

FRANK RICHARDS

The Man who Invented BILLY BUNTER joins PIE

AND this is why. In our summer volume we printed a sketch, by Eric Hiscock, of the man who invented Billy Bunter. We received it with enthusiasm as a brilliant job, we published it with satisfaction, and we went on to other things. Little did we know what we had started! In next to no time letters began to come in: to Frank Richards himself, to Eric Hiscock, to PIE. And they all said, more or less, 'Thank you very much for the article on Frank Richards. I always thought the stories of Greyfriars and St. Jim's were written by a syndicate. They gave me great pleasure when I was young. I wonder what I'd think of Frank Richards's work now?'

Obviously something had to be done for these nostalgic readers—and PIE has done it. Frank Richards has invented a new school with new characters for us, and the first tale in a series appears overleaf. Does the ancient attraction remain? Turn the page and discover for yourself.

