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1934

August 20<sup>th</sup> School re-opened

- Sep. 3<sup>rd</sup> Staff meeting : to discuss English & Time Table.
- 4 Staff meeting continued.
- 27 Miss Ellison absent owing to sore throat.  
The Silver Cup won by the Girls' Relay Team at the Seafarth Police Sports was today delivered at the School.
- Miss B.M. Huxton commenced temporary duty
- 28 Miss B.M. Huxton finished temporary duty
- Oct 1 Miss D. Ellison returned to duty.
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- 5 School closed for Autumn Holiday.
- 15 School re-opened.  
Miss D. Ellison absent - Tonsillitis.
- Mrs Asquith commenced temporary duty.
- 19 Five Students from Edge Hill T.C. commenced School Practice.
- 26 Entered 3 Teams (Country Dancing) at Blackpool Musical Festival : all three gained 1<sup>st</sup> Class Certificates. Senior "A" 87, Senior "B" 86. The Junior Team with

88 marks came top of their Class.

School closed for the day.

Nov. 5

Nov. 14  
Dec. 7

Staff Meeting to discuss revision of form of engagement service. Nov. 30 Miss Johnson terminated her fifth Annual Prize Distribution held in St. Cuthbert's Hall; prizes presented by Mrs. Lyather. The Play - "The Stones of Rouenac", was ably produced by Miss Oswell.

10 Commenced Terminal tests.

12 Miss Jones absent - tonsillitis - her place being taken by her brother, Mr. Noel Jones.

20 Attendance below 60%.

Closed for Xmas Holiday.

Re-opened.

Miss Jones returned to duty.

Miss Gregson, married during the holidays, is now Mrs. E. G. Smith.

In the Semi Final of this district for the Daily Dispatch Shield our Boys defeated the Croston Team by seven goals to one.

Jan. 7

Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>

# LANCASHIRE EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

LOCAL ELEMENTARY EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE.

AREA No. 16.

GP/ES.

GEORGE PEACH,

Clerk.

TEL. NO. 261.

*Education Office,  
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Derby Street,  
Lancashire.*

2nd November, 1934.

## Halsall C.E. School.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Committee to convey to you and to the scholars of the teams who competed in the recent Blackpool Festival, their congratulations on the continued success of the teams, and to the high positions they were placed in this last Festival Contest.

I am sure that the scholars would be highly delighted with themselves when they knew the result. I would like to associate myself with the Committee in congratulations to yourself and the School teams.

Yours faithfully,

  
*George Peach*  
District Clerk.

A. H. Battersby Esq.,  
C.E. School,  
Halsall.

1935.

- Feb. 4 Mr Nelson absent - gastric enteritis.  
 19 Miss Ellison absent - <sup>woodwork taken by</sup> Headmaster.  
 Mrs Asquith commenced temporary duty.  
 20 Miss Ellison returned to duty  
 22 Miss Ellison absent from duty -  
 operation on tonsils.  
 Mrs Asquith commenced temporary duty  
 Mar. 4 Mr Phillips, H.b.l called with reference to  
 re-assessment of accommodation. (270)  
 Held half yearly examinations.  
 9 The School Team defeated by Sefton St.  
 School in the Final for the Daily  
 Dispatch Shield for West Lancashire.  
 Boys received Silver Medals.  
 12 Visited by Mr Henderson, Organising  
 Officer, in connection with Handicraft  
 exhibits at the Royal Lancs. Show at  
 Burnley.  
 15 Miss Oswell absent - cold.  
 Visited by Mr Cruikshank, Organising  
 Officer, re Biology Project at Royal  
 Lancs. Shows.  
 21 Miss Oswell returned to duty.

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- March 28. Visited by two lecturers from Manchester University who wished to observe our teaching of Biology & Gardening. (Mr Brian Stanley & Mr Helm) Visit recommended by H.b.y.l.
- April 9 Mr Gaskell absent - on Biology Course.
- 12 Mr Jas. Hesketh commenced temporary duty until Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>.
- 17 Mr Gaskell returned to duty.
- 18 Visited by Mr Steer, Horticultural Organiser, who made a special grant for glass (f2/10/-)
- 19 Closed at mid-day for Easter Holiday.
- 20 Mrs Gaskell finished temporary duty. School re-opened.
- 21 Miss Ellison returned to duty.
- May 6-7 School closed for Jubilee Celebrations.
- 11 School Journey to London - 55 children, 25 adults.
- 15 Miss Hulme commenced temporary duty - Cookery - 3 days a week.
- 20 Mr Phillips, H.b.y.l., called and left some Earth Temperatures for some children to graph. 24<sup>th</sup> Visited by Archdeacon of Liverpool.
- 27 School closed following the annual Scripture Exam by the Rev. Lionel Gibbs.
- June 7 Closed for Whitsuntide.
- 17 Re-opened. Many children absent through Measles. M.O.H. closed Infants Dept.

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Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>

As a result of a visit by two parents whose children had been in contact with some cases of Diphtheria I rang up M.O.H. who came out immediately, examined all children from that particular neighbourhood, and took five swabs.

Sep 30

Miss Ellison absent - absent.

Miss E. H. Turner commenced temporary duty.

Mr Dowse, Organising Officer, called to inquire about transport of Head Cut & Shirdley Hill children.

Oct 2.

Miss Turner finished duty

Miss Ellison returned to duty.

Four students from Edgehill Training College came for a day's observation.

The above students did one day's teaching.

School closed for October Holiday

School re-opened.

Four Students from Edgehill T. College commenced their three weeks school practice.

School closed for Blackpool Musical Festival. The three teams trained by

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as usual - but Registers not marked -  
 At 9.30 all listened to the Broadcast.  
 At 11.0. all went to Church for short service. After dinner listened to continued Broadcast.  
 Held a Staff Meeting afterwards.

- Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Mrs Salisbury absent - Influenza.  
 Mr Hesketh commenced temporary duty  
 Miss Oswell absent - Influenza.  
 Miss Snape commenced temporary duty.  
 Miss Ellison absent - severe chill.  
 Mrs Asquith commenced temporary duty  
 " " finished "  
 Miss Ellison returned to duty.  
 Mr Hesketh finished temporary duty  
 Mr Hesketh took up temporary duty in Mr Gaskell's absence  
 Mrs Salisbury returned to duty of Mr Gaskell absent  
 Mar. 2  
 Miss Newton of Edge Hill T.C. acted  
 as judge for our First Annual Bulb  
 Growing Competition for Children,  
 Old Scholars & Parents. Over 90  
 exhibits.  
 " Miss Snape finished temporary duty  
 Mr Gaskell returned to duty. Mr Hesketh finished duty  
 12 Miss Oswell resumed duty

- Mar. 16 Started the half yearly examination
- 24 Miss Ellison absent - influenza outbreak  
pharyngitis.
- 31 Miss Ellison returned to duty.
- Apr. 9 Closed school at noon. - Easter Holidays
- 20 School re-opened.
- " 30 School closed for County Council election.
- May 7 Visited by Mr Henderson, Organising Officer -  
who left some display frames.
- " 8 School closed for School Journey to  
Caernarvon & Snowdonia.  
A most enjoyable journey - Children  
more keenly interested than ever. Behaviour  
remarkably good.
- 19 Scripture Exam.
- 29 School closed in the afternoon.  
Visited by Dr Barker - S.M.O.
- 30 Closed for Whitsuntide Holidays
- June 8 Re-opened . . . . .
- 13 Entered two Relay Teams at Seaford Police  
Sports. The Girls' Team secured 2<sup>nd</sup> place -  
winning gold centred medals. Boys' Team came  
4<sup>th</sup> Joyce Pilkington was 1<sup>st</sup> in Flat Race.

- July 13. Held Annual School Sports in the Park, kindly by Mr Oswald. Drake House won the Shield for highest total of points; Tug-o-War shield won by Hereward & Inter House Relay Shield by Nelson. Geo Charles won the Victor and Joyce Pilkington the Victoria Ludorum.
15. Held our Sixth Open Day. Many parents and friends attended and amongst other things saw the Heathercock which sent to the Royal Lances Show.
- Aug 16. Closed for Summer Holidays.
17. School re-opened. Whooping cough widespread. During holidays the outside had been repainted.
18. Mr Phillips called - stayed about an hour.
31. During past fortnight many discussions with Staff on schemes of work: some of which have been revised.
- Sep. 2. Miss Ellison absent - bilious.
3. Miss Ellison returned.
4. Mr Henderson, Organiser, brought back the Bee Hive from the Royal Lances Show, and incidentally made inquiries re Staffing - in view of the Maguire suggestion about Mr Nelson.

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- Sep. 18. Mr Somerset, from New Zealand, paid us a visit, on the Director's recommendation, to study the development of Rural Education as practised in this School.
- Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> Four Students from Edge Hill Training College spent the day in School preparatory to three weeks' school School Practice.
- Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>  
19<sup>th</sup> School closed for Autumn Holiday  
School re-opened. Several Whooping Cough cases now returned.
- During the holidays a new boiler has been installed to replace old one which had burst. The managers also had valves fitted to control the distribution of heat, and an additional two rows of pipes were fixed in Stair room. Also in the Dining Hall hot water pipes and radiators have been fitted.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Mr Thompson, the new Organiser of P.T. called to make our acquaintance. Sergeant Robson gave first Safety First talk.

- Oct. 21 Mrs Mawdsley of the Juvenile Employment Bureau came to interview the leavers.
22. Mrs Forbes delivered her annual Band & Mercury address to the children.
- 23 School closed to allow teams to compete at Blackpool Musical Festival. Both teams secured 1<sup>st</sup> Class Honours Certificates.
- 26 Four Students from Edge Hill T.E. commenced their three weeks school practice.
- Nov 10 Visited for about half an hour by Mr Crutchley, new H.M.I.
- 18 Visited by Mr Strand, Headmaster of Adlington.
- 26 Miss Darbyshire absent - Gingivitis
- 27 Miss Ellison absent - abscess.
- Dec. 1 Miss Ellison returned to duty.
- 3 Visited by Mr House, H.M.I. who declared he had spent an enjoyable day with us. He expressed the view

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that we were on the right lines for a school of this type in developing our outdoor activities.

Also visited by Miss Frethling,

County Organiser for P.T.

Dec. 4 Miss Ellison absent for a minor operation.

5 Miss Ellison returned to duty.

18 Our Eighth Annual Prize

Distribution was held in St. Cuthbert's Hall. Lady Lethbridge presented the Prizes.

21 To raise funds for a Cinema for the School three plays were produced in St. Cuthbert's Hall.

22 After the annual School Party School was closed for Xmas Holidays.

Jan 4 School re-opened. Miss Ellison absent - Throat trouble.

6 Miss Ellison returned to duty

13 Mr. Newson, County Organiser, brought an Inspector from Northern Ireland

To view their own methods and rural activities.

Jan 18

Miss Ellison & Miss Oswall both absent through sickness  
Many children absent - colds & influenza.  
Mrs Asquith commenced temporary duty - ~~Richard~~ ~~Asquith~~

Feb. 4

Miss Ellison returned to duty.

10 Fish Wednesday - Children proceeded to Church at 9 a.m., & returned at 9.45 a.m.

15 County Architect visited for purpose of drawing up specification for internal decorations.

17 Visited by Mr Steer, County Organiser for Horticulture

Mar 2

Held second annual Bulb Show in the afternoon. Miss Newton, of Edge Hill Training College, kindly came to judge the Show. There were over 70 entries. After judging Miss Newton spoke to the children on Bulb growing and showing; choice of bowl much better this year.

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March 4 School closed for County Council Election.

17. Mr. Dorose, County Organiser, spent about an hour in school discussing problems arising out of Senior School organisation, which might profitably be raised at the forthcoming Course for Heads of Senior Schools.

Mr. Thompson, Organiser for P.T., called to ascertain whether Mr. Gaskell & Mr. Nelson intended taking course on P.P.

March 24 Mr. Crutchley & Mr. House, H.M.I., spent the day in school  
Closed for Easter Holidays.

April 5 Re-opened for Summer Term.  
Closed at noon for Rural District Council Election.

8th Headmasters absent from school on Course for Heads of Senior Schools.

13. Mr. Gaskell absent for the burial of his infant daughter.

19. Mr. Crutchley, H.M.I., called for information required by the B.C.

- April 29 Visited by Miss Oldfield who gave some valuable advice on the Needlework Scheme.
- May 4 Received today the Jubilee Commemoration Cup presented by Mr H. G. L. Heale for competition between the Houses.
- 11 Closed for Coronation and Whit Holidays.
- 24 School reopened.
- Empire Day : - Talk by Head Master incorporating Mr Stanley Baldwin's theme on "Duty First, Rights Second"
- 26 Visited by Miss Oldfield who discussed Needlework with Miss Halsall.
- 27 Dr Barker attended during the mornings of 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, & 31<sup>st</sup> and examined the children : (a) New entrants.  
 (b) 8 yr. old.  
 (c) 12 - - .
- June 2 Miss Ellison absent from duty - billions
- 3 " " returned to School Journey to Lakes - 81 chn. went.  
 Took 3 teams to Sutherland to compete in the Inter Schools Relay Race at the Police Sports - Seaford Division. All ran well, but did not secure a place.
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- June 3 Met the Heads of the Contributory Schools - see Conference Diary.
- July 7 Annual School Sports - for first year the contributory schools - except Hackayne - took part.
- 14 Annual Open Day - well attended.
- 15 School closed for Summer Holidays

During Holidays school re-decorated and worn asphalt replaced with concrete, also a portion previously not surfaced.

- Aug. 16. School re-opened.  
Annual infuse from contributory schools.  
Attendance good
- 25 Mr Thompson Organises for P.T., called to see Mr Haskell's work.
- 30 Started New Time Table according to which new teaching arrangements were made.

Headmaster to take Music throughout the school - except Infants. Miss Oswall to take Geography in Senior School, & be relieved of History in top form by Headmaster. Miss Gregson to take special (H.Q) class. Mr Haskell & Miss Oswall to take Boys & Girls respectively for P.T. in Hoods <sup>in</sup> & W.

Miss Jones to take P.T. & Games throughout Junior School, also take over Std 1 & 2 Nature work. Miss Dalsall to take Writing in Std 3 & 4. Needlework to be taken separately by Std 1 & 2 and 3 & 4 on different days. Similar division of classes for Free Boarding.

Sep. 7. Visit of Diocesan Inspector - School closed at 11.30 a.m.

24 Visited by Mr Barnett, H.M.I (Gardening) who spent about half an hour viewing the Garden.

Oct. 1 School closed at noon - to compete at Southport Musical Festival. Both teams secured 1<sup>st</sup> Class Certificates

Mr Thompson, Organiser for P.T., called

- to see Senior Boys
- Oct. 8 School closed for Autumn Holiday.  
During holiday a classroom was  
fitted with curtains for used  
Opidiascope. Miss Dowell absent for the day
- 18 School re-opened.  
Four Students from Edge Hill T. College  
commenced their three weeks teaching  
practice.
- 21 The managers acted as judges of  
compositions written for the Wood  
& Tree Competition which the school  
is entering for the first time.
- 25 Miss Gregson absent through death in the  
family.
- 26 Miss Gregson returned.
- 27 Miss Gregson absent for funeral.
- 28 Miss Gregson returned.
- Nov. - 14 Miss Gregson 10 min. late owing to  
train.
- 23 Visited by Mr Lamplugh<sup>H.L.3</sup> who said, "You  
have an exceptionally fine good school  
and are making exceptionally good use of  
it."

- Nov. 29 Miss Gregson absent through sickness  
 Dec 2 Miss Gregson returned to duty.  
 17 Our Ninth Annual Prize Distribution was held in St. Bartholomew's Hall  
 21 Miss Jones absent through sickness  
 22 School closed for Christmas Holidays.  
 Jan 10 School re-opened.  
 Attendance only 68% : due to outbreak of Measles.  
 Feb 17 Mrs. Gaskell absent - chill.  
 21 Mrs Gaskell returned to duty  
 25 Visited by Miss Smith M.A.P who on leaving thanked us for a very pleasant visit.  
 28 Mrs Salisbury - nee Doris Jones - absent for the last day of her duty here. Her contract terminates today.  
 Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> Mrs Prescott commenced temporary duty.  
 2 School closed at noon for mid term holiday.  
 Visited by Mr Walker, Horticultural Organiser, in connection with exhibit for R. Lancs. Agric. Show at Liverpool.  
 Mar. 7 School re-opened.  
 21 Miss Halsall absent - headache.