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BOTTLED BRENTHAM.

Oh ! who will o'er the downs with me,
And help me get a load of jam-jars
Or bottles, shortly after tea
On Wednesdays, when from work you're free,
And fetch them home on pram-cars,
Or barrows, carts, or anything
That I can borrow, beg, or bring ?

So spoke the Chairman, one fine day,
Of Brentham's well-known Junior Section,
Unto his boys, who straight away
Showed they could work as well as play,
And now a slight inspection
Behind the "Pav." will show a load
To be transferred to Elers Road.

"My kingdom for a horse," said Dick,
And B. can understand his feeling,
As he with R. and G. look sick
At that great pile, so high and thick,
To go down to West Ealing.
They find it hard to get a cart
Though they've already made a start.

But, oh ! the jars a tale relate
Of Brentham's serious sad depravity.
To think that on this high Estate,
Where pubs. are not, and men walk straight,
I speak with all due gravity,
The bottles make it but too clear
That we're not *all* abstainers here.—THE PIERROT.

A few books have not been returned to the Library. Will
borrowers look up any "strays" and return any found to
Mr. Allport.

Encouraged by last year's success, the four little Brenthamites
are again holding a little Bazaar, in the aid of the Montpelier
Hospital. It will be held in the garden of 27 Woodfield Avenue
(garden entrance), from 3 to 5 p.m., on 15th July, and they hope
that all their kind friends will support them. Useful and fancy
articles, cakes, sweets, lucky tub, etc.

EVENTS.

A Shooting Match took place at the Brentham Range on Saturday, 24th June. Our visitors were the Pitshanger Platoon (Ealing Volunteers). It resulted in an easy win for the Brentham team by 270 points.

BRENTHAM R.C.					PITSHANGER PLATOON.				
Name.	25 yds.	50 yds.	Total.		Name.	25 yds.	50 yds.	Total.	
1. Mr. Carter ...	95	87	182		Mr. White (H.L.)	84	81	165	
2. " Bunting ...	91	89	180		," Tovey ...	77	84	161	
3. " Fielder ...	94	78	172		," Hutchins ...	80	79	159	
4. " Phillips ...	85	86	171		," MacMillan ...	68	72	140	
5. " Austin ...	88	83	171		," Hawker ...	68	68	136	
6. Dr. Fenton ...	83	83	166		," Prynne ...	65	66	131	
7. Mr. Green ...	79	78	157		," Harrison ...	59	68	127	
8. " Edwards ...	71	81	152		," Ratford ...	64	62	126	
9. " Crohill ...	59	83	142		," White (E.W.)	54	56	110	
10. " Bartlett...	55	82	137		," Redman ...	37	68	105	
	800	830	1,630			656	704	1,360	
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Cricket. The Cricket Club played the Army Pay Office again on 3rd June, winning easily. Batting first, Hogley and Royce showed fine form, runs coming freely. Hogley 22, Royce 20, and Thompson 19, were chief scorers, and the total for the first time this season topped the century, being 118. The soldiers replied feebly, and were lucky even to make 44 against Askew's and Millard's good bowling. Askew took 6 wickets, Millard 4.

Turnham Green were visitors on 10th June. The weather was unkind, and heavy rain spoilt the game. Between the showers Brentham made 69, Solo and Smoke evidently not being good for run getting. Millard played well for 16 of them, and Bart. showed us how to make shots to the off in his 13. Turnham Green had a few knocks, and made 29 for 1 wicket. It was fortunate we had the humour of the "twins," cards, smokes, and Mrs. Copestake's good tea to counteract the depressing rain.

For the match at home against Paddington on the 17th, the weather was brilliant. Brentham batted first, Hogley 23, Royce 20, and Askew 10, giving the team a good start; then a collapse threatened, four batsmen falling cheaply; the tail recovered a bit, Carr, Edwards and Turtill making praiseworthy efforts, and bringing the total to 95. Our bowlers followed up the good work and got rid of Paddington for 68, thus avenging our defeat at Paddington in May. Royce got among the rabbits, and had the remarkable analysis of 4 wickets for none.

Turnham Green brought the rain with them again on the 24th, and again it was good to have cards, smokes, tea, and the breezy "twins" at the Pavilion. Royce won the toss, but it was a doubtful advantage, for things were looking as black as the clouds when, in quick time, three good batsmen were back, and only 1 run registered. Rain easing the wicket, Millard and Carr were able to stop the rot. Then Askew went in, and the scorers were very busy for a bit, a huge hit for 6 and some 4's making Askew's total 22 in quick time. Thompson (21) and Turtill (13)

followed up this good example and enlivened the game with hard hitting, so that, in spite of the fact that no less than six batsmen failed to score, the total reached 84. Turnham Green found running very difficult against our good bowling, frequently changed and manœuvred by Royce, and largely due to fine defensive batting by Gomm (22), they made 69 for 5, and the match was left drawn at 8.30 p.m.

Two interesting evening games have been played since the last issue. Civil Servants from the Board of Trade, captained by Mr. Turtill, were our opponents, who won on each occasion by a narrow margin. The chief Brentham scores were: Goodridge, 16 and 14; Carr, 17 and 13; Thompson, 16; Bryceson, 11. Royce captured 6 wickets, Millard 4 and 3. Against us Evans scored 35 and 8, Ogilvie 18. Turtill captured 8 wickets during the games.

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BLVKR.

The Annual Rose Show was held in the Institute on Saturday, 24th June. Cold winds had reduced the quantity of blooms on view, but the quality was, as usual, very high. Mr. Burch, of Peterborough, acted as judge, and awarded as follows:—

ROSES (12 blooms).—1, W. R. Sutton; 2, J. T. Hawtin; 3, G. F. Royce.

ROSES (8 blooms).—1, W. R. Sutton; 2, J. T. Hawtin; 3, H. Meads.

ROSES (4 blooms).—1, W. R. Sutton; 2, T. Bowles; 3, J. T. Hutton.

BEST ROSE IN SHOW.—T. Bowles (Hugh Dickson).

SWEET PEAS (bunch, 20 sprays).—2, T. Bowles; 3, J. Walsom.

CUT FLOWERS.—1, J. Watts; 2, F. W. Green; 3, A. J. Bray.

VIOLAS (9 blooms).—1, J. T. Hawtin; 2, J. T. Hutton; 3, J. Watts.

CULINARY PEAS.—2, J. Harmer.

LETTUCE.—1, T. Bowles; 2, J. Jenner; 3, J. Walsom.

Arthur Scott, of Haven Green, made a good show of garden requisites, and Mr. R. H. Smith's altruistic communicativeness found an appreciated outlet through a hay-box.

Bowls. Against Acton Park at Acton, on 3rd June, we were successful by 72 to 60, and when Acton visited us on 17th June they were victors by 69 to 49. Each having been defeated on its own ground, they are eagerly looking forward to Season 1917.

Our neighbours, Pitshanger Park Club, paid us their first visit on 24th June, when unfavourable weather forced the players to seek shelter after nearly every end. Tea was taken during a downpour.

On Rink I., Mr. May's team won 20 to 14; on Rink II., Mr. Boxall's team lost 14 to 18; on Rink III., Mr. Hearn's team lost 16 to 21; and on Rink IV., Mr. Shuff's team won 31 to 17. Totals—Brentham, 81; Pitshanger, 75.

Ealing Conservatives visited us on Wednesday last, and we lost by 56 to 63. On Rink I., Mr. Hearn's team tied 15 to 15; on Rink II., Mr. May's team won 27 to 18; and on Rink III., Mr. Boxall's team lost 14 to 30.

ON DIT:—

That the view of the outside of the Institute was much admired on two wet Saturdays last month.

That bottles and jars are becoming scarce in Brentham residences.

That the "Local Bottle Committee" probably know by now which road on the Estate contains the largest number of teetotalers.

That the Captain of a Bowling Club must of necessity be a public speaker.

That "the Colonel" is "hot Shuff" as a skip.

That the Turnham Green C.C. suggests water polo for its next fixture with the Brentham C.C.

That Mr. Sutton sometimes produces a few roses.

That the intended "best rose in the show" was carefully exhibited under an umbrella in the grower's own garden, and therefore failed to score.

That the police have noticed, with irritation, that Brentham residents never do anything against the law.

That they have therefore just discovered a footpath on which Brentham cyclists have ridden for years.

That they have accordingly pronounced this to be a fearful crime.

That it's hard luck to help pay for a path, and then get fined for using it.

ANON.

Acting under instructions of a general meeting of **B.P.A.** residents, and in view of the possibility of need, the Committee of the Association will be glad if residents will give some further assistance, so far as they are able. The circumstances have changed, but there are many who desire to help.

For the benefit of new residents and others, the objects of the B.P.A. are here re-printed:—

1. To bring cases of necessity arising from the effects of the war before the Ealing Central Executive.
2. To give, if necessary, temporary assistance during consideration of cases by the Central Executive.
3. To give assistance, where desirable, in cases that the Central Executive is unable to help.
4. To watch food prices, and to deal with reports as to supposed overcharge.
5. To take any other steps that may from time to time appear desirable in the interests of the residents and of the estate generally.

Will residents who desire to subscribe, return the enclosed form to Mr. R. H. Smith, 2, Meadvale Road?

Since the opening of the new church (on which occasion some of us made the acquaintance of the Bishop of London's chauffeur) ears have been anxiously strained to catch a sound of the promised bell. Most of us have so far heard nothing, but residents within the shadow of the edifice assure us that a tinkle can be heard sometimes. "Ring out the wild bells!"

SWEETENED OR UNSWEETENED ?

When one listened to the complaints of the residents of Brentham Garden Suburb about the price of milk and the iniquity of the dealers in raising the cost to 6d. a quart, coupled with the threats of what would happen unless an alteration was quickly made, it seemed as though we were really thinking of doing something with the usual energy of the Britisher ; and when the Secretary of the B.P.A. received a request, duly signed by twenty residents, to call a second protest meeting, he nearly had a fit. Brentham was indeed waking up to something more than whist drives and dancing.

An enthusiastic meeting decided to ask every resident how much condensed milk he would like, and then taking its courage in both hands, ordered *one* box. In fear and trepidation, but risking censure, the milk committee ordered ten, and quickly sold the lot.

The *queue* grew in length, but good order was preserved. Do not we live on a garden suburb ? On Saturday afternoons Mr. ——, who in a moment of sweet simplicity offered to dispense the precious fluid, struggles with box lids whilst the neighbourhood echoes with the resounding strokes of the hammer. Shyly, the milk dealer slips round asking why custom has so suddenly ceased. "No complaints, I hope" ? "No splinters in the milk on account of the cow having been fitted with a wooden leg" ? Short is the answer : "5d. a quart, or condensed." Neighbours vie with each other in counting up the number of spoonfuls of "sweetened" which "Dad" now uses, and fear that it may be necessary to revert to cow's, even at 6d., on the score of economy.

Ten cases, fifteen, twenty, until the number of tins of condensed sold exceeds 300 a week. The gravel path of No. 2 is kicked up as men, women and children, with prams and dogs, call for their weekly allowance ; even the cats are finding their way. But still the price keeps up, and after all this rain too ! What is to be done ? Grumbling is no use, waiting for the Co-op. depot will not do. "Actions speak louder than words."

But there may be something in the whisper which is always floating about, that Brentham people don't mind getting something for nothing, but they think too much of sport to take up serious problems. If so, for shame, Brentham ! TIN CAN.

We are pleased to learn that the Bowling Club is not allowing Mr. W. G. Brown to resign ; his place is to be kept open. Meanwhile his duties are being performed by the captain, Mr. J. Hearn, who is nearly always to be found on the green eager to take names of new members.

WITH THE FORCES.—As almost daily we hear of one or more of our neighbours joining up, the task of keeping the list complete is difficult. Will readers help by forwarding particulars for publication.

THE BOTTLE COLLECTION.

To the residents of Brentham the Ealing Chamber of Commerce has been but the title of a body of people who have had no connection with life in this portion of the borough, but at last it has emerged from the strait path of its customary activities, and lo ! has found Brentham very much alive indeed.

The idea of providing a fund for Ealing men disabled in the war—from what has previously nearly always been wasted—is a distinctly good notion, and we are glad to be able to help such a cause.

Ealing has been divided into seven districts for this purpose, each under an organiser, who, with the help of a small local committee, arranges for the collection of bottles and jars in his district. These are then taken to the Central Depot, where they are washed, sorted, and sold.

When Mr. Bryceson, who, as most Brenthamites know, organises the various activities of the children on the Estate, was approached by the Chamber of Commerce on the subject of helpers, he quite confidently assured them that the boys of the suburb only needed the matter placing before them, and they would carry out the scheme quite thoroughly. The result has in every way justified his confidence, for since Wednesday, 7th June, a total of some 4,000 bottles and jars has been collected. The Boy Scouts connected with S. Barnabas Church have assisted in the work, and the collection is slowly being transferred to the main depot in Elers Road.

Two groups of the lads deserve special mention. N. Hender (leader), with L. Senhenn, G. Stevens, S. Watts, and F. Hender, with B. Bray, V. Smith, J. Preston, and A. Preston, have collected well over 2,000 bottles and jars between them, while valuable assistance has also been given by C. Royce, A. Huggett, S. Crutchfield, C. Palmer, and H. Hebditch. The work is real "war work," and will prove of the greatest assistance to those who have made such great sacrifices for us, and for whom it is both our duty and privilege to do all that in us lies.

The local committee wish to record their thanks for the assistance they have received from The Ealing Tenants, Limited, Works Department, for placing a shed at its disposal for use as a local depot, and to Messrs. Kays, Sims, Clinch and Morgan for the loan of barrows, and to Mr. Studd for the horse and cart by which a part of the collection has already been transferred to the Central Depot.

The Refreshment Committee, though dormant, has in its munificence given a thought to "THE 'ITE," and our Business Secretary has received, per Mr. Boxall, a donation of 10/-. We are grateful for this addition to our subscription list which continues to grow, AND IS NOT YET CLOSED.

SECTION NOTES AND NEWS.

Rifle Club. Now that permission has been granted the Club to open the Range in the Recreation Ground on Sunday afternoons, the Committee are pleased to note that their anticipations have been realised, and a much larger attendance has been made on that day than any other during the week, especially by new members. There are still, however, many who seem nervous of firing their first shot who should not hesitate to take advantage of the exceptional opportunities afforded for learning rifle shooting under natural conditions. No one can expect to excel in the art unless he puts in a lot of practice.

The Secretary will be pleased to receive a match challenge from any resident who can get a team of eight. Conditions can be arranged, and every facility offered. H. F. C.

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Croquet. The ladies of the Croquet Section are grateful to the Refreshment Committee for the very handsome Croquet Set which they presented to the Club.

A match was played at home on 24th May against the G.W.R. ladies, and was won by the latter.

The return match was played on 31st May, and this time the Brentham team was successful.

Two matches are to be played this month against the Springfield Park Club (Acton). E. A. H.

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Bowls. During July all practice games must be played across the green (*i.e.*, east and west). Will match players please hand in their score cards at the end of the game?

The Army has claimed our energetic Secretary, Mr. W. G. Brown; all members join in wishing him the best of luck and a safe return to Brentham and the green. Mr. Amos, too, has left us, having moved away from the estate; he was a bowler of reputation and experience, and if jack finders will imitate his methods, we shall continue to benefit from him even after we have ceased to count on his presence. Mr. Amos takes with him the esteem of all our members.

July Matches : 8th, Lammas (away); 15th, Pitshanger (away); 22nd, Conservatives (away). J. H.

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Golf. On Saturday, the 17th, a Knock-out Bogey Competition Handicap was played, some sixteen members taking part in a most enjoyable game, the winner being Mr. Richardson on four points down.

The Charity Cup cards are being taken up well this season, but the Hon. Secretary would like to hear of more being taken up by the new members.

It is proposed to hold a Ladies' Competition on Saturday, 8th July, to commence at 5 p.m. J. E. R.

CRICKET.—This Club is now well established.

Junior Section. Members have paid their fees, and a good season is anticipated, under the captaincy of Frank Hender.

On Saturday, 17th June, Belmont School just managed to win, mainly by means of their splendid fielding. Scores—

Brentham, 36 (E. Smith, 16) and 21; total, 57.

Belmont, 29 (B. Bray, 7 wkts. for 12) and 39 (B. Bray and F. Hender, 4 for 13); total, 68.

JULY FIXTURES.—1st, Acton Wells; 8th, 2nd Willesden B.P. Scouts; 15th, Southfield Seniors (each at home).

We have to thank the late Refreshment Committee, which (per Mr. Boxall) has given us a pair of wicket keeper's gauntlets.

TENNIS.—The Senior Section has very kindly lent us two nets, conditional upon us taking care of them, and re-tarring and repairing at the end of the season; we thus need more members.

EALING FLAG DAY.—The girls evidently mean to do their "bit," many having agreed to help on Saturday, 1st July.

H. W. B.

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Members will regret to hear that for business reasons

Tennis Mr. Cook has been obliged to resign from the Committee.

It was decided at the Annual Meeting to admit as hon. members all those who were members in 1914 and onwards and now on military or naval service. Let us hope that they will have real tennis weather when on leave.

What do our members think of the following competition?—

Members to be associated together in pairs.

All the pairs to be arranged as in ordinary league tables.

It would be the privilege of each pair to challenge the next higher pair to a match, and, if successful, would replace them in the table.

A losing pair must wait a fortnight before challenging the winners.

Any pair evading a challenge must go down a step.

The member's fee of 5/- (2/6 tennis fee and 2/6 ground fee), and the visitors' fee (introduced by members), 3d. on week-days and 6d. on Saturdays and Bank Holidays, should be paid to the Hon. Secretary.

H. B.

CRICKET FIXTURES FOR JULY.

July 1.—Cavendish	home.
„ 8.—Norwood Green	home.
„ 15.—Steinway	home.
„ 22.—West Drayton	home.
„ 29.—Southall	home.

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