

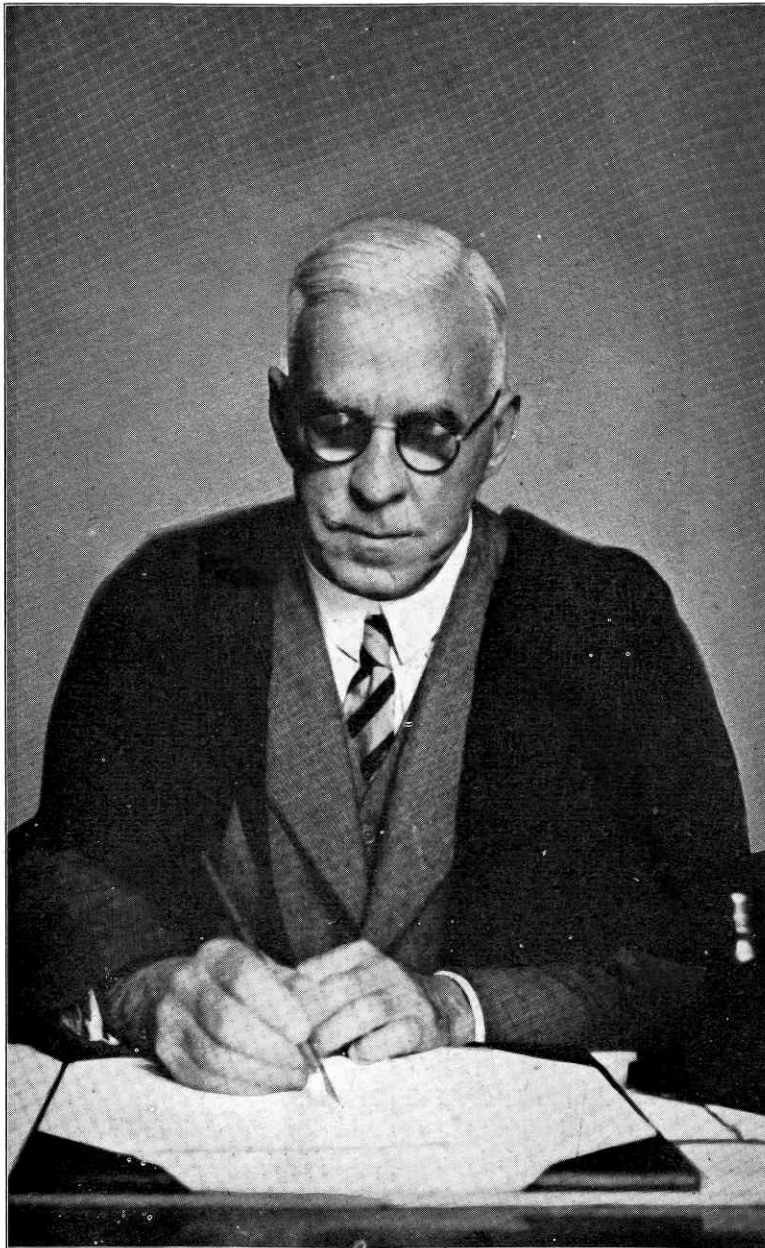
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A FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD MASTER



In the first number of *The Red Rose*, published in 1921, it was my privilege to write the foreword, wherein the hope was expressed that the magazine would speedily establish itself as a regular and vital feature reflecting many sides of the corporate life of the School.

The beginning was a modest one, and the magazine of to-day is the result of years of steady and consistent striving. In the intervening years many difficulties have been encountered and overcome, especially during the years of paper shortage; it is therefore with feelings of pride, mingled with regret, that I respond to the Editor's request to pen a few words in farewell.

Pride one justifiably feels that so many outstanding achievements have been chronicled in the pages of *The Red Rose*, and that much original work has seen the light of day in its pages, wherein too lies the evidence of the School's having nourished a love of truth and intellectual honesty, eagerness to serve the community, and a desire to lead the upright and manly life.

At a time when selfishness, lack of consideration for others, and the lust for power are all too prevalent in the world, there is more than ever the need for the more fortunate who are privileged to pass through the Grammar Schools to hold fast to principles and to give a lead to the man in the street.

Regret one cannot but feel that one's active career has drawn to its close. The prospect of a long holiday grows less entrancing as it draws nearer, but mingled with this feeling is one of profound gratitude to the many masters and boys who have nobly supported any efforts I have been able to make. Fortunate as I have been in this respect, I confidently hope that my successor will be similarly strengthened when he takes the reins. *The Red Rose*, I know, will be a most valuable asset to him.

The first volume in the history of the School draws to its close with the end of this term as the Head Master leaves us for a well-earned retirement.

To us the School is the Head, and we know that whatever it stands for has been his work. From the small beginning it was possible to watch ideas develop under his skilful guidance. Our first members came in from many sections of the community with varying standards, yet in a very short time we began to co-operate in the fulfilment of a plan existing in the mind of the Head. It followed a pattern in which order existed side by side with diversity, individuality with team work, toughness with sensitiveness, courage and uprightness with tolerance.

Such characteristics became the common factor of what we understand by the tone of the School, and it is the pride of all who have had a part in this achievement that they are reflected in so many Old Boys now worthy citizens in various parts of the world as well as in our own town. They carry the tokens of a good School built by the hands of a master craftsman.

Out of the tone of the School grows tradition, the sum of the contributions of all the boys who have belonged to it. Our Head has surely revealed himself in the healthy vigour of our interests; Old Boys bring to him news of the prizes they have gained in all fields of activity; acknowledging their indebtedness, they wish him to share in their gratification, knowing how richly he deserves their tributes.

We who have known him from the earliest days have admired his qualities. His upright carriage, his penetrating insight—disconcerting to those who fall short in performance—and his brisk step were an inspiration. Strict and unflagging as he was, he always tempered his judgment with an awareness of the other side of a question. Many a boy has been the wiser and richer in experience when his problem has been brought to the Head for a solution, and many a colleague has good reason to be grateful for his counsel.

Those who have had the privilege of more intimate friendship with him can tell of pleasant occasions when good humour, quick wit, sound wisdom and active skill gave evidence of the range and strength of his remarkable mind: of a delightful companion in whose presence the hours passed graciously away. But let not the friend who challenges him to a trial of skill be misled by the unassuming manner with which the Head tackles all his problems: in that blandness there is guile and in that affability there is determination. He who would succeed against such an opponent will need all his resources.

There are many schools where a stranger would have need to ask "Which is the Head?" Not so at King George V School. Among men, Mr. Millward is outstanding: in any company his opinion carries weight, his presence commands respect. As he has grown older the Head has lost some of his youthful sprightliness but none of his mental vigour; it is apparent in everything about him. He expects much of the staff and boys; he expects more of himself. At a time of great physical handicap not even his most intimate friends learnt from him the depth of his discomfort.

This is an inadequate portrait of the author of the first volume of our history. The story in all its diversity can only be appreciated when many gather together on many future occasions. We plead that the task is beyond our skill. Deep sentiment cannot be easily expressed and we can only say that King George V School owes a profound debt of gratitude to one who has left an indelible mark on the life of Southport.

We offer to the Head Master and to Mrs. Millward our warmest good wishes for the future. May they enjoy together many years of leisure no less rewarding than those they so faithfully devoted to a great and worthy task.

J.E.

"THE HEAD"

I came to School in 1921 at the beginning of its second year of existence. I thus missed the Head's début, but I had the good fortune to be in the School for the rest of the Woodlands period and for the first year in its new home. It is the besetting sin of old boys to imagine that nothing could possibly happen to a School after they themselves left; they can never believe that there could be heroes after Agamemnon. But it is peculiarly fitting that an old boy of ripe vintage should pay tribute to the Head on his retirement, for we saw him beginning the process that created a School out of buildings and masters and boys.

No good headmaster can be an ordinary, average person, and one still remembers with affection the Head's eccentricities of manner and speech—the distasteful wrinkle of the nose as he cleaned the blackboard, his refusal to recognise that the first consonant of "cinema" might be soft, the elaborate plans, involving his whole corps of prefects, which were perfected for the detection of malefactors and the maintenance of the public peace. Yet these eccentricities at which we used to smile with the superb and terrifying indulgence of youth, now in retrospect help to give us the measure of the man. The Head came too late in the day to introduce any startling innovations into the running

of the newly-born school. He utilised the best ideas of the great headmasters of the past—the division into houses, the prefect system, the principle of rewarding corporate effort rather than individual achievement—and he adapted them skilfully to meet the needs of a day school in an urban environment. The Head's individual contribution to the art he practised lay in the emphasis he placed on some of the aspects of the great tradition he inherited. I fancy he made more serious use of the prefects than is often done in schools of a similar type. At any rate, at the time we were conscious of great responsibilities and important duties—and to make us feel like that was in itself a considerable achievement. Another peculiar contribution of the Head's was the way he created a link between School and town. There was no over-emphasis, for he knew the School had to serve a wider community than the borough, but he made sure that its roots were firmly grounded. By his encouragement, boys met the prominent citizens of the town on terms of easy equality both in the School, at functions like the Mayoral banquet, and outside, at meetings of the Rotary Club. It must have given him great pleasure to see two boys of my period, grown into leading citizens of the borough, take their place as Governors of the School.

The Head's work cannot fail to live. He has built his own monument in creating the strength and spirit of the School. His personality was reserved and gentle, but he had a hard core with which it was not wise to play tricks. He was honest and honourable and he taught others to love honesty and honour. There was no hint of patronage in his manner. Kipling's headmaster, the Prooshian Bates, was described as "a downy bird," and there was a good deal of "downiness" about our Head. We felt he saw through most, if not all, of our little subterfuges, but, above all, we felt he liked and respected us, and in return we gave him our liking and respect. We have memories of him we shall never forget—on the touch-line at a School match, pillow-fighting at Keswick, carol-singing at Christmas. But perhaps our most revealing memory is of the Head in Hall praying, as he so often did, in his quiet and sincere voice, "that we, surely trusting in Thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversary." This was the foundation of the wisdom that inspired us to imitate him according to our own lights.

S.H.F.J.

SCHOOL NOTES

VALETE

- BALL, G. S., 1940-49.—Spencer's, Lower VI Modern, School Certificate 1948.
- BUCKELS, T. M., 1941-49.—Rogers', Lower VI Modern, School Certificate 1948, 1st XV Colours 1947-8, 1st XI Colours 1948.
- HOULDSWORTH, J. D., 1941-49.—Woodham's, Upper VI ScA., School Certificate 1946, 1st XV Colours 1947-8-9, 1st XI Colours 1947-8, (Vice-Captain 1948), School Prefect.
- LAPES, P., 1941-49.—Leech's, Upper VI ScB., Higher School Certificate 1948.
- VERNON, D. I., 1941-49.—Grear's, Lower VI Modern, School Certificate, 1948, Bantam Colours 1945.
- DRAKE, B. L., 1942-49.—Spencer's, Lower VI ScB., School Certificate 1947.
- ADAMSON, L. G., 1943-49.—Grear's, Lower VI ScA., School Certificate 1948.
- JOHNSON, S., 1943-49.—Leech's, Lower VI Modern, School Certificate 1948.
- SMITH, V. J., 1943-49.—Leech's, Lower VI Modern, School Certificate 1948.
- WALSH, P. S., 1944-49.—Mason's, Lower VI Modern, School Certificate 1948.
- HAMER, D. G., 1946-49.—Spencer's, Lower Vc, School Junior Swimming Team, Bronze Medallion R.L.S.S.
- WEST, A. D., 1946-49.—Spencer's, Lower VI Modern, School Certificate 1948.
- WHITESIDE, M. J., 1946-49.—Evans', Upper Vc.
- DENTON, M. T., 1948-49.—Evans', IV Remove.
- JERVIS, M. J. S., 1948-49.—Mason's, IIa.
- LISTER, A., 1948-49.—Mason's, IIIb.

SALVETE

D. T. Harwood.

We are sorry to report that Mr. G. L. Cooper is leaving us at the end of this term. He has contributed much to the work and development of the School in the past twenty-two years, and he will be greatly missed. Our best wishes go with him for the future.

Mr. J. R. Waddington joined the staff as Art master at the beginning of term. For the last two and a half years he has been the Art master at Alderman Newton's Grammar School, at Leicester. He is an old boy of Clitheroe Grammar School who trained at the Burnley School of Art. He served with the Welsh Guards until the end of the war and then studied for his Art Teacher's Diploma at the Manchester School of Art. We feel sure that Mr. Waddington will prove a worthy

HOUSE NOTES

EDWARDS'

successor to Mr. H. D. Williams and he has already introduced methods which will tend to strengthen the feeling for Art in all parts of the school.

Founders' Day was celebrated on June 3rd. The annual commemoration service was held in the School Hall, the Scriptural passage was read by the School Captain, I. R. J. Williams, and the Roll of Honour by Mr. Edwards, and the Head Master addressed the school. A very enjoyable Cricket match with an Old Boys XI was played but unfortunately could not be finished owing to a downpour of rain in the early afternoon. The Form Matches arranged for the afternoon were similarly curtailed.

This term's collection for Charity amounted to £12/17/- and was sent to the Sunshine Homes for Blind Babies. A most appreciative letter of thanks was received from Mrs. Claremont, the Secretary of the Fund.

Just before Easter Mr. A. Van Der Wyk came to give a lecture on the Netherlands to all boys in the Third Forms. The lecturer was very interesting and completely held the attention of the audience, and he was very pleased by the many and varied questions asked by the boys.

On Wednesday, April 6th, the following films were shown to the whole school:—The Beginnings of History, The Instruments of the Orchestra, Ammonia.

On May 4th, two striking films were shown to the school; their titles were "God of Creation" and "God of the Atom."

J. A. Cheetham has passed the examination for the Executive Class in the Civil Service.

L. G. Adamson has passed the examination for the General Clerical Class in the Civil Service.

There was a pleasing revival of the Architectural Excursion this term. In pre-war days it was customary to arrange an excursion to some place of historical interest. This year on May 20th a party visited North Wales with Mr. H. Booth and Mr. J. R. Waddington. They inspected Flint, Rhuddlan, Conway and Beaumaris Castles, and Plas Mawr. The weather was very favourable and everyone enjoyed the outing.

Lectures have been given this term as follows:—

On April 29th to Sixth Form boys on "Careers" by Mr. J. H. Jamieson, Regional Careers Advisory Officer.

On May 2nd Madame Langhorne from the French Embassy gave a talk in French on the "Romanticists and the Romantic Period." A. C. Wynne proposed a vote of thanks in French to the lecturer.

On May 13th Mr. J. A. Davison, Lecturer in Classics at Manchester University, spoke to Sixth Form and Upper V Trans. boys on "Athens and Sparta."

The Southport Chamber Orchestra, under the directorship of Dr. D. Poole-Connor, gave a concert in the School Hall on the evening of Tuesday, June 14th, to which pupils of the High School and various private schools in Southport were also invited. The items included three orchestral suites and two sets of piano duets. It was interesting to observe among the orchestra one old boy and one present pupil. The concert was very much appreciated by an audience of over 250.

A fine effort was made in the Sports this year and, although we failed to win any of the trophies, we gained the second largest total of points. The great keenness shown by the juniors was especially pleasing. We continue to do well in the Gymnastic Competition; at the moment, both Seniors and Juniors hold very favourable positions.

The Senior House XI, captained by K. F. Bather, has played two matches: in the first, we defeated Gear's by 7 wickets, and in the second we defeated Leech's by 6 wickets. Bather and Turton play for the School 1st XI. The Junior House practices have revealed ample bowling talent, but more enterprise and aggression in batting are essential to win matches.

We wish to congratulate J. A. Hoyles, the House Swimming Captain, on being chosen to swim for Lancashire in a county match against Cheshire. This is a rare achievement, and one of which we feel sure the House will be very proud. Hoyles and A. Brown are in the School Swimming Team. The Life-Saving class is progressing well under the patient guidance of B. F. Bracewell. As the Swimming Sports are drawing near, we hope that all boys who can swim will qualify at the earliest opportunity, and so help to maintain the high level of qualifications reached last year.

J.W.W.

EVANS'

We would tender belated congratulations to F. Fillingham for his awards of Award of Merit and Bronze Cross. It is also pleasing to see that several members of the House have gained their Bronze Medallions.

In the School Sports D. H. Hamilton took first place in Group II 220 yards, and second place in the 100 yards. I. R. J. Williams won the mile, and broke the School record for that event.

Although we have no representatives in School cricket, the Senior House Team, under the captaincy of B. Newton, won the first match of the competition.

F. Fillingham appears regularly for the School Swimming Team, and we hope that he will form a nucleus for the House Team in the Swimming Sports. I. R. J. Williams is Captain of the School Athletics team.

I.R.J.W.

GEAR'S

Although the Easter Holiday practices were not very well attended, we put up a fine performance on Sports Day and gained all four Trophies. Undoubtedly the finest performance was that of D. D. Steele who with three firsts and a second gained the highest number of points, and in addition equalled the Group 3 220 yards record. In the first Athletics' match of the season, just before half-term, we were represented by H. J. Foster, T. G. Bateman and N. Slack. Foster excelled in putting the shot, in which he easily broke the School record.

The first Senior cricket match was lost, in a game of high scoring. Enthusiasm was shown, however, especially by the younger members, and this augers well for next year. We are represented in the 1st XI by D. H. Macleod, in the 2nd XI by H. J. Foster (captain), J. O. Clarke and D. S. Roberts, and in the Colts XI by D. D. Steele (captain) and G. A. Pearce.

The Junior Rugby XV last term regained the Junior Rugby Shield. This was all the more worthy an effort because in the final they snatched victory in the last few seconds after being behind for most of the match.

We wish all boys who are leaving the greatest success for the future. I.C.

LEECH'S

In this year's Athletic Sports much keenness was shown by some members of the House. N. Nuttall in Group I and T. Howard in Group II are to be specially thanked for their efforts on Sports Day, though all our representatives put up a good performance.

Bason and E. S. Usher tied for the post of vice-captain of our cricket team, which, captained by Nuttall, has been successful up to the present. Stelfox and West have been appointed captain and vice-captain respectively of the Junior XI; both teams have our very best wishes.

Smith has become our Swimming captain, and Life Saving Classes under E. S. Usher are still in progress. We hope the House will energetically support all swimming activities, and trust that as many boys as possible will qualify.

A. G. Hopper reported a somewhat disappointing response to the appeal for the Sunshine Homes, but perhaps next term we may have a more generous response. E.T.R.

MASON'S

We congratulate K. A. Youds on being elected School Cricket Captain this term. D. J. Williams plays regularly for the School 2nd XI. The senior house team has so far played only one match: this was lost, but we hope that the results of the others will be better. D. Kaitiff bowled well, taking four wickets for three runs.

G. N. E. Aughton, C. B. Holmes and A. Watt are in the School Athletics team. Holmes has broken the record for throwing the Javelin, and Watt has broken the Discus record.

P. Stephens once again spurred on the House to top the Charity Collections list. It is most encouraging to be able to note that Mason's are making a good effort in this sphere.

Our congratulations are due also to Dyer, who was second in the Senior Elocution Contest which was held at the end of last term.

G.N.E.A.

ROGERS'

At the beginning of term Senior and Junior Cricket Captains were elected, these being M. E. Jones and M. P. Mighall respectively. Although no House matches have yet been played both teams have had several practices. This season the House has a number of representatives playing regularly in School teams; M. R. E. Hyde, G. Woodfine and P. W. Ross in the 1st XI, J. Haslam in the 2nd XI and M. P. Mighall, Wolstenholme and Woodfine in the Colts XI.

Although the House did not gain a large number of points in the Athletic Sports, good performances were put up by two of its members. P. C. Edwards won both the 100 yards and the 220 yards in his group and J. M. Ross came second in the mile. G.B.

SPENCER'S

We must congratulate all our members who distinguished themselves in the School Athletic Sports; the details are reported elsewhere in this issue.

Hamer and Higgins have been awarded the Bronze Medallion for Life-saving. Harris and Haynes have distinguished themselves in the Inter-school Swimming Match against Bolton.

We are ably represented in the School Boxing Finals by Farrington, Price and Sumner.

In cricket, Farrar and Hulme have played for the 1st XI, and Higgins and Mansbridge have played for the 2nd XI. Fann, Ford, Hughes, Meunier and Sumner represent us in the Colts' XI. We are glad to say that our Senior Cricket team has emerged victorious from the matches against Evans' and Mason's.

This term, the House Almoner, J. A. Cheetham reports a good collection for the School Charity, "The Sunshine Homes for Blind Babies."

Finally, we are proud of the fact that at the end of last term we attained first place in the Honours List. A.C.W.

WOODHAM'S

In the final of the Badminton competition last term, our team was defeated by Leech's by two sets to one after a keen struggle against opponents possessing a big advantage in height and reach.

Members of the House in Group I put up some very good performances in the Athletic Sports at the beginning of this term, the most outstanding achievement being the winning of the Group I relay race in the amazing time of 2 mins. 40.8 secs. We hope that this example will spur members of Groups II and III to start regular and serious training much earlier next year.

R. N. Davidson has been appointed Senior House Cricket captain and M. S. Davidson Junior Cricket captain. In the only Senior match played so far, we were defeated in a very close game. We are well represented in School Cricket teams. R. N. Davidson, J. M. C. Davidson and M. S. Davidson have played for the 1st XI, and N. J. Andrews and Styche for the 2nd XI.

We trust that all boys in the House who can swim will have gained the maximum points in the swimming qualifications contest by the time these notes appear in print. The House Swimming Team captained by Cardwell, who is again School Swimming captain, hopes to have improved on last year's performance.

We should like to thank the House for its generous contribution to this term's Charity collection. J.K.W.

OLD BOYS' NEWS

B. Collinge (1935-41) has been appointed Assistant Lecturer in the Physics Department at Liverpool University.

T. L. Schofield (1928-36) was successful in passing the final examination for the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons. He is at present Surgical Registrar at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool.

News has been received from Canada of the appointment of K. E. Marsden (1924-32), of Manitoba, as Chief Inspector for the Canadian Pacific Air lines.

OLD BOYS' SUCCESSES

AT BIRMINGHAM—

S. Ginsberg, Part III final M.B., Leith-Numan prize in Pathology.

AT CAMBRIDGE—

R. H. Garstang, Caius College, Maths Tripos, Part III, with distinction.

R. Harrop, Caius College, Maths Tripos, Part III, with distinction.

E. W. Marsden, St. John's College, Classical Tripos Part I, Class I, with distinction in Latin verse composition.

W. B. H. Lord, Trinity College, Natural Sciences Tripos, Part II, Class II.

D. Hurst, Caius College, Maths Tripos, Part II, Junior Optime.

AT LIVERPOOL—

R. T. Ackroyd, Ph.D. Engineering.

R. E. Bracewell, Part 1 Final L.D.S.

T. Broadhurst, B.Sc. (Chemistry) First Class Honours.

R. F. Brown, B.Eng. (Electrical Engineering) First Class Honours.

D. H. Carr, M.B., Ch.B., Part II.

L. B. Curzon, Diploma in Education with Distinction in Theoretical work.

D. R. W. Haddock, M.B., Ch.B., Part II.

W. B. Jennett, M.B., Ch.B., with Distinction, Second Class Honours.

G. F. Kirkham, B.Eng.

L. D. Kramer, B.D.S. with Distinction in Medicine.

H. Lomas, B.A. (English) First Class Honours.

A. J. Morris Cohen, B.A. (English) Second Class Honours.

R. B. Newton, B.Sc. (Physics).

J. B. Perry, B.A. Special Studies Classics.

H. P. W. Polding, B.Eng. (Civil Engineering) Second Class Honours.

R. S. Scott, B.A. (Geography) Second Class Honours.

E. B. Taylor, B.Sc.

J. W. Thornley, B.Com. Second Class Honours.

A. S. Whitehead, M.Rad. Part II.

J. G. Walker, B.Eng. (Civil Engineering) Second Class Honours.

The following University Awards have also been announced at Liverpool :

W. H. Scott, Fellowship in Social Science.

H. Lomas, Post Graduate Scholarship for English Literature.

D. H. Johnson, Post Graduate Studentship in Chemistry.

W. B. Jennett, the Clinical School Exhibition, and the prize for Medicine.

T. Broadhurst, the Le Blanc Medal for Chemistry.

J. F. Glass, B.A. Classics (Aegrotat).

J. T. Wright, LL.B., Third Class Honours.

Reading:

G. H. Stansfield, B.Sc., Horticulture.

MARRIAGES

L. W. Abbott to Joan Wraighte, at St. Luke's Church on March 12th.
C. E. Trott to Elsie J. Moore, at West End Congregational Church on March 12th.

B. Turner to Betty Brow, at Emmanuel Church on March 19th.
G. D. Pritchard to Dorothy Dean, at All Souls' Church on April 2nd.
R. A. Woodall to Margaret Williams, at Wynydd Seion Chapel, Abergele, on April 4th.

J. W. Frobisher to Anne S. Gore, at All Saints' Church on April 30th.
J. H. Leslie to Pauline I. Hill, at Emmanuel Church on June 18th.

G. Harrison to Doreen Owens, at St. Cuthbert's Church on June 27th.
H. Lymath to Margery Atkinson at All Souls' Church on June 27th.
L. Rushton to Joan E. Yates, at Christ Church on July 2nd.

F. W. B. Shepherd to Marguerite A. Lowe, at the Parish Church, Preston, on July 2nd.

OLD BOYS' LETTERS

Caius College,
Cambridge.

To the Editors of "The Red Rose."

June 9th, 1949.

SIRS,—As the end of term approaches, certain members of the Old Georgians are emerging from the state of coma which characterises exam. term, and are beginning to partake, for a few days, of the carefree existence which others such as Ross have been able to enjoy throughout the academic year. The last to emerge were Harrop and Garstang, who gained their freedom to-day.

The last few days of term include events to suit every taste. Madrigals are sung by members of the Madrigal Society under Kings' bridge; the "Bumps," in which over 100 boats are taking part, attract keen interest throughout the colleges, while the following week several "May" balls are held.

The University has the pleasure this week of welcoming Field-Marshal Smuts, its Chancellor, to the town to confer several honorary degrees and to visit several colleges.

We remain, Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

C.U.O.G.S.

St. John's College, Durham.

June 17th, 1949.

To the Editors of "The Red Rose."

SIRS,—We have all unfortunately found this term a very trying one. Both H. Bridge and W. Iddon find the truth of the proverb "The first year is the worst year." We do not often see J. R. A. Shaw, but we imagine that this may partly be due to the fact that his walks take him no further than the Bailey (in other Universities this would doubtless be "College Road"). But it may also be due to the fact that he has been taking finals. We have all learnt what a weariness of the flesh too much study is, and we are glad that "June-week" (the only week in the year when Master and Undergraduate are one in heart and mind) is now drawing near.

It is unhappily J. Moss's last term here and we shall be sorry when he leaves us. We wish him health, wealth and prosperity in the teaching profession.

To "all you within this place" (shades of "The Comedy of Errors"?)—every good wish for the exams.

Yours faithfully,

D.U.O.G.S.

The University,
Liverpool.

June 10th, 1949.

To the Editors of "The Red Rose."

SIRS,—The Summer Term is not a fruitful one for the gossip writer, who must look round in vain for colourful sporting events to be more colourfully reported. Instead the scene is the old black-and-white print of cramming and commiseration and post-mortems on papers.

We are glad to report that Crowther and Glass have now recovered from their disabilities and are back with us.

It is now time to render a final definite statement on Bather's situation. Few Old Boys can have been so frequently and regularly cursed with inaccurate reporting. It can now be stated with confidence that far from lecturing at the University or occupying a post at Sandhills, he is researching in the Chemistry department.

Glass and Perry, accompanied by Sainsbury down from Oxford for the Easter vacation, made a pilgrimage in April to Bangor to take part in the Congress of the National Union of Students. The experience of simultaneously losing nationality and becoming more conscious of it inside a multitude of personalities was refreshing, but submission to hours-long political—usually Communist—harangues, was found inferior in pleasure to the bridge rubber and the tennis set.

We are, Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

L.U.O.G.S.

London University.

June 11th, 1949.

To the Editors of "The Red Rose."

SIRS,—The month of June is the undergraduate's month of reckoning; he may have accepted the terminals of December without a murmur, and tolerated those of March with but a smile, but when May draws to a close he knows that the days of judgment are at hand. No more late trains to the city, mid-morning cups of coffee, mid-day strolls, mid-afternoon cups of tea, and midnight revelry. It is time to study the exam. papers of the past, to forecast accurately the paper of the future, and to transform hastily-compiled lecture notes into compact and comprehensible summaries. And then, having crammed himself with these, he must face paper after paper of questions he has never anticipated, and write book after book of answers he had never prepared.

This general picture may better convey our plight than any enumeration of individual woes. Indeed, the colleges of the University are so scattered, and unmindful of each other's doings, that mere ignorance prevents us from recording many names. However, we trust that the experiences of H. Townsend, R. Blair, G. L. Bantock and D. B. Read at the London School of Economics, and A. Watts at University College, may be regarded as typical, and that we do no one an injustice in signing ourselves as

Yours faithfully,

London University Old Georgians.

The Union,

Burlington Street, Manchester.

June 16th, 1949.

To the Editors of "The Red Rose."

SIRS,—Our letter this term must necessarily be short. A vicious combination of overworked printers, demanding extra time to print the papers, and a late Easter, have reduced our lecture period this term to three weeks, bringing still nearer our days of judgment.

Some few, more lucky than the rest, have been spared this time, but not so we other poor sinners, who must now wear long faces until the powers that be announce our fate. As to the events of the term apart from a minor domestic dispute which led to the whole Union committee resigning, the only important occurrence has been the visit of the School Swimming team, which defeated the University second team. A worthy triumph, but one which few could see, for engagements less pleasant but more pressing had a prior claim to our attention.

As to personal notes, many O.G.s have not been seen at all, and those who have been encountered seem to have lost their physical powers, for on enquiry they have all been doing nothing—a lamentable state of affairs which will have been remedied, we trust, by the time our next letter is due.

Meanwhile, in closing, we would remind those intending to visit the seats of higher learning, that Manchester would appreciate their presence. In the past, Liverpool has purloined or otherwise obtained

the talent which rightly should have come our way. May we remind you that, not so very long ago, Liverpool University was but a college of the Victoria University of Manchester.

We remain, Sirs,
Yours faithfully,
M.U.O.G.S.

The University of Oxford.
June 11th, 1949.

To the Editors of "The Red Rose."

SIRS,—The seventh week of Trinity Term is no doubt the saddest week in the University year. Like all undergraduates at Oxford, we realise at this time that our brief eight weeks of merriment are almost over and that we have not yet mustered the energy we know we shall all need for the last hilarious fling before coming down. Lymath and Pendlebury are sadder than the rest of us, for they are now slaving to turn their "alphas" into "alpha pluses" in the Examination Schools. Of them we can say no more than that both have kept in commendably high spirits splashing about on the Cherwell, and that Lymath at least has shown that Schools should be treated lightheartedly by treading a pretty measure at the St. Peter's Hall dance, and by taking a considerable part in Summer Eights.

We can record, however, that Horrocks, Lawrenson, Reuben and Sainsbury have had the time of their lives for the last six weeks, and now, cow-eyed and feebly clutching at this, the last link with a pleasant world far behind, they beg to tell you what they have done.

Horrocks has now grown efficient at punting and at tennis, and alas! we fear, exposes the rather less sporty pursuits of the other three. We understand that he has even walked to London, a feat which they could never perform, nor wish to. Lawrenson, meanwhile, spends his time watching and talking cricket, while Reuben has justified even his being at Exeter by entering and controlling University dramatics. Now that he has ousted Douglas Byng in revue this term, we are proud of him, as we are sure the school would be if it, too, had seen him in all parts from Pilgrim Father to Vestal Virgin. Sainsbury's acting outburst is not due to start for a fortnight, when he embarks with the Balliol Players on a tour through the South of England with Aristophanes' "Birds," presuming of course that he survives the Commemoration Week dances.

We all send our best wishes to the School, hoping that it enjoys great success in S.C. and H.S.C. examinations, and that before long we shall have even more Old Georgians with us.

And now, returning to our stages, our punts, our desks,

We remain, Sirs,
Yours faithfully,
O.U.O.G.S.

College of S. Mark and S. John,
Chelsea, S.W.10.

12th June, 1949.

To the Editors of "The Red Rose."

SIRS,—This letter is being composed in the midst of the last-minute cramming for examinations, R.H. for 1st Year finals, and A.G.R. for the Teacher's Certificate, upon the completion of which he will leave "Marjons" to take up a teaching appointment in London.

Since our last letter both your correspondents have visited Europe; R.H. went with the Geographical Society to Ste. Croix in Switzerland, the main intention being to study land forms. The actual amount of work done looked small, compared to the exhibition of the work done by the Historical Society in Avignon, of which A.G.R. was a member. Both visits, however, gave pleasant vacation memories.

The Summer Term, besides having important academic implications, is a term of many College social events, sports and inter-collegiate days, and Open Day being most important.

We are, Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

R. HEPBURN, A. G. RIGDEN.

EARLY MORNING AT HAWORTH

*"Rock and no water and the sandy road,
The road winding above among the mountains."* T. S. Eliot.

The wind blows gustily down the valley; the brook is clear and cold. The trees bend in the wind; the rough grass is heavy with dew. A bare stone wall severs the open moor from the green fields, and the stones themselves are dark and worn. The moor stretches away to the distant horizon until it seems to merge with the dark clouds beyond. Overhead, the clouds are tinged with red from the early sun; a lone skylark rises against the wind and an endless succession of shrill notes pierces the morning air.

The open surface of the moor is scarred with deep cuts. In winter they were rushing streams full of blue-green snow water, but now they are dry and stormy. There is no water, and along their sides the dry roots of the heather are exposed. The heather is rough and dry and gives no promise of the flowers which will come as the days lengthen.

Across the moor there is a road; a track rutted by the wheels of many old carts; a bare line over the dark mountains. A road winding past old farms, derelict farms, blinded by walled-in windows. Once they sheltered people, now only sheep.

The sheep are huddled in the lee of the buildings as the heavy clouds move down over the hills. The wind drops, the skylark comes to earth, and all is silent. The clouds are heavy with rain, and they hang, poised on the brink of the sky. A darkness as of night descends on the moors, and all is still. Then, the first drops of rain plunge out of the sky, and rain soon fills the air. With the rain comes the wind. The sheep crouch in shelter, and they are lost in darkness and in rain.

I.R.J.W.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY COMMITTEE, 1948-9

A CHAIRMAN was there of beside Bathe,
But he was talkative, and that was scathe;
His wit was oft so fine as to be missed;
He was a very perfect journalist.

In corduroys he clothèd was alway,
Excepting when he came in sheeny grey
To grace a public meeting or affair,
Which very well he did, and witty e'er.

There was also a POET eloquent;
His eyen weren ever upward bent.
An actor was he, powerful and loud
So that he had of lady-friends a crowd.
A lover passionate he was and hot.
His hosen weren green, but he was not.

A FUGE there was, a wanton and a merry.
Well could he speak, and drink another's sherry.
At playing on the flute he did excel,
And sang as loud as any chapel bell.
Yet in the Library was he so stern,
So much did noise and chatter him concern,
That young and old before him fled in fear,
And none durst misbehave when he was near.

A BATHER was there, chunky and well-built,
Whose mighty strength made others all to wilt.
When that he sang a song with all his might
In Ainsdale people could not hear him—quite!
In company full off he told a joke,
But ever did he eat more than he spoke.

Two WELSHMEN weren in that company.
Admirers had that one a great many
When he came out in suit of purple hue,
Though wherefore he would wear it no one knew.
His hair as golden was as setting sun.
But, sooth to say, I think he lovèd none.

That other had authority and might
And all wrongdoers trembled in his sight.
Him list to argue much with earnest air.
Coal-black and full of wavelets was his hair.
In public was he pictured with a smile
When that he had with vigour run the mile.

The seventh a MUSICIAN was and poor;
But that one was myself, and so no more.

J.W.W.

THE SHEPHERD OF HAFOD ITHEL

It was the screech of the badly fitting door which woke him. His mother always came over at half past five to milk the cows, and if her entry did not wake him she would shout up the stairs to tell him to get up. He rolled over in bed and stared at the faded face of the old clock with bleary and incredulous eyes. Reluctantly he rose and donned his breeches, his collarless flannel shirt, and an old worn jacket. Then he stumped down the twisted wooden stairs, and went into the room which served him as kitchen, dining-room and living-room. He sat down with a grunt, and a muffled curse at his stiffness, on the faded horsehair sofa. He dragged his studded boots from the fire-side corner, put them on, and tightened the leather laces. He wound a gaudy, red, spotted bandanna around his neck and reached his cap down from a hook.

Before sitting down to the breakfast, which his mother had already prepared, he went out into the yard to release the dogs. They followed him into the house and sat expectantly under the table whilst he ate his breakfast. He threw them all his crusts, which they swallowed without any attempt to chew. His cap had remained on his head throughout the meal, and when he had finished he drew it firmly over his brow. He rose from the chair and threw his old army great-coat over his shoulders, took his staff from behind the door and went out. When he had passed through the gate at the end of the yard he turned up the path to the mountain. For some time he trudged on in silence: the chill of the morning turned the breath of the dogs at his heels into steam. Through the mist came the wild cry of a curlew, overhead he could hear the harsh croak of a raven, and from the pool on his left came the "drumming" of a snipe which had risen at his approach. The blades of grass bore translucent beads of dew, and as he strode through the tall reeds he could feel the dampness seeping through above his leggings.

Soon he reached the part of the mountain known as Hafod Ithel, but he was within sight of the cairn of stones which marked the highest point before he saw the first of his sheep, clustered in the shelter of an outcrop of rock. They had heard him coming long before he could see them, and when he came within twenty yards of them they were standing up, staring through the mist at him. But they did not move again until he gave a short high-pitched whistle and the two dogs went circling off into the mist. Soon there was a bleating flock of sheep and lambs before him. The dogs kept a wary guard while he counted the sheep, and when he had finished and whistled to them they were obviously loth to leave their charges.

There was one sheep missing. He had noticed the day before that the three-year old ewe which had not lambed that spring was feeding on her own down in the shade of the rushes below the mountain-side. He swore to himself with annoyance, and set out to search for her. Luckily, by now the beams of the sun were piercing the mist and it would not be difficult to find her if she had not wandered far. When he was once more down by the verge of the rushes, the dogs put up a hare which ran away down the valley. Despite his command to them to return to heel, they raced off in pursuit. He

paused for a few moments to light his pipe, and by the time he had got it going the dogs came panting back to him, their tails wagging with the excitement of the chase. A curt reproof soon brought them to heel, and he set off once more. After walking up and down for about ten minutes, he saw a white shape in the rushes before him. A low whistle sent the dogs out, and they stood before it while he came up behind. As it turned to bolt from the dogs he checked it by catching its neck with the crooked end of his staff. Then he caught hold of it, forced it to lie down, and knelt over its body. As he had suspected, the sheep was badly fly-blown. He took his shears from his pocket and cut away the wool from the affected part of the back. Then he covered the raw flesh beneath with some of the Stockholm Tar which he carried in a flask in his pocket. When he had finished he released the sheep, which ran bleating back to the rest of the flock.

When he rose to go back to the farm the air was clear. As he came over the breast of the hill he could see the country stretching away to the sea below him. He could also see a vast expanse of blue sky. It was going to be a fine day, and he hurried off to cut the first of his small fields of hay.

I.R.J.W.

THE NORTH WALES EXCURSION

Eight o'clock on Friday, May 20, found some thirty boys from school waiting with coats, food and patience for a bus to take them to some of the North Wales Castles. Fifteen minutes later, passing an Ainsdale bus stop, shouts, smiles and waves were exchanged with a queue of non-architectural students waiting for another special bus. At Liverpool the coach plunged from the bright sunshine of a fine morning into the orange and white fairy land of Queensway, emerged in Birkenhead and within two hours of leaving home pulled up before Flint Castle.

To those expecting romantic ivy clad towers forming a majestic foreground to a glorious view of the River Dee estuary, Flint was a disappointment. Its beheaded towers, devoid of vegetation, hide behind the 18th century jail. The site has been encroached upon by the main road and railway on one side and cottages on another. The tall chimneys on the third side serve as a reminder that at one time the inner bailey itself contained factory buildings, while the silting up of the river on the fourth side has left a large area of marsh, a quagmire through which at least two school photographers were seen squelching.

Flint Castle is unique in that the keep was quite outmoded in Britain by the time the castle was built. The keep or donjon is isolated from the courtyard by the moat (now dry) and has its own well. As with most historic buildings and ancient monuments in the care of the Ministry of Works, the stone work of Flint is protected against further deterioration by careful pointing, the sites of original buildings are marked by low walls and the courtyard, moat and adjacent land are turfed.

Rhuddlan Castle, the second to be visited, is also under the protection of the Ministry of Works and for the past year or so architects and workmen have been restoring it to some of its former grandeur. The impressive drum towers once more overlook the dock and canalised river built to supply the castle from the sea. Walls and towers have been stripped of ivy which was crumbling the stone work. With mechanical help, the moat has been redug, although not to its original depth, while, with slower hand labour, wall foundations have been carefully followed by trench-digging and in this way some stonework, chiefly arrow slits and doorways, has been revealed which is so well preserved that several school visitors thought it new work.

Leaving the Edwardian castle several of the visiting party struck south-east to find the older Norman castle site. This Motte and Bailey castle was constructed in 1073, the Motte (or mound) was 60 feet high and reveals little evidence of nearly 900 years of erosion. The Bailey was surrounded by a ditch, bank and palisade. As all the buildings were wooden nothing but the earthworks remain; even so, the fine siting and difficult approach could still be appreciated by a band of puffing schoolboys victoriously surveying the view from the top.

Conway, approached from the suspension bridge appearing with tower upon tower pointing skywards, produced noticeable excitement among the more junior members until they realised that all the glistening white stonework with its dummy battlements and solid machicolations was the work of bridgebuilders "in keeping" with the surroundings.

The conditions of the castle at Conway has been the subject of much criticism in the national press. Owned by the Town Council it looks as if it is about to slip off the rock outcrop on which it has been placed. On the battlements whole stones are loose and liable to be pushed off accidentally by visitors. Thick vegetation grows unhampered by man.

Plas Mawr, an Elizabethan stone house in Conway, was visited. The lavish plaster decoration and the symmetrical plan are somewhat similar in character to Astley Hall and reflect the exuberance of the times and the introduction into these islands of the classical details of the Renaissance.

Baumaris Castle, one of the most perfectly designed castles, was a pleasing contrast to the decay and dust which obscured the visited showpieces of Conway.

To some of the party the sight of a moat with water in it instead of grass was an unexpected delight, while in a matter of minutes muffled shouts and wild excitement announced to the more serious that their younger brethren had discovered the network of passages around the walls and that they were busily discovering more.

This castle is concentric in plan and was the last of Edward I's Welsh castles. Building began in 1295 and from 1316 to 1320 the outer curtain wall was added. The plan was changed during construction. As a result, the Great Hall was built not along the wall of the Inner

Ward, where fireplaces had already been made, but over the Northern Gatehouse where, by means of drawbridges, it could be isolated and made to serve virtually as a keep. Like all the other castles visited it could be supplied by land or water, and for this purpose it has a fortified dock capable of holding a 40-ton vessel.

The school party stumbled back to the coach, tired but very happy, to return to Southport and to remember May 20 as a most enjoyable day.
J.P.G.

THE OUTWARD BOUND SEA SCHOOL

The very name seems to conjure up a spirit of adventure and hardships. I was told before I went that we should certainly "be put through it." But, looking back now, it was not nearly as bad as we had expected.

The general routine of the school was kept to rigidly throughout the month. This consisted briefly of a run and skip followed by a cold shower every morning at six-thirty. Next we all went on Parade in Watches of twelve boys each and received our instructions for the day: athletics perhaps, a sail in one of the cutters, or a small expedition into the mountains. We had another Parade in School uniform at night and one or two lectures. There was also a Watch Competition and the marks were added up at the end of the day. Each Watch captain had to see that the hut was kept tidy and clean for the morning inspection by the Chief Officer.

A memorable occasion for me was when I found out that I was one of the twelve boys chosen to go up to London and have dinner at the Mayfair Hotel with the Outward Bound Trust. We were to be introduced personally to the Duke of Edinburgh. I do not think any of us had ever before felt so nervous as when we stood in the great hall; a large gathering of people seemed to be staring at us and talking about us among themselves, while we waited for the ordeal. We would not have missed it for anything, but after travelling back to Aberdovey all through the night we had to crawl into our bunks.

The most exciting event came when it was my Watch's turn to go to sea for four days in the School's eighty-ton ketch "Garibaldi." It was a beautiful sunny day as the motor-boat took us out to meet her at the bar. We changed Watches and provisions out at sea and then we sailed away, not without some misgivings, into the unknown. Imagine our feelings when, after a day during which most of the chaps had been sick, the mate said that we must get up at 6-30 a.m., scrub the decks and then heave up the anchor! As the ship rolled and pitched every few minutes a figure would dart to the side and then stagger back to take his place at the anchor. Some of the chaps were peeling potatoes and vegetables in buckets which kept sliding over the deck as the ship rolled. Others would be up the rigging and hanging on for all they were worth. The most difficult job on board, besides pleasing the mate, was to steer the ship on her course, and many boys gave it up in the end. But though the cruise had its good points I for one was pleased to see good old Aberdovey once again.

It was surprising how well every boy got on with his neighbours, for they were from all walks of life such as factories, shops, public schools and even a barrow-boy or two. We all seemed to be one big happy family for a month and it was strange to think we should probably not meet again.

The final test of the Course was a thirty-mile expedition over Cader Idris, 2,400 feet high, which lasted all day and night. This was very enjoyable and many times we stopped to admire the beautiful countryside and also refresh ourselves from the mountain streams.

Now our thoughts turned to going home but first of all we had to clean and tidy our huts thoroughly. The last day was occupied with the distribution of badges and saying farewell to friends. Before we knew it we were heading for home in our civvies and the 83rd Course was finished.
M.E.J.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

On May 10th the Inter-House Athletics competition was favoured with perfect weather to which the competitors responded with an enthusiasm that gave much pleasure to a very large gathering of guests.

After winning a very close struggle in the Senior 100 yards, R. Foster made good use of his long, easy stride to gain a second success in the 220 yards. In the 440 yards K. F. Hulme provided a thrilling finish with a determined effort in the final straight which enabled him to win a good race in the last few yards.

I. R. J. Williams made his own pace in the mile with excellent judgment and, running with graceful ease, established a record which sets a worthy standard for future competitors in this event.

In Group 2 D. H. Hamilton and P. C. Edwards fought out the sprints with keen determination and provided the spectators with two exciting finishes. T. Howard earned a double success in the 440 yards and the hurdles, and in the 880 yards E. W. Durham ran away from the field with an ease and elegance that promises well for the future.

D. D. Steele, in Group 3, was the outstanding individual performer with well-earned victories in the 100 yards and 220 yards; in the latter event he equalled a record that has withstood the challenge for many years. The 440 yards again created much excitement when the diminutive D. Howard, showing astounding energy in the last 50 yards, refused to finish anywhere but first.

Two of the team relay races deserve special mention: In Group 2 keen interest was maintained to the end, where inches only separated the first three runners over the last leg. After an unfortunate fall in the first leg of Group 3 relay, Edwards' team made a grand recovery and a great final effort by P. W. Pearce gave them victory in the last few yards.

The re-introduction of the Javelin event, after a lapse of several years, produced a marked contrast in performance between competitors. C. B. Holmes, with a natural easy throwing action, flighted the javelin perfectly and easily established a new school record; the mechanical throwers, through lack of practice, experienced much difficulty in getting the javelin airborne. Performances in the other field events reached the usual good standard, and no doubt the modern style of jumping, attempted by some competitors, will produce better results when practice develops more control.

To the writer the meeting had one disturbing feature which has been evident recently in many games activities. Good style is essential for good performance and is easily recognised, and appreciated, by knowledgeable onlookers. Some senior members of the School are confusing style with showmanship, which reduces the standard of performance and causes considerable distress and embarrassment to the majority of spectators.

H.H.

RESULTS

- 100 Yards, Group 1.—1, R. H. Foster (W.); 2, K. F. Hulme (S.); 3, J. B. Cardwell (W.). Time, 10 $\frac{1}{8}$ secs.
- 100 Yards, Group 2.—1, P. C. Edwards (R.); 2, D. H. Hamilton (Ev.); 3, R. Pactor (S.). Time, 11 $\frac{1}{8}$ secs.
- 100 Yards, Group 3.—1, D. D. Steele (G.); 2, P. W. Pearce (Ed.); 3, D. Howard (Ed.). Time, 12 $\frac{3}{8}$ secs.
- Long Jump, Group 1.—1, J. B. Cardwell (W.); 2, G. N. E. Aughton (M.); 3, N. Nuttall (L.). Distance, 18ft. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
- 220 Yards, Group 2.—1, D. H. Hamilton (Ev.); 2, P. C. Edwards (R.); 3, R. Pactor (S.). Time, 25 $\frac{3}{8}$ secs.
- 220 Yards, Group 1.—1, R. H. Foster (W.); 2, G. O. Jones (W.); 3, G. T. Bateman (G.). Time, 23 $\frac{3}{8}$ secs.
- 220 Yards, Group 3.—1, D. D. Steele (G.); 2, P. W. Pearce (Ed.); 3, S. N. Booth (R.). Time, 29 secs.
- High Jump, Group 1.—1, J. A. Hoyles (Ed.); 2, G. N. E. Aughton (M.); 3, J. B. Cardwell (W.) and R. G. Pearson (M.). Height, 5ft 2ins.
- 120 Yards Hurdles, Group 2.—1, T. Howard (L.); 2, J. Gaunt (G.); 3, J. K. Drake (S.). Time, 19 $\frac{1}{8}$ secs.
- Throwing the Javelin.—1, C. B. Holmes (M.); 2, H. J. Foster (G.); 3, G. T. Bateman (G.). Distance, 157ft. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. (School record).
- 440 Yards, Group 1.—1, K. F. Hulme (S.); 2, N. Nuttall (L.); 3, J. A. Andrews (W.). Time, 57 secs.
- High Jump, Group 3.—1, P. Sumner (S.); 2, D. D. Steele (G.); 3, A. H. James (S.). Height, 4ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
- Putting the Shot.—1, H. J. Foster (G.); 2, N. Slack (G.); 3, N. Nuttall (L.). Distance, 33ft.
- 440 Yards, Group 2.—1, T. Howard (L.); 2, J. R. Wareing (R.); 3, J. K. Drake (S.). Time, 64 $\frac{3}{8}$ secs.

- 120 Yards Hurdles, Group 1.—1, J. B. Cardwell (W.); 2, M. A. Bason (L.); 3, J. A. Watt (M.). Time, 17 secs.
- 440 Yards, Group 3.—1, D. Howard (Ed.); 2, F. W. Ball (M.); 3, G. Topping (L.). Time, 72 $\frac{3}{8}$ secs.
- Throwing the Discus.—1, N. Nuttall (L.); 2, J. A. Watt (M.); 3, C. B. Holmes (M.). Distance, 102ft. 2ins.
- High Jump, Group 2.—1, C. R. Askew (S.); 2, T. Howard (L.); 3, G. A. Burras (Ed.). Height, 4ft. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
- Relay, Group 1.—1, Woodham's; 2, Mason's; 3, Edwards'. Time, 2 mins. 40 $\frac{3}{8}$ secs.
- Relay, Group 2.—1, Grear's; 2, Spencer's; 3, Rogers. Time, 2 mins. 59 $\frac{1}{8}$ secs.
- Relay, Group 3.—1, Edwards'; 2, Grear's; 3, Evans'. Time, 2 mins. 10 secs.
- One Mile, Group 1.—1, I. R. J. Williams (Ev.); 2, J. M. Ross (R.); 3, J. R. Schofield (M.). Time, 4 mins. 48 $\frac{1}{8}$ secs. (School record).
- Half Mile, Group 2.—1, E. W. Durham (G.); 2, J. Gibbons (G.); 3, D. J. Lever (S.). Time, 2 mins. 26 $\frac{3}{8}$ secs.
- Senior Tug.—Grear's.
- Junior Tug.—Leech's.

EVENTS PREVIOUSLY DECIDED

- Long Jump, Group 2.—1, C. R. Askew (S.); 2, J. A. Leadbetter (Ed.); 3, P. C. Edwards (R.). Distance, 15ft. 9ins.
- Long Jump, Group 3.—1, D. D. Steele (G.); 2, D. Howard (Ed.); 3, A. K. Waiters (M.). Distance, 13ft. 1in.

TOTAL POINTS

Edwards'	36	Mason's	27 $\frac{1}{2}$
Evans'	15	Rogers'	18
Grear's	63	Spencer's	35
Leech's	32	Woodham's	35 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mawdsley Shield		Grear's	
Pariser Cup (Relays and Tugs)		Grear's	
Hepburn Cup (Individual Track Events)		Grear's	
Taylor Cup (Field Events)		Grear's	

INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS

The only Athletics match to date was held at School against Liverpool Collegiate on Thursday, June 2nd. The conditions were not favourable for fast times, but two records were broken in the field events. The sprints were run against a slight breeze and R. Foster came second in both the 100 and 220 yards events. J. Andrews and N. Nuttall both finished well in the 440 yards and took second and third places respectively, but M. J. Whiteside tired himself too quickly in

the half mile and was finally beaten into fourth place. I. R. J. Williams won the mile comfortably, having run a very fast last lap, and J. M. Ross ran well for third place.

School records were broken in the Shot by H. J. Foster with 36ft. 5ins. and in the Discus by J. Watt with 113ft. 1in., while C. B. Holmes was successful in the Javelin event. In the High Jump G. N. E. Aughton won without failing once, but he and J. B. Cardwell were well beaten in the Long Jump.

K. F. Hulme ran an excellent 110 yards in the Relay, but J. Andrews, although completing his 440 yards in 55.8 secs. (flying start) was unable to overtake J. E. Langford and Liverpool won by 2 yards. The final result was—Liverpool 58 points, School 48 points.

RESULTS

100 Yards.—1, N. E. Southern (L.C.); 2, R. Foster; 3, H. Hornby (L.C.). Time, 10.6 secs.

High Jump.—1, G. N. E. Aughton; 2, J. W. Crabtree (L.C.); 3, J. B. Cardwell. Height, 5ft.

440 Yards.—1, J. E. Langford (L.C.); 2, J. Andrews; 3, N. Nuttall. Time, 58.5 secs.

Long Jump.—1, T. S. Farrell (L.C.); 2, N. E. Southern (L.C.); 3, J. B. Cardwell. Distance, 18ft. 7ins.

Putting the Shot.—1, H. J. Foster; 2, J. W. Crabtree (L.C.); 3, J. R. Kerr (L.C.). Distance, 36ft. 5ins. (School record).

220 Yards.—1, N. E. Southern (L.C.); 2, R. Foster; 3, T. S. Farrell (L.C.). Time 23.8 secs.

Javelin.—1, C. B. Holmes; 2, G. E. Kermod (L.C.); 3, J. R. Kerr (L.C.). Distance, 136ft. 5ins.

880 Yards.—1, J. R. Kerr (L.C.); 2, R. Mudge (L.C.); 3, G. N. E. Aughton. Time, 2 mins. 14.5 secs.

Discus.—1, J. Watt; 2, N. Nuttall; 3, J. W. Crabtree (L.C.). Distance, 113ft. 1in. (School record).

Mile.—1, I. R. J. Williams; 2, D. I. Bonner (L.C.); 3, J. M. Ross. Time, 4 mins. 56 secs.

Relay (110, 110, 220, 440).—1, Liverpool Collegiate; 2, School.

Final Result.—Liverpool Collegiate 58 points, School 48 points.
J.M.R.E.

CRICKET

1st XI MATCHES

v. Wigan Grammar School 1st XI. At home, May 7th. Lost by 4 wickets.

SCHOOL		WIGAN	
Davidson, J., run out	6	Gerrard, c Woodfine b McLeod	10
Davidson, R., c Gerrard b Martland	2	Lea, b McLeod	6
Bather, c Lea b Finan	11	Martland, lbw b Woodfine	10
Hulme, lbw b Finan	4	Parkinson, b Woodfine	0
Bason, b Martland	5	Smith, b McLeod	0
Woodfine, c Lea b Downham	4	Brown, retired hurt	0
Jones, M. E. b Finan	0	Molloy, b Woodfine	0
Nuttall b Smith	3	Lewis, not out	4
McLeod, lbw b Smith	0	Finan, not out	7
Ross, lbw b Smith	5	Did not bat: Peet and Downham.	
Farrar, not out	0		
Extras	4	Extras	8
Total	44	Total (6 wkts.)	45

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.		O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Smith	10	4	10	2	5	McLeod	11.1	7	8	3	2.66
Downham	11	5	8	1	8	Farrar	4	—	12	—	—
Martland	9	4	10	2	5	Woodfine	7	3	17	3	5.66
Finan	6	2	12	4	3						

v. Upholland G.S. Away, May 11th. Lost by 6 wickets.

SCHOOL		UPHOLLAND	
Davidson, J., c Peet b Young	0	Hayward, c McLeod b Woodfine	13
Davidson, R., c Ion b Young	3	Peet, not out	50
Ross, P., b Liptrot	1	Adamson, run out	2
Hulme, c Ion b Young	15	Ion, lbw b Hyde	0
Bather, c Peet b Liptrot	6	Roscoe, c Bason b McLeod	0
Hyde, c Adamson b Peet	5	Staines, not out	27
Davidson, M. run out	2	Did not bat: Barras, Higgins, Young, Liptrot, Talbot.	
Turton, c Peet b Talbot	17		
Bason, c Roscoe b Liptrot	17		
Woodfine, not out	15		
McLeod, b Peet	14		
Extras	7	Extras	12
Total	102	Total (4 wkts.)	104

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.		O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Young	10	4	20	3	6.66	McLeod	7	2	26	1	26
Liptrot	16	7	27	3	9	Woodfine	9	2	35	1	35
Peet	5.8	1	20	2	10	Hyde	7	1	23	1	23
Hayward	2	—	10	—	—	Ross	1	—	8	—	—
Talbot	5	1	18	1	18						

v. Ormskirk G.S. 1st XI. At home, May 14th. Won by 51 runs.

SCHOOL		ORMSKIRK	
Davidson, R. N., lbw b Ashcroft	1	Harrison, c McLeod b Hyde	3
Davidson, J. M. C., b Hanley	5	Robinson, lbw b McLeod	0
Bather, c Vincent b Gregson	5	Nelson, lbw b Hyde	10
Hulme, lbw b Ashcroft	8	Gore, b McLeod	2
Youds, c Nelson b Hanley	37	Hanley, lbw b Hyde	1
Turton, b Frost	3	Vincent, c Bather b Hyde	2
Woodfine, c Hanley b Robinson	0	Taylor, not out	0
Ross, P. run out	3	Ingham, c Bason b Hyde	0
Bason, b Hanley	5	Frost, lbw b Hyde	0
Hyde, not out	4	Ashcroft, st Bason b Hyde	0
McLeod, b Hanley	1	Gregson, b Hyde	0
Extras (b. 4, n.b. 2)	6	Extras (b. 5, l.b. 4)	9
Total	78	Total	27

BOWLING					BOWLING						
O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.		
Hanley	15	5	26	4	6.5	McLeod	6	1	8	2	4
Robinson	12	4	26	1	26	Woodfine	6	4	8	0	—
Ashcroft	5	1	5	2	2.5	Hyde	5.6	3	2	8	.25
Gregson	1	—	8	1	8						
Frost	3	1	5	1	5						
Taylor	2	—	2	—	—						

v. Upholland G.S. At home, May 21st. Lost by 9 runs.

UPHOLLAND		SCHOOL	
Hayward, lbw b Woodfine	0	Youds, b Liptrot	1
Peet, c Davidson, R. b Woodfine	1	Davidson, J., b Peet	14
Ion, b McLeod	0	Bather, b Liptrot	0
Roscoe, b McLeod	5	Hulme, lbw b Young	4
Staines, c Davidson, J. b McLeod	0	Davidson, R., b Young	0
Barras, run out	6	Ross, P. b Peet	0
Gordon, c Hyde b Hulme	5	Hyde, c Hayward b Young	0
Higgins, b McLeod	2	Davidson, M., c Young b Peet	0
Young, c and b McLeod	0	Bason, c Ion b Young	1
Liptrot, c Davidson, M. b Hulme	2	Woodfine, c Hayward b Young	0
Talbot, not out	2	McLeod, not out	0
Extras	6	Extras	0
Total	29	Total	20

BOWLING					BOWLING						
O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.		
McLeod	8	3	5	5	1	Liptrot	9	5	12	2	6
Woodfine	4	2	6	2	3	Young	13.4	9	7	5	1.4
Hyde	3	—	8	—	—	Peet	5	4	1	3	.33
Hulme	2.8	—	4	2	2						

v. Cowley G.S. 1st XI. At home, June 1st. Lost by 48 runs.

COWLEY		SCHOOL	
Crick, b Hulme	30	Davidson, J., run out	6
Cunliffe, run out	23	Hulme, lbw b Travers	0
Atherton, not out	43	Bather, c Shaw b Travers	0
Goodwin, run out	0	Youds, c Latham b Travers	9
Hornby, not out	9	Hyde, b Travers	7
Did not bat: Travers, Little, Shaw, Latham, Friar, Hughes.		Hughes, b Travers	10
		Ross, P. b Latham	2
		Turton, b Latham	0
		Nuttall, b Latham	2
		Bason, lbw b Latham	11
		Woodfine, not out	6
Extras	1	Extras	—
Total (3 wks.)	106	Total	58

BOWLING					BOWLING						
O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.		
Woodfine	10	—	29	—	Travers	8	2	13	5	2.6	
Nuttall	5	1	13	—	Crick	7	2	19	—	—	
Hulme	6	—	26	1	26	Latham	3.2	—	8	4	2
Hyde	10	1	37	—	—	Cunliffe	3	—	13	—	—

v. Old Boys' XI. At home, June 3rd. Match drawn.

SCHOOL		OLD BOYS'	
Davidson, J., c Hepburn b Barnes	5	Dewhurst, lbw b Woodfine	18
Davidson, R., b Barnes	3	Barnes, c Davidson, J. b Woodfine	10
Hulme, c Abram b Hepburn	13	Richardson, not out	20
Youds, c Cunningham b Hepburn	53	Cunningham, b McLeod	17
Hyde, c Abram b Burras	1	Stokes, not out	7
Ross, P., c Hepburn b Burras	1	Did not bat: J. W. Dutton, Hill, Abram, Hepburn, Burras, Scott.	
Jones, M. E. b Dewhurst	8		
Nuttall, c Hill b Barnes	1		
Turton, run out	3		
McLeod, not out	8		
Woodfine, b Hepburn	3		
Extras	7	Extras	1
Total	106	Total (3 wks.)	73

BOWLING					BOWLING						
O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.		
Hepburn	18	4	30	3	10	McLeod	10	1	43	1	43
Barnes	15	3	31	3	10.3	Woodfine	8	1	26	2	13
Burras	6	2	16	2	8	Hyde	1	—	3	—	—
Dewhurst	10	3	22	1	22						

2nd XI MATCHES

May 7th—v. Wigan Grammar School (Away). Draw. Turton, 28 runs. Hyde, 5 wks. for 27 runs.

May 14th—v. Ormskirk Grammar School (Home). School won by 1 wicket. Haslam, 27 runs. Nuttall, 23 runs.

June 1st—v. Cowley Grammar School (Away). Rain stopped play. Davidson, 18 runs.

June 18th—v. Cowley 2nd XI (Home). School won by 7 wickets and 43 runs. W. Williams, 59 runs. Styche, 5 wickets for 10 runs in 7 overs; Roberts, 2 wickets for 0 runs in 5 overs.

DEBATING SOCIETY CONCERT

At the end of last term the Debating Society renewed the tradition of holding an annual concert. Prepared and rehearsed in a fortnight, the concert consisted of sketches and musical items. Despite the faults of this hurried production the sketches were appreciated by masters and boys. The afternoon's entertainment rounded off a very successful session. Production was by P. Stephens. W.G.F.

MUSIC SOCIETY

Committee : P. Stephens (Chairman-Secretary), J. Wood, W. Fuge, C. Davies, R. Davidson, J. Davidson.

This term's meetings, at the time of writing, have been limited in number as a result of the various other summer activities. Such meetings as have been held, however, reveal a still increasing membership. Musical interest in the School is strong, and the Orchestra and Choir continue to flourish.

At the beginning of the term a programme of records was presented by a number of boys. Selections varied between "Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune" and Offenbach's "Orpheus in the Underworld."

W. G. Henderson gave a Pianoforte Recital on May 27th. He played Bach's 12th Prelude and Fugue in F minor, Fantasia in D minor and Fugue in G minor (Mozart), Sonata in C minor (Beethoven), Sarabande and Gigu (Zipoli), Arabesque No. 1 (Debussy), Rhapsody in G minor (Brahms), and Balakirev's transcription of "The Lark," a song by Glinka.

An evening concert was given in the Hall on the 14th of June by the Southport Chamber Orchestra to an audience from our own and other local Schools. The Orchestra was conducted by Dr. Poole-Connor. The programme included Three Divertimento movements by Mozart, a Schubert Overture, a Symphony by Abel and the Overture to "Les Femmes Vengées" by Philidore. Between the Orchestral items Dr. Poole-Connor and Mr. Galsell played some of Dvorak's "Slavonic Dances." The concert was very much enjoyed, and it is hoped that the Orchestra will favour us with another visit next season. P.S.

ART SOCIETY

Committee : J. P. Griffiths (Chairman), C. R. A. Davies (Vice-Chairman), G. F. Tomany (Secretary), R. W. McIntyre (Librarian), A. D. Ellis, J. A. Jarvis, J. A. Girvin.

The Society welcomed a new Vice-President this term with the appointment of Mr. J. R. Waddington as Art Master, and his criticism of our work has been very useful indeed. The meetings of the Society have included the showing of several film strips.

On May 19th the Castles of Flint, Rhuddlan and Beaumaris, and the Elizabethan house Plas Mawr, were discussed with the help of a film strip, printed plans and details. This meeting served as an

introduction to the visit made on the following day, and described elsewhere in the magazine. The Society thank the Headmaster for his co-operation, and Mr. Booth and Mr. Waddington for organising the excursion. At the following meeting a film strip of some two hundred photographs, made of the visit by J. P. Griffiths, was shown.

Regular meetings have taken place throughout the term and there has been the usual variety in ideas, medium and presentation of the work done by the members. Several members have entered for the U.N.E.S.C.O. poster competition, but it was unfortunate that some senior members were unable to enter because of the age limit.

The Society thank the Committee for their co-operation and efforts during the past year, and we hope to see some of them back again next term. We should like to remind all boys that the Society is open throughout the year, and new members are always welcome. G.F.T.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Committee : J. P. Griffiths (Chairman), J. B. Cardwell (Vice-Chairman), R. Kennedy and H. Crystal (Secretaries), R. R. Watson, N. Shaw, G. Aughton, A. Williamson.

Sports Day this year provided members with an excellent opportunity for taking action shots, and the film strip prepared by J. P. Griffiths, R. Kennedy and R. R. Watson was much appreciated by a large section of the School.

On May 23rd, the Society was favoured with a visit from Mr. Christopher. His lecture, entitled "Photographically yours," was attended by an enthusiastic audience. Many slides were shown and points of composition and technical interest were discussed. The lecturer remarked that although expensive cameras were needed to "stop" fast movement, or for work in poor light, good photographs could be taken with a box camera. Examples of high speed photography and uses of the photo-finish camera were shown at the conclusion of the lecture.

This term, non-members interested in photography have been allowed to visit the dark-room to see the various stages of photographic processing carried out. We hope some of them will join our ranks when we enrol new members next term.

The Society's Annual Exhibition will be held at the end of the term and the committee hope there will be a good entry. There will be three sections, Portrait, Landscape, and General, and a prize will be awarded in each group.

We should like to express our thanks and appreciation to the Headmaster, Mr. G. A. Millward, for his help and encouragement.

H.C., R.K.

FRENCH CIRCLE

The final meeting of the French Circle for the 1948-49 session was held on Thursday, April 7th, when a film which had been lent by the Institut Français du Royaume Uni was shown. The film dealt with the work of the Pasteur Institute, especially in combating disease in the French colonies.

Two other films lent to the Circle by the Institut had been shown to the whole school on the previous day. These films were "Courses de Haies," a first-class athletic training film on hurdling, and "La Loi du Talion."

A.C.W.

BEE CLUB

The Bee Club was formed at the beginning of June and has about a dozen members. At its inaugural meeting J. Kay was elected Chairman and K. Dowling secretary.

The Club now has a National hive situated in the Junior Quadrangle and containing a four-frame nucleus. There were at first three queen cells in the nucleus, and there was some excitement on Friday, June 23rd, when the presence of a little wax cap on the alighting board showed that one of the princesses had hatched out. The others were destroyed, and Her Royal Highness is now moving about the combs which form her realm. We are eagerly watching for any signs of her mating flight, and when she returns from it she should begin in earnest to found a colony. The Club will meet on Monday, July 4th, to look for the eggs which may be the evidence of a successful royal wedding.

For those who are eager to see profitable results, we would issue a warning that there is little prospect of the colony being built up to honey-producing strength before next summer.

K.D.

LIBRARY AND READING ROOM

Senior Librarians : W. G. Fuge, J. Haslam, I. R. J. Williams.

Junior Librarians : A. Chazen, J. G. Clarke, J. M. C. Davidson, J. Fairhurst, G. Findlay, E. J. Gilbert, G. O. Jones, W. E. Marsden, H. J. M. Royden, P. Stephens, J. R. Wignall, J. W. Wood, A. C. Wynne.

A substantial number of new volumes of junior fiction have been purchased this term. They are to be followed by others of wider interest, and it is hoped that this influx of new books will result in increased use of the lending library by boys in all parts of the School.

We are grateful to Mr. H. Seed, J. H. Richards and H. J. M. Royden for gifts of books.

The Library Committee.

IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term begins September 7th.

Autumn Term ends December 22nd.

Half-Term October 31st—November 4th (inclusive).

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