

TOM MERRY'S OWN

Published by
MANDEVILLE PUBLICATIONS
(Editions Poetry London Ltd.)
55 Victoria Street, London, S.W.1.

CONTENTS

	PAGE
BILLY BUNTER FOR CHRISTMAS <i>by Frank Richards</i>	9
THE MISSING MILLIONAIRE <i>by Peter Todd</i>	56
THE STORY OF OUR LIFEBOATS <i>by Vice-Admiral Gordon Campbell, V.C., D.S.O.</i>	62
A FORTUNE IN PEARLS! <i>by Charles Hamilton</i>	67
HISTORY IN YOUR POCKET <i>by Gordon Johns</i>	91
ARTHUR AUGUSTUS'S CHRISTMAS PARTY <i>by Martin Clifford</i>	96
FACING DEATH SEVEN MILES ABOVE EARTH <i>by Tom Grosvenor</i>	142
LEFT TO LOVELL <i>by Owen Conquest</i>	146
THE BLAZING TRAIL OF THE FIRE SERVICE <i>by Edward Northcott</i>	171
COLLECTING ROCKS <i>by I. O. Evans, F.R.G.S.</i>	181
SOME INTERESTING INSECTS <i>by J. Abbey</i>	186

EDITOR'S INTRODUCTION

For the second time I have had the great pleasure of editing TOM MERRY'S OWN. As usual I have had so much material that I could easily have filled three books, and the problem has been what to leave out. A Tom Merry story? Something for the Jimmy Silver fans?

Then, at the last minute, along comes the author with news that we can print a Billy Bunter story this year. My hat! Oh, lor'! Oh, crikey!

Seriously, it would be a great help both to Frank Richards and me if we could know your preferences. We want to please everyone, and if we know what you want you shall have it.

Who is your favourite character? Here is an admission—but don't tell Frank Richards—mine is: Guess who? . . . Weally, Wichards, you mustn't take sides—you're the Editah!

Yours evah,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Raymond Richards". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line that extends to the right.