encouraging more entertainment of boys in Faculty homes, especially of Advisees by their Advisors.

Of last year's graduates, five are at Trinity College, three at the University of North Carolina, two each at Dartmouth and the University of Michigan, and one each at the University of Delaware, Pennsylvania State College, Princeton, the University of Georgia, Johns Hopkins University and the University of Tennessee. One is preparing for the Naval Academy, and one of the Class of 1938 is in his first year there.

Our German Exchange Students are all back in their Fatherland taking their part, we may suppose, in the military or labor service of their country. Our own Exchange Student got out of Germany with few minutes to spare and made his way here through Switzerland and France, minus most of his baggage. As we remember Horst Roloff, Heinz Sander and Ulrich Birkholz, with their winning personalities, their keen and persistent scholarship, and their faith in their leaders, we feel the War more deeply as a personal concern, and pray more earnestly for its speedy conclusion.

Our 117 boys come from the following states or territories: Pennsylvania, 39; New York, 15; Maryland, 14; Delaware, 11; New Jersey, 9; District of Columbia, 5; 3 each from Connecticut, Georgia, Virginia, and West Virginia; 2 each from Maine and Illinois; one each from Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee,

Florida, Missouri, Canal Zone and the Hawaiian Islands.

Sixty-five boys entered here from public schools, and fifty-two from private schools, a larger percentage than last year from the public schools.

Some of the Faculty prepared for the school year by attending the Retreat for College Chaplains and Church School Masters, and the Conference of Masters in Church Schools, both held at St. Mark's School in September. One is impressed by the growth and effectiveness of the Church's work in the Colleges. We write to the College Chaplains about each of our graduates, and receive prompt and interested replies. There is no doubt about the fine attention our boys receive from these men. This gives a real continuity to their religious life as they move from school to college and on to homes of their own.

The week-end before school opened, the Wilmington Y.M.C.A. held a leadership conference at the School.

We are using the Friday evening and Saturday morning Chapel services for a "School of Prayer," explaining one aspect of prayer on Friday evening, and then emphasizing that aspect in the Saturday morning service. We shall do this for several weeks, and also recommend a rule of life for each boy, giving him definite suggestions as to how to form it and keep it. Holy Communion is being celebrated this year on all special days of the Church year, including Ember and Rogation Days. On the first Sunday of the month there will be only one service, a celebration of Holy Communion at 8.30 with a

very short talk, and two hymns. This is in line with the practice in some of the College Chapels.

Our Tenth Anniversary will be celebrated on October 14, 1940. A committee of Trustees, Faculty, Alumni, boys and perhaps a few parents should be appointed to arrange a fitting celebration. In preparation for this we suggest sending out a very detailed questionnaire to our old boys, by which we may appraise to some extent the results of our work so far.

The School welcomes the appointment of the Committee to consider a fitting memorial to Bishop Cook. It would be appropriate to dedicate any such memorial on the Tenth Anniversary Day, since that will also be the Twentieth Anniversary of Bishop Cook's Consecration as Bishop of Delaware.

We report with deep sorrow the deaths of Richard Hamilton Richardson, '36, and George Eames Barstow, Jr., ex-'37.

Dick Richardson had just graduated from Tri-State College, Angola, Indiana, and was killed accidentally while driving the speedboat in which he had won several important trophies. Dick, better remembered as "Tige," was a charter member of the School, and as our first pitcher and our star baseball and football player and wrestler, will rank high in our hall of athletic fame. His mother, Mrs. Frances Young, has offered to give a drinking fountain at the athletic field in his memory.

George Barstow was with Richard Halliburton on his ill-fated attempt to cross the Pacific in a Chinese Junk. The expedition has just officially been given up for lost.

George had great musical ability and had been pursuing musical studies before the expedition.

In common with the rest of the country we have been thinking furiously on our part in the present sad condition of international affairs, and especially on the part of a Church School in time of a major war abroad.

It is surely God's will that a just and lasting peace should be established as soon as possible. Whatever we do toward this objective becomes a rightful part of our work and life here. There seem to be three ways in which members of the School can make some contribution to such a peace, even though just now it may seem like an infinitesimal contribution.

First, we can learn what real peace is, inwardly, in our own lives, and socially, in our corporate life here. The close cooperation of older and younger boys and boys and masters can become the pattern for a world order in which power begets responsibility rather than tyranny.

Second, we can learn to visualize real peace and justice for others as well as for our own community. We can study the problems involved, from the vantage point of a sound general education, integrated by belief in God and a desire to serve Him. To this end we are promoting a contest among the boys for the best "Plan for a Permanent Peace in Europe."

Third, we can learn to promote not only ideas of peace but peace itself, peace based on the Christian ideal of right relationships with God and our fellowmen. We can become propagandists, not for one side or the other in the conflict, but for the peace of both sides.

Adolph Hitler is supposed to have got off on the wrong foot because an unenlightened educational system would not let him study to be an artist! If the wrong sort of education can let loose such havoc, the right sort ought to be more than able to repair it!

In the midst of confusion and fear it is a glorious thing to find that the Church has already laid down the pattern for the real victory in its *Prayer for the Family of Nations*:

"Almighty God, our heavenly Father, guide, we beseech Thee, the Nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen."

Respectfully submitted,

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Headmaster

