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SCHOOL NOTES AND NEWS

At the end of last term we said goodbye to Mr. Williams and Miss Berry, both of whom retired; they take with them our many thanks and we wish them both a long and happy retirement. We also lost Mr. Axbey, who has gone to be an instructor in the Navy, where we wish him well. From the office, Miss Hudson has also left; she has done much for the School and takes our thanks with her.

At the beginning of this term we welcomed three new members of the staff: Mr. R. B. Cowin, B.Sc., Mr. R. D. Hughes, M.Sc., and Mr. J. M. Warden, B.A. (Lond.), B.A. (Oxon). We extend a very warm welcome and hope that they will have a long and happy association with the School.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Benton on the birth of a son, and Mr. and Mrs. Blight on the birth of a daughter.

We congratulate Mr. Brake and Mr. Fairhurst, both of whom were married during the holidays.

The Junior School camp was held as usual in the summer holidays. But the holidays also ran a proliferation of journeys abroad: not only was there Mr. Haynes's now traditional trip to Italy, but other expeditions ventured to the South of France and to Greece.

During the holidays the school has been beautified in several places with a touch of paint: nowhere more splendidly than on the Princess Road boundary, where there is now a resplendent notice-board.

The swimming-bath was, we had hoped, going to be ready for the beginning of the term, but because of the usual 'unforeseen circumstances', among them being a damp summer, it is still not yet ready for the inaugural splash. However, it does now boast a striking, not to say remarkable, blue roof, and we watch its progress with interest and high hopes.

The old musical instrument room has now been incorporated with the Junior School common room, which has been re-decorated and is now very restful, at least to the eye.

A. H. Jackson (5B) has been heard of in Massachusetts, U.S.A., where he seems to be enjoying himself 'swimming, sun-bathing, strawberry-picking, camping, fishing, cycling and, of course, doing some school work'.

The following appointments have been made:

To be Head of School: A. G. Broome.

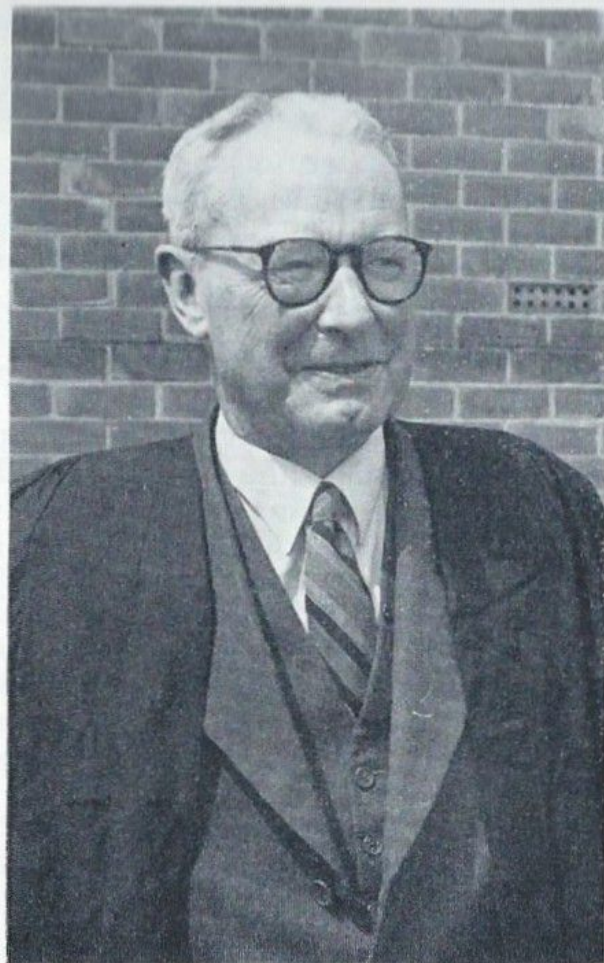
To be Deputy Head of School: P. R. L. Wood.

To be School Prefects: K. Irving, A. P. Hamnett, M. B. Gillett, I. Heywood, J. Blake, J. M. Roland, W. M. Wolstenholme, C. J. Sherlock, D. L. Worthing, F. I. Barclay, A. Horwich, D. M. Harper, K. L. McMurtrie, A. G. Skinner.

We acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of the following: *The Aldwinian*, *Waconian*, *Wallaseyan*, *Stopfordian*, *Savilian*, *Ulula*, *Britannia*, and the magazines of King's School, Macclesfield, Whalley Range High School, and Swanwick Hall Grammar School.

D. M. WILLIAMS

It was in September, 1920, less than two years after the end of the First World War, that Mr. D. M. Williams came to the School from Oxford. The Education Act of 1918 had brought a sudden increase in the numbers of boys in grammar schools all over the country before adequate buildings could be provided, before all the experienced teachers had been released from the Forces, and before the supply from the Universities had had time to expand. Mr. Williams spent part of his early years here teaching large forms in odd corners while workmen were busy completing the New Hall. He was one of the men who helped to resolve the administrative and disciplinary difficulties of the new age and rapidly made an abiding impression on the boys who were in the school in the early twenties. When the life of the school was again disrupted by the Second World War he was one of the half-dozen men who kept things going; and for the past ten years he has been Second Master during a new period of growth.



It is impossible to write an exhaustive list of Mr. Williams's activities from the time when he arrived, a few weeks before his twenty-first birthday, to his retirement forty-five years later. Generations of Old Hulmeians will record a multitude of varied incidents and impressions. Stories abound of his early contact with School Lacrosse, of his participation in the annual camps at Grange, of his prominence in the Old Hulmeians Choir and in their dramatic productions. Later generations of old boys remember his work with the School Choir and Orchestra and the high standard he set and maintained in the post-war productions of plays and operas; or his continued association with the Lacrosse teams; or the palmy days of the School First XI. There are, in fact, very few parts of the life of the School uninfluenced by Mr. Williams; but in all these varied fields there is one common factor. He was primarily interested in people—both boys and men—for what they were and could become. He had a deep understanding of human problems and a warm and ready sympathy, and for these qualities more than any others he will be remembered by boys and colleagues alike, who will wish him a long and happy retirement.

SPEECH DAY 1965

The guest at this year's Speech Day was Mr. Cyril Marsh, a former director of Simon-Carves, whom we welcomed not only in his own person, but also as a representative of local industry, which has contributed so much to the realisation of the Sixth Form Centre.

The Headmaster opened his report by reviewing the achievements during the last year of Old Hulmeians and others connected with the school. He expressed particular pleasure at the award of an M.B.E. in the New Year's Honours List to Mrs.

Stockdale. Three Old Hulmeians had been appointed to University Chairs: Richard Pear, Professor of Politics at Nottingham University; Sir Herbert Seddon, Professor of Orthopaedics at London University; Paul Hirst (a former member of the staff), Professor of Education at King's College, London.

In the sphere of examinations, G.C.E. results had been very similar to last year's. He congratulated the winners of university scholarships.

The School was grateful for several gifts, including a cup for golf, one for swimming from Mr. Brewood, and a barometer, from his family, to celebrate the eightieth birthday of Mr. Adams, whom we very warmly welcomed and whom we were delighted to see, looking very sprightly, upon the platform.

The Headmaster expressed once more the gratitude of the School to all who had contributed to the appeal—£68,000 had now been promised, which, with a generous loan from the Hulme Trust, brought us within sight of the original target of £100,000. The appeal would be open for a little longer!

Turning to the Sixth Form Centre, the Headmaster spoke of its first year in use. There had been successes and failures: we had learned from both. He said that, as in all societies, there were too many 'drones', and urged all boys to take part in the many activities of the School. He paid a particular tribute to the Head of School, R. G. Edwards, who had done much in seeing the Centre off to a good start.

Referring to the political scene, the Headmaster said that the teaching profession was not against change, but would like to be consulted, and to be consulted as a profession, not merely as individuals.

On a sad note, we mourned the passing of Mr. Barber, and of Mr. Bernard Muth, who could claim to have been the first boy to enter the School when it was opened.

The Headmaster paid tribute to Mr. Williams and to Miss Berry, both of whom were retiring. A colleague pays tribute to Mr. Williams above. Of Miss Berry, the Headmaster told how she had come to the Preparatory Department in 1934—having been induced by the promise of a new building. Though there had been no new building, Miss Berry had built a new school, so that the names of the Preparatory Department and of Miss Berry were synonymous. A succession of well-taught, well-mannered and well-educated boys had passed on from the school, and they all acknowledged their debt to her. To both, he wished every happiness in their retirement. He also thanked Mr. Axbey and wished him well in his new post.

He concluded his report by thanking all members of the staff in all spheres of the School.

After giving away the prizes, Mr. Marsh described his surprise and alarm at having been invited, and said that he had concluded that the invitation must have been because of rather than in spite of his being "a quite ordinary chap". He wished, he said, to commend the claim of industry as a satisfying way of life for a man of intelligence. It was a form of education after school was finished. Equality should not be confused with uniformity and there were various ways of achieving a full life, and though he encouraged everyone to go to university, he warned his audience not to despise a useful training—technology was not contemptible. It was possible for a career to combine social usefulness with intellectual satisfaction: "You can repay your debt to society just as well by a successful career in a utilitarian field as in any other."

PRIZE WINNERS

Prep: 1st, P. J. Woodward; Barber Merit, A. C. Hobday; Progress, N. Byrne. First Forms: W. Taylor Memorial Prize, D. Wong; English, H. S. Bradshaw; History, M. D. Briggs; Geography, J. Kitching; French, N. S. Leighton; Latin, M. A. Williams; Maths, I. D. H. Spicer; Biology, I. D. H. Spicer; Handicraft, J. E. Duncombe. Second Forms: English, E. Baines; History, J. D. Eckersley; Geography, C. R. A. Cheetham; French, A. J. P. Broadbent; Latin, A. J. Walker; Maths, P. W. Morris; Biology, C. R. A. Cheetham; Art, J. Knape; Physics, M. J. Hallworth. Third Forms: English, J. N. Dore; History, J. A. Wheatley; Geography, J. N. Dore; French, G. S. Lerner; Latin, J. N. Dore; Maths, A. A. Gardner; Chemistry, G. H. Williams; Physics, C. D. Salmon; Nuffield Biology, A. F. M. Brewood; Art, P. F. Atkinson; Handicraft, J. Makin. Fourth Forms: English, S. L. Cloughton; History, G. McGeary; Geography, K. M. Dodd; French, G. Gozem; German, S. L. Cloughton; Latin, S. L. Cloughton; Greek, P. D. Conway; Maths, I. R. Collinge; Chemistry, J. M. Topham; Physics, G. Hughes; Art, J. R. Haynes; Handicraft, D. K. Anderson. Fifth Forms: Parents' English, D. G. Sparrow; History, D. G. Sparrow; Hewlett Geography, J. D. Tonks; French, D. R. A. Rickard; German, P. W. Graham; Latin, A. J. Wilkinson; Greek, D. R. A. Rickard; Maths, R. S. Dale; Chemistry, K. R. Shaw; Physics, R. S. Dale; Art, P. R. Sheppard; Handicraft, G. A. Langley. Lower Sixths: English, S. G. Ogden; History, S. G. Ogden; Geography, I. B. Williamson; Geology, I. B. Williamson; French, J. Castelberg; German, J. Castelberg; Latin, J. Castelberg; Maths, A. G. Williamson; Chemistry, A. J. D. Pearson; Physics, A. J. D. Pearson; Biology, S. L. Black; Art, I. B. Williamson. Middle Sixths: English, Z. J. Qureshi; History, D. Lord; Geography, W. M. Wolstenholme; French, A. G. Skinner; German, A. G. Skinner; Latin, D. A. Vaughan; Greek, D. A. Vaughan; Ancient History, C. J. Bullough; Chemistry, A. P. Hamnett; Physics, K. B. Lodge; Biology, I. Hartley; Maths, G. N. Henderson; Art, I. Mallinson. Upper Sixths: Knoop English, R. E. Cox; Hewlett Geography, P. F. Veitch; Vlies Modern Languages, S. R. Amor; Dorington Latin, M. Brown; Greek, F. Nicholls; Ancient History, J. Bunting; Lymer Mathematics, R. H. Price; Williamson Chemistry, G. Jones; Physics, R. H. Price; Biology, P. H. Woodhead.

SPECIAL PRIZES

Original Verse, Sixth Forms: N. D. Moore. Original Middle and Junior Forms: S. L. Cloughton. Powell Scripture Reading: J. Hassall. Anderson English Essay: R. D. McGlue. Brierley Music: R. E. Cox. Watkins: R. G. Edwards. J. A. Barber Prize: M. Brown. J. A. Barber Proxime Accessit: P. J. Derlien.

GAMES

CRICKET: FIRST ELEVEN

Judging simply by results, the season must be considered a poor one. The team could only win three games, losing seven and drawing the remaining six. However, there was enough promise shown at various times by the individual members to justify a certain amount of optimism for the future; it was, after all, a very young side, all but two of whom will be available next season. Moreover, we were deprived of the services of C. J. Sherlock, a very useful all-rounder, who was taken ill with appendicitis early in the season, and this did nothing to enhance the prospects of a team which was already lacking in experience.

Of the older members, P. J. Derlien, the captain, was the steadiest and most reliable batsman and it was pleasing to note the great improvement in his technique which, coupled with his concentration, laid the foundations of a good score in many games, but alas, time and again we lost the last five or six wickets for some twenty or thirty runs. E. C. Comyn-Platt was betrayed by his own impatience a number of times, but his ability was clear to all from the fifty he made against the University Freshmen and from his innings against Manchester Grammar School. The latter was probably the highlight of the season, for on a treacherous pitch he scored sixty-five out of a hundred to win the game for us. D. L. Worthing, after a shaky start to the season, scored runs consistently, his best innings being one of 41 against a strong Whalley Range side. G. B. Brister bowled accurately throughout the season.

The opening attack of P. D. Hanson, D. G. Cowan and R. Entwistle bowled well on occasions, but tended to be inconsistent. Each was guilty of at least one performance of wild inaccuracy, but the potential is there to make a good combination if each of them will learn to keep the ball up and attack the off-stump.

K. W. Nightingale applied himself to his batting with great determination, and his innings of 45 retrieved us from the most undignified position we found ourselves in against the Staff. M. L. Ford showed a pleasing aggressive spirit in his batting, and if this can be combined with a slightly tighter defence, he should score many runs in future years. W. P. Cavanah did not have a happy debut, but he has plenty of time to develop and score the runs of which we know he is capable. A. J. Wilkinson kept wicket competently to the medium-paced bowlers, but is in need of experience in taking to the spinners. He showed distinct promise.

Finally, it must be said that although some very good catches were held, the general quality of the ground fielding and throwing left room for improvement. The inconsistent performances of his players made P. J. Derlien's task a very difficult one indeed, but he coped well. His field-setting and handling of his bowlers improved as he gained experience and he proved an excellent captain.

RESULTS

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| <p>v. Wallasey G.S. Away. School 50 for 4—abandoned (rain).</p> <p>v. King Edward VII's School, Sheffield. Away. King Edward VII's School 92, School 93 for 7 (Comyn-Platt 25, Ford 21).</p> <p>v. Cheadle Hulme School. Home. School 80, Cheadle Hulme School 55 for 8 (Comyn-Platt 4 for 15).</p> <p>v. King Edward VII's School, Lytham. Home. School 128 for 8 dec. (Derlien 45, Sherlock 32), King Edward VII's School 129 for 5.</p> <p>v. Queen Elizabeth G.S., Wakefield. Home. Queen Elizabeth G.S. 121 for 4 dec., School 51 for 6.</p> <p>v. Merchant Taylors' School, Crosby. Away. School 99 (Comyn-Platt 22, Derlien 37), Merchant Taylors' School 100 for 3.</p> <p>v. Bolton School. Home. Bolton School 194 for 9 dec., School 107 (Derlien 58, Sherlock 27).</p> <p>v. University Freshmen. Home. School 143 for 3 dec. (Derlien 32, Nightingale 22, Worthing</p> | <p>23 n.o., Comyn-Platt 50 n.o.), University Freshmen 108.</p> <p>v. Parents. School 104 for 5 (Barnes 30 n.o., Worthing 28), Parents 94 for 7 (Mr. Millett 35 n.o., Mr. Sumner 26).</p> <p>v. Manchester Grammar School. Manchester G.S. 100 for 7 dec., School 101 for 4 (Comyn-Platt 67 n.o.).</p> <p>v. Whalley Range C.C. Away. Whalley Range 101 for 4 dec., School 84 for 7 (Worthing 41 n.o.).</p> <p>v. Lancashire Colts. Home. Lancashire Colts 137 for 8 dec. (Brister 5 for 39), School 72.</p> <p>v. Birkenhead School. Home. Birkenhead School 142, School 92 (Ford 37).</p> <p>v. Old Hulmeians. Home. School 64, Old Hulmeians 65 for 9.</p> <p>v. King's School, Macclesfield. Home. School 65, King's School, Macclesfield 68 for 2.</p> <p>v. The Staff. Home. School 115 for 9 dec. (Nightingale 45) (Mr. Bryans 4 for 43), Staff 97 for 7 (Mr. Timm 20, Mr. Blight 36).</p> |
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SECOND ELEVEN

This year's 2nd XI entered each game with the same spirit of enthusiasm and will to win, even where, in many cases, a side of feebler spirit would have been content with a draw.

At the start of the season the batting was poor, but gradually improved as the season progressed, particularly that of J. F. Wilde, A. D. R. Dickson and P. H. Woodhead. A. Barnes hit strongly from time to time, while R. W. Harkinson might prove to be a good bat with a little more experience.

Of the many bowlers on the team A. D. Koffman bowled well, though sometimes erratically, while K. G. Walker was consistently accurate and had many good spells. Later in the season C. J. Bullough and A. Barnes proved to be useful, hostile, medium pace bowlers.

The quality of the spin bowling was varied. A. D. R. Dickson, whose bowling 'encouraged' people to get themselves out, was generally accurate and was more successful than G. Livings and P. H. Woodhead, who did not always find luck running their way.

P. H. Woodhead was an enthusiastic captain—not least in the example he set in the field. A. D. R. Dickson also fielded well in the outfield and A. Barnes was useful in the slips. Otherwise the fielding was sometimes of a poor quality. K. B. Lodge proved to be as steady and reliable in his wicket-keeping as in his batting.

Of the eleven matches played three were won, four lost and four drawn.

RESULTS

v. Wallasey G.S. Home. Cancelled.
v. King Edward VII School, Sheffield. Home. Lost. School 52, King Edward VII 55 for 4.
v. Cheadle Hulme School. Away. Cancelled.
v. Chetham's Hospital School 1st XI. Away. Drawn. Chetham's 107 for 9 declared (G. Livings 4 for 30, K. G. Walker 3 for 17), School 70 for 5.
v. Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield. Home. Lost. School 147 for 7 declared, Queen Elizabeth G.S. 148 for 0.
v. Merchant Taylors' School, Crosby. Home. Won. School 99 (W. P. Cavanagh 46 not out), Merchant Taylor's 33 (D. G. Cowan 5 for 3, A. D. R. Dickson 3 for 13).
v. Bolton School. Away. Drawn. School 105 for 4 declared (A. Barnes 64 not out), Bolton School 104 for 6 (Walker 3 for 20).

v. Montgomery House. Away. Drawn. Montgomery House 144 for 4 declared, School 72 for 6 (A. Barnes 33).
v. Manchester G.S. Home. Won. Manchester G.S. 55, School 56 for 7.
v. The Parents. Home. Won. School 122 for 5 declared (A. D. R. Dickson 50), The Parents 64 (A. D. R. Dickson 5 for 11).
v. Birkenhead School. Away. Drawn. School 150 for 3 declared (D. J. Chambers 41 not out), Birkenhead 56 for 6.
v. Rochdale G.S. Home. Lost. School 82, Rochdale G.S. 83 for 7 (A. Barnes 5 for 13).
v. King's School, Macclesfield. Away. Lost. King's School 136 for 6 declared, School 116 (P. H. Woodhead 33).

UNDER FIFTEEN ELEVEN

This season the age limit was changed to make all boys who were under fifteen on the first of the previous September eligible to play, and thus the team contained several players with previous experience in the team. These included two old colours, E. E. Broadhurst and G. S. Simpson.

Of the ten matches played two were won, three lost and five drawn. Under the captaincy of E. E. Broadhurst the side played some interesting cricket which at times reached quite a good standard. For the greater part of the term, however, the rate of scoring was too slow to give the bowlers time to dismiss the other side. This slowness on one occasion caused the captain to feel obliged to declare with too few runs scored and the game was lost, and in the following game a late declaration allowed the visitors to save a game which we might have won.

The judgment and tactical skill of Broadhurst improved during the term. He made one or two useful scores, but the chief batting honours go to G. S. Simpson, who made two very good fifties and averaged over 28. M. Benson started the season with a good defence and later batted attractively when he realized that he could hit the ball and score runs. A variety of bowlers were used, the most successful being D. W. Gammon, I. J. Shaw and C. Oxford, all off-spinners, and G. S. Simpson, who bowled fast left-arm but wasted energy on too long a run-up.

Colours were re-awarded to E. E. Broadhurst and G. S. Simpson and awarded to M. Benson, D. W. Gammon, A. C. George, I. D. T. Little, C. Oxford, D. P. Rhodes, I. J. Shaw and P. J. Taylor.

RESULTS

v. Wallasey G.S. Away. Drawn. Wallasey 64, School 37 for 8.

v. King Edward VII School, Sheffield. Home. Drawn. King Edward VII 144 for 8 declared, School 88 for 6.

v. Cheadle Hulme School. Home. Lost by 3 wickets. School 92 for 8 declared (G. S. Simpson 29, I. D. T. Little 28), Cheadle Hulme 93 for 7 (G. S. Simpson 6 for 32).

v. King Edward VII School, Lytham. Home. Drawn. School 136 for 8 declared (G. S. Simpson 53 not out), Lytham 92 for 8 (D. W. Gammon 4 for 26).

v. Merchant Taylors' School, Crosby. Away. Lost by 30 runs. Merchant Taylors' 77 (I. J. Shaw 4 for 15), School 47.

v. Bolton School. Home. Won by 83 runs. School 160 for 6 declared (G. S. Simpson 55, M. Benson 34), Bolton 67 (D. W. Gammon 6 for 16).

v. Manchester G.S. Away. Won by 2 wickets. M.G.S. 87 (I. J. Shaw 3 for 9, G. S. Simpson 3 for 27), School 88 for 8.

v. Birkenhead. Home. Drawn. School 155 for 7 declared (E. E. Broadhurst 40, C. Oxford 37, M. Benson 33, I. D. T. Little 25), Birkenhead 107 for 8 (P. J. Taylor 3 for 15).

v. Rochdale G.S. Home. Drawn. Rochdale 129 for 8 declared (D. W. Gammon 3 for 14), School 79 for 5.

v. King's School, Macclesfield. Home. Lost by 7 wickets. School 99 (P. J. Taylor 38), King's 102 for 3.

UNDER FOURTEEN ELEVEN

This year's experiment to run two junior sides, an Under-14 as well as an Under-13 XI, has caused its problems, as did the rain which curtailed practices and affected all games.

Results have been surprising, containing incredible feats of peripeteia. A strong Macclesfield side were 20 for 6, but the last four wickets batted very sensibly. Against M.G.S., 67 for 1 became 87 all out. Macclesfield began badly in reply, but a sixth wicket stand of 40 saw them home.

Against Bolton, a most exciting match, the School had to fight hard to reach a respectable score. Bolton in reply were 40 for one, and then 63 for seven. The last six overs produced three wickets and only two runs—a nerve-tingling affair.

Immature batting has been the side's main fault, although J. B. Hollingworth, G. Reading, and R. D. M. Lind all played useful innings. H. J. Davies will make an opener when he learns not to 'hang his bat.' D. J. Hollows and L. P. Kynaston have the shots but play them indiscreetly.

The fielding was excellent throughout the season. Of the bowlers, J. Hollingworth has too much speed for the batsmen he meets; he would do better to bowl more slowly from a shorter run and improve his accuracy. G. Reading (medium-pace) and L. P. Kynaston (off-breaks) both showed promise, and R. S. Thomason turned a useful arm when required. K. E. M. Robson (off-breaks) will develop into a good all-rounder with age and stature.

RESULTS

v. Wallasey G.S. Abandoned—rain.
 v. Cheadle Hulme G.S. Abandoned—rain.
 v. King Edward VII, Sheffield. Won by 8 wickets.
 K.E. VII 34, School 37 for 2.
 v. Bolton School. Won by 1 run. School 66,
 Bolton 65.

v. Manchester G.S. Lost by 5 wickets. School
 87, M.G.S. 88 for 5.
 v. Rochdale G.S. Lost by 26 runs. Rochdale
 100 for 3 declared, School 74.
 v. King's School, Macclesfield. Lost by 65 runs.
 King's 110, School 45.

Regular members of the team included: J. B. Hollingworth (capt.), K. E. M. Robson (vice-capt.), R. D. Lind, G. Reading, H. J. Davies, D. J. Hollows, L. P. Kynaston, R. S. Thomasson, K. R. Astle, J. A. Wheatley, R. G. Walker, N. F. C. Fleming, A. Holdship, A. D. Toft.

HOUSE CRICKET

The weather was once again typical of the last few summers, and the league programme was affected quite a lot. Many cancellations had to be made and often games were played in cold, damp weather; sometimes with a very strong, unpleasant wind.

In spite of this, however, the Houses battled on and the season concluded with Dalton at the top of the table, followed by Fraser. Positions were as follows:

Dalton	...	...	...	...	98	points
Fraser	...	...	...	...	80	„
Heywood	...	...	...	...	72	„
Gaskell	...	...	...	...	58	„
Whitworth	...	...	...	...	46	„
Byrom	...	...	...	...	40	„

The Knock-outs were notable this year for the slow rate of scoring in several of the games. It is realised that in a timeless match this is not of great importance in itself, but so often the slow scorers are the tentative, and in any game the tentative seldom win. In any case we saw some pretty dull cricket.

RESULTS.—1st Round—Seniors: Byrom beat Heywood. Heywood 111 all out, Byrom 112 for 4. Whitworth beat Fraser. Whitworth 109 suspended, Fraser 77 all out. Juniors: Byrom beat Fraser. Fraser 42 all out, Byrom 43 for 3. Dalton beat Whitworth. Dalton 78 all out, Whitworth 61 all out.

2nd Round—Seniors: Byrom beat Whitworth. Whitworth 35 all out, Byrom 36 for 2. Dalton beat Gaskell. Gaskell 55 all out, Dalton 59 for 2. Juniors: Heywood beat Gaskell. Gaskell 28 all out, Heywood 29 for 0. Dalton beat Byrom. Byrom 53 all out, Dalton 119 all out.

Finals.—Senior: Byrom beat Dalton. Dalton 64 for 8, Byrom 65 for 6. Junior: Dalton beat Heywood. Heywood 62 all out, Dalton 63 for 2.

GOLF

The Annual Competition was once again held on the morning of Ascension Day at Chorlton Golf Club and we are very grateful to the committee for allowing us the use of the course.

It was decided to make the competition a Stableford round so that a few disastrous holes were not too great a penalty.

The entry of twelve was a little disappointing as far as numbers were concerned but some good golf was played, especially by the younger players.

The issue was not decided until the eighteenth, where A. Veitch, of Dalton, got a par four to return a score of 37 points; a good score by any standard. Veitch was duly presented with a splendid new trophy given to us by a parent who insists on remaining anonymous. We are very grateful.

ATHLETICS

This year we extended our fixture list and competed against Manchester G.S., Cheadle Hulme School, North Manchester G.S., Sir John Deane's G.S., Birkenhead School, Sale G.S., Wilmslow County G.S., King's School (Macclesfield), Chorlton G.S., Derby School (Bury), Worsley Wardley School and H.M.S. Conway. In most of these matches we fielded senior, U.16 and U.15 teams. The following results were obtained:

RESULTS

At "The Firs". Seniors and U.16. School 157, Cheadle Hulme School 152, Manchester G.S. 124.

At School. Seniors, U.16 and U.15. School 214, North Manchester G.S. 196.

At Sir John Deane's G.S. Seniors, U.16 and U.15. Birkenhead School 274, School 250, Sir John Deane's G.S. 221.

At School. Seniors, U.16 and U.15. Chorlton G.S. 204½, School 202½.

At Sale G.S. Seniors, U.17 and U.15. Sale G.S. 261, School 188½, King's School Macclesfield 171½, Wilmslow County G.S. 169½.

At Derby School, Bury. Seniors and U.16. School 89, Derby School, Bury 79, Worsley Wardley 52.

H.M.S. Conway. Seniors, U.16 and U.15. H.M.S. Conway 211, School 199.

At School. U.12, U.13 and U.14. Sale G.S. 371, School 241.

As in previous years, the junior teams were not as strong as the senior team and in fact they were largely responsible for the overall defeat in two of the matches.

The senior athletes continued the general improvement and produced many outstanding performances. The most improved athlete was C. F. Cusick (mile, 4 min. 33.0 sec.; 880 yds., 1 min. 59.9 sec.; and 440 yds. 53.3 sec.). He, P. S. Booth (mile, 4 min. 40.9 sec. and 880 yds., 2 min. 04.0 sec.), and W. M. Wolstenholme (mile, 4 min. 56.0 sec. and 880 yds., 2 min. 08.0 sec.) trained very hard throughout the season and in doing so set an example which probably contributed to the fact that no less than six boys ran a mile in under 5 minutes and five ran 880 yds. in less than 2 min. 08.0 sec. It was amazing that the School 440 yds. record of 53.3 sec. was still intact at the end of the season, for during the season several boys had been returning good times. These included D. S. Buckley (52.6 sec.), E. Rigg (53.1 sec.), C. F. Cusick (53.3 sec.) and K. M. Dodd (54.1 sec.). In the long and triple jumps K. L. McMurtrie (L.J. 19 ft. 11½ in. and T.J. 40 ft. 6½ in.) and E. Rigg (L.J. 20 ft. 4½ in. and T.J. 41 ft. 11 in.) could usually be relied upon to gain maximum points. The best sprinters were K. L. McMurtrie (100 yds., 10.6 sec. and 220 yds., 24.3 sec.) and M. P. Rack (100 yds., 10.7 sec.). Although these times are not exceptional these two athletes combined well with D. S. Buckley and E. Rigg in the relay team, with the result that this team eventually recorded 46.3 sec. for the one-lap relay. Other senior athletes worthy of mention are K. Irving (H.J. 5 ft. 4 in.) and L.J. 19 ft. 0 in.), D. A. Reeves (Jav. 137 ft. 10 in.), and B. F. Saville (T.J. 39 ft. 0 in.).

In the junior teams good performances were produced by S. C. Harrold (U.16 T.J. 39 ft. 6½ in.), M. P. Reddin (U.16 mile, 4 min. 55.0 sec., 880 yds. 2 min. 08.0 sec., and 440 yds. 56.1 sec.), K. M. Dodd (U.15 440 yds., 54.1 sec. and 220 yds., 24.1 sec.), D. J. Whaite (U.16 mile, 5 min. 02.7 sec.), D. J. Bremner (U.16 mile, 4 min. 57 sec.), P. S. Gage (U.16 880 yds., 2 min. 10 sec.), R. J. Smith (U.16 100 yds., 10.7 sec. and 220 yds., 24.6 sec.), P. R. Day (U.14 880 yds., 2 min. 16 sec.), A. W. Renshaw (U.14 mile, 5 min. 16.6 sec.), and G. P. Phythian (U.14 mile, 5 min. 15 sec.).

SENIOR

	First			Second		Third	
100yds.	McMurtrie, K. L.	(F)	10.9	Rack	(B)	Irving	(B)
220yds.	McMurtrie, K. L.	(F)	24.9	Buckley	(B)	Saville	(F)
440yds.	Rigg, E.	(F)	53.6	Buckley	(B)	Wood	(G)
880yds.	Cusick, C. F.	(D)	2-4.4	Booth	(B)	Wolstenholme	(G)
Mile	Cusick, C. F.	(D)	4-43.6	Booth	(B)	Wolstenholme	(G)
H. Jump	Irving, J. K.	(B)	5-3	Mills	(W)	Moran	(D)
L. Jump	McMurtrie, K. L.	(F)	19-5	Irving	(B)	Rigg	(F)
H.S.J.	Rigg, E.	(F)	38-3 (rec)	Saville (rec)	(F)	Hanson	(D)
Shot	Lodge, K. B.	(W)	36-9	Barnes	(D)	Worthing	(G)
Discus	Lodge, K. B.	(W)	97-7	Saville	(F)	Reeves	(B)
Javelin	Reeves, D. A.	(B)	127-3	McNulty	(W)	Bentham	(H)
P. Vault	Pope, S. P.	(H)		Cavanah	(F)	Beasant	(B)
Relay	Fraser		48.1	Byrom		Dalton	

MIDDLE

100yds.	Smith, R. J. (rec)	(F)	11.0	Cowan	(B)	Pearl	(H)
220yds.	Dodd, K. M. (rec)	(W)	24.6	Smith (rec)	(F)	Cavanagh	(F)
440yds.	Dodd, K. M.	(W)	56.8	Gage	(W)	Knott	(B)
880yds.	Reddin, M. P. (rec)	(B)	2-10.3	Bremner	(W)	Gage	(W)
Mile	Reddin, M. P. (rec)	(B)	4-55.1	Bremner	(W)	Walker	(H)
H. Jump	Gaskell, D. P.	(G)	5-1	Ingham	(B)	Derlien	(D)
L. Jump	Smith, R. J.	(F)	17-3	Cowan	(B)	Majewski	(F)
H.S.J.	Broadhurst, E. E.	(W)	35-6	Majewski	(F)	Gage	(W)
Shot	Harrold, S. C.	(H)	36-1	Ketley	(H)	Hallworth	(W)
Discus	Cavanagh, M. R.	(H)	105-9	Harrold	(H)	Hancock	(G)
Javelin	Little, I. D. T.	(B)	131-7	Brooke	(D)	Ketley	(H)
Relay	Whitworth		51-7	Byrom		Fraser	

JUNIOR

100yds.	Rhodes, D. P.	(W)	12.0	McQuin	(D)	Pearson	(H)
220yds.	Jones, G. F.	(H)	27.9	Wilson	(B)	Eyre	(H)
440yds.	Day, P. R.	(F)	60.3	Wilson	(B)	Briscoe	(B)
880yds.	Day, P. R.	(F)	2-24.4	Phythian	(W)	Grundy	(G)
Mile	Renshaw, A. W.	(H)	5-16.6	Phythian	(W)	Daniell	(F)
H. Jump	Wilson, R. M. (rec)	(B)	4-8	Renshaw	(H)	Eyre	(H)
L. Jump	Eyre, M.	(H)	15-7	Rhodes	(W)	Everett	(F)
Shot	Jones, G. F.	(H)	34-1	Walker	(G)	Kettle	(W)
H.S.J.	Day, G. F.	(F)	32-4	Everrett	(F)	Rhodes	(W)
Discus	Beasant, T. J.	(B)	86-9	Lloyd	(D)	MacDonald	(W)
Javelin	Joseph, M.	(G)	95-8	Renshaw	(H)	Fletcher	(F)
Relay	Fraser		54.5	Heywood		Byrom	

JUNIOR SCHOOL

1st FORM TROPHY WINNERS:

100yds.	Duncombe, J. E.	1D
220yds.	Wong, D.	1A
880yds.	Bradbury, P. D.	1D
H. Jump	de Selder, R. T.	1C
L. Jump	Duncombe, J. E.	1D
Shot	Pimblett, L.	1D
Relay	1B	

Result: 1st 1D; 2nd 1A; 3rd 1C; 4th 1B.

2nd FORM

100yds.	Bennett, G. A.	2B
220yds.	Hayes, P.	2D
880yds.	Foster, K.	2D
H. Jump	Roberts, O. V.	2A
L. Jump	Huddleston, P. I. M.	2A
Shot	Danecki, C. T. C.	2B
Relay	2D	

Result: 1st 2D; 2nd 2A; 3rd 2B; 4th 2C.

TENNIS

Although three of last year's team were available, the team had a disastrous season, winning only two of its twelve games. It was ironical that it should be so disastrous when the School had its most successful ever first couple. Throughout the whole season Brown and Maskell lost only four sets in cup and friendly games. Heavy defeats, however, were sustained only against Queen Elizabeth School, Wakefield, and Manchester Grammar School.

The season began well and the team won its first two matches. After this, however, the first couple received little support from the rest of the team. Blake and Clarke had some good results at second couple but lost many important games to mediocre opposition.

The third pair was a constant problem. Crewe and Labaton played well at the beginning of the season, but were eventually dropped in favour of Ashcroft and Barlow, who, although they did not play attractive tennis, obtained some reasonable results. Knott and I. Price also played third couple but failed to materialise.

The second team also had a poor season compared with previous years, winning only four out of nine games. This meant a poor quality of reserves for the first team. However, it was a young team and valuable experience should have been gained.

The School had an early exit in the 'Glanvill Cup', losing to Stoneyhurst College in the first round by two events to one.

In July, Brown and Maskell represented the School in the Northern Schools Tournament at Roundhay School, Leeds. Unfortunately the two favourites, William Hulme's and Royal Grammar, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, were drawn together in the first round. We were beaten by Newcastle, the eventual winners, but then entered the Plate Competition, which we won quite convincingly.

This year the School entered the Nestlé Schools Ladder Competition. It was instigated to promote more tennis within schools. The ladder allows twenty-four boys to play singles matches against each other, and the eventual winner represents the school in the Area Finals and, if successful, the National Finals at Queen's Club, London. R. W. Maskell, our representative, was beaten in the National semi-finals.

R. W. Maskell was undoubtedly the most outstanding player, and is to be congratulated on winning the North of England Junior Championships and the Lancashire Under-21 Championships.

First Team.—1st Couple: M. Brown (capt.), R. W. Maskell. 2nd Couple: J. Blake, J. A. L. Clarke. 3rd Couple: I. S. Ashcroft, P. Barlow. J. Bennett, C. Knott, I. Price, A. Crewe and A. Labaton also played.

RESULTS:

King Edward VII, Sheffield ...	A.	W.	6-3	Stockport ...	...	A.	Aban.
King Edward VII, Lytham ...	H.	W.	5-4	Birkenhead ...	...	H.	6-3
Queen Elizabeth, Wakefield ...	H.	L.	7-2	Manchester Grammar ...	...	A.	7½-2½
Merchant Taylors', Crosby ...	A.	L.	6-3	Whalley Range L.T.C. ...	...	A.	5-4
Parents ...	H.	D.	4½-4½	CUP MATCH			
Bolton School ...	H.	L.	5½-3½	Stoneyhurst College ...	...	H.	2-1
Didsbury Training College ...	A.	L.	5-4				

In the House Knockouts the favourites, Whitworth and Gaskell, reached the final, but Whitworth surprisingly won in a very close match by two games.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

C.C.F. NOTES

Most of the training last term was biased towards the requirements of Camp. Many boys were surprised to see khaki figures carrying sausages, stoves and mess tins around on Fridays instead of rifles; these budding cooks were being trained for expeditions which were held at Brecon Camp (17-25 July). The inspecting officer at the Annual Inspection, Brigadier A. D. Firth, O.B.E., M.C., expressed his delight on the emphasis placed on Arduous Training by the Contingent. He was also impressed by the demonstration of light rescue by members of the Civil Defence Platoon, who completed their course during the term. The inspection also established a record in that it was the first time in recent history that recruits have carried rifles for the initial parade and march-past; a high standard was set for this year's recruits.

The field day offered potential recruits a chance to prove that "it's a man's life in the Army", but most of them discovered it was more entertaining to camouflage and then shoot at their N.C.O.'s. Senior cadets and junior N.C.O.'s fired the .303 rifle for their classification on the open range; the results were much more satisfactory than those of the previous year.

The day after Speech Day, some of the keener members of the Contingent volunteered to travel to destinations unknown for an initiative test. They were dropped, in groups of four, along the Manchester-Woodhead road, and had to arrive at an RV on the Snake road by 1600 hours. It was interesting to note that the younger cadets were the first home, although one, who shall be nameless, carried his sore feet to camp (they hardly carried him!) and had to miss a day's training until they shrank to normal size.

The summer camp was held at 83 WETC Brecon, where the accommodation and food were excellent. Little is placed on record about the journey to and from camp, as much of the description of travel would be subject to severe censorship. There were a number of unfortunate delays and incidents which are best glossed over; the Contingent does, however, record its thanks to Lt. C. Templar (O.H.) of the R.C.T., who kept the Contingent on the move by his untiring efforts. Whilst at camp, 41 cadets successfully completed an expedition which was of Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award standard. Seventeen will be recommended as having passed with distinction. The night operation, which was a Company attack on a defended, deserted farmhouse, produced several injuries in addition to the usual number of "be-nettled, be-bogged and bewildered soldiers". The attack, although noisy, was effective but the withdrawal of the defence succeeded in confusing both parties. The hazards of day training were enhanced one day by an unfortunate timing of a smoke bomb, which succeeded in changing the direction of the attack. It was said that two of the officers who were acting as umpires were seen to be politely discussing the timing of smoke generators later that day. The most amazing single incident of camp took place on the last night. All the W.O.'s, N.C.O.'s and senior cadets waited tensely for the inevitable attack from the recruits. The time had arrived when the juniors were bound to take revenge for a year of abuse, insults and many a happy hour doing drill. By 2315 hours no attack had been launched; N.C.O.'s crept from under beds; was this the lull before the storm? The officers investigated the crisis and found a simple answer. All of the recruits were snoring happily, and obviously had been just too tired to bother, and N.C.O.'s went to bed muttering about the weaknesses of the younger generation.

Almost all of the training this term is directed towards the Army Proficiency Certificate; last year's recruits will be taking this examination in November, and will be amongst the first in the country to sit this examination in its new form. After completion of the examination successful candidates will be able to progress to a variety of advanced courses.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme is progressing steadily; six candidates have almost completed the Silver Award and eight more have just started. It is, however, a poor reflection of the School's Sixth Form that only eight are attempting the award this year. Candidates do not have to be members of the C.C.F., and they are not liable to be called out to Aden or Malaya if they do enrol for the scheme. A Silver Award Expedition is being organised during half term in the Lake District.

PROMOTIONS

July.—To Sergeant: Cpls. Bennett, Carnie, Clark, Paton, Skinner. To Corporal: L/Cpls. Harkinson, Harrold, Shires, Whiteoak. To L/Corporal: Cadets Cunningham, Duckworth, Hancock, Kenyon, Lowe, Willis.

September.—To C.S.M.: Sgts. Mitchell and Wolstenholme. To Sergeant: Cpls. Harrold, Heywood, Rack and Rushton. To Corporal: L/Cpls. Black, Slater, Vaughan, Willan, Back, Cavanagh, Cundy, Bremner, Dale, Durn, Ogden. To L/Corporal: Cadets George, Adams, Butterworth, Cowan, Mitchell, Penny, Walker, Tonks.

DONNER LIBRARY

Over 1,000 books have been added to the Donner Library in the past two years and the number of borrowers has been steadily growing. It is disappointing, however, that more use of the Library is not being made by the Upper and Middle Sixths. Books of general interest are added to the Library from time to time, with them especially in mind. It will be impracticable to continue this policy if it achieves no result.

We have received many gifts since the last time these notes appeared. Mrs. Denkinson has given a most generous gift of money. Mr. Williams, on his retirement, gave us a copy of Gibbon's *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire* and of the *Koran*. Mr. and Mrs. Woodhead gave us several books on Engineering; Mrs. Barnes a large number of novels; Mr. H. R. Touchin a copy of *In the Realm of Chemistry*. From Mr. J. P. V. Woollam we received the very interesting gift of the two volumes of Muspratt's *Chemistry*, now over 100 years old. Another interesting gift is the 8-volume *Century Dictionary* from Mr. J. O. H. Norris. It was very pleasing to receive *Brewer's Dictionary of Phrase and Fable* from the Head Prefect, R. G. Edwards, and a book on *Sailing* from T. A. Hoyle on their leaving school. With regard to periodicals, we have to thank Mr. J. A. Pringle, O.H., for the gift of some 50 back numbers of *The Countryman*, the short articles in which are admirable for odd minute lunch hour reading; Mr. A. H. Allman, O.H., for kindly continuing to give us *The Director*, and R. J. Wood for donating several numbers of *The Weather*. For all these gifts we are most grateful.

Thanks are due to R. A. Chester, J. K. Brigham and M. G. Touchin, the Assistant Librarians, for their valuable services during the course of the past School year.

STAGE EXPEDITIONARY CLUB

Many of the planned Sunday hikes during the Summer term were cancelled because most members were engaged in preparing for examinations.

In May and June two rock meets were held at Stannage but nothing spectacular was ascended, and more energy went into coffee making.

Three Sundays were spent by a few members walking in the Glossop area, and one evening, late in June, a heavily laden mini was observed making its way home carrying two boots, with feet attached, as nearside indicators!

During the following weeks two weekend meets were undertaken. The first took place in late July when a party camped in the Langdales, and ascended the famous Pikes on the Saturday and climbed Bowfell from Rossett Ghill the following day.

In August, what had promised to be a hard week-end, starting with a traverse of Grib Goch from the Snowdon Saddle, turned into a seaside holiday at Ederyrn. Despite encouragement to enter the water or to bake in the sun, one belligerent character in a tartan shirt was seen thrutching on the sea cliffs, where he finally got a soaking.

Much time was spent planning the expedition to Scotland, and a report of this follows.

G. MCKEE.

S.E.C. EXPEDITION TO SCOTLAND

This summer it was decided, as in previous years, to visit Scotland once again. The party of eleven travelled by car in three groups. The two from Manchester camped at High Hesket, near Carlisle, the first night and made their way to Glen Nevis, where they were met, at midday Sunday, by the third group from London.

On that Sunday a party of six ascended Ben Nevis in the cloud and, when they had walked round the observatory, the trig point, and the ceremonial cairn, descended to the campsite. During the descent the cloud broke at about 3,000 ft., from which point there was a wonderful view of Loch Eil and the surrounding mountains. After the London group had arrived, those left at camp climbed up to the Steall Hut for exercise.

The next day was spent striking camp and provisioning in Fort William. From there the party made its way to the next camp, which was to be at Reraig, near the Kyle of Lochalsh. The following day it rained heavily.

On the Wednesday, a party of six ascended the Saddle. The weather was not very good but it was a good day's climbing and the party were glad to get back to camp. The rest of the party had been into Kyleakin on Skye, where they left Mark Wolstenholme to make his way towards Glen Brittle.

Thursday morning was wet, but in the afternoon some climbed the local hill whilst others visited Plockton on a photographic trip.

The following day the party split into three groups. Whilst one group went up the Five Sisters of Kintail another went to Mam Ratagan, Glenalg and Loch Mourn, and another along the shores around the Plockton area.

It was now time to strike camp once more and the party, having provisioned in Kyle, made its way further north to Loch Asaynt via Ullapool. Camp was pitched by the shores of the Loch, but for the next few days it rained continuously, so much that a gravel road bound with heather had to be built to give the cars access to camp. On the day of the building of the road an attempt was made on Suilven. Progress, however, was halted by a wide, deep river with no bridge in sight. Overcome by this, the party set off in a car to Shiag Bridge, from where they ascended Quinag.

On the Wednesday, Suilven was finally ascended and a good view all round was observed. That day the remaining members of the party ascended a near-vertical slope of Quinag.

There was only one mountain left to climb and this was Stac Pollaidh. The weather was alpine but two hours were spent scrambling on the rocky pinnacles. This was a most memorable day with which to finish a wonderful holiday. The next day the party struck camp and made their way down to Glendevon Youth Hostel, near Perth.

It was from here, on the Saturday, that the three cars made their way to Edinburgh. Here, one of the Manchester-bound cars spent half of the day before camping in the Lakes for the night, whilst the other two cars continued home.

I should like to record the thanks of the members of the party to the car owners for the use of their cars and to Mike Smith for organising and leading the party.

H. W. WOOD.

4A-4B CONTINENTAL CAMPING

Considering their loads, the two twelve-seater Dormobiles performed magnificently during the 2,670 miles covered in France and Switzerland. Petrol flooding through the engine-cover into one of the vans, a steering-wheel, a roofrack and a horn all completely detaching themselves, boiling radiators and a temperamental starter-motor seemed to cause excitement rather than concern. The Swiss and French Alps, the Riviera and the Central Massif all proved to be scenic wonders.

The Dover-Boulogne crossing on British Rail's newest ship, s.s. Dover, was the roughest for many years and an experience best forgotten. The weather and scenery in Northern France were uninspiring; however, the camp-sites at Compiègne and Dijon were very pleasant.

From the customs at Les Verrières-de-Jaux there was a splendid run to Berne, where two nights were spent. No other site compared with the luxury of the one in the centre of Berne, where facilities included shops, restaurant, charcoal-cookers, irons and washing machines. The Swiss National Day was celebrated on the Sunday and a bonfire, firework display, lantern-procession and band made for an unforgettable evening. Exploring Berne was a sheer delight.

On our leaving Switzerland via Lake Geneva, the weather improved. During the breath-taking run through the French Alps it was learned that fires were raging near Le Lavandou. However, the week spent on the Isle de Gaou, near Bandol, was an interesting alternative. The only access to the island was by a cable pontoon. Swimming fifty yards from the tents, a Buvette with impromptu evening dancing and a large sports area contributed to a most pleasant stay.

On the return journey, camps were made at Pont-du-Gard, Vichy and Blagny. An enjoyable evening of Go-Karting was had at Pont-du-Gard and the Roman aqueduct itself was a thrilling sight.

We ate meals out on many occasions, and through experience it was found better to split into groups. At 10-15 p.m. at Vichy a full dinner for 24 did provide the proprietor with a slight headache! Everyone learned to enjoy French cooking, and some also learned that *vin ordinaire* can be very potent.

Shopping excursions, roadside lunch-stops, a befriended group of guitar-playing teenagers from Marseilles, all helped to provide plenty of opportunity for conversation.

When it was all over, everyone thanked everyone else and at a grand get-together in the Upper Hall on September 30, all involved enjoyed a slide show, and all the photographs taken were shown round.

GREECE 1965

The party which undertook the trip to Greece during the summer consisted of Messrs. C. J. Bullough, G. R. Cocker, F. Halstead, P. W. MacNulty, I. W. Pamphilon, H. L. Wilson and P. Woodhead from W.H.G.S., and a number of masters and pupils from the Priory School, Shrewsbury, and Churchfields, West Bromwich. On July 24th four of the boys from W.H.G.S. and four from Shrewsbury set out in a minibus driven by a master from Churchfields. On July 26th Pamphilon, Bullough, Halstead and

Mr. and Mrs. Aveyard assembled at Birmingham for the train; the train party, now 20 strong, boarded the midnight boat at Dover for Ostend, forfeiting the privilege of paying British purchase tax for six weeks.

In happy mood we set out by train to Cologne, where we caught the "Hellas Express"—rightly named! After a hot and weary journey, the party climbed out at Athens on Thursday afternoon, July 29th, thankful to escape the attentions of customs officials who perversely made their demands only at unearthly hours of the night.

The first four nights were spent on a hotel roof which was rather small, but cheap, and which afforded us with an excellent view of the Acropolis and its illuminations. The first two days we spent looking round Athens and enjoying the local wine and, occasionally, food. On Sunday the minibus arrived and the party split into three groups. By stages, the groups visited, at different times, Megara, Daphni, Delphi and Corinth. After a few days at Daphni, Pamphilon's group were propelled at an exhilarating rate by minibus to Evai, where they caught the boat across to Itea, near Delphi. A pleasant trip this—sun, spray, and the mountain view. An excellent camping site was spoilt somewhat by a herd of talkative mules, which insisted on lengthy conversation during the wee small hours—a more fearsome rasping sound than the school bell system—if that is possible.

Itea is a picturesque little town situated on the coast and completely isolated from civilisation, with Parnassus providing a breathtaking backcloth. On the third day of our stay there we were driven in the local bus, at a furious rate even round the sharpest bends, to Delphi.

Delphi was undoubtedly the most beautiful spot in Greece. The ancient oracle was situated on the side of a large mountain, and the theatre and stadium are higher up still. The view across the valley to the parallel range of mountains is of infinite beauty. The temperature was lower here—a welcome relief as we experienced temperatures upward of 90°F elsewhere. All three groups agreed that it was their most enjoyable experience.

The next three days were spent bathing in the warm sea—a lovely turquoise hue which had to be seen to be believed. Days of golden idleness in the sun and nights that included visits to open-air cinemas had sped by all too quickly when our driver reappeared to take us to Corinth.

Our stay at Corinth was eventful, to say the least. After a pleasant drive, and a breathtaking view of the Corinth canal, we disembarked on rather a desolate stretch of beach some four miles west of New Corinth. Some camped on the beach; others preferred an uninhabited cowshed. Shortly we all set off in search of food. Language problems were usually a source of laughter, but here the waiter was so uncomprehending that a good deal of jabbering and mime produced only sufficient food to fill a dormouse. As the sun went down an extremely lively wind arose and almost blew our luggage away. The first night, therefore, was most uncomfortable, especially as an army of goats invaded our site; but when the wind subsided it turned out to be a pleasant enough place.

One member of the party will always remember Corinth. He left his shoes on the beach after a dip and, much to his horror, saw that the sea had unaccountably covered his shoes. His feet were sore for days afterwards, and the colour of his shoes was such that no one could name it.

On the next day we decided to walk up the Acro-corinth, a hill overlooking the site of Ancient Corinth with a fortress on top. After a hot, strenuous climb we rested at the summit and enjoyed the splendid view—the Gulf of Corinth and the surrounding plains stretching away towards Argos.

The following day our driver returned and drove us to Tolon, near Nauplion, with visits on the way to Mycenae and Tiryns. Mycenae is on a hill, in a plain fringed by mountains. The ancient site is most interesting, and for the Classicist the ghost of Agamemnon still walks by the 'Lion Gate'.

At Nauplion some insisted on 'slogging' up to the Turco-Venetian castle for a panorama of the town, the bay, and the Argive plain; most recuperated from their tiring journeys, with time to spend on gastronomy.

A somewhat sudden departure for Epidauros afforded us an opportunity to visit the theatre, but we were soon navigating the clear blue waters of the Saronic Gulf to the island of Aegina. A further period of peace included lazy strolls along the lively quayside and visits to the ruined temple at Aphaia and a few scattered monasteries—the latter, rumour had it, only because one member of the party was in training for a choral scholarship at a well-known university. A trip on one of Aegina's two buses seemed a popular recreation; this is an unforgettable experience, to storm along at 30 m.p.h. down roads which twisted and turned every 100 yards. Take into account the fact that the single-decker was bursting with at least 70 people, and you will appreciate our readiness to alight. No Greek seems able to acknowledge a bus as 'full', however many there are on it.

Our pleasant week on this small island ended when we caught the boat back to the Piraeus. After a final shopping expedition in Athens, nine members departed home by minibus whilst the 'train party' had an extra week to visit Mykonos and Delos.

A curious fact about Greek life is the chaos which inevitably surrounds any form of travelling. Those who sailed for Mykonos found themselves in a throng bent on attending a religious festival at Tenos. The third-class upper deck was like a net full of squirming fish, but somehow all survived the 10-hour journey.

Mykonos, with its narrow, white-washed streets, is strangely different from the rest of Greece; for the more wealthy it is a week-end resort; for the tourist it is 'the road to Delos', one of the few ancient cities that is completely free of modern additions. Even 'the scientists' were impressed.

The train journey home is best left unmentioned. Suffice to say that none of the party has been heard 'to knock' British Rail since. It was great to be home again.

I. W. PAMPHILON.

DELPHI

On Monday, August 16th, the minibus took us to Itea. After our standard meal (octopus and chips) we visited the open-air cinema to see *Call Me Bwana*—in the original American with Greek sub-titles; a disappointing affair, as we couldn't understand either foreign language. The following morning we drove the short distance inland to Delphi.

We climbed the path up the hillside to the deserted ruins of the stadium, which lie beneath an almost vertical cliff, overlooking the ruins of the temple and theatre in the tree-covered valley below.

Here we began to catch the atmosphere of Ancient Greece, an impossibility in the crowded Parthenon. With the breeze rustling through the pine trees, the whole atmosphere was calm and serene, inviting and aiding one's personal vision of its ancient splendour.

As we moved down towards the temple and theatre, coachloads of sightseers began to arrive, and soon, no doubt, the stadium would lose its charm and become merely 'a holiday snapshot'.

The sky at Delphi was stippled with cloud—an added attraction, and welcome change from the oppressive heat of the previous four weeks. We viewed the open, semi-circular theatre, the temple of Apollo and the museum's bronze masterpiece, 'The Charioteer', before we departed for Athens.

H. L. WILSON.

EPIDAUROS

There were no boats; there were no buses; and so our already tight minibus schedule was further strained by an unexpected journey from Nauplion to Epidauros, whence we could take a boat to Aegina.

But the minibus developed a cough. We were left, much to the delight of the locals, in the middle of the village square at New Epidauros. The whole village solemnly assembled to watch us carry our rucksacks to the outskirts of the hamlet, where we commandeered an old lady's orchard to sleep in.

It took 15 minutes for her to understand that we wanted to sleep there, and not molest her, her goat, or her daughter. After she had shown us the smoothest piece of ground, we left our 'kit' and plodded back into the village, while she continued her spinning.

We ate at a small 'Taverna': yoghurt and cake. We failed to convey to the cook the idea of an omelette, or even an egg. At 11 o'clock we returned to our olive-grove, after abandoning our hopes that the minibus would return with the other party. A pleasant night's rest was summarily disturbed by Mr. Aveyard at six o'clock the following morning. They'd 'made it'.

G. R. COCKER.

MEGARA

The intrepid travellers made a passing acquaintance with a dusty, windswept stretch of coastline in the neighbourhood of Megara, where they spent two hot, sticky, and rather unpleasant days soon after their arrival in Greece.

The first swim produced a footful of sea-urchin spines from the rocky beaches; other highlights of the stay included a sampling of octopus (possibly raw) and the local 'vino'. The explorers' camp provided quite an attraction for the local youth who gathered in ominous numbers on one occasion.

Taking all things into consideration (including the half-mile tramp for fresh water and food several times a day), the majority of the party seemed pleased to leave the ant-infested beach-hollow for the more civilised life at a tourist camp-site near the Corinth canal.

P. H. WOODHEAD.

FINAL THOUGHTS ON GREECE

We enjoyed most:—

Doing a five-mile 'Pheidippides' from the top of the Acro-Corinth	C. J. B.
The civilised facilities in the 'Mermaid'	G. R. C.
Recovering from gastro-enteritis	F. H.
Our political endeavours, mostly pro-Papandreou	P. W. M.
Leaving the mules at Itsea	I. W. P.
Leaning against the bar at the 'Hilton' in Athens	H. L. W.
Disputing squatter's rights on the deserted beach at Tolon	P. H. W.
Doing a 'Demosthenes' in the Ecclesia	J. M. A.

At the outset, it must be admitted that the whole venture was approached in the spirit of an experiment—a word usually calculated to inflict the kiss of death on any innovation with cultural associations right from the start. Although by good fortune it did not turn out thus, Mr. Hoskinson and myself were certainly feeling our way very much in the dark.

It was decided that three sections should form the framework—solo, vocal and instrumental, and small and large ensemble. Total marks would be allotted to total a percentage with higher marks offered for the 'team events'. In the initial entry stage those Houses which boasted of the more prominent musical personalities rapidly filled the entry lists leaving the remainder in an uneasy state of imbalance.

Another, more urgent campaign was mounted, underground, inviting mass entry for any class with prospective points for the House as the carrot. This spurred on the general weal to such an extent that the programme was as full as a Japanese shipbuilder's order-book.

The fact that the only time available for holding this mammoth musical junket was a half-holiday did not dismay us excessively since a decently obscure burial to what we had first regarded as a rather bright idea would be assured.

In the event, all concerned were amazed to find the New Hall packed some time before the start. One of the heaviest periods of concentrated precipitation ever experienced by Manchester coincident with this was not held to be entirely responsible, for there was relatively little thinning of the throng as the clock advanced towards the conclusion of the third hour.

This tremendous support, their controlled, patient encouragement of the chosen heroes was, perhaps, even more remarkable than the variety of performance presented. Where else in the city could one hear, amidst a number of competent soloists and well-trained House glee-singers, a trio for side-drum, triangle—and bagpipe?

Each man or group was heard in full, and each obtained his mark, and with it, we think, some honour. Final marks were computed on two scales, the first cumulative, the second over the three-section, six-class percentage. On the former, Gaskell were clear winners; on the latter, Whitworth.

Next year—and there *will* be a next year—the latter method will be the one employed.

The first-class response by those willing to listen and those willing to prepare themselves singly or in groups encourages one to consider that a precedent has been firmly established. Alas, we are material creatures, even in the service of a muse. Perhaps one who reads this may be moved to offer a suitable trophy. It would certainly be well worth the winning.

G. W. J.

THE SIXTH FORM SOCIETY

From the ashes of the Donner Union has sprung, phoenix-like (we hope) the Sixth Form Society, to continue the traditional programme of debates, discussions and play-readings, but also to widen the range of sixth-form out of school activities to take full advantage of the facilities offered by the Sixth Form Centre.

There was a promising opening meeting attended by some 120 sixth-formers, when Z. J. Qureshi was elected chairman. The first function of the term was a conventional debate, about the Commonwealth, but it was disappointingly attended and produced very little debating. A programme is taking shape, which includes play-readings, joint-debates, discussions with visits from outside speakers, and even an evening of folk-song. It will be sad, however, if the standard of formal debating does not rise from its present abysmal level.

CHESS CLUB

At the end of the Mid-summer Term an Annual General Meeting was held and the following officers were elected: Captain, G. N. Henderson; Secretary, T. M. Grimshaw; Treasurer, D. H. Bottomley. The team had a very successful season, not losing a match, and winning the *Manchester Evening News* School Chess Trophy for the second time. Unfortunately, two of our strongest players, R. H. Price and O. A. Jackson, have left this year. In spite of this, we have made a good start to the season, with the Senior and Junior II teams beating Stretford Grammar School $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ and $4\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$ respectively.

Mr. Eastwood has kindly allowed the Chess Club to move back into Room 34 this season. We meet every lunch-time and new members would be very welcome. In conclusion, our thanks go to Mr. Haynes, Mr. Warden, Mr. Cowin and Mr. Bonnick. We would also like to thank Mrs. Taylor for providing the refreshments for the home matches.

T. M. G.

STAGE NOTES

Appointments:

Chief Electrician—P. J. Jandera.

Assistant Stage Manager—C. J. Turner.

P. E. Beverley.

G. McKee.

During last term 4A had their notorious revue. This event was of particular interest to the Stage Staff as this was the day the switchboard gave up.

After a rush of hysterics as 'C' main went dead and 'A' main's Earth became live, the Electrical Department managed to maintain lighting and the revue passed off without further incident.

As a consequence it was decided that the switchboard had to be renewed. Several plans later, and after some delay in obtaining materials, construction work started in Room 19 and is now nearing completion.

At the time of writing the Stage Staff is very busily engaged on constructing the set for *Yeomen of the Guard*; in fact, one half is nearly finished and the rest should be done by half-term.

The usual draft from the second forms has been obtained and we all hope that these juniors enjoy their time on the S.S. as much as some old boys who return from time to time to lend a helping (?) hand.

Our thanks go as usual to Mr. Bonnick for looking after us, to Mr. Foulds for—well, being Mr. Foulds, and to our new man, Mr. Furniss, for electrifying us. Our thanks must also go to Messrs. Sidebotham and Smith for their invaluable assistance on the switchboard.

R. D. A. M.

SCIENCE SOCIETY

The "first half" of the Annual General Meeting last term suffered from a severe lack of attendance, but served as an opportunity for the chairman to thank P. D. Roylance for performing the thankless task of honorary secretary for the past two years. The "second half" took place on September 16th, and both officers and committee were elected.

This year's appointments are: Vice-Chairman, A. P. Hamnett; Hon. Secretary, J. H. Dukinfield; Hon. Treasurer, A. Horwich. The committee consists of M. B. Gillett, J. Roland (Upper Sixth), J. R. A. Rushton, P. Feeney (Middle); M. G. Touchin, D. F. Macaulay (Lower).

The first lecture of this term took place on Thursday, September 23rd, when Mr. D. L. Howship told us about *Dunlop Chemical Products Division* with the aid of a film. The film, which had nothing to do with the lecture, provided an amusing ending to a most interesting eighty minutes.

A programme of lectures is being prepared as part of the coming term's activities.

MODEL RAILWAY SOCIETY

The term began for the Society with the Annual General Meeting, at which the elections to the Committee were held, and the future form of the layout discussed.

Following the elections, the committee now consists of eight members: B. R. George, Secretary; M. R. Cavanagh, Treasurer; P. P. Morris, Head of Electrical Department and Assistant Secretary; S. M. Fletcher, Head of Scenic Department; P. J. Wareing, Head of Trackwork; G. A. Langley, Head of Wagon-building and K. G. Owens, Librarian.

As last year's layout had many limitations from the operating point of view, it was decided that it should be modified to include a junction station in place of the old halt. As the old control panels were rather difficult to use, the opportunity presented by this reconstruction will be used to install new ones.

One slide show and lecture has already been given this term by K. N. Walton, an ex-secretary and founder-member of the Society, and it is hoped that this will be followed by more. Three 16 mm. films have been ordered, for showing soon after half-term, and non-members will be admitted to these at 3d. a head.

The Speech-day Exhibition marked not only the end of another successful year, but also the departure of most of the Society's sixth form strength, notably J. Bunting and I. Mallinson. who were Secretary and Treasurer respectively, without whose help the Society would not be in the strong position it now is. The Society would also like to thank Mr. Manning, whose help has proved invaluable in all the Society's activities.

HOUSE LETTERS

BYROM

Last July marked the end of an era in Byrom House when Mr. Morley handed over the reins of the House to Mr. Manning to become the School's Second Master. His services to the House cannot all be numbered here for they are indeed a great many; but if, under Mr. Manning, the House has equal successes and maintains the same respect acquired during Mr. Morley's 30 years' association with the House, then members and former members of the House can be well satisfied.

This School year we have high hopes of success on the games field, particularly in the Senior Knock-out competitions, where we have a very high percentage of the School team players, and we have so far made a promising start in the House League, where the all-round strength of a House is brought to the fore. We hope this standard will be maintained.

Last term proved to be the most successful in a year of disappointments, especially after surprising defeats in the Knock-out competitions and abominable performances in the House League. In the Senior Cricket K.O. Competition we were well represented by School-team players and so started as favourites for the Cricket Shield, and, unlike the Rugby and Lacrosse teams, we lived up to our reputation and won. In the first round we defeated Heywood, M. L. Ford scoring 60 runs; in the semi-final Whitworth fell to

us, R. Entwistle returning seven wickets for 14 runs; and, after an interesting and well-fought final against Dalton, we emerged triumphant under the captaincy of J. S. Street with five wickets to spare, A. D. R. Dickson taking four for 17 and D. G. Cowan three for 12.

The Junior K.O. team also was very strong, but after comfortably winning through the first round at Fraser's expense, G. S. Simpson taking seven wickets and scoring 32 n.o., we were defeated in the semi-final by Dalton; the team, however, was without their captain, J. S. Rhodes, in this game.

Perhaps the most praiseworthy performance was that of the Athletics team, captained by P. S. Booth, whose outstanding example inspired the other members of the team. In the Sports we finished a valiant second, well ahead of our nearest rivals, but behind a very strong Fraser team. The margin, however, was relatively small, and their success lay in the superior number of points they amassed from standards. There were many fine performances by our team, and M. P. Reddin once again showed his class, breaking both the mile and half-mile intermediate records.

The tennis team, though not untalented, after overcoming Heywood in the first round, failed to defeat Whitworth (the eventual winners) in the semi-final. The result was not completely unexpected, but the uninspired way in which we lost some of the sets was not in keeping with what we normally expect from Byrom teams.

In the first House Music Festival, A. P. Hamnett gathered what talent there was in the House and must be satisfied with the fifth position we obtained. Also, in the Shooting Competition, the House gained a creditable third place. Mention must be given as well to I. C. Carnie, who was captain of the School Badminton team.

Appointments in the House for the year are: Head of House: J. K. Irving; Deputy Head of House: A. P. Hamnett. We congratulate A. P. Hamnett and J. Blake on their appointment as School Prefects. M. P. Rack is re-appointed House Prefect, and the following are now House Prefects: D. S. Buckley, A. D. R. Dickson, R. Entwistle, D. A. Reeves, D. A. Vaughan, J. H. Rigby, K. W. Nightingale and G. Stansfield.

The House was represented on the School teams by: 1st XI: K. W. Nightingale, D. G. Cowan, M. L. Ford, R. Entwistle. 2nd XI: A. D. R. Dickson. 3rd XI: D. K. Anderson, J. S. Street. U.15 XI: J. S. Rhodes, G. S. Simpson, I. D. T. Little, M. R. Cummins, M. A. Nightingale. U.14 XI: J. A. Wheatley, R. M. Wilson, J. A. Koski.

Athletics: Senior: J. K. Irving, P. S. Booth (vice-capt.), M. P. Rack, D. S. Buckley, D. A. Reeves. U.16: D. G. Cowan, I. D. T. Little, S. T. Ingham, M. P. Reddin, U.15: R. M. Wilson, T. J. Beasant, J. A. Wheatley.

1st Tennis: I. S. Ashcroft, J. Blake, C. Knott.

Finally, we extend a warm welcome to those who have just joined the House; and to those who have just left, we wish every success in the years to come.

DALTON

Head of House: J. M. Roland. Deputy Head of House: R. B. Kapadia.

House Prefects: J. P. Bailey, R. A. Bishop, C. F. Cusick, P. D. Hanson, M. J. Slater, R. W. Slater, N. B. Wright.

Last term was fairly successful for Dalton. We won the House Cricket League; especial credit for this must go to the 3rd team, as it finished with a one hundred per cent record. The Juniors' victory in the Knock-Outs was a magnificent achievement. Excellently captained by C. P. Oxford they showed great spirit in overcoming some mammoth totals (which were attained despite the fine bowling of Finnigan and Oxford). The Seniors followed what was, last year, the somewhat traditional path by coming second in the Knock-Outs, being beaten in the final by Byrom.

In other fields the House was not so successful. In the Tennis there was a large amount of keenness but little ability and we were beaten 2-1 by Whitworth in the first round.

Our showing in the Athletic Sports was once again disappointing. Crippled by a lack of enthusiasm in obtaining standards, we fell further behind as the sports proceeded. There were however some good individual performances and especial credit must go to C. F. Cusick, who brilliantly won the mile and the half-mile.

Dalton's entry for the House Music Festival was very poor due to lack of support. So much so that the choir items had to be abandoned. However, the three people who did take part, R. N. Curry, K. S. Clare and B. K. W. Lightowler, all performed extremely well but their effort alone could not prevent Dalton from being placed sixth.

Dalton was represented on School teams as follows: Cricket 1st XI: P. J. Derlien (capt.), P. D. Hanson, A. J. Wilkinson. 3rd XI: K. Herbert. U.15: C. J. Oxford, J. S. McQuin. U.14: K. R. Astle. D. J. Hollows, R. S. Thomasson. Tennis 2nd team: I. Price. Athletics: U.16: C. F. Cusick (capt.). U.15: M. L. Derlien. U.14: H. J. Burnside (capt.)

FRASER

The Summer term proved to be one of mixed results for the House.

In the Cricket League, the House narrowly failed to emulate the successes earlier in the year in the Rugby and Lacrosse Leagues, by finishing in second place. In the Cricket Knock-Out competitions, success was not ours. The Senior team, captained by E. C. Comyn-Platt, met a good Whitworth side in the first round, and set the task of replying to Whitworth's 109 for five suspended, could make only 74. In the first round of the Junior Knock-Out competition, our side under M. Benson, was well defeated by a stronger Byrom side. E. C. Comyn-Platt (vice-captain) and W. P. Cavanagh played for the School 1st XI, and P. Mercer was a regular member of the School 2nd XI.

The Athletics Sports were the highlight of the term for the House, as we succeeded in winning the Athletics Shield for the second year running. The accumulation of a high number of standards points was due mainly to the fine efforts of E. Rigg, K. L. McMurtrie and B. Saville. On Sports Day, our team under the captaincy of E. Rigg, won many of the events and thus amassed enough points to give us a comfortable victory. E. Rigg won the individual trophy for the best Senior performance, and P. R. Day did likewise in winning the Junior individual trophy. Junior House Colours were awarded to B. Norman, S. J. Daniell and P. R. Day. The following boys all earned places on School Athletics teams: E. Rigg (captain), K. L. McMurtrie, B. Saville, D. N. Turner, R. W. Penny, R. J. Smith, D. J. Whaite, P. J. Everett, J. J. Majewski, B. Norman, P. R. Day, D. J. Fletcher and J. R. Turner.

The House Tennis team, captained by I. Hassall, encountered some difficulties and was eliminated from the Knock-Out competition in the first round. There was also a lack of success in the House Shooting competition, where for the second year in succession we filled sixth place.

In the new House Music competition we had a fine array of talent, and there was good all-round support. Though we came fourth, this is no reflection on the interest that most members of the House took in the competition.

We wish success in the future to all the members of Fraser who left us last year, and thank them for their services to the House.

F. I. Barclay has been appointed Head of House; he, A. Horwich and K. L. McMurtrie are to be congratulated on being made School Prefects Only I. Hartley remains of last year's House Prefects, and those newly appointed are D. H. Assar, M. A. A.

Crosby, D. C. Davies, D. P. Feeney, H Graves, R. M. J. Kinsey, C. J. Taylor, D. J. Thelwall and D. T. Whitworth, Captain of House Rugby is K. L. McMurtrie.

In conclusion, we hope that the keen spirit which prevailed in the House last year, and enabled us to win several sports trophies, will again be present, and bring the House all-round success in 1965-66.

GASKELL

Appointments: Head of House P. L. R. Wood; Deputy Head of House M. B. Gillett; House Prefects M. F. Slater, K. M. Daily, C. L. Mottram, R. W. Maskell, J. N. S. Hancock, I. G. Cundey and P. S. Whiteoak. D. L. Worthing and W. M. Wolstenholme are to be congratulated on being appointed School Prefects.

House Cricket last term was rather disappointing; both Knockout teams were dismissed in the second round, and the House finished fifth in the League. The House was represented on the 1st XI by D. L. Worthing and G. Brister; 2nd XI by C. J. Bullough and A. D. Koffman; and on the U.14 XI by A. J. Walker.

Primarily due to a lack of talent, but also on account of a lack of enthusiasm, the performance of the House on Sports Day was depressing; D. P. Gaskell, A. D. Koffman, G. W. Davies and P. A. Houston are to be praised for their creditable efforts. On the School Athletics Teams the House was represented by W. M. Wolstenholme, D. P. Gaskell, G. W. Davies, R. Haynes, A. D. Koffman and J. N. S. Hancock.

The House tennis team was more successful, being only narrowly defeated in the final of the Knockouts by Whitworth. The House was represented on the 1st School Team by R. W. Maskell, and on the 2nd by I. G. Cundey and A. A. Labaton.

The real successes of the House were off the games field. The Shooting Competition was easily won—the House Team was led by W. M. Wolstenholme, who is also captain of the School Team. R. H. Davies is to be congratulated on taking the individual trophy. The Music Competition was won on points, mainly because of the excellent leadership of M. B. Gillett; performances were given of works by Haydn, Mozart, Dvorak and Bartok. C. J. Bullough deserves praise for his patience with the choir.

It is hoped that the enthusiasm of the new members of the House will carry such success onto the games field.

HEYWOOD

We congratulate D. M. Harper on being appointed a School Prefect at the beginning of this term; the following new House Prefects have also been appointed: J. F. Wilde, G. N. Henderson, M. A. Martin, Z. J. Qureshi, H. C. Potter, R. W. Harkinson, J. McKay, S. C. Harrold and M. H. Shires.

In the House Cricket League we enjoyed a rather average season last term, although our final position in the league was third. The Senior Knock-Out team was eliminated in the first round, but the Junior team succeeded in reaching the final before being defeated by Dalton, despite an excellent innings of fifty not out by the captain, P. J. Taylor.

We were also well represented on School teams. T. C. Cunliffe and J. F. Wilde played for the First Eleven; P. H. Woodhead (captain), K. G. Walker and R. W. Harkinson played regularly for the Second Eleven, and H. C. Potter, P. D. Gould and J. Hulme also played. In the Juniors, P. J. Taylor played on the U.15 team, and G. Reading on the U.14.

On Sports Day we finished a good fourth after a valiant effort by the junior members of our athletics team; we hold out greater hope this year, both for the seniors and the new blood in the juniors. Again the House was well represented on School teams.

M. J. Giles was selected for the Senior Athletics team, S. C. Harrold, J. P. Ketley, G. Peart, S. P. Pope and M. R. Cavanagh for the U.16 team, and I. H. Rodgers, A. W. Renshaw, I. G. Pearson, and M. Eyre for the U.15.

The House Music Festival proved disappointing for us. It appeared beforehand that as far as talent was concerned, we should do very well indeed, but a lack of co-operation among junior members prevented us from forming a choir, and there was not enough self-confidence in some talented members of the House to enable us to put forward enough entries for each class. Consequently we finished third, and it is again hoped that this year a greater effort will be made by all.

As a footnote, to show that all the talent in the House is not only on the sports' field, we would add that half the School Chess team of last year was from Heywood House, viz. G. W. Henderson, O. A. Jackson and S. P. Pope.

WHITWORTH

At the start of this term, P. W. McNulty was appointed Head of House, but he was offered a place at college and has since left: we wish him well. In his place, A. G. Skinner was appointed thereto. The following are to be congratulated on their appointments: Head of School: A. G. Broome, Head of House: A. G. Skinner, Deputy Head of House: C. J. Sherlock, House Prefects: S. Clarke, J. H. Dukinfield, P. M. Fidler, D. Jones, R. D. A. Mitchell, S. G. Ogden, M. Sykes, S. Wyse; J. A. L. Clarke is re-appointed.

In the Cricket Knockouts, the Seniors, under the captaincy of C. J. Sherlock, gained a well deserved victory in the first round against Fraser. This was largely due to a fine spell of bowling by G. P. Livings (7-32), and good all-round batting. In the second round, however, the team was very unlucky to be without three of its School team players and the depleted side went down by eight wickets to a very strong Byrom team. The Juniors, captained by E. E. Broadhurst, lost in the first round after a very close struggle with Dalton, who eventually went on to win the trophy.

In the League Cricket, the Seniors generally lacked any resourcefulness, yet the 1st XI produced a final fighting win over a strong Dalton side, due to some exciting batting from A. Jackson (52) and T. I. Rogers (17 n.o.); the Juniors were rather disappointing, but the 3rd XI at times obtained rather encouraging results which showed promise.

In the Athletic Sports the House finished in third position. Of the three sections, the Middle section ended with the best results. K. M. Dodd broke the 220 and 440 yards Middle School records and was awarded the Individual Trophy for his group. Generally, the Seniors were disappointing, yet K. B. Lodge bade farewell to the House by winning the Senior shot and discus in fine style.

The House was well represented on School teams: 1st XI, C. J. Sherlock; 2nd XI, G. P. Livings; U.15, E. E. Broadhurst (capt.), A. C. George, D. P. Rhodes, I. J. Shaw; U.14, J. B. Hollingworth (capt.), K. E. M. Robson (vice-capt.), R. D. M. Lind; 1st Tennis, M. Brown (capt.), J. A. L. Clarke; 2nd Tennis, S. G. Ogden.

The tremendous House spirit, which was responsible for the success in the Play Competition, was still very much alive for the first House Music Festival. The solo and collective items all went off very well, and everyone concerned with these must be praised for very hard work in, at times extremely trying circumstances. The greatest applause undoubtedly went to D. B. Cunningham, with his bagpipes, yet the essence of Whitworth's joint win with Gaskell was the prevalently collective employment of everyone under the instigation of A. G. Broome.

A strong team, consisting of R. D. A. Mitchell, J. P. Durn, S. G. Ogden, and B. J. Edwards, entered in the Inter-House Shooting Competition, gave an excellent performance but unfortunately only took fourth place, being defeated by stronger teams.

The House had a very dependable team in the Tennis Knock-outs last year. Beating Byrom easily in the semi-finals, the team found itself against the favourites, Gaskell, in the final. Remembering its defeat by Gaskell in the final last year, the Whitworth team fought with grim determination and defeated Gaskell by the narrow margin of two games. The team consisted of M. Brown (capt.) and J. A. L. Clarke: S. G. Ogden and A. G. Broome.

A fine spirit now pervades the House whereon is based the optimism for success this present season.

Finally, to all those members of the House who left last summer go our best wishes for success in the future.

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

A new competition was announced last term, as the result of a generous anonymous gift: prizes were offered for original verse. We print, first, some poems from the winning entries of N. D. Moore (Sixth Form) and S. L. Claughton (Middle and Junior Schools).

FLIGHT

A flight on a summer cloud through the cosmic tracks of men,
Manned in their orbital capsules,
Rockets our will to fly or escape mundane boundaries;
To flee incurs society's disgrace
While escape is war honoured
Amongst those who speak and hear and love liberty.
But flight in this jet-space-age
Broadens our sun-filled horizons
Where birds still comb the breeze
And winds stir the air to blow.
And fancy flies too (what doesn't?
To fly on the wind or glide on the wing
Are no longer fanciful flights of imagination)
To the bible-black cemeteries
Latent in our minds:
There surrealism scuds across our nightmares
Limiting our eye-level view.
To flee my exploited self
Away from the transistored beat
Beating at my deaf ears,
Away from judges
Who condemn and sentence the young
Suspended between childhood and man,
Away from chaos advertising
Oblivion on hoardings of commerce and profit,
To flee escapism
Would order my confused mind
And rest a restless body.

But to flee is the coward's shield:
Since man must age with experience—
As an empiric will he mature.

So let me stay and grapple,
For flight is the coward's shield.

N. MOORE.

OF OUR CIVIL CITY

Bricks and steels of girder
Build the cemented squares.
Goods and window-glasses
See the shopping faces
Reflect the passing crowd,
Automatic and
Human, routined by life.
A pavement of people
Stockinged, feels the feet of
Walking shoes, bears the plod
Hobnailed, worn with ageing.
Legs which criss-cross themselves
Sketch the picture of haste.
Every engineered car
Exhausts a smoke of fumes
Into every nostril,
Snivelling with unseen smuts;
The bare bones of progress
Scaffold the very skies,
Shielding and fathomless.
Towers of cranes, frail in sight
Raise an epitaph to
Brick, conquered by concrete,
The slums of tomorrow
Today rear their flat face
As prefabrication.
The quicker we construct,
The faster we destroy.
Green odours of pasture
Become dissipated
Among brick-red dwellings.
Nature is eternal
But are the bricks, the streets,
The goods and the girders?
Here our blind man's glasses
See the excited din,
Buy cars, noisy men,
Feet scurrying to and fro.
Neon lights of pleasure;
Perceives the open eye
Of a waking city
At night, greeting all who

Love to live abandoned.
A wasteland of rubble
Dust over the disgrace,
A scar wounding the skin
Of our civil city.
Decaying amid time,
Rising anew with age.
Ruined by wordly wars
Now our nuclear children
Reap a golden harvest.
Fluorescence hails twilight
Lighting watery streets
Which echo the darkness
Of jaundiced lamps and lives.

N. MOORE.

FLIGHT

Mosquitoes come in molecular clouds,
Their droning bemoaning their size.
For its architecture the ordered art
Is known: the mosquito flies.

In that aerial earth that steals the light
Out of the sky, I see
No shape. Its particles are whole,
But its being seems abstract to me.

Dusk is dawn in the antipodes,
(Mosquitoes come at dusk)
But not for us. And when I see
The dirty sky, I cry,

Being afraid of the dark and of children
Born at dusk, who are blind.
The children who are born in the night
Theirs shall be twilight of mind.

Big fleas have little fleas.
I wonder, for this law,
Are your backs, my brethren,
Red and lumpy, sore?

S. L. CLAUGHTON

SUNDAY

The radio tolled out a knell to peace,
And a thousand houses hummed with Sunday talk.
Outside lead-patterned windows lay lead skies,
and the clip of lawn mowers from some garden rose.
The Sunday paper, brown with coffee stains,
was snatched away and carried to some hole
where unobserved, a man could read
and snigger at the sex and scandal down the road.

A screaming aeroplane cleaved o'er the terraced roofs,
old Grandpa belched "they shouldn't be allowed",
and the clip of lawn mowers from some gardens rose.
I wish those things would stop,
the air is thick and my temples ring—I am so tired.
I see the pilgrims wandering home from church.
"The choirboys looked very nice to-day,
but the vicar used long words like hypocrite".

I see the Browns out cleaning their new car,
"Don't think that we are jealous, we're just sad
for the Browns, who need to show off theirs".
Old Grandpa belched "they shouldn't be allowed".
I hear my father's voice, He's out to change the world,
What is it this time?—Hands off Viet-Nam?
Mother is at the window watching Mrs. Thomas
stare through hers,
"Thank God, we're not that sort of people here",
and Grandma, eyes bloodshot with age, looked up,
and nodded knowingly, "Yes dear", she said.
And thus the whole town drones
and drowns the sooty birds, pest ridden dogs,
"Come down to Grandpa", Mother barked at me
but with my thumb, I pressed her to the wall
and looking through her lipstick-laden mouth,
and at her shrivelled pod-like staring eyes
recoiling at the staleness of her breath—

I had my first real glimpse of death.

C. N. BOURNE (5y).

LIFE STORY

When he was young,
His cutting poems scorned
The humdrum little men
Who moved in droves about their daily lives;
Who never broke, rebelled or kicked,
But lived inside their red-taped little shells,
And only smiled at him.

When he left school
He gave up writing verse,
And got himself a nice quiet humdrum job

Which was secure and safe;
Whose biggest problem was to pay the bills.
Then he'd uncover dusty little rhymes,
And knowingly would smile within himself.

I. M. K. LOWE (6cl).

SUBURBIA

Some people live in suburbs
Which go all round a town.
Each in his little terraced house
In uniform brick-brown.

His life is quiet and gentle;
No noisy City 'Bus;
No sirens and no 'Rush Hours';
No railway terminus.

He has his little garden;
His hedges and his trees;
His hollyhocks and lupins;
His roses and sweet peas.

He loves to go into the pub
To drink his glass of ale;
And then beguile his merry friends
With how he caught a 'whale'.

He sits and smokes or lights a fag
Or reads his *Evening News*;
Or checks his copy coupon with
Its 'X's', one's and two's.

Converses with the man next door
Or watches his T.V.;
Or mows his lawn or picks his horse
That he may happy be.

But when all this is said and done,
Behind it there does lurk

A ghastly thing, a dreadful thing,
That which we call 'Work'.

For man must work to find his food
And toil to earn his bread.
He does this after he leaves school
Until the day he's dead.

It is a very humdrum life—
Goes out at half-past eight;
And travels back at half-past five—
That is, if he's not late.

He screws his screw or sells his jam
Or mixes his cement
Or files his cards or digs his hole—
Oh! What wasted intent!

How many men have worked to rule
And lived their lives in vain!
And done the same thing day by day
For years and years again!

What unambitious way is this
Of spending one's life span!
For only three score years and ten
Are given unto man.

For though he may not rule the world,
He will go very far
If he will take his wagon and
Will hitch it to a star!

J. R. BANKS (5)

AN EPITAPH FOR ST. MARY

The silent churchyard sleeps in stillness
Swathed in the musical colours of sunset,
Suspended for a moment.
Ancient headstones defy decay,
Marble scrolls unroll their constant message,
And a granite Christ soundlessly uproots the seeds of time.

The air pounds rhythmically about,
And the green-haired graves speak out
Their sombre sermon.
They speak of peace and eternal quiescence,
The endless slumber of death.

S. C. HARROLD (M6M).

THE RETURN

The windows of the bus were pockmarked with dirt and a steady, reluctant rain fell from the hanging skies. Around us the moors rose gently in scarred splendour, the peaks vague in the purple mist of distance. As I watched them slip by, I felt that bottomless and unreasonable sense of despair that comes over men, even when everything is ostensibly going well. It is a feeling that wells not from the world around, but from something primeval in man himself.

I despaired of this place. It had no life of its own. Up on the moor was a cluster of stone buildings—grey to match the sky, grey to match the scattered sheep and grey to match the people who live in this bleak half-light world. Stone seemed to belong to the landscape, with its colours and contours blending with those of the moorlands. And stone will adjust, soon losing its sharp edges and stark newness. Here there was nothing I understood and I had an odd sense of isolation and complete loneliness.

Far ahead now, I could see an area where the sky seemed darker and more dense. The town was still far away and I listlessly watched the winding road, dark with an oily slick from the traffic that flits across the spaces, migrating from one cluster of population to another without a thought to spare in the direction of the fire-scarred heights that are crossed now only by deep-gorged beckes and ravaged sheep.

The windows shook and the seats vibrated. I felt my body come alive and I awoke, suddenly conscious of that sense of irrevocable loss that many people experience after sleep on a moving vehicle.

Sharp and tense, I peered through the window. Outside, the rain gleamed on the sooty walls of a small Co-op store. The town so soon? Yes this was a truly Northern town. The bus laboured past a great Victorian Methodist Hall with intricate railings, great double doors and gaudy notices pasted onto a board. On, past some shapeless civic building, its lines lost amongst a jungle of rusted untidy drainpipes and small, thick-paned windows in which lights perpetually burned as though the inhabitants were lost in the eternal gloom of the building's shadow.

Then came the houses, long, squat rows, with an infinite variety of colour stamped onto the wooden doors. Each of them identical yet each trying to be different, each with heavily leaded windows and each with tangled confusions of painted pipes, varying from the small gas pipe leading to the meter at the front door, to the sprouting trunks that cling to the walls like monstrous, protruding veins. Some of the houses had their doors open, revealing long, damp hallways, the faded walls lit only by the aggressive glare of a single, naked bulb. Outside the doors stood the cars—rusty old Vauxhalls and Nineteen Fifty-six Fords. Here the footpaths are narrow and people more evident. Women in patterned aprons scrubbing steps or standing outside small shops in conspiratorial groups talking about nothing more important than the neighbours or the T.V. But then, what is there that is more important to these people whose only horizons are the chimneys of the surrounding streets?

I turned away and mutely regarded the 'Important Notes for Passengers', letting my eyes slip without thought along the lines and inwardly scorning the man in front whose head flicked round when a babble of girls in their short skirts burst from a rain-coat factory.

The bus crawled on out of the town, the engine straining and never completely happy. Slowly the sky lightened and overhead a great silver eagle was brilliantly illuminated as it whined by, with unseen power.

Then we were there. The colour, the texture, even the feel of suburbia was present. Set back from the road and framed in fiery red brick, a new church thrust its angular tower above the shining telephone wires. A row of neat shops, vulgar with neon signs and plate windows, was set back and separated from the now-wide road by a bed of luxuriant grass. Outside the neat semi-detached houses, impeccable in their unassuming respectability, stood equally respectable and invariably up-to-date middle class Hillmans and Austins. I left the bus and busily walked alongside a line of thin corporation saplings armoured in a vandal-proof cage. Behind the leafy foliage of the individual garden all the houses were the same, only none of the doors were open and no-one stood laughing and talking on the corners.

When I entered my own house, a small, middle-aged man was crouching, bent in an armchair, stroking his thinning hair and worrying how to save enough money to raise a mortgage on a 'desirable' detached house, further along the long road and a few miles further from the town—nearly on the moors in fact.

C. N. BOURNE (5y).

OF RUGBY

(with apologies to Francis Bacon)

Rugby is a sport. And is, thereby, an excellent thing, insomuch as it taxes to the full the physical ability of the players. In our various professional pursuits there is much anxiety. The game of rugby, for this ailment, is no cure, but acts as a relief, by concentrating our attentions on the problems of the play. Indeed, the leisures of the home and of this society are spoiled by the worry of our problems in business. For this beneficial purpose, therefore, a man of age less than two score may wish to indulge. As I have before written, the game requires that man to be of youthful vigour and endurance, else he shall be a committed player of a team and shall labour rather than relish when forcefully put to the ground in possession of the ball, as is allowed in the rules. So, with this caution, let that man confide in such of his friends as are in the habit of playing frequently. The first of his spare time, after being accepted shall be spent in the apprehension of the rules of play and the terms of language used during play. If that man be conversant with the rules and understands these terms then he is ready to play: posts, ball, touch, try, pass, off-side, conversion, up-and-under, cross-kick, pack, forward, punt, tap-back, go through, push-over, and divers others. Knowledge of these terms once gained, the prospective participant shall now purchase special raiment for playing, as the weather, the ground and the vigour of the play, all have damaging effects on the apparel. The freedom of play permitted, when using the special apparel, is favoured to the caution which must be exercised in formal dress. The man is then, having obtained suitable apparel, to attend a practice with his fellow-players and to begin to learn the basic skills of passing, tackling, scrummaging (in the advent of his preferring forward-play), kicking and handing-off, which is the art of discouraging an opponent from tackling one by placing a hand or, more unsportingly, a fist, in that person's face as he dives at one's legs. Now let his learning of these basic skills and his knowledge of the principles and rules of the game be put into practice in his first game. The other players are to help him by communicating words of advice and provocative derision to him, as the speed and complexity of the play are bewildering in these first stages. As to the labours he shall experience, these shall seem excessive at first, but are, in truth, beneficial, for it can be observed that those most played have the greatest endurance. This man can still not be thought to be a true player for his skill will not be matured in inexperience, but the deficiencies in his first games will be inferior to his enjoyment of this exhilarating sport.

B. J. EDWARDS (6ML).

O.H. NEWS

NOTES AND NEWS

Captain J. B. Holt (R.N.) has been appointed a Naval Aide-de-Camp to Her Majesty the Queen.

In the Birthday Honours List, Philip Rogers, C.M.G., Deputy Secretary to the Cabinet, was awarded the C.B. F. W. Heathcote, the technical manager of Brockhurst Steel Structures, was awarded the O.B.E. He has been closely associated with the Clasp system of building schools.

R. Mark, the Chief Constable of Leicester City Police, has been awarded the Queen's Police Medal.

W. W. Land was elected Chairman of the Conference of University Convocations at the 1965 conference in April.

Richard Pear, Reader in Politics at the London School of Economics, has been appointed Professor of Politics at Nottingham University.

G. W. Whitham, PH.D., has been appointed to an official fellowship in Chemistry at Pembroke College, Oxford.

During the Summer term we received a visit from J. N. C. Wilford, home for a short time from Canada. After leaving School he spent six years in the University of Saskatchewan, obtaining the degrees of B.A. and B.Th. He has been ordained and on his return to Canada he is taking up his duties in the 'parish' of Spence Bay; this has an area equal to that of the British Isles, with 500 Esquimaux among the scattered parishoners. While in Canada he has seen Tom Warnes, now a Resident Assistant in Paediatrics at Vancouver Hospital.

Colin S. Cooper has been appointed to a post in Barbados as an Assistant Quantity Surveyor. The tour is for two years with an option to renew.

Paul Stuart Martin, having qualified in Medicine at Birmingham Medical School, has taken up his first appointment at Birmingham General Hospital.

Dr. S. B. Foulds has been awarded the F.F.A., R.C.S.

Captain E. S. Thelwall, T.D., Intelligence Corps (T.A.) has been promoted to the rank of Major and appointed D.A.A. and Q.M.G. H.Q. 127 Infantry Brigade (T.A.).

Officer-Cadet B. J. Walker, from the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, attended the annual inspection of the C.C.F. in July. J. E. C. Lewis passes out from Sandhurst this Christmas.

Ninian Guthrie has moved to London and Geoff Slater to Carlisle. Both are with the Midland Bank.

Peter Haslam has been appointed Branch Manager of the North Eastern Area Gulf Oil Company, based at Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Ken Rivett, 2nd Lieutenant with the 1st Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers, is returning home after

serving in British Guiana. After breaking his journey for a short holiday in the Caribbean, he hopes to have about six months in England.

Gerry Holland has gone to Canada as Production Manager with I.C.I. Subsidiary, supervising weaving of car safety belts now made compulsory by legislation.

In recent months David Chadd has visited Sikkim, while David Kaiserman has been to Israel. Another David, the ever-cheerful Sudlow, is reported to be working his way across America by the fret of his banjo.

David Walsh, having qualified in medicine at Manchester University, is now at St. Woolos Hospital, Newport. He intends to specialise in Forensic Pathology.

John Temple is House Surgeon at Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool.

P. Glyn Griffiths has an article on the fight against Leprosy in the April number of *Zambia*.

R. Frobisher is now with Unilevers at Port Sunlight.

J. D. Broadbent is now with Ove Arup, Engineering Consultants, Manchester.

OLD HULMEIANS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LANCASTER

Believe it or not, there is a university in this ancient and history-riddled city of northern Lancashire. This newly-founded institution, at present housed in a converted warehouse near the River Lune and famous Castle, boasts the presence of two Old Boys, N. H. Searle and C. A. Nowotarski. There are, as yet, less than seven hundred students, of which a high proportion, forty-three per cent, are of the female variety. It is in this department that Searle appears to be well accomplished, although in fairness he has also been seen representing the University at table-tennis and cross-country running (Captain!). It is a pity that he is unable to work up enough enthusiasm to succeed in the academic field also. C. A. Nowotarski has been working off excess energy by kicking a round ball around a rectangular field (the shame of it!), playing cricket, and unlike Searle, can often be found in the library.

Next year the students of Lancaster are faced with a move out into the countryside, to a site just south of the city, where the first two colleges, Bowland and Lonsdale, are rapidly rising from the wooded drumlins between the M6 motorway and the A6.

The site is superb, lying between the sea in the west, the Bowland Forest in the east, the Lake

District in the north, and the pleasant Fylde area of Lancashire in the south. Other advantages lie in the excellence of communications with the Manchester region, the proximity of several 'seaside' resorts, and the bracing weather.

It is hoped that in the near future the above-named pioneers will be joined by other Hulmeians, who will find ample opportunities to enjoy themselves in this new centre of expansion and culture. Get out of your rut, Hulmeians! Leave the grime of Manchester for that of Lancaster.

C.A.N.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

JONES—On April 22, to Shirley and Eilir Lloyd, a daughter.

BARNES—On May 19, to Rosemary and Dennis, a daughter.

GILLIAT—On May 19, to Barbara and John, a son.

WILLIAMS—On June 17, to Pat and Robert, a son.

McCALLUM—On June 20, to Jennifer and Iain, a daughter.

BIRCH—On June 21, to Margaret and David, a son.

BEADLE—On June 26, to Wyn and David, twin sons.

CLEWS (ex-staff)—On July 6, to Eileen and David, a daughter.

AINSWORTH—On July 30, to Sue and Ian, a daughter.

BOWKER—On July 30, to Ann and Michael, a daughter.

PETTENER—On August 3, to Margaret and Kenneth, a daughter.

SWANN—On August 30, to Janet and Charles, a daughter.

SWALES—On September 1, to Judith Anne and Roger, a son.

PAULSON—On September 2, to Janet and Rodney, a daughter.

WILLIAMS—On September 12, to Valerie and John, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

LOMAS—OGLESBY—On June 5, David William Lomas to Margaret Elizabeth Oglesby.

HEROD—POUNDER—On July 17, John David Herod to Margaret Pounder.

THOMPSON—BOWERS—On July 24, John Michael Anthony Thompson to Alison Sara Bowers.

CHESWORTH—WILLIAMS—On July 24, Alan Chesworth to Wendy Williams.

ELDRIDGE—BROWN—On July 31, Robert H. Eldridge to Doreen M. Brown.

MICHAEL—WINCEY—On August 17, Eric M. E. Michael to Cynthia Wincey.

WHITFIELD—LEES—On August 21, Martin John Whitfield to Pamela Muriel Lees.

KERR—WESLEY—On August 21, Michael Anthony Kerr to Elizabeth Wesley.

BIRTWISTLE—JACKSON—On September 11, Ian Harry Birtwistle to Elizabeth Mary Jackson.

ENGAGEMENT

TEMPLE—HARTLEY—The engagement is announced between John Graham Temple and Margaret Jillian Leighton Hartley.

DEATHS

HANKEY—On July 6, Donald Redfern Hankey, of 9 Kirklee Terrace, Glasgow, aged 30 years.

WOOF (ex-staff)—On August 24, Edward Lamin Woof, aged 58 years.

TURNER—On September 12, at 71 Crossland Road North, St. Annes on Sea, Harry Esmond Turner, aged 59 years.

UNIVERSITY RESULTS

L. M. Hall has been elected to a Somerset Iver Scholarship at Brasenose College, Oxford.

A. R. Wood has been elected to a scholarship in Mathematical Sciences at Churchill College, Cambridge.

B. G. Gazzard has been awarded an Exhibition in Natural Sciences at Queens' College, Cambridge.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY—

Mathematical Tripos Part II: Junior Optime, A. F. Thomas.

English Tripos Part II: Class 2 Division 1, G. A. Rogerson.

Modern and Mediaeval Languages Tripos Part II: Class 2 Division 2, J. H. Wilde.

Prelims. to Part II in Theoretical Physics: Class 1, A. R. Wood.

Modern and Mediaeval Languages Tripos Part I: Class 2 Division 1, J. S. Torkington.

Modern and Mediaeval Languages Tripos Part I: Class 2 Division 2, R. V. Nichols.

Natural Sciences Tripos Part I: Class 2 Division 1, R. Hughes.

Natural Sciences Tripos Part I: Class 2 Division 2, S. M. Lomax.

Economics Tripos Part I: Class 2 Division 2, G. L. Morley.

Prelims. to Part I in Natural Sciences: Class 1, B. G. Gazzard: Class 2, A. A. Jackson.

Law Qualifying Exam: J. N. Jones.

I. A. D. Martin (ex Prep.) gained a Class I in Part II of the Law Tripos. He was elected to a titular scholarship and awarded the Russell Vick Prize by his college.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY—

Hons. School of Natural Sciences—Zoology, Class I, R. T. Johnson.

Hons. School of Natural Science—Animal Physiology: Class II, D. M. Gillam.

Hons. School of English Language and Literature: Class II, D. Robinson.

Hons. School of Modern Languages: Class II, J. G. Lee. Class III, C. P. Langford.

R. T. Johnson has been awarded a Senior Hulme Scholarship at B.N.C. and is now doing cancer research and reading for a D.Phil.

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY—

M.B., Ch.B. (Victoria), D. B. Walsh.

B.A.(Econ.) with Hons. Part II Class I, M. T. Sumner.

Hons. School of Chemistry: Class II Division 1, J. M. Kelly. Class II Division 2, R. G. Frobisher.

Hons. School of Biological Chemistry: Class II Division 1, R. G. Bardsley.

Hons. School of Mathematics: Class II Division 1, K. Hamer.

B.Sc. (Electrical Engineering): Class I, J. H. Openshaw. Class II Division 2, J. H. Heaton.

B.Sc. (with Hons. in Building): Class II Division 1, D. W. Birchall.

B.Sc. (with Hons. in Paper Science): Class III, C. D. Cooke.

J. M. Broadbridge has satisfied the examiners in Professional Practice in Architecture.

DURHAM UNIVERSITY—

Honours French: Class I, G. N. Bromiley.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY—

Degrees of M.B., Ch.B. with Honours: Class II, J. G. Temple (passed with distinction). Awarded Clinical School Exhibition (Clinical Medicine).

Hons. School of German: Class II Division 2, C. D. Townsend.

LEEDS UNIVERSITY—

Hons. Maths.: Class II Division 1, S. S. Wainer. Civil Engineering: Class II Division 2, J. D. Broadbent.

Hons. Physics: Class II Division 2, R. H. Brisbane.

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY—

Degrees of M.B., Ch.B., P. S. Martin.

B.Sc. (Hons.) Chemistry: Part II Division 1, P. J. Wood.

SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY—

Hons. Classics: Class II Division 1, C. W. Dearden.

BRISTOL UNIVERSITY—

Hons. Geography: Class II Division 2, D. S. Kaiserman.

KING'S COLLEGE, LONDON—

B.Sc.(Eng.): Class II Division 1, J. S. Werrell.

ABERDEEN UNIVERSITY—

M.A.(Gen.): B. A. Simpson.

OLD HULMEIANS ASSOCIATION

Very few annual general meetings, including those of business concerns, can be held in more favourable surroundings than ours. We are indeed privileged to be able to use the Upper Hall at School, and our sincere thanks are due to the Governors and Headmaster for allowing us to do so. One hundred and nine members attended the forty-sixth annual general meeting on 15th September, 1965, including more than a sprinkling of recent 'leavers', which is very gratifying. It is alleged that a theory is abroad that this meeting is a purely formal occasion with everything cut and dried beforehand. It is certainly true that your general committee endeavours to reduce the formal items to a minimum, but nothing would give greater pleasure than that at the appropriate time ('Any other business') your President should be bombarded with questions, suggestions, constructive criticisms, etc. In the event, there is usually a profound silence when this item on the agenda is reached. This may be due to a feeling of contentment and well-being induced by the excellent dinner served by Mrs. G. Taylor, her staff and the 'wine waiters' at the Reunion in the School Dining Room immediately prior to the meeting. Over one hundred and seventy members attended the Reunion and very many years were bridged in the Old Hall as Old Boys assembled before the dinner. Our grateful thanks are offered to Mrs. Taylor for her efforts on our behalf, not only on this occasion but in so many other ways also. Mrs. Taylor has been elected an Honorary

Life Member of the Association as a token of our esteem and gratitude. She thus becomes the second lady 'Old Boy'.

Alan Jones was elected President for the 1965/66 year, and it is already evident that he intends to carry out his duties with enthusiasm and efficiency. The choice of D. M. Williams as Deputy President was obviously very popular. Your committee has also invited Professor V. F. Lambert to become a vice-president.

J. Foulds will be arranging the annual golf competition on Ascension Day, 29th May, 1966 and hopes to return to the Didsbury Golf Club. He is prepared to endeavour to enlarge the Association's golf calendar if members so wish. He urges anyone interested to contact him at School.

The Motor Section has been recognised by the Royal Automobile Club which improves its status greatly. The Section is organising its first rally under R.A.C. Rules on 22nd October, 1965.

The Annual Dinner Dance will be held on 4th February, 1966, again at Abney Hall. Accommodation is limited and on receipt of the notices members are advised to make early application for tickets.

The Annual Dinner will be held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester on 12th March, 1966 when it is hoped the number of members attending will increase.

Your committee appeals to you to assist in increasing membership. Next time you meet an Old Boy who is not a member of the Association, persuade him to join.

It is reported that at long last the weather vane on the School roof has been repaired. It is good to know that after all these years the School now knows 'which way the wind is blowing'.

Hon. Sec.: Eric Barnes, 'The Hollies', Gatley Road, Gatley, Cheshire.

THE OLD HULMEIANS LACROSSE CLUB

The annual agonising reappraisal of last season is here again, but like the visit to the dentist, it proves less painful than the nerve twinges would have suggested. The most numbing shock was the loss of our late Chairman, J. A. Barber, whose place has now been filled by Eric Barnes. Overall, however, the season was a good one, devoted to consolidating and building for the future, with new ideas and ventures being launched smoothly.

Our relationships with Whalley Range C. and L.T.C., with the School and with Old Boys at Universities are now founded strongly in the cement of friendship. Numerous joint activities have been undertaken and all the parties concerned are eager to help each other.

We are more than paying our way, and our modest bar profits are increasing steadily, as are the number of red noses amongst the elders. As a natural consequence, such a happy, friendly disposition ensures the success of any festive occasion. Such occasions included the Annual Buffet Dance, a Cocktail Party, a fabulous Cheese 'n' Wine Party and a Christmas Lottery.

In the membership stakes the number of newcomers is just nosing ahead of the number of those departing. Here again, another new event, the Easter Festival, was a great success. The Club, assisted by School, faced four teams drawn from Old Hulmeians at Universities, to the enjoyment of all concerned. As a result, many new names were obtained of people willing to play with the Old Boys should they return to the area. We wish them well, and hope they do.

Playing results were only moderate:

Div.	Team	P	W	D	L	Goals		Position in Table
						F	A	
1st	1st	22	17	0	5	195	90	4th of 12
2nd	A	22	9	0	13	136	159	10th of 12
3rd	Extra A	18	9	0	9	119	148	6th of 10
4th	B	18	2	0	16	54	147	9th of 10

The final positions clearly reflect our limited playing strength and our need for more young players.

A record turn-out at the first pre-season practice augurs well for the new season, but whatever the results it will be a happy one and these are some of the events that will make it so.

Make a note of these occasions:

Cocktail Parties at 11-30 a.m. on the following dates:

Beginning of Season ... Sun., 19th Sept., 1965
Christmas and New Year ... Sun., 20th Dec., 1965
End of Season ... Sun., 1st May, 1966
Annual Buffet Dance ... Fri., 22nd Oct., 1965

For information 'Phone CHOrlton 1927.

Hon. Secretary: G. B. Lawson, 294 Mauldeth Road West, Manchester 21.

A postscript which should perhaps, have been included in an earlier *Hulmeian*:

'A long-distinguished Canadian soldier, and Lacrosse player before the first World War, now living in the U.S.A., Dr. A. S. McCormick, one-time friend of Jan Masaryk and John Philip Sousa; acquaintance of General Eisenhower, Leopold Stokowski and Leonard Bernstein, to name but a few famous people, wrote to the Section asking for a named photograph of its all-conquering English Championship First Team of the 1964 season.

On the occasion of his ninetieth birthday he had the photograph suitably mounted, and presented it to the Canadian Hall of Fame where we understand it now has its own niche.

We believe that the association between the Old Boys of a Lacrosse-playing English School and Canada is that Lacrosse, although just beginning to be played there once more as an outside field game, is still officially the National Game of Canada, where it originated.'

THE 1965 EASTER LACROSSE FESTIVAL

For those of the Lacrosse Section who went on the Easter Tour of London in 1964 there is now a fuzzed recollection of the historic game played between Old Hulmeians living in the South and Old Hulmeians in the North.

On Easter Saturday, 1965, an equally important and, perhaps, even more far reaching event took place.

The Section's Easter opponents annually since the end of the war have been the Purley Lacrosse Club. Unfortunately, circumstances did not enable them this year to travel North, which left a void in our calendar. In looking round for some rarified body to play us, one of our inspired elders suggested we could possibly get together enough Old Hulmeians in the Universities to form a team to play us on Easter Saturday.

Whilst excited at the prospect, the Section's committee immediately foresaw many pitfalls and innumerable moments of frustration in such a venture. As a consequence, with rude eagerness, they unanimously approved a whispered suggestion that the most suitable person to carry the 'can' was our faithful and most Honourable Secretary.

Before he could draw further breath, the next item of 'any other business' was receiving the most animated and rapt attention of everyone else present. Quite simply, and effectively, he was left to nurse this new form of life from November to March—at his peril. With commendable loyalty he proceeded with the job from within the security of his home.

His immediate task was, of course, to ask the various Secretaries of the University Clubs, ten in all, to let him have the names of any of their members who were Old Hulmeians, together with their last known college, room, hostel, villa, tent or digs where they might be contacted.

After his experiences, our Honorary Secretary has recently expressed his personal view that whilst University life of to-day, compared to that of his own time, is very much less fluid in nature, it is uncalculably more mobile in getting lost!

Little things, such as writing to one graduate at Oxford in the middle of term only to find, some time later, that the most highly exacting of studies were being continued somewhere in France, is but a simple example.

The weeks went by and only after the English Universities had held their trial match on our ground during the Christmas vacation did things begin to stir in the brick corridors and stone cloisters.

Soon, letter after letter fluttered through his letter box with, as the time drew nearer, a growing staccato.

A not unusual response was the hope that we would not forget to invite some old school chums who had been unfortunate enough to have had to pursue his studies at some glass place which did not play Lacrosse.

Eventually, the Easter vacation arrived and it became a question, not of whether the Old Boys at Universities could raise a team to play us, but simply one of cruel selection.

We asked a small band of those first to arrive on vacation to form a selection committee to pick their twelve. These stalwarts, aided by a certain pair of Cambridge crutches, met to pick twelve from some then fifty-two available Old Boys at University: Leeds, Bristol and London: Manchester, Oxford and Nottingham: Liverpool, Cambridge and Southampton: Edinburgh, Newcastle and Birmingham: Sheffield—

And did someone whisper something about Exeter, Aberdeen and Warwick?

An hour's deliberations produced a selected team and, in another ten minutes, two reserves for each position: an instant later three complete teams with a few reserves!

Could it be feasible? Was it not too optimistic? Might the Club be able to also field three teams? Could three games be played?

The Head had already kindly agreed to the use of one pitch because the Association's tenure of the Memorial ground for the 1964/65 season would cease the week before Easter. But would three pitches be permissible at the school?

What would be the reaction of the Section's Executive Committee to such expansive optimism? Also the clubs' teams were all involved in tough League programmes—a rest might be good.

At the Lacrosse Section's weekly open committee meeting the following Monday the room was barely large enough to hold the press of numbers from both the club and from the Universities.

The atmosphere was one of hope as well as one of intrigue. Who would tell the other forty should the Committee decide on only one game?

'The Universities have three teams of Old Hulmeians. Could the Club provide opposition?'

'If we could get reserves from the School, why not? And instead of a Hot Pot we'll have a Running Buffet and have an open evening after the game.'

With less than two weeks to go—it was on!

The Head was able to allow us three pitches, but it was in the middle of a holiday so we should, quite naturally, have to change and do our entertaining in the Association Clubhouse in Brantingham Road.

Then from the heights to the depths. The last seven days developed into a hard, frantic, nerve-ridden week—long word-battles on the telephone and on the doorsteps of Old Hulmeians and boys from school living in and around Manchester.

Stand-in wedding duties, unexpected visits of relatives or intended relatives, or friends, many apparently, long forgotten—in one case, we believe, even unheard of—suddenly advanced upon our numbers as the vital day approached: injuries, or poor terminals necessitating further and immediate resident study. All insatiably ate into the six teams.

It was only early on the Saturday morning that we, at last, managed to complete the teams with the aid of ten players from the School and House teams and, also from the high crags of the Lake District, the sudorific dash of one of our members, which, we are told, was really a most heart-tearing affair.

By three o'clock the rains had stopped, the wind still blew but the sun was bright and our first ever Old Hulmeians Lacrosse Festival—how else could we name it—was faced-off in three separate corners of the school field: the referees being three of the seven Old Boys on the North of England Lacrosse Association's official list of referees.

Apart from the welcome support of a few revered past players, the years of Lacrosse at the School were agreeably spanned from the early nineteen-twenties to the present-day represented by the ten school boys.

The results of the games are now of small importance, particularly when we look ahead to Easter 1966.

We are due to tour in the South again and, whether we do or not, we shall certainly repeat the Lacrosse Festival.

Next Easter so falls that we shall be able to stage the event at the O.H.A. Memorial ground when we shall look forward to seeing once more, many past members, players and associates, their relatives and their friends.

Anyone who would like to be kept in touch about the 1966 O.H. Easter Lacrosse Festival,

whether as a player, or spectator, please let our Hon. Secretary have your name and address.

We do not now consider the Lacrosse Festival of 1965 as a fluke but simply the practice run for bigger and even more enjoyable future gatherings. It is something in which all members, whether players or supporters of the past, the present or the future, can participate. It is something which can only help towards closer personal support for all our activities on and off the field. And it is something which is not only focused on the well-being of the Lacrosse Section but also on the Old Hulmeians Association as a whole.

OLD HULMEIANS RUGBY FOOTBALL

"My heart aches and a drowsy numbness pains
My sense as though of hemlock I had drunk."
(John Keats)

Dedicated to all those who did not turn up for training.

Doubtless owing to an inclement summer, the editorial staff assumed that we did not cease our activities at the end of April, for copy was demanded on the eve of the opening game, but as yet there is little to report.

During the closed season, an A.G.M. was held and the officers for the forthcoming season elected by due democratic process, leaving the maximum time for refreshment. No sooner had the last man left than the burglars arrived, with the result that the first committee meeting was short and dry.

Termites and vandals contrived to destroy three of our posts during the closed season which has added to our early season chaos.

Had this not occurred, the playing area would have been in the best condition ever, thanks to help from the School in regular mowing, and some hard graft by members led by B. Hayes, 1st XV Captain and A. G. Chesworth 'A' XV Captain in marking out the playing area thoroughly.

Traditionally we opened the season against Y.M.C.A.—fielding three teams. The 1st XV won handsomely 15—3. The 'A' XV lost narrowly 3—6 and the Extra 'A' went down 3—23.

Had we been able to fly our flag—impossible owing to the fact that a member who had borrowed the ladders to point his house has not yet returned them—we would have had to strike our colours against Sedgeley Park. The 1st XV went down 9—18 after leading for most of the game. Perhaps it would be churlish in view of the late team changes to suggest lack of fitness as a cause of the late collapse. However the inability of our centres to get out of each other's way was accountable for the breakdown of a lot of our attacks.

The 'A' XV went down 3—8, though lack of a kicker prevented a favourable result. The Extra

'A' XV lost 3—6 though injury to P. Harrison inhibited their efforts.

The Stop Press game versus Old Salians saw the 1st XV down 14—3. Bad in the record books and no reflection of the margin between the two teams. Old Salians made but a handful of incursions into our half during the second half but scored twice—once through splendid backing up in a direct frontal assault and the other as a result of an unfortunate error of judgement on the part of one who was described by a Salian's spectator as the outstanding player on the field. I suppose that if a team spends upwards of 20 minutes on or about their opponent's '25' and fails to score, it does not deserve to win. Luck was certainly against us but flat running and aimless kicking towards the end of the game frustrated a lot of hard work up front.

The 'A' had nine team changes from the team selected on Monday. Frustrating for the Captain and appalling for the players. The hotch-potch side went down 0—50. The Extra 'A' played Oldham Boro' Extra 'A' losing 3—21, though reports say it was an enjoyable game.

A social game—our University players versus a home-based XV—was played on Monday, followed by a hot pot. The home side just ran out winners and all concerned had a most enjoyable evening.

Finally, we must record our thanks to the School for lending us a ground during the early games while we awaited delivery of our new goal posts.

MUDDIED OAF.

OLD HULMEIANS MOTOR CLUB

Since our last report in *The Hulmeian*, the Club has appeared to be rather inactive, but has in fact been seething with activity beneath the surface. On October 22nd, we are holding the first big Rally ever organised by the Club, and to which five other Clubs around Manchester are being invited. We are hoping to have a full entry list of forty cars, and with a bit of luck should have some of the top rally drivers in the area taking part. Organising a Rally of this sort is a big task and many, many, hours of midnight oil have been burned in the preparations. For a successful rally it is necessary to have two things—a good route, to test both driver and navigator, and good public relations. The organisers have devised a route which they think will be adequate to sort out the men from the boys, but which will not send 'the boys' home with the feeling that it was all far too difficult. A Public Relations Officer has been appointed and is visiting every occupied dwelling along the entire route of about 75 miles. The route does, of course, avoid populated places and villages as far as possible, but nevertheless there are many outlying farms and cottages to be visited.

The Headmaster has kindly approved our request for the C.C.F. to provide Marshals for some of the Control Points on the rally route, and we look forward to having the school's help in this way. Those boys who undertake marshalling duties can expect an interesting evening out in Derbyshire and Staffordshire, and, for the majority, probably their first ever sight of a hard driven rally car. The first sight of night being turned into day by a bevy of quartz-iodine lamps on the front of a scurrying Cortina G.T. or Mini Cooper S is one which is not easily forgotten . . . Perhaps the next edition of *The Hulmeian* will contain a report from a member of the C.C.F. recounting his night's encounter with rally cars.

Any enquiries about motor sport, or about joining the Club will be welcomed by the Hon. Secretary, John L. Williams, 7 Kings Avenue, Gatley, Tel. GAT 4666.

THE OLD HULMEIANS GOLF SECTION

The annual tournament was held on Ascension Day, May 27th, 1965 at the Chorlton Golf Club.

Thirty members took part; this is about the average number.

As always, the tournament was most enjoyable and it was a pleasure to meet old friends once again.

One of the most pleasing features was the number of younger members competing, one of whom won the Bradbury Cup. We were honoured by the company of our Deputy President, Mr. Alan Jones, who presented the Cups.

Results:

Vlies Cup (best gross): F. Cawley 84—16=68.

Bradbury Cup (best net):

A. K. C. Rodgers 93—22=71

Merchant Cup (best net 16 and over):

N. Hodson 89—17=72.

Next year's tournament will be held on Thursday, May 19th, 1966 and I trust that all golfers will keep this date open. Details of the venue will be published later.

J. FOULDS, Hon. Sec.

ASSOCIATION OF OLD HULMEIANS IN LONDON

Once again we were fortunate with the weather on June 27th for our annual cricket match at Slough with the Association of Lancastrians in London. Our batting side was stronger this year, and Clive Dennis was able to declare at 133 for four which proved to be just too much for the

Lancastrians who scored 101, but the game was kept alive until their last wicket fell in what was almost certainly the final over of the day. With the support of several members, their families and friends as spectators and the excellent tea provided in the pavilion, this made a very pleasant summer meeting for us.

We warmly congratulate John Holt upon his appointment in July; it is an honour to have a Hulmeian on the front page of the Navy List. News of other members is a little meagre this time. Ian Low was due to come over from Toronto for a few weeks and may have been seen in one or other of his old haunts. Richard Gaskell organised a car-load from this end to join up with Mike Smith with two other vehicles for an expedition to Scotland for some climbing. Graham Cooke and Paul Booth are now in London and we look forward to seeing them at our future meetings. Congratulations also to Bob Baird, now President of the English Lacrosse Union.

Lacrosse has been well to the fore and our members have figured prominently in the games. An American touring side, the Lancers of Baltimore, played several matches. George Arnold played on the England side that beat them. He and Douglas Hague were on the South side that also won, and Kevin Corcoran was selected with them for the London XII.

As part of the Festival of Sport in August, the first game of lacrosse under floodlights in the U.K. was played at the Crystal Palace with suitable support from Hulmeians in all directions. George, together with G. MacDonald, were on the England side, and Douglas, with Marsland and

Lawson, played for the Rest. Eric Waddington was reserve and Norman Galloway refereed.

At the time of writing, plans are being made for the Supper and A.G.M. on October 15th. Our main occasion of the year is, of course, the Annual Dinner for which this year we are again indebted to Sir Cyril Black, J.P., M.P. for the invitation to return to the House of Commons. This is to be on Friday, 12th November and applications for places have been coming in for some weeks. Further details on any of the foregoing can be obtained from the Hon. Sec., George W. Creasey, 145 Copse Hill, West Wimbledon, S.W.20, WIMBLEDON 6778.

OLD HULMEIANS MASONIC LODGE No. 7062

On Saturday, April 24th, Jack Foulds was installed as Worshipful Master of the Lodge by his predecessor, John Moran. The new W.M. is the second member of the School Staff to occupy the chair, following in the footsteps of A. O. Gatley, first W.M. of the Lodge in 1951, now living happily retired at Rhyl.

On Saturday, June 26th, we had our usual summer outing when the W.M. and Mrs. Foulds were our hosts on a very enjoyable occasion. Once again a full coach-load left the School for a journey through Cheshire and Derbyshire ending in Grindleford, where we were made most welcome for dinner at the *Maynard Arms*.

Hon. Secretary: A. E. Bolsover, 268 Brooklands Road, Baguley, Manchester.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Mr. Bird's talk on Friday, September 17th, was on *The Direct Grant School*. Those of us who have pondered on the position of such schools as William Hulme's in the context of the comprehensive system were well rewarded for our trouble in attending the meeting. It was a thoughtful and balanced address, and whilst it might not have settled all or any of our problems it did at least point the roads we might follow.

We were pleased to see so many new parents at the meeting and we hope that the talk, followed by informal chats over the refreshments, will encourage the new parents to attend our other social functions, all of which are very enjoyable. If you have not yet attended an Association Dance or Christmas Party why not come along this time and get out of your rut? Our Annual Dance is on Thursday, November 4th, 1965, at the Embassy Rooms, Sale. Experience shows that it will be a great success, so if you can come please contact the Ticket Secretary, (Mr. J. Blezard, 39 Beech

Avenue, Gatley, 'Phone Gatley 5039) as early as possible.

It is a little early, I know, but I would like to remind you of our Christmas Party and Barn Dance to be held at the School on Wednesday, December 22nd, 1965. Last year was the first time we included Barn Dancing and, although some of us were a little bewildered at times, there is no doubt that it was a very successful innovation and so we are repeating the formula this year. Do come. I can promise you a very pleasant evening.

We would like to thank all those parents who have given their names as being willing to help the Association in our sporting contests. We have cricket, tennis, badminton, chess, shooting and golf matches against the School and the Staff. I shall be pleased to hear from any parents who are interested in any of the sports and have not yet given their names. The dates of various events are shown on a notice which has already been circu-

lated. For Badminton, we have a regular club night every Friday evening, and anybody interested should get in touch with Mr. M. Klein, 96 Woburn Avenue, Hale, 'Phone Ringway 4056.

As we go to press we hear that the new Swimming Pool is shortly to be opened. The Appeal is not yet closed and any further donations towards the £20,000 target will be gratefully received by the Headmaster. If you require any advice or Covenant Forms, I shall be glad to put you in touch with our Appeals Sub-Committee.

Associate membership is available to those parents whose boys have left school. The fee is 10/- for ten years and you will be notified of all our activities and be very welcome at our functions.

The members of the Committee are looking forward to meeting and getting to know all new members during the course of the year.

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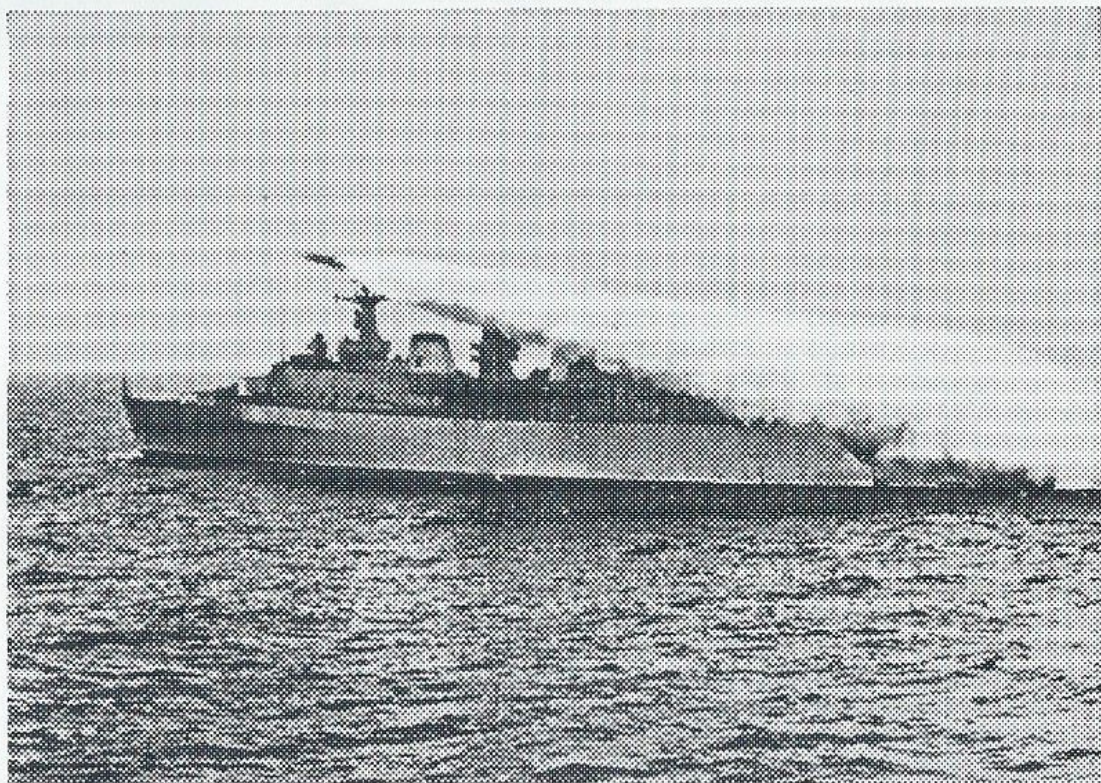
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