

# did you know?

INFORMATION FROM THE TSS ARCHIVES

The first school magazine ***Tell Tale*** was published by four students in 1906 with the aid of a Cyclostyle and a dictionary.

The editor was known only as “ Neversweat”, the Printer was “Mossyteeth”, the Illustrator was “No Bath” and the Author was “ Wantabath”.

They did not reveal their real names at the time, only their initials besides the nom de plumes.

The editor was in fact Harold Osborn ( 1904-1907)

The Tell Tale editions put a humorous slant on life as a boarder at TSS back in 1906.

Hand drawn illustrations were used to make the stories more interesting. Sometimes the caricatures were not very flattering, especially if it was a staff member or someone they did not care for.

The Tell Tale ran for about one year and produced seven volumes.

Archives have all seven in storage, but they are so delicate, they are not to be handled. Digital copies are available on request.

In 1907, the school decided to form a magazine committee and

The Southportonian was first launched in November 1907, Housemaster Charles Thorold was the first editor.

The rest is history.....

A type of Cyclostyle from the early 1900's

