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SCHOOL NOTES

The Red Rose and Inflation

As with every other activity at the present time, the Red Rose has been afflicted by soaring costs over the last few years and the readers will see from the accounts at the end of this number that there was a deficit of over £200 in the Red Rose account at the end of this year. There are still some outstanding accounts for advertisements during the summer term but even so the deficit will be very substantial.

Though the magazine has been published three times a year without interruption ever since 1921, we feel that the most sensible way to bring the accounts into balance would be to reduce the number of issues from three a year to two while asking parents to pay the same subscription as before. Therefore during this academic year, 1974-75, there will be two Red Roses, this issue to be published at the end of the Autumn Term, and the Summer Term issue published at the end of the Summer Term. We hope that by this action we have made perhaps a more sensible response to the inflationary situation than by drastically increasing the price.

Staff Changes

We were sorry to lose, at the end of the Summer Term, Mr. P. H. W. Garwood who has left to become Head of the Social Studies Department at Banbury Sixth Form College. After three years in the school Mr. Garwood was promoted to Head of the History Department in 1970 and his vigorous leadership and hard work has been appreciated by all. We are very sorry to lose him and wish him the best of success in his new post.

We are also very sorry to lose Mr. I. Travers from the Geography Department. Mr. Travers moves to a post at Calday Grange Grammar School, and has given us most useful service in this school for three years.

Mr. G. Rogers, who had been a member of the History Department for two years, also left us for a post in a College of Education. Mr. Puckey left the Mathematics Department also after two years in the school for a post in Exeter and one year, has gone back to University to take a further degree.

Mr. B. M. Hodgkins also resigned from the Modern Languages Department after eight years for a post at Scarisbrick Hall School.

We welcome the following new members of staff this term: Mr. C. J. Collier joins us as Head of the History Department from Manchester Grammar School.

Mr. S. M. Robertson joins the Economics Department and is also taking some Mathematics. Mr. Robertson took his degree in Economics at Manchester University.

Mrs. C. M. Ralph joins the Mathematics Department. Mrs. Ralph took her degree at Salford University and has had a year's experience teaching at Deyes High School, Maghull.

Mr. R. Platford joins the History Department and took his degree at Lancaster University.

Mr. M. Basford joins the Geography Department with a degree from the University of Wales at Swansea.

Mrs. P. Robinson, who has had a good many years teaching experience, joins the Language Department and we are glad to welcome back the Reverend M. D. Whyte who takes over the responsibility for the teaching of Scripture.

Mlle. Y. Fontaine is with us for a year as French Assistante. We also welcome Mrs. Howard as supervisor in the school kitchen.

IMPORTANT DATES

Lent Term begins	7th January
Half Term	17th and 18th February
G.C.E. Trial Examinations beginning	10th February
G. C. E. Trial Examinations end	25th February
Lent Term ends	27th March

EDITORIAL

Bravely, they battled onwards through the impenetrable blackness of Lulworth Road, bruised and shaken by the gale that shredded their words like the tattered clouds flying overhead. A flying scarf caught the editor a blow in the eye — the cry of "stretcher bearers!" was lost in the clarion wind.

"You could always use this walk home as material for the editorial," said Rosie. My mind raced never an easy thing against a force 9 gale. Cries of assent rent the sundered air — good stuff this — from all sides. All seven people started talking at once over the wind. The wind won It's no good, I can't keep this up. Anyway, how do you base an editorial on the conversation of seven irrelevant (is that the word?) people walking home on a windy night? Indeed, what is an editorial? If we examine this question closely, I think we will see that the whole ethos of modern society is based on the initial promise (?) that one's editor is, in fact, literate. Can you, I ask, be sure that I'm not simply a random phrase generator? Do you care? Find the answers to these and other exciting questions in our new, Christmas special, Red Geranium.

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FIRST IMPRESSIONS

The Building

"My first impression of K.G.V. was that it was very dull and gloomy."

"The place seemed gigantic. The corridors seemed to last forever."

"One of the main things that struck me was the Hall. It was a lot bigger than the Hall at my old school. It seemed like a cinema, with lots of different exits. It also had a sort of 'circle' like a cinema, and a big stage."

and the difficulties it causes.

"Sometimes you had to go up a big flight of stairs, which tired you out if you were in a hurry."

"Not long ago my friend and I were waiting outside a classroom for Maths for about fifteen minutes, and then it took us five minutes to find the right classroom."

Other difficulties

"At first I couldn't remember on which days we had House assembly, and on which days we had assembly in the Hall."

"House Meetings always mixed me up."

"I had to get used to writing with a pen as I had never done so before, which might strike some people as odd."

What did strike people as odd?

"The main thing that struck me as being odd was that there were eight periods instead of seven as at the High School."

"At first I thought it was odd to have to sit in alphabetical order, but now I sit in alphabetical order very often."

The Teachers

"The teachers are sometimes strict."

"The teachers were very kind, and I liked them."

Other boys

"I was used to being big boss at my old school, but here you turn a corner and bump into a giant pair of legs."

"The older boys tend to boss you about and, if you don't do as they say, they just hit you."

"At my old school I was a prefect, bossing everyone around. But at this school the prefects are kindly to me, and the 4th and lower 5th boys are the ones who push me around."

Dinners

"One of my first impressions of K.G.V. was that the dinners were good."

"I had thought that the food would be awful — since I had heard it was — but when I got here the food was fairly digestible. Not only that but you could have as much as you could get, both of food and of water."

The Lessons

"Another surprise for me was that the lessons seemed to go so quickly."

"The languages are quite easy, except that the pronunciation of the words in French catches me."

"I don't like gym because it's cold and you have to have showers. You also have showers after you've played rugby. I don't like rugby."

"Rugby is great fun and you feel a peculiar warmth when you tackle someone, especially a teacher."

FINAL PERSPECTIVE

Walk through the doorway, portalled above,
Feel small and lonely, feeling unloved.
Walk into the study, authoritative man;
Says do your best, he'll do what he can.
Enter the form, others as small;
Learn who to love, but don't trust them all.
Go through your lessons timid and scared,
Doing your homework, as if you cared.
Watch through the year, learning the tricks;
Ink-pellet flicking's the height of your kicks.
Enter the second year, feeling so-so
The first-years below you seem paltry and low.
The prefects above you, you're learning to hate —
By the sixth you'll be sorry, bemoaning their fate.
The third sees you smoking, concealed in the loo;
They always catch someone, you hope it's not you.
The fourth, and you're working, frightened by 'O's;
As the year progresses, so the feeling goes.
Fifth sees you breezing, sailing along
The end and you panic — where did I go wrong?
Survive to the sixth, your a man of import,
Society chairman, team captain, the lot.
Prefecthood waits at the end of the road —
Exams? Yes I s'pose so — does the strain show?
You're through, you're away, school-days are past,
University's calling, beckoning fast;
Visions of freedom, achievement or love
So walk through the doorway, portalled above.

P. M. P.

VALETE

HALSALL, Michael R., U6S, G., 1966-1974 (G.C.E. A3, O5)
School Captain, Half-colours Rugby, Captain School 2nd
XV. Enright Medal.
AYLAND, Robert L., U6B, Ed., 1967-1974 (G.C.E. A4, O7)
Senior Prefect, Life-Saving Colours, R.L.S.S. Distinction
Award.
BERRY, James A., U6M, G., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A1, O6)
Senior Prefect, Rugby full colours.
BROUDE Peter, U6S, R., 1967-74 Vice-Captain of School,
House Captain, Rugby full colours.
BUCKELS, Philip M., U6S, R., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O3) Sen-
ior Prefect.
BUCKLEY, Clive V., U6B, Ev., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A1 O8) Sen-
ior Prefect.
CORNISH, Nicholas P., U6B, Ed., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O6)
Senior Prefect, House Life Saving Sec., R.L.S.S. Bronze
Medallion.
COTTON, David L., U6S, M., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O3)
Hockey half colours.
CULSHAW, Barry, U6B, Ev., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O5) Sen-
ior Prefect, House Captain, Cricket half colours, Captain
School 2nd XI.
DEELEY, James J., U6M, Le., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A2, O6) Sen-
ior Prefect, Rugby full colours, English Schools U15, U19
Rugby, House Captain, R.L.S.S. Distinction and Award of
Merit.
DICKINSON, Peter J., U6S, M., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A4, O7) Sen-
ior Prefect.
EDGERLEY, K. Philip, U6S, R., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A2, O8)
GUNNS, Jonathan M., U6W, W., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A4, O6)
Senior Prefect, House Captain, Captain School Cross
Country, Cross Country colours.
HOLMES, A. Gary, U6S, R., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O6)
HOLMES, Andrew R., U6M, G., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O4) Sen-
ior Prefect, Swimming full colours, Life Saving Captain,
R.L.S.S. Distinction Award.
HOUGHTON, Michael D., U26, W., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A1, O8)
R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion.
INGRAM, Malcolm, U6B, Ev., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O5) Senior
Prefect, House Vice-Captain 1974, Life Saving colours,
R.L.S.S. Distinction Award.
IRVING, Jeremy, U6W, S., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A1, O6) Junior
Prefect.
JONES, Jeffrey M., U6W, W., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, O7)
LaCOURT, Graham S., U6W, S., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A4, O5)
House Captain, Senior Prefect.
LAWSON, Geoffrey, U6B, Ev., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A2, O7)

McINERNEY, Julian H., U6B, Ev., 1967-74 (G.C.E. 06) Rugby colours.

MONKS, Nicholas J. M., U6M, G., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A1 05) R.L.S.S. Distinction Award.

MORTON, Ian, U6S, R., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, 04)

NEWTON, Christopher H., U6B, Ed., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, 06) Senior Prefect/R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion.

NUTTER, Henry I., U6M, Le., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, 04) Senior Prefect, House Vice Captain.

OLDHAM, Jonathan M., U6M, Le., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A4, 06) Senior Prefect.

PROKOP, B. Keith, U6S, R., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A1, 06)

REEVES, Michael J., U6W, S., 1967-74 (G.C.E. 07)

ROWSON, Steven, U6M, G., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3 05)

SLATER, Andrew M., U6M, Le., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, 05)

STRINGFELLOW, Christopher, U6W, W., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, 07) Senior Prefect.

THORNBOROUGH, William J., U6B, Ed., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A2, 05) Senior Prefect, Athletics full colours, R.L.S.S. Distinction Award.

WAINWRIGHT, Stephen J., U6W W., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A1, 06) Senior Prefect, Captain of Hockey.

WARD, Martin A., U6W, S., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, 04) Junior Prefect.

WHITWORTH, Peter F., U6S, M., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A4, 02) Senior Prefect.

WINDHAM, Paul J., U6B, Ed., 1967-74 (G.C.E. A3, 04) Junior Prefect.

BIBBY, Colin W. R., U6M, G., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A2, 06) Chess colours.

BOHLING, Paul G., U6B, Ev., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A2 05)

BRACHER, Steven N., U6M, G., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A3 06)

BRADLEY, Richard, U6W, W., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A3, 07) Junior Prefect, House Secretary, Co-editor Red Rose.

CAINE, John E., U6W, W., 1968-74 (G.C.E. 04)

COLES, David R., U6M, Le., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A4, 05)

d'ABOVILLE, E. M. J., U6S, M., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A3 04)

FLEETWOOD, Terence E., U6B, Ed., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A3, 04) Senior Prefect, Chairman 6th form Council, R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion, Athletics half colours.

HAIGH, Aubrey W. T., U6M, Le., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A4, 05) Senior Prefect.

HALL, Thomas N., L6Sp., Ed., 1968-74 Cricket full colours.

HEPWORTH, Brian, U6B, Ev., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A1, 06) Junior Prefect, Badminton colours, Hockey colours.

HOSKER, Stephen M., U6B, Ev., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A1 09)

ISON, Victor H., L6M, G., 1968-74 (G.C.E. 03)

KUBLER, Alan M., U6B, Ev., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A4, 05) Senior Prefect, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit, Badminton colours, Hockey colours.

MARTIN, A. Keith, U6B, Ed., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A4, 03)

OWEN, Lance D., L6M, Le., 1968-74 (G.C.E. 06) House Almoner.

RANDALL, Paul C., U6S, M., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A2, 06)

SCOTT, Simon N. W., U6B, Ev., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A2, 06) Senior Prefect, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit.

SUTTON, William, U6S, R., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A3, 05)

WATSON, Christopher M., U6M, G., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A3, 07)

WEST, Howard M., U6W, S., 1968-74 (G.C.E. A1, 07)

WHITE, Andrew W., U6M, G., 1968-74 (G.C.E. 05)

WILSON, Robert D., U6B, Ev., 1968-74 (G.C.E. 07) Junior Prefect.

AMBROSE, Stephen R., U5S, Le., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 03)

BIDDOLPH, J. Alexander, L6B, Ed., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 05)

BLYDE, Mark A., U6S, R., 1969-74 (G.C.E. A3, 05)

BROOKS, Steven H., L6M, G., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 04)

BUSS, Graham Y., U6S, M., 1969-74 (G.C.E. A4, 04) Senior Prefect, House Secretary, Librarian.

DAGLISH, Andrew H., U5M, G., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 01) R.L.S.S. Award of Merit.

GREEN, Antony J., U5M, Hol., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 05)

GRIFFITHS, Brian T., U5S, M., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 01)

HALSALL, Philip, U5B, A., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 05)

HARDIMAN, Stephen, U5W, W., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 02)

HILL, Robert P., U5M, H., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 04)

HITCHCOCK, Derek A., U5S, Lu., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 06)

HOGG, David, U6W, W., 1969-74 (G.C.E. A1, 04)

KAY, Graeme M., U5B, A., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 03)

McCULLOCH, Ross A., L6W, S., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 06)

MARTIN, Neil S., L6M, G., 1969-74, (G.C.E. 03)

MARSHALL, Clive P., U5M, G., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 03)

MATTHEWS, Christopher A., U5S, M., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 05) Rugby half colours, Cricket half colours.

MILLS, Christopher S., U5W, W., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 01)

MOORHOUSE, Nigel R., U5M, Hol., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 03)

MORGAN, David, U5S, Lu., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 04)

MURLEY, Philip, U5M, Hon., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 01)

NAIDOO, G. R. Kebalananda, U5B, Ed., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 02)

OSTLE, Steven J., U5S, Lu., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 01)

STOTT, Michael D., U6M, Le., 1969-74 (G.C.E. A1, 07)

WARREN, F. John, U5W, S., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 02) Cricket half colours.

WHITELEY, Peter J., U5B, Ev., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 05)

WILLIAMS, David J., U5S, M., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 02)

WOOD, Martin, U5S, Le., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 03)

YELDING, Steven R., U5W, R., 1969-74 (G.C.E. 03)

ANDREW, Brain R., U5S, Le., 1970-74 (G.C.E. 04)

BREWIN, Christopher A., U5M, Hon., 1970-74 (G.C.E. 07)

FEATHER, Huw L., U5M, Hon., 1970-74 (G.C.E. 03)

FORD, Alistair H., U6B, 1970-74 (G.C.E. A3, O6) R.L.S.S. Award of Merit, Hockey half colours.
 GREENHALGH, Ian A., U5S, M., 1970-74 (G.C.E. O6)
 HARMAN, Christopher J., U6W, W., 1970-74 (G.C.E. A4, O4) Senior Prefect, Rugby full colours.
 HUBBARD, Alan J., U5B, Ev., 1970-74 (G.C.E. O6)
 KEEP, E. Paul, U5W, R., 1970-74 (G.C.E. O2)
 MEREDITH, Antony, U6W, S., 1970-74 (G.C.E. A3, O4) Senior Prefect, House Vice Captain.
 ROBINSON, Ian M., U5B, Ed., 1970-74 (G.C.E. O7) R.L.S.S. Award of Merit.
 ROBINSON, Neil E., 3M, Ed., 1970-74 R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion.
 YANDELL, John C., U5B, Ed., 1970-74 (G.C.E. O8)
 ARMSTRONG, J. Andrew, U6W, W., 1971-74 (G.C.E. A3, O2)
 ASHTON, Peter J., L5X, M., 1971-74.
 BAIN, Donald P., 4B, Ev., 1971-74
 BELL, Stephen G., U6B, Ed., 1971-74 (G.C.E. A1, O5) R.L.S.S. Award of Merit, Rugby half colours.
 CHILTON, David F., U5M, Hon., 1971-74 (G.C.E. O1)
 COX, Jeffrey M., U5S, M., 1971-74 (G.C.E. O3)
 GROVES, David, U6W, M., 1971-74 (G.C.E. A2, O4) Senior Prefect.
 HOWARTH, David M., U5B, Ed., 1971-74 (G.C.E. O4) R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion.
 HOWARTH, J. Michael, U6B, Ed., 1971-74 (G.C.E. A2, O8) Junior Prefect, Hockey full colours, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit.
 MORGAN, William W. M., U5S, Le., 1971-74
 ORTON, Mark R., L6S, Ev., 1971-74 (G.C.E. O4) Athletics half colours.
 ROBERTS, Ian M., L6B, Ed., 1971-74 (G.C.E. O4) R.L.S.S. Award of Merit.
 WALLACE, Stephen P., U5W, W., 1971-74
 ALMOND, P. Mark, U5W, S., 1972-74 (G.C.E. O2)
 BARNETT, Derek J., U6W, W., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A4, O5) Senior Prefect.
 BLACK, Paul S., U6M, Le., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A2, O6) Junior Prefect.
 BLUNDELL, Malcolm J., U5W, W., 1972-74 (G.C.E. O1)
 BROWN, Stephen G., U5W, R., 1972-74 (G.C.E. O6)
 DODD, Geoffrey H., U6M, Ed., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A2, O4)
 FIELD, John D., U6S, W., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A3, O5)
 GARLICK, Derek, U6S, G., 1972-74 (G.C.E. O8)
 HARDING, Clive R., U6S, R., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A4, O6)
 HOLCROFT, R. Martin, U6S, Ed., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A2, O5)
 HUMPHREYS, John I., U6B, Ed., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A4, O7) Senior Prefect, House Captain, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit, Rugby full colours.

MACINTOSH, Andrew S. N., U6M, Le., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A1 O8) Junior Prefect.
 PRICE, Christopher I., U6W, W., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A1, O6) Rugby half colours.
 ROBERTSON, Mark, U6W, Ed., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A3, O3) Junior Prefect.
 RUSHWORTH, Michael J. E. 3B, Hon., 1972-74
 TOWLER, Alan, U6W, W., 1972-74 (G.C.E. A2, O5) Senior Prefect, Captain House Basketball.
 VAN, Garry, U5M, Hol., 1972-74 (G.C.E. O2)
 BACKHOUSE, Roger D., U5S, M., 1973-74 (G.C.E. O2)
 WALTER, Philip S., 2S, R., 1973-74

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OLD BOYS' NEWS

M. J. BIRCH (W. 1964-71), who gained an honours degree in Physics at Durham University, has taken a post with Services Techniques Schlumberger, Paris, and will be working in Australia.

M. A. CAHM (Ev. 1964-71) has a post as Packaging and Stationery Buyer with the firm of Ward & Goldstone Ltd., Salford.

T. M. CLARK (W. 1962-69) has been appointed English teacher at Formby High School.

J. G. CRIMP (Ev. 1959-64), who has just completed a three year course at Ripon College of Education, has taken a teaching post at Brownhill C. of E. Junior School, Batley.

K. G. HALSALL (R. 1949-56) has been appointed District Pharmaceutical Officer for the Sefton Area Health Authority, Southern District, and has also been elected Chairman of the Sefton Area Hospital Pharmaceutical Committee.

R. HARROP (M. 1937-43) has been appointed Professor of Mathematics and Professor of Computing Science at Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia.

D. A. HOWGATE (R. 1948-54) is Sales Supervisor for Avery Label Products. (U. K.)

W. LUMB (S. 1964-70), who gained his degree in Mathematics at Cambridge last June, has started as Acturial Trainee with Welfare Insurance Co. Ltd., Folkestone.

W. E. MARSDEN (M. 1943-50) has been appointed Senior Lecturer in Education at Liverpool University.

I. H. MAXWELL (Ed. 1953-60) has taken up a research post in the University of Colorado Medical Centre, Denver, U.S.A.

M. A. E. MILLWARD (Le. 1956-63) has been appointed Keeper of Art at Bury Art Gallery and Museum.

S. P. MINSHULL (R. 1963-70) has obtained a post as Management Trainee with Yorkshire Imperial Metals Ltd.

G. H. MOORE (Le. 1945-48) has been appointed County Fire Officer for Lincolnshire County Council.

C. PIMLOTT (W. 1963-70) has a post as P.E. master at Stanley Secondary Modern School, Southport.

J. N. PINNINGTON (G. 1959-65), who has been awarded an M.Sc. degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Aston, has taken up an appointment with The Bell Northern Research Ltd., Ottawa.

D. ROSE (W. 1964-70), who has gained an honours degree in Chemistry at Birmingham University, has now taken an appointment with A. Andersen & Co., Chartered Accountants.

D. R. SUTCLIFFE (G. 1955-62) has left the Royal Navy after eleven years in the Fleet Air Arm, and is now employed by British Executive Air Services Ltd., as a helicopter captain in Portugal.

JUNIOR CHRISTIAN UNION

Many people think that the J.C.U. is only really for the new boys who aren't so sure of themselves in their first term. True enough such people are, perhaps, one of the main groups we have in mind, but everybody is welcome, even after their first term. The J.C.U. is to help people and to provide enjoyment.

Its activities in this term have not been great owing to weather, ill health and lack of ideas. So if you have any suggestions, we are willing to hear them. After all we want to provide the activities which you want.

ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Chairman — D. Kramer

Secretary — M. Roberts

Treasurer — P. Chester

Committee — D. Halsall, P. Mooney, A. Drosophila.

This term has been a very successful time for the Zoological Society which has revived from its nominal membership of c.10 to a more wholesome 35 regular members who have attended a series of useful and informative meetings on a variety of subjects. The aims of the society are to broaden the general scientific knowledge of the schoolmembers in a field which receives little emphasis in the general academic curriculum, and to provide opportunities for more intensive study of certain subjects to members of the sixth form studying Biology to 'A' level.

The first meeting of the term was a well attended film concerning "Tropical Disease and the Spread of Infection." This was followed by a lecture on ecology delivered by Dr. D. Shepton B. Sc. Ph. D. of Liverpool University. By this stage the reputation of the society had spread abroad and the attendance at the next meeting reached a peak 48 which stands at a record for this society. These intrepid 48 arrived to see Mr. D. Bolton who brought along 13 of his collection of snakes which enabled members to enjoy a rare insight into these reptiles.

This trilogy was supplemented by a trip to the fresh water trout and salmon hatcheries at Merioneth where members were able to see at first hand modern incubation and cultivation methods which have led to the present concentration of fish in the Welsh salmon rivers.

Lastly I give my thanks to the committee members who have contributed greatly towards the success of the society. Also thanks to Mr. M. E. Greenhalgh for driving the mini-bus.

M. R.

THE GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY REPORT

Committee: M. Clarke

B. Goldie

S. Proctor

P. Cunliffe

D. Parry

Attendances at this term's meetings were excellent even though the dates were, to say the least, 'a bit out'. So far there have been two meetings and one un-meeting!

The first meeting was one week early but well worth not (?) waiting for! Yes! the Arran talk.

This was a highly amusing talk (meant to be instructive) on the antics-er-geographical survey of the Isle of Arran. Seriously though it was worth seeing — thanks lads!

The next 'event' was the not-really-the-Geog-soc-film on the US Masters Golf Tournament procured from somewhere-or other by a disguised Scottish Nationalist (Boo!) who shall remain anonymous!

The next meeting brought in a terrific crowd, — probably because it was on the right day — who thoroughly enjoyed the lecture on the Pennine Alps by Mr. A. S. Freem. We really appreciated this lecture which was volunteered about four days previously and which rescued us from the mire of unavailable films through which we had been struggling. On reflection I would consider any geographical film a poor second to his excellent lecture.

As the field trip hasn't "happened" yet, I cannot say whether or not it has been a success, but judging by the response to the poster and 'plugging' during geography lessons, it should be!!

It only remains for me to repeat the thanks, on behalf of the committee to our lecturers and also to the crowds which have supported our efforts.

Next term we hope to have a meeting, with a film, on the beef industry, featuring Marlene Deitrich singing 'Veal meat again' (suit yourselves) in Arabic, paddling a 16ft model of a Womble down the bongo-wanga river in East Grinstead. And you think I'm joking!

CHRISTIAN UNION REPORT

Why bother boring everyone with things that have already been done? It's what's happening now that matters — isn't it? Yes, it is. But we believe one event in the past really does matter. That was the nailing of Jesus of Nazareth to a rough wooden cross on a hill outside Jerusalem around A.D. 30. The hill was called in Hebrew the 'Place of the Skull', and as the skull is dead and powerless, so is the gift of those who give the leadership of their lives to that same Jesus risen from the dead.

That event, in the past, only seems to matter to those who have the nerve — or gullability — to accept it. But we believe there is one event in the future that is going to matter too, and this is going to matter to everyone, including you. We believe that Jesus is coming back to earth, not as the watery person on stained glass windows, nor as the country carpenter he was. We believe that he is coming back in glory as king and as judge, entering time and space as we know them in such a way that all of us will see it and must stand before Him. On that day, each of us must account for the choice he makes over Christ's claim on his life. My friend, you have been presented with this choice.

HISTORY SOCIETY REPORT

Thunderous applause crashed across the room; or could it be the sound of the L.T. floorboards giving under the enthusiastic exertions of our half-century of regular attenders? Record number 76 — yes folks, a school society that really works! Under the dedicated initiative of Mr. Collier, this society really has got underway with a bang. Aimed primarily at the junior and middle school, our five meetings to date have proved very successful and show every sign of continuing so with a varied programme already planned for next term. Our thanks to all those who have helped to make it so, especially the hand-pressed duo of bouncers who normally lounge against the top wall (also known as the Geography Soc. Committee, they have obviously given up their futile pretence to rivalry and changed sides.) Future events include the final of the 2nd form Quiz, a Balloon Debate and more slides (for the more scholarly amongst us.) It's been a good start. The test of time will show how much of a lasting impression can be made — albeit only to the L.T. floor!

P. M. P.

DEBATING SOCIETY REPORT

Use this opportunity, said the man, as an advertisement. To the six people who turned up to the debate, ignore this advertisement. To the one whom we made come as a prefects detention, our apologies. Advertisement? One word should suffice lads — joint. Yes, the era of Joint Debate is once more dawning, so watch the noticeboard. Report? May as well while I'm here I suppose "This House should be condemned and demolished." Crumbling foundation support seemed likely to make demolition superfluous but suffice to say that Mike Fitton won his closing point, and it was. Beyond that there is little of note to be said, except that if this society is not at last to come under that great gravel in the sky, support — from you — really is needed.

An anonymous chairman

THE GRASS SNAKE

He slithers over gravel, making a grating noise as he goes.
His pupil is stationary in its socket and he
Has to move his head to look around him.
His movements are slow and deliberate.
His smooth overlapping scales reflect the sun
As if they were separate mirrors.
Then he reaches a high stone wall.
What does he do?
Yes he lifts his head and grips a piece
Of grass growing through a crack.
His coils follow like a retracting spring.
Then he sees a juicy caterpillar on a plant.
He strikes!
The caterpillar proceeds down his throat
In a series of slow gulps.
He reaches the summit and then topples down
To the marshy ground below.
Soon he reaches a stream.
What does he do?
He sees a large, juicy edible frog on the other bank
In he slithers, his body moving in a slow zig-zag motion
His half-submerged body getting closer and closer.
I grab him round the neck.
I am greeted with a vile, urinal-smelling liquid
And a loud sound of escaping air
That is under great pressure.
My hands and clothes are covered with the liquid.
He writhes around and I drop him in my sack.

by Christopher Lewis 2M

SEAGULLS

Seagulls swooping soaring, flying,
Rend the air with raucous crying.
On the cold North wind they ride,
With powerful wings extended wide
High above the weather vanes,
Like animated aquaplanes.

No one loves them for their song,
Hoarse and mournful, loud and long
No one eats them sure enough
They're stringy, salt and very tough!
No one hunts, them for a feather
Dull and grey (like English weather).

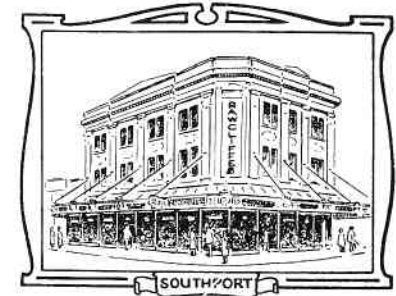
Hungry seagulls hover, calling.
Where the fishermen are trawling.
Diving down, alert to snap,
And quarrel over every scrap.
Or strutting, stabbing at the sands
Stretching worms like rubber bands!

Nightfalls, the seagulls seek their rest,
Not for them the cosy nest.
On rocky ledges near the skies
They fear to close their beady eyes.
And dare not rest their scaly legs,
Lest thieving rats should steal their eggs.

G. Wright 2B

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FAILURE

This term began with a successful me. I was playing for King George V Grammar School 1st XV! I played two games, one against Southport, and the other against Lancaster. The latter of these two games we won 18—16 and this has been the only game the 1st XV has won.

Mike Roberts was not responsible for this.

I was then given the proverbial boot down to the 2nd XV. This was glorious, we lost one game (6—8) but won the rest.

I would like to thank Mike Roberts for his great support of David Halsall in his attempt to take over the school. I would also like to thank Alan Brookfield for not impressing his Socialist (ugh!) views on anyone outside the school. Mike Roberts, who is a supporter of National Front, does not like Alan Brookfield.

Recently I have been dropped from the 2nd XV to the 3rd XV.

Mike Roberts does not play rugby. He bears no responsibility for my failure at rugby.

I ought to mention Dave Kramer.

I would like to state quite categorically that there is no school golf XV, therefore I cannot drop down to that team.

And as I close this tale, as a seagull batters itself to death on the window, I weep at my failure to write an interesting story.

P. A. C.

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HOCKEY REPORT

At last the hockey fan club has something to cheer about. Six wins out of seven (which makes up for the exploits of our 1st fifteen rugby team — hint, hint) including the scalp of the unofficial champions of Lancashire, Preston Catholic College. Indeed our only defeat was at the hands of our traditional rival F. Whitely, Esq. aided in part by the rest of the Merchant Taylor's team.

It has been though a sad first term for our brilliant (the most uncomplimentary adjective that I could think of) captain M. Cattrall who has failed miserably to gain a monopoly of goals scored. In fact he only scored three goals which he assures us were exceedingly skilful. Other scorers were Salber (2), Halsall (2), West (2) and Mawdsley and Saunders. Next term is looked forward to with as much relish, as the rugby team and N. Fairclough look forward to the end of next term when the cricket scores suffered against will be more apt!

The whole team would like to thank Messrs. Amer, Comfort, Wohlers and Mawer for the time they gave up to support us in pursuit of victory.
n.b. if Calday Grange happen to hear the rumour that K.G.V. are unbeatable it is one of Cattralls fantasies, or realities?

D. Halsall.

CRICKET REPORT 1st XI 1974

Played: 10 Won: 3 Drawn: 3 Lost: 4

The season was spoilt for the team by a poor summer, resulting in several matches never being started.

The season began with great promise at Hutton where the team scored 125 for 3 declared, thanks to the efforts of Austin, Whitely, Rimmer and Cattrall, and Hutton hanging on at 44 for 8 to draw the game. But after this initial boost, the batting was often poor, but thanks to good batting and fielding the team had convincing wins over Cawley and Ormskirk. After the Hutton match the team only twice more managed to score more than 100. These scores at Manchester thanks to a fine rearguard action from Halsall and Barton, and against the staff, where the team, after an opening stand of 75 by Austin and Whitely, reached 145 for 5 declared, the staff just managing to make a draw thanks to the dead bat of Mr. Bruce, the staff captain which was okay for the staff but frustrating for the school XI.

The season ended with a humiliating defeat at the hands of Southport and Birkdale, thanks to Barton who took five wickets, then sprained his ankle and refused to bat at a vital moment.

Regular players were:-

M. Cattrall (Captain): His batting was disappointing except for a few good scores, which failed to emulate his performance in the previous season. Despite this he could still be entertaining, scoring a six on the off-side at Hutton. He was a good fielder with a long accurate? throw and tried to bowl with limited success. He captains the side thoughtfully at all times.

C. Austin (Vice-Captain): He did not always put as much effort into his batting as he could. He should have had a better season. He was a fast if erratic bowler, and often seen within a yard of the bat.

D. Halsall: A capable wicket keeper and an ever present in the side. He took seven catches, one ball appearing to be sucked into his gloves. When he did drop a catch it was rumoured that he was reading History books behind the the wicket. A useful lower order batsman who was rarely out.

F. Rimmer: After a promising start at Hutton he never reached his true capabilities as a number three bat. He was a useful fielder with a safe pair of hands and an accurate throw, perfected a shot over slips head.

F. Whitely: He had an extremely unusual batting style for an opener, but was effective, being the top scorer in the team, a capable fielder with a powerful throw.

R. Barton: On his day he could be devastating, but by the time he reached the wicket he was often on his last legs or strained himself as he did at Southport and Birkdale. The bright and breezy batsman of the team.

T. Hall: He was a left arm spin bowler who took many wickets and was a useful low order batsman. He was very slow in the field but had a good throw when he reached the ball. He will be a great loss to the team but a great weight off the minds of opposing batsmen and bowlers.

D. Mitchell: Came into the side after good performances in the second team, and proved his worth, especially against Ormskirk, making a valuable contribution to the team's victory. A capable fielder whose throw could be improved.

I. Greenhalgh: Came into the side as a stroke maker and scored some valuable runs, a good all round fielder.

D. Ainsworth: On his day he could be a deadly swing bowler but batted without much fortune throughout the season.

Also played:- G. Foster, R. Marshall, W. Fairclough and G. Lloyd. A. Tomkinson and G. Charters played a match each.

The team's advantage is its youth and with only three of the regular players not being available for next season the side should be hard to beat in the future.

The team would like to thank Mr. Rimmer for his organisation and effort, and to Mr. Gale and other umpires who spent time with the team. A special thanks must go to D. Parry for only scoring twice, and to M. Greenhalgh for taking over his position.

F. Rimmer assisted by M. Cattrall

LOOKING INTO XMAS

Lord, You're so hard to find here in Your season.

I can't see you under the tinsel.

You're not with the robin on the huge red cake.

The postman brings me pictures of baubles and bells, snow and sentiment, but there's no sign of You.

You're not neatly packaged and tied up with ribbon.

I even looked in the special box from the off-license, but all it contained were bottles.

The music speaks of a white Christmas and sleighbells and The children sing "God rest ye Gerry Mendlebaum,"

Perhaps it's just a story, like "Cinderella" or "The Ugly Duckling."

But wait, yes, You're there!

There in the mental discount supermarket; this weeks special offer with Santa Claus, Scrooge and a host of pantomime characters.

Christ, how can You bear the humiliation?

Martin Benedyk interviews

Mr. PETE MURRAY

Could you tell me how you've reached your present level?

I'd always wanted to be an actor and when I left school, I got into the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, where I remained for four years until I joined the R.A.F.

On leaving the Force, I was contracted by Rank Organization for four years. After that, I did a show on Broadway, New York. After a tour of a play, my agent asked me if I wanted to work on Radio Luxembourg as a D.J. and a continuity announcer. I said yes, and stayed there for four years. Apart from the odd film, play or television-play I've been a D.J. ever since.

How many people are involved in putting "Open House" together?

There are four secretaries who deal with all the mail we get, and there are three producers. One is responsible for administration and booking the guests. The second looks after the guests once they arrive in the studio, and the third is responsible for the music and the running time.

How long does it take to prepare a show?

Music-wise, about 1½ hours for myself, I arrive at the studio 30 minutes before I'm on with no idea of what I'm going to say or do. I don't do any preparation at all.

Do you prefer pre-recorded shows or live ones?

Live ones. They're much more exciting, and you're better live. If you record a show; you're always conscious of the fact that you can do it again, and more often than not, you do have to do it again.

You appeared to be thoroughly enjoying yourself on the programme. Were you?

Yes. You have to: if you don't enjoy it, you shouldn't do it. I had a ball doing it.

Is there an up-and-coming young group or singer who has impressed you?

Yes. I think 'Fivepenny Piece' and 'Design' are very good 'middle of the road' groups. I feel that either of these two or 'Rain', could take over from where the 'New Seekers' left off.

How many hours do you work each week?

I do the show from 9.00 to 11.30 each morning, five days a week: twelve and a half hours, and I do television work whenever the opportunity presents itself.

Does the knowledge that millions of people are listening to you ever make you nervous?

No, never. If you start thinking about it, you get nervous.

Do you ever find it difficult to chat to guests on your show?

It depends entirely on the guests; some talk easily, some don't.

Do you get much time to pursue your own interests?

Yes. I try not to work on Saturdays; I go to football matches, Arsenal, — whenever I can and I play tennis. I also quite honestly like an evening at home with the family, watching television.

What are your main recreations?

Football, tennis, cricket; mainly open-air sports — and sunbathing.

What sort of music do you like...?

All sorts: good contemporary music,, good 'oldies', everything.

I like Tamla Motown music, Tony Bennett ballads, Max Bygraves I enjoy it all. Classical music? Sibelius and Wagner.

Is there glamour in your job?

A lot of people think there is, but I consider it a job. My job is communication, and I enjoy that communication,

Do you enjoy being in the public eye?

I used to get a big kick out of it while at Luxemburg, but nowadays I'm unaware of it.

When you go shopping you're easily recognised. How do you cope with this?

People will say "Hello" or something like that. There's no screaming or shouting.

If you were not a D.J., what would you like to be?

I spent many school holidays on a farm: I'd like to be a gentleman farmer.

Finally, have you ambition left to fulfil?

I should like to have a good part in a good play, perhaps in the National Theatre or Royal Shakespeare Company.

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