### Worcester College.

During the year all candidates for the School Certificate Examination were successful; one Old Boy has gone up to University College, Oxford, and one has joined the School of Massage.

There has been a considerable revival of interest in track athletics, partly due to the institution of a House System; it has proved its value not only in the scope it offers for competition in games and athletics, but as an important advance towards responsible self-government.

#### Massage Services.

The War has had no effect on the Institute's School of Massage, except to spur the students to greater efforts to secure quick entry into a profession which will enable them to render national service of first importance.

Splendid results were obtained at the examinations of the

violently interrupted, a bomb demolishing the recording studio and production unit at St. Dunstan's, Regent's Park, London. A temporary studio was operating in January, and since then recording has been resumed. The Library now comprises 365 titles, of which 179 were recorded in England and 186 in America.

#### Personal Services to the Blind.

In hundreds of ways, many of them unsuspected by the sighted, blindness is always remorselessly a barrier, but in hundreds of ways that barrier can be overcome provided skilled and sympathetic help is readily available. It is such help this Department is ever ready to afford.

The Department is the friend and guide of those who are, despite all difficulties, struggling to help themselves.

# Illustrations to the Report.

The clear, delightful illustrations in the Report show

activities of the blinded children and adults both at work and at play. The happy children at play the lovely country, the grown-ups basket making, typing, learning to distinguish plants by touch, sawing wood, playing at putting, alleviating pain by massage, and by the administration of wax baths, prove how useful and occupied can be the lives of the blinded persons, owing to the never ceasing bene-ficent work of the National Institute for the Blind.

We commend the cause of the Institute to the attention of our readers, assuring them that help both great and small will be so welcome to the band of people who have set themselves the task of brightening the lives of that section of the community who for ever must live in darkness.

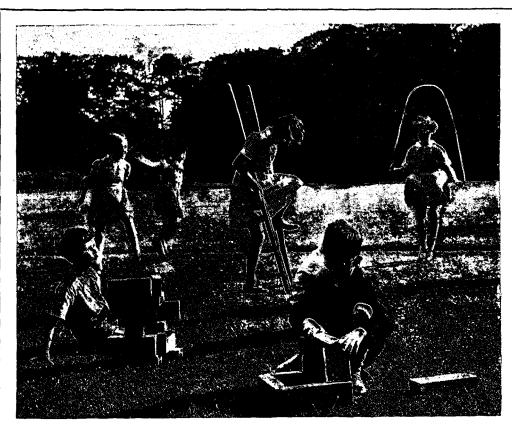
This year the friendship between Institutions for the Blind

has perhaps been closer than usual. Many societies have had their offices and workshops completely demolished by bombing, and others have suffered severe damage.

Nevertheless, with good will on all sides and readiness to lend a helping hand, the work has continued and societies have quickly re-established themselves.

We end our remarks on the same note as that of the compilers of the Report, and quote the following prayer:

"To Almighty God we humbly offer our heartfelt thanks that our work has continued despite all the perils and difficulties of these present times, and we beseech Him always to guide and bless our endeavours to aid and comfort the blind."—M. A.



Lack of sight is not a hindrance to juvenile activity, physical or mental.

Boys and girls at Chorleywood College.

Chartered Society of Massage and Medical Gymnastics held in June, 1940. All the candidates passed in anatomy and massage, six out of seven passed in remedial exercises, and nine out of ten in electrotherapy.

Senior students obtain practical experience on actual patients at a large Emergency Medical Service Hospital, and at the Institute's Evening Clinic, where 3,736 patients have been treated, and 6,789 treatments given during the year.

## Braille Manuscript and Talking Books.

During the year 564 volumes, consisting of manuscript Braille transcriptions of works specially required by blind students for the professions, were added to the Students' Library, now amounting to nearly 16,000 volumes.

In the Autumn, the recording of new Talking Books was

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