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"Reading maketh a full man; Conference a ready man; Writing an exact man."

—BACON.

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EDITORIAL

This term the great change takes place: on April 1st we become part of Greater London and the London Borough of Barnet. This long heralded change will become fact. Many regret our departure from Hertfordshire but remonstrances and regrets must surely now give way to concrete attempts to make the new grouping as good as Hertfordshire. Already the opportunities which the new borough provides are becoming apparent. For example, there has just been formed a branch of the Council for Education in World Citizenship. This is an organization for sixth forms and aims to increase awareness and understanding of international problems.

This idea raises a new question: How aware are people of what is going on around them? One is often driven to the conclusion that they are not. "What's the point?" they will say, "We can't do anything about it", or "It's too far away, it's nothing to do with me". Or perhaps it is even worse than this; they may even say: *"They've decided it; we can't do anything"*. Would it not be more correct to say "We can't be bothered to do anything about it. It's far too much trouble"? Nothing could be more obvious than the fact that it takes a great deal of patience and determination to object, to complain, to have something put right. This applies to simple everyday matters, such as shoddy goods or workmanship, right up to great struggles like the Civil Rights movement in the U.S.A. What could prove this better than what has just happened in Selma, Alabama? People had a real grievance, they objected; they did something about it. Patience, determination, and a great deal of courage were needed; and they were there in abundance. Other people took notice and were made aware of what was happening; and public action was taken to rectify at least some of the injustices. There can be no finer example than this. The same principle can be applied to any field, however humble or seemingly insignificant. No intelligent and reasonably sensitive person can ignore inhumanity or injustice. No-one can justifiably say that he does not care about South Africa or Cyprus or the Congo. Equally no-one can hope to solve single handed the problems of the world or even of his own small world. What nobody should forget is that every single person does matter. What each person thinks and does is important. Here in our school all of us have the opportunity and the ability to think, to make clear decisions, and to act upon them.

Last December's examinations provided us with an unusually large number of open awards and we most sincerely congratulate the following: A. H. Dent, Open Exhibition in Modern Studies at St. Catherine's College, Oxford; I. S. Menzies, Open Scholarship in Modern Languages at Queen's College, Oxford; G. Read, Open Exhibition in Natural Sciences at Fitzwilliam House, Cambridge; B. A. Symons, Open Scholarship in Modern Studies at Keble College, Oxford; R. G. Ware, Open Exhibition in Modern Studies at Pembroke College, Oxford; and P. S. Weston, Open Scholarship in Modern History at Queen's College, Oxford.

This term there have been no developments of outstanding moment within the school. Athletic activities in the senior school seem to have been somewhat more energetic than is perhaps usual in the Spring term. It is interesting to note that the Girls' School swimming pool is now in use, so next term we shall not be seeing the girls at the school. Indeed, we are grateful that they have invited us to use theirs when our own is not in use. We are glad to see Mr. Kobish back and hope that he will soon be fully recovered. We have also been glad to have Mr. E. J. Payne, B.A. (Sydney), taking English; and we offer him our sincere condolences on the bereavement which has forced him to return to his native Australia sooner than he had intended. The rest of the magazine contains the usual factual summary of the school's activities.

LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS

THE EDGE AND BEYOND

I seem to be standing
At the Eastern edge;
The sea behind me.
I have no choice:
To look into the night
And wonder,
Yet afraid to venture
Into a child's darkness
Of unfamiliar shadows;
To follow this weary sea-line
Southwards and have
This desert ever by my side.
There is no choosing
At the Eastern edge
For those who seek no sorrow.

Beyond the desert,
Beyond night's winter-black,
The morning with its
Bloodless sun
Will suddenly, surely,
Slowly and with no pity
Whiten darkness and delay
To desolation.

They that guided left
With twilight and the cool
Evening.
I fear to be alone
With fever in the night,
And day must not find
Me in the desolation.

I fear the dark;
To cross unhand
To the dawn,
But there is no choosing
At the Eastern edge.

S. REARDON,
Upper VI Languages

"BEND THE KNEES!"—THE IMPRESSIONS OF A BEGINNER ON SKIS

Skiing, like all sports, has its "golden rule" which must be obeyed at all times, and which the would-be skier does not take long to discover, for skiing instructors bawl it out everywhere and at every opportunity. They regard it as the Christian regards the Ten Commandments: for them it is a fetish, almost a religion — a religion of genuflection. "Bend the knees", say the instructors "and you cannot go wrong". The bent-knee is the panacea for all skiing ills. If you are heading out of control for the edge of a precipice, trust in the Lord, bend your knees, and all will be well. If you are about to career into a plantation of fir-trees, keep your nerve, flex your knees, and you have nothing to worry about. Obey this simple rule and the ski-gods will smile on you: break it and retribution will follow.

The beginner, however, is soon forced into disbelief and quickly learns the fallacy of "golden rules". Blind faith is discarded for the empirical approach as he begins to tackle the very real problems of how to stay upright, steer round corners, and stop. Skiing instructors can teach you the theory of these manoeuvres, but with skiing there is nothing like experience. Moreover all instructors are slightly mad. They fall into two categories: the choleric and the phlegmatic. The first take the slightest failure on the part of the pupil as a personal

insult and scream incoherent abuse at the least provocation. The second type have a more philosophical attitude: when the beginner, instead of performing a graceful turn, collapses in an ignominious heap they just mutter quietly to themselves or laugh a little hysterically. Skiing instructors are best avoided.

It is by tackling problems as they come, by a process of "ad lib", that the beginner learns most. Paradoxically enough, the very first problem of skiing, an essentially down-hill sport, is to climb uphill. For every yard advanced uphill one slides back two, and the predominant feeling is one of "getting nowhere fast". Eventually one adopts a duck-like waddle with skis stuck out at an angle and thus progresses up the slope at least half as quickly as it would take to walk up without skis.

With down-hill skiing the most important thing is to ensure that the two skis are both going in the same direction — failure in this can lead to painful complications. Secondly, as you struggle about in the snow feeling ineffectual, frustrated, and very conspicuous, never be tempted to ask: "Why am I doing all this?" There is no really satisfactory answer other than to plead insanity or to declare proudly: "Because I am British". The British, it must be remembered, first introduced Winter Sports to Europe, and they are a notorious race of masochists.

But all this is to paint too black a picture. With a little hard work, perseverance, and self-denial the finer points of technique are gradually acquired. Cruder methods, such as stopping by throwing oneself frantically into the snow or by steering for the nearest human buffer, are discarded as hurting more than one's dignity. Within a week practice begins to measure up to theory, and the novice starts to savour the true delights of skiing: gliding gracefully down the slope, a stem-turn to the left, traverse for a while, turn to the right, traverse, turn to the — — but something inevitably goes wrong. There is a flurry of snow and all this grace and beauty degenerates suddenly into a flailing mass of arms, legs, skis, and ski-sticks. What was the mistake that time? Ah yes, of course. The skiing instructor is quick to inform: "Not like that — bend your knees, bend the knees!"

R. D. JENNINGS,
7th Languages

A NEW MORALITY?

"God is dead". With this statement Nietzsche put the finishing touches to a movement which had been gradually building up during the nineteenth century. Since then most literary figures have given expression to this feeling of Godlessness, and humanity's aimless search for a new faith which is given up as soon as nothing is readily discernible. The feeling of hopelessness was perhaps best caught in "The Waste Land" and in Bandelaire's "Fourmillante cité, cité pleine de rêves", where the profound sense of ennui is continually felt. The utterance of the artist is similar in painting and music — traditional forms have given way to what appear to be haphazard shapes and sounds, reflecting the confused nature of a world without a God.

It is not only religion which is discredited however, for comfortable humanism has also been exposed. Rational man, his perfectability, and the inevitability of progress have all been given a profound shock by Auschwitz and Hiroshima. Questions are prompted such as Malraux's "Is there a human nature?" and Sartre's statement, "Man is a useless passion". To some extent this pessimism and the growth of Existentialism in France can be traced back to the Occupation when human nature was revealed in its true colours: difficulty arose in differentiating between good and evil, and a

psychological feeling of guilt remained after the War. Probably because France went through this experience, it has been her writers more than those of other countries who have concentrated their efforts on finding an answer to the dilemma of what to believe.

What Bernanos has termed "the fermentation of Christianity in decay" has led to a loneliness and preoccupation with death in French literary circles. Malraux regards the world as in a void between Christianity and the next universal religion, thereby echoing Leconte de Lisle's ideas in the previous century, who said that religion depended on climate, degree of civilization and many other things. The world is not necessarily seen as implacably hostile towards human aspirations, merely indifferent, not lifting a finger to help. This explains the predilection of modern authors for the portrayal of objects, which emphasize the alien nature of the world: the self-sufficient nature of these objects shows the metaphysical predicament which prevents self-fulfilment and acts as a catalyst to mental anguish. In Sartre they seem to coincide exactly with their being, which humans appear unable to do. When Roquentin sees the root of a chestnut tree, he suddenly realizes the exact nature of existence. Man is never able to discover his own identity — much the reason of course, for Yeats' wearing of various masks. Sometimes characters are created who are sub-human, like Beckett's tramps and Cayrol's vagabonds: they haunt a limbo which seems to represent the world we know after its collapse in ruins.

According to Sartre, human consciousness is caught in an incomprehensible world where there is no objective system of values, since God has disappeared and traditional morality has collapsed. Man is thus faced with complete freedom of choice, and the awareness of this fact gives rise to an anguish which leads men to avoid taking their freedom. This is done either by urging others into certain rôles where we can see a stable reflection of ourselves, or by regarding conventional

values as absolutes. Another way is described by Camus who suggests that some people escape by deifying what crushes us — *credo quia absurdum est* — and thus what he terms the Absurd becomes God. Our only hope is either by exercising our freedom at every opportunity (Sartre's answer) or by maintaining the steady posture of rebellion in the face of an incomprehensible world (Camus' theory). The latter author sees only in human co-operation any alleviation from the sense of futility and anarchy prevailing in the world. This is perhaps why Communism is a major attraction to the authors of today, since it preaches the brotherhood of the Proletariat, whereas religion is an intensely personal experience. The solution searched for is in community, there lying humanity's only salvation.

I have suggested some reasons for the collapse of organized religion, another is perhaps the growth of materialism which finds no time for spiritual development. Although we may say that these authors are only describing personal experiences, all art is a reflection of underlying human thought, and the artist mirrors what is deep in humanity's consciousness. This is the first century for a long time in which no deep religious convictions have been felt and this fact has been very useful in stimulating thought as to what really lies behind existence, and in releasing us from the chains of a Church which formerly would not allow any free thinking on the subject. However, unbelief has now been continuing for about a century, and the deep soul-searching and lack of conviction among sensitive minds show that man needs something in which to believe. For a stable society and the integrated personality of every individual, some sort of faith and basic values are essential. Unless humanity wants to continue drifting aimlessly into whatever is prepared for it, an ideal is indispensable: Voltaire's maxim has never been more appropriate — "*Si Dieu n'existait pas, il faudrait l'inventer*".

R. G. WARE, 7th Languages

SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL OFFICE BEARERS

Prefects: A. J. Spence (*Captain*), R. D. Jones (*Lieutenant*), J. G. Bass, J. R. Symons, R. G. Ware, R. D. Wearing, D. A. B. Harris*, P. J. Walton*.

Sub-prefects: J. H. Caplin, B. A. Edmonds, J. G. Bailey, R. J. Birchall, G. C. Brooker, R. G. Hewstone, R. D. Jennings, R. G. Luxton, D. A. Blackmore*, D. J. Croft*, M. H. Cullen*, P. J. C. Lockerman*, S. Reardon*.

Captain of Athletics: J. G. Bass.

Captain of Chess: G. A. Kingston*.

Keeper of the Fives Court: D. J. Croft.

SCHOOL COMMITTEES

"Elizabethan" Committee: D. K. Honeybone (*Editor*), Mr. Cocks, P. K. A. Lane, J. R. Symons, R. G. Ware, P. J. Crick, J. E. Blishen*, M. J. Whittaker*.

Library Committee: Mr. Pearce (*Librarian*), Mr. C. Carter, R. G. Ware (*Assistant Librarian*), P. J. Walton (*Hon. Assistant Treasurer*), A. J. Spence, J. G. Bass, D. A. Blackmore, D. Austin, P. G. Cheeseman, R. Coles, P. A. Richards, M. K. Villeneuve, A. Donovan, R. L. Erskine, R. D. Jennings, R. G. Luxton, R. W. K. Odoni, R. D. Wearing, B. R. Wells, A. M. Robinson*, P. W. F. Whalley*.

Games Club Committee: The Headmaster (*President*); Masters: Mr. Smith (*Chairman*), Mr. Woodland (*Secretary*), Mr. Ambidge, Mr. K. W. Carter, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Pinnock, Mr. Shearly, Mr. Finnett.

Boys: R. D. Jones, B. A. Edmonds, A. J. Spence, J. G. Bass, R. G. Luxton (*Treasurer*), R. D. Wearing (*Assistant Secretary*), J. R. Symons (*Secretary*).

Chess Club Committee: Mr. Woodland (*President*), Mr. Timson, G. A. Kingston (*Captain*), C. D. Stanley, J. R. Symons, M. E. R. Dudley*, W. J. Garland*, M. J. Marks*, R. D. Jennings (*Secretary*).

Musical Society Committee: The Headmaster (*President*), Mr. Fairbairn (*Chairman*), Mr. Cocks, Mr. Finnett, Mr. Hayes, R. G. Luxton, A. J. Spence, M. K. Villeneuve*, P. L. Earle (*Secretary*).

* Appointed since last issue.

VALETE

VII Language: N. J. Hacker (1958, *Secretary of Records Society*, Merton College, Oxford 1965), J. R. Symons (1957, *School Prefect*, *Secretary of Games Club*, *Secretary of Play-Reading Society*, 1st XI Badge 1964, *Chess Honours* 1965, *St. Andrews University* 1965); R. D. Jennings (1958, *Sub-Prefect*, *Secretary of Elizabethan Union*, *Secretary of Symposium*, *Secretary of Chess Club*, *Christ Church*, Oxford 1965); P. K. A. Lane (1961, *Secretary of Dramatic Society*, *Secretary of Jazz Club*, *Sussex University* 1965).

VII Science: J. I. S. Balch (1958, *Southampton University* 1965); P. G. Hollis (1958, *Bristol University* 1965); G. Read (1958, *Sub-Prefect*, *Open Exhibition to Fitzwilliam House*, Cambridge 1965); P. J. Walton (1960, *School Prefect*, *Captain Harrison's House*, *Hon. Assistant Treasurer of Library*, 1st XV Badge 1964, *Birmingham University* 1965); R. J. Yates (1958, *Northampton College London*).

4B: C. J. Lepper (1961), D. R. J. Selves (1961).

2B: J. I. F. Barnes (1963).

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Summer Term begins: May 3rd.

Half-Term: June 4th - June 8th inclusive.

Founder's Day: June 19th.

Summer Term ends: July 27th.

Michaelmas Term begins: September 14th.

POWELL-DAVIS PRIZE

Michaelmas Term: B. A. Symons.

SCHOOL CHARITIES

The collection for the Michaelmas Term amounted to £50 1s. 11d.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

NOVEMBER 1964 — FEBRUARY 1965

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Highest maximum temperature (°F)	57	57	53	50
Lowest maximum temperature (°F)	39	34	33	37
Highest minimum temperature (°F)	50	50	47	41
Lowest minimum temperature (°F)	25	24	21	24
Average temperature at 9.00 a.m. (°F)	46	39	36	36
Rainfall in inches	1.68	1.06	1.80	0.80
No. of days with rainfall	11	14	12	8
Highest daily rainfall in inches	0.58	0.20	0.40	0.25
Maximum barometric pressure in inches	30.17	29.99	30.30	30.50
Minimum barometric pressure in inches	29.21	29.10	28.50	29.59
Average barometric pressure at 9.00 a.m. in inches	29.78	29.56	29.29	30.39

Temperatures at the end of 1964 were around average and those of January and February 1965 a few degrees below. Precipitation, however, remained low, although in January it slightly exceeded the average. Pressure was, in November, quite high and on several days fog covered the area. A few depressions, however, brought the month's rainfall. December followed a similar pattern but snow in the latter half of the month was responsible for the equivalent of 0.3 in. rainfall. Both rainfall and snowfall increased somewhat in January; the 13th - 18th incl. were especially wet (0.88 in.), the rainfall being associated with the deep depression that halted over the country on the 13th/14th. Pressure fell again during the following week when several inches of snow fell. February was cloudy but, for the first three weeks, pressure was high and precipitation low.

THE LIBRARY

Due to the mild nature of the winter months this year, the Library has been less crowded in the lunch hour than one might have expected. Unfortunately, many of those using our facilities, still regard them as a play area, and not as a place for quiet study. Because many of the Committee's members have been involved in the Play, and have thus been unable to be on duty, boys have taken this opportunity in order to misbehave to a greater extent than usual. They need to be reminded that a certain amount of trust is placed in them, and that ideally they should not have to be watched over like petty criminals at all. It is to be deplored that affairs have not yet reached this point.

But enough of these complaints. The general level of behaviour and interest shown this term has been good, the exceptions having been noted above. A survey has recently been conducted into the users on a single day which has brought to light some interesting facts. For example, 4B has one of the highest numbers of books on loan, whereas 4A, as a form, borrows scarcely any.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

G.C.E. Ordinary Level. The following boys passed in three or more subjects:

R. S. Akerman, A. J. Ayers, C. G. Baker, T. N. R. Billing, H. Billington, J. E. Blishen, J. C. B. Bradley, D. F. Briers, G. S. Bruce, M. A. Bruin, J. R. Bullett, J. E. Bullingham, J. F. Buszard, D. V. Butcher, N. M. Causebrook, M. J. Clark, S. I. Cowan, C. J. Crivelli, R. H. Croft, D. A. Davies, V. Donovan, D. M. Driver, P. J. Duncan, P. M. Eckert, R. M. Edrupt, D. A. Foreman, A. K. Gray, P. G. M. Hadden, R. Hayter, R. L. Jack, P. J. Kay, A. P. Kinch, J. P. King, C. A. Knight, A. V. Knights, J. F. Lambert, M. G. Langley, J. T. C. Little, A. R. Michael, D. G. Morgan, R. K. Morton, L. R. S. Newman, K. Newton, R. S. Nolan, C. P. B. Proffitt, J. A. Rhodes, R. A. Sargent, D. J. Sterling, M. F. Taylor, P. D. Theaker, J. M. Walsh, R. E. Wheatley, M. J. Whittaker, J. Worroll, J. D. Zinkin.

As might be expected, the Lower Sixth in its usual first rush of enthusiasm, has taken out a large number of non-fiction books, while the first and second forms confine themselves to a large extent to the ever-popular "Biggles" books.

This term the total stock stands at 11,461 — an increase of 110 on last term. I should like to thank the following for their presentations:—

The Librarian, Mr. Ambidge, Mr. E. W. Blishen (O.E.), Mr. J. W. Hickman (O.E.), Mr. S. J. Highley (O.E.), Mr. E. H. Jenkins, Mr. M. B. Tripp (O.E.), Mr. Woodland, B. C. Garvey, N. J. Hacker, I. S. Menzies, P. G. Millman, D. A. Newman, D. S. Ridler.

THE LETTERS OF JAMES RIPLEY

Recently a collection of letters have come into the possession of the School Library which were written by an ostler at the Red Lion, Barnet, one James Ripley. Published in 1781, they were privately printed in a very limited edition, being sold only to seven gentlemen whose names are contained on the title page. The majority of the 22 letters were first printed in a journal called "The Craftsman", and were dedicated to the Royal Regiment of Horse Guards Blue, for

I shall always esteem it an honour to rub down your horses' heels, so long as I am able to stoop to my foot.

With the exception of three which are concerned with treatment of lame or otherwise injured horses, the remainder are concerned with correcting the manners of his age — "all my views are centred in reforming the vices, follies and errors of this depraved age." He constantly returns to the theme of an ordered social hierarchy, and continually deprecates his own audacity in taking up his pen. His rank is only that of a lowly ostler and he fears that he is overreaching himself in putting on an author's mantle. Thus the constant tenor of the letters is that of humility and subordination to others:

Let us reflect that Providence in his great wisdom has designed us to be subordinate one to another . . . let everyman endeavour to excel in the station allotted to him without envying his superiors . . . All that is required of us is, that we act our part well and justly, and though it happen to be a cobbler, boot-catcher, or chimney-sweeper, we shall quit the stage with as deserved applause as the greatest Monarch.

Words which could still be considered relevant in today's world, where society's foundations are undermined by envious seeking after that which is not our due. Indeed the spirit of "Brave New World" is evoked, where people are happy with their lot, and accept it while reflecting on the fact that many are worse off than themselves. While looking forward to Huxley, Ripley also seems to subscribe to the Elizabethan ideas of world order, and that a system of hierarchies leads to social cohesion:

Every attempt to destroy that subordination which is due to our superiors, is productive of the most dangerous consequences to Society.

For this reason he is extremely alarmed when he considers fashion's requirements on young noblemen. Among other things they are led to gambling which is unworthy of their dignity and should be below them as gentlemen. His concern is to preserve the *status quo* in a world eight years later to see the turmoil of the French Revolution. Unless used to alleviate the distress of others, riches are more often than not a corruptive factor, and force a young aristocrat to degrade himself in order to keep up his position in fashionable circles:

he constantly attends at balls, assemblies, plays, operas, and masquerades, where he distinguishes himself by obscene language to some pert orange-wench, or correcting an impertinent waiter, by fracturing his skull with his cane, loaded with lead in the handle, in order to execute such heroic actions.

A letter to his son George is again applicable to today when he advises:

let your dress be modest, decent, and clean, and never ape the extreme of fashion; avoid everything gaudy and superfluous, and strive to cultivate the nobler part of your head, rather than adorn the outside.

It also appears that even then land prices were a problem, since he suggests lowering rents, which would in turn mean that tenants could lower the prices of their goods. It seems therefore that inflation has always been present. He also advises a double tax on race horses since it would discourage uneconomic use of the animal at the same time as preventing the ruin of those in debt through gambling.

These letters then, reflect a *zeitgeist* which was especially concerned with preserving stability, and discouraging anything threatening to overturn the established order. To us they seem a little repellant, with their extreme humility and *pietas*, but one imagines that this was the way a majority of his class thought. What is also to be remarked upon, is that a mere ostler should have had the skill and inclination to put pen to paper, and what is more, to have had his writings published. For these reasons, this small volume of letters is a valuable social document, revealing, as it does, the spirit and opinions of a fairly representative serving-class individual who, in his position, would have observed many different aspects of contemporary society, and was thus enabled to build up what seemed to him a reasonable system of morality based on Horace's *auream mediocritam*.

R.G.W.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The annual Christmas Concert took place on Thursday, December 17th in the School Hall, and was indeed a most enjoyable evening's entertainment.

A rousing start was provided by "Non Nobis Domine", for choir and orchestra. The diction and the tone were good, and the audience obviously felt that a high standard had been set. The second item, a Sonata for flute and Piano played by A. S. Hersom, was very pleasing: the Gigue could have been rather more lively. There followed the popular "Arrival of the Queen of Sheba" in the arrangement for two pianos, played with energy by D. J. Sterling and A. K. Gray: in places there was some tendency to hurry the queen along at different rates, but all in all this was a good performance. A small choir next sang three songs by Holst, with excellent tone and diction. One or two of the younger members could look more often at the conductor, and thus produce the finer points of variation he required, but the general standard was very high. The next item lived up to its name—"A Diversion": this was a solo for euphonium played by C. T. King. This instrument is so rarely performed in public that the audience obviously enjoyed the unusual variety of tone which the skilful player produced. The School Orchestra then played the Minuet from "Berenice" by Handel. There were some passages with faulty intonation, and the beginning seemed somewhat unshaped, but the general performance was competent. Two short solos by two of the younger violinists followed: the first, by J. A. Clark, was very pleasing, as also was the second, by D. A. Colman, who caught the right mood and spirit of his piece. The last item before the interval was a beautiful performance of three carols, again by a small choir. The only criticism of this excellent singing might be that the last carol, "Torches" by John Joubert, could have had more volume, to make even more of a contrast to the second, the exquisite "Lullay, my Liking" by Holst, taken more slowly than often and very finely sung.

The second half of the concert started with another of those "different" items with which we have become familiar—two pieces arranged for Brass ensemble, one from Beethoven, and the other the familiar "In the Hall of the Mountain King" by Grieg: the first was very effective, the second not quite exciting enough. Another "diversion" followed in "Air and Variations" by Marshall, played on the Tuba by M. K. Villeneuve, and very well too: he already seems to have the sense of humour that life requires of tuba players! A. J. Spence then played the first movement from Mozart's Violin Concerto No. 3 in C: this was probably a little too ambitious for the occasion, as the performance was slightly muddled in places although the general standard was commendable. The next item, a Sonata for two flutes by Telemann, played by A. S. Hersom and S. Taylor, was given a polished performance, but the work itself was rather dull. Players and audience would possibly have been happier with an accompanied work. Finally, the full Choir, conducted by Mr. Fairbairn, with Mr. Hayes at the piano and Mr. Biggs as the baritone soloist, sang three of the Stanford "Songs of the Fleet". These were very well done: the attack was keen, and the choir clearly enjoyed its singing. The second song, "The Middle Watch" did not completely portray that eerie feeling of the small hours that it might have done, but the general standard of performance was very high.

This year the individual items seemed more numerous — or at any rate shorter — than usual, which probably increased the enjoyment of the audience; but there is no doubt that standards are rising, and especially in items for a smaller choir. Mr. Fairbairn and Mr. Hayes shared the conducting of various items, and deserve our thanks for their sustained efforts which brought such pleasing results.

A.J.F.

THE TEMPEST

by WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

CALIBAN	...	...	...	...	D. A. Blackmore
MIRANDA	...	...	...	...	A. H. Bullett
PROSPERO	...	...	...	...	P. K. A. Lane
ARIEL	...	...	...	...	M. J. Marks
FERDINAND	...	...	...	...	S. B. Russell
FRANCISCO	...	...	...	...	R. D. Jennings
ALONSO	...	...	...	...	J. C. Wilcox
GONZALO	...	...	...	...	A. J. Spence
SEBASTIAN	...	...	...	...	R. G. Ware
ANTONIO	...	...	...	...	A. C. Rankin
ADRIAN	...	...	...	...	J. R. Symons
TRINCULO	...	...	...	...	R. D. Wearing
STEPHANO	...	...	...	...	P. A. Laing
MASTER	...	...	...	...	L. R. S. Newman
BOATSWAIN	...	...	...	...	R. G. Luxton
SPIRITS	...	...	...	...	S. F. Thorpe, R. E. Walsh, S. C. Brandon,
	...	...	...	...	I. F. Turbutt, D. A. Colman, C. King,
DANCERS	...	...	...	...	G. E. Lane, D. J. K. Jervis, D. R. Mills,
	...	...	...	...	R. A. Page, P. D. Waugh, B. S. Bowie,
	...	...	...	...	J. R. D. Chrastek, I. N. Dean,
	...	...	...	...	M. H. Cullen
GUITARIST	...	...	...	...	Produced by MR. C. CARTER

Stage Manager, Mr. E. J. Crofts; Assistant Stage Manager, C. R. H. Miles; The Set Designed by R. J. Birchall; Constructed by Mr. M. Gould and P. J. Cook, L. F. Girling, K. R. Pugh, R. C. Suffling, P. D. Theaker, B. R. Wells; Painted by D. Austin, P. G. Cheeseman, R. L. Kent, S. Reardon, C. C. Ward, A. R. Warren and J. T. C. Little; Lighting and Sound, P. J. Walton, J. H. Caplin, I. J. Stevens; Make up Directed by Mrs. P. Ambidge and Mr. Purchas assisted by R. J. Birchall, C. C. Ward, P. M. Eckert, D. C. Taylor, L. F. Girling, A. Davenall, G. Peters, N. C. Hamilton, C. M. Healey; Costume Supervision, Mr. D. B. Fry; Spirits' and Dancers' Costumes made by Mrs. M. Matthews; Business Manager, Mr. S. E. Alford, assisted by R. L. Erskine, A. M. Robinson, B. R. Wells, P. W. F. Whalley; Secretary, P. K. A. Lane.

On March 18th, 19th and 20th, the Dramatic Society presented "The Tempest." Like "A Midsummer Night's Dream," this play is curiously compounded of elements of tragedy, magic, romantic love, and broad comedy, and it seems odd to think that it is one of Shakespeare's latest. It was played with few cuts, among them Act I Scene 1 and (*horribile scriptu*) the game of chess between the young lovers, but with no divisions into Acts. In general the production was very good. Mr. C. Carter had obviously thought deeply about the play (thoughts, incidentally, approved by his two predecessors) and he balanced its diverse elements with great skill. The lighting and sound effects were employed with admirable discretion. Excellent use was made of the different levels of the stage and its notoriously confined space did not exercise a noticeably cramping effect. That this production did not quite attain the heights of complete success was due to the inequalities of the acting. This, in turn, may well have been due to the shortage of suitable actors;

but it is also probable that greater experience will enable Mr. Carter to acquire that precise mixture of cajolery and wrath that makes silk purses out of what must sometimes seem to be a small army of sow's ears.

The technicians, under the command of Mr. Crofts, displayed their customary competence. The all-purpose utility set was well designed from the point of view of the stage presentation; but the entrance to the cell looked to be made of plywood and the general appearance was, truth to tell, rather cheap and drab. Also the back-cloth raised certain problems in geomorphology. The costumes, on the other hand, were particularly fine, and the vigilant eye of Mrs. Ambidge saw to it that the cohort of make-up practitioners made no mistakes. The actors, as suggested above, showed a range of skills varying from very good to rather poor. P. K. A. Lane was splendid as *Prospero*. He looked dignified, moved well, and spoke his lines with truly ducal authority. His performance was matched in artifice by that of M. J. Marks as *Ariel*. His movements were made with masculine grace and agility, and he delivered his lines with just that touch of pertness which makes *Ariel* not only *Prospero's* obedient slave but also his amused and enthusiastic collaborator. His songs were charmingly set by Mr. Biggs to a slight guitar accompaniment, and they afforded real pleasure. D. A. Blackmore was very effective as *Caliban*, a character who is more complex than might appear at first sight. The nobles of the courts of Naples and Milan were less satisfactory, being generally too slow on their cues and thus causing the pace of the play to slacken. A. J. Spence eventually made something of the rather tiresome *Gonzalo*, and the two conspirators had their moments. R. D. Wearing and P. A. Laing made a good pair of knockabout comedians. Laing (a credit to his hairdresser) had the easier part, which he played with gusto, but Wearing made *Trinculo* the more richly comic of the two. S. B. Russell somewhat blotted his copybook as *Ferdinand*: his performance last year had led us to hope for better things. It is unfair severely to criticize a boy who plays the part of a young woman, but it must be recorded that *Miranda* was not so much wooden as glacial. Surely a pallid smile might have passed across her face when she was expressing ecstatic love for *Ferdinand*.

In sum, this was a pleasing production presented before audiences who might have been a little more responsive; and we are grateful to Mr. Carter and his collaborators for all the hard work that made this possible.

R. M. C.

FOOTBALL

RETROSPECT, 1964-65

1st XV: Statistically the worst season we have had for a long time, relieved only by good games against St. Dunstan's and Haberdashers', both of which matches we were genuinely unfortunate to lose. Newton's departure was felt heavily, because until the last stages of the season we did not solve the problem of a weakened three-quarter line: Jones' consistent try-scoring success is as much a reflection of this as his own skill which more often than not, together with Edrupt's kicking, Caplin's moments of excellence, and only occasional bursts of the team spirit and coordination we have come to expect, was the sole factor holding the team together. Injury hit us badly, it is true, more than usual, in fact; but failure to tackle all the time and not just every other minute, to make quick recovery and especially to drive home advantage relentlessly were the real culprits. The season, however, finished on a high note with an excellent game against the Past XV and another

successful tour of the Bristol area. The term had consolations despite all things.

2nd XV: The 2nd XV too had an unfortunate season. It was a team of moderate ability; all the players tried their best and attempted to play good football, but lacked penetrative power and, in later matches, the determination to attack decisively.

3rd XV: In general the 3rd XV played good football as a well-knit team. On occasions there were some good solo efforts but most scores came from sheer determination plus good running and handling. The kicking was sometimes variable as was the cohesion of the whole team once or twice, particularly against Watford G.S. The forwards always fought hard for the ball and the backs made good use of this service, and the overall determination lead to some good enjoyable matches.

Under 16 XV: A short but moderately successful season. There was a tendency among the forwards to keep the ball too much but when this was overcome and the backs got the ball there was some good play. The

chief strength of the team, however, lay in its ability to play as a team.

COLTS XV: Quite a successful season; it was pleasing to note that the standard of "A" Game from which the Colts XV was selected steadily improved throughout the term. Emphasis was placed on playing "open" Rugby and running with the ball whenever possible. The only game lost was to St. Albans whose strength lay in a well-drilled pack who rarely let their backs have the ball. We took some time to adjust to this type of game and were unable to produce our normal fluency. Otherwise most games were won by the backs after consistent winning of the ball by the forwards: enjoyable football both to play and watch.

COLOURS 1963-64

FIRST XV

Re-awarded to: R. D. Jones (*Captain*)
A. J. Spence (*Vice-Captain*)
D. A. B. Harris
J. G. Bass
J. H. Caplin
R. G. Hewstone

Awarded to: D. C. Taylor

SECOND XV

Re-awarded to: R. E. Lee
R. G. Ware

Awarded to: C. Anderson
K. R. Carter
A. J. Cave
J. B. P. Wickes
J. C. Wilcox
M. J. Reeves
P. G. Millman
M. H. Cullen
D. Austin
D. S. Senior
P. A. Laing
R. J. Birchall

FIRST XV MATCHES

v. **RUTLISH SCHOOL.** On Stapylton, November 18th.
Lost 6 - 19.

The pitch was in good condition, but, although the weather should have suited the backs, it was not cold enough for the forwards to be really happy. The School took well over ten minutes to settle down, and in that time had conceded eight points. The first try was scored because the School failed to tackle, while the second, which was converted, came from a fortunate Rutlish kick ahead. Despite some good passing movements by the School, a third Rutlish try was scored from well within their own "twenty-five". The School showed some signs of recovery just before half-time when Edrupt successfully took a penalty kick.

Early in the second half, Edrupt obtained another three points from a more difficult penalty kick. The Rutlish scrum was much the heavier and the School did well to gain possession so often in the loose and in the tight. The three-quarters managed to complete their movements better than they had done in previous matches; tackling was also improved. Bass played a good game, and Harris kicked in his usual confident and unhurried style. Just after a Rutlish drop-goal, and ten minutes before the end of the match, the School showed some good rugby, but a Rutlish three-quarter was allowed to run through our players unopposed and to score a try near to the posts.

Team: D. A. B. Harris; J. G. Bass, S. J. Ball, R. G. Hewstone, M. J. Lavington; R. D. Jones, J. H. Caplin; R. E. Lee, D. C. T-yllor, R. M. Edrupt, J. G. Bailey, C. P. Eggington, J. B. P. Wickes, A. J. Spence, R. D. Wearing.

v. **HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL.** At Elstree.
November 21st. Lost 11 - 14.

The very well-drilled and fit Haberdashers' side soon had the School defending. It was obvious that they were trying to give the ball to their fast wing three-quarter by cross-kicking. In the tenth minute the School were penalized for being off-side, which enabled the opposition to begin the scoring. The scores were levelled soon afterwards when Jones, from a set scrum just inside their half, made a fine break through their backs and then passed to Hewstone. Hewstone finished the excellent three-quarters movement by passing to Ball, who scored in the corner.

Haberdashers, with bewildering changes of direction, scored again midway through the first half. The try was converted by a good kick. The opposition continued to attack until half-time, and it was only some good tackling by Harris that prevented Haberdashers from scoring more.

The second half started and the School were quick to try and regain supremacy. Caplin played sensibly with good long touch kicks, fine breaks from the set scrums and good passes out to the backs. Bass cut the opposition's lead of 8-3 by scoring in the corner, but Edrupt just failed to convert. After about twenty minutes Hewstone intercepted a pass and ran to score under the posts; Edrupt converted it. With the School in the lead 11-8, Haberdashers tried everything to regain the lead. In the last ten minutes they managed to score twice and so win the match 14-11. The School might have prevented these if the forwards had covered across more quickly and spoilt the three-quarters' movements.

Team: D. A. B. Harris; J. G. Bass, S. J. Ball, R. G. Hewstone, M. J. Lavington; R. D. Jones, J. H. Caplin; P. J. Walton, D. C. Taylor, R. M. Edrupt, J. G. Bailey, C. P. Eggington, R. D. Wearing, A. J. Spence, S. J. Rogers.

v. **ALLEYNE'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL.** At Stevenage.
November 28th. Lost 5 - 24.

With the low sun in our opponents' eyes the School confidently kicked off and Bass came very close to scoring in the opening stages. Although the School pressed hard our line was the first to be crossed, when their wing three-quarter touched down following a kick ahead. Their place kicker converted the try with ease. Five minutes later the other and faster Alleyne's winger scored, although there was some doubt that he had stepped into touch *en route*. The try was converted and Alleyne's then went further ahead with a penalty, given for off-side, in front of our posts. They were fortunate to score again before half-time, when their wing three-quarter intercepted a pass from Jones, but the conversion failed.

Realizing that the team was capable of much better rugby and that the opposition was not all that superior, the School restarted with fresh determination. After five minutes the ball was caught by Spence and quickly reached Jones, who made a break and scored under the posts. Edrupt made no mistake with the conversion and some of our confidence returned. After about five minutes a quick heel by Alleyne's in our "twenty-five" resulted in a converted try being scored. The opposition increased their lead to 24-5 after half an hour when the School were given off-side in the line-out, and their very competent kicker put over the penalty from the touchline. It was noticeable that our opponents were much faster in the loose, where the School were failing to gain control of the ball. Because we could not produce a well-timed "shove" the set scrums were all too often lost against the head, and rarely was the ball caught cleanly in the line-outs.

Team: D. A. B. Harris; J. G. Bass, S. J. Ball, R. G. Hewstone, M. J. Lavington; R. D. Jones, J. H. Caplin; P. J. Walton, D. C. Taylor, R. M. Edrupt, J. G. Bailey, C. P. Eggington, R. D. Wearing, A. J. Spence, S. J. Rogers.

v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. On Stapylton. December 2nd. Lost 8 - 11.

Good handling movements led to early pressure by the School, but a penalty was awarded to St. Albans after seven minutes for an off-side infringement. The kick failed, however.

Play remained even until the eighteenth minute, when the St. Albans right wing three-quarter's kick ahead was slow in being touched down by Harris, and St. Albans scored. The try was successfully converted. Another good handling movement along the three-quarter line by the School led to Lavington making a break, and only a lucky interception by a St. Albans player prevented a try. The School, however, maintained the pressure and an awkward bouncing kick by Jones almost brought a try. A scrum near the St. Albans line allowed Spence to break away and send Caplin over for a try near the corner flag, but it was not converted.

Early in the second half Hewstone scored after charging down a kick by the St. Albans full-back. The try was successfully converted by Edrupt. The first School victory seemed likely until St. Albans scored again, but they failed to convert the try. Despite incessant pressure and attacks the School never managed to score again in the match.

Team: D. A. B. Harris; J. G. Bass, M. J. Lavington, R. G. Hewstone, C. Anderson; R. D. Jones, J. H. Caplin; R. M. Edrupt, D. C. Taylor, P. J. Walton, J. G. Bailey, C. P. Eggington, R. D. Wearing, A. J. Spence, S. J. Rogers.

v. OLD ELIZABETHANS (Past v. Present). On Stapylton. December 12th. Won 19 - 9.

As usual the highlight of this Rugby season produced a hard, well-played game. Although it had rained all day and conditions suited forward play, the game was open and contained many good three-quarter movements.

The game started briskly and it was not long before Lavington scored in the corner, but the try was not converted. The rest of the first half was evenly fought; the School pack played well in the loose, gaining a fair share of the ball against a much heavier Past pack. The only other score in the first half was a penalty kick by Edrupt, after an infringement in the scrum.

Not long after the re-start, Taylor added to the score with a try that developed from a loose scrum. But it was not converted by Edrupt. The Past retaliated immediately and Worsley scored in the corner. The School did not let the Past capitalize on this try, and it was not long before Lavington scored again for the School. A high kick ahead caused a defensive mistake and Lavington, backing up well, was able to collect the ball and score under the posts; this time the try was converted by Edrupt. The Past were soon back in the School's half however and, due to an infringement in the scrum, the Past were given a penalty kick, which was quickly taken and resulted in a try under the posts. The Past soon closed the points deficiency even more when, following a solo run by Holloway, they were able to score in the corner, but the try was not converted.

It looked as though there would be a close finish, but Lavington's brilliant anticipation enabled him to intercept a pass, and to score under the posts; Edrupt made the score up to 19 points by converting the try.

The School could begin their Bristol Tour knowing that they had beaten a strong Past team, not only by skill, but because they possessed team spirit, the quality that had been lacking in some of the previous matches.

School: D. A. B. Harris; J. G. Bass, S. J. Ball, R. G. Hewstone, M. J. Lavington; R. D. Jones, J. H. Caplin; R. M. Edrupt, D. C. Taylor, P. J. Walton, J. G. Bailey, C. P. Eggington, R. D. Wearing, A. J. Spence, S. J. Rogers.

Past: S. J. Sage; I. C. A. Green, J. D. Holloway, N. C. Woodford, S. T. Worsley; R. W. Newton, P. G. Miles; T. A. Gibbs, W. T. Smith, D. S. Ridler, A. M. Norman, M. J. Thomas, M. A. Woolf, G. W. Davies, D. Walsh.

BRISTOL TOUR

Once again the School XV toured the Bristol area. The great fear in most people's minds was that the success of the previous year's excursion would not be repeated and it would prove a disappointment. This was far from being the case. If anything, the added comfort of hotel beds as opposed to hostel cubicles, and the extra time gained by dropping one fixture and including a week-end in the arrangements increased the enjoyment. The weather too was once again on our side and, although colder, it made playing conditions as good as can be expected so near Christmas.

The matches themselves provided first a crushing defeat—the team fielded being unfortunately well below strength through injury—at the hands of the all-conquering St. Brendan's College; then a most encouraging near-miss against what was theoretically an even stronger side, B.G.S., Jones repeating his drop-goal score of the previous year; and finally, the story-book ending of our first School victory of the season against Cotham G.S. in the last game.

An abortive and rainy excursion to Cheddar filled Sunday, a visit to the County Trials Tuesday, and a repeat of our dinner invitation to our hosts enlivened Monday evening.

May I thank all those who took part, and whose enthusiasm, co-operation and determination made the tour so pleasing and successful for all?

C. C.

The following boys took part: R. D. Jones (*Captain*), A. J. Spence (*Vice-Captain*), R. D. Wearing, J. H. Caplin, A. J. Cave, D. A. B. Harris, M. J. Lavington, D. C. Taylor, R. M. Edrupt, P. J. Walton, S. J. Ball, R. G. Hewstone, R. E. Lee, C. P. Eggington, J. G. Bailey, S. J. Rogers, H. Billington, L. G. B. Wormald, S. T. Worsley.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank Mr. Carter for his organization of the tour, and his help in making it such a success for all those who took part.

R. D. J.

SECOND XV MATCHES

v. HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL. On Stapylton. November 21st. Lost 3 - 29.

Team: J. C. Wilcox; C. Anderson, M. H. Cullen, P. G. Millman, M. J. Reeves; K. R. Carter, A. J. Cave; R. E. Lee, D. Austin, J. B. P. Wickes, P. A. Laing, D. S. Senior, R. J. Birchall, R. G. Ware, C. R. H. Miles.

v. ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL. On Stapylton. November 25th. Lost 9 - 17.

Team: J. C. Wilcox; C. Anderson, M. H. Cullen, P. G. Millman, M. J. Reeves; K. R. Carter, A. J. Cave; R. E. Lee, D. Austin, J. B. P. Wickes, P. A. Laing, D. S. Senior, R. J. Birchall, R. G. Ware, S. J. Rogers.

v. ALLEYNE'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Stevenage. November 28th. Lost 3 - 14.

Team: J. C. Wilcox; C. Anderson, M. H. Cullen, P. G. Millman, M. J. Reeves, K. R. Carter, A. J. Cave; R. E. Lee, D. Austin, J. B. P. Wickes; P. A. Laing, D. S. Senior, R. J. Birchall, R. G. Ware, C. R. H. Miles.

v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. At St. Albans. December 2nd. Lost 0 - 19.

Team: J. C. Wilcox; J. I. S. Balch, M. H. Cullen, S. J. Ball, M. J. Reeves, K. R. Carter, A. J. Cave, R. E. Lee, D. Austin, J. B. P. Wickes, P. A. Laing, D. S. Senior, R. J. Birchall, R. G. Ware, C. R. H. Miles.

v. BOREHAMWOOD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Borehamwood. December 9th. Lost 0 - 35.

Team: J. C. Wilcox; M. J. Reeves, S. J. Ball, M. H. Cullen, P. G. Millman, K. R. Carter, A. J. Cave, R. E. Lee, D. Austin, J. B. P. Wickes, P. A. Laing, D. S. Senior, R. J. Birchall, R. G. Ware, S. J. Rogers.

OVER SIXTEEN THIRD XV MATCHES

- v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. At Galley Lane. December 2nd. Lost 5 - 24.
v. BOREHAMWOOD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. On Stapylton. December 9th. Lost 3 - 6.

UNDER SIXTEEN THIRD XV MATCHES

- v. RUTLISH SCHOOL. At Galley Lane. November 18th. Won 8 - 3.
v. HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL. At Elstree. November 21st. Lost 0 - 16.

COLTS XV MATCHES

- v. RUTLISH SCHOOL. At Rutlish. November 8th. Won 28 - 5.
v. HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL. On Stapylton. November 21st. Won 39 - 0.
v. ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL. On Stapylton. November 25th. Won 59 - 3.
v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. At St. Albans. December 2nd. Lost 3 - 19.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

RETROSPECT, 1965

This season, like the last one, has been satisfactory rather than spectacular. The loss of P. G. Millman robbed us of the chance of having any really great successes; the team however has worked hard and produced results which are better than were expected. In the Ranelagh Harriers race we finished 16th, only one place behind last year, and in the County Championships we managed to retain our ninth position even though our first individual position was only 21st.

L. G. B. Wormald has proved the most successful of our runners; with good support from I. J. Stevens and T. S. Todhunter, he has enabled our team to achieve reasonable results in nearly all the fixtures.

The instigation of new training procedures this term has ensured a much higher standard of fitness than has previously been achieved. The re-grouping of senior boys has led to an increase of enthusiasm in the term's activities, and it is to be hoped that this trend will continue.

BARNET ATHLETIC CLUB SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

January 30th.

This new fixture was a race for boys between the ages of 15 and 17. Icy conditions made the going tough; good running by L. G. B. Wormald and I. J. Stevens over the 3-mile course ensured third place for our team.

Team Positions : 1st Ravenscroft School, 2nd Ashmole School, 3rd Queen Elizabeth's School, 4th John Hampden School, 5th East Barnet Grammar School. *Individual Positions* : 1st L. G. B. Wormald, 4th I. J. Stevens, 17th D. J. Sterling, 19th I. D. Bishop, 21st R. Hayter.

RANELAGH HARRIERS' ANNUAL INTER-SCHOOLS RACE

February 6th.

This year the race was held over a slightly longer course of 3½ miles. The weather was cold and the long slopes made running difficult. Our first runner home was L. G. B. Wormald, who finished in 38th place; the team did not do as well as last year, only managing 16th place.

Team Positions : 1st Bishopshalt School, 2nd Tiffin School, 3rd Wimbeldon College, 16th Queen Elizabeth's,

- v. BOREHAMWOOD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Borehamwood. December 9th. Won 9 - 3.

SENIOR HOUSE MATCHES

December 5th.

HARRISONS v. STAPYLTON: Harrissons won 16 - 3.
LEICESTER v. BROUGHTON: Leicester won 8 - 3.

December 14th.

BROUGHTON v. UNDERNE: Broughton won 19 - 3.
STAPYLTON v. LEICESTER: Match drawn 3 - 3.

December 17th.

BROUGHTON v. HARRISONS: Broughton won 19 - 3.
Broughton were therefore the winners of the competition.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES

March 10th.

BROUGHTON v. UNDERNE: Underne won 24 - 8.
HARRISONS v. LEICESTER: Harrissons won 11 - 6.

March 13th.

STAPYLTON v. UNDERNE: Stapylton won 19 - 16.
LEICESTER v. BROUGHTON: Leicester won 17 - 0.

Barnet. *Individual Positions* : 38th L. G. B. Wormald, 75th R. G. Tabraham, 78th I. J. Stevens, 82nd D. A. B. Harris, 86th T. S. Todhunter, 100th G. J. Robeson.

CROSS-COUNTRY RELAY AT HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S

February 10th.

Another new fixture: this race was a 6 × 2 mile relay. The course was one-third road, one-third track, and one-third hill, providing a variety of surfaces for the runners. The failure to produce six fast legs led to our position of 21st out of 22 teams.

Team Positions : 1st Dr. Challoner's Grammar School, 2nd Bishopshalt Grammar School, 3rd Watford Grammar School, 21st Queen Elizabeth's School. *Times of Q.E. Runners* : 1st leg: R. G. Tabraham, 13 mins. 46 secs.; 2nd leg: T. S. Todhunter, 13 mins. 53 secs.; 3rd leg: M. F. Taylor, 15 mins. 50 secs.; 4th leg: D. A. B. Harris, 13 mins. 53 secs.; 5th leg: J. H. Caplin, 14 mins. 25 secs.; 6th leg: L. G. B. Wormald, 13 mins. 48 secs.

HERTS SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 19th.

Welwyn was the scene of the 18th Herts Schools' Cross-Country Race. Running conditions were ideal; although our first man home only managed 21st position, our team finished ninth, equalling last year's performance.

Individual Positions : 21st L. G. B. Wormald, 47th R. G. Tabraham, 57th T. S. Todhunter, 78th D. A. B. Harris, 91st G. J. Robeson, 100th A. E. Bond.

- v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL. At Barnet. Won.

This fixture was at home this year; after last year's defeat the School was determined to get their revenge. Unlike last year, only one race was run, and due to illness both teams were slightly under strength. R. D. Jones ran well to finish third, and we managed to fill seven of the first ten places. This great improvement on last year secured victory for us.

Individual Positions : 2nd L. G. B. Wormald, 3rd R. D. Jones, 4th I. J. Stevens, 5th T. S. Todhunter, 6th J. S. Tracey, 7th J. H. Caplin, 9th D. A. B. Harris.

HOUSE CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

March 3rd.

Bitterly cold conditions and the hazard of ice in the woods made running unpleasant. As in last year's race, a lap of Hadley Common was added. A field of only 48 runners tackled the course as against 86 last year.

L. G. B. Wormald (Harrisons) led right from the start and although R. D. Jones (Stapylton) tried to stay with him, he won a clear victory. Underne did very well to have four runners in the first ten, but only managed third place in the team positions. Stapylton won the team competition by having all but one of its important runners in the first twenty.

1st	Stapylton	...	...	...	125	points
2nd	Harrisons	...	...	...	139	points
3rd	Underne	...	...	...	147	points
4th	Broughton	...	...	...	172	points
5th	Leicester	...	...	...	247	points
1st	L. G. B. Wormald	H			17 mins.	01 secs.
2nd	R. D. Jones	S			"	" 33 "
3rd	T. S. Todhunter	U			"	" 38 "
4th	I. J. Stevens	S			"	" 45 "
5th	R. G. Tabraham	U			"	" 50 "
6th	D. A. B. Harris	B			"	" 51 "
7th	A. Johnson	U		18	"	" 05 "
8th	J. G. Bass	U		"	"	" 07 "
9th	J. H. Caplin	H		"	"	" 18 "
10th	R. G. Hewstone	B		"	"	" 22 "

FIVES

This has been an unusually busy term. The normal groups have continued to function, and a number of players have been making progress. There has also been more than usual representative play.

In a context of other Games Club decisions, the House Fives Competition was moved to the first part of this term: the roof to the court and the lights have made this a possible change. The competition produced some close games and some good play from individuals not usually very prominent in games activities, but in the end there was no one to stop Underne winning for the third year in succession. Their team was: D. J. Croft (*Captain*), and R. H. Croft; A. Johnson and J. R. Symons; I. Johnson and R. L. Kent.

The team has had six matches. We started on February 23rd with a visit to the Old Citizens, losing 0-2 as usual; but the scores were close on paper—D. J. Croft and R. D. Jones lost 14-12, 14-11, 5-12, 6-12, 9-12; A. D. Crausaz and R. S. Allen lost 9-12, 12-10, 1-12, 12-9, 7-12. We continue to be in debt to our hosts for their generous and helpful attitude. On February 27th we played the Old Chigwellians, and won 3-0 against a team not perhaps at full strength; nor were we, as R. S. Allen was unfit and R. H. Croft moved up to partner Crausaz. T. M. Thorpe and R. D. Wearing were our third pair. Our big moment came on March 2nd, when we visited Blackfriars again to play City of London School "A" team. We were first invited there in 1957, and last year drew for the first time. This year we felt we might win, but hardly anticipated a 4-0 victory, despite playing two reserves. Our opponents in the ranking of pairs at their school this year were of comparable standing to those we have met previously; but they were made to seem weaker by our spirited and skilful play. We are now much more incisive and confident in taking opportunities; and our courtcraft is much improved. Our first two pairs were as before: the others were R. H. Croft and A. Johnson, G. A. Kingston and M. J. Marks. On March 6th

a deliberately weakened team defeated Chigwell School 7-1, with one match left drawn, on an all-play-all system. Our team was: D. J. and R. H. Croft; R. S. Allen and T. M. Thorpe; A. Johnson and R. M. McGregor. On March 9th we visited, after a lapse of some years, St. Olave's at Tower Bridge, to play their second and third pairs. The result was a satisfactory draw. D. J. Croft and R. D. Jones lost 7-12, 12-9, 12-10, 7-12, 13-15 after a long and very even struggle, but A. D. Crausaz and R. S. Allen won easily 12-4, 12-3, 12-7. Our first pair were up against good opposition and never really mastered their difficulties with the lighting. Next year we may play their full team. On March 11th we went to Hightgate to play the Old Cholmeleians. D. J. Croft and R. D. Jones gave a very good pair much trouble before losing 7-12, 11-15, 11-15; A. D. Crausaz and R. S. Allen won again, 13-10, 15-12, 5-12, 12-8, thus giving us another draw.

The first three of our team have been re-awarded Badges, and R. S. Allen has been awarded one. The Public Schools Championship for 1965 is being held at Eton this year, and we have entered the top two pairs.

It has been good to see the advance made by individuals not otherwise particularly prominent in School games, in some instances playing, and with success, in the School team: this is very desirable and encouraging. The return of Crausaz has been a decisive factor in forming a balanced team: particular credit is due to Allen for winning the place in the second pair. To play high-class opponents we need also some minimum aid from the naturally gifted, and over the years we have been fortunate in having one such to help: the successor to M. N. Croft and J. D. Holloway has been R. D. Jones, and he has been of great assistance to the team. Above all, the Fives Group and the team has been indebted to the splendid personal example of keenness and determination set by the Keeper of the Court and Team Captain, D. J. Croft.

CHESS

In retrospect, the 1964-65 season has been one of rather mixed fortunes for School Chess. The senior team has had some erratic results. Although it played well in the Barnet League against strong opposition, and managed to record the best result the School has had in this competition for several years, the players slumped badly in the Zone Final of the *Sunday Times* National Schools Competition; and at the time of writing the team has not yet been able to clinch a place in the Coronation Trophy, in which there is only one more match to be

played. At the end of last term, however, the first team was invited to take part in a Southern Schools' Chess Tournament, in which we were quite successful. Against strong opposition the School scored 5 points out of 12 and finished seventh out of ten teams competing. C. D. Stanley played well to score maximum points in his two matches on board three.

This term we have fielded a second team for Finchley League matches. It was intended to give players in the Lower Sixth forms the chance of representing the School,

but the scheme unfortunately aroused little interest. The *Sunday Times* second team was a mixture of youth and experience and exceeded the expectations of most of us by reaching the Zone semi-final before going down to a strong City of London first team.

The intermediate team has been unfortunate in that some of its members have been required for other teams on several occasions. Nevertheless, it has still managed to reach the Final of the Hertfordshire Intermediate competition. The Under 14½ team was made up of eight or nine very enthusiastic members. Their results were excellent and they now stand a good chance of regaining the Association Clock for the School.

In the inter-school Chess competitions, Harrisons House has won the Senior Chess Cup and stands favourably in the Junior competition. B. S. Weston has won the senior section of the E. C. Davies Cup, having beaten R. C. Currell in the final, and now meets the winner of the junior section—K. E. Bates, M. D. Fairbairn or M. F. Solosy in the deciding game.

Senior Chess Honours have been awarded to C. D. Stanley, G. A. Kingston and J. R. Symons, and Junior Honours to N. C. Hamilton, C. A. Knight, B. S. Weston, and J. W. Whiting.

MATCH RESULTS:

"SUNDAY TIMES" NATIONAL SCHOOLS CHESS COMPETITION

FIRST TEAM

v. CHESTERTON BOYS' SCHOOL, CAMBRIDGE	Won 4 - 2
Zone Semi-Final	
v. THE LATYMER SCHOOL, EDMONTON	Won 4½ - 1½
Zone Final	
v. HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL, ELSTREE	Lost 1½ - 4½

SECOND TEAM

v. NORTH PADDINGTON UPPER SCHOOL (Second Team)	Won 6 - 0
v. ST. OLAVE'S SCHOOL	Won 4½ - 1½
Zone Semi-Final	
v. CITY OF LONDON	Lost 1½ - 4½

BARNET LEAGUE

v. OAKWOOD C.C.	Drew 3 - 3
v. ENFIELD C.C.	Drew 3 - 3
v. OLD ELIZABETHANS C.C.	Drew 3 - 3
v. SOUTHGATE C.C.	Won 4 - 2
v. POTTERS BAR C.C.	Won 3½ - 2½

"CORONATION TROPHY" (HERTS C.A. SCHOOLS SENIOR TROPHY)

v. HITCHIN GRAMMAR SCHOOL	Won 4½ - 1½
v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL	Lost 1½ - 4½
v. RICKMANSWORTH	Won 4 - 1½
v. EAST BARNET G.S.	Drew 3 - 3

FINCHLEY LEAGUE

v. HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL, ELSTREE	Lost 2½ - 3½
v. CHRIST'S COLLEGE	Lost 1 - 5
v. HAVERSTOCK SCHOOL	Lost 1 - 5
v. ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL	Won 4 - 2
v. WOODHOUSE GRAMMAR SCHOOL	Won 3½ - 2½

INTERMEDIATE TROPHY (HERTS C.A. UNDER 16 SCHOOLS' TROPHY)

v. EAST BARNET G.S.	Drew 3 - 3
v. LETCHWORTH G.S.	Won 5 - 1
v. HEATHCOTE	Won 3½ - 2½
v. CHESHUNT G.S.	Lost 2½ - 3½
v. ST. ALBANS C.G.S.	Won 3½ - 2½
v. BENNETTS END SCHOOL	Drew 3 - 3

"ASSOCIATION CLOCK" (HERTS C.A. SCHOOLS' UNDER 14½ TROPHY)

v. BENNETTS END SCHOOL	Won 5 - 1
v. HITCHIN G.S.	Won 3½ - 2½
v. WELWYN GARDEN CITY G.S.	Won 5 - 1
v. CAMPIONS	Won 5 - 1
v. ST. ALBANS C.G.S.	Lost 2½ - 3½

FRIENDLY MATCHES

UNDER 14 v. HIGHGATE	Won 5 - 1
UNDER 13 v. HITCHIN	Lost 2 - 4
SENIORS v. MILL HILL	Drew 3 - 3
INTERMEDIATE TEAM v. MILL HILL	Won 6 - 0

SCHOOL SOCIETIES

THE MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: THE HEADMASTER

MUSICAL APPRECIATION SOCIETY

President: MR. FINNETT

Secretary: D. A. Blackmore

Availability of meetings has been somewhat hindered this term, largely by the School Play, but also by other activities plus the half-term break, a combination which rather got in the way of one meeting.

However, blazing a path of glory into the golden realms of music, the turntable spun wildly with a continued programme devoted to works taken from the Classical, Romantic, and Modern periods at one sitting. This method, excellent as it is, will grace the future meetings of the Society, thus giving a varied programme and an opportunity of hearing and comparing these aspects of different musical spheres side by side. In the process, it will be inevitable that something of the history of music will be learned. For example, where else could a Bartok quartet and a Haydn symphony be heard so contrastingly?

D. A. B.

THE CHOIR

Choirmaster: MR. HAYES

During the term the assembly choir has sung two unaccompanied anthems: "O taste and see" by Vaughan Williams, and "Let thy merciful ears, O Lord," by Weelkes.

The small group which performed some carols at the last Christmas Concert was invited to sing at a Barnet Music Society Concert at the Ewan Hall on Tuesday, March 2nd. Three Elizabethan madrigals were sung: "Since first I saw your face" by Thomas Ford, "Diaphenia" by Francis Pilkington, and "Adieu, Sweet Amaryllis" by John Wilbye. The group was under the direction of Mr. Hayes.

P. L. E.

CHRISTIAN UNION

President: MR. PEARCE

Chairman: MR. PINNOCK

Secretary: I. W. R. Spriggs

Both the Senior and Junior branches of the Union have met regularly this term, even though attendance has at

times been low. A film entitled "The Building of Coventry Cathedral" was shown mid-way through the term, and although attendances at the two showings were low, due to other school activities, the film was enjoyed by those who were present.

The Senior Group has met regularly at Monday lunch-break, and has been studying Paul's Epistle to the Philippians. These studies, which were led by members of the group, resulted in a discussion entitled "Christian Unity," at which aspects of Christian unity today were discussed. After half-term, a series of discussions on the various denominations in the Church and their views was begun, commencing with a discussion on "Quakerism". It is hoped that attendance will continue to increase, especially as regards senior forms.

The Junior Group, which has been well supported, has been looking through Genesis, the series being entitled "In the beginning—Genesis." Once again Mr. Thomas is to be thanked for leading this group, aided by Senior Group members.
I. W. R. S.

ELIZABETHAN UNION

President : MR. COVINGTON

Chairman : MR. FINNETT

Committee : D. K. Honeybone, P. K. A. Lane, S. Reardon, G. J. Robeson, R. D. Jennings (*Secretary*).

Too late to be included in last term's "Elizabethan" was the result of the Final of the Inter-House Debating Competition held on November 17th. In this Final, Leicester House, represented by Messrs. P. K. A. Lane and M. H. Cullen, proposed the motion "That this House prefers aristocracy to meritocracy." They were opposed by Messrs. I. S. Menzies and S. Reardon for Underne House. The adjudication went in favour of Leicester by the narrowest of margins, and the A. C. Poupard Cup for House Debating (given by a previous Secretary of the Union and being awarded for the first time) was presented to Mr. Lane, Captain of the Leicester debating team, by the Headmaster.

This term's activities began with the Annual Debate against the New Barnet Literary and Debating Society held on January 18th. Messrs. D. K. Honeybone and R. G. Luxton successfully proposed the motion "That this House considers that our standard of living does not warrant the problems its entails."

On March 4th an internal debate was held in which Messrs. G. J. Harkins and H. R. Baisden proposed, and Messrs. R. E. Milne and D. Austin opposed, the motion "That this House considers that a multi-racial society will not work." The motion was lost by one vote.

On March 24th, members of the Union made a trip to Watford Girls' Grammar School for the Semi-Final of the Herts Schools' Debating Competition, when Messrs. P. K. A. Lane and R. D. Jennings on behalf of the Union opposed the motion "That this House agrees that history is bunk." The adjudication went in favour of the Union and so, at the time of writing, the School is through to the final of the competition.

(Also, at the time of going to press, arrangements are well in hand for the Annual Dinner Debate to be held on Friday, April 2nd.)
R. D. J.

THE SYMPOSIUM

President : MR. WAKELIN

Secretary : R. D. Jennings

So far this term there have been only two meetings of the Symposium.

On January 26th we welcomed Mr. M. M. Small, O.E. temporarily teaching at the School, to a meeting in which he introduced a discussion on "Anarchy".

The second meeting was on March 1st, when Mr. A. H. Dent spoke on "The Establishment". Though the meeting was poorly attended, an interesting discussion ensued in which all those present took part.
R. D. J.

THE SCHOOL SOCIETY

President : MR. GOULD

Secretary : M. E. Reen

As this edition of the "Elizabethan" goes to press, the School is preparing for the annual Hobbies Exhibition. At present all rooms have been allocated, and entry forms are being prepared for distribution. It is to be hoped that the societies involved will come up to the mark and that this year we shall see more results from individuals than has been usual in the past.

M. E. R.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

President : MR. GOULD

Committee : D. I. Thomas, S. J. Rogers (*Secretary*)

Two meetings were held this term on "The Art of Portraiture." The first was a lecture, illustrated with a film strip, given by Mr. Gould, and the second consisted of a practical evening. This gave those interested a chance to use the lighting available to produce their own attempts at Portraiture. A film was exposed, and it will be quite interesting to compare the results.

The other major activity arranged this term was the visit at half term to the Kodak Camera Factory at Stevenage. All who went found the visit most interesting. Next term the yearly competition for the Hockett Cup will be held, and I hope that people will prepare their entries in good time.

S. J. R.

THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

President : MR. HAYES

Committee : G. Read, P. G. Hollis, M. E. Reen (*Secretary*)

All the films this term have illustrated the manner in which atomic energy is utilised in civilian scientific space programmes. "Our Nearest Star," a film with a somewhat deceptive title, and "SNAP III—Operational Tests" described the manner in which Transit Navigation satellites derive their energy from an isotopic power unit. "Project Rover," a film obtained specially from Los Alamos, New Mexico, proved to be a superb technical documentary which took the form of a progress report on America's massive project to develop a nuclear-powered rocket vehicle.

Finally, I wish to thank G. Read, who has recently left, for his help in the past.

M. E. R.

PHILATELIC SOCIETY

President : MR. K. W. CARTER

Committee : R. H. Croft, D. J. Croft, M. F. Taylor (*Secretary*)

The main feature of this term's activities has been the advent of a Thursday Stamp Sale, when we sell a selection of 1,000 stamps at 1d. each. This has been achieved by our entry into membership of the Herts Association of Stamp Clubs.

This term we hope to organise an outing to the Stampex Exhibition at the Central Hall, Westminster, for the benefit of some of the younger boys.

As usual we will have a display in the Annual Hobbies Exhibition, where we hope for as many entries as possible. The subjects for the competition are:

1. Great Britain (a) Queen Victoria; or (b) Edward VII.
2. Motor Cars.
3. Aeroplanes.
4. Fruits.
5. Coronation Issues (Elizabeth II).

The Philatelic Society meetings have been continued as usual on Tuesdays in Room W. We would like to thank Mr. Thomas for the use of this room.

M. F. T.

TRANSPORT SOCIETY

President : MR. FRY

Committee: P. L. Earle, G. Meyer, K. Newton,
A. Donovan (*Secretary*)

This term has seen the formation of the Aeromodelling Branch of the society, and this has started most successfully. There have not been many other activities of the Society, but at half term we were invited by Haberdashers' School to take part in a coach visit to a group of Midland Region locomotive depôts. This proved to be a very enjoyable arrangement and we hope to repeat it. At the time of writing we have not arranged any such trips ourselves, due partly to British Railways' new insistence on travel by train to depôts. However, we hope to make a visit to Crewe very soon. A film show was also given this term, when two car rally films were shown.

Aeromodelling Branch

The Branch now has a membership of about twenty and has three planes so far, all loyally finished in light and dark blue. Two of these are control line planes, one kindly presented by Mr. Ambidge, and the third a large rubber-powered model. A House Flying Competition is being planned with classes for duration, speed and, for the control line models, stunt flying. It is hoped to have a good selection of models at the Hobbies Exhibition this term.

A. D.

GYMNASTICS SOCIETY

President : MR. THOMAS

Secretary : R. G. Hewstone

During this term it has been pleasing to see a steady improvement in the attendance, particularly among the senior boys, and we hope that all present members will continue to give their regular support to the club. In the other section of the club the juniors have been very active in their games and their attempts to master the technique of simple agilities. The band of helpers have found the meetings on Wednesday quite exhausting at times! During recent weeks, senior members have been preparing for a display at the forthcoming Hobbies Exhibition, where activities such as box-work and pyramids will be demonstrated. This will be run in conjunction with the Commando Course which is customarily staged by the first forms. Finally, we would thank our President for giving up his evenings on Tuesdays to give us his valuable assistance.

R. G. H.

ART SOCIETY

President : MR. PURCHAS

Secretary : R. J. BIRCHALL

As in most School activities, this term is a very much in-between term. Whilst there is still quite active work on well-tryed ideas, there seems to be very little enterprise in materials and methods. There is very little encouragement from the weather, but this should have made boys rethink the limitations of working indoors. Perhaps with better conditions there will be a rediscovery of the spirit of adventure. Along with this energy a constructive approach is needed, not the idea that a picture can be finished in half an hour.

With the quality of work now being produced, these higher levels of work are within the reach of all members of the Art Society.

R. J. B.

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

President : MR. COCKS

Vice-President : MR. PATTISON

Committee : P. L. Earle, G. C. Hasell, R. C. Suffling,
V. Donovan, R. L. Erskine (*Secretary*)

For various reasons, particularly the heavy programme of after-school activities this term, it has only proved

possible to hold two meetings since the last report. On Tuesday, January 19th, P. J. Felstead explained a large number of slides taken on last summer's school trip to Sicily. These covered quite a wide variety of subjects, and Felstead's first-hand experience proved very useful in ensuring their interesting presentation. On Thursday, March 4th, D. K. Honeybone gave an illustrated talk on the new state of Tanzania, which he visited last summer. Concentrating on economic and social problems he painted a cautiously optimistic picture of the future which new African states like Tanzania are building for themselves.

Members of the Society have this term been able to attend the non-specialist course on Geology presented by the Vice-President, and this series of lectures has undoubtedly increased interest in the Society's activities.

R. L. E.

HANDICRAFT SOCIETY

President : MR. GOULD

Secretary : P. Hayward

This term has seen the completion of the apron stage. Much work on this was done by Messrs. Langley and Gould, assisted by members of the Sailing Group. The extension will be used for the first time in this year's School play.

Membership of the Society has fallen during the last term, despite the lowering of the form limit to 4th's and above, and it is hoped that this trend will not continue in the future.

Those articles of work which boys have completed during the last year will be on show at the Hobbies Exhibition at the end of this term.

P. H.

PLAY-READING SOCIETY

President : MR. CURRY

Secretaries : J. R. Symons and R. D. Wearing

Up till the end of last term the Play-Reading Society had lain dormant for about a year. Then, under the presidency of Mr. Curry, it emerged from hibernation and recommenced activities with a reading of "Suddenly Last Summer" by Tennessee Williams, a play whose frenzied pederastic and cannibalistic violence we found startling.

This term we have continued the Society's policy of reading works by twentieth-century dramatists. Interest has grown, though it is still mainly confined to the Upper Sixth and Seventh forms, and despite the fact that many members have been in some way concerned with the School Play, we have been able to carry out a fairly full programme. If our reading of "The Threepenny Opera" by Bertolt Brecht tended to pass over the play's bitter satire of bourgeois society, it nevertheless provided some excellent bawdy entertainment. Perhaps our greatest success has been G. B. Shaw's political extravaganza "The Apple Cart"; with its lack of action it proved a most suitable play for a group-reading.

By the time these notes appear, we shall also have read "A View from the Bridge," by Arthur Miller.

J. R. S.

RECORDS SOCIETY

President : MR. WAKELIN

Secretary : A. M. Robinson

This term saw the departure of our secretary, N. J. Hacker; we are grateful for his hard work during his secretaryship.

Due to the inclemency of the weather we were unable to do much cycling at the beginning of term. Instead we have journeyed into London. On January 27 we visited

the Royal Academy to see Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mellon's fine collection of English paintings from 1700 to 1850, which included some good Turners and Constables. Towards the end of term we have been able to start cycling and have so far made two trips; to Aldenham Church, and to St. Albans Abbey.

Since half-term we have been engaged on research at Watford Parish Church. The Society, among others in the country, was asked by "The Cambridge Centre for the History of Population and Social Structure" to do work on the Parish Register. The purpose of this is to establish patterns of population changes throughout the country. What the work involves is this: the numbers of birth, deaths, and marriages for each year are recorded on different forms; there are also separate columns for deaths of wayfarers, birth of bastards, and outbreaks of plague. The work is simple but tends to be slow, because the year begins at different times, sometimes in October, sometimes in March, and only towards the end in January.

A. M. R.

ELECTRONICS SOCIETY

President : MR. KAY

Committee : S. I. N. Gregorig, R. Hayter, D. S. Senior, J. S. Tracy, P. J. Walton, M. G. Lewis (*Secretary*)

This term has seen a considerable increase in attendance at our weekly meetings, due to several members of the Lower Sixth having joined the society and shown an encouraging interest. Some useful pieces of equipment have been donated to the Society, and most of our time has been spent working on them and on discussing designs and circuits for electronic control systems. The Society has acquired more components for use in addition to the flexible set of units which it is using for its experiments, and is considering the practical use of photo-sensitive devices with the system.

The prototype of one Binary-Decimal Counter stage has been demonstrated to the Society. This device can count and store electrical impulses up to fifteen in number and three such stages may be used to count up to one thousand. The device can work at a very high speed and may be used as the basis of a calculator much faster than any mechanical device. It seems likely that a number-storage device will be contrived, using similar circuitry to that of the counter, and it is hoped that the Society will be able to construct both in the near future.

M. G. L.

RUCKSAC CLUB

President : MR. TOWNSEND

Committee : L. G. B. Wormald, J. H. Caplin (*Secretary*)

We wish to welcome our new President, Mr. Townsend, and also offer Mr. K. W. Carter our sincere thanks for the help he has given the Club since its revival. Since our last report we have been very active, and detailed accounts of our exploits have been recorded in a "log" which is available to any interested member.

On Friday, November 27th, a demonstration of artificial climbing was held in the gym, when the technique of climbing an overhang was explained. The venture proved very successful, and about 70 boys attended. On December 8th a film show was held, when a French climbing film called "La République que nous appelle," was shown. The commentary was supplemented by an explanation of technique and terms from L. G. B. Wormald.

During the lunch-break on February 9th, J. H. Caplin gave a display of crevasse rescue. Over 70 people watched, and the opportunity was taken to advertise a visit to the exhibition "Switzerland 1965: Year of the Alps", which was held to commemorate the first ascent of the Matter-

horn in 1865. The visit itself on February 17th proved most rewarding.

On Monday, February 22nd, a party of eleven boys and two masters visited Harrison's Rocks, where everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

L. G. B. W. & J. H. C.

BRIDGE CLUB

President : MR. ALFORD

Secretary : R. G. Tabraham

Attendance at meetings has been affected by the increased after-school activities of the Spring Term and by the approach of the A-levels. A number of new members have, however, been found among the Lower Sixth, and I hope that more of them will become interested in playing. The game of bridge seems to provide a good deal of enjoyment whether it is approached in a serious or less serious frame of mind. Many interesting games have been played, especially where freak hands were dealt. The standard of play seems to be higher this term, though calling causes problems, and reckless sacrifice bidding is still too much in evidence. Bridge should provide an interesting source of relaxation after the A-levels, and I hope many will take advantage of this.

R. G. T.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS SOCIETY

President : MR. WAKELIN

Committee : D. Austin, A. M. Robinson, D. K. Honeybone (*Secretary*)

So far this term the Society has held only two meetings. At the first of these, the Rt. Hon. Robert Carr, M.P., talked about his work at the Department of Technical Co-operation (now enlarged and renamed the Ministry of Overseas Development) in the last Conservative administration. He emphasised the role of young people in this field, hoping that he would be able to persuade at least some of his audience to take part in this work. The attendance was high, but for a subject of such importance it was a pity that there were not even more people there. The second meeting concerned Local Government and the new London Borough of Barnet. Six representatives from Barnet Council came and, despite the relatively low attendance, an extremely good discussion followed Councillor Woodruff's opening talk.

A third and very topical meeting—about Rhodesia—was twice arranged and twice fell through owing to the poor health of the representative from the High Commission. Two visits (one to Barnet Council and one to the Law Courts) have, however, been arranged to finish off this term's activities.

D. K. H.

SOCIAL WELFARE GROUP

President : MR. WRIGHT

Committee : D. Austin, A. C. Rankin, S. Taylor, M. K. Villeneuve, G. P. A. Mullin, P. G. Cheeseman (*Secretary*)

The adverse weather conditions prevented much work this term, although a few decoration jobs have been successfully completed. Experience in this field is now fairly substantial. We hope to make an early start next season, when gardening will be the chief concern of the group, although there may also be some decorating. The group has acquired a sufficient number of boys who do the work as a games activity, but voluntary workers are still scarce, and it is hoped that a few more boys will volunteer next term.

P. G. C.

HOUSE NOTES

BROUGHTON

Housemaster : MR. TIMSON

Prefects : R. D. Wearing, D. A. B. Harris

Sub-Prefects : G. C. Brooker, R. G. Hewstone

Congratulations go to D. A. B. Harris on his appointment as a prefect.

Unfortunately we have met with little success in this term's Inter-House competitions; but first of all we must congratulate the Senior House Rugby team, which at the end of last term won the competition with a convincing victory over Harrisons, in what may fairly be considered the final. The following boys represented the House: D. A. B. Harris (*Captain*), M. H. Bennett, A. J. Cave, R. G. Hewstone, S. Jenkins, M. J. Lavington, C. R. H. Miles, P. G. Millman, P. A. Richards, R. A. Sargent, D. I. Say, T. G. Smith, D. C. Taylor, M. F. Taylor, B. G. Verrall, R. D. Wearing, and J. B. P. Wickes. This term our other teams have unfortunately fared less well, but have acquitted themselves with just as much enthusiasm. The Fives team, under the leadership of W. J. Garland, defeated Harrisons in the preliminary round, but was well beaten in the semi-final by Underne, the eventual winners. The Cross-Country team did no better, coming fourth in a hard test of endurance. In the Chess competitions, the senior team did well to finish second equal, but at the moment it looks as if the juniors will finish somewhere near the bottom. Despite being set a fine example by their captain, R. A. Hallewell, the junior Rugby team has lost both its matches to date; the players have neither the necessary weight nor experience.

We extend our congratulations to P. S. Weston, who left last term. He did extremely well to gain an Open Scholarship at Queen's College, Oxford.

At the end of last term we were pleased to welcome S. J. Bennett to the lunch table, and were interested to hear his impressions of Oxford after his first term.

R. D. W.

HARRISONS

Housemaster : MR. PINNOCK

Assistant Housemaster : MR. FRY

Prefect : P. J. Walton

Sub-Prefects : J. H. Caplin, B. A. Edmonds,

R. D. Jennings, G. Read

In the Senior Rugby competition, completed at end of last term, the House gained three victories, but in the fourth and deciding game was beaten by a strong Broughton team. Our thanks go to Mrs. Caplin for providing an end-of-season tea.

This term has been a most successful one for the House. We started off with an easy victory in the Senior Chess competition; our team, under the captaincy of C. D. Stanley, was in excellent form, and J. E. Cable, B. P. Toole, and M. D. Rose played very well. As usual, we made a determined effort in the House Cross-Country race and finished second overall. L. G. B. Wormald, who has been the School's most consistent runner this season, was the individual winner. The Junior Chess team, captained by J. W. Whiting, has won both its matches to date, and although it has found the opposition much tougher than expected, we have hopes of winning. At the time of writing we have played only one match in the Junior Rugby competition; that was against Leicester, whom we beat.

Our congratulations go to A. H. Dent on his Open Exhibition to St. Catherine's College, Oxford; to G. Read on his Open Exhibition to Fitzwilliam House, Cambridge; and to R. D. Jennings, who has a place at Christ Church, Oxford.

P. J. W.

The House congratulates P. J. Walton on his appointment as a prefect. After captaining the House for the last two terms, he is now leaving before taking up his place at Birmingham University. We thank him for his services to the House.

J. H. C.

LEICESTER

Housemaster : MR. SMITH

Assistant Housemaster : MR. K. W. CARTER

Prefect : A. J. Spence

Sub-Prefects : R. J. Birchall, M. H. Cullen,
P. J. C. Lockerman, R. G. Luxton

Since writing the last House notes, two competitions have been completed. The House Rugby team had only moderate success, losing one match, drawing another, but having the distinction of being the only House to beat the eventual winners, Broughton. The enthusiasm of the team was very pleasing. The House debating team did very well to win their cup, and all speakers gave spirited support to P. K. A. Lane, the captain.

As for this term, we must congratulate M. H. Cullen and P. J. C. Lockerman on becoming sub-prefects. Various Housemasters have been having adventures with cars recently, and ours is no exception. We were sorry to see that after years of trouble-free motoring, Mr. Smith's car received a dent, while stationary, from an unknown driver on the icy roads.

The House Cross-Country team was captained by J. C. Wilcox, and though it was not successful, it was pleasant to see at least some people showing willing in this, possibly the most unpopular of all School sports. A. C. Rankin cheerfully captained the Senior Chess team, but could only manage fourth place overall; we are hoping for better luck in the uncompleted Junior Chess matches. A. H. Bullett has led our team very successfully to date. The junior House team is captained by D. J. Belford and is showing great keenness; so far it has lost to Harrisons, but convincingly beaten Broughton. We are once again very well represented in the School play. P. K. A. Lane, A. H. Bullett, M. J. Marks, J. C. Wilcox, A. C. Rankin, and A. J. Spence all have good-sized parts, while various sprites are in Leicester and M. H. Cullen supplies the music. R. J. Birchall designed and helped supervise the painting of the set.

Three Leicester Old Boys have lunched with us this term, namely C. R. Smith, M. L. S. Bullett, and M. W. J. Swinn, and we would like more to join us in the future.

A. J. S.

STAPYLTON

Housemaster : MR. COVINGTON

Assistant Housemaster : MR. THOMAS

Prefect : R. D. JONES

Sub-Prefect : D. A. Blackmore

An important feature of this term's varied activities has been Mr. Covington's purchase of a new car; the rumour that he had delayed buying until this year in order to have a letter "C" on his number-plate is only partly true. No less an achievement was the excellent victory of the Cross-Country team against strong opposition from Underne and Harrisons. The Fives team, lacking strength in depth, was beaten in the semi-final of the House Competition; however, the captain, R. S. Allen, has played regularly for the School this term, and is to be congratulated on being awarded his Fives badge. In the Rugby competitions the Senior team was a little disappointing in coming third, but the Juniors, led by M. J. Whitaker, have both the strength and the enthusiasm to

repeat last year's success, as they showed in their first match against Underne, whom they beat 19-16.

Less physically strenuous but no less enthusiastic have been the efforts of the House Chess teams. The Seniors played well to finish equal-second to a strong Harrison's team. The Juniors, although eager, have only one player of experience, the captain, M. F. Solosy, and have met with little success in the competition to date.

Our congratulations go to D. A. Blackmore on his appointment as sub-prefect, and to N. J. Hacker on obtaining a place at Merton College, Oxford.

We were pleased to welcome C. J. Opperman to the lunch-table this term.

R. D. J.

UNDERNE

Housemaster: MR. PEARCE

Prefects: J. G. Bass, J. R. Symons, R. G. Ware

Sub-Prefects: J. G. Bailey, D. J. Croft, S. Reardon

If a House measures its success by the number of "pots" it wins, then this term, like the last, has not been a very successful one for us. The Senior Rugby team finished with an analysis of three losses from three matches; our fourth and final game against Leicester was not played. In the Debating, the second of the two competitions completed at the end of last term after the "Elizabethan" had gone to press, we had hopes of repeating last year's victory. However, after defeating Harrison's in the semi-final, we went down somewhat surprisingly and by the narrowest of margins to Leicester (whom, it is only fair to say, we beat in similar circumstances in last year's final).

This term our one bright spot has been the Fives competition which we won for the third successive year;

the team, captained by D. J. Croft, had little trouble in defeating Leicester in the final. The School Cross-Country race might well have provided us with further success, but our team, slightly under strength because of illness, could only manage third place. Our captain, T. S. Todhunter, led the House in; he and D. J. Sterling have both represented the School this term. Once again Chess has proved to be our really weak point; the Senior team, led by J. R. Symons, lacked good experienced players and came last in the competition. The Juniors, however, are doing better than expected; so far they have beaten Stapylton and lost to Leicester. The Junior House Rugby team, under the captaincy of M. G. Langley, has a very strong three-quarter line, but is not yet making full use of its potential; its results to date are one game won, one game lost.

Our congratulations go to D. J. Croft and S. Reardon on their appointment as sub-prefects; to I. S. Menzies on gaining an Open Scholarship to Queen's College, Oxford; and to R. G. Ware on his Open Exhibition to Pembroke College, Oxford. This term we say goodbye to J. R. Symons, who is leaving to spend the summer term in a school in Hanover before taking up his place at St. Andrews University; we would like to thank him for all he has done for the School and the House.

We have been pleased to welcome G. H. Smith to the lunch-table this term.

J. G. B.

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BIRTH

1965

Feb. 10th—To Patricia, wife of B. R. SANDERS (1951-56),
a daughter, Jacqueline Anne.

MARRIAGES

1964

Dec. 19th—At Horton-cum-Studley, Oxford, J. W. HICK-
MAN, Lt. R.N., (1950-57), to Valerie May
Wearing.

1965

Mar. 21st—At St. John's Wood, A. E. Solomon (1951-
57) to Janet Matlin of Regents Park. M. A.
Woollf (1948-54) was an usher.

CORRESPONDENCE

12, Dinsdale Gardens,
New Barnet.
January 5th, 1965.

Dear Editor,

Once again may I beg space to thank the many O.E.s who greatly added to my pleasure at Christmas by sending cards. Some come very much from afar:— R. A. Hibbert (1930-40) from the Embassy at Ulan Bator, and Leslie Fielding (1943-51) from the Embassy at Pnom Penh. (He hopes that Hibbert will find no dirt in his yurt, and recently lunched with R. E. H. Challis (1942-49), who is B.B.C. correspondent in S. E. Asia, based on Singapore.) H. C. Griffiths (1930-36) sends from the Crown Lands Office in Hong Kong, and M. J. Tomkinson (1951-58) from our political agency in Qatar. John Anderson (1952-58) sent from Lagos, and Dr. J. S. Dodge (1939-47) is Malariologist in N. Nigeria, based on Kaduna, but also with an address in Suffolk. G. W. Owens (1954-61) doing a year's Civil Engineering in Tanzania under a U.N.A. scheme, and R. E. Beacham (1950-57) both are at Dar-es-Salaam: their envelopes bore a large invocation to "Post Early for Christmas", one was postmarked Dec. 1st, the other Nov. 14th, and both arrived on Jan. 5th!

Ex Africa semper aliquid tardis.

A little nearer home are W. S. Brown (1953-61) in Sweden, and A. R. Obrist (1938-44) in Basel.

Of the many wide-spread over Britain, W. G. Roberts (1942-50) seems to have ended his globe-trotting, is married, and settled as Senior English Master at Normanton Grammar School; Dr. C. G. Kolbert (1947-54) is a don at St. Peters, Oxford, and living near Abingdon, while his brother John (1951-58) is about to start in an Administrative post at the University of N. Staffs; R. B. E. Bell (1943-51) at the R.N. Air Station, Helston, has the nerve to rejoice that my retirement is not "one big holiday", and D. A. Nelms (1934-41) is enjoying a year's leave to do a Diploma at London University.

To these, and many others, my sincere thanks.

Yours truly,

(signed) E. H. JENKINS.

FOR YOUR DIARY

1965

Apr. 10th —*Social
Apr. 26th —*Association Annual General Meeting and
Social Club A.G.M.
Apr. 28th — Rugby Club Annual Dinner — Salisbury
Hotel, Barnet
May 15th —*Social
June 12th —*Social
June 19th — Founder's Day, 392nd Anniversary
July 10th —*Barbecue
Aug. 14th —*Social
* indicates that function will be held at the Pavilion,
Gipsy Corner.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held at the Pavilion, Gipsy Corner, on Monday, April 26th, 1965, at 8.00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. MINUTES of the last Annual General Meeting, held on April 17th, 1964.
2. MATTERS ARISING from these minutes.
3. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE for the year ending February 23rd, 1965
4. FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ending December 31st, 1964.
5. ELECTIONS
 - (a) Officers (Rule 17)
Honorary Secretary: P. G. Brealey is nominated.
Honorary Treasurer: F. J. Parsley is nominated.
Honorary Editorial Secretary: P. F. Rymill is nominated.
Honorary Membership Secretary: J. H. Buswell is nominated.
 - (b) Honorary Auditor (Rule 20): E. E. Frisby, F.C.A. is nominated.
 - (c) Committee (Rules 21 & 22): eight vacancies.
6. SOCIAL CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS. Proposed on behalf of the Committee: That this meeting authorizes the payment of 2/6d. per head from Association funds as Social Club subscriptions for 1964 and authorizes the Committee to approve similar payments in future years.
7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

P. G. Brealey,
Honorary Secretary.

In accordance with Rule 35 forms of proxy may be obtained from the Honorary Secretary by members unable to attend the meeting.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE, 1964-65

The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held at the Pavilion, Gipsy Corner, on 17th April, 1964, and the Committee there elected submits the following report, covering the period 22nd February, 1964 to 23rd February, 1965, together with the financial statement for the year ending 31st December, 1964.

Administration

At its first meeting the Committee elected R. E. Orton (1919-27) to serve as Chairman for the year. K. R. FitzGerald resigned from the Committee in January. This vacancy and one left at the Annual General Meeting were not filled. There have been seven meetings of the full Committee at which attendances of elected members have been as follows:

R. E. Orton (Chairman) 6; P. G. Brealey (Hon. Secretary) 7; F. J. Parsley (Hon. Treasurer) 7; P. F. Rymill (Hon. Editorial Secretary) 6; J. H. Buswell (Hon. Membership Secretary) 6; K. R. FitzGerald 2; L. O. W. Herbert 4; J. M. Robertson 4; A. E. Solomon 4; K. Townsend 6; N. G. S. Watling 5.

Membership

At 31st December, 1964 membership of the Association was 862, compared with 877 in 1963.

We record with regret the deaths of H. L. Judge (1899-1908); R. G. Ruscoe (A.M. 1921-26); F. H. Sherriff (1891-94); R. B. Ward (1894-1900) and C. Whittington (A.M. 1923-59).

Membership cards were for the first time distributed during the year.

Remembrance Day

On Remembrance Day wreaths were placed on the memorials at the School and at the Pavilion.

Social Events

The Annual Dinner in 1964 took place on 16th December, the Dinner Dance on 6th March and the Dinner Debate with the Eilzabethan Union on 20th March. Car rallies were held on 19th April and 27th September and a social evening on Founder's Day. Reports of these will be found in *The Elizabethan*. A particularly welcome feature of the year has been the success of the informal dances held at Gipsy Corner. The Committee wishes to record its appreciation of the work of the organisers.

On Founder's Day the second lesson was read by J. C. Swann (1953-61). The cricket match against the School, in which the Association team was captained by W. C. Bonner (1932-37) was lost by 56 runs.

In the Past versus Present rugby match on 12th December the Association team, captained by R. W. Newton (1956-64) lost by nine points to nineteen.

Masonic Lodge

The Old Elizabethans' Lodge was consecrated on 30th October 1964.

Social Club

Arrangements have been drawn up for the payment from Association funds of the Social Club subscriptions of all members. Approval of these will be sought at the Annual General Meeting.

Subsidiary Sections

Accounts of the activities of the subsidiary sections will be found in *The Elizabethan*.

Signed R. E. ORTON (Chairman).
P. G. BREALEY (Hon. Secretary).

SOCIAL CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Social Club will be held at the Pavilion, Gipsy Corner, on Monday April 26th, immediately following the Association A.G.M.

The agenda will be posted in the Pavilion.

ANNUAL DINNER

The Association's 68th Annual Dinner was held on December 16th at the Shaftesbury Hotel, W.C.2. A company of 78 members and guests sat down to dinner, at which the chair was taken by Mr. E. H. Jenkins, and the Guest of Honour was County Alderman H. E. Fern, C.B.E., J.P.

The toasts to the Queen and the Pious Memory of Queen Elizabeth I were proposed, and then A. S. Vaughan-Thomas (Assistant Master 1931-44) proposed the toast to the new Borough of Barnet. He spoke of concern for the future of Queen Elizabeth's, for which many people were a little apprehensive, and hoped that nothing would be done to disturb the pattern of grammar school education in Barnet. In reply Alderman L. A. Hills, chairman of the council, paid tribute to his colleagues and staff of the new borough for their efforts in maintaining the work of the present boroughs and urban districts, as well as keeping pace with the work of the new borough.

A. J. Spence, the school captain, in proposing the toast of the Association, said when he was in the first form he could not understand why anyone should want to join any organisation that reminded him of being at school; but went on to say that this opinion had changed somewhat now. N. G. S. Watling (1950-56) replied, and outlined some of the changes which had taken place inside the association, the most important of which was the formation of a social committee.

The theme of more than one speech during the evening was to welcome change if it meant an improvement, but not for the sake of change. J. R. Darling (1940-49, who proposed the toast of the school, mentioned this, and also the fact that good schools were not created overnight. "Queen Elizabeth's is a remarkably good school. It must be preserved," he said. In reply Mr. T. B. Edwards, the headmaster, outlined plans for the £4,000 fund to cover in the school swimming pool. He urged the old students to contribute and said "We have done it before. I know we can do it again."

The toast of the Guest of Honour was proposed by W. D. Hart (1916-23), a school governor, who recalled that Hertfordshire had become foremost in the country's education and that one reason was that Ald. Fern had been closely involved. Ald. Fern replied by looking back over some of the things he had been able to do during his chairmanship of the governors, including the acquisition of Gipsy Corner on lease for the O.E.'s.

R. E. Orton (1919-27), the vice chairman, then proposed a toast to the chairman, in reply to which Mr. Jenkins referred to recent publicity on comprehensive schools. Attacks on grammar schools in Bristol and Liverpool "Were sired by jealous spite out of public ignorance and handed to woolly thinkers as their parents to be launched into the world." English education for character stood high above anything in the world, he said. It largely depended on the maintenance of traditions in which the grammar schools were the most illustrious. On this note the evening closed.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

The tenth Annual Dinner Dance was held on Friday, March 5th, at the Salisbury Hotel, Barnet. About 80 members and guests sat down to dinner, the chairman for the evening being Lionel Heard.

After the chairman had proposed the loyal toasts, Tommy Cheek ably proposed the toast to the ladies and guests. By popular demand (of the male guests at least) it was agreed that a lady be elected to reply, and the "lucky" winner, Mrs. Jill McKean, did so admirably. Mike Woolf then proposed the toast to the chairman, and dancing to the music of Alex Miller and his band followed. A raffle was won by Mrs. Denis Marriott, and the evening ended at 1a.m.

The association is grateful to Ron Orton for his usual excellent arrangements.

FOUNDERS DAY

In recent years, the problem of catering for Founders Day evening (June 19th) has been most ably helped by assistance from the ladies of the Association, the "un-official" members. If any O.E. can persuade his better half (or anyone else) to have an extra bake for this occasion, we shall be most grateful.

Collection can be arranged, and if you can help in this direction, please contact any member of the committee.

MASONIC LODGE

Master: P. W. Powell, 89 Francklyn Gardens, Edware, Middx. (STO 8475)

It is with great pleasure that I am able to announce that on the 30th October, 1964, the Old Boys Masonic Lodge was consecrated with due ceremony, and that a further living link has been forged between the Past and the Present.

The name, of course, The Old Elizabethan's Lodge. The word "Elizabethan" calls to mind thoughts of a great era in English history, and indeed many great names are recorded in the history of the School besides many old scholars who have brought great honour and distinction in the service of their country.

It is these traditions of service which we, who are entitled to the name "Old Elizabethan", wish to carry on in the future. The foundation has been laid, may the structure that will arise as the years proceed be a source of joy and happiness to those that come after.

To those who may be interested the Lodge meets in Barnet four times a year. I shall, of course, be very pleased to answer any enquiries that are sent to me, address as above.

(signed) P. W. POWELL

O.E.s IN MORE HOT WATER

Whilst the boiler in the Pavilion at Gipsy Corner is very efficient, the need has been felt for some auxiliary heating system to provide hot water for the showers.

W. T. (Bill) Smith, one of our most active members both on the cricket and rugby fields, and behind the scenes, has generously made a donation to cover the cost of installing a 60 gallon immersion heater, and our sincere thanks go to him for enabling the club to provide this extra facility, which will make possible hot showers without the necessity for heating large volumes of water in the tank fitted to the boiler. We hope that Bill's gesture will encourage others to assist the club as much as possible, both on and off the field.

MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

Many O.E.s will already be aware of the fund-raising scheme which has been running now for nearly two years. Each member pays a shilling per week for a card each of which bears a code made up of three numbers, and these numbers correspond with certain cricketers or football teams according to the season. The prize each

week is won by the member whose card has the code corresponding to the highest number of runs or goals, and a booby prize is also paid for the lowest number.

Since the competition began over £450 has been paid out by way of prizes, and results of the previous competition are circulated weekly giving the names of the winners.

This is a scheme which fulfills the joint purpose of providing a bit of fun each week, and helping to raise funds for the Association, about £370 so far. Anyone can take part whether an O.E. or not and any number of cards can be purchased; it is hoped that every O.E. will join in and encourage friends to do so. If anyone who is not a member would like to join in, please get in touch with the Honorary Treasurer, Jack Parsley, the more members there are the bigger the prizes each week so what about joining?

ASSOCIATION COLOURS

Terylene ties (price 17/6d.) may be obtained by members from Messrs. J. F. Baker (New Barnet) Ltd., 94, East Barnet Road, New Barnet.

The association blazer badge is obtainable to order from D. F. Abbott, East Belsize, Rugby Road, West Worthing, Sussex, the present price being £2 7s. 6d.

The Honorary Treasurer holds a stock of ties and badges, the latter on both navy and black material. Ties may also be purchased from the bar at the Pavilion. If ordering by post please add 1/- for postage and packing.

Blazer buttons with embossed portcullis are available from the Honorary Secretary. Small buttons 2/- each, large buttons 2/6 each.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Hon. Secretary: B. J. Fuller, 109, Margaret Road, New Barnet (BARnet 0590).

The Playing Record up to and including March 13th is as follows

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
1st XV	23	11	—	12	287	232
"A" XV	24	5	2	17	101	458
Ex. "A" XV	22	5	1	16	163	399
B XV	21	5	—	16	136	303
Colts' XV	4	3	—	1	56	53
Club XV	3	1	—	2	34	30

The Club as a whole has had a better season than last year, although the results of the junior sides have been disappointing. The points scored in matches support the claim that the changes of the Laws have led to more open play, although our opponents seem to have benefited more than the Club.

The 1st XV has kept up the pattern of the pre Christmas part of the season, and the number of games won almost equals that lost. A number of games have been close fought, and only lost by the odd points, and some have been thrown away, often due to the inexperience of the players. The team has been fortunate in that a regular side has been fielded with few changes due to injury or non availability. The younger players have settled down in 1st XV rugby, and D. Ridler and J. Keeley have been joined by S. Worsley who is showing much promise as a wing threequarter. If the Club can retain players of this calibre, and be reinforced by some of the players who are at present at University, our future is looking rosy.

The "A" XV has been playing with non availability of players due to injuries and business commitments. J. Wickes, R. K. Smith, and M. A. Woolf have been injured in recent weeks, and J. Pack and P. Hambly have been away on business. The team is quite keen but lacks the will to win matches. The defence in this



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DINNER DANCE

(see report)

Mrs. Lionel Heard (left) presenting the prize to the raffle winner, Mrs. Denis Marriott, with Lionel Heard (right) and Denis Marriott looking on.



Some of the guests relaxing between dances.

side lacks determination, and many tries have been scored by opponents as a result.

The Ex "A" XV has had little success, and has played well below its potential, but occasionally it clicks and manages to run up a score.

The B XV has been spasmodic and has suffered from the calls from above. There has been some improvement in the results since Christmas, but they are still disappointing.

A colts side has played four matches and won three of them, which augurs well for the future. The monthly socials organised by A. J. Bell have been very successful, and are proving to be a financial success so it is hoped that a number of improvements will be made to the premises in the near future. The Annual Dinner is arranged for April 28th, 1965 at the Salisbury Hotel, Barnet, and the club will be entertaining Mr. C. W. C. Ramsay, C.B.E., Hon. Treasurer and Past President of the Rugby Football Union. It may be remembered by some O.E.s that Mr. Ramsay opened the Club Pavilion when he was Vice-President of the R.F.U.

An Easter tour has been arranged to Sussex with headquarters at Worthing; matches will be played against Worthing, Old Azurians, and Brighton. The Club is entered in the Hertis and Middlesex Seven-a-side competitions, which will be held at the Old Verulamium's R.F.C. ground at London Colney, and Finchley R.F.C. ground respectively.

A seven of Ex "A" XV players will be taking part in the Finchley Junior Sevens, and a colts seven will be defending the title it won in the Mill Hill R.F.C. Colts Sevens last year.

B.J.F.

CRICKET

Hon. Secretary: D. F. Smedley, 60 Wroxham Gardens, Potters Bar, Herts. (PR 55732).

At the Annual General Meeting held last December, the following officers were elected for the coming season.

Club Captain: K. E. Harris

1st XI Captain: D. B. Palombo

Vice Captain 1st XI: R. Elderfield

2nd XI Captain: G. R. Fox

Vice Captain 2nd XI: N. Woodford

Honorary Secretary: D. F. Smedley

Honorary Treasurer: E. N. Shearly

Honorary Match Secretary: A. G. Salisbury

Honorary Team Secretary: M. Harrison

Social Secretary: J. Hill

A full fixture list has been arranged, and the club look forward to having another enjoyable and successful year. We extend a warm welcome to any new members, both young and old, so please contact one of the committee even if you are only available occasionally.

D.F.S.

ATHLETICS

Hon. Secretary: J. C. Wright, 28, Oakfields Avenue, Knebworth, Herts. (Knebworth 2271).

The 5th Annual General Meeting was held at Gipsy Corner on the 13th January, and the following officers were elected.

Honorary Secretary: J. C. Wright

Honorary Treasurer: K. R. Fitzgerald

Club Captain: S. A. Clark

Vice Captain and Hon. Team Sec.: T. M. Davies

Committee: W. F. Edmonds (Hon. Fixture Secretary), J. A. W. Smith and K. Henderson

Representative on

the General Committee: K. W. Carter

The committee would use its powers to co-opt K. W. Carter (as chairman) and M. F. Deller at its next meeting.

In his report, the Club Captain expressed his disappointment at the match results of last season, but this was to a large extent mitigated by the Club's success in retaining the Old Boys' Trophy, and also by the fine team spirit which exists among members.

Finally, we have pleasure in reporting that "Jack" Parsley has been elected an Honorary Member of the Club (for life).

J.C.W.

CHESS

Hon. Secretary: J. S. McLeish, 60, Woodfall Avenue, Barnet (Barnet 2117).

The Club has had a reasonably successful season. It seems likely that we shall again be runners-up in the Barnet League, but as there are three matches in the Puller Cup competition still to be played, it is difficult to assess our chances of winning the cup. Having lost one and drawn another of the four matches we have played, our chances seem slight. However, the three clubs we have still to play are amongst the strongest in the competition, and a win against each of these might win the cup for us.

Apart from two of the earlier matches, the match captain has not had as much difficulty in finding six players as has been experienced in recent seasons. Nevertheless, there is still too small a reserve of players, and if one or two of the regular players are unavailable, it has been difficult and sometimes impossible to find replacements. The Puller Cup team has not been so much affected; in addition to our college members, the matches having been arranged as far as possible in the vacations, we have been strengthened by Messrs. Jenkins and Weston. Unfortunately, they were not available for the Barnet League matches, having played for the School in the earlier half of the season.

There have been in recent years suggestions from outside the club that matches should be played at the Association headquarters, Gipsy Corner. The main drawback has been the heating problem, but once this can be satisfactorily solved, the Club would certainly consider the move, and it is to be hoped that such a move once made, with the wider range of "refreshments" available will help many O.E.s to overcome the psychological barrier which at present prevents them from joining the Club and enjoying a friendly game of chess.

J.S.M.

VARIA

Many O.E.s will have seen in the press the report that Barnet Borough Council (the new one) have adopted the principle of linking grammar schools with secondary modern schools in the new governing bodies being set up. Queen Elizabeth's is to be linked with Ravenscroft, and the joint governing body will have six borough representatives, three from Herts County Council, three co-opted governors (two from Barnet and one from Herts.) — and they will have the power to co-opt a representative from a university and from the Jesus Hospital Charity.

One O.E. who hopes to be home soon is H. C. GRIFFITHS (1930-36), who moved a year or two ago from Northern Rhodesia to Hong Kong, where he is in the Crown Lands Survey office. In Hong Kong he met I. L. STANTON (1938-43), and he is leaving for home in April.

A move to New York is the fortune (or otherwise) of J. L. GOODALL (1938-47), where he is to take up a permanent position with the head office of his firm; whilst P. R. ROYSTON (1958-61) is on the high seas in the service of the Merchant Navy.

A member who was recently elected to honorary life membership was J. F. FRIEND (1913-19). After being the

headmaster of a school in Lincolnshire, and then a staff inspector of schools for the L.C.C., he is now Principal of Bretton Hall College, Wakefield, Yorkshire. This is a teachers training college which started in 1949 with 56 students, and now has 350 students. It provides a training in various main subjects of study, including art and craft, music, and drama.

Further promotion has come the way of W. E. FERNIE (1924-33) who has been appointed Deputy General Manager of the Northern and Employers group of Assurance Companies. Until recently Bill was a member of the Association general committee, where he was our actuarial expert, and he has recently made two trips to far parts, the first to the Far East, Australia, New Zealand, the United States, and Canada; and more recently with his wife to Kenya, Tanganyika, Zanzibar, Gambia, Rhodesia, and South Africa.

Nearer home, he has been invited to join the County Committee of the Hertfordshire Golf Union.

AMENDMENTS TO LIST OF MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members:

R. J. Bradford, 45, Brookmans Avenue, Brookmans Park, Herts. (Potters Bar 54361).

C. G. E. Cartwright, 3, Marriott Road, Barnet. (BAR-net 0039).

M. J. Coleman, 145, Arundel Drive, Boreham Wood.

J. P. Connor, 19, Hyde Close, Barnet. (BARnet 6776).

P. J. Craggs, 59, Bluebridge Road, Brookmans Park, Herts.

E. W. Disdale, 78, Furzehill Road, Boreham Wood.

J. M. Essex, 24, Balmoral Road, Borrowash, Derby.

J. R. Gamage, 1, Hertford Road, New Barnet.

B. C. Garvey, 54, Lincolns Avenue, Southgate, N.14. (ENTERprise 8784).

C. G. Halsey, The Old Plough, Gustard Wood, Wheat-hampstead, Herts. (Wheat-hampstead 2147).

J. Hamilton, 40, Kingsmead, Barnet. (BARnet 6868).

R. J. C. Hill, 28, Northumberland Road, New Barnet. (BARnet 3564).

S. D. Kelley, 65, Albright Road, Barnet.

B. H. Marriott, Linden House, Deacons Hill Road, Elstree.

J. H. Rainbird, 119, Hadley Road, New Barnet.

D. M. Rixson, 97, Highview Gardens, Potters Bar, Herts. (Potters Bar 59186).

P. Simmons, 11, Peplins Close, Brookman's Park, Herts. (Potters Bar 54368).

A. J. Spence (School Captain), 81, Chesterfield Road, Barnet.

R. J. Turner, 48, Greenway, Totteridge, N.20. (HILL-side 4044).

J. N. Vokes, 38, Gloucester Road, New Barnet. (BAR-net 7761).

K. Wallace, 8 the Woodlands, Southgate, N.14. (ENTERprise 4005).

S. T. Worsley, 7, Calder Avenue, Brookmans Park, Herts.

Changes of Address

H. L. Addington, 9, Ardentinn, Grosvenor Road, St. Albans, Herts. (St. Albans 60619).

G. J. Alwin, 3, Batchwood Gardens, St. Albans, Herts.

R. G. Bateson, 40, Heythorp Street, Southfields, S.W.18.

B. R. Boardman, 2267, 5th Line West, Cooksville, Ontario, Canada.

J. Boddington, 18, Carter Close, Windsor, Berks. (Windsor 64609).

S. H. Dawson, 81, Hull Road, West Pennant Hill, N.S.W., Australia.

B. G. Dimmock, Bathurst, The Common, Cranleigh, Surrey. (Cranleigh 1177).

R. J. Dodd, 46, Cheyne Close, Ware, Herts.

A. G. Fear, 80, Brookmans Avenue, Brookmans Park, Herts.

W. J. Filer, 42, Derbyshire Road, Sale, Cheshire.

J. F. Friend, Bretton Hall, West Bretton, Wakefield, Yorks.

J. L. Goodall, c/o Mr. S. Ehle, 170, Bayview Avenue, Amityville, London Island, New York, U.S.A.

J. W. Hickman, 20, Riverford Close, Harpenden, Herts.

A. J. Honeybone, 16, Fairgreen Court, Cockfosters, Herts. (BARnet 6542).

E. J. Houghton, Longmead, 1, Buxton Lane, Caterham, Surrey.

B. Jones, (as from May), 103, Bullhead Road, Boreham Wood, Herts.

G. H. W. Kingsmill, c/o Messrs. Monahan & Co. New-porth House, Swindon, Wilts.

D. M. Lundie, 61a, Hadlow Road, Welling, Kent. (WOO 4095).

P. J. McColl, 7, Bromsgrove Road, Greendale, Salisbury, Rhodesia.

C. G. Metson, Coverwood, Ewhurst, Surrey.

T. Nicholls, 29, Clifford Road, New Barnet.

P. D. Pink, 27, Reservoir Road, Elburton, Plymouth, Devon.

D. S. Ridler, 31, Meadway, New Barnet.

G. D. Scott, (alternative address to that in List of Members), 8, Newham Street, Bedford.

B. A. Sherlock, 33, Preston Parade, Seasalter, Whitstable, Kent.

D. F. Smale, 43, Brighton Road, Worthing, Sussex.

M. D. T. Smith, 33 the Warren, Chartridge, Nr. Chesham, Bucks. (Chesham 4736).

P. Smith, Thirlmere, 61, Park Avenue, Eastbourne, Sussex.

A. E. Solomon, 134, Cambridge Road, North Harrow, Middx.

M. A. Spence, 2, Lucas House, Argyle Walk, W.C.1.

J. C. Swann, 27, Deards End Lane, Knebworth, Herts. (Knebworth 3064).

W. R. Thrower, Blaxhold, Enmore, Bridgewater, Somerset. (Spaxton 314).

D. L. Toms, 33, Miletree Crscent, Dunstable, Beds.

M. B. Tripp, 72, Bell Lane, Bell Bar, Nr. Hatfield, Herts. (Potters Bar 55506).

I. N. Wells, 120, Eldred Avenue, Brighton 5, Sussex.

Telephone Numbers

N. H. T. Bennett, St. Albans 53299.

G. H. Smith, ENTERprise 0342.

M. P. Williams, HADley Green 2791.

Correction

R. T. Plumb, 28, Malden Road, Boreham Wood, Herts.

THE OLD ELIZABETHANS (BARNET)

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 31st December, 1964

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
1963	£	1964	£ s. d.	1963	£	1964	£ s. d.
78	Postage, etc.	75	3 5		Subscriptions, 1963 ...	6	6 0
43	Printing and Stationery ...	50	2 10		Subscriptions, 1964 ...	223	14 6
110	Elizabethan for 1964 ...	115	8 10	241	Transfer from Life Membership Fund		230 0 6
4	Wreaths ...	4	5 0		215 (211) Members at 5/- each ...	53	15 0
89	68th Annual Dinner (68) ...	85	9 6	42	1 Donation ...	75	0 0
22	391st Founder's Day Social (118) ...	37	3 0	1	68th Annual Dinner ...	38	18 0
99	Dinner Dance (92) ...	103	9 4	102	391st Founder's Day Social ...	108	17 6
	School Leavers' Social ...	1	17 0	40	Dinner Dance ...		
10	Donation to School Club ...	10	0 0	111	Profit on Badges, Buttons and Xmas		
3	Addressograph ...	3	9 11	3	Cards ...	2	6 4
55	Printing Members List ...	—	—		Profit on Car Rally ...	1	13 9
30	Printing Playing Fields' Brochure ...	—	—	2	Excess of Expenditure over Income		
	Excess of Income over Expenditure, 1964 ...	24	2 3	1	(1963) ...		
£543		£510	11 1	£543		£510	11 1

Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1964

Creditors:—				Subscriptions Outstanding:—			
£	s.	d.	£ s. d.	£	s.	d.	£ s. d.
Shaftesbury Hotel ...	82	10 0		80 (97) Members unpaid			
December Elizabethan ...	39	14 10		valued at ...			5 0 0
Subscriptions in Advance	26	5 0		Investments at Cost:—			
S.I.R. ...	3	2 0		£250 3½% War Loan			
Sundries ...	12	19 6	164 11 4	(Market Value, £136)	257	5 7	
				£750 3% B.E. 68/73			
H. Mayes Memorial Fund:—				Guaranteed Stock			
£98 4s. paid into Schools				(Market Value, £590)	593	12 9	
Memorial Fund.				Temperance Permanent			
Playing Fields Donation in				Building Society ...	164	19 8	
Memory of "J.A.S." ...	10	0 0		5 Old Elizabethans'			
Add Donations, 1964 ...	10	8 2	20 8 2	(Barnet) Playing Fields			
				Ltd., shares of £1 each,			
Life Membership Fund:—				fully paid ...	5	0 0	1,020 18 0
Balance as at 31st Dec.,							
1963 ...	1,275	13 6		£550 Loan to Old Eliza-			
Add Subscriptions, 1964	53	11 0		bethans (Barnet) Play-			
Donations: F. H. Sherriff	2	2 0		ing Fields Ltd.. (un-			
A. N. Worden	10	10 0		secured) ...			550 0 0
Social Club	15	0 0		Stock:—			
Interest on Investments				Blazer Badges and But-			
less Tax ...	25	0 11		tons ...	9	10 10	
				Records ...	7	0 0	16 10 10
Less Transfer to Income							
and Expenditure				Debtor:—			
Account, 215 Members				1964 Annual Dinner ...	3	15 0	
at 5/- each ...	53	15 0	1,328 2 5	Blazer Badges ...	4	13 1	8 8 1
Balance of Sections Funds:—				Cash:—			
Dramatic Section ...	3	0 0		At Bank ...			285 4 7
Tennis Section	2	15 0					
Add Tennis Cup							
Valuation	22	2 0	24 17 0				
			27 17 0				
Income and Expenditure Account:—							
Surplus as at 31st Dec.,							
1963 ...	321	0 4					
Add Excess of Income							
over Expenditure for							
Year ended 31st Dec.,							
1964 ...	24	2 3	345 2 7				
			£1,886 1 6				£1,886 1 6

(Signed) F. J. PARSLEY, *Honorary Treasurer*,
15th March, 1965.

(Signed) R. E. ORTON, *Chairman of Committee*.
15th March, 1965.

I have audited the Balance Sheet of the Association dated 31st December, 1964, as above set forth. In my opinion such Balance Sheet correctly shows the state of affairs of the Association as at that date.

(Signed) E. E. FRISBY, *F.C.A., Honorary Auditor*.
15th March, 1965.



