



FORTY YEARS ON.

Forty years on, when far and asunder
Parted are those who are singing today,
When you look back and forgetfully wonder
What you were like in your work and play:
Then, it may be, there will often come o'er
you

Glimpses of notes like the catch of a song—
Visions of boyhood shall float them before
you,
Echoes of dreamland shall bear them along.

Forty years on, growing older and older,
Shorter in wind, as in memory long,
Feeble of foot, and rheumatic of shoulder,
What will it help you that once you were
strong?

God give us bases to guard or beleaguer,
Games to play out, whether earnest or fun;
Fights for the fearless, and goals for the
eager,
Twenty, and thirty, and forty years on!

O. B. A. NOTES.

Congratulations:

1. To MR. LIM TAY BOH who was awarded a Queen's Fellowship and is now reading for his Ph. D. in the United Kingdom.
2. To MR. TAN BOON POH who was awarded a three year departmental scholarship to study printing in the United Kingdom. Mr. Tan left for London on the Corfu in August this year together with Mr. Lim Tay Boh.
3. To MR. KWA SOON CHUAN for being the first Asian to be directly appointed

by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Colonial Administrative Service. Mr. Kwa is now taking the Devonshire Course in Colonial Administration at Oxford University.

4. To MR. DOUGLAS TAN who has been awarded a Scholarship for a five year course in music in the United States. He is "majoring" in the piano and 'minoring' in music education in Southern College, Lakeland, Florida. Mr. Tan in a recent letter sends his best regards to the Alma Mater.

A.C.S.—O.B.A. REPORT.

Officials for the year 1950:

President:.....	Mr. Lee Chin Gee ✓
Vice-Presidents:.....	Dr. Herbert H. Peterson (ex-Officio)
	Dr. Ang Swee Hian
	The Hon'ble Mr. Thio Chan Bee
Hon. Secretary:.....	Mr. Yap Ah Chuan
Hon. Asst. Sec.:.....	" Foo Kee Seng
Hon. Treasurer:.....	" Yong Ngim Djin
Hon. Auditor:.....	" Sim Boon Howe
Com. Members:.....	" G. H. Kiat
	" Wong Shian Yean
	" Lim Kay
	" Cheong Thiam Siew
	Dr. Ong Swee Law.

Meetings:

Regularly monthly and bi-monthly Committee Meetings have been held at the residence of the President, Mr. Lee Chin Gee, 12 Anderson Road.

Membership:

Membership is increasing steadily. At the time of writing it stands at 995.

Finance:

The financial position is sound. After expenses on sports gear, an addressograph and plates, stationery etc., have been off set, there is still \$1000/- standing to our credit at the bank.

Annual Dinner:

From a social as well as financial standpoint the Annual Dinner, which was held at the Victoria Memorial Hall on Founder's Day, 1st March 1950, was a tremendous success. In the unavoidable absence of Mr. Lee Chin Gee through illness, Dr. Ang Swee Hian took his place in the toast list. No less than 600 persons attended. To Mr. Yong Ngim Djin, Chairman of the Dinner Sub-Committee, must be attributed the success of organising the dinner. We record our thanks to Mr. Lim Bock Kee and Mr. Lee Chin Gee for their special contributions, and to Miss Lilian Ang, Mr. Yong Nen Khiong and Mr. Douglas Tan, who contributed musical items.

Sports:

We congratulate the St. Joseph's O.B.A. on their success in winning the Wu Paak Shing cup outright after this, their third successive win. The Honourable Mr. Tan Chin Tuan has agreed to donate a trophy to be run along the same lines as the Wu Paak Shing cup.

Cricket:

A very enjoyable afternoon was spent by the Old Boys, the teachers and the present boys at the Y.M.C.A. ground at Balestier Road on Saturday, 30th September when they came to tussle at cricket. With Gurdial Singh and Edwin Doraisamy to augment them, the present boys kept their end up until almost the last minute before they succumbed to the batting barrage of Mr. Cheong Thiam Siew who took a big share in winning the match for the Old Boys. At tea time Dr. Ong Swee Law called upon Mrs. Lee Chin Gee to give away the prize—bats to (1) Cheong Thiam Siew for his batting achievement, 104 N.O. at the inter-O.B.A. Cricket Tournament (2) Mr. E. Ebert for the best bowling average and (3) Dr. Ong Swee Law for being the best all-round Cricketer.

Football:

The present boys met the old boys at their annual soccer encounter on Thursday, 9th October. A ding-dong battle ensued right from the start. If the present boys expected old cronies to face them they were mistaken, for a number of their opponents were still stalwarts under the S.C.F.A. colours. Nevertheless, the present boys acquitted themselves very well. It was not until a few minutes before the end that Dr. Ong bull-dozed the ball into goal and registered victory for the "Old Crocks". At the conclusion Mr. Tay Teck Eng handed the Lee Choon Eng Trophy to the winning

team. The trophy was donated by Mr. Tay Teck Eng to perpetuate the memory of his late and former teacher, Mr. Lee Choon Eng.

Hockey:

The Present vs. The Old Boys match ended in a draw of two all.

We played the S.C.C. and won by 3 to 1.

Opening Of Our New School Building:

Friday, September 29th was a proud day for the A.C.S.—present and past. On that day the edifice which stands as a monument of the loyalty of the old boys to the Alma Mater, was formally opened by H.E. the Governor. All old boys must have felt an inner exhilaration to see the fulfilment of a long treasured dream—a new building which would worthily represent the school and its fine traditions.

The O.B.A. played a major part at all the proceedings. Invitations were issued by post and through the Press in the name of the O.B.A. coupled with that of the Methodist Church. The Hon'ble Mr. Tan Chin Tuan spoke at the ceremony on behalf of the old boys.

All old boys who have not seen the new school buildings are cordially invited to visit the Old school, preferably during school hours.

If you are a member of the O.B.A. and did not receive an invitation card please write or phone to the Hon. Secretary about it. Many covers containing the invitation cards were returned to us by the Postal Authority on account of (1) wrong address (2) wrong number (3) removal.



Teachers' Training College,
Singapore,
26th October, 1950.

The Editor,
A.C.S. Magazine,
Singapore.

Dear Sir,

The newly formed Teachers' Training College, whose building incidently is the former A.C.S., Cairnhill, has a number of A.C.S. old boys. Many of our boys who joined the three months Emergency Course were successful in their examination and are now in the second year Normal. To them and to all others who were also successful, we take this opportunity to express our hearty congratulations.

Our boys are also active in the affairs of the Student Teachers' Association and we are represented in the Association's Executive Committee. Lee Kah Wei has been elected General Secretary.

In the field of sports, Lim Ee Guan is closely related with the Tennis department. Freddie Lee, the noted swimmer, is an outstanding member of the College Water-polo Team.

Not forgetting the social side of College life we must mention Ang Chwee Kim for his active participation in many social functions.

We are all proud of the new A.C.S. building and see in it a symbol of "A.C.S., Forever".

Yours faithfully,
Khoo Tian Seng.