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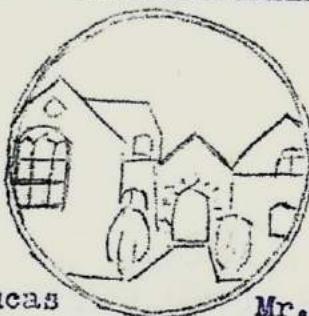
THE QUORNIAN  
MAGAZINE OF THE RAWLINS SCHOOL QUORN

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~~Contributors are asked to write in ink, on one side  
of the paper only and to cultivate legibility.~~  
Anonymous contributions are not accepted.  
The Committee thank those who have helped in any  
way to make this and the previous issue a success.

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## EDITORIAL.

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This term has been characterized by several events of note such as works visits, lantern lectures and Speech Day, accounts of which will be found in this issue.

The most unfortunate feature of the term has been the number of absences through illness for very few seem to have escaped either flu or mumps. Those who have been immune from both must count themselves fortunate.

We were hoping this second issue would be equivalent to any magazine made by professional printers, but things have not turned out so well as we expected. Several pounds were spent on a printing press and type, which were loaned to the school with the option of purchase if a success; but although we began our magazine with this the process was so lengthy that it was abandoned in favour of the typewriter and Roneo duplicator, which we hope will produce a mag. which is superior to the last. We expect to effect improvements in the future in the direction of smaller pages.

The arrival of the new school bell was hailed with joy, for the chain round the old one seemed to deaden all the harmonies and so distort the wave curve of the fundamental that there were well defined silence zones. The new bell can be well heard, and has such a pleasant tone that we are more eager than ever to make our way to lessons at the sound of its melody.

Unfortunately there has been a little decrease in the number of National Savings Certificates purchased this term, but this has been general in the country. However we hope our contributors will soon return to the previous high weekly average.

The contributions for this term's issue of the magazine were not numerous, but the standard was fairly satisfactory. However remember that the magazine is in some measure like school life, and, in fact, life as a whole - it is what we are prepared to make it and we shall only get the best out of it by putting our best into it.

We have to regret the loss of Miss Viall who is leaving us to be married. She is universally esteemed and we are sure we speak for all connected with the school in offering her all our sincere wishes for the future.

On great occasions such as this  
Our foremost task we must not miss.  
You all remember when Miss Payne  
No longer could in Quorn remain  
But left us desolate and drear  
To start afar a new career,  
How that we tried to celebrate  
Her taking to herself a mate!  
Alas! Alas! The wheel goes round,  
And someone else her mate has found.  
Once more the School laments and grieves:  
Oh! aren't these husbands nasty thieves?  
Why should they all our teachers steal?  
Have they no thoughts for what we feel?  
I wish I could that young man see,  
For he and I would not agree!  
However hard the Prep. may try,  
I feel that some will pipe their eye;  
For who will train the tiny tots  
To illustrate their earthen pots?  
What will become of those dolls' houses  
Whose charm our homely feelings rouses  
And whose arrangements make us sure  
She'll be a housewife to the core?  
But not upon the Prep alone  
This heavy burden is now thrown,  
For who will now be referee  
At Hockey, or prepare the tea?  
Or who will English spelling teach  
With charm that's out of normal reach?  
No follower who'er it be,  
Could do these things as well as she;  
Although she will be well replaced  
By one who long the School has graced.  
How we shall miss her winsome smile,  
We shall not realise yet awhile:  
'Tis only when the thing is lost  
That you can reckon up the cost.  
One thing is sure, it will be great  
As time will amply demonstrate.  
But as she's half her lover's heart  
We must allow her to depart.  
We know not where she goes to dwell,  
But North or South, we wish her well,  
And hope ere long, some smiling morn  
We'll see her face again in Quorn.

The following poem was recently found at the excavations undertaken for the putting in of new post sockets. It was submitted to Prof. S. T. Savy, who considers it old enough to prove Caxton was not the first printer in England.

New wol I doon al my dylygence,  
To tellen al who rede yn pacience  
How that we prynted han thys magazene.  
The edytours, I wys, weren nat grene!  
Methynketh I myght maken mencioune  
Of teeches yn the composyciun  
That we on cyclostyle gan devyse  
And yet I say namoore, yt were nat wyse,  
Ynough to say a solemphe coth was sworn  
Thys shold ben clerer than the one byforn.  
And so we bocht a lyte pryntynge presse,  
That nas nat veray chepe, as I gesse!  
I wolde yow shold seen these wylghts al

swynkynge  
Mo merye than a dronke man a-drynkynge!  
But natheless al weren thise wights so kene  
They myghte thassay so hard nat lang sustene  
And so we hadde to finde this thridde manere  
Certayn than cyclostyle prynte mo clere.  
This boke shall hele your melancolye  
Mo than ellebor of apothecarye.  
And weren you wyse as daun Salomon,  
Than wold you rede these pages everichon.  
So parfyte is this magazene smale,  
Of its vertus telle I ne lenger tale.

INVENTOR BAIRD

Old bicycle sprockets, biscuit tins, cardboard discs and bulls' eye glasses. These and other queer things all hung together with sealing-wax made up the instrument with which Mr. H. L. Baird, the famous scientist from Helensburgh on the Clyde, first demonstrated his invention of television.

The instrument looked weird, but it worked. With it Mr. Baird was able to send a picture several miles by wireless.

Today that instrument is in South Kensington Museum, a great souvenir of a great scientific feat.

----- The Scribe.

## N - EVERYDAY ENGLISH.

If you even just glance through a dictionary you will realise a little the amazing resources of the English language.

The following is a passage containing some neveryday words. Try it over on the piano and see what sense you can make of it without referring to the glossary-

He was a man of medium celsitude(1) but was a little pinguid(2) and strange to say huckledbacked(3). The arcuation(4) of his gibbous(5) back was quite pronounced. He suffered from a convergent strabesmus(6) in one eye. He has been described by friends as curmudgeonly(7) tenebrious(8) and techy(9) and was full of adiaphony(10) and supinity(11). His forehead was rugose(12) and he had a poraceous(13) stain over his right eye. He had just come home from the tolsey(14) and consequently was daigletail(15) and anhelose(16). He had just called the bus-conductor a poller(17) because the former was fiducial(18) that the latter had choused(19) him out of a stiver(20). The catchpoll(21) thought that he was fap(22) because his cuspidated(23) hat was askaunt(24) and his crinigerous(25) head was in need of a kemb(26). At this he was very gast(27). He was about to set out to a friend's houseto play kyle(28) and as he was piscivorous(29) they were to have parr for supper

### GLOSSARY.

(1)height (2)fat (3)hunch-backed (4) crookedness (5)crook-backed (6)squint (7)miserly (8) gloomy (9) peevish (10) indifference (11)carelessness (12) wrinkled (13) greenish (14)market (15)bespattered with mud (16)out of breath (17) cobber (18)confident (19)cheated (20)penny (21)serjeant (22) trunk (23)pointed (24) on one side (25)hairy (26)comb (27) frightened (28)ninepins (29) fond of fish (30)young salmon.

-----Edwin T. Smith

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### OVERHEARD IN SCHOOL.

How do? you've come back. Ahem! Have you had the influenza?

No, the doctor said it was the flu.

~~The Prize winners~~

A. Rodwell, N. Falter, arriman, M. Sisling, G. Newbold, Smith, Wm  
Matthews, Smith (i) Smith (ii) E. Peberdy, C. Allen, P. Mounteney, d.  
Burton, Arsmson, M. Saunders, Watterson, Mee, " Gexter, White,  
Botterill (ii) Prevost (ii) M. Bunney, D. Winterton, J. Cooper, M.  
Davidson, Varnam, Shakespeare (ii) Pears, D. Selvester, J. Moore,  
Speight.

Special Prizes were awarded to:-

W. Snow, M. Broom, Moore, " Squire, M. Webster, P. Wright, M. Willet  
M. Robinson.

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REPORT OF THE LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

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The first meeting of this term was held on Jan 20, when  
G. Moore gave a Lantern lecture. W. Snow was elected to the  
Committee.

On Feb 3 P. Paltridge lectured on "Musical Composers"  
and illustrated their works on the piano. After the lecture  
a discussion on Jazz v Music took place.

Our first debate took place a fortnight later: "That this  
House prefers Classical Music to Jazz." Proposed and seconded  
by P. Mounteney and H. Burton opposed and seconded by W. Smith  
and E. Smith. Classical music was illustrated by a gramaphone  
and Jazz by an orchestra - M. Bishop (piano) W. Smith (violin)  
J. Smith (ukelele) G. Moore (drum and effects) The motion was  
defeated by 43 votes to 26.

On Mar. 3 Mr Lucas gave a Lantern lecture on "Cocoa and  
Chocolate." He dealt with the transportation of cocoa beans to  
England and their manufacture into cocoa and chocolate.

Miss Van O'Bruyn gave another Lantern Lecture on "Malvern  
and the West Country" on Mar 17. It was very interesting and  
depicted landscapes and cathedrals of that district.

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SPETCH DAY, MARCH 29th, 1927.

Our Speech Day and Prize Distribution was held in the Village Hall, Quorn at 8 p.m. on the above date. A large number of parents and friends attended. The governors once more showed their interest in the progress of the school by being present, but we were very sorry to find that some were unable to come owing to illness.

The programme commenced with a short address by the Chairman, followed by an excellently rendered piano duet by P. Paltridge and H. Bishop. V. A. D. Sylvester sang "Nursery Rhymes" and Speight gave a recitation entitled "Market Square."

The Headmaster gave his report. He referred to the work of the County Rural Library and spoke of the honour Mr Farnham has conferred on the school by allowing us to adopt his badge, colours and motto. Mr Keith Thomson continued by mentioning the new ventures of the school—the Literary and Scientific Society, the School H.M.G. and a National Swims Association. He spoke of the girls' hockey record and thanked the governors for the new pavilion. He also thanked the donors of prizes, governors, parents, staff and prefects.

This report was followed by a violin solo by V. Smith and then Mr Farnham addressed the audience, explaining why the school had adopted his arms. He told us that they dated back to 1660. Prize-winners found the arms and crest stamped on their prizes.

Another violin solo was given by Le Butt and Winnie Snow sang the verses of the Skye Boat Song and part of the school sang the chorus.

Colonel Martin then presented the prizes and in his address spoke of the difference in education nowadays from what it was 20 years ago, and of the great responsibility resting on British children.

After his address P. Paltridge gave a fine rendering of Chopin's Polonaise.

Councillor Wilson proposed a vote of thanks to Col. Martin and Major Brockington while seconding it proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman. After this the school hymn was sung followed by "God Save the King."

Cheers were then given for Colonel Martin and the Governors, the Headmaster and Mrs Keith Thomson, the Staff, and the half-holiday which the governors had kindly granted to us.

THE PIONEER LANTERN LECTURE

'Twas in the big laboratory,  
Where the event took place.

"What fun to see the lantern slides,"  
Cried every smiling face.

They all dashed up the creaky stairs,  
All eager for the fun;  
And all were laughing heartily  
Before it had begun.

The windows were all covered up  
With paper and with curtains  
But still the light crept through the holes  
That 'twas too light was certain.

"Silence"--cried the chairman loud,  
Who then sat in his chair  
And on the screen appeared a light  
While cheering rent the air.

The speaker with the reading lamp  
Then came before the screen;  
And told us all about the slides  
Which hardly could be seen.

But gradually the sun sank down  
And the room all dark became  
Then we heard about John Gilpin  
Of great renown and fame.

"The view you see before you now  
Is a view upon the Lake----  
But a deafening outcry filled the room  
He'd made a bad mistake.

For now upon the screen was seen,  
Two cows together yoked.  
'Twas hardly fair of those behind,  
To play him such a joke.

The room was growing stuffy,  
And also rather hot,  
When suddenly we were informed  
That we had seen the lot.

So "Three cheers for the speaker give,  
To let him understand,  
That we appreciate the work  
Which he pluckily took in hand.

...W.E. Smith...  
Gottlieb and the Rector.

Young Gottlieb at school was beyond all salvation  
And no other boy could approach him for tricks;  
So he it was always without hesitation  
When ought in the village got into a fix.

No matter what came or whatever was lacking,  
'Twas bound to be Gottlieb; who else could it be?  
And masters had ever recourse to a whacking,  
To make him confess it immediately.

The case-hardened Gottlieb made always confession  
For fear lest a second good thwack in should come.  
The rector one day at the end of the session  
Was questioning Gottlieb who seemed to be dumb.

The rector demanded with show of devotion  
"Who made Heaven above and Earth here below?"  
And as the boy had of the answer no notion,  
"Oh, please sir," said Gottlieb, "I really don't know."

The rector exclaimed in his just indignation,  
"You wicked young creature the answer give quick  
And if you don't give me the right explanation  
Your shoulders shall smart with the weight of this stick."

Then thinking for sure he had made the wrong answer  
Our Gottlieb soon whispered: "Oh spare me the pain;  
I'll freely and fully confess, I'm the man, sir,  
And promise I never will do it again." -- W.J.

From the German of Theodor Korner

#### An Illustration.

"What are the two great and opposite effects produced by the different actions of heat and cold?" inquired the master of one of his pupils.

"Heat expands and cold contracts" replied the youth.

"Very true and can you state an example to prove this?"

"Yes sir; when the weather is warm, the days are very much longer, and when it is cold they are much shorter."

FORM NOTES.

FORM VI. Although small in numbers, has many things to be proud of, as 3 boys (W. Smith, G. Moore, & E. Thornett) & 1 girl (Mounteney) have gained their colours. Out of 5 boys 4 have played in the 1st XI and no doubt, with J. Speight & Co to fill our ranks, we could beat the rest of the school at Football.

We are all studying very hard as we are soon to face the oncoming Exam. We feel that the best can be expected.

Four of our members participated in the debate on Jazz v Music, & four have given lectures.

E. THORNETT.

FORM V has been very good this term as no one yet has secured a detention. Many have been absent, one week our numbers being down to six. Two managed to get mumps.

At half term Miss Van o Brujn very kindly took some of our girls to Leicester College to hear a debate on 'Symbiosis'.

Mr. Lucas also took our boys to the Empress Works to look round them.

It is interesting to know that 5 of our girls have won their colours. We shall be sorry to lose M. Saunders & R. Want, who are leaving this term.

H. BURTON.

FORM IV Nothing particularly interesting or amusing has happened this term, neither have I noticed any effect produced by that poem in our last number.

Perhaps it would be right to mention that Watterson was top at half-term again. Also I might mention that four of our boys have played in 1st XI matches this term.

It has been arranged that after drill on Fridays that Forms III & IV (boys) play at Handball, the teams being the Harlequins (Rovers) & the All Blacks (Wanderers) of whom Hodkinson & Hives are the respective captains. At the time of going to press the Harlequins have won every match by an ample margin of goals, largely due to 'Choc' but have lost in the jumping.

H. MCE.

FORM III. Owing to influenza and mumps there have been many absentes in our Form.

We have three more members in the Girls' Hockey Team - J. Burt, M. Taylor, and K. Taylor.

When our 1st XI Football Team beat Barrow by 10 goals to 0 Burtus scored 5 and Field 1, i.e. 3 out of the total by Form III boys. Doesn't that show what good players we are?

Sometimes we have been pretty mischievous, but not always. On the whole our Form has been very good this Term.

J. Field.

FORM II. There are now 29 pupils in our Form; we have an Austrian girl and a new boy.

There is still someone who persists in getting numerous detentions every week.

Owing to the absence of a great many people nothing very exciting has happened this term. Of course as usual some funny things have been said. One boy remarked that railway engines have carburetters. Someone else said in French lesson, "J'ai deux nez.."

We have not had answers from the Canadian children yet, but we expect them about Easter.

J.C.

FORM IIIB. Well here we are at the end of another term - Spring Term, 1927, and if the other Forms have put as much spring into their work as we have, the School will soon be entitled to the nom de plume of the writer of these notes. In this Form we don't believe that soft-soap will wash away troubles, - it takes grit.

At the rate we are going, we hope soon to know enough of the English language to make the Frenchmen jealous of our fluent speech. We all know much more about our country than we did last term, but what we don't know yet is, who is the head and who the tail of our Form.

We hope that next term we shall all be taught Tennis as well as Cricket, as some of IIIB would like to play at Wimbledon, as well as being chosen for the Test matches.

Let us welcome heartily the coming of Summer.

FORM I. We are painting jars in our Handwork lessons, and we have leather-work with Mr. Burrows on Monday afternoons.

On March 18th. the Prep gave a concert and invited us to it. Now that the weather is warmer we have jumping in the field. We are all looking forward to the holidays, but we are sorry that Miss Viall is leaving, and all our best wishes go with her.

J Moore.

N.B. FORM I wants to know:-  
what chins are never shaved, Hrchins.

PREPARATORY. We have been busy making curtains for some of the cupboards, and have pasted animals on them. We have made a model farmyard with animals, fences, trees, poultry, and people. We have painted jam jars, they do look pretty. We have papered the dolls' house again, would anyone like to come and live in it? Rent 3/- 10s: 6d a week.

Jim Speight.

#### EXTRAORDINARY FINGERS: NAILS.

It is a custom of the Chinese, Sianese, and Annamites to allow the nails of all their fingers, except the little one to grow to a great length, and among the first-named they sometimes attain the incredible length of 16 or 18 inches. Among the Sianese the distinctive mark of fashion for the dandies is to have their nails encased in silver cases, either to protect their nails or to make believe they are there. As regards the little finger the ambassadors of these States are often observed in Europe to permit the excessive growth of the nail, which is a common occurrence also among the peoples of India and other parts of Asia.

This custom is fast dying out among the more refined classes.

S. Moore.

#### HOPERS.

The kangaroo hops along in a strange appearance, and carries its young ones in a thing called a punch bag.

Both did not know that each other was alike.

When an insect has laid its eggs it dies, and bother the eggs, it knows its laid them where there was something to eat.

### A LIMERICK PUZZLE.

Gvhbh rod oi ezx yhazer ey Zhh,  
Oix o mhbl dgboish yhazer rod vh  
Vh ogh dajphd ey voo  
Dubhox rjgv qzopwphbbi aoc  
Oix vh ozrold geew dozj ji vjd gho.

Each letter in this limerick stands for a different letter. For instance the second word in the first line stands for "was", the fifth word in the second line stands for "fellow" and the third word in the third line stands for "ate." Therefore in the puzzle r=w, o=a, d=s, y=f, h=e, z=l, e=o, r=w, g=t.

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J is the teacher of Form 4  
Only he's no "jay" of this I'm sure  
Naughty boys he hasn't got one  
Every lad's a well behaved "un"  
Sauce he gets is from the girls.

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There is a master of our school  
Honour bright is e'er his rule.  
On the playfield he's a sport.  
Many by him have been taught  
Sport-clean sport-will win the day.  
Of Rawlins boys, may it be said  
Never will they shame their Head.

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### RECENT ADDITIONS IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARY.

"Garibaldi and the Thousand."  
"Garibaldi's defence of the Roman Republic."  
"Garibaldi and the Making of Italy."  
All by G.M. Trevelyan, the greatest authority on  
Garibaldi.  
"The Conquered" - a historical novel of  
53 B.C.-45 B.C.  
"Wanderings in Roman Britain" by Arthur  
Weigall.  
"A History of England" by G.M. Trevelyan.

## HOCKEY NOTES.

Our 1927 hockey programme has not been very extensive but it has been quite satisfactory.

We have played five matches, four of which have been played at home, and there is still one more to be played. The record up to now is as follows:-

P	W	D	L	Goals for	against.
5	3	1	1	13	8

Our first match v Barrow G.S. we played without having any practice and even in that state we were in good enough form to share 4 goals evenly with them.

The second match v W.E. Ladies we turned out in an optimistic form of mind but although we were equal at half time we had to retire losers by 4-2.

Our third match was v Ald. Newton's which we won 1-0. This game was very fast, so fast that the referee couldn't keep out of the way of the ball and was forced to take cover by lying flat in the field.

Barrow were our next opponents and we were so keen to beat them that our team got slightly mixed up in the first half, but even playing upside down we managed to win 4-1.

The last match was against the boys which of course we won 4-1 although they insisted that they were playing against us and the referee. But still "Boys will be boys" but they can't beat us at hockey.

Apart from actual hockey the most notable success was the fine collection of tea plates, which we hope will always bring us good luck as we have won the 3 matches played after buying them.

## FOOTBALL.

Last term we played Loughborough Tech. at home and won 3-3. At Loughborough two minutes before the end we were losing 6-4 but we finished with 6-6. At the end of the term we lost our captain F. Wainwright a very good player.

This term we started hopefully but our first match was cancelled owing to fog. We played Mill Hill away and lost 1-0. At Quorn Mill Hill amid torrents of rain beat us 3-1. Our next game was against Barrow and we won 9-0. But alas! in our next match at Leicester we were beaten 10-1.

On Mar. 24 we played the girls at hockey and lost 4-1. Are we down-hearted? NO!

Four boys have been awarded their colours this term: W. Smith, G. Moore, B. Turrett, and F. Hives

VISIT FROM Dr. Courtney Weekes.

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On Thursday March 19th we were honoured by a visit to our school of a famous doctor who has addressed most of the colleges and schools in England. The upper forms of the school listened to a very delightful and instructive lecture on the brain, or the effects of alcohol on the brain.

He explained the different parts of the brain and we have now some new words to add to our vocabularies - e.g. PROTOFLASH, SYNAPSE, DILATIPS.

We all realise now the importance of the synapses to our mind and how wonderful the human mind really is.

The ultimate effect of taking alcohol, no matter in what form, is the increase in the number of mistakes made. In an experiment which was described to us the increase in mistakes was 21%.

Dr. Weekes urged all present to abstain from taking alcohol until the age of 25 was attained, showing us how absolutely important it is that in every turn of life accuracy is essential.

Some of us at least were sorry when the bell rang for dismissal, but we all showed our thanks to Dr. Weekes in the usual way.

-- W.S.

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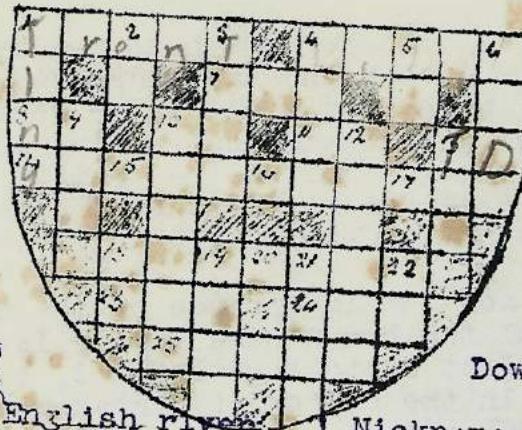
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In this country there is said to be about four or five hundred thousand people with the name of SMITH, JONES follows closely : Next comes WILLIAMS. Next the TAYLORS : BROWN comes next.

There are people living nearly all over the world under the name of SMYTH or SMITH:

- In German "SCHMIDT"
- In Dutch "SMID"
- In Italian "SMITHI"
- IN Russian "SMITOWSKI"
- In Mexican "SMITRI."

-- S.Y.



Across

Down

1. Name of an English river. 1. Nickname for small boy  
 2. German aeroplane 2. Printer's measurement.  
 3. Female 3. Accusative of thou  
 8. French for "this." 4. Ensnare.  
 19. Personal pronoun. 5. French for "a"  
 11. Destination. 6. Small whirlpool.  
 13. Telephone Department (abb) 9. An age.  
 14. Medical treatment. 10. What all boys should fight for  
 18. Well known. 11. To suit you.  
 23. Possessive. 13. To suit you.  
 24. Decay. 18. Negative.  
 25. Natural stream. 19. In good order.  
 21. To concoct.  
 22. French conjunction.

RIDDLE-ME-REE

My first is in old, and also in gold,  
 My next is in gold and also in bold,  
 My third is in bear, my fourth is in lion.  
 My fifth is in thunder but not in wonder.  
 My sixth is in ghost but not in most.  
 My seventh in joy and also in jay.

My first is in tease, but not in trick,  
 My next is in oven, but not in grate.  
 My third is in plant and also in plate.  
 My fifth is in pain, but not in ache  
 My last is in stick and also in steak.

My whole is in two words which make a girl's name whom  
 you see every day.

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