

# New Grammar School Will Test Character

## IT WILL SET OUT TO TRAIN FOR CAREERS

**Evening Standard Reporter**  
**EASTBOURNE** is to experiment with a new kind of Grammar School at which efforts will be made to develop the best brains for academic, technical or commercial careers from the elementary schools. Character as well as ability will count in the choice of pupils.

Mr. A. L. D. Skinner, chairman of the Eastbourne Education Committee, writing in the Town and County Councillor, says:

"Instead of, as hitherto, creaming off 10 per cent. from junior schools at 11 plus [scholars between 11 and 12 years old] we shall in future take 20 per cent.

"Selection will not be by written examination alone. A system of marks for qualities of character, as well as mental and manual dexterity, will be awarded by the junior schools which have educated the candidates, and will count equally with the marks awarded for written examination.

"Until they are turned 13 all the successful candidates will have the same general education in the grammar school: at that age those who prove of academic trend will proceed along ordinary lines to the school certificate.

"All boys, whether on the academic or technical side, will continue their general subjects and have their corporate life, organised games and physical training as one unit."

### MAKING TECHNICIANS

Mr. Skinner says that the question of intellectual snobbery is no more likely to arise than at a public school with classical and modern sides.

He goes on to say that it will be realised, since all boys will be the cream of the junior elementary schools, a primary object will be gained—that of making technicians out of the best available brains.

It is likely, he continues, that there will always be a few boys at the age of about 13 who will be not particularly academic, and without any flair for technical studies.

"We propose to establish a special school which will absorb them and many others—a mixed school, which boys and girls will enter at 13, a few from the grammar and high schools, and others from the senior elementary schools.

"The special courses at this school will be commercial. A general education with this commercial bias, will be given to all and pupils will be allowed to stay until they are 16.

### THE NEXT BEST

"In this manner it is hoped to get the best brains into an academic or a technical career, and the next best brains into commercial work.

"Each of the modern schools will have its gymnasium, playing-fields, handicraft classes for boys and domestic science for girls."

## Flew Atlantic on Maiden Trip



Here are some of the passengers who came to Southampton in the Yankee Clipper on her maiden passenger voyage. Above: Mr. E. M. Swasey, of San Francisco, and Mr. Aman Carter, of Texas, talk to an English policeman. Below: Mrs. Alfred Wolfe and Mrs. O. Reid.



## Dustmen's £5 Find Was Chance In a Million

**Evening Standard Correspondent**

A TIN containing five £1 notes, which had been placed in a dustbin by mistake, was recovered from 70 tons of refuse by Luton Corporation dustmen after five minutes' search.

The men were aided in their search by records of refuse disposal, but according to the superintendents of the refuse disposal departments of several boroughs around London such a discovery represented "a chance in a million."

They explained that every council kept records of refuse disposal, but these only detailed the time and place where each load was tipped, and the streets from which it was collected. It was impossible to have any fuller record of the actual disposal of the refuse.

Most councils, however, have time charts by which they can tell at a glance the exact position of all their dustcarts or lorries.

If a householder discovers that the dustman has taken away something he should not have done, and the van is still on its round, the rubbish is tipped at a special place and searched for the wanted article.

Once the refuse has been dumped the chances of recovering valuables or any other wanted property are practically nil, and no search is made unless the missing articles are of great value.

## The King's Tribute To a Duke

The Duke of Portland has received the following telegram from the King:

"I send you my warm congratulations on another remarkable record, namely, that of having been the King's Lieutenant of a county for 50 years. I sincerely hope you will represent me in that capacity for many more years.—George R.I."

## Missing Schoolboys Are Home Again

Fifteen-year-old Graham Sanders, the Highgate schoolboy who disappeared from his home in Church Vale, East Finchley, last Tuesday, was found by his father, Mr. H. W. Saunders, late last night sleeping in the undergrowth in Coldfall Woods not far from his home.

Mr. Sanders led a search party into the woods after it was reported that Graham had been seen going into them.

"We took the boy home and put him to bed," said Mr. Sanders. "He was dazed and nervous, but otherwise none the worse."

Mr. Sanders had been searching without rest for 48 hours.

Christopher J. O. Clarke, aged 16, pupil at Harrow School, also missing since Tuesday, returned home yesterday. He had boarded a cargo ship at Liverpool thinking it was going to Canada, but it called at Swansea, and the captain received orders there to go to Italy.

### Invalids' Progress

Sir John Weir, physician-in-ordinary to the King and to Queen Mary, who is ill in a London nursing home, was a little better to-day.

Captain Richard Norton, film director, who was injured in a motor accident near Yeovil, was to-day in a slightly improved condition.

### M.P. at the Plough

Mr. Edgar Granville, M.P. for Eye (Suffolk), who recently won the pig prize at a fete in his division, was beaten by his agent, Mr. J. Bugg, and by the Earl of Cranbrook in the Suffolk ploughing match.

### Carnival Queen

Miss Kathleen Holloway, of Manor House, Shenley, Herts, an 18-year-old hairdresser, has been elected Shenley's carnival queen, and she will reign over the August Bank Holiday carnival.

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