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It is with great regret that we record the death of Roger Pearson on the 11th May, 1956. He was in Form LrVX and Rogers' House.

# School Notes

Mr. G. H. Ellison leaves the staff at the end of this term for a post at Bishop Vesey's Grammar School, Sutton Coldfield. Mr. Ellison has done most valuable work in the Classical Department during the four years he has been here, and has also acted for most of this time as Editor of the 'Red Rose', a post which he has filled with distinction. We wish him every success in his new school.

An article in the Times Educational Supplement of 18th May gives a list of all boys' schools which gained 5 or more Open Scholarships to Oxford or Cambridge this year. King George V School appears for the first time in this list, and is one of eight maintained Grammar Schools to achieve this distinction.

Several boys took the London Chamber of Commerce Higher examination in Economics in May. P. L. Gladney, L. R. Harris and A. Lancaster gained distinctions and M. A. Adler, D. R. Holt and J. E. R. Smith passes. P. L. Gladney obtained the highest marks in England in this examination and qualifies for a special prize.

The Charity collection this term was taken for the National Playing Fields Association and realised the sum of £12 6s. 6d.

#### RECENT EVENTS

15th March—Careers Advisory talks were given to members of the Lower V forms by the regional Advisory Officer of the Ministry of Labour.

23rd March—The Annual Choral and Orchestral Concert was given at which the standard again was very high. An article about this concert appears in this issue.

27th March—The Annual Rugby Match against the Old Boys resulted in a win for the Old Boys by 27-5. This was followed later in the evening by the Annual Old Boys' Debate. The attendance at this function was rather poor but the standard of the debating was very high indeed.

6th April—The Annual Old Boys' Dinner. This was made the occasion for a presentation to Mr. C. Woodham from the Old Boys' Association. Further details are given in this issue.

17th April—The 1st XV played a Rugby match against the Southport R.U.F.C. XV. It was an excellent and exciting

game and resulted in a narrow win for the Club by 6 points to 5. The proceeds of this game were devoted to the Pavilion Fund and reached £41 4s. 0d.

3rd May-The Annual General Meeting of Parents was held at which the Rev. T. T. Williams was re-elected as parents' representative on the governing body. This was followed by a meeting of parents of boys in the Lower Fifth forms to discuss careers and the organisation of the upper part of the

29th May-The Annual Athletic Sports were held on a somewhat later date than in previous years. We were again unfortunate with the weather, and a heavy shower about 3-30 p.m. rather spoiled the enjoyment of the spectators.

1st June-Founder's Day Celebrations were held and there was the usual Cricket match against the Staff XI. The game was

won by the staff by 8 wickets.

#### VALETE

Pendlebury, J. M., 1948-56.—Grear's, Upper VI Sc. Schol., G.C.E. (A3,O3) 1953-55, State Scholarship 1955, Major Open Scholarship Queens' College, Cambridge, 1955, School Prefect 1955-56, Secretary Games' Committee 1954-56, House Secretary 1954-55. Gatiss, J. W., 1949-56.—Woodham's, Upper VI Sc. Schol., G.C.E. (A3, O3) 1953-55, State Scholarship 1955, School Prefect 1955-56, House Captain 1955-56, Secretary Scientific Society 1954-56, Half

Colours Rugby 1955-56.
Barton, F., 1951-56.—Grear's, Lower VI Modern, G.C.E. (O5) 1955,

Half Colours Rugby 1956. White, R., 1952-56.—Leech's, Lower Va. Ambrose, M. A., 1953-56.—Rogers', Lower Vb. Rushton, J. P., 1955-56.—Spencer's, IIb.

# SALVETE

Arman, D., Arman, G. R., Biggins, P., Murray, R. I., Smith, P. D., Wright, F. A.

# IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term begins ... 11th September Autumn Term ends ... 21st December

# House Reports

#### EDWARDS'

" Amici usque ad aras"

Captain: J. M. M. Dalby Almoner: B. D. Cookson Athletics Capt: E. W. Llewellyn Cricket Capt: D. Miley

Prefects: B. Ackers, M. A. Brookfield, R. B. Charter, D. R. Dixson, D. Downs, M. C. Thompson

We had hoped last term to recover the Boxing trophy, but of our four finalists, only Williams was successful, so that our

ambition was temporarily thwarted.

A report of the Concert appears elsewhere. There was a goodly number of Edwardians in the Choir, while in the

Orchestra were the Dixson brothers and Tasker.

In the charity collection, although the School achieved its best summer term total for five years, we ourselves only realised £1 9s. 3d. — over 5s. short of our target. The fault, however, was not that of the Almoner, who has displayed considerable enterprise throughout the year, but of those few boys who just "can't be bothered."

Last summer, we won the Senior Cricket Shield, and now we are hoping to do so again. Our first two matches we won quite easily, but the main struggle—against Evans'—is yet to be. The juniors, unfortunately, are not as strong and have lost their only game so far. In School teams our representation is excellent: Miley, Llewellyn and Thompson play regularly for the 1st XI, D. Bailey and P. G. Davies for the 2nd XI, and Tasker for the Under 14's.

In last term's Notes we referred to our "rather poor performances of recent years" in Athletics. It is therefore all the more pleasing that we have at last won a trophy—the Hepburn Cup for track events, our leading athletes being Llewellyn, P. G. Davies, Henshaw, Matthews, Rapaport and Tasker. Incidentally, we were the only House to gain a place in all three relays—an achievement of which we may rightly be proud.

There has also been a renewed interest in Swimming and Life-saving, thanks mainly to the enthusiasm of Charter. Regular and well-attended practices have been held, while Muggleston

now represents us in the School team.

Although we are not particularly well placed in the Honours' List (more hard work, please!), in sport there has been a definite improvement. In fact, if only all our members will use their talents to the full, our future prospects are good—very good.

J.M.M.D.

#### EVANS'

# "Disce Prodesse"

Last term our Junior Rugby team, enthusiastically led by Johnston, did exceedingly well to reach the House Final. Although we were beaten in this, we do congratulate all members of the team on their commendable performance. The generally high standard of rugby in the House is proved by the fact that as many as eleven of our members were awarded their colours.

In the Athletic Sports we were unfortunate in that, although finishing second in the final aggregate, we gained not one of the four trophies. Several members of the House performed extremely well, and especially praiseworthy were the successes of S. B. Rimmer who was apparently indefatigable. Sutton, Savage, Large, Wilson, J. B. Rimmer, Gillett, W. T. Keeley, Scholes and Johnston have all represented the School at athletics.

The Senior Cricket team, led by Colledge, started well, defeating Rogers' by eight wickets. In their match with Grear's, however, victory was much harder to obtain. Indeed, the winning hit was somewhat fortuitously made while the last pair were at the wicket. The Juniors, under the captaincy of Greer, lost their game with Rogers' by four wickets, but our practices have been so well attended that there is no cause for despondency. In School Cricket teams, we have been represented by Colledge, S. B. Rimmer and Heeley (1st XI) and by Baker and Scholes (2nd XI).

Life-saving classes have been continuing under the supervision of Livesley, and we congratulate Peet on his acquisition of the Bronze Cross. Rawlinson, Ashton, Johnston and Carter have swum for the School.

This term's Charity Collection realised £1 10s. 5d..

Our position in the competition for the Honours' Cup has been considerably improved, and we most earnestly hope that this improvement will be maintained. To those who are taking the G.C.E. examinations we wish the best of luck.

Finally, at the end of this term many of our Seniors are leaving us. We most sincerely thank them for their services. Indeed, it is largely through their efforts that the House has become such a vital force in all School activities. We wish them all happiness in their future careers, and we urge them to retain an interest in both their House and their School.

J.A.H.

#### GREAR'S

"Labore atque ludo"

Captain: J. B. Whittaker

Secretary: G. A. Wade

Almoner: P. S. Rostron

House Prefects: B. Pickering, P. S. Rostron, G. A. Wade, J. E. R. Smith, A. Lancaster

We did not do as well as we had hoped in the Athletic Sports. Although all our entrants acquitted themselves well, we were unable to retain any of the trophies won last year. We congratulate Whittaker, now School Athletics Captain, on his excellent performance in winning the Group I 100 yds., 120 yds. hurdles, weight, long jump and high jump; Wilson also did well by winning the Group II 120 yds. hurdles and high jump.

The Senior cricket team, under the captaincy of Rostron, is not doing well this term, having lost both the matches played to date. We lost easily to Edwards', but, captained by Wilson in Rostron's absence, were narrowly defeated by Evans'. We wish the team better luck against Rogers'.

At the time of writing, the Junior team, under the captaincy of Thomson, has only played one match, easily defeating Edwards'. We wish them success in their future games.

We had several finalists in the Boxing competition and were well placed.

Finally we wish all boys who are leaving us this term happiness and prosperity in their chosen careers, and trust that they will carry away with them many pleasant memories of the School and House.

N.J.M.

#### LEECH'S

Captain: M. F. Savage

Secretary: P. F. Hopwood

House Prefects: C. E. Morris, P. L. Harris, A. Roberts, T. B. Procter, C. A. Whitehead, R. Rothwell, M. K. Davies

We extend a cordial welcome this term to P. Biggins, a new member of form 2A, who has already obtained a place in the Junior Cricket XI. We also welcome back D. Howard, who has been absent for a long time through illness.

Last term we again finished at the head of the Honours' List, with a fairly substantial lead over the other Houses. We would congratulate all those who contributed towards this, but, at the same time, would express the wish that this high standard be maintained.

In the Senior section of the House, the Cricket XI, under the captaincy of Procter, has been outstandingly successful to date. The first match against Woodham's resulted in a win for Leech's by six wickets. There was a most thrilling conclusion to the second match, against Mason's, in which both sides scored eighty-two runs.

The Junior XI, however, were unable to register a win in their match against Mason's, although the latter were dismissed for a very meagre total.

We must congratulate Procter on his place in the School 1st XI, Brooks, who has played for the School 2nd XI, R. Whitehead, Under 15 XI, and Turner and Kermode, Under 14 XI.

But the success of the Senior Cricket XI was not extended to the Athletics team, despite the untiring efforts of Roberts. Yet the House has been represented in School Athletics matches by Roberts, C. A. Whitehead, E. Whitehead, Bullock and Turner.

Morris and Whittaker have been recently occupied in training and choosing a team for the School Swimming heats and Gala, and have held a number of practices.

The House Almoner, P. L. Harris, wishes to thank all boys for their generous contributions to the collections for this term's School Charity. The amount collected again exceeded thirty-five shillings.

To all boys participating this term in G.C.E. examinations,

the House extends its heartiest wishes for success.

At the end of this term we say farewell to many boys who have rendered excellent service to the House, and hope that they will prosper in their future careers.

P.F.H.

#### MASON'S

House Capt: J. E. Belmont

House Prefects: J. Ashurst, G. Batty, N. G. Bradford, P. R. Hetherington, J. O. Kissenisky

Our first duty must be to congratulate the Junior team on their fine performance in the Sevens competition. They played extremely well to reach the final and, though beaten by Rogers', they never gave up trying.

It is also our pleasant task to record a further increase in the number of School Prefects in the House and we heartily con-

gratulate Batty on his appointment.

This term our cricket prospects are of primary importance. Bradford, the Senior Captain, is in the 1st XI as are Batty and Rawcliffe; Belmont and Ditchfield are in the 2nd XI and Baines, Meadowcroft, Marsh and Martin are in various Junior teams. The Senior team and the Junior team under Meadowcroft have each won their only match to date.

In the Athletics sphere the news is not so good. Kissenisky showed much enthusiasm in organising and coaching the House Athletics contingent and by magnificent performances in the mile and half-mile himself set a splendid example yet, with few exceptions, notably Burgess, Mentha and Marsh, he was not well supported. We hope this position will be rectified next year,

especially among the Junior School.

We take our farewell of a number of Senior boys this term, and in thanking them for their past services we wish them every success in the future. To those who will return next year may we exhort them to carry on the good work, to support their House in all its activities, making a special effort to offset the loss of those who have contributed to the success of the House in the past.

J.E.B.

#### ROGERS'

Captain: R. A. Hargreaves Vice-Captain: D. R. Holt

Almoner: A. D. Hughes Secretary: K. G. Halsall

Prefects: M. A. Adler, W. Birch, W. E. Brookfield, J. K. Grundy,

J. C. Pond

It was with great regret that the House learned of the death of Roger Pearson, a member of the House for the past three years. Although not enjoying good health and unable to play games, Pearson was always cheerful and willing to help in any way he could. We send our deepest sympathies to his parents.

This year seven members of the House were awarded School Rugby Colours. They are Buckels and Swindlehurst (Under 15 XV), Day, Hulm, Turtle, Sutton and Rowlinson (Junior XV).

We congratulate them on their success.

Last term the Junior team did exceptionally well to win both the Junior Rugby Shield and the Seven-a-side competition. The team, captained by J. Hulm, scored 149 points and only 3 points were scored against them in both competitions. In every game the team played good rugby and are to be congratulated on their creditable performance.

In the Athletic Sports, we did better than we expected. Tug and Relay teams deserve special mention in winning the Pariser Cup; also Day and Hulm (Group II), Moore and Massam

(Group III).

The achievements of the House on the Sports field during the past two or three years have been largely due to the consistent efforts of A. D. Hughes who has spent many hours coaching our athletic teams, besides putting up outstanding performances himself. We thank him sincerely for all the work he has done for the House and hope he will have a successful future before him. He was appointed a School prefect this term.

At the time of writing the Senior cricket team, captained by K. Halsall, has lost to Evans', but the Junior team, captained by D. M. Raynor, has been more successful in winning the first

match against Evans' by four wickets.

The House has been reasonably well represented in School teams this term. Halsall (2nd XI), Hulm, Turtle (Under 15 XI) and Raynor (Under 14 XI) have played cricket for the School. Hughes, Howgate and D. Shaw have been members of the School's Athletic team, and Redman, Brookfield, Grundy, D. M. Moore, D. Shaw and R. Shaw have been in the School swimming team.

Finally, we wish a successful career to all members of the House who are leaving School at the end of term.

KGH

"Virtute ac Diligentia"

House Capt: J. A. Forshaw House Vice-Capt: P. A. McLean

House Secretary: A. Rodwell House Almoner: B. F. Gill

House Prefects: H. B. Nyman, L. J. Rigby, T. Pickard

The principal events this term, at the time of writing, have been the Athletic Sports and the Inter-House cricket matches. In the former our general performance was disappointing, partly owing to the indisposition of D. Palmer. Nevertheless there were some very good individual performances, notably those of B. F. Gill, who won the final of the Discus (Group 1) and came second in the final of the Javelin (Group 1), and of Pickard, who won the Javelin (Group 1). Nyman also did well to come second in the Mile, and third in the 880 yards. A. K. Jones gained third place in the 440 yards (Group 1), and C. E. Turner was third in the Javelin (Group 2). We were placed third in the final order for the Taylor Cup for Field Events.

The following have represented the School in various Athletics matches:— Nyman, Gill, Pickard, A. K. Jones,

Goddard, C. E. Turner, Palmer and D. Wintersgill.

Owing to inclement weather we have so far played only one of the Senior House cricket matches; this was against Mason's. We have also played one Junior match, against Woodham's, which we lost by four wickets. The following boys have played for School cricket teams:— McLean and G. Blundell, 2nd XI; J. H. Knowles, D. Palmer and J. Schober, Under 14 XI.

Finally we wish those taking exams every success. To those who are leaving us at the end of term we extend our best wishes

for a successful and prosperous future.

#### **WOODHAM'S**

The House congratulates J. J. Thompson, E. J. Usher, and J. M. Ellis on being awarded full colours for Rugby and J. W. Gatiss, and E. M. Bennett, half colours. In addition the House won the Boxing competition, seven of the eight finalists winning their bouts.

The total points obtained in the Honours' List was again very poor and it is up to each individual member of the House

to make a determined effort to improve.

In the Athletics Sports the House succeeded in winning the Taylor Cup and the Mawdsley Shield. This success was due almost entirely to the efforts of A. N. Beattie and L. G. Husband. In the School Athletics team we are represented by Usher, Beattie and Husband.

A play-off will be necessary between ourselves and Leech's to decide which House goes into the Senior House Cricket final. The Junior XI, captained by D. J. Brown, has won the only game played to date.

Bennett and Ellis continue to do good work in the organising of Life-saving classes. The House contribution to the School Charity was very good and we hope that this state of affairs will

continue.

Finally the House wishes luck to those taking examinations this term and to those who are leaving at the end of the year.

E.J.U.

# Sports Section

#### ATHLETICS MATCHES

Another very successful season has been enjoyed by the School Athletics teams. In Senior competition we are unbeaten. and in most cases the wins have been quite definite. Results were as follows:-

25th April (h) v. Kirkham G.S.

Open Competition: Won 58 pts. to 55 pts. Junior Competition: Lost 22 pts. to 56 pts.

This fixture was marred by rain which came down just at the end of the meeting and so the last three events (the relays and Senior high jump) had to be abandoned. Nyman's win in the 880 yards was a well judged one, and Hughes ran two good sprint races.

3rd May (h) v. Upholland G.S.

Open: Won 97 pts. to 41 pts. Junior: Won 128 pts. to 70 pts. In this fixture all the performers seemed to be at their best and outclassed their opponents so easily that in the programme of 27 events only six times did K.G.V. athletes not come in first. Scholes's 440 yards (in Under 16 events), was probably the best performance of the evening and Beattie did well to win both his sprints easily. Nyman again won the 880 yards, whilst the captain, Whittaker, pushed the School high jump record up to 5ft. 6in. in winning this event.

10th May (a) v. Lancaster R.G.S.

Open: Won 91 pts. to 60 pts. Junior: Lost 60 pts. to 88 pts. On one of the unfortunately rare occasions when the School is invited away for an athletics fixture, the team again performed well. Whittaker was in particularly good form gaining 3 firsts and a second despite strong opposition. Usher won the discus comfortably, whilst Pickering and Rimmer, S.B., were 1st and 2nd respectively in the weight. In the Under 16 events, Burgess distinguished himself by winning the discus, long jump and hurdles.

7th June (h) v. Hutton G.S.

Open: Won 69 pts. to 68 pts. Junior: Lost 40 pts. to 71 pts. This match was extremely hard fought, particularly as K.G.V. was below strength in the Open Class, and right up to the last event it was uncertain who were to be the winners. Whittaker won four events including the weight in which he set up a new School record of 40ft. 6ins. Of the 20 events Hutton G.S. won 13, and so we had to rely to a larger extent than usual on the second strings. Rimmer, S. B., ran well to come in second in the 220 yards against an extremely fast Hutton competitor. Scholes again won the Under 16 440 yards, whilst Henshaw ran a great race to win the Under 16 880 yards. In the field events, Gill won the Javelin with Pickard second.

In summary, it may be said that those boys who have trained properly have met with their just successes, whilst others who could have done better had they worked for it, should have learnt their lesson. All in all, a very successful season.

### 19th May. The Northern Schools' Sports.

With over 80 Schools competing in this meeting it is a truly marathon affair. Competition is fierce and extremely good with results which would not bring discredit to many international performers and would have won many County Senior Championships. Whittaker did very well to finish 2nd in both high and long jumps. He set up a personal best of 5ft. 7in., and in his last long jump he cleared well over 22ft. 6ins. only to learn that he had had his foot a fraction over the board!

In the Javelin, Gill found great difficulty in his throwing, Rimmer, S. B., ran a fast 220 yards but he was in a very fast heat and so was eliminated. Usher gained a 'standard' point in the discus with a very good throw. Others who took part were

Nyman, Gillet, Wilson, F., and Hughes.

### ATHLETIC SPORTS

The Sports were held on May 29th in rather dull weather. The rain kept off until near the end when it rather spoilt the proceedings from the point of view of the spectators. However, from a performance aspect more records were broken than ever before.

#### Results

- 100 yards, Group III: 1, Rapaport, A. R. (Ed); 2, Tasker, S. J. (Ed); 3, Jump, R. T. (G). 13.1 secs.
  100 yards, Group II: 1, Beattie, A. N. (W); 2, Matthews, J. G. (Ed); Day, A. T. (R). 11.6 secs.
  100 yards, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Davies, P. G. (Ed);
- Pickering, B. (G), 10.9 secs.
- 220 yards, Group III: 1, Moore, D. W. (R); 2, Rapaport, A. R. (Ed); Tasker, S. J. (Ed). 28.4 secs. (equal School record)

220 yards, Group II: 1, Beattie, A. N. (W); 2, Day, A. T. (R); 3, Elliott, R. J. (L) 26.8 secs.

220 yards, Group I: 1, Rimmer, S. B. (Ev); 2, Davies, P. G. (Ed); 3, Pickering, B. (G). 24.2 secs.

440 yards. Group III: 1, Moore, D. W. (R); 2, Jump, R. T. (G);

3, Marsh, J. P. (M), 65.5 secs. 440 yards, Group II: 1, Husband, L. G. (W); 2, Johnston, A. B. (Ev); 3, Henshaw, B. S. (Ed). 60 secs. (School record)

440 yards, Group I: 1, Gillett, C. J. (Ev); 2, Whitehead, C. A. (L);

3, Jones, A. K. (S). 56 secs.

880 yards, Group II: 1, Henshaw, B. S. (Ed); 2, McLachlan, J. H. (Ev); 3, Mentha, R. M. (M). 2 min. 20 secs.

880 yards, Group I: Wilson, C. F. (Ev); 2, Kissenisky, J. O. (M); 3, Nyman, H. B. (S). 2 min. 10.8 secs. (School record)

One Mile, Group I: 1, Kissenisky, J. O. (M); 2, Nyman, H. B. (S); 3, Savage, J. R. (Ev). 4 min. 55 secs. 120 yards, Hurdles, Group II: 1, Wilson, J. C. (G); 2, Husband, L. G.

(W); 3, Hulm, J. (R). 19.6 secs. 120 yards, Hurdles, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Rawcliffe,

C. (M); 3. Rimmer, S. B. (Ev). 17.1 secs.

Long Jump, Group III: 1, Sharpling, D. N. (W); 2, Moore, D. W. (R); 3, Marsh, J. P. (M). 13 ft. 8½ ins.

Long Jump, Group II: 1, Beattie, A. N. (W); 2, Husband, L. G.

Long Jump, Group II: 1. Beattie, A. N. (W); 2, Husband, L. G. (W); 3, Mentha, R. M. (M). 17 ft.

Long Jump, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Rimmer, S. B. (Ev); 3, Usher, E. J. (W). 20 ft. 8 ins.

High Jump, Group III: 1, Massam, C. E. (R); 2, Marsh, J. P. (M); 3, Carter, B. F. (Ev). 4 ft. 3 ins.

High Jump, Group II: 1, Wilson, J. C. (G); 2, Holmberg, J. (Ev); 3, Husband, L. G. (W). 4 ft. 8 ins.

High Jump, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (C); 3, Paugess, C. E. (M).

High Jump, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Burgess, G. F. (M); 3, Kissenisky, J. O. (M). 5 ft. 1 ins.

Discus, Group II: 1, Husband, L. G. (W); 2, Beattie, A. N. (W); 3, Gordon, S. J. (G). 100 ft. 4 ins.

Discus, Group I: 1, Gill, B. F. (S); 2, Ellis, J. M. (W); 3, Usher, E. J. (W). 102 ft. 3 ins.

Weight, Group II: 1, Husband, L. G. (W); 2, Beattie, A. N. (W);

3, Szymanski, G. (L). 33 ft. 1 in.

Weight, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Rimmer, S. B. (Ev); 3, Pickering, B. (G). 39ft. 10 ½ins. (School record)

Javelin, Group II: 1, Husband, L. G. (W); 2, Spencer, D. A. (G); 3, Turner, C. E. (S). 117 ft. 4 ins. (School record).

Javelin, Group I: 1, Pickard, T. (S); 2, Gill, B. F. (S); 3, Llewellyn,

E. W. (Ed). 126 ft.  $8\frac{1}{2}$  ins.

Relay. Group III: 1, Rogers'; 2, Evans'; 3, Edwards', 59 secs.

(School record) Relay, Group II: 1, Woodham's; 2, Edwards'; 3, Rogers', 53.5 secs. (School record)

Relay, Group I: 1. Evans'; 2, Edwards'; 3, Grear's. 1 min. 41.9 secs. (School record)

Junior Tug: Rogers'. Senior Tug: Rogers'.

#### Trophies

The Hepburn Cup for individual Track Events won by Edwards'. The Taylor Cup for individual Field Events won by Woodham's. The Pariser Cup for Team Events won by Rogers'

The Mawdsley Shield for the highest aggregate in all events won by Woodham's.

#### BOXING

The finals of the annual Boxing Competition were held in the gym on Tuesday, March 13th. There was a large and encouraging number of entries for the Competition this year, a high proportion of the entrants being members of the Boxing Club. The results in the finals, were as follows:—

### 4½ stones—Juniors

Golding, G. A., IIb (W) beat Coplowe, D. R., Tr.X (W) on points. Though lacking in skill they gave of their best in a vigorous contest. Golding's punches to the head began to tell later in the contest and though Coplowe tried valiantly, he could find no answer to them.

#### 5 stones—Juniors

Kirkham, D. H., IIa (G) beat Young, P. M., IIIa (L) on points in a reasonably close contest. Though the contest began slowly the pace was quickened in the second and third rounds. Young was too much inclined to duck away from his opponent whose aggression won him the verdict.

#### 6½ stones—Seniors

Pinches, L. J., LrVY (W) beat Crompton, I. D., LrVA (G) on points. Pinches kept up a persistent attack, scoring cleverly with his left; Crompton tired rather quickly.

#### 5½ stones—Juniors

Rushton, J. P., IIb (S) beat Green, A. J., Tr.X (Ed) on points. Rushton made full use of a longer reach but Green was dangerous at close quarters. Though worn down by his opponent's superior height Green made a game attempt to win in the last round.

#### 53 stones—Juniors

Keam, R. F., IIIa (G) beat Caunce, J., IIa (Ed) on points. Though this contest was vigorous both boys were wild in their punching and did little damage to each other. The contest was quite close.

#### 7½ stones—Seniors

Williams, R., UVTr.Tr.M (Ed) beat Morris, D. E., LrVB (G), the contest being stopped in the second round. Williams held the centre of the ring and allowed his opponent to do the attacking. In the second round Williams surprised his opponent with a beautifully judged punch to the solar plexus which won him the contest.

#### 6 stones—Juniors

Wintersgill, M., TrY (S) beat Schober, J., IVB (S) on points. Both contestants failed to connect with their punches though later Wintersgill began to make use of his longer reach and his punching was stronger and more decisive.

8½ stones—Seniors

Pond, P. D., UpVTr.M (R) beat Halsall, F., UpVTr.Sc. (S) in a good contest. Pond did most of the leading but found it difficult to penetrate Halsall's excellent defence. Though he boxed cleverly Halsall left the attacking to his strong opponent.

6½ stones—Juniors

Brown, D. J., IVa (W) beat Curtis, F. G., IIb (L) on points. Brown, a lively boxer, was quicker to the punch than his opponent though in the later stages Curtis tried hard to attack and made the contest a close one.

9 stones—Seniors

King, B., UpVTr.Sc. (G) had a walk-over against Barton, F., LrVIM (G) who was scratched. King beat Birch (R) and Jackson (M) in the preliminary contests.

63 stones—Juniors

Turtle, B. J., IVA (R) beat Bradshaw, G. D., LrVX (G) on points. Turtle was inclined to waste his energy with wild swings. Bradshaw had a good stance and dominated the centre of the ring.

9½ stones—Seniors

Bennett, E. M., UpVISc.B. (W) beat Wilson, C. F., UpVISc.A. (E) in a closely-fought contest which was one of the best of the afternoon. Both boxers started strongly and Wilson's punches were forceful. Bennett boxed well, defending very cleverly and he made a strong rally in the last round. Both contestants went into the clinch more often than was necessary.

7 stones—Juniors

Marshall, J. A., IVA (W) beat Marshall, D. H., IVA (S) on points. Marshall, D. H. tried always to box cleverly but was overcome by his opponent's unflagging aggression.

10 stones—Seniors

Kissenisky, J. O., LrVISc.A (M) beat Gill, B. F., UpVISc.A (S); the contest was stopped in the second round. Kissenisky made a strong attack in the first round but a number of his punches went astray. However, in the second round, his punching was extremely powerful and well judged and three times he knocked his opponent down.

7½ stones—Juniors

Bullock, P., IVA (L) beat Grime, J. D., IIIA (M) the contest being stopped in the second round. Grime ducked away before his opponent whose longer reach proved highly effective.

11 stones—Seniors

Usher, E. J., UpVISc.B (W) beat Dixon, D. R., UpVIM (Ed) the contest being stopped almost immediately. Dixon went down in a whirlwind of hard punches.

8 stones—Juniors

Smedley, R. J., had a walk-over against Hulm, J., LrVX (R) who was scratched. In the preliminaries Smedley beat Hellawell (S) and Hind (M).

8½ stones—Juniors

Johnston, A. B., IVB (Ev) beat Woodruffe, C. J., IIIB (G) on points. Woodruffe ducked before Johnston's strong attack and suffered the consequences. Woodruffe did not make sufficient use of his long reach and the contest rather deteriorated towards the end.

10 stones—Juniors

Husband, L. G., IVB (W) beat Turner, C. E., IVB (S). At the start the contest was fairly even, Husband gradually gained the ascendancy however and in the last round took advantage of the tiredness of his opponent.

Heavyweight-Seniors

Osborne LrVISc.B (R) beat Hornby LrVISc.B (Ed) on points. This was a veritable clash of the giants. Osborne forced the pace, but Hornby, who boxed throughout in an extremely good humour, later retaliated. If either had connected with his blows one doubts whether the contest would have been of full duration.

The final House placings were:—

Woodham's Rogers' Spencer's	42	Edwards'	35	Mason's Evans'	••••••	29 26
				C.F.W.	J.E.B.	

#### CRICKET

#### 1st XI MATCHES

April 21st. K.G.V.S. v. Wigan G.S. (at home)

Result: Match drawn. K.G.V.S. WIGAN Platt b Thompson (M.) ... 0 Wilkinson b Colledge .... 5 Miley c Platt b Hitchin ... 14 Batty b Hitchin ...... 2 Thompson (J.) c Finan
b Taylor . . . . 0
Bradford b Hitchin . . . 0 Edwards lbw b Thompson (M.) ..... 1 Sherrington c Colledge b Heeley c Platt b Hitchin ... 0 Llewellyn b Taylor ... 29 Procter lbw b Taylor ... 20 Thompson (M.) b Housley 4 Bradford ...... 21 Randall b Colledge ...... 0 Rawcliffe c Mills b Taylor 6 (M.) ...... 9 Colledge not out ...... 6 Mills not out ...... 3 Carver b Taylor ..... 4 Extras ..... 6 Extras ..... 0 Total Total (for 6 wkts) ..... 91

Colledge 2 for 17, Thompson (M.) 3 for 22.

# April 28th. K.G.V.S. v. Up Holland (at home) Result: K.G.V.S. won by 5 wickets.

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UPHOLLAND	K.G.V.S.
Macauley s Rawcliffe b Carver	Miley not out
	Arenhann and So seemant
Total 71	Total (for 5 wkts.) 75
May 5th. K.G.V.S. v. Cowley Result: K.G.V.S. v	
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Result: K.G.V.S.	won by 2 wickets.

Colledge 3 for 25; Thompson (M.) 3 for 22; Rimmer 2 for 13.

May 9th. K.G.V.S. v. Stockport G.S. (at home)

### K.G.V.S.

Miley not out	13
Batty lbw b Whalley	14
Thompson (J.) not out	0
Extras	1

Total (for 1 wkt.) 28

May 12th. K.G.V.S. v. 1	Balshaw'	s G.S. (away)
Result: K.G BALSHAW'S	.V.S. wo	n by 9 wickets.
Dawber c and b Bradford	6	K.G.V.S. Miley c Mee b Brown 13
Salisbury lbw b Rimmer	1	Batty not out
Hoole c Rawcliffe b Rimmer	11	Thompson (J.) not out 12
Hoole c Rawcliffe b Rimmer Bourn b Bradford	13	(0.)
Mee b Colledge	1	
Ainscough c Llewellyn b		
b Colledge	5	
Forsyth c Colledge b	- /	
Bradford		
Smith b Colledge	1 8	
Singleton lbw b Colledge	0	
Nelson b Colledge	3	
Extras	5	Extras 3
- 10 Maria	-11.8	
Total		Total (for 1 wkt.) 75
Colledge 5 for 9; Bradford	3 for 22	; Rimmer 2 for 27.
May 30th. K.G.V.S. v. C	alday G	range G.S. (at home)
Result: K.G	.V.S. wo	n by 2 wickets.
CALDAY Tamblyn lbw b Colledge	91	Miley b Pleak
Harvey b Colledge		Miley b Black       20         Batty lbw b Wren       32
McAlister b Colledge	0	Thompson (J.) b Wren 14
Hill b Colledge	4	Thompson (J.) b Wren 14 Rimmer c McAlister b
Birchall c Batty b Rimmer Amery c Batty b Colledge	31	Amery 17
Amery c Batty b Colledge	5	Amery
Crutchley c and b Colledge Nelson run out	0	Procter run out 3
Eccles c Rimmer b Bradford	5	Llewellyn not out
Black not out		Rawcliffe lbw b Wren 1 Bradford b Amery 7
Wren b Colledge	0	Thompson (M.) not out 0
Extras	6	Extras 4
Total	0.4	The second of th
10tai		Total (for 8 wkts.) 107
Colledge 7 for 44.		
June 1st. K.G.V.S. v. S		
Result: Sta	aff won	by 8 wickets.
K.G.V.S.	or	STAFF
Miley c Bowker b Abram Procter s Norris b Beckwith	25 4	Norris c Baker b Thompson (M.)
Thompson (J.) b Beckwith	0	Longhurst b Colledge 4
Baker c Lewis b Beckwith	3	Fletcher not out 29
Llewellyn c Norris b Abram	0	Abram not out 34
Bradford b Abram	1	
Heeley c Longhurst b Dixon		
Rawcliffe b Abram Thompson (M.) b Abram	4 .	
Colledge c and b Dixon	$\frac{1}{25}$	
McLean not out	4	
Extras	î	Extras 16
Total	00'	The Lat (8 - 9 1)
Total	15.55	Total (for 2 wkts.) 84
Abram 5 for 39; Beckwith 3	for 13;	Dixon 2 for 3.
Colledge 1 for 19; Thompson	(M.) 1	for 12.

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#### 2nd XI

April 21st-v. Wigan G.S. (away). Wigan won by 4 wkts. K.G.V.S. 113 for 3 dec. (Rostron 68 not out, Davies 23). Wigan 114 for 6. (Rostron 4 for 35).

April 28th—v. Upholland G.S. (away). K.G.V.S. won by 51 runs. K.G.V.S. 66, Upholland 15 (McLean 6 for 8, Blundell 4 for 7). May 5th-v. Cowley G.S. (away). K.G.V.S. won by 68 runs.

K.G.V.S. 116 for 5 dec. (Davies 43, Belmont 26), Cowley 48

(Blundell 4 for 12).

May 12th—v. Balshaw's G.S. (home). K.G.V.S. won by 6 wickets. Balshaw's 46 (Scholes 4 for 3), K.G.V.S. 48 for 4.

May 26th—v. Blackpool G.S. (home). K.G.V.S. won by 8 wickets. Blackpool 46 (McLean 5 for 12), K.G.V.S. 48 for 2.

May 30th—v. Calday Grange G.S. (away). Match drawn. K.G.V.S. 125 (Baker 42, Belmont 28), Calday 57 for 8.

#### Under 15 XI

April 21st—v. Wigan G.S. (home). K.G.V.S. won by 18 runs. K.G.V.S. 110 (Spencer 30, Billing 21 not out, Symington 19), Wigan 92 (Thomson 6 for 21, Whitehead 4 for 40). April 28th—v. Upholland G.S. (home). K.G.V.S. won by 59 runs. K.G.V.S. 126 for 7 dec. (Wilson 25, Whitehead 21), Upholland 67 (Whitehead 4 for 30, Thomson 4 for 32).

May 2nd—v. Bolton S. (away). Match drawn. Bolton 104 for 4 dec. K.G.V.S. 49 for 6.

May 5th-v. Cowley G.S. (home). Cowley won by 5 wickets. K.G.V.S. 70, Cowley 71 for 5.

May 16th-v. Chetham's Hospital School (home). Match drawn. K.G.V.S. 120 for 7 dec. (Wilson 31, Whitehead 24, Symington 23), Chetham's 50 for 3.

#### Under 14 XI

May 5th—v. Cowley G.S. (home). Cowley won by 10 runs. Cowley 59 (Palmer 8 for 7), K.G.V.S. 49 (Marsh 16).

May 12th—v. Bolton S. (home). Bolton won by 51 runs. Bolton 83 for 3 dec., K.G.V.S. 32.

May 16th—v. Chetham's Hospital School (home). K.G.V.S. won by

116 runs. K.G.V.S. 136 for 7 dec. (Marsh 34, Kermode 29, Turner 21 not out), Chetham's 20 (Marsh 6 for 4, Tasker 4 for 7).

May 26th—v. Blackpool G.S. (home). Blackpool won by 6 wickets. K.G.V.S. 52, Blackpool 53 for 4.

#### SWIMMING

So far this term the swimming team have had a very successful season, winning four matches and narrowly losing one. The results are as follows:—

9th May—Wallasey G.S. (a) ...... Won 67-44 26th May-Wallasey G.S. (h) ...... Won 78-53 30th May—Calday Grange G.S. (a) ........... Won  $56\frac{1}{2}$ -22 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2nd June—Manchester G.S. (h) ..... Lost 35-37

These encouraging results have been largely due to a strong junior team which usually compensates for any weakness in the senior section.

Those especially worthy of note are—Seniors: B. Pickering. A. D. Redman and B. W. Rimmer; Juniors: G. F. Burgess, J. M. Parkinson and J. E. Rowntree. Their hard training and team spirit have brought them many victories.

Swimming against Wallasey G.S. in three age groups gave a valuable chance to introduce a number of younger boys to competitive swimming. Their excellent performances show promise for a strong team in the future.

B. Pickering, the team captain, has inspired the team throughout the season by his swimming and able team management.

There are fixtures later in the term against Calday Grange, Rossall School, Lancaster R.G.S., Merchant Taylors' S. and the Old Boys, and a team will also be representing the School at the Fylde Gala.

#### J.K.G.

# Society Reports

#### ART SOCIETY

Although the long summer evenings have tempted a few members away, attendance at meetings of the society have been generally good. Junior members have predominated, however, and we would be pleased to have more from the senior school, even those who claim they cannot draw. They will have ample opportunity to try; their failures will be minimised, their successes given wide publicity.

This term our activities have been dominated by a "let's work big" campaign and we have been entertained by the spectacle of very small boys running to and fro with very large sheets of paper. The acquisition of a lino printing press has made this into a popular craft and it is hoped to extend this aspect of our work as more materials become available.

Preparation for the G.C.E. examinations and the necessary re-organisation of the Art room unfortunately led to the closing of the society some weeks before the end of term, but we look forward to re-opening in September when, as usual, a new list of members will be compiled. Those who are interested should give their names as early as possible in the new term as membership has to be limited to thirty or so to avoid overcrowding.

We should like to congratulate J. M. Ellis on being accepted at Liverpool School of Architecture and G. Livesley on being accepted at Southport School of Art and Crafts.

#### ATHLETIC CLUB

President: Mr. P. G. Longhurst Chairman: H. B. Nyman Vice-Chairman: A. D. Hughes. Secretary: A. Roberts

This term the club welcomes Mr. Longhurst as its new President. We all hope that his connection with us will be long and successful.

At the end of last term Mr. T. S. Farrell, the 1956 British Games quarter mile hurdles champion, gave a lecture on general athletics. This well illustrated lecture contained a wealth of sound advice and experience gained over several years of top athletic competition. Mr. Farrell imparted to his small audience much of his own enthusiasm for athletics and we all extend our thanks to him for his very fine lecture.

Most of our meetings this term have been held in conjunction with the School athletic practices each Monday and Friday, most of our members being in the School teams. A Pentathlon has been held this term and it is hoped that through this event boys will be encouraged to take an active interest in events other than their own speciality.

We would remind any prospective members of the club next year that interest and not ability is the qualification required for membership. Finally we wish the best of luck to those among our members who are leaving this term and we hope that their interest in athletics will remain with them in future years.

A.R.

# BEE CLUB

The present membership is entirely from the junior school, but there is no shortage of enthusiasm.

The swarm of bees which enlivened 3A form meeting last July built up well during the remainder of the summer and succeeded in surviving the winter. They are now almost reaching full strength, but have not stored any honey in the super which we gave them on May 25th (I am writing on June 4th). As most beekeepers (including French, who started with a swarm at the same time) have had a very good spring, we are a little disappointed, but there is still hope of a July rich with clover, and

our stock is teaching us to understand and respect its instincts, not least its instinct of self-defence.

G.F.D.

#### CHRISTIAN UNION

Chairman: A. T. Williams Vice-Chairman: J. B. Whittaker Secretary: J. M. M. Dalby

At the end of last term, we held our annual Holy Week service, at which the speaker was Mr. Garnett. His remarks were

based on Our Lord's experiences in the Garden of Gethsemane, and we should like to express our thanks to him for his kind help on this and other occasions.

This term, we have only had one meeting so far, and this was addressed by the Lord Bishop of Warrington, the Rt. Rev. C. R. Claxton. It had been advertised as a joint meeting with the High School Christian Union, but unfortunately the girls got confused about the date and the audience turned out to be exclusively male. The Bishop took as his subject "Prayer" and we are deeply indebted to him both for his kindness in visiting a small gathering such as ours and also for the stimulating nature of his talk.

We shall hold our final meeting for this school year at the beginning of July; here, we shall say farewell to several of our senior members who are leaving, and also elect the officers for the next session.

J.M.M.D.

#### **DEBATING SOCIETY**

Chairman: A. T. Williams Vice-Chairman: J. A. Hoyle

Secretary: P. A. McLean

Committee: J. M. M. Dalby, H. B. Nyman, M. F. Savage, J. B. Whittaker

After the last issue of "The Red Rose" had gone to press, the Society concluded its activities for this session with two joint meetings with the High School Literary and Debating Society, a Masters' Debate, the Senior Elocution Contest, and the annual

Old Boys' Debate.

The first of our two excursions "up the road" was on March 7th, to hear Miss M. Fyles, seconded by J. A. Hoyle, propose that "this House views with alarm the growing popularity of entertainment without exertion." The motion was opposed by A. T. Williams and Miss B. Agar. There was a disappointing attendance by members of this Society, but even worse was the fact that from over a hundred ladies present, only three were willing to contribute to the proceedings. Despite the rather hollow attempts of two of our committee members, who shall remain nameless, to bring some 'life' to the debate, jokes about men with bananas sticking out of their left ears fell rather flat, and the meeting was characterised by long awkward pauses and ineffectual speeches. The motion was rejected by 63 votes to 31. Notwithstanding, we should like to thank our female counterparts for their kind invitations to this, and the later sixth-form debate.

The Masters' Debate, on March 9th, was a great success. The speakers, whom we gratefully thank for giving of their valuable time to provide us with exemplary debating technique,

were Messrs. Morley and Beckwith, proposing, and Messrs. Berry and Lewis opposing the motion that "this House considers that Groucho Marx has done more for the community than Karl Marx." The proposers advised us we should benefit far more from relaxing and laughing with Groucho than from contorting our minds with Karl's political economy, and each told us a funny story to illustrate his point. Mr. Berry chose to take the motion seriously, but just managed to avoid being removed from the staff for exerting Red influence on the boys. Mr. Lewis found Karl even funnier than Groucho, and vied with the proposers by telling two funny stories. The outcome of it all was a defeat for Marx K., by 63 votes to 30.

The Senior Elocution contest on March 16th, was again of a high standard. The first prize went to P. A. McLean, and the

second to R. Armstrong.

The Old Boys' Debate took place on March 27th, at 6-0. The time proved to be injudiciously chosen, since the audience numbered no more than a dozen. Mr. W. G. Fuge and J. B. Whittaker convinced their optimistic listeners that they were "looking forward to 1984," despite the plaints of P. A. McLean

and his partner, Mr. J. W. Wood.

Finally, we must mention the second joint debate with the High School. This was a sixth-form debate which took place on 25th April, on the motion that "the abolition of patriotism means the abolition of war." This time the audience reverted to pessimism, feeling that man's natural corruptness was the cause of war in most cases, and patriotism the subsequent force which sustains the conflict. The result was that P. A. McLean and Miss R. Turner were able to overcome the arguments of Miss M. Hulm and A. T. Williams.

As this is the last word from the Society for 1955-56, may we take this opportunity to thank all those who have supported us during this year.

P.A.M.

### THE LIBRARY

We are grateful to the following for gifts of books: M. R. Baxter, J. M. M. Dalby and P. L. Gladney; and Mr. C. Woodham, who has presented copies of "The Engish Review" for the years 1912 and 1913.

The Librarians.

# MODEL CLUB

Chairman: K. F. Wilson Vice-Chairman: D. G. Salmon

Treasurer: P. J. Travis Secretary: F. G. Bowyer Committee: P. Fisher, M. K. Davies, J. Dewhurst, J. Little

Partly because of the cold weather and partly because of the winter hibernation of the majority of the senior members, there

was no activity during the period from January to April. The slightly warmer weather seems to have roused some people, and so far there have been two meetings, at which the total attendance came within reach of double figures. However, with the incentive of an exhibition at the end of term, it is hoped that more people will become interested in modelling, and that next year some of them may stay with us to form a reasonably energetic club.

F.G.B.

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Chairman: D. R. Holt Secretary: R. A. Hargreaves
Treasurer: J. A. Forshaw Librarian: H. B. Nyman

Committee: J. A. Belcher, A. T. Booth, P. T. Knight, A. Rodwell

In spite of the fact that indoor societies usually assume least importance during the summer term, the darkroom has been in greater demand this term than for a long time, particularly for enlarging.

On Sports Day, three members of the society were appointed as official photographers, and despite the dull and showery

weather, some very creditable results were obtained.

If the enthusiasm of society members is anything to go by, the Open Day exhibition should reach a very high standard indeed. In order to encourage junior members of the society to enter prints, there will be a junior section in this year's exhibition in addition to the usual two open sections.

Finally, we should like to thank all committee members for their help in the running of the society and to wish the best of

luck to all those who enter prints in the exhibition.

R.A.H.

#### SCOUT TROOP

Scoutmaster: Mr. H. H. Long

Assistant Scoutmaster: Mr. D. A. Garnett

Troop Leader: H. B. Nyman

Patrol Leaders: J. M. M. Dalby, R. F. Chapman, R. B. Austin, P. N. Heyes

Every year, a familiar feature of the Easter holidays is the National Scout Bob-a-Job Week. As usual, our troop took part and altogether we raised the sum of £11. This represents an average of 7/6 per boy, but we have no cause for complacency when we remember that Mr. Liptrot's troop in Wigan, though no larger than our own, earned £20.

April 22nd was the Sunday before St. George's Day, and, since St. George is the Patron Saint of Scouts, fourteen members of the troop (why not more?) joined with other local scouts in

a parade and service at St. John's Church, Birkdale. At the same time, Dalby was taking part, as a member of the South-West Lancashire contingent, in the Windsor Parade of Queen's Scouts. at which the salute was taken by the Queen herself; this was followed by a service at St. George's Chapel and a talk from the Chief Scout, Lord Rowallan.

The week-end before Whit, an initiative test for Seniors was held by the local Association. Since our two Queen's Scouts were, to their great relief, over age, the dubious honour of representing the troop fell on Austin, Chapman and Heyes. After cycling to Sandiway in Cheshire, they camped overnight under cover(?) not of a tent but of a shelter hastily constructed from rustic materials. The tests included midnight signalling, first-aid and map-reading. The results are still awaited!

At Whitsuntide, we always hold a camp for beginners, and in recent years this has always taken place on the rather uninspiring site of the School field. This year, however, we went to Walsh Hall Farm at Aughton and, in order to save expense, we took our kit and equipment on the trek-cart, the first time this laborious method has been used for many years. The week-end proved highly enjoyable, so much so that another camp was held on the same spot at the beginning of June.

Although our Easter holiday (a report of which appears elsewhere) was spent at the usual place—Hammarbank, Windermere, for our Summer Camp we are breaking with tradition and attending an International Jamboree in Essex. Not quite as many of our members will be going as usual, but this will be atoned for by the presence of a patrol of Seniors from the 55th Southport troop, who will doubtless profit greatly from their contact with us!

The several new recruits who have joined us are all making good progress, and three of them, Delahunty, Smedley and Winnard have already been invested. Among the badges which have been gained this term are the Second Class, by Greaves, Haigh, Reid and Smedley; the Interpreter by Bruford, Chadderton and Haigh; the Venturer by Chapman and Heyes, and the Despatch Rider by Heyes. In closing, we should like to express our thanks to the various masters who so kindly co-operate from time to time as examiners for these badges. J.M.M.D.

# THORNLEY SOCIETY

At Easter, an attempt to cover the four peaks over 3,000-ft. in the Lake District (Skiddaw, Helvellyn, Scafell and Scafell Pike) was made by J. W. Gatiss, B. F. Gill, J. K. Grundy, and R. Sutton. However, after sixteen hours of walking in the mist and gale-force rain, the attempt was abandoned. Had it not been for these adverse conditions the project would probably have had a

more successful ending.

This expedition immediately preceded the climbing at Easter. The complete party which assembled at the Robertson-Lamb Hut. Great Langdale, consisted of all the society members and Mr. G. H. Ellison, Mr. F. Beckwith, J. T. H. Allen, G. F. Jones. W. E. Brookfield and J. Belmont. The last three were new to climbing but had given a good account of themselves before the end of the week.

The following is a brief record of the climbing at Easter:— Monday, 9th April—An assortment of climbs were done on Scout Crag; Rake End Chimney (Pavey Ark) was also climbed.

Tuesday—Rained intermittently. However, we walked over Pike-o-Blisco, Swirl How and Wetherlam. A section of the party raced ahead and, having returned down the wrong valley, arrived at Coniston instead of Little Langdale.

Wednesday-Perfect weather in which we visited Dow Crag. The climbs completed were as follows:— C Buttress (D), D Buttress (D), Gordon and Craigs' (VD), Woodhouse's Route (D), Abraham's Route (S), and Giant's Corner (VD).

Thursday—We visited Great Gable. Although the Napes Ridges were crowded with climbers we completed a considerable number of climbs: Napes Needle (VD), Arrowhead Ridge (VD), Needle Ridge (D), Eagle's Nest W. Chimney (D). Eagle's Nest Arête direct (S) and Abbey Buttress (VD).

At an official meeting early this term the formal resignation of J. W. Gatiss, as chairman, was accepted, and C. A. Whitehead was elected in his place. Although we lose Gatiss as an official member no doubt he will continue to partake in the society's activities at future meets. It was decided at this meeting formally to invite J. T. H. Allen, G. F. Jones, W. E. Brookfield, and J. Belmont to become new members.

The pot-holing week-end fixed for 5th-7th May was cancelled because of a lack of accommodation. At Whitsun, however, a party of pot-holers (Mr. G. F. Dixon, C. A. Whitehead, R. B. Charter, B. F. Gill and J. W. Gatiss) camped at Fountain Head Farm, Clapham near Gaping Ghyll. On Sunday the hole was laddered; it needed considerable ingenuity to take the ladders through 150ft, of crawls and tunnels between the two actual ladder pitches. The actual descent and exploration of the cave took place on Monday and the return home on Tuesday.

Further meets arranged for the society are:—

1. Pot-holing week-end, 29th June—1st July at Lancaster Hole.

2. Attempt to cover all fourteen peaks over 3,000-ft. in Wales during the School expedition week.

3. Climbing party to Switzerland during the summer.

J.K.G.

# Prose

#### WILD LIFE ON THE SAND-DUNES

Very few people today realise what a lot of wild life there is all about them. We in Southport are lucky as we have some fairly pleasant countryside about us. Even so, people are inclined to regard sand-dunes here as lifeless places full of prickly grasses. But if you look about you, there are all kinds of animal life going on.

For instance, there are Lizards of two types, Sand Lizards and Grass Lizards. As well as these there are many birds, such as Terns and Sheld Ducks, whose nests you can often find. If you-keep your eyes open, you may see a family of ducklings with their

mother going down to the sea.

There are also many different types of amphibians, including various kinds of Newts in the little pools that you often come across, and, of course, there are always the Frogs and Toads. There is one type of Toad called the Natterjack Toad (which is rather rare) and is easily recognisable by the yellow streak down his back.

Last of all we have different kinds of wild flowers. One of these, which is not really a flower, is the Sea-Holly, which has a queer flower and greenish-blue leaves just like a Holly bush — only it reaches about six inches in height. Then there are dozens of Sweet Violets and little wild Pansies. Another common flower found growing by the ditches is the King-cup or Marsh Marigold. The Great Reed-Mace is another plant found growing in water, and it looks like a Bullrush.

Altogether I think that the Sand-dunes are a very pleasant place on a sunny day.

F. Addis (3a)

#### DOCKLAND

As you pass through the great black gates that separate the

city from the dockland you enter a different world.

The mighty hulls of ships loom up and rise high above the quay. Giant cranes swoop like vultures into the holds of the ship. carrying off great crates and bulky sacks in their steel talons and depositing them on the quay; whereupon men swarm over them like hordes of ants unlashing this, unopening that and unpacking something else. And there, to the right, stand the great warehouses where is stored every commodity in the world ready to be sold, bartered, resold, and then passed on to the consumer.

All is activity, clamour, and noise. A ship's siren sounds; another echoes it; a dockside train whistles; a lorry starts up; a winch groans. This is the music of this queer world of ships

and cranes.

On the left a proud liner leaves her berth aided by fussy little tugs; a rusty old tramp-steamer moves slowly by while numerous small craft chug busily by at their daily duty.

Occasional cries of "Cast off!" "Release starboard!" and "Steady port!" pierce the general pattern of sound and it is only very late when all is still, and the ships lie like ghosts at anchor and the cranes point stark to the night sky. Then can it be said, "Dockland Sleeps."

D. Greenberg (3a)

### A NOVELIST

I have always thought that second to that of a popular crooner (which would involve more hard work than I am partial to, anyway) the career of novelist is the one I should like. To write thrillers like those of Agatha Christie would be the realisation of all my dreams. I am one of those people to whom nothing exciting ever happens, and the best substitute for not leading a life packed with spine-tuigling episodes would be to invent such episodes and write them down in book form. This would have a threefold effect. Firstly, it would relieve my boredom, secondly, it would bring me a lot of money (a factor never to be overlooked), and thirdly, it would help to bring a little sparkle into the lives of those unfortunates who lack the ability to write for themselves, or otherwise alleviate the lethargy into which they have sunk. It is, however, with sadness that I admit that the writing of a best-seller requires a knack given to few, and I have found that I am not one of God's chosen for this particular profession. I have tried, without success.

I obtained a typewriter which clanks and groans every time a key is pressed—several keys have, in fact, retired from active service—and each sheet of typewritten manuscript is punctuated here and there by pencilled-in words, a very tedious business. Dozens of notebooks and pencils littered my desk and study floor and I was always enveloped in a haze of cigarette smoke which curled up from the end of a holder of fantastic length, which I purchased after discovering that Edgar Wallace had one.

The first real necessity for writing fiction is having a story, an obvious fact which I overlooked. It was only when I sat for the first time at my typewriter, in my mind an embryo Cheyney, that the realisation that I had no story hit me with the force of impending doom. A little flutter of misgiving stirred my breakfast, hitherto reposing peacefully deep down. I disregarded it with the supreme confidence of one who considers he will always stand aloof while others succumb to folly. It took two hours of spasmodic typewriter tapping to convince me that writing a full length novel is far removed from day-dreaming about being the central character in all manner of criminal activities. From these

day-dreams I had derived my themes; it was enlarging upon them that proved difficult. My characters were unconvincing in brutality and farcical in normality. I did manage one short story, but the plot was weak and straightforward, nothing like the cunning webs woven, magically it seems, round sophisticated characters, which make me squirm in bed and walk round barefoot on cold lino to make sure all doors and windows are shut tight against the nefarious activities of trilby-hatted gentlemen in crepe soles. I gave up. Now, far from creating a milestone in literary history, my typewriter serves as a plaything for all the children who come to the house.

I wonder if crooning is such hard work after all.

H. Brooks (Up.V.Tr.M)

#### THE 1984 SCENE

12 noon at last!

With a ponderous sigh of relief I closed the file on which I had been so diligently working all morning, and placed it in my brief-case. I switched off the recorder and the dictatype, and after gathering together my writing equipment which I proceeded to arrange neatly in my top pocket, I turned to the visi-phone built into the far side of the desk, and depressed button 'C' of the row immediately in front of its screen. After the necessary two seconds' interval, the face of my principal assistant appeared.

"If anyone puts through a call on the 'visi', record it, John,

will you?"

"Sure, Mike. See you tomorrow. G'bye."

(The formalities between the director of a firm and his subordinates had been considerably relaxed over the previous twenty years, and the use of colloquialisms and "Americanisms" had increased, for better or for worse.)

I switched off the visi-phone, and strolled over to the large window at the far end of the room. This window, by nature of its size (it was as wide as the room itself) afforded a remarkable view over a large section of London, and often, when small breaks in work gave me a few moments' leisure. I used to go to this window and survey the panorama set out seemingly at my feet. On this particular day, the sun was shining brilliantly down from a pale blue sky flecked with small clouds, all hurrying towards the east. It shone upon the glittering white concrete of the many tall skyscrapers, and on the rows of modern buildings. The light danced on the hundreds of automobiles, all gaudily coloured, as they moved along the street seven hundred feet below. St. Paul's though dwarfed by the many mighty concrete structures. took on an imposing dignity of its own. The sun brought out the many colours of green in the trees which lined the broad, straight streets. Every now and then, there would be a pinpoint of dazzling

light as the windows of a swiftly moving automobile caught the sun. Even from the great height from which I was watching, it was still possible to distinguish the motley colours of the clothes of the thousands of people ambling along the wide pavements in leisurely fashion; some stopping from time to time in front of departmental stores, restaurants or cinemas. Above, the small puffy clouds appeared to be chasing the ubiquitous helibuses, while much higher than these a long white vapour trail marked the path of one of the large new airliners which whisk upwards of five hundred people to their destination at a speed of more than eight hundred miles an hour.

I descended to the ground floor in the automatic lift, and strode out into the sunshine. I had originally planned to return home straight away, but the fine weather encouraged me to walk a short way or sit in the Central London Park, and not feeling particularly energetic, I decided upon the latter. But first I had to buy a paper from one of the numerous paper vending machines which were placed at regular intervals along the street. I was not particular as to the actual paper; I picked one at random, and having a received a copy from the machine, went straight into the Central London Park to read it.

The park had been laid out near the Thames on an area which twenty years ago had been squalid slums and disused warehouses. The trees around its perimeter shut out the bustle of the city, and only the tops of the skyscrapers were visible above them. Finding a vacant seat, I sat down to read. The headline was interesting "International Expedition to Mars Soon". As the director of a firm which manufactures atomic reactors for power plants, such news naturally excited my interest. An international expedition had reached the Moon some five years before, and a base had been constructed there. And now Mars . . .

So engrossed did I become in the matter of technical details, that I read the whole article, which, being important news, filled most of the paper, and the reading took some time. Besides, I had to take notes on such an important scientific undertaking, and, consequently, by the time I had finished, it was almost the rush-hour, and I wanted to get home before it started. Although the sun had not yet stopped shining, a low grey cloud was beginning to cover the sky and since the season was only as yet early spring, dusk was beginning to gather. Immediately the new advertising medium was brought into operation; projectors mounted on top of the skyscrapers beamed advertisements on to the low cloud. I quickly set out for the nearest helibus stage which was situated on top of the new Charing Cross railway terminus.

It was fortunate to get a seat in the helibus before it took off.

People were by now streaming out of their places of work, and were making for the Underground, the helibus stages or the road transport halts. Already, lights were appearing in the skyscrapers and other buildings, transforming them into fingers of light. The street illuminations were switched on, and as we rose higher, the individual pin-points of brilliant blue light merged into long continual strips of the same colour.

As we set out for the North, the sea of light slipped away to the South and became enveloped in mist, but other lights appeared to the North as a reminder that my destination was near. The journey had lasted only a quarter of an hour — another reminder of the fine, modern world that is nineteen eighty-four.

P. Hadfield (UVTr.M)

# Miscellaneous

# SCOUTS' VISIT TO LAKE DISTRICT

Hammarbank was for the third successive Easter the home for a party of eleven School Scouts and two Scoutmasters. Situated on the edge of Lake Windermere, Hammarbank is a palatial hostel of the Lancashire Association of Boys' Clubs and offers splendid facilities for boating, swimming and other activities connected with Scouting. Our programme was arranged to include several climbs which were not completed last year owing to adverse weather conditions.

Fairfield was the target for the first day. This was approached from Ambleside by Raven Crag and Dove Crag, and the view from Fairfield more than made up for the difficult ascent over Snarker Pike. The formidable Striding Edge, with which some of the party were familiar from a previous visit, showed its sheer stark fall to the valley below, whilst Ullswater Lake could just be seen in the distance. The descent was by Great Rigg and Heron Pike leading somewhat roughly over Nab Scar, and steeply thence to Rydal. Nab Scar commands a view singularly rich in the Lakes. It embraces Windermere, Grasmere, with Easedale tarn beyond, Rydal water, Elterwater, Esthwaite and Coniston, not to mention the beautiful Tarn Hows.

The following day, an easier route was planned and to our surprise(!) the S.M. decided to come with us. From Grasmere we climbed along Sourmilk Gill to Easedale Tarn, then over Sergeant Man and Pavey Ark to the Langdales, descending by Stake pass and into Mickleden and Dungeon Ghyll. That evening the Scouts took part in a table-tennis tournament and handicaps were made for another competition later in the week.

Suggestions were made by senior members of the party next day that we should reach Great Gable from Langdale. Unfortunately the weather was adverse and much to our disappointment the route was changed to Scafell Pike. From Langdale we climbed Rossett Ghyll to Esk Hause (one of those ascents in the Lake District from which one gains no satisfaction). The climb was made in thick mist and proved very hard going for some of the party. When Esk Hause was reached, much to our delight, fleeting glimpses could be seen of Great Gable and Derwentwater through a swirling mist. Certain members retired gracefully at this point, and the rest carried on through a howling gale to Scafell Pike (3,210ft.) which was swathed in mist. The descent was by the same route. Back at Hammarbank, we still found enough energy to play off the first round of the tournament, which was heroically won by Hellawell.

Monday proved to be our last day for venture since we were kept indoors the whole of Tuesday. From Troutbeck we followed the steep Roman road to High Street. This was decidedly heavy going and caustic comments were made about 55 B.C. and all that.

From the summit of High Street we had a fine view of the Pennines. Westwards the sight was alluring; Saddleback and Skiddaw loomed up in the north. The return route included a scree descent from Nan Bield pass into Kentmere, and, for all except three "casualties" who had a lift home on a lorry, a further climb to 1,500-ft. over Garburn Pass—child's play by this time. Owing to the thirst of certain members, the party became divided, but the rear group had no difficulty in finding the route the others had taken—thanks to a tell-tale bread-wrapper bearing unmistakable traces of lemon-curd sandwiches!

Apart from the appeal and interest of the climbs themselves—the anticipation when setting out, and the sense of achievement on reaching one's objective— we gained very great enjoyment from the social activities at Hammarbank. As a gesture to the warden, Mr. Matthews, and his wife, for so nobly looking after us, we put on a concert for them on the last evening. This included individual items, sketches, camp-fire songs, and a general sing-song with Heyes and Mr. Garnett doing a Rawicz and Landauer act at the piano. This was just the sort of thing to wind up a very happy and memorable week. Our thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Matthews for services rendered: we hope to renew our acquaintance with them—and with their fierce watchdog "Topaz"—in the not too distant future.

P.N.H.

#### THE SCHOOL CONCERT

The seventh Annual Choral and Orchestral Concert was presented by the School Music Society on Friday, 23rd March,

in the Assembly Hall.

The most popular items in the programme were, as usual, those in which the choir and orchestra combined. Under the direction of Mr. J. R. Williams, the choir and orchestra excelled in the performance of Elgar's "Land of Hope and Glory". The enthusiasm of all concerned was evident in this work, and during the last few bars, the skylights could be heard reinforcing the percussion section of the orchestra. The other combined work, "The Heavens are telling," the chorus from Haydn's "Creation", was perhaps even more appreciated and also a fitting finale to the concert. Haydn works such as this should always be included as they are much enjoyed by performers and audience alike.

This year's choir attained a very high standard indeed. In particular, the tenors and basses were much improved. In contrast to the trebles, the altos suffered from lack of numbers, but they made up for this by improved tone quality and enunciation. Although the junior choir were a little ragged at times, when performing on their own, they acquitted themselves well in the other choral items. The most inspiring of these, were, without a doubt, Dyson's "Songs of Courage," in which excellent balance and unity were maintained throughout. The Madrigal choir, although smaller than last year, was again of a very high standard and gave a delightful performance.

The orchestra gave a much appreciated and lively rendering of Sullivan's "Patience" selection and the brass and woodwind themes in this work were particularly enjoyed. The Bizet symphony, in particular, was technically rather difficult for the string section of the orchestra. Nevertheless, the work was attacked with great enthusiasm, particularly by the second violins who probably had the most difficult part, and the result, in the circumstances, was quite satisfactory. The lively rhythm of the Tchaikovsky Humoresque was appreciated, and despite the attempts of the conductor to control the tempo of this work, the players succeeded in increasing the speed, and finished rather breathlessly as a result. Perhaps the most successful of the orchestral works was the Trumpet Tune and Air by Purcell. The stately melody came over well and the crisp and clear trumpet solos were delightful.

The general enthusiasm and ability of the orchestra has definitely improved over the past years, and since very few members are leaving school this summer, prospects for the future seem good. May a plea be made, however, for more boys to take up musical instruments seriously so that the size of the orchestra may be increased.

Finally, our thanks go to all the members of staff who helped in the choir and orchestra, to the girls from the High

School who aided us and to Mr. Williams, whose boundless energy has been an example to all of us.

R.A.H.

# Old Boys' Section

#### NEWS OF OLD GEORGIANS

- G. G. Horrocks (S) (1940-46) has been appointed Assistant Commissioner of Land with the Gold Coast Government.
- R. A. Lloyd (R) (1923-29) has been elected President of the Southport Chamber of Trade for the ensuing year.
- P. Royle (G) (1923-28) has been appointed Deputy Borough Treasurer of Wallasey.
- W. D. Sharrocks (W) (1933-40) Professor at Airlangga University has been lecturing on English in various parts of Indonesia during the last 18 months.
- K. H. Wright (S) (1943-48) has taken up a position with the Provincial Insurance Co. at Durban, S. Africa.

# Examination successes at Liverpool-

- J. H. Levin (W) (1942-50) LL.B.
- G. A. Noar (Ed) (1944-52) Part II(c) L.D.S.
- K. F. Edwardson (L) (1945-53) 2nd exam. for M.B., Ch.B. with distinction in anatomy.
- S. N. Booth (R) (1947-54) 2nd exam. for M.B., Ch.B.
- P. W. Brunt (Ev) (1950-54) 2nd exam. for M.B., Ch.B.
- M. Irving (Ev) (1945-53) 2nd exam. for M.B., Ch.B.
- R. Pactor (S) (1947-54) 2nd exam for M.B., Ch.B.

Elected to the Southport Town Council:

M. F. Drury (R) (1937-42) Liberal. Birkdale South Ward.

# Marriages

- E. O. Ball to Phyllis Hardy at St. John's Church, Birkdale, on 24th March.
- M. G. Phillips to Valerie Clayton at St. Philip's Church on 24th March.
- M. J. Steele to June Rimmer at St. James' Church, Birkdale on 24th March,

- D. G. Wilkinson to Daphne Kemp at St. Bridget's Church, West Kirby, on 24th March.
- P. L. Cotterall to Dorothy Smith at St. John's Church, Crossens, on 31st March.
- C. B. Holmes to Pamela Steadman at St. John's Church, Birkdale, on 31st March.
- A. B. Dodd to Anne Ingham at St. Cuthbert's Church, on 2nd April.
- P. T. Gore to Diana Wise at St. Cuthbert's Church, on 7th April.
- G. S. Ball to Helen Alcock at Church St. Methodist Church on 14th April.
- B. Andrews to Mildred Bance at All Saints' Church, Harrow Weald, on 21st April.
- A. Worthington to Monica Talbot at St. John's Church, Birkdale, on 28th April.
- D. R. Lawler to Rita Lomas at St. Cuthbert's Church on 12th May.
- K. H. Wright to Brenda Gardner at Victoria Methodist Church on 12th May.
- A. S. Andrews to Rita Thorley at St. Cuthbert's Church, on 2nd June.

# THE OLD BOYS' DINNER

The Annual Dinner of the Old Boys' Association was held at the Belle Vue Hotel on the evening of Friday, April 6th. Over eighty Old Boys were present.

The toast "The School" was proposed by Canon J. S. Leatherbarrow, himself an Old Boy and now Vicar of St. Peter's Church, Swinton. The Headmaster responded. Dr. A. M. Abrahams proposed "The Old Boys' Association" and the response to this toast was made by Mr. J. Edwards, the chairman of the Association.

An event of special importance concluded the function. This was the presentation, by Mr. J. W. Lord, of a silver rose bowl and a silver tea-and-coffee service to Mr. C. Woodham, to mark his retirement from the teaching staff of the School. The presentation was made on behalf of the Edward's-Woodham Presentation Fund and in his speech of thanks Mr. Woodham reviewed some of the many happy memories from his long association with the School.

#### Durham

It took the visit of John Hoyle to remind us that there are two Old Georgians now at this University. We thought it therefore worth while writing to extol the virtues of our University and the beauty of this cathedral city.

We are fortunate here in having as it were, the best of two worlds, in that we combine all the traditions of a collegiate system with the advantages of a "red-brick" university. The University is 120 years old; there are six men's colleges, and four women's colleges, most of them of relatively ancient foundation. In all there are about 1,000 students in Durham itself, while at King's College, Newcastle, which is another branch of the University, there are nearly 4,000. The University life revolves round Palace Green, which used to be the property of the Bishops of Durham, and is between the Norman Castle and the Cathedral. The lecture rooms for students are here, as is the Union Society Debating Hall, Coffee Bar and University Library. Thus we are a small community in which most people know each other, if only by sight, and we are able to enjoy the friendship of people in our own and other colleges. For those knowing Durham, it need not be said how beautiful the city is and particularly the peninsula on which we live. The atmosphere is peaceful and at most times conducive to work.

Frank Entwistle has been here a year now, and lives only two doors away from Nial Meredith who is in his final year. Always a keen member of the Christian Union at School, Frank has gone on with this activity in the Inter-Collegiate Christian Union here in Durham. Lest it be thought that this is all he has done, let it be said that he is quite a fair oarsman, and rowed for the College Freshers Crew. He is busy now reading for his first year examination. Like Nial Meredith, he is hoping to be ordained into the Church of England, and St. John's College, where both are, provides a unique situation where one can both read for a degree and undertake the theological training.

Nial Meredith is taking a Social Studies degree, the chief subjects of which are psychology and philosophy. He is Captain of the Durham Division of the University Golf team (having obtained full colours), and next year will be President of the Social Studies Society. He has spoken from the dispatch box at debates and has done the most peculiar things in connection with his degree, having worked in the Probation Office in Liverpool for some time, as well as in an Approved School for two months!

We do recommend anyone who cannot get into Oxford or

Cambridge to try the "third" best University in the country—we are both very much enjoying it!

### Liverpool

At the time of going to press, the month of reckoning has descended upon us, and those carefree hours passed at the card table, on the rugby field, in the Jazz Band, or merely behind the coffee-cup discussing the opposite sex, are regretted and cursed as examinations cast a shadow of gloom to rival the smog over Brownlow Hill. "Opening time" means nothing more than 9-30 at the Cohen, and half-closed eyes and unshaven faces betray

much burning of the proverbial midnight oil.

For some, however, the sky is bright, and all the delights ("sic"!) of summer in Liverpool-on-Mersey are waiting to be sampled. The indivisible band of Third Year O.G. Medics have successfully overcome that monster mysteriously named II M.B., and now walk with a confidence suggestive of visions of a House of Lords overflowing with Graduates from Liverpool. K. F. Edwardson, in particular, is to be congratulated on walking-oif with several prizes—we hope this message reaches his hiding place!

Despite weather of an Arctic breed, last term's Panto Week was its usual uproarious and crazy success. L. Illingworth gained fame, and consequent ignominy, as one of the Engineers not arrested at the Annual Battle of Flour, while it is rumoured that P. W. Brunt was seen with an unwonted glazed expression in his eyes trying to sell an immunity badge to Queen Victoria.

Turning to Union affairs, G. A. Noar was very narrowly beaten for the Presidency of the Guild of Undergraduates, but we feel sure that he will fill the Dental representative's chair on

Council with professional competence.

Finally, we send our best wishes for their success to all boys taking the G.C.E. exams, and hope to see many of them next term at this University which, if Victorian in origin, is also Old Georgian in composition.

#### Oxford

It would be pleasant to be able to record that the writing of this term's thoughts about Oxford is interrupted only by the sound of cuckoos in the nearby woods. Unfortunately, from the Iffley end of High Street it is broken by the crash of gear-boxes and the roar of rapidly accelerating motor-bicycles. However, the sun shines down as it has done nearly all term, and sufficient of Oxford remains unspoilt to make this term far the most pleasant of all, if also far the most crowded in every sense.

Detailed reporting on the activities of Old Georgians proves

even more difficult than usual because of (a) the many and diverse pastimes; (b) the clandestine nature of some of these! However, it is easy to mention those who have been rather more in the public eye. C. Dyer has been observed from time to time manfully wielding an oar (or whatever one does with an oar) in St. Peter's Hall Eight. J.B.A. Hyde, who last term played scrum-half for Christ Church in Rugger Cuppers and was elected next year's Captain of University Badminton, is reported to have forsaken the Science Faculty and to be reading Tennis this term. J. W. Wood, taking Schools, must perforce appear in the public eye wearing a white tie (among other things), whether he likes it or not!

Otherwise, it can be taken for granted that gentlemen have been disporting themselves in one, some, or all of the following ways: (i) Entertaining young ladies on punt parties; (ii) Alternatively, learning to punt; (iii) Sunbathing on College lawns; (iv) Discovering back ways into respective Colleges; (v) Having picnics on College lawns; (vi) Being fined by respective Senior Deans of Arts; (vii) Taking part in that delightful social pastime, village cricket (B. Sourbut, for example, claims that his batting average is 22); (viii) Reclining on grassy banks, watching people being strenuous in punts (M. J. Forbes has been observed to be a past master at this difficult art); (x) Being entertained by young ladies (but not too seriously). There was something else at No. (ix) which escapes us for the moment—working, could it be?

It is pleasant to record that Mr. Millward is always more than happy to meet Old Boys, or welcome them to his house in North Oxford, and was able to dine at the guest table in Magdalen a few weeks ago.

Finally, the word goes round that Solomon is still with us.

#### **PAVILION FUND**

Subscriptions to the Pavilion Fund have continued to come in very generously and we are now able to announce that the fund has been closed at the total of £1,371 11s. 6d. An order has been placed for the Pavilion and it is hoped that the majority of the construction work will be undertaken during the summer holidays. Internal decorations and plumbing will be completed during the winter, and the official opening will take place next Spring.

The Committee are most grateful to the numerous friends of the school who have subscribed and hope in due course to invite all subscribers to the opening.

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