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EDITORIAL

With a new Headmaster what could be more natural than a new magazine ?

B.R.C., N.K.R.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Our sincere thanks go to the headmaster for the opportunity he has given us to bring the magazine up-to-date, to Mr. Winter for his help and encouragement, and to Mr. Steele for his valuable assistance. To Edmundo Ros, Clement Freud and David Landaw for sparing us some of their valuable time, and to Mr. N. L. Millard for taking over the O.Ms column at such short notice. To Mr. Baker for his help with the new cover, and to D. J. Young, J. A. Brunskill, J. L. Bernstein, and C. G. Rees-Roberts for their drawings. To R. J. Tyrrell and J. C. Alpe for their photographs, and to all those who contributed, with or without success, to the literary section.

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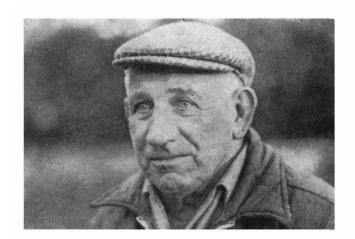


C. P. WORMELL

At the end of this term, Mr. Wormell will be going to Leicester University to take up a research fellowship in philosophy, which has been a main interest of his, along with mathematics, since his Oxford days. Mr. Wormell has been teaching maths at Mill Hill for nine years and was appointed Head-of-Department in 1962. It will, perhaps, be his kindness and the enthusiasm with which he tackles everything he does that will be the School's greatest loss. During his time here, he has broadened the horizons of the maths department considerably, encouraging, for instance, the establishment of computing as a major interest. Since 1965, he has arranged for boys to visit the Hatfield College computer and, since its inauguration, has been a guiding and invaluable spirit behind the Computer Group.

Among his many achievements is the publication of the book, "Mathematics Through Geometry", and shortly he will be bringing out a new book, based on his duplicated M.E.I. text, which has been used as a part of the Additional Maths course. In the spring of last year, he was awarded a B.Litt. degree for a thesis on logical paradoxes.

Mr. Wormell will be greatly missed when he leaves Mill Hill by everyone who has had the pleasure to know him, including the mathematicians whom he has taught over a decade. We would like to wish both Mr. and Mrs. Wormell every happiness and success in the future.



Jimmie irving

Jimmie Irving has now gone back to his native Cumberland, taking with him the respect and affection of all who knew him. He belonged to the school for 28 years, and in all his days and in all his ways he walked with an unassuming readiness to do his job and to do it well. He never had very much to say for himself, and never threw his weight about, but behind his quiet demeanour lay a very shrewd judge of men. Most people have their picture of him; Jimmie tidying up the 1st XI pitch between innings; Jimmie perched in majesty on the gang mower, a kind of tractorial centaur, so closely did he appear to be connected with the machine; Jimmie on the cricket field umpiring, or advancing to the wicket preparatory to launching into orbit one of his famous off-breaks; Jimmie dealing with the contents of a pint pot; and in every picture there moves his short and distinctive square-shouldered figure; and at every picture, memory, grinning broadly, says "Good old Jimmie".

It all began at St. Bees, when Alan Whitehorn, housemaster of Collinson and overlord of school cricket, was looking for a houseman to do all sorts of undistinguished cleaning jobs. Jimmie was put forward for the job by the local plumber, and for the whole war he was technically the Collinson houseman. In Mr. Whitehorn's own words: "One by one his innumerable talents came to light: plumber and electrician; carpenter; mender of cricket bats, groundsman; also gardener; also used to bowl in the nets. So he turned into a general all-purpose servant of the school. He got roped into all manner of jobs; and I can't imagine how our evacuated life could have gone on without him He really became a great friend of me and my wife, and has regularly paid us an annual visit since".

So after the war he came south with us, to be on the ground staff, and also became a "Miller", in which capacity he achieved all that a good comrade might hope for as a servant of the club, a member of the team — he was a competent cricketer in all branches of the game — and as a valued member of the Millers.

May his retirement be long, may his retirement be happy, may it be full of interesting things to do.

T.J.

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To be Monitors

T. W. Bunyard (B), B. P. Kirk (M), J. R. Lethbridge (R)

To be School Prefects P. E. Barker (R), B. R. Coleman (We), R. C. O. Farrow (S), M. E. Francis (B), N. P. Franks (R), J. R. Hume (We), S. D. J. Newby (We), S. C. Nightingale (S),

R. W. Phillips (C)

SCHOOL NEWS

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Huxtable on the birth of their son, Simon, and good wishes to M. M. Michaud who will be returning to France, after teaching French at Mill Hill for a term.

Next term, we will be welcoming Mr E. Cook, as the new Head of the Maths Department.

THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

Something not far short of a revolution has come over the Library this term and it has now become easier to work during "Frees" (sorry, "Study Period") and in the afternoon. With all entrances and exits now through the Scriptorium doors, a deep silence has now descended on the Library.

We acknowledge with gratitude the presentation by Mr. A. Brett-James (O.M.) of over 30 leather-bound books, which were school prizes won by his father, the late Mr. N. G. Brett-James. Also received with thanks, a paper by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett (O.M.), which was given to the University of Hong Kong, on the occasion of its Golden Jubilee Congress.

D.J.S.

THE SCHOOL CHOIR

At ninety-five strong, the School Choir reached an all-time high. To get so many boys to sing absolutely unanimously is a great challenge and it is exciting to face it. The "new" school choir, new because about twenty-five new boys were admitted and various elder boys were changing parts, settled down quickly. The trebles, most unusually, had great power, while the tenors and bases were somewhat lightweight. However, the ensemble was very good and the spirit in the choir emulated that of the last four years: no Director of Music can ask for more.

The choir was, naturally, at its best at the choir supper, that happy function, held on November 17th. They were also heard to some advantage at the Carol Service. The Choir has, in addition, sung at St. Paul's, Mill Hill, in November and many members have sung at the Christmas Tree at Trafalgar Square, in support of mentally-handicapped children. Altogether, it has been an active and enjoyable term.

S.J.B.

CHAPEL IN THE AUTUMN TERM

We have been very glad to welcome the new Head Master, and his thoughtful sermons at the beginning and end of term have been much appreciated.

Early in the term three or four members of the VIth form went with the Chaplain to visit the London offices of a big missionary society. They saw a film about missionary work to-day, and saw round the fine new headquarters of the Church Missionary Society in Waterloo Road. Over tea they asked many questions of the Education Secretary. The following Sunday they gave their comments in chapel: favourable and unfavourable comments on present-day overseas Christian missionary activity. The next Sunday the Rev. J. R. Harwood was invited to state his case, officially, on behalf of the society; people were left to make their own judgment.

On another Sunday the case for "Feeding the Minds" — a campaign for literature for developing countries — was presented by the Head Master, the Chaplain and Mr. T. J. Huxtable. On November 26th the Second Master, Mr. E. P. Stanham, was the preacher, and, indeed a notable feature of the term was the number of masters and boys who have been involved in the taking of the services. The taking of Thursday morning prayers by various houses in turn has become an established feature.

From outside we were glad to welcome one of the B.B.C. television producers, the Rev. R. T. Brooks, and on November 5th the Rev. Michael Whitehorn, now of Sevenoaks, who was a member of Burton Bank from 1936 to 1941.

On November 19th the difficult question of whether life has any meaning was tackled in a way that involved a large number of boys. The subject was looked at from the point of view of childhood, adolescence, middle and old age. J. A. L. Dawson's Group performed a thoughtful and penetrating piece specially composed to express the thoughts of these four periods in life. There were songs, and readings from famous authors, together with short extracts from essays written by boys at all levels in the school.

The term was rounded off with the usual carol services, very well supported by parents, despite the snow. As a result of our experience in the last few years we tried the experiment of holding one of these services in the afternoon, and this was much welcomed

H.W.S.

There is available a large number of copies of "The Book of Remembrance and War Record of Mill Hill School". Besides the Roll of Honour, it contains the war records of all who served in the forces. If any Old Millhillian would like a free copy will be please write to the Second Master:

E. P. Stanham, 20 High Street, Mill Hill Village, London N.W.7.



THE SCHOOL PLAY DR FAUSTUS by MARLOWE

Despite the school's record of success with a variety of challenging plays in recent years, undertaking Marlowe's "Doctor Faustus" seemed to me hazardous. The fact that most of the hazards were overcome is a credit not only to the producer but to every member of his staff and cast. This production should go down in Mill Hill theatrical history as a remarkable achievement even if it does not rank among the audience's favourites. Admiration for the achievement was general, but I suspect there was some unadmitted boredom. The core of the problem is in the play itself.

An excellent programme note explained the medieval framework, the Renaissance theme, and the contemporary relevance of the Faust legend. But the play's difficulty does not lie in complexity of theme or ambiguity of interpretation; the problem is its episodic structure, the succession of short and often loosely connected scenes, some of which are undoubtedly additions to Marlowe's original text. For an Elizabethan audience such a play had the charm of a revue, with opportunities for a number of actors to do their star turns. If the play is to seem relevant now, the modern producer must impose some element of unity on this diverse material.

The most critical hazard in this play is the casting of the title role, which demands a range of emotion and sheer power of endurance beyond the scope of most young amateurs. With these qualities enhanced by a fine voice and sensitive control of verse, Nightingale created a moving and memorable characterization. Trier's Mephistophilis was an admirable foil: wily and insinuating, as bland as the first stages of temptation. Of the numerous other members of the cast, some were obviously inexperienced but all acquitted themselves satisfactorily by concentrating on clear expression. The standard of diction was uniformly high, and several of the younger actors showed real promise, for instance Milburn as Envy. For Faustus to dominate the other characters was right, but to preserve the balance of the play it was essential that he should meet his match in Lucifer. Terry's two brief appearances as the Arch Fiend gave the necessary impression of the reserves of power backing up his frisking minions. Another important small part was that of Wagner, whose rather dull scenes were handled by Rees-Roberts with a firmness which established him as the only ordinary bloke or common man.

The difficulties of staging called for great imagination and resourcefulness, with which this company seemed to be abundantly blessed. The artists and technicians under Mr. Baker's direction produced an interesting variety of sets, the most effective being the panels for Faustus's study with their eerie transformation in the last scene. The slide drawings used to illustrate narrated action were particularly clever in evoking a medieval atmosphere by their woodcut style, at the same time reminding me that the first projectors were called **magic** lanterns. The use of lighting to create the environment of necromancy was masterly, and the precision with which all the technical effects actually worked was indeed magical. Whatever anxieties the stagehands might have had, there was never an appreciable hitch and scene changing was almost professionally swift and silent.

Costuming and make-up involved opportunities as well as difficulty. The only real difficulty was numerical: fifty characters to be dressed and grease-painted, most of them for very brief appearances on the stage. But there was no single instance of casual making-do in the costumes or slipshod make-up. Instead Miss Adnams made the most of opportunities to create striking costumes which underlined characterization. The contrast between the bright colours of the emperor's and duke's courts and the sober hues for Faustus, Wagner, and lesser men was attractive as well as effective, and the attention to detail in the costumes of the conjured spirits was delightful. Particularly apt was the range of period portraits in the Seven Deadly Sins, and their make-up harmonized perfectly, with effective exaggeration for allegorical emphasis. In general, however, the make-up succeeded by being unobtrusive, steering well clear of the frequent amateur mistake of using too much.

With full and grateful recognition of all the difficulties so successfully overcome. I still have doubts about the total impact of this play. The tension of the serious scenes was not just relieved but often dissipated by the succession of trivial episodes, none of which is genuinely comic. Wagner's teasing is 16th century undergraduate witticism, the papal scene is sheer slapstick, and the audience laughed at the horns on the knight's head not because of the old loke but because of the audible machinery for removing them. The discomfiture of the horse-courser is the only comic touch reminiscent of Shakespearean light relief. If the purpose of the production is to recreate a period piece, these scenes are all essential; but the purpose of this production, as indicated by the programme note, was to convey the contemporary relevance of the theme. Three notable features contributed significantly to this purpose; the stylization of the set for Faustus's study, the use of familiar modern music for the devil's dance, and the pairing of 20th century opposite numbers with the spirits of Caesar. Raleigh, and Florence Nightingale. This way of illustrating that "Hell hath no limits, nor is circumscribed" could well have been carried further by making one of the Seven Deadly Sins contemporary, and by dressing Lucifer, Belzebub, and the attendant devils in stylized costumes suggesting evil instead of conventional diabolical outfits. Greater concentration and emphasis of this kind would have heightened the play's impact. That ominous count-down clock ticking at a point midway between audience and stage helped to hold the second act together, but the scenes of Faustus frittering away his years and his powers tended to drag when the time should have flown. They should have been played at breakneck speed, or, better still, drastically cut. Some such alteration would serve to make the famous Helen of Troy scene stand out more. though Helen herself should have stood out less, should have remained in the mysterious shadow in which we first saw her and have left Faustus free to make the most of the poetry. Ultimately the distractions were resolved by the forceful staging and acting of the final scene.

The question of whether this difficult play was a good choice involves the more basic question of the purpose of school drama. Is the intention to please the parents, to entertain the school, to broaden the experience of the participants? Surely a measure of all three, and each play scores its marks in different proportions. This year instead of attempting to rival his overwhelming popular success of last year, Mr. Winter chose a play that offered both the company and the audience a unique theatrical experience. The number of boys who were involved, the variety of talents which were co-ordinated, the enthusiasm which was disciplined into faultlessly smooth production, all these features have brought this strange old play very much to life among us.

D.H.

CAST

| Charus | O. B. Tannin, J. O. Hanna, all |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Chorus Dr. Faustus | S. R. Trewin, J. S. Hopewell |
| | S. C. Nightingale |
| Wagner | C. G. Rees-Roberts |
| Good Angel | A. G. Turnbull |
| Evil Angel | P. D. James |
| Valdes | R. N. Templeton |
| Cornelius | A. H. Croysdill |
| 1st Scholar | M. D. A. Walker |
| 2nd Scholar | J. B. Woodhams |
| 3rd Scholar | R. Pusey |
| Mephistophilis | C. J. Trier |
| Clown | C. G. Mundy |
| Devils | J. C. M. Warde, C. P. Mann |
| Female Devil | J. B. Murray |
| Lucifer | S. J. E. Terry |
| Belzebub | S. F. Rudlin |
| Pride | R. G. Pugh |
| Sloth | M. P. Walker |
| Covetousness | T. Jones |
| Wrath | W. J. Reid |
| Envy | K. N. Milburn |
| Gluttony | P. G. Lodwick |
| Lechery | J. B. Murray |
| Pope | R. J. Hoare |
| Cardinal | D. C. Watts |
| 1st Friar | M. D. A. Walker |
| 2nd Friar | J. B. Woodhams |
| 3rd Friar | R. Pusey |
| Emperor | W. F. Sneli |
| Knight | J. Gilston |
| Attendants | R. N. Templeton, M. P. Walker |
| Horse-Courser | P. E. Barker |
| Duke of Vanholt | J. P. Stanbury |
| Duchess of Vanholt | A. M. Kingon |
| Robin | M. E. Heywood |
| Ralph | G. P. Coleman |
| Vintner | N. K. Ross |
| Old Man | M. E. Shaw |
| Spirits | J. L. Bernstein, A. R. Wilkin |
| | J. L. Fox, C. M. Byrne, R. A. Smart |
| | N. M. Trier, D. Stephens |
| | H. M. P. James, J. A. H. Hodgson |
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ARMY SECTION

This term has seen a relaxation of emphasis on training for the Army Proficiency exam which will take place in February. Both 'A' and 'B' companies have therefore enjoyed a more varied programme of training which has included work on the assault course, shooting and advanced weapon training.

Field Day enabled a small party of recruits to try their hand at night compass marching and rock-climbing at the Bowles gymnasium; all the cadets did eventually get off the ground and were inspired to further efforts by the very welcome presence of the Headmaster who showed us that he is by no means a novice at such pursuits. The other sections were involved in a map-reading exercise near lyinghoe Beacon, and a small night exercise in Hertfordshire. It is hoped to extend the range of such activities in the future by the provision of extra stores.

The Army specialist sections seem to be developing programmes of training of varied types. The Royal Signal section has now been provided with a mobile No. 19 set and we hope to have some trained operators ready for camp next summer.

The camp programme consists of one at Penhale from 16-24 July, and the Malta camp from 18-26 July.

ROYAL NAVY SECTION

The section has spent the greater part of this term preparing for exams — Proficiency and Able Seaman's. The new recruits have been building in the new Navy hut for instructional purposes.

On Field Day the new recruits went to the Greenwich Royal Naval college where they saw a nuclear reactor and visited the Chapel. The remainder of the section hiked round Hertfordshire with the Army section.

Next summer we hope to make an expedition on the Grand Union canal and any canoes which could possibly be borrowed would be welcome.

R.A.F. SECTION

This has been a term of consolidation, and most of our efforts have been directed towards the Proficiency Exam taken by twenty cadets at the end of term. We had a good new entry of cadets who have spent their first term learning the basic details of R.A.F. life.

Field Day for the Senior Flights was spent at R.A.F. Lakenheath where Flight-Officer K. Hinkley-Smith, another of the growing company of R.A.F. Old Millhillians, laid on a splendid visit for us. Our only other visit this term was to 617 Gliding School at Hendon for gliding experience.

Next term we have arranged three flying weekends at R.A.F. White Waltham and our Field Day will be divided between the Peak District and Bowles Mountaineering Gymnasium at Eridge.

A full programme of camps has been arranged. At Easter two camps, one in Germany and one somewhere in this country, will be held and in the summer holidays we have another camp at R.A.F. Luqa, Malta. There is also the Contingent Camp in Cornwall to which R.A.F. cadets may go.

The Strength of the section is fifty-seven, slightly below our record numbers of last term. Our S.N.C.O., Warrant Officer Francis, is leaving the Section this term and will be succeeded by Flight Sergeant Choinicki.

D.M.F.

SCOUTS

Old Millhillian Scouts who remember the troop when it had four patrols, and when a summer camp of twelve was considered large, will be interested to know that last summer's camp was for thirty-six and that the autumn term's entry for new boys was also thirty-six. We now have nine patrols, and a second Scout Hut.

As part of the "new look" in Scouting the former seniors are now known as the Venture Unit, which is made up of about twenty boys and organised by an executive committee with Mr. Sennitt as Venture Scout Leader.

Two seniors, C. G. Briggs and J. Stephens have been awarded warrants as Assistant Scout Leaders. They and Marnham have given a great deal of time and thought to help the troop cope with the new large numbers.

The second hut referred to is one discarded by the C.C.F. and stands next to our old hut; it is therefore in an ideal position — though not yet in an ideal state. Summer camp on Bodmin Moor was very successful and we hope that the next one, planned for N. Wales (Penrhyndeudraith) will be as enjoyable and as worthwhile as previous ones on that site.



SOCIETIES

THE WITAN

Prolocutor : D. J. Stevens Secretary : D. J. Brooke

Armed with his copy of that famous little red book, Tim Hall spoke to a well-attended meeting on "The Process of a Revolution — China (1911-1967)". Mr. Phimester also had his copy of "Mao's Thoughts" at hand, so we were all set for a fresh insight in to a complex subject. Although he had been given very little time to prepare his talk, Tim had done a considerable amount of research and put forward some fascinating ideas. The evening ended with an onslaught of questions, sometimes quite intricate, which the speaker took determinedly in his stride.

It was a pity that a second meeting, planned for the end of term, could not be arranged because of other school activities. However, our New Year's resolution is to be more enterprising and there are hopes of some interesting meetings next term.

We were glad to welcome the new Headmaster and Mr. Hodgson to our meeting and thank them both for coming. Our thanks go, especially, to Tim Hall for all the work he did and to Mr. and Mrs. Phimester for their generous hospitality and for the delicious "goodies", which Mrs. Phimester prepared at a few hours' notice.

D.J.B.

MODERN LANGUAGES SOCIETY

n : M. W. F. Brown, Esq.

Secretaries : F. J. Lyons, C. J. D. Carpenter

This term has been very successful, in terms of both speakers and attendance. The speakers, both Mrs. Matley ("Jean Paul Sartre") and M. Michaud ("Contemporary French Theatre") were able to keep their vast audiences wide awake with their lively and interesting talks. This, needless to say, is a very creditable performance on their part, if one considers that some of the audience's grasp of French was somewhat sketchy.

F.J.L.

INTERPRETES

Hegemon : A. J. Spawforth Scriba : D. L. James

The society has managed to have an active term, meeting four times in all. In October, we went to University College London to hear an informative lecture by Professor Muir on "Mark Antony". Our next meeting was to see two plays at the Duffy Theatre — Sophocles' "Antigone" and the recently discovered comedy "Duskolos", by Meander; both were surprisingly well-produced for an amateur company. In Mr. Barsby's flat, the Hegemon gave an entertaining and well-prepared paper on the intriguing subject of Cleopatra. Finally, we hope to have a play-reading session before the end of term.

Our thanks, once again, go to Mr. and Mrs. Barsby for their unfailing hospitality.

A.J.S.

ANCIENTS ANONYMOUS

President : R. Auger, Esq.
Bluemantle : C. W. Riddell
Hon. Sec. : D. J. Brooke
3rd Member : C. J. Trier

We have had only one meeting this term but those who attended Miss Kelly's lecture on "Cathedrals and Churches" found it most revealing. The speaker concentrated on Westminster Abbey and explained its interesting architectural points.

Next term, we hope to have more meetings, as we seem to have been hibernating

over the last few terms.

At the end of term, we went to see "Mrs. Wilson's Diary" and most agreed that it had some very clever touches to it. Finally, I would like to congratulate Mr. Auger on becoming President of the society and to thank him for the interest he has already shown in our activities.

C.W.R.

INTERIM

Chairman : S. P. Waller Hon. Sec. : B. R. Coleman Aquarian : D. J. Brooke

"Decline and Fall" would be a typical but appropriate comment on the society's activities — last term we managed a single balloon debate; this term we did not get that far. As a Chairman who has proved hopelessly inefficient, I do not expect to be listened to, but, as the most experienced member, I hope someone will take note of my advice.

In my personal opinion, the society ought, perhaps, to do the following things:-

 It should increase its membership to at least 40 or even encompass the whole 6th Form.

A master should be present at debates.

Of course, the new members would not be first-class speakers. But I am sure that they would provide a wider spectrum of opinion, from which the society can only benefit. The two aims of the Interim are constructive debate and improving the standards of public debate in the School. The licentious gossip, that has hampered all our serious debates for years, would certainly end if a master took the Chair.

Personally, I do not believe that the Interim will ever thrive in its present form, but I am certain that the new Chairman, B. R. Coleman, will have plenty of schemes of his own. To him, and to all members (13 at the last count), I wish the best of luck.

PYTHAGOREANS

President : C. P. Wormell Secretary : R. W. Phillips 3rd Member : A. W. Kino

At the end of this term Mr. Wormell, who has been President since 1961, is leaving us to go to Leicester University. We should like to thank him and his wife very much indeed for their unfailing hospitality. Furthermore, he has encouraged mathematics students to broaden their knowledge beyond the theories of Pythagoras.

At our first meeting, the Secretary gave a talk on "Railway Navvies". He explained their daily life and how railways are constructed. In the past, British navvies were the most sought after in the world, partly because of their diet — 2 lb. meat, 2 lb. bread and a gallon of beer a day.

Two weeks later, the Society met to hear A. L. H. Jankel talk on "Water-Skiing" and A. R. Ganthony on "Betting". Ganthony revealed his plan to turn £10,000 into £3,000,000. We wish him luck. During his explanation, the President had to warn him that he was in danger of breaking the clause in the Society's Constitution, which states that at no meeting may mathematics be discussed.

On Monday, 4th December, we went on our second theatre outing, which was arranged for members who had not been able to get to the first one, because of exams. We saw "Wise Child", starring Alec Guiness, and thought it both clever and subtle.

R.W.P.

PLAYREADING SOCIETY

Patron : E. Winter, Esq. President : A. W. Kino Secretary : M. E. Heywood

The Society met twice this term at Mr. Winter's house, when we read "Sergeant Musgrave's Dance" by John Arden and Harold Pinter's "The Caretaker". Many members had already read the former play but this did not seem to detract from the readers' enthusiasm.

None, however, had previewed "The Caretaker" and, although there are only three characters in the play, interest remained high. The discussion we held after the reading of this play put forward numerous theories about its significance and, if lunch had not intervened, we would, I am sure, have been arguing well in to the afternoon. Pinter's play was the first purchased by the School in an attempt to build up a library of plays for future reading.

This report of our activities would never be complete without a grateful mention to Mr. and Mrs. Winter for the use of their sitting-room and for their generous supply of refreshments, which somehow ensure that even the less interesting plays are well attended.

A.W.K.

KOINONIA

Patron : The Rev. H. W. Starkey

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Committee: R. W. Burns, R. J. Hailey, S. C. Nightingale, C. W. Riddell,

C. J. Trier, I. J. Turnbull

At our first meeting this term, we welcomed Dr. Greenburg, who gave us a very interesting talk on "Drugs and their Social Consequences". In the expectation of a large audience, we decided to meet in the Library, which proved to be a wise decision, since we had what was probably a record attendance of 76. At our next meeting, it was pleasant to hear a talk from someone who is still at the School, John Stephens, who spoke about the slums of Naples, where he carried out a project last holidays. Finally, we met to hear Mick Saunders, Warden of Alford House, and John Perkins (O.M.) speak about the youth club, which is supported by Mill Hill. It is hoped that some of us may be able to visit it next term.

Once again, we are most grateful to the Rev. and Mrs. Starkey for their generous

hospitality.

J.R.L.

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

President: A. Prosser-Harries, Esq.

Hon. Sec. : C. G. Briggs Treasurer : C. N. Hutton

The Society met twice this term to see four films on a variety of subjects. The first film showed the amazingly low degree of civilization attained by the natives of the Amazon Basin, while the second treated us to a rather over-sentimental exposé of the exploitation of the canals of France and Germany. The third film was a brief but informative introduction to the processes involved in the iron-and-steel industry.

The final film traced the history of life through fossils, paying particular attention to the larger fossils of, for example, the dinosaurus. We are all grateful to Dave Dickinson for his enlightening introduction to this film and I hope this will encourage

other members to adapt themselves to giving similar talks in the future.

Near the end of term, 22 members went to see Dr. Zhivago and although it was a second time round for some, this superb film was enjoyed by everyone. Naturally, it was the geographical content of the film which attracted us. We were able to appreciate the similarities between the Meseta region of Spain and the coniferous forest region of the northern prairies of Canada, where the film was shot, to the areas of Russia and Siberia in which the book is set.

C.G.B.

SCIENCE SOCIETY

President : J. A. Turnbull, Esq.

Chairmen : A. L. H. Jankel, A. Wright

Committee : J. F. Prout, C. W. Riddell, M. W. F. Hancock

We first met late in the term to hear a G.P. talk on "Birth Control and Family Planning". This lecture was remarkably well-attended — in fact, only four members were unable to attend and this was because of illness.

The other meetings covered a wide range of subjects: Dr. Tyrrell on "Viruses and the Common Cold"; Ferranti Ltd. on "Inertial Nav-Attack Systems"; Dr. Turk on "Kidney Allergy and Transplantation"; Plessey Ltd. on "Micro-Electronics" and, at half-term, an AEI film show.

Also introduced this term, apart from revolutionary speakers, was a theatre outing to see either "The High Bid" or "There's A Girl In My Soup". Both plays were

thoroughly enjoyed.

We, the resigning co-chairmen, would like to thank our speakers for visiting us, our members for supporting us and our President and Vice-Presidents for their generous help in organising and helping us to run an efficient society.

A.L.H.J., A.W

MUSIC CLUB

Mr. Michael Muskett and his wife — and two young daughters — gave the music club a splendid start: many may have played the recorder, but many have not heard a spinet. The second concert was given by the Fidelio Quartet. This was of particular interest because many remember the Myerscough brothers when they were members of the music staff. The chamber music that the Quartet provided was greatly enjoyed by an audience which packed the music school. Later in the term Clarence Myerscough gave an outstanding recital with Geoffrey Buckley (piano).

Music of an entirely different nature was given by the St. Alban's Cathedral Choir directed by their acting organist Simon Preston, who played two solos. They gave us some magnificent singing which was appreciated by the school choir in particular. Afterwards the two choirs met in the music school and the school choir responded

with some operatic music.

A welcome return visit was made by the Colin Peters jazz quintet. For some of us the avant-garde music of Rowland Kirk and Charles Lloyd, brilliantly though it is played, is somewhat elusive; but Mr. Peters's informative comments kept every listener with him. Ronnie Ross was the superb baritone-saxophone soloist.

C.J.D.C.

CONCERT SOCIETY

Patron: M. P. Seagrim, Esq.

Secretary : D. J. Brooke 3rd Member : S. P. Waller

A new society is born. Our main aim in life is simply to give Upper Sixth Formers opportunities to go to London concerts. If there is enough enthusiasm, we may extend our activities in the future to inviting outside speakers to give talks.

As an inaugural meeting, we went to the Festival Hall towards the end of term and heard the B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra play Mendelsohn's Overture, "Fingal's Cave", Mozart's Piano Concerto, "Coronation", superbly played by Clifford Curzon, and Schubert's Ninth Symphony — "The Great", which, as its title suggests, was magnificent. I hope that the success of this concert is a good omen for the future.

We would like to thank Mr. Seagrim, our Founder-President, for the help he has given, and everyone else who has supported the idea of having a Concert Society.

D.J.B.

ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY

Patron : C. S. Baker, Esq.

Presidents : D. C. L. Peterson & P. M. R. Tinker Committee : T. A. Kempster, A. M. Smith, W. F. Snell

As a new Society, we have had a rather disappointing start, owing to lack of participation by members and difficulty in arranging outings convenient to everyone. Nevertheless, there was a trip to the Sir John Soane Museum earlier this term and a fair attendance at the recent series of three lectures at the Royal Institute of British Architects.

We are inviting speakers to the School next term and hope to have some very interesting meetings on a regular basis. The emphasis will be on discussion and on the interchange of ideas and we hope that these activities will receive greater support from our members. In addition, we shall have facilities for practical projects and hope to build models of some of our plans.

We would like to thank our Patron and the Headmaster for their support and interest in the Society.

P.M.R.T., D.C.L.P.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

President : B. F. C. Sennitt, Esq.

Hon. Sec. : J. C. Alpe
Hon. Treas. : C. W. Riddell
3rd Member : A. S. Warde
4th Member : R. G. Pugh

The Society has been very active this term. We have had several lectures, including a very entertaining one by the President on "Natural History Photography". Also, we had a lecture on Lemmings by Andrew Pearson, which went down well with those who attended.

Several films have been shown, including "African Lion" and "Reed Warblers", both very good films with excellent photography.

At the beginning of term, the Senior Camp went to the Isle of Grain on the Kent

coast. This was enjoyed by the ten boys and two masters who attended.

As members of the London Natural History Society, we have been to several of their meetings this term. The first to Shellness, where a record number of 43 species of bird was seen, including such rarities as the Great Skua and Snow Bunting. The second was a geology lecture at the British Museum. Unfortunately, the lecturer did not arrive but some very good films were shown instead.

Next term, C. W. Riddell will be Hon. Sec. and we look forward to a very active season.

J.C.A.

JUNIOR SCIENCE SOCIETY

Patron : R. Auger, Esq.
Chairman : G. H. Roberts
Hon. Sec. : J. W. R. Martin
Hon. Treas. : N. M. Trier
4th Member : D. A. R. Harrison

Starting with great eagerness late in the term, we succeeded in having two meetings, one of which was a film-show. Despite the great enthusiasm shown at first by all, many members seem reluctant to take part in many of our activities; it is pleasant to note, however, that there are a few members who are taking a keen interest.

We are very grateful to Mr. Auger who, despite other commitments, was willing to get us off our feet and give us invaluable advice.

J.W.R.M., G.H.R.

MODEL RAILWAY SOCIETY

Patron : The Rev. H. W. Starkey

President : C. I. Purkis
Secretary : N. Klein
3rd Member : A. S. Morton

During the last year, the Society has been in a semi-dormant state, mainly due to a lack of funds. Nevertheless, we have had two films from British Rail and an outing to the Isle of Wight to travel on the last steam trains there. This term the Society has come to life again, as progress on the new model-railway shows. We have had great support from the new Headmaster and Mr. Veit, but there is still need for more rolling stock and track. We would, therefore, greatly appreciate any old equipment that O.M's may have, which they have no further use for and would be prepared to donate to the Society. We hope to have a very good model-railway for Foundation Day 1968, if the present progress and interest is maintained.

C.I.P.

SOCIETY OF PHILATELISTS

Patron : T. A. Mason, Esq. President : R. W. Phillips Secretary : S. P. Robinson

Membership is higher than for a number of years. The highlight of the term was a visit by 20 members to the National Philatelic Exhibition on Saturday, November 4th.

A considerable amount of time has been spent by some members on the School Collections of Great Britain, New Zealand and Australia. Many loose stamps have now found a permanent resting-place in an album. Dozens of extra album leaves have been bought for the School Collection from the proceeds of the sale of surplus stamps.

R.W.P.

PRINTING SOCIETY

: E. P. Stanham, Esq. : A. L. H. Jankel Patron Chairman

Hon. Treas. : F. J. Lyons Hon. Sec. : M. C. Grant Committee : K. Shah

We are thriving. New premises have been obtained and a new fount of type purchased for us by the School.

The premises are adjacent to the old establishment and the M.C.R. is no more. The extra space obtained was long overdue but arrived in time to reduce the effort needed to produce 10,000 odd impressions for the School Play programme.

The new fount, the second in three years, was a book face — Caslon Old Face

 and has been used in the Play programme.
 I would like to thank all those members who helped to produce it, especially M. C. Grant, who master-minded the whole operation very efficiently and finished the completed articles almost a week before they were needed, instead of at the last minute, as is normally the case.

One last request.

If anyone has got a Treadle Press they do not want . . .

A.L.H.J.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

: J. A. Turnball, Esq. Patron

President : J. C. Alpe Hon, Sec. : P. J. Glover Hon. Treas. : R. J. Tyrrell 4th Member : J. G. M. Craymer 5th Member : R. N. Templeton

This term we have had several outings, the first, for a small number of members, to the Kodak laboratories in Hendon. The size of these laboratories surprised all those who went and we were all impressed by the massive darkrooms, where rolls of photographic paper are cut up and packed in to boxes.

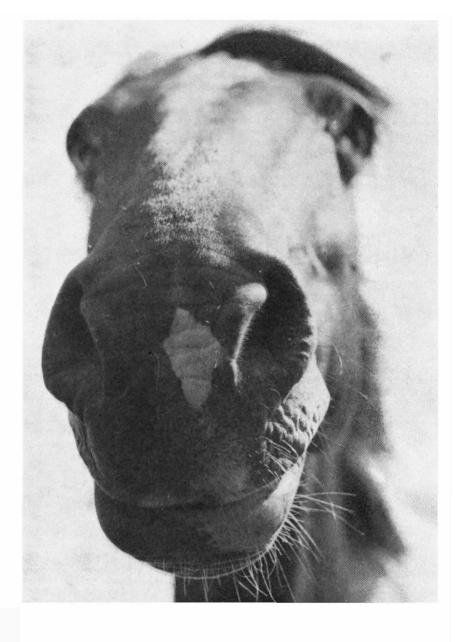
The second outing was to be held on December 10th, when we were to visit Brands Hatch, but unfortunately it was snowed off. Nevertheless, we hope to go in the near future.

Throughout the term, the darkroom has been in constant use and a high standard

of print has been maintained by those members who use it.

Next term, the Hon. Sec. and myself will be retiring and R. J. Tyrell and R. N. Templeton will be taking our places. We hope that the Society will retain its membership, which reached a record of 130 this term.

J.C.A.



HOUSE REPORTS

BURTON BANK

Head of House : A. W. Kino Monitor : D. Lloyd School Prefect : T. W. Bunyard

House Prefects: A. Wright, R. W. J. Newbury, R. O. Feneck,

M. E. D. Francis. (C. N. Hutton)

The term began with the arrival of a very special "new boy" for we welcomed Mr. Robertson to B.B. this term, and hope that he and his family have a long and happy

stay during his reign as housemaster.

Unfortunately, we have not excelled on the games field and were disappointingly beaten by a spirited Scrutton side in the Senior House Rugby. No trophies have been forthcoming, although none has been lost and we still have hopes in the Squash and Chess competitions.

The house has generally been free from illness but a few stray, delinquent viruses

savagely attacked the House Tutor and put him out of action for a week or so.

Finally the snow descended and B.B. proved that it is well prepared for such extremes in weather by providing a house sledge for all those interested in breaking their neck.

VALETE:

A. W. Kino (62-67); Upper Maths VI; Monitor, Head of House, Games Committee; Tennis capt., 3rd's Rugger and Hockey, Chess team; Pres. Play-Reading Society, School Play, Koinonia and Pythagoreans Committees; Entering City of London College; Waldgrave Park, Twickenham, Middx.

A. Wright (63-67); Upper Med. VI; House Prefect, Remove Fifth Lower, Upper sixth form prizes, Gilbert Buchanan Hobbies Prize 67; Boxing capt., 1st XV, 2nd XI Cricket; Chairman Science Society, Sec. Innominates, Queen's Scout and Duke of Edinburgh's Award; Steel Foundry then Emmanuel College Cambridge.

COLLINSON

Head of House : D. J. Stevens School Prefect : R. W. Burns

House Prefects: D. L. L. James, R. W. Phillips, A. E. S. Eastman,

J. H. Griffiths, T. Knott, J. D. A. Zarno

Collinson in general has been content to sit on its laurels this term, and as a result our former trophies have been slipping away. It is to be hoped that this apparent lack of concern is only temporary. On the games field we succumbed gallantly to Scrutton on the third day of term in the senior rugger, and had mixed fortunes in the junior house competition, while the senior league players had some good games. We were disappointed by the junior shooting, but the other minor sports are more promising.

"Kim" has returned bringing Matron with him, and now somnolently guards the upstairs landing, but we now have a rival in the black cat (female) which, domiciled in the dog-kennel, threatens to . . . the House Staff have been rolling along, bar study two, while the seniors in general have had a little time for work in between our numerous house dances. We haven't done a great deal on the games field, but we remain an extremely happy house.

VALETE:

T. Knott (64-67); Lower Arts VI; House Prefect; 1st and 2nd XV Rugger 7-a-side team 67, 2nd XI Hockey, Athletics 64-67; Mod. Lang. Society, Motor Car and Cycle Club. Furthering education with a view to Import and Export business; Fairfield, The Ridgeway, Rothley, Leicester.

SALVETE:

A. Grunberg (Junior High School 167, N.Y.).

A. Husain (St. Xavier's School, Delhi).

MURRAY

Head of House : M. C. B. Sumner

School Prefects : B. P. Kirk

House Prefects : J. P. P. Olesen, J. R. M. Potter, W. N. T. Olesen,

R. C. A. Thompson, M. J. R. Tinker

The Autumn term, as in years past, has proved to be rather uneventful, although activities within Murray have served to minimise boredom. The condition of Murray House, however, has to some extent depreciated since last term. In addition to the continual pattering of animal's feet over the asphalt roof and the flickering of neon lights we have been informed that the House is gracefully receding down the hill at the terrifying rate of one and a half inches a year. By 4000 A.D. we should have broken school bounds.

Our rugger standards, all told, are fairly average; we have won and lost three Senior League matches. Amongst our twenty-three new boys, this term, several have shown a very keen interest in the sport and by next year we hope to have a fair

number of school team players in Murray.

Fives did not prove as successful as we had hoped, although our match against Ridgeway was lost marginally. We have not yet played in the inter-house squash com-

petition, but our enthusiasm rates high.

The eagerness of certain people for a House Dance this term has been the cause of much hard work by T. S. Pulman and although at one instant he found that he had forty females for eighty males I am certain, once the difficulty is overcome, that the dance will turn out a success.

M.C.B.S. SALVETE:

J. P. Crook (Barnard Castle School, Durham).

E. V. Hodges (Lyndhurst Hall).

VALETE:

G. E. Tilley.

RIDGEWAY

Head of House : J. R. Lethbridge

House Prefects: A. R. Ganthony, R. T. Watkins, P. J. Glover,

J. G. N. Studley, J. D. E. Gallagher, G. N. Meyers,

D. B. B. Kenning, C. J. Whiteman

From the moment we plunged into the first round of the senior rugger competition at the beginning of term our pace has hardly faltered. In the end we drew the final of the senior rugger with Scrutton. Our senior league side succeeded in winning back

the trophy with the help of some great team spirit.

Off the playing field, many members of the house have been interior decorating, in an effort to convert the basement into a presentable room. At the beginning of term we welcomed Mr. Seagrim as our new house-tutor. We hope that his experiences of Will's Grove, and the lack of parking facilities in no way prevented him from feeling at home.

VALETE:

A. R. Ganthony (62-67).

G. N. Myers (63-67).

M. M. Chaudoir (63-67); Upper Maths VI; Lower Science and Upper Maths prizes; Emanuel College Cambridge; 16 Beehive Green, Weywyn Garden City, Herts.

C. C. Davis (65-67); Lower Arts VI; Motor Car and Cycle Club, Jazz Club committee; Professional musician and Motor Trade management; Luosesra, 33 Harts-wood Road, London, W.12.

SALVETE:

S. J. Adams (Belmont).

C. Matthew (Davies's).
S. Nair (St. Columbus High School, New Delhi).

S. Nei (Davies's).

M. Salem (Whittinghame College).

SCRUTTON

Head of House : W. B. Marnham Monitor J. T. Holmes

School Prefects: C. J. D. Carpenter, J. Stephens

House Prefects: D. G. H. Hodgson, R. C. O. Farrow, S. C. Nightingale,

S. P. Waller

Every term has its excitements and this term we started by being rudely awakened in the small hours by some joker who rang the outside bell, rousing the monitors. Nearer the end of term a rumour shocked the School who feared that House staff were being abolished . . . I wonder!

The House Tutor did not seem to appreciate the point of the object on his chair at lunch-time and showed his disgust of the meal by throwing a drawing pin into the gravy. It is pleasant to know that the warblings of bathing House-staff do not go unheard — but the singing was no substitute for the "borrowed" phonograph in the

staff study below.

Apart from these and a few other incidents life has gone on much as usual here. Everyone appears to be reasonably happy and much spirit was shown in both the Senior and Junior rugger, in which we managed to capture half the Senior shield. We now only await the results of the minor sports competitions.

The weather has held out remarkably well but unfortunately we are still in need

of the bucket in the Octagon as a second defence against the weather.

VALETE:

W. B. Marnham (62-67); Upper Medical VI; Monitor head of School House; 3rd XV capt., Cross-country and Athletics 66-67; Librarian, Freds, School Play, Koinonia and Christian Fellowship committees 67. Farming in Yorks then entering

Wye College, Kent; Foxley Grove, Holyport, Berks. C. J. D. Carpenter (62-67); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; School Prefect, Choir Manager, u/o i/c C.C.F.; Capt. Shooting 67; Junior and Senior French reading and speech competition, Lower and Upper Mod. Lang. form prizes, McClure music prize 67; President of Music Club and of Mod. Lang. Society; Work in Germany/Scandinavia before University; 25 Azalea Walk, Eastcote, Pinner, Middx.

S. P. Waller (63-67); Upper Mod. Subjects VI; House Prefect, Lower and Upper Mod. Sub. form prizes, Van Moppes, Major Hobbies prize 67; Editor of Magazine, Chairman of Interim, Witan, Phoeban, Playreading, Art Societies, School and House Plays; Touring in Germany before University; 8 St. Mary's Ave, London, N.3.

D. R. Atchley (63-67); Science V; 3rd XV 67, 4th XI Cricket 66-67; Photographic, Natural History, Printing Societies; Furthering studies at Guildford; Alvediston, Claremont Pk, Esher, Surrey.

A. L. H. Jankel (63-67); Upper Maths VI; Colts XV; Athletics 64-67; Chairman of Science and Printing Societies, Pythagoreans; Dormers, Priory Drive, Stanmore,

J. N. Landaw (63-67); Upper Mod. Subj. VI; Music prize 63; 1st VI Tennis; Music Club: Witan: Exhibition to St. Edmund's, Oxford; 1 Crown Close, Mill Hill, London, N.W.7.

D. W. Roper (63-67); Upper Science VI; Upper Science VI prize 67; Freds Society; Working abroad before Sussex/Cambridge; 6 Grosvenor Court, Wimbledon, London, S.W.19.

B. S. Winwood (63-67); 2nd XV, Jun. capt. Athletics 67; Studying at Haberdashers'

Aske's: 3 Vale Close, Farm Ave, Harpenden, Herts.

SALVETE:

N. A. Bantin (Belmont).

K. Chinoy (Burn Hall, Abbottabat, Pakistan).

B. N. Gay (Belmont).

S. K. Moss (Trent College, Notts).

K. J. Morris (Lochinver House, Potters Bar).

N. K. Shah (Mombassa High School).

T. E. M. Sheikh (Agakhan High School).

WEYMOUTH

Head of House : A. P. J. Souter

House Prefects: M. D. Stratten, S. D. J. Newby, D. L. Parkhouse, B. R. Coleman, J. R. Hume, M. D. A. Walker

We began the term on the usual theatrical note with the play, "Fire, fire everywhere and not a flame in sight". The live performance proved excellent entertainment as one of the House Staff actually leaped out of bed and left his pyiama bottoms in the depths of his bed. Only when he turned on the lights did he realise his mistake. We can only hope he had better luck with his Oxford entry exams.

As the term drags on most of us are able to enter newly daubed studies in the morning without succumbing to a nauseating headache — however we cannot complain as we chose the colours. The pop-art look really makes the rest of the house look rather tired; perhaps someone will take the hint. The long-awaited amendments upstairs are at last taking shape and some say that the work will be finished by the beginning of the summer term. Anyway it provides a subject for lunchtime discussion.

Our newcomers have settled in amicably apart from a few embarrassments over

the colours test.

We lost the senior rugger, but spectated so well that Scrutton won the final some weeks later. Senior league was enjoyed by all and the junior shooting battled through to second place. The other sports have yet to be played so we shall see.

VALETE:

M. D. Stratten (62-67); Upper Maths VI; House Prefect, Librarian; 2nd Rugger. Hockey, Cricket; Pythagoreans, Koinonia, Philatelic and Choral Societies; Entering Chartered Accountancy; 161 Sheen Court, Richmond, Surrey.

D. L. Parkhouse (63-67); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; House Prefect; Upper VI History prize; 3rd XI Cricket; Phoeban, Witan, Music Club; Work in Germany before Uni-

versity; Marden, Chilworth, Southampton.

F. J. Lyons (63-67); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; House Manager of Tiddlywinks, Entrance Exhibition: Van Moppes, Removes, Fifths, Lower and Upper VI form prizes. French reading and speech; Handwriting and Hobbies prizes; Colts Rugger; Pres. Mod. Lang. Society, Treas. Printing Society; E.S.U. Scholarship to U.S.A.: Residence Musset, Rue de la Ronce, Ville d'Avray 92, France.

SALVETE:

D. S. Ford (Crosfield School, Reading).

WINTERSTOKE

Head of House : C. W. Riddell

House Prefects: M. E. Heywood, P. J. Mills, I. A. N. Leeming, D. K. Clark,

C.W.R.

G. P. Coleman, D. J. Brooke

Although there are three competitions still to come at the time of writing, it is already

possible to summarize the term's sporting activities as satisfactory:

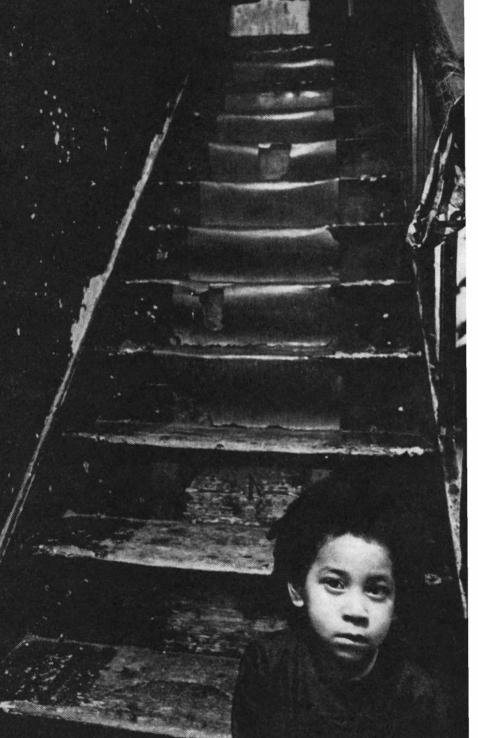
The Senior Gym Shield remains in our possession for the seventh time in eight years and the Junior Shooting was won by a capable team, which did well as a result of organised practices. Our Junior Rugger team, however, disappointed us, since it did not reach its zenith and lost to Ridgeway. Much effort was put in to the Senior Rugger by a number of the house-staff but, unfortunately, to no avail.

This term, several members of the House have been displaying their enthusiasm in other aspects of house life. Our attempts to arrange a house dance this term were unsuccessful but most are satisfied with the prospect of three next term. On Sundays, some of us have met to read plays ranging from "The Chinese Prime Minister" to "The Apple Cart". During the week, the Quiet Room has been occupied by the house choir, who have been full of the Christmas Spirit in their rendering of Gershwin. However, perhaps the most lively and entertaining occupant of the House is the new kitten, "Occi".

SALVETE:

N. J. Stroud (Malais School, Yorks)





SHELTER

In November 1965 the White Paper on Housing stated:

"In Great Britain some three million families still live either in slums, near slums, or in grossly overcrowded conditions."

Two years later there are still three million families living in these conditions—and 12,500 people each night in hostels for the homeless. Because their parents live in unsatisfactory home conditions some 5,000 children will be tucked up tonight not by their mother or father, but by a nurse, "house mother" or foster mother—excellent substitutes, but only a substitute. And another 5,000 children will be tucked up by relations, where they have been sent from overcrowded homes.

Something obviously has to be done about this. By Christmas Shelter will have re-housed 750 people living in some of the most appalling conditions imaginable. This, the result of a year's hard work on the part of Shelter, is only a small inroad into a vast problem, but it is a start.

Coming from decent homes, it is difficult to imagine how some of these people live. In the basement of a house in Paddington live a family of mother and father, with two children; they have one room and a scullery, and a husband and wife who just have one room. The situation is even worse on the ground floor. In a room 10 ft. 3 in. \times 6 ft. 6 in., warmed by a single gas heater live a husband and wife, with three children. The wife and the daughter share a single bed, while the husband and the two boys share a double. This costs them £4 10s, a week.

On the first floor is the only toilet for the 26 people in the house, and a bathroom with a sink and a bath, but no water.

At the very top is a woman with her four children. She was a housekeeper in a block of flats where she was provided with a nice flat of her own. However, she became ill and had to leave the job, and the flat. Now she pays £4 10s. a week for a room 9 ft. 6 in. x 14 ft. All five sleep together in two single beds (different heights and sizes) pushed together.

Shelter's main concern is to raise money to re-house people like these. It does so by raising money at top speed and channelling it — at top speed — to non-profit-making housing associations in Britain's worst-hit slums where those associations buy houses, convert them into good, simple homes, and let them at fair rents to those in most desperate need. This money goes especially to Britain's four worst-hit areas:—

To Glasgow where 25 of its 38 wards are more than 30% overcrowded. 80,000 people are on the local council waiting list, and 100,000, one third, of its houses are unfit

To London with 150,000 families on council waiting lists and half a million people overcrowded. More than 1,000 families are homeless and there are more than 50,000 unfit houses.

To Liverpool where there are nearly 20,000 people on council waiting lists. More than 70,000 houses are unfit and more than 85,000 people overcrowded.

And to Birmingham with nearly 40,000 families on council waiting lists, over 40,000 houses unfit, and over 115,000 people living in overcrowded conditions.

Four million homes are now needed to replace slums and to meet housing shortages, and at the Government's present rate of home-building it will take at least 10 years to meet the need. Something has to be done, and Shelter is trying to do it.



Clement Freud

A PIECE OF MY MIND

My name is Clement Freud — the surname is pronounced Freud. I am 5 ft. 10 in. tall, though very much smaller when I walk on all fours: temporarily I weigh 13 st.

I have temporarily weighed 13 st. for 15 years so that the thin man inside me is suffering from acute claustrophobia and has, as far as I can tell, given up trying to get out.

I am in my late 30's . . . or to put it another way I am 40. Moreover my wife understands me and to prove it we have five children of assorted sexes; they wait until I have to write something and then race around the house shouting: "Be quiet, Daddy is working".

As this sort of background is limiting to literary output, I tend to work away from home, scribbling in railway carriages and sitting at tables in sheds at the bottom of other people's gardens.

We have no shed at the bottom of our garden, in fact our garden is so small that it only just has a bottom, where there are 11 daffodil bulbs (what is called a gardener's dozen) which my wife is cultivating for some blue and grey vases she bought in the sales.

These vases were a bargain, a 25s. line reduced to 12/6; she bought one last January, and when she came out of the shop there was a 40s. parking ticket stuck on the windscreen of her car. So she went back and bought two more vases and worked out we were only 2s. 6d. down on the entire deal.

Thanks to a number of such transactions we are now very rich, We can afford to go out to other people's houses and eat huge meals which we were never asked to do when we were poor and lived on doughnuts.



JOKES I CAN LIVE WITHOUT

Some years ago my wife telephoned the laundry to ask about a pair of my pants which had not returned.

The woman who answered the telephone said: "Now would that be Mr. Freud's pants with the frayed elastic at the waist or the ones with the green ink stain on the left leg?"

It was entirely as a result of this that we bought a washing machine.

While I am a great believer in personal attention, the thought that somewhere in north-west London there existed a community of people who knew when my nose bled and how currently buttonless were my shirts, was an intrusion of my personal privacy with which I was unprepared to put up.

Also I shall not go back to the restaurant in Chelsea in which a very slim young waiter with particularly tight-fitting trousers brought me a plateful of lunch and then inquired whether I would like the beans facing the other way . . . "You know — pointing towards the cutlets".

There is a point at which solicitous service gives way to a gratuitous mateyness at which I draw the line.

As with the hairdressers who feel that one is genuinely interested in the state of their health, and then expect a tip when it is clearly they who should tip you sixpence for 20 minues of enforced therapeutic listening.

And jokey grocers — inspired by television serials — are my noirest bêtes of all. I care not a damn whether I am called Sir, Tosh or You. I do mind, very much indeed, when I am served out of turn, when I have to wait while the grocer has a cup of tea, or find myself at the receiving end of such compulsive shop japes as being asked to repeat my order only to be told: "That's what I thought you said; we haven't got any." for the delectation of the gueue.

I have no more than a lukewarm affection for policemen who say: "You shouldn't have done that." It is inadvisable to park here." "I have a good mind to ask you what you are doing." "Weren't you going a bit fast?"

There was a time when I looked them straight in the eye and said: "Will you either arrest me or shut up?" . . . until I found one who took me at my word.

I am wary of chummy policeman. I also distrust deaf piano-tuners and church-going atheists.

It seems extraordinary that our public image of "national inefficiency camouflaged beneath a thin patina of suspect charm" has not infuriated more people.

He's a bit of a character, they say, when the publican starts to clean his fingernails on the bar counter.

It's just his little way when a taxi-driver belches the smoke of age-old socks through a pipe into the back of a cab.

What is surprising is that it seems to take newcomers absolutely no time at all to get into the swing of things. "The dining car is at the other end of the train, but surely you'se already eaten?" said a shining Jamaican ticket-clipper at Liverpool Station last week-end.

I walked to the far end of the train. No dining car. "Never no dining car on Sundays, man, but other days that's where you'd find it." I suppose if one has to have inefficiency, charm is better than nothing.

I recently travelled by air from Glasgow to London. The plane was due to leave at 1 p.m. It left at 1.30. It was due to take an hour and five minutes. It took an hour and twenty-five. Now one would have put up with this quite cheerfully if someone had told us what was going on. The fourteenth screw from the left is loose might have explained the first delay; a headwind the second. But no-one said a word and it took us 28 minutes at London Airport to become re-united with our luggage.

The girl behind the buffet tried hard to re-establish the balance. "What's this then?" she said as I handed her a Scottish pound note.

I told her. "Never seen one like this," she said suspiciously, "what's it meant to be worth?" And then, just to show that there was no ill-feeling, she added: "We get a lot of queer people in here trying on all sorts of things".

Goodness, I know what she means. Rotten old foreigners with 100-dollar notes and travellers cheques.

Autumn falls in spring

The lights now fly their spark
Through Autumn's trees
With glints of amber and
All nature's ease,
Which seem measureless to me.

The rainy time of year has come
When darkness clogs the sodden leaves
And covers bark with sweat and slime,
And moist moss lines the skirting
Off the paths which roll endlessly for me.

Now please rid me of these never-ending ways And bring, once more, the clean, Fresh thoughts of Spring.

nomis

GUTTERAL COMPLAINTS

(A feast)

My mind turns over in my mind;

(Of Portuguese)

My mouth is empty when I've dined

(Men of War)

Save for the gristle and the rind

(With tentacles)

Which, as they're in my mind, I find

(Of fire)

Unleash their tongues of rash desire.

S.N.

when love dies

This is my soul enraged, enraged at the death of love. Love and life were one until the uncontrollable streak of human selfishness separated them, and hate rode rampant along life's uncertain path. Since then life has died, and people are just things, wandering unhappily in the dark cavern of their folly.

j.c.a.



DRUNK ON A LONDON TRAIN

Deceitful evening papers raised on high
'Gainst awful menace in the home bound train,
Or staring blankly at the window pane
In fear: "To me he might draw nigh
And kill composure, banish privacy —
If only he would go away,
God knows i've had a trying day."
But in his muddled, fuddled mind
There lies no wish to be unkind;
He wants this moody crowd to sing —
Why must they ruin everything?
And surely this embarrassment
Is never his benign intent;
Yet on this train he is a king.

N.B.

MISSILES

Aries waits in meditation,

For the last extermination,

How nice for those who specialise,

To choose the form of their demise.

Suburbed into gratitude

Going home by train through thick, black, misty distance.

Peering out, in vain, through windswept, rainy windows.

Houses scattered round about like little spotted boxes

Containing little spotted people who live spotted small existences.

Suburbia commutes from Laburnam Drive, Seven Kings.

Pulsating drum of wheels on track

Warns them that someone is peeking

Into their soggy cardboard lives.

Pulsating drum of wheels on track

Remind me that I am — thankfully

Going home.

S.D.J.N.

MY OWN LITTLE ROOM

It's nice down here. My own little room, so nice and comfortable. All those lovely people who gave me this room. Some were crying, I wonder why? I'm all by myself, at last satisfaction. Nobody to worry over me, anymore. I'm free, no more nasty straitjackets.

Lucky the doctor was away. That nurse is so stupid. They wouldn't want to keep a body around in the hospital. I just went into a dead faint, I've been able to do it for years.

At last, I'm on my own, peace is so heavenly, peace . . .

R.P.O.



Is Gibraltar Spanish? or — a Discussion with the Stationmaster of Castillejo — Anover

When I first thought of a safari to Darkest Spain during the most fruitful and rewarding Latin period of my career, little did I imagine that the Spaniards would be on the one hand ardent Anglophiles — and on the other, eager Anglophobes — I thought that they were all Anglophobes.

Any way, the scene is Castillego-Añover, a minute, smelly, mosquito-ridden junction on the Seville-Madrid line.

The members of the cast are — me, Steve, Stationmaster, happy Anglophobic Spaniards and unhappy Anglophilic Spaniards: we have been travelling for ten hours from Granada, and are hoping to go on to Toledo this evening — it is now 8.30 p.m.: a great part of the day has been spent in a hot compartment with a fat lady whose grandson, a Spanish garage mechanic, seems to spend his time lending money to Americans, of all people, who are apparently even less rich than he (?)

We are sitting on the platform swearing at the mosquitoes. Up walks the stationmaster, a dazzling example of Spain's new elite: sporting a bright red peaked cap and a grey uniform: intellectual-looking spectacles, an important-looking whistle, and the look of self assurance that comes from reading Spanish newspapers.

Conversation now starts.

"Are you German?" he asks.

"No" I reply in broken Spanish.

"Where do you come from?"

"England" (so far so good).

The preliminaries are now over: he takes a deep breath, as other happy and unhappy Spaniards gather round: this means that they are going to talk about Gibraltar: Subconscious Anti-Spaniard Defence System comes into action as a result of many discussions about this tremendously fascinating topic: I nudge Steve: we are now on the alert, ready for whatever may come:

He moves into action fast: "I see that the British embassy in Peking has been blown up today."

"Has it?"

"How do you explain the British difficulties in Aden?"

"Well, Britain is having trouble with its outposts . . . "

"What about Homosexuality in Britain?" He showed us a bright red article in the well thumbed newspaper: "I see that men can now be married in churches. How immoral to pass a law like that."

"Yes, of course, but . . . "

And then, what, what about Gibraltar? Is it not part of the Spanish mainland and therefore belonging to Spain?"

We had heard this argument before, and moved in with a telling blow:

"How do you explain Portugal, then?"

We had him there: he decided to forget this point, because the Alicante Express roared past at that moment. Then he started again, just a shade less confidently:

"Why should Britain keep Gibraltar?"

"Presumably in order to keep a eye on Malta and the Mediterranean: but then, why do you want Gibraltar, and what would you do with it?"

"Because it is Spanish land: we would put industry on it."

"Where, on the cliffs?"

"Yes — I mean, no — but there is also a tremendous amount of smuggling into Spain through the customs."

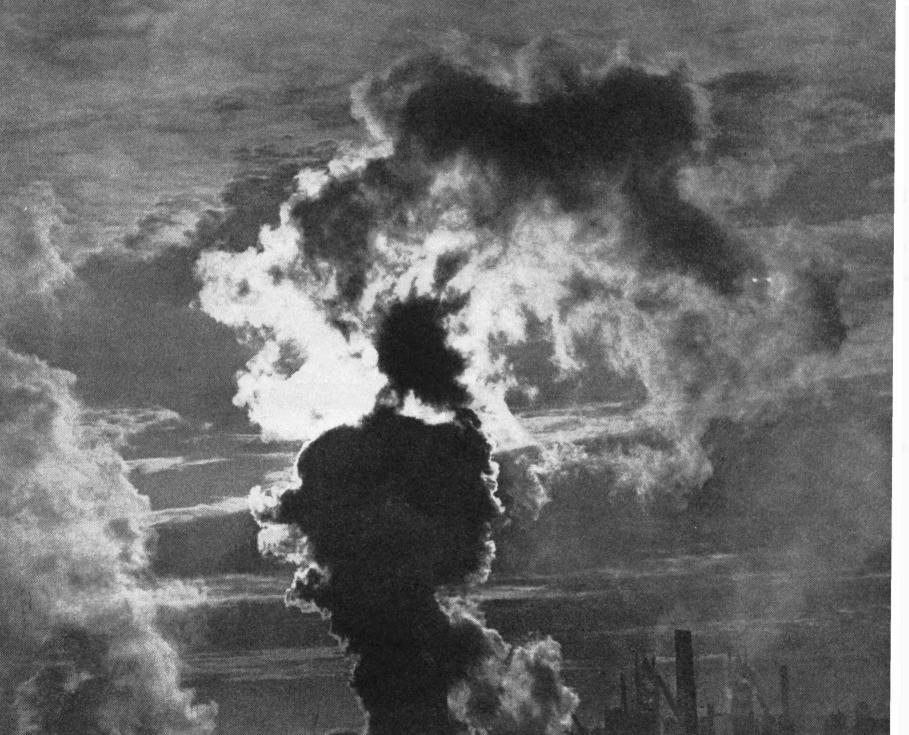
"What, do you actually mean to say that there are some corrupt Spanish customs men?"

(The customs at Algeciras are reputed for their "lenience"). This too had its effect — he kept his mouth shut for a few moments — and just then, as had often happened before, a Spaniard came to our aid:

"And how about Spain giving up Tangiers, Ceuta and Ifni, then, if England has to give Gibraltar?"

But fortunately for the stationmaster, the Cordoba Rapid was approaching, a point of light in the darkness, and he had to go to flag the driver past

F.J.L.



PORT TALBOT STEELWORKS

Darkness ploughs loudly through tomorrow's eyes
With bold coloured whiffs
Of cuts and curls.
And like wintry wildwood blossoms it denies
Its existence.
I sink into the whirls
Of the deepest dreams of weariness and rise
Up to tomorrow's thought
Which now unfurls.

The tall gassing gods belch gutteral fumes;
The misted, chequered moon winks as if to say:
"I'll see you. Maybe tomorrow, maybe someday."
These tall needle-like structures prick my eyeballs
Convincing me that there is no beauty left
For me but hope. The hope that Someday I will meet no more
The cranks and cranes and toppling towers
Which spoil my mind's horizon.

S.D.J.N

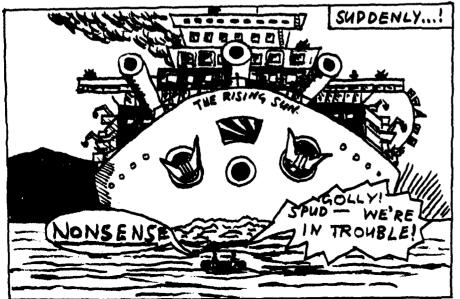
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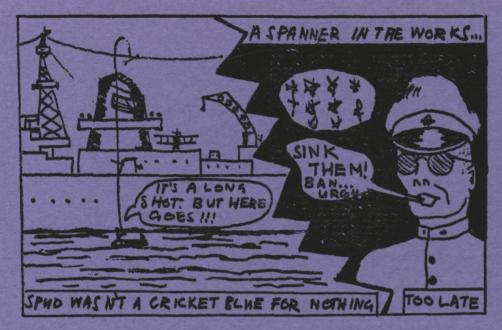
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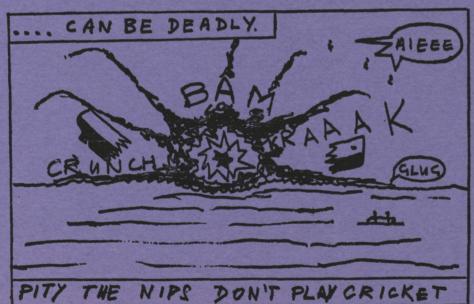


EDITOR SCRIPTER DELINEATER HNON! LETTERER















BLACK IS BLACK

Black benches, white benches, black buses, white buses, black ambulances, white ambulances; and so it goes on, even to the extent of black doors and white doors . . . This is South Africa, home of apartheid and separate development. To most Englishmen this segregation is stupid, unnecessary and cruel, but in South Africa it is easy to forget that black people exist at all as human beings, for at best they are considered second-class citizens and at worst mere animals.

About ten years ago many people thought that a rebellion had to happen; yet none has come. This is almost certainly because all the leaders and writers of the African population have been either imprisoned or put under house arrest, as have many white sympathisers, especially writers and journalists.

However, the South African problem must not be underrated. It is not just Black versus White, but Afrikaaner versus English-speaking on the white side and all the many thousands of African tribes on the other. It is a vast problem, and South African policy can be explained in theory, as can Communism, but in practice it just does not work. What is more it will not work as long as the attitude of most South Africans is one of superiority and mastery over the African. They hope to form Black Areas, or Bantustans, but these have no mines or industry; and it is very difficult to imagine the northern suburbs of Johannesburg or the gold mines surviving without black labour. For the average South African has grown accustomed to the comparatively easy life, and the Country's economy largely depends on cheap black labour.

It is this that we, in this country, are fighting to prevent in Rhodesia; and I think that most Englishmen who have been to South Africa will agree that every effort should be made (without using force), to prevent this kind of situation arising in any other country in the world.

B.W.M.

The University Revolution is taking place

This year there are more people looking for university places than ever before. A bewildering variety of new universities are being built, and old universities are expanding rapidly.

To help you choose a University, the magazine reporting team turned its attention to a few of them.

Our on-the-spot correspondents were:

From Aberystwyth: Tim Douglas-Jones

From Dundee: Steve Dungay

From East Anglia:

Bob Crooke
From Edinburgh:

Ben Ruben

From Keele: Stephen Warshaw From London, St. Mary's: Trevor Mansfield

From L.S.E.:

From Newcastle:

Mike South

From Nottingham:

Roger Lloyd

From Sheffield:

Steve Renton

Chris Butcher

From Cambridge: John E. Berriman
Chan Candall

From Oxford: Chas Goodall

In the careers section we have a candid report by David Landaw A.M.T.P.L., F.R.I.B.A., on Architecture as a Career, and a look into the world of music as seen by Edmundo Ros.

ABERYSTWYTH

Facilities: Innumerable clubs, societies, sporting facilities, excellent playing fields.

Lots of public lavatories.

Accommodation: Not good. Many Fresher students have to live in digs, which is, possibly, the wrong way to start a new life.

Faculties: One could criticise individual lecturers; otherwise faculties are excellent.

Specialities - Biology, Botany, Zoology and Law,

Social Life: Social life centres around the halls of residence; therefore those in digs suffer from the remoteness of geographical situation. Much social life is arranged, but for religious reasons even the trains and pubs stop on Sundays. Highest pregnancy rate of any university — thought to be caused by the boredom at week-ends.

Locality: Vast theatre (landscaped) under construction. Solitude: biggest town for 70 miles is Aberystwyth itself (pop. 10.000). Consequently the 2.000 students look to

each other for all social life.

Student Background: Two-thirds from Wales. 12% from Public Schools, and 10% Conservative. Student Prince coming. (Personally our correspondent finds the people to be very low and uncouth).

Sport: Sport ranges from Arctic expeditions to bell-ringing, but no Gym Club.

Other Comments: On account of its remoteness highest student marriage rate. Lectures are compulsory. Otherwise treated as an independent member of an adult community. Gelignite intended for Liverpool Water Board found in main hall of residence. This is the centre of Plaid Cymru and Free Wales Army. Hot bed of political contention.

DUNDEE

Facilities: Very modern and facilities very good especially for Engineering and Den-

Accommodation: 25% of students in Halls of Residence - very reasonable (male better than female). Also modern university-owned flats. Shortage of students rather than digs.

Faculties: Social Scientists don't seem to have much work.

Social Life: 25% female, but art college next door and all-female College of Educa-

tion, Nursing School etc. Social life very active if you want it.

Political Activity: Union suffers from being in two buildings, as only first stage of New Union is complete. Otherwise very good, Labour Club the strongest but Nationalists are catching up fast.

Locality: 364 pubs in Dundee and plenty nearby, 2 theatres and 1 in Perth. Many

cinemas. Good countryside.

Student Background: 2.400 students, 40% from Scotland, 5% local, 5% foreign (many Scandinavians). No class distinctions. Three O.Ms.

Sport: Active sportswise for size, especially hockey, soccer and rugger.

Other Comments: Supervision: University uses the tutorial system for work. Also, each 1st and 2nd year has a Regent who is in a position to advise them on anything. Unfortunately Dundee has about the highest crime-rate in the country. Quite common (eight a term) for students to be attacked, but it is not as serious as many make out.

EAST ANGLIA

Accommodation: Two-thirds in halls of residence — "almost absolute luxury". Porters throw you out of women's blocks after 11.30, but no fines. Social life centred around halls of residence. You need a car for digs, last bus — 10.30 p.m.

Faculties: Social Studies does least work. All arts and pure sciences courses are irrelevant. Seminars hopeless. Poor attendances for Lectures which are voluntary. Library - insufficient books. No atmosphere in which to work.

Social Life: Big happy family atmosphere. Drift to the surrounding towns at week-ends. Much coffee drinking and visiting female blocks after hours.

Union Activity: Union Bar — too many people for too small space. Stability of leader-

Locality: Norwich is boring, its pubs are boring, but good in summer because coast is easily accessible.

Student Background: Wealthy and public school makes up very high percentage.

Sport: Facilities not good. No Gym.

Other Comments: Socially good — academically boring — atmosphere casual more stable and probably more successful than nearly all other new universities will be excellent when final union buildings are built in three years time.

EDINBURGH

Facilities: New halls of residence and skyscraper Science, Arts, History, Economics blocks. Brand new Library and Theatre. Religion for those who want it.

Accommodation: 2.000 places in halls of residence - good, single rooms, many amenities, cheap but under control of a warden. 6,000 students in digs or flats.

Faculties: If you get 3Bs most faculties will let you off first year of course (a repeat of A-level course). Excellent for Medicine.

Social Life: Dances most Weds, Fris and Sats - some not too good, Male/female ratio 1:4. Over 100 Clubs. Folk singing very popular. But University too big really. Life restricted if you don't join clubs.

Political Activity: Very active Scots Nationalists, but Union basically a social club. Locality: University quite spread out, but Edinburgh is a small city and very pleasant. No bowling alleys. Pubs are many and shut at 10.00 every day. Couple of cinemas and theatres but not near University.

Student Background: 60% Scottish, 30% English, 10% Commonwealth, Most Scottish do Highers which are nowhere near A-level standard. Mostly Grammar School.

Sport: Sailing, skiing, rock climbing, rugger and to a lesser extent soccer.

Other Comments: Not particularly anti-English, mostly good relations between students and staff. As most of university is non-residential, very little supervision. (No antiquated rules whatsoever).

KEELE

Facilities: Because of residential nature the facilities are good. Large library, good new sports centre, bank, shop, bar, snack bar, etc.

Accommodation: In modern halls of residence - good facilities for cooking and wash-

ing. General blocks with lounges and T.V.

Faculties: General first year to be noted — hard work, but good idea. Undersubscribed in natural sciences.

Social Life: Plenty to do on the campus - large number of societies. Excellent and very successful drama group. Lots on regularly every night.

Political Activity: Politically left wing. Union not popular or effective.

Locality: In village of Keele — pleasant countryside. Newcastle-Under-Lyme two miles away, Stoke four miles. Potteries rather insalubrious but good for shopping and films - theatre in Stoke - no real need to leave campus. Good pub in Keele village.

Student Background: Very varied. Only 1,500 students therefore no clear background

Sport: Sports facilities good, all sports catered for. Swimming pool due 1970.

Other Comments: A little claustrophobic - can be averted by taking weekend off and keeping busy. Supervision not excessive — general dislike of hours rule.

LONDON, QUEEN MARY'S

Accommodation: Poor, due to lack of space in London. Halls of residence modern and hard to get into. Digs are adequate, pre-inspected by the university. Worth applying a year in advance to Halls of Residence.

Facilities: At Connaught Hall — one of the largest halls of residence — there is a T.V. on each floor. The rooms are well designed and fitted. All the students have their meals in the same dining-hall — the food itself is ordinary and could be improved. Digs have cooking facilities supplied, and a £4 p.w. rent is common. Digs in central London are

Union Activity: Union is very prominent and claims to be the best in England, Vast swimming pool, squash and badminton courts, excellent refectory, bar, lounges and

theatre. Societies of every nature.

Political Activity: Very active. Ted Heath and Alec Douglas Home have spoken.

Locality: Queen Mary's is badly placed as it is in the East End.

Social Life: Occasional dances laid on, otherwise London life. Almost 50:50 male/

Student Background: Not many foreigners. Old school tie recognisable but scarce.

Other Comments: Extremely good tutor-student relationship. In general — cramped but good facilities. If you want a social life you have to go out for it.

L.S.E.

Facilities: A bit crowded but adequate. Main problems are peak hours at the refectory and shortage of books.

Accommodation: No special halls of residence but most people find accommodation either through London Univ. Accom. Bureau, their halls of residence or on their own. Faculties: Fairly interesting courses and lectures. Many graduate students.

Social Life: The male/female ratio isn't very good (for the males) but lots of parties and societies, plus London life.

Political Activity: Very active students' union and many of the political societies (mostly left wing) manage to get into the newspapers.

Locality: In the heart of London — bad for rush hours but lots of restaurants, pubs and maybe even a walk by the river.

Student Background: Very very Cosmopolitan.

Sport: Only a gym and squash courts at L.S.E. — grounds are in South London — fairly far but good.

Other Comments: A very dynamic and interesting place. London is both its drawback and its advantage — you can spend as much or as little time in college as you like.

NEWCASTLE

Facilities: Generally very good — modern library — most subjects catered for plus departmental libraries. Variety of buildings integrating old with new — modern equipment.

Accommodation: All first year students are obliged to enter hall or approved lodgings. Half at the coast (10 miles) at Whitley Bay, and Cullercoats — car ideal — flats can be expensive and squalid.

Faculties: Good Faculties: All engineering, fine arts and Scandinavian Studies. Poor courses in General Science. Medics and Dentists work very hard.

Social Life: Saturday plus occasional mid-week dances. Always numerous parties in Newcastle at weekends. Women renowned for quality not quantity. Students at coast have own society with events three or four times a week. Sports and Societies are much of the social life.

Political Activity: Weekly debates — strong left wing. 3 bars, 2 refectories, snack bars and common rooms.

Locality: Situated five minutes from town centre. Large number of pubs in ‡ mile radius, 2 theatres, 6 cinemas with West End releases. Typical mining countryside outside.

Student Background: Large number from London area, Lancashire, Yorkshire and Scotland, 10% overseas. Mostly ex-grammar school.

Sport: Two main sport centres — one about 10 miles inland — long coach convoy each Wednesday.

Other Comments: Atmosphere friendly — almost no supervision by academic staff. Standard of living lower than London area. Digs about £3.15.0 for B & B weekdays and full board at weekends. Drop out rate approx 1:6.

NOTTINGHAM

Accommodation: Two-thirds of students in halls of residence (most of them are newly built). Digs available near to university. Flats hard to find.

Faculties: Maths department has a high reputation. There is a good tutorial system.



Social Life: All departments and societies have social occasions. Union nights on Saturdays. Most people go into the town or to the buttery. Mixed halls catching on. Students not in hall (which is a social division), have a natural meeting place in the union buildings.

Political Activity: All types of political societies, Union a powerful organising body.

Locality: Nottingham Playhouse not far (three miles to Nottingham from Univ.). Campus large, self-contained and very beautiful. The girls of university and town are famous for quality AND quantity.

Supervision: There are various bodies concerned with staff-student relationships, which are very good.

SHEFFIELD

Facilities: 2 bars, 3 coffee lounges, 3 dining halls, hairdresser, launderette, bookshop, travel bureau, general shop, television and quiet rooms, common rooms, new sports centres etc.

Accommodation: Halls of Residence (22%), 8% at home. No flats in 1st year.

Departments: Perhaps more of a science university. Chemistry, biology, geology, engineering rate high in the country.

Social Life: Sheffield has a high reputation among other universities for its good social

Political Activity: Much political activity — even the Nigerian society has break-away Biafran Society. Union has a Students' Representative Council.

Locality: 15 mins. walk from the city centre. Pubs for the younger generation. Several night clubs, discotheques etc. Sheffield Playhouse. Derbyshire countryside.

Student Background: Mainly from state schools. Not very many local students but quite a few foreigners.

Other Comments: By 1980 University will have doubled to 10,000 students. Virtually no supervision. One has to attend 75% of lectures. Very much a "Swinging" University.

SOUTHAMPTON

Facilities: Union provides coffee bar, common rooms, T.V. room, bar, debating chamber, dance floor, yast gym, 6 squash courts, billiards and table tennis.

Accommodation: If lucky two years in hall of residence. 3rd years allowed flats.

Faculties: University best for law. Large variety of combined courses.

Social Life: Male/female ratio 1:4 though Arts faculties are better off. Life is what you make of it — it is possible to work and enjoy life.

Locality: Situated three miles from city — few good pubs — university theatre only — one concert every two months — 4 cinemas — city usually dead after 10.30 p.m. Comments: Heavy restrictions especially on women's halls. Lack of interest in the Union.

CAMBRIDGE

Facilities: Two good hospitals and one inadequate laughing academy. The university buildings are nothing special. There is no students' union in the normal sense.

Accommodation: Excellent at Churchill, St. John's and Emmanuel's new block (although expensive at the last two). Otherwise GC standard.

Faculties: Scientists work very hard. Artists can take it easy. All courses are high pressure and good, but most lectures are terrible.

Social Life: Sub Zero. If you want to get a third or fail you can enjoy yourself in a platonic kind of way.

Political Activity: The union is just a debating club. The politicians are artists.

Locality: Pubs are the worst in England and serve Fennwater. Cinemas show top films. Theatres exist, the town exists (just). I have been told the countryside is flat. Student Background: "Trinity has Eton Snobs and a Prince of Wales (so the papers say). Otherwise masses of masses. A lot of colourful students."

Other Comments: "Sport exists: it is a farce. 'Varsity' is the best student newspaper in the country. I haven't read it. Don't come here unless you are a masochist."

OXFORD

Chas Goodall declined to fill in our "very official looking form", and opted instead to give us a rather chatty Oxford letter vaguely under the suggested headings.

He begins with facilities: "I suppose this means libraries rather than loos". The libraries are excellent, stocking almost every book printed; ("I have always wanted to order the Beano Annual 1949"). In the various colleges there are common rooms with T.V.. billiards etc.

Accommodation at St. John's is very good. Chas has a suite of three vast, though somewhat antiquated, rooms to himself, while Dave Belden in St. Edmund's literally has a Bedstander — hardly room for a chair, and a cushion under the door to exclude draughts.

Faculties are neither good nor bad, simply out-of-date and out of touch (the English Department hardly seem to recognise any literature after 1900).

The social life is hectic: societies, Oxford Union debates, endless coffee drinking and supposedly intellectual conversation. People to meet and people not to meet — "it's impossible to sit down to work without someone coming for a chat." Unfortunately there are about eight men to every "fuzzy-haired, cucumber legged, bespectacled Oxford girl." However with nurses, au pairs and products of neighbouring finishing schools, the prospects are not too dim.

The Union is fairly active though the standard of speaking is not as high as one might fear. Speakers have included Wedgwood Benn, Marples and David Kossoff, and the recent debate on Roman Catholicism was on B.B.C. 2 in colour ("I'm going to wear a yellow sweater and wave like mad"):

The locality of the university is excellent — "debby-type 'super'." Two theatres, one university, one used for pre and post West End productions. Besides the University there is some life in the town (advantage over Cambridge).

Student background varies from college to college. St. John's is fairly strong old school tie, but the others are more comprehensive. Considerable foreign element including about 50 Japanese, though nobody seems to know quite what they're doing.

In passing Chas mentions that he met Kim Longly while queueing up for the wrong lecture. Martin Sykes now claims to be an incurable alcoholic. Dave Belden, fresh from a "fam-in" in India is running his own M.R.A. campaign. Hugh Starkey has become an anarchist and apparently sprayed all the St. John's bicycles white as a protest. Keith Stewart has been in danger of being spiked climbing over the walls at Trinity, and "Phoeb" Thompson went to a lecture where he discovered the futility of life, and hasn't been able to work since. "This may sound like a travel poster: 'Come to Jolly old Oxford.' Seriously it really is worth it."



conversation with — EDMUNDO ROS

Having one of the most famous band-leaders right on our doorstep was an opportunity too good to miss, and so when we decided to do an article on the world of music, we went straight to Edmundo Ros.

Edmundo Ros and music became one when he joined the army in 1927, going into the Military Band. There he was taught the Clarionet and the Saxaphone, and was also called upon to be bass-drummer on parade, because, being tall, he could see the band-leader's instructions over the drum. During the three years and eight months he was in the Army his great talent for music was noticed by all who heard him, and most nights he was out doing semi-pro work. When advised by the Army Authorities that he should either make the Army his career or leave, he decided to leave.

Once out of the Army, he found himself entirely dependent for employment on the people who had given him work while a semi-pro in the Army, and therefore he turned professional. However, whereas in the Army he had been satisfied to be a part of a band, not worrying about its administration, just content to perfect his own playing, now he could criticise on all kinds of points; was the rhythm right? Were there enough rehearsals? Should there be more percussion in that particular part of the arrangement? Should they perform in black socks, or white socks?

Eventually Edmundo Ros formed his own band, and in 1937, to further their knowledge of music, they came from Venezuela to London, where they enrolled at the Royal Academy of Music. However their studies were interrupted by the war, and on the 8th of August 1940 the Edmundo Ros Orchestra, as it is known today, came into existence.

Edmundo Ros has had great success. He is internationally known, has his own night-club, and a splendid house especially designed for him. In his office, at home, is the golden disc for the sale of the millionth copy of Rhythms of the South, an L.P. brought out in 1955, and still popular today. "My success", he said, "was more by luck, than judgement", but he admitted that one must have talent to get to the top.

However, to Edmundo Ros, talent is not the most important factor for success in the world of music. "There are three factors", he said, "the most important being personality, then ability, then the person selling you. All are very important, but personality definitely counts most. Someone will say far more often, "What a nice boy he was, we must have him again', than, "What an excellent player . . . '."

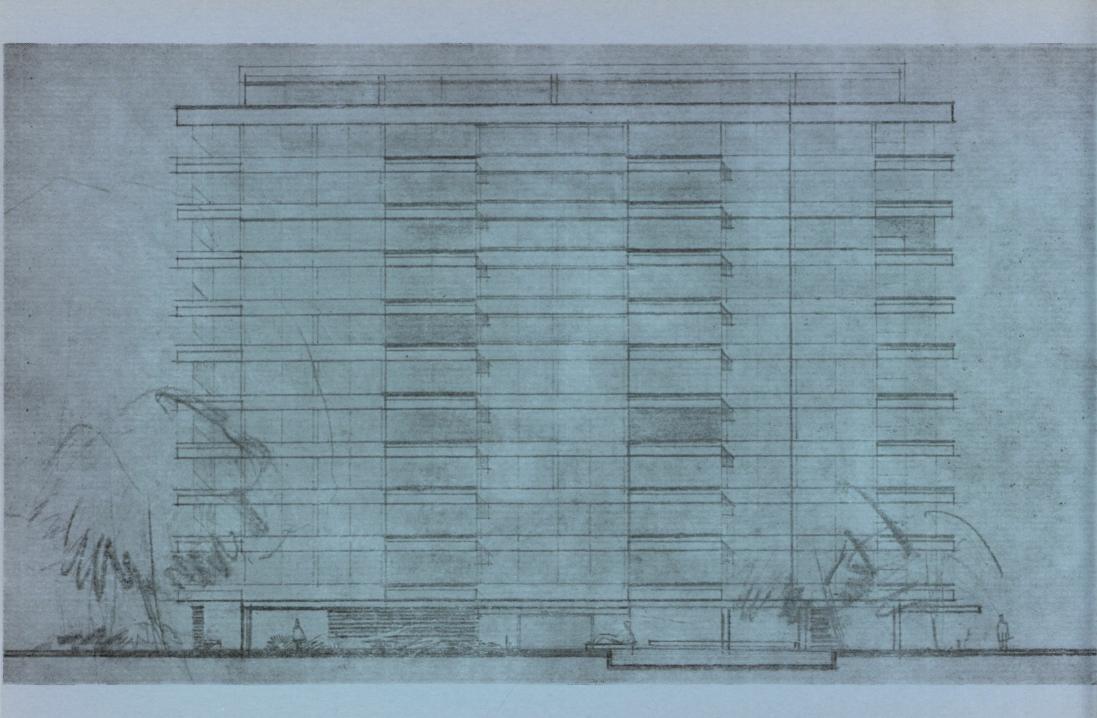
He explained how a keen young drummer or guitarist achieves any notice today. A young drummer is introduced by someone to a bandleader such as Edmundo Ros, who listens to him and notices that he has some talent. A few weeks later Edmundo Ros's drummer might phone him up to say that his son has fallen down some stairs, and he must take him to hospital. Could he possibly be excused from that evening's engagement at the Dorchester? Edmundo Ros cannot refuse, and is left to find a drummer for that very evening. At such short notice it is difficult to find a replacement, and then he remembers young Peter, the drummer he was introduced to a few weeks before. It is arranged that Peter plays with Edmundo Ros at the Dorchester that evening. The evening is a success, and any time Edmundo Ros needs a drummer, or is asked if he can recommend one, he can contact Peter. Soon Peter will be a regular replacement drummer, or may be offered a place in a band.

However, there will come a day when Peter will want to appreciate better music. He will want to set down his own compositions, he will want to do his own orchestrations. What should he do? Edmundo Ros's son is drummer with a group called the Young Running at Malvern School. "If he came to me", said Edmundo Ros, "and said that he definitely wanted to take up music, I would send him to the Royal Academy, or the Royal College of Music. There are so many things about music I regret I never learnt; I would want my son to be taught properly."

If one gets to the top, one's problems are nowhere like over. There is a permanent struggle to keep at the top while others are coming up, and it is only when you reach the top that you really realise your own short-comings. A certain standard of performance is expected of you and if you fall below it you are finished. But if you get to the top the incentives to stay there are great. Regular dates at desirable places, broadcasts on radio, appearances on television, making records, and finally a large bank balance.

Once out at the front, one does not enjoy music in the same way; music becomes more of a business. But life, Edmundo Ros assured us. is not dull or unsatisfying. There was the time when he had the honour of playing before the Queen, or Princess Elizabeth, as she was then. He was so excited at playing before royalty, that when he went up to ask if she wanted any particular number played, he said, "Excuse me, your Highness, but would you like something fast, or something quick." There was also the time when announcing a number on the radio, he began by saying, "We are now going to play a tune which has recently been recorded by us . . .", and then paused to think of something to finish the sentence with. In desperation he finished it with, " . . . and is now in the shops." After the programme he was summoned to Frank Hilliard's office. "Edmundo", said Frank Hilliard, "what did you go and say that for? You know that you are not allowed to advertise in any way." Edmundo Ros apologised and explained the situation he had been in, and then, as he was leaving the room, he turned and said, "By the way, Frank, how would you have ended it?" Frank Hilliard paused for a moment, and then said, "Well, I would have said, we are now going to play a tune which has recently been recorded by us and can now be obtained in the usual places."

N.K.R.



ARCHITECTURE AS A CAREER

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When it comes to choosing a career I would not advise Architecture except for the most arduous. It calls for a very special combination of artistic talent, practical application and a keen sense of business. The architect is the leader of a team of engineers, surveyors, contractors and many other technical experts. He must inspire confidence, be able to co-ordinate every aspect of the building project and shoulder enormous responsibility. He must be able to listen patiently to well meaning advice — no layman would pretend he could remove your appendix or represent you in a court of law, but the number of amateur architects and their wives is endless. I must add, though, that the architect can often learn a point here and there from his clients and others and it is well to remember this.

Many other arts are embraced by architecture which has been called the Mistress of the Arts. The architect must, therefore, have a knowledge or, at least, have more than an appreciation of painting, sculpture, landscape design, interior design, typography and much else. A love of music should be natural and indeed he should be sympathetic to all other forms of creative art. Such all round appreciation teaches the universal principles of freedom from self-consciousness and good manners in design. Good draughtsmanship including freehand sketching from nature is very important since it is the medium by which the architect expresses his designs and often through which his ideas unfold. Augustus Pugin, Charles Rennie Mackintosh and Le Corbousier to name only three great architects were all most brilliant draughtsmen.

If you are interested in these things and wish to become an architect, you should follow this course. With two or more passes at "A" Level you may apply to one of the Schools of Architecture given in the list published by The Royal Institute of British Architects. The course takes five years which is interrupted by one year's experience in an architect's office at the end of the third year when you have passed the Intermediate Examination. Except for the subject of Professional Practice, the Final Examination is taken at the end of the fifth year and is followed by a further year's experience in an architect's office. Professional Practice may then be taken and if successful you may apply for election as an Associate of the Institute. You will see that it takes about seven and a half years to qualify providing you do not fail a subject, in which case you may sit again for this. In my day the competition at the schools was keen and I am sure it still is.

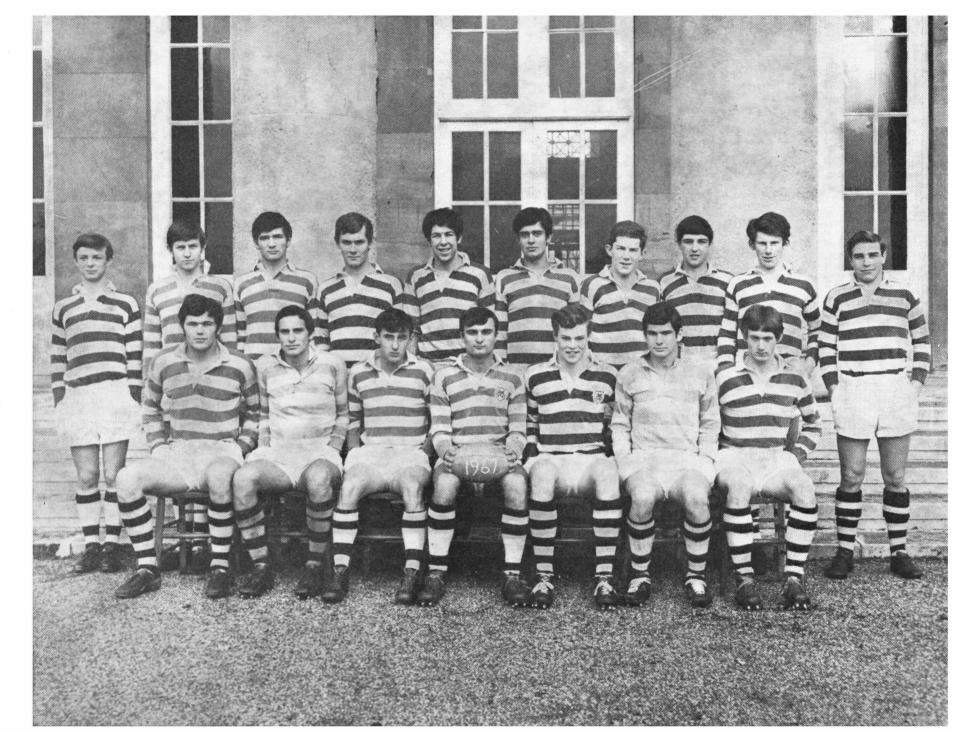
What would be your reward for all this? Firstly, you will be joined to one of the great traditional professions. Then the knowledge of buildings past and present will enrich your enjoyment of the scene wherever you may be. To see your own designs on paper gradually transformed into three dimensions is very exciting. (If it turns out to be a mistake you can always cover the building with ivy). Financially I would say that a good architect can be assured of a good income but beyond this it depends, like so many other things, upon the people he knows.

Which of the qualities that I mentioned in the beginning is the most important? Providing you feel as I do that Architecture means building beautifully, you will know that the unqualified answer is artistic talent. But what about function. Must not a building always be functional? Of course it must and it will only be beautiful if it is. Here I would warn the aspiring architect never to imagine that by solving the problems of function he will automatically achieve beauty. There is a school of architects — the "Brutalists" and the "Purists" who think otherwise but their buildings are nothing more than a cold collection of functional solutions. I plead to all of you who may be thinking of entering the profession to set out to give your buildings warmth, elegance and romance — yes, I am not ashamed of the last word. Fine buildings make beautiful towns and I prefer Budapest to Basildon.



Imperial Court, Avenue Road, (above), a luxury block of flats in North West London, designed by David Landaw.

The sketch, (left), was his first idea for this block of flats, a block which is held in high esteem by all those who have seen it.



1st XV RETROSPECT

After last season's poor record it is pleasant to be able to record a more successful one. Of nine school matches played six were won, one was drawn, and two were lost, and in the process we scored 102 points against 45.

We quickly hit on a settled team though the choice of a scrum-half occupied most of the early season working hours. In games against other schools we only required eighteen players and, with one exception, changes were made only when injury forced them upon us.

Tactically the team played well, for with our lack of pace we were not equipped for an open running type of game. Our method was to use the kicking skill of Hume and the strength of Barker, at scrum-half, to get into attacking positions. Once in our opponent's twenty-five we had the skill and the strength to score tries and usually enough control to force our opponents into errors. Our forwards, though not heavy, were good at the set pieces and, as the season progressed, their loose play became very efficient. Only against Harrow were they beaten in the set pieces.

Our two defeats were against Brighton and Harrow. The former match seemed to be well under control, our 8 point lead could easily have been more but Brighton won by the odd point in seventeen with a twice taken last-minute penalty goal. Harrow beat us really more convincingly than the 8-6 score shows. They had a monopoly of set piece possession and it was only some determined tackling and outstanding loose scrummaging that prevented them from scoring in the second half.

Hume scored all our points against Cranleigh, (two penalty goals to one), and The Leys, (three penalty goals to a goal and a try). Felsted were comfortably beaten 35-0 in dreadful conditions and St. Paul's pressed us very hard before we won 9-5. Against Merchant Taylors we put up our best performance to win 17-3. The whole team showed a most satisfying enthusiasm and drive in this game. We drew 3-3 at Berkhamsted in a game that was ours for the asking if we had had a little more control and confidence at half-back. At the end of the term our games with Dulwich and Merchiston were cancelled because of snow, and we beat Fettes, who paid us a first visit. They dominated the first half of the game but squandered scoring chances and only led by two penalty goals by half time. The school pack fought back well and two penalty goals by Hume levelled the score, and on the stroke of time Barker got the winning try.

A good front row was the basis of our pack. Kirk, in spite of his apparent lack of enthusiasm, proved to be a fine player and Nightingale, his other prop, showed tireless energy if not exactly blessed with speed. Griffith was a lively, if inexperienced, hooker and when he was injured in the St. Paul's match Neate filled the position most capably. In the second row Franks displayed rare courage and Holmes advancing from the 3rd XV played exceptionally well to become our first choice. The back row developed into a fine unit. At No. 8 Lloyd enjoyed his release from the second row but really lacked the pace to be a really good loose player, On the open side Wright played some fine games and his backing up and general alertness were very pleasing.

At scrum-half Barker was a great success during the dry first half of the term. Converted from the left wing via No. 8, he often found himself in too much of a hurry when conditions were bad. His partner Hume, a fine back by temperament and inclination, performed a vital role in the season's successes and indeed our pattern was centred around him. He scored 92 points, all but six of which came from his left boot, a total which surely has not been bettered at Mill Hill.

The other outsides played their part well and the tackling of Turnbull in particular and Bunyard invariably sealed the middle of the field. On the wing Morton and Gallagher both had their moments and at full-back Stevens was reasonably tidy.

Widdaker played five games in the second row and was always in the reckoning for a place in the team. Knott set some sort of unique record by representing the school at full-back, scrum-half and No. 8.

Dawson led the side from the blind side of the scrum with dash and energy. He covered well, handled effectively and got the side playing well together. He can be well pleased with his efforts.

The 1967 XV were a good side who enjoyed their rugby. They trained hard and with good humour, and played as though they really wanted to win.

I would also like to thank the many masters who give so much of their time to organizing and coaching the school sides. We are very fortunate in having so many people who are willing to turn out and take an interest in rugby football.

D.M.F.

| Date | | Opponents | ground | for | against | result |
|------|----|---|-----------|-----|---------|--------|
| Sept | 21 | Col. Cross-Brown's XV Penalties J. R. Hume (3) | Н | 9 | 18 | lost |
| | 26 | St. Mary's Hospital Try I. J. Turnbull Conversion, penalties (2) J. R. Hume | H) | 11 | 15 | lost |
| | 30 | Saracens 'A' XV Drop goal, Penalties (2) J. R. Hume | Н | 9 | 24 | lost |
| Oct | 7 | Cranleigh Penalties (2) J. R. Hume | Н | 6 | 3 | won |
| | 14 | Brighton Tries D. Lloyd, J. D. E. Gallagher Conversion J. R. Hume | Α | 8 | 9 | lost |
| | 21 | Leys Penalties J. R. Hume (3) | Α | 9 | 8 | won |
| | 28 | Old Millhillians Drop goal, penalty J. R. Hume | Н | 6 | 0 | won |
| Nov | 4 | Felsted Tries A. Wright (3), J. R. Hume (2), A. S. Morton, D. Lloyd, P. E. Barker Penalty, conversions (4) J. R. Hume | Н | 35 | 0 | won |
| | 11 | St. Paul's Try J. A. L. Dawson Drop goal, penalty J. R. Hi | H ume | 9 | 5 | won |
| | 18 | Merchant Taylors Tries J. D. E. Gallagher, J. A. L. Dawson, P. E. Bal Conversion, penalties (2 J. R. Hume | H rker | 17 | 3 | won |
| | 25 | Harrow Penalties J. R. Hume (2) | Α | 6 | 8 | lost |
| Dec | 2 | Berkhamsted Try A. S. Morton | Α | 3 | 3 | drawn |
| | 9 | Dulwich College | | CAN | CELLED | |
| | 12 | Merchiston Castle | | CAN | CELLED | |
| | 14 | Fettes College Try P. E. Barker Penalties (2) J. R. Hume | Н | 9 | 6 | won |

2nd XV REPORT

The team quickly settled down at the beginning of the season by winning two good games. As a result, the majority of the team was established; indeed, eight of the final team played in all eight matches against schools.

After a few average performances before the defeat by the O.Ms, the team got into top gear beating poor sides from Felsted and Merchant Taylors', and drawing with St. Paul's; this latter match saw the defence at its best, a best which was not good enough against Harrow. Although the score was 0-3 at half-time, it was no surprise that this good, fast side scored three or four times against us in the last quarter of the game. A rather indifferent start against Berkhamsted left too much leeway to be made up and another defeat was recorded.

Burns, as captain, set a fine example to his team both on the field and off; his tackling and defensive covering saved many a dangerous situation. He was well supported by Kempster and Knott in the back row and Shanks, his half-back partner. A converted wing forward, Shanks became an able dry-ground scrum-half but the heavier pitches emphasised his slowness and he was often under pressure in the later matches. In the front row Coleman (scrum leader) and Dabney were as good as most of their opponents and gave very little away to any of them.

| Opponents | groun | d for | against | results |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|
| G. C. Sutcliffe's XV | Н | 11 | 3 | won |
| Cranleigh | Н | 15 | 0 | won |
| Brighton College | Α | 0 | 0 | drew |
| The Leys | Α | 6 | 6 | drew |
| O.Ms | Н | 6 | 11 | lost |
| Felsted | Н | 11 | 0 | won |
| St. Paul's | Α | 0 | 0 | drew |
| Merchant Taylors | H | 17 | 6 | won |
| Harrow | Α | 0 | 20 | lost |
| Berkhamsted | Α | 8 | 13 | lost |
| Dulwich College | CANCELLED | | | |
| Played 10 Won 4 | Drew 3 | Lost 3 For | 74 Agains | st 59 |

Team: James D. L. L., Malik, Farrow R. C. O., Ramsden, Leach, Burns, Shanks, Clark D. K., Knott, Kempster, Pinning, Widdaker, Coleman B. R., Griffiths, Dabney,

Also played: Freeth, Phillips M. R., Phillips R. W., Leeming, Van Hooke.

3rd XV REPORT

The Third Fifteen had a variable season — a good run up to half-term was followed by a disastrous succession of defeats, culminating in an inept display against Merchant Taylors'. Drastic changes were made at this stage and the last two matches saw a marked revival with a draw against Harrow and an easy win over Berkhamsted. The Dulwich fixture was cancelled, so the team had no chance to test its new-found confidence in this long-awaited revived fixture.

There were no individual stars in this team — the pack played well in the early games, poorly later but turned in a fine display against Harrow. The backs found scoring increasingly difficult as the season progressed and it was not until the last two matches that the team played with anything approaching real poise. Much of this sudden improvement can be traced to the elevation of Van Hooke and the entire 4th XV back row, who should all, on reflection, have been promoted much earlier. Marnham led the team with vociferous enthusiasm.

The high point of a disappointing season was the fine performance against Harrow—

We started surprisingly well and took an early lead, but Harrow soon took a firm grip and led 9-6 at half-time. It seemed that we were in for a drubbing but the brave defence and the occasional attacks enabled us to draw level and eventually hold on for a draw. This was undoubtedly the best Gears match for many years.

| Opponents | groun | d for | against | results | |
|----------------------|--------|------------|-----------|---------|--|
| Bishop's Stortford | Α | 9 | 3 | won | |
| Haberdashers' Aske's | Α | 8 | 3 | won | |
| St. Albans | Н | 3 | 11 | lost | |
| U.C.S. | Н | 12 | 0 | won | |
| The Leys | Α | 18 | 0 | won | |
| O.Ms | Н | 0 | 11 | lost | |
| Felsted | Α | 0 | 3 | lost | |
| Merchant Taylors' | Α | 0 | 25 | lost | |
| Harrow | Н | 9 | 9 | Drew | |
| Berkhamsted | Н | 8 | 0 | won | |
| Dulwich College | | CANCELLED | | | |
| Played 11 Won 5 | Drew 1 | Lost 5 For | 70 Agains | st 74 | |

Team: Passmore, Souter, Wiles, Newby, Mills, Stratten, Van Hooke, Marnham, Whiteman, Phillips R. W., Kenning D. B. B., Atchley D. R., Young, Kino, Freeth.

Also played: Dutton, Snell, Watkins.

4th XV REPORT

Taking their one from top field, the 4th XV relied to some extent on point-scoring kickers — to call them place kickers would be to deny recognition to the peculiar talents of "Nichols-the-drop", who scored thirteen points in the last two games, Snell scored 20 points in the first seven games by more orthodox methods.

The forwards were pedigree Gearsmen, dominating the tight (except against Harrow), earthbound and inept in the line-out, last to most things and seen to advantage only in heavy going. Their best match was against Merchant Taylors when twice in the last quarter our seven pushed the Taylors' eight uphill to provide the good ball which enabled Mill Hill to edge ahead first 8 - 6 and then finally 11 - 9. It was after this match that our excellent back row of Young, Kino and the egregious Van Hooke emigrated to the 3rd XV; we were lucky to keep the front two rows together for most of the season.

The outsides changed even more than usual this year, but except for lapses against Harrow and Merchant Taylors, provided a better defence than for several seasons (the forwards scored ten times to the backs eight). First Kino and then Hutton continued Burton Bank's tradition of Leadership, and morale remained high throughout our extended season. Over the last six seasons we have won 28, drawn 3 and lost 8 school matches.

| Opponents | groun | d for | against | results |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|
| Bishop's Stortford | | CANO | CELLED | |
| Haberdashers' Aske's | Α | 3 | 0 | won |
| St. Albans | Н | 29 | 3 | won |
| Ü.C.S. | CANCELLED | | | |
| Haileybury | Α | 3 | 14 | lost |
| O.Ms | Н | 0 | 8 | lost |
| Felsted | Α | 9 | 0 | won |
| St. Paul's | Α | 13 | 3 | won |
| Merchant Taylors' | Α | 11 | 9 | won |
| Harrow | Н | 6 | 22 | lost |
| Eorkhamsted | Н | 13 | 0 | won |
| Dulwich College | CANCELLED | | | |
| Played 9 Won 6 | Drew 0 | Lost 3 For | 87 Agains | st 59 |

Team: Exton, Childs P. J. E., Oleson J. P. P., Tyrrell, Childs R. M. E., Hutton, Alpe, Hancock, Rees-Roberts, Wotton, Mundy C. G., Lodwick, Boardman G. B., Nichols, Watkins.

Also played: Terry, Stephens J.

5th XV REPORT

After yet another season, the fifth XV have still to win a school match. However, it looked as though this unenviable record was at last going to be broken when we took a 3-0 lead against Merchant Taylors. At half-time the score was 3-6 and, hard as everyone played, this was the final score. The other two games were against much stronger opposition when enthusiasm and enjoyment were not enough to stop fairly heavy defeats.

It was a pity that the Old Millhillians could only raise seven players and although a game was played, it has not been included in the records.

| Opponents | ground | for | against | result |
|-------------------|--------|-----|---------|--------|
| St. Paul's | H | 0 | 17 | lost |
| Merchant Taylors' | Н | 3 | 6 | lost |
| Harrow | Α | 0 | 28 | lost |

Played 3 Won 0 Lost 3 Drew 0 For 3 Against 51

The following appeared for the 5th XV:

3 times: Francis M. (Capt.), Irwin, Sunley, Gray, Starr, Halton, Bedwell, Desai, Shaw

H. P. S., Heywood.

Twice: Zarno, Hall, Jeffes, Riddell C. W., Childs R. M. E. Once: Studley, Stephens J., Dutton, Terry, Hodgson D. G. H.

COLTS REPORT

This was another successful season for the Colts: they were unbeaten. The only scores against them were a try and a penalty goal. They were one of the best balanced teams of recent years and on their day played excellent rugger. They are to be congratulated on their fine spirit and on their loyalty and cooperation: it was a pleasure to coach them.

We had strength in our reserves too and they are to be commended for their keenness in practice games and turn-outs.

| Opponents | groun | d for | against | result |
|--------------------|--------|------------|--------------|--------|
| Bishop's Stortford | Н | 30 | 0 | won |
| Berkhamsted | Α | 14 | 0 | won |
| The Leys | Н | 14 | 0 | won |
| Felsted | Α | 0 | 0 | drew |
| St. Paul's | Н | 19 | 0 | won |
| Merchant Taylors' | Α | 3 | 3 | drew |
| Harrow | Н | 24 | 3 | won |
| Dulwich College | | CAN | CELLED | |
| Played 7 Won 5 | Drew 2 | Lost 0 For | r 104 Agains | st 6 |

Team: Wright, Harrison, Flynn, Clarke, Riddell, Fowler, Taylor, Jones, Horton, Croxon, Roberts, Martin, Kino, Clark, Pilkington.

Also played: Pritchard, Sarna.

JUNIOR COLTS REPORT

This has been a very disappointing term with only one victory. However this can partly be attributed to the number of serious injuries sustained by important players. The set was of poor quality with a few players emerging with distinction.

Notable among the forwards were Watts, who did a large amount of covering, Witten and Bush. The greatest improvement was shown by Constable. In the backs Shaw contributed much both at full-back and at outside-half when the need arose.

| Opponents | | gr | ound | for | against | result |
|------------------|-------|--------|--------|-----|------------|--------|
| Bishop's Stortfo | rd | 1 | Н | 8 | 3 | won |
| Berkhamsted | | | Α | 9 | 18 | lost |
| The Leys | | | H | 3 | 9 | lost |
| Felsted | | | Α | 0 | 11 | lost |
| St. Paul's | | | Α | 3 | 16 | lost |
| Merchant Taylo | rs' | | Α | 0 | 27 | lost |
| Harrow | | | Н | 5 | 35 | lost |
| Dulwich College | • | | | CAN | CELLED | |
| Plaved 7 | Won 1 | Drew 0 | Lost 6 | For | 28 Against | 119 |

Team: Shaw, Turnbull, Souray, Dawson, Smith, King (Capt.), Mann, Hogarth, Atchley, Green. Bush. Farrow, Constable, Witten, Watts.

Also played: Hodgeson, Wilkinson, Palmer, Jones, Bishop.

YEARLINGS REPORT

After a disappointing beginning the Yearlings finished the season playing with some spirit and looking quite a promising side. They had two victories over weaker opposition; but their best performance was at Harrow, where they held the all-conquering home side in the first half, took the lead early in the second, and were defeated only in the last quarter of the game. Our tackling was sometimes hesitant and some of the forwards lacked urgency and mobility! The back row however was lively and the three-quarter line the best we have had for some seasons.

| Opponents | ground | for | against | result |
|-------------------|------------|---------|-----------|--------|
| Bishop Stortford | A | 0 | 27 | lost |
| Berkhamsted | Н | 8 | 0 | won |
| U.C.S. | Α | 8 | 3 | won |
| Haileybury | Α | 3 | 11 | lost |
| St. Paul's | Н | 5 | 15 | lost |
| Merchant Taylors' | Н | 3 | 3 | drew |
| Harrow | Α | 3 | 9 | lost |
| Dulwich College | | CANC | ELLED | |
| Played 7 Won 2 | Drew 1 Los | t 4 For | 30 Agains | t 74 |

Team: Hulme, Wilkins, Leach, Noorani, Arghebant, Manton, Lewis, Pidgeon, Greenfield, Morter, George, Myers (Capt.), Pugh, Griffiths, Trier.

Also played: Linsel, Franks M. M., Lethbridge, Atchlev.

Captain : J. R. Hume

HOUSE RUGBY

This year we played the first round of the senior competition before school matches started. In the final Ridgeway and Scrutton drew 3-3. Ridgeway also won the senior league and the Junior House competition.

SQUASH

Hon. Sec.: L. J. Exton

RESULTS
Senior

v. Stowe Won 3-2 Lost 0-3
v. Felsted Lost 1-4 Won 3-0

v. Eton v. Aldenham Won 5-0 Lost 0-3 Won 3-0

The season started off on a good note with a useful victory against Stowe, whom we beat last season for the first time since 1961. We then came up against Felsted, who provided a stronger team than expected: for last season we had an easy 4-1 victory over them with two of our main players missing. However the team may feel that the defeat was due to the early start, for we had to start fifteen minutes after lunch to

make way for rugger turn-outs, however that to start lineer immutes after function make way for rugger turn-outs, whereas Felsted had had their lunch a good hour before. Our next match was against Eton and as usual we suffered a convincing defeat. However this match was followed up with a splendid victory against Aldenham. Our usual fixtures against Harrow and Brentwood were cancelled by the respective schools, but there is a new fixture against Greshams to be played on the Wednesday before the end of term, and we wait in anxiety to see what kind of result there will be.

| | MAKE-UPS | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----|
| Senior: | Junior: | |
| J. R. Hume | C. A. L. Webe | er |
| 2. R. W. Burns | M. E. Shaw | |
| 3. L. J. Exton | M. Fowler | |
| 4. I. J. Turnbull | C. Jankel | |
| M. D. Stuart | | |
| K Edmondson als | o plaved | |

GYMNASTICS

Captain: S. D. J. Newby Secretary: J. R. Lethbridge

This year the house competitions were very poorly represented. The senior competition was so poorly represented that we decided that, with only one team entering, it would not be practical to hold it. However the junior competition was held and I am grateful, indeed, to Mr. Bromehead who acted as judge at such short notice.

Approximately nine eager gymnasts go home at the end of term wondering whether they will have a coach to train them throughout the Spring Term. At the time of going to press this seems likely.

Next term we have the usual stock of senior and junior matches and the end of term hails the Public Schools' Championships in which we hope to prove that Mill Hill, although lacking good apparatus, is one of the top gymnastic schools in the country.

Winterstoke retained the Senior Shield and also won the Junior Shield.

2nd Weymouth

3rd Scrutton

J. R. Douglas-Jones won the junior individual cup (Winterstoke).

2nd J. B. Murray (Weymouth).

3rd J. I. Boardman (Scrutton).

S.D.J.N.

FENCING

This term we have expanded enormously in the Juniors; the club now has at least 35 members. We fought a match early on in the term against the O.Ms, and we were greatly aided by our new electric box. Our best match, however, was against Brentwood, in which the whole team fought well.

We are very pleased to have the help of Mr. Butler with the juniors, and we also hope to have a professional coach teaching every Sunday next term. This will give more time to Mr. Martin to train himself rather than do all the teaching himself.

ETON FIVES

| TEAMS | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Senior: | |
| D. J. Stevens (Capt.) | |
| D. L. L. James | |
| D. K. Clark (Hon. Sec.) | |
| I. A. N. Leeming | |
| M. D. Stratten | |
| C. A. Ramsden | |
| | |
| Junior: | |
| T. J. King | |
| G. Sarna | |
| S. Wright | |
| L. G. G. Taylor | |
| P. I. Kino | |
| J. D. Riddell | |
| RESULTS | |

Senior: Junior:

| ٧. | Westminster Stowe Harrow King Edwards Birmingham | Won 3-0 Won 2-0 Lost 0-3 Drew 1-1 | V. | Harrow Stowe | Won 2-1 Won 1-0 |
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A revolution has struck Fives, and not before time — enthusiasm for Fives is increasing! This is easily proved by looking at the results. The junior team, for the first time for four years beat Harrow; unfortunately this victory was marred by the usual result in the senior — a drastic loss. The senior team, however, had fine wins over Westminster and Stowe, and drew with King Edwards Birmingham (although we lost on game count). This was the best result Mill Hill has had against that school.

The house competition, the senior, resulted in a draw between Collinson and Weymouth because of the interference of Oxford and Cambridge interviews.

Our thanks go to Mr. Veit for his unflinching support.

D.K.C.

SHOOTING

Captain : C. J. D. Carpenter Hon. Sec.: J. F. Prout

This term, the team got down to work straight away which put us on the right foot from the start. The scores this term have remained consistently high, in one match the score was only one off the school record of 782. We are at last seeing the possible coming up again. Six came up in matches this term, three of which were from W. N. T. Oleson. Of the seven matches fired this term, two were lost.

We are already well into the Middlesex League Matches, and the targets we have sent in this term look very promising. Our sincere thanks go to Colonel Baker, S. S. I. Maloney and Mr. Peskitt for the time and help they have given us this term.

| Team: | Average: |
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| i Caiii. | |
| C. J. D. Carpenter | 97.9 |
| J. F. Prout | 97.1 |
| W. N. T. Oleson | 97.9 |
| R. F. Whithouse | 96.4 |
| D. G. M. Hodgson | 96.1 |
| S. F. Rudlin | 95.7 |
| K. Malik | 93.1 |
| P. W. Jeffes | 93.7 |
| J. Walker | |
| S. A. Clarke | |

J.F.P.

CHESS

Patron : A. H. Vine Captain : A. M. Kingon Hon. Sec.: A. H. Choinicki

In comparison with the spring term the club has done very well in spite of the departure of four strong players. The seniors have had a good term and have good prospects for the future, but the chief failure of the juniors was the lack of practice.

TEAMS

Senior: A. M. Kingon, A. Pandit (jun.), A. Pandit (sen.), A. H. Chojnicki, N. K. Ross, A. R. Ganthony, C. J. Bryant

Junior: R. Murad, K. D. Haggis, P. A. C. Moles, P. S. Dougal, G. A. Harris, J. C. M. Warde

Also played for the senior team: D. W. Roper, S. J. E. Terry, J. P. Stanbury

| RESULTS |
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| Ser | nior: | | | Jui | nior: | | |
|-----|---|---------------------|---|-----|--------------------------|--------------|-----|
| ٧. | Eton U.C.S. Endfield G.S. City of London Harrow Orange Hill Berkhamsted | Won Lost Lost | 4 - 2 4 1 / ₂ - 11/ ₂ | v. | U.C.S. City of London | Lost Lost | 4-2 |

A.M.K.

Old Millhillians' Section

OLD MILLHILLIANS' COLUMN

Items for insertion in the Old Millhillians' Column should be addressed to: The Editor, Old Millhillians' Column, Old Millhillians Club, 4 Whitehall Court, London, S.W.1, and will be acknowledged.

BIRTHS

MACNAIR During June 1967 to Margaret, wife of Duncan MacNair (1949-54) a daughter. Allison.

FARMER On 3rd June 1967 to Susan, wife of Michael Farmer (1949-55) a son, John Edward, a brother for Richard Keith.

BEETY On 19th October 1967 to Jean (née France), wife of David A. Beety (1951-55), a daughter, Nicola Jane.

SCOTT On 23rd November 1967 at St. Mary's Hospital W.1, to Diana (née Clark), wife of Roger M. Scott (1958-63), a son, Martin John.

ENGAGEMENTS

SHORT—WATERS The engagement was announced in October 1967 between David Martin Valentine Short (1951-55) of the Queen's Head, Newton, Cambridge, and Juliet Mary Waters, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Waters of 7, The Vineyard, Richmond, Surrey.

SMITH—THOMPSON The engagement is announced between Stewart Smith (1958-63) elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smith of Palmers Green, London, and Jacqueline Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Thompson of Finchfield, nr. Wolverhampton.

MARRIAGES

FOX—ROBSON On 22nd September 1967 at St. Andrew's Parish Church, Keighley, Paul Joseph Fox (1955-60), elder son of J. B. Fox (1924-26), President of the Club 1966/67 and Mrs. Fox of Bramhope, to Judith Mary Robson elder daughter of Mr. Norman Robson and the late Mrs. Robson of Keighley, Yorkshire. Present Address: 771, Chaussee Romaine, Brussels 2, Belgium.

HARVEY—MOSSE On 15th October 1967 in London, Eric Harvey (1946-51) to Sandra Mosse. The best man was M. A. Nelson (1946-51) and among the ushers were A. Whitaker (1946-50) and A. D. Galloway (1951-56). New address: 18B Rosecraft Avenue, Hampstead, N.W.3.

CLARKE—BARKER On 14th October 1967 at St. Paul's Church, Hadley Wood, Phillip Michael Clarke (1960-64), only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. K. Clarke of Palmers Green, London, to Sandra Marcelle Barker, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Barker of Hadley Wood, Hertfordshire. Best man was R. C. Culver (1960-64). New address: 223 Coombe Lane, Raynes Park, S.W.20.

WARD—MARKOU On 14th July 1967 in London, Peter A. C. Ward (1958-63) to Roxanne Maria Markou. New address: 39 Elers Road, Ealing, W.13.

RICHARDS—BENNETT On 9th September 1967 at the Parish Church of St. Paul's, Ruislip, B. J. Richards (1958-63) to Irene Bennett. N. G. Simpson (1958-63) was an usher. New address: 66 Wootton Way, Norden Farm, Maidenhead, Berks.

GRAHAM—MARGAN On 21st September 1967 at Caxton Hall, Westminster, P. A. Graham (1957-62) to Linda Anne Margan.

DEATHS

GIBBS On 24th September 1967, Lieut.-Col. W. D. Gibbs (1913-18) of 95 Troy Court, Kensington, W.8.

HOBKIRK On 23rd October 1967, D. I. Hobkirk (1918-21) of Morris Lodge Hotel, Gong Hill, Farnham, Surrey.

CALDER Missing, presumed drowned, on August 26th 1967, on an expedition in Northern Canada, Ian David Calder, B.D.S.(Edin.) (1948-52).

MAGNUS In the Summer of 1967, H. A. Magnus, M.D. F.R.C.P. (1923-26).

SILK Suddenly on 23rd October 1967, C. M. Silk (1920-23) of Trevose, 28 Somerset Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, 15.

WOTTON In June 1967, W. Hector Wotton, L.D.S. (Eng.) D.D.S. (Mich.) (1901-03) of Botreaux, St. Mawes, Cornwall.

OBITUARIES

LIEUT-COLONEL W. D. GIBBS

William Douglas Gibbs, known to everyone as "Will", was a dear friend to many of us, and his passing leaves a gap in our lives. He came to Mill Hill in 1913, and even in those early years he quickly established his strong personality. He was a fine gymnast, and was included in the School Gymnastics Team for four years, which he captained. He played Rugby for the XV for two years, and was in the Hockey XI, and became a monitor. On leaving the School he joined the firm of Woodroffe's, qualifying as a Solicitor, and later became a partner in the firm. In 1920 he became Secretary of the Old Millhillians Rugger Club, a position he held until 1945, and it became his absorbing interest; he played for many years for the 1st XV before taking over the captaincy of the B. XV for three years. He was elected President of the Rugby Football Club in 1945, and remained in "office" until his death.

In March 1939 he, and many of his friends, joined the H.A.C. Anti Aircraft Regiment, and shortly after the outbreak of war he was selected to be an officer, finally rising to the rank of Lieut-Colonel in the Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

He was Secretary of Kent County Rugby Football Union for many years and became a member of the Rugby Union Committee in 1947, was President of Kent, and of London Rugby Union. In 1955 he was elected President of the Rugby Football Union, but in spite of the wide appreciation of his leadership, which earned him the highest respect, his life's love was the Old Millhillian's Club, and in particular the Rugger Club. There were few members, young and old, who did not experience his generosity and companionship, and who were not inspired by his devotion. Those of us who knew him intimately will always remember his individualistic efforts, which are too intimate and memorable to recount.

He was Chairman of a number of industrial Companies, and was the youngest ever to be elected Mayor of the Borough of Bromley in 1932. After holding office for two years he became a Freeman of the Borough in 1934.

But none of his achievements meant more to him than his affection for the Old Millhillians Club, to the interests of which he was devoted. When he received the highest honour the Club could accord to one of its members and was elected President for 1953-54 it was a most popular choice.

Countless members of the Club who have enjoyed "Will's" hospitality have indeed lost a warm-hearted friend.

His brother was J. C. Gibbs, who played rugger for England, and was capped seven times.

He is survived by his wife, Ann, whose help and support meant so much to him.

W.C.R.

H. A. MAGNUS, M.D., F.R.C.P.

H. A. Magnus, a pathologist with an international reputation, died this Summer aged 56. He was at School from 1923-26, and went to St. Barts where he qualified at the age of 23, and won the University Gold Medal at 27. He lectured Pathology till 1939 when he entered the Forces, and stayed overseas for five and a half years as Lt.-Col. A.D.O. Palestine, 9th Army and Eastern Command. On return he was a Senior Lecturer at Barts for a short time till elected Professor of Pathology at Kings College Hospital. He was a member of numerous National scientific and medical societies, holding office in many, while his original researches won world-wide recognition and confirmation. His hobbies were sea fishing and gardening. He died at a relatively early age, especially if his lengthy exile in the services is remembered, and leaves a real gap in the medical world in London.

PERSONALIA

- **C. A. BOURNE** (1920-22) a Rhodesian by birth, has emigrated from that country to South Africa, and is now resident at Knysna, Cape Province. This particular part of his new homeland is most congenial and as beautiful as one could desire. In the past he travelled extensively in Europe, including the United Kingdom.
- RODERICK C. BRAITHWAITE, B.A., M.A.A. (1945-50) was Convenor of the Advertising Association Conference at New College, Oxford, on January 9/10th 1968 on "Graduate Careers in Advertising and Marketing". It was attended by leading educationalists, including Professor Asa Briggs, and by the Appointments Board Officers of the U.K. Universities.
- J. M. CAMPBELL, PH.D., A.R.I.C. (1946-51). Following his appointment last year as European Marketing Manager, Rubber Chemicals, by Monsanto, John Campbell has now been re-located to the Company's European Headquarters in Brussels and is living with his family on the outskirts of the city. He would welcome the opportunity of meeting any O.Ms who pass through Brussels.
- M. R. FOSTER (1947-51) is at present Deputy Commissioner of Police at Maseru, the headquarters of the Lesotho Mounted Police, in which he has served nine years, and in the 1967 New Year Honours was awarded the Colonial Police Medal for Meritorious Service. He has taken the opportunity offered on the emergence of this new state to leave the force, and he will be returning to London early in 1968. Foster some months ago met J. E. Marnham (1929-34) British Consul General in Johannesburg who was on a visit to Maseru.
- P. A. GRAHAM (1957-62) who was admitted as a Solicitor on the 1st December 1967, has joined Messrs. Clifton, Ingram & Co., Solicitors of Wokingham, Berkshire.
- NIGÉL A. KINNEAR, M.B., F.R.C.S. (1919-25) has recently been appointed Regius Professor of Surgery in Dublin University.
- **BRIAN LIVSEY** (1942-45) Honorary Secretary of the North American Association is President of the Canadian Dominion Leasing Corporation Ltd., Toronto.
- MAJOR MARTIN MELSOM, F.R.C.S. (1948-53) and MAJOR IRVINE MACNAIR, F.F.A.R.C.A. (1946-51) found themselves comprising a surgical team at Rinteln, B.F.P.O. 29, B.A.O.R. They were posted there by MAJOR GEOFFREY SMITH (1946-51) who is at the Ministry of Defence.
- ROBIN D. MILLS (1957-62) has commenced a two-year post graduate course in business administration at Cornell University. He would welcome seeing any O.Ms who happen to be in the locality, and can be contacted at Cascadilla Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, 14850.
- THE RIGHT HON. LORD OGMORE, P.C., T.D., J.P. (1917-20) has accepted the invitation of the Earl Marshal, the Duke of Norfolk, K.G., to become a member of the Investiture Committee concerned with the arrangements for the Investiture of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales at Caernaryon in 1969.
- STEPHEN T. SARGROVE (1945-49) a member of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce selling mission to the Far East met ANTHONY P. FORRESTER (1942-46) at a luncheon given by the British Chamber of Commerce in Thailand at the Royal Bangkok Sports Club. Forrester asked it to be made known that he would welcome seeing O.Ms passing through Bangkok, where he can be contacted c/o The Anglo-Thai Corporation, P.O. Box 328, Bangkok, Thailand.
- F. T. SOBEY, C.B.E., Compt. T.1 (1912-16) has been elected President of the Bradford Textile Society.
- C. G. A. STEELE (1956-60) elder son of C. R. STEELE (1921-25) was admitted as a Solicitor in October 1967 and has recently obtained his private pilots licence from the Norfolk & Norwich Aero Club.
- J. H. KENT (1952-57), A. S. MORTIMER (1957-61) and J. R. McALLISTER (1957-63) have played rugger for Middlesex this season.
- M. W. CORBY (1953-58) who is rated the second best player in Britain was selected for the British Team in the World Squash Rackets Championships held at Sydney, Australia, in August 1967. He is the present South of England and Welsh Open Champion, and is only the second man to gain international honour at Squash and Hockey. In the latter sport Corby has gained 17 England and 22 British Caps. He was in the last Olympic Team.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS 1968

The attention of members is drawn to the dates of the following events which have so far been notified to the Editor for 1968:

YORKSHIRE DINNER: Will be held on Friday 15th March at the Hotel Metropole, Leeds. Guests of honour will be R. Wainwright, J.P., and J. Hiley, J.P., O.Ms who are interested but are not on the Yorkshire mailing list should contact J. B. Fox, Candlesby, Otley Road, Bramhope, nr. Leeds (Tel: Arthington 2202).

LAWYERS' DINNER: Will be held on Friday 22nd March at Gray's Inn Hall, London, Any barrister, solicitor, Bar student, articled clerk or undergraduate reading Law who is not on the mailing list is asked to contact R. W. Atchley, 37 Compayne Gardens, Hampstead, N.W.6. (Tel: Maida Vale 7590).

MIDLAND DINNER: Will be held on Friday 29th March in Northampton. O.Ms who are interested but not on the Midland mailing list should contact C. R. Hilton, 7 Shirley Avenue. Leicester.

THE NORTH AMERICAN DINNER: Will be held in New York on Saturday 19th October.

OLD MILLHILLIANS' ANNUAL DINNER: Will be held at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W.1, on Friday 25th October.

EDINBURGH COCKTAIL PARTY: Will be held at the George Hotel, Edinburgh, on the morning of the Calcutta Cup Match, 16th March from 11 a.m. onwards.

Whilst full details of the above events will be circulated nearer the time to all members of the Club, members living in the area, and members of the profession or activity concerned, please make a note of the dates to ensure that they do not clash with other engagements.

FUNCTIONS SINCE LAST ISSUE

OLD MILLHILLIANS' NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL DINNER

The following report has been received from Brian Livsey (1942-45) Honorary Secretary of the North American O.M. Association:—

The 1967 Dinner of the North American Association took place in Toronto on Saturday 14th October at the Sutton Place Hotel. Twelve Old Millhillians were present:

From Canada

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| 55-60 | Robert Angel | 04-08 | Alan Reid |
| 53-56 | Brian Buckingham | 56-60 | Robert Sadler |
| 42-45 | Brian Livsey | 22-25 | Percy H. A. Wykes |
| 49-51 | Ray Morris | | • |

From U.S.

51-56 Michael J. Cuming

20-25 William D. Davies (in the Chair)

29-35 David M. Mungavin

From U.K.

24-26 J. B. Fox (President of the Parent Club in the United Kingdom)

48-52 Malcolm Johnson (over here for British Week)

Among the Guests were:

John Izod an Old Alleynian and Neville Bowen an Old Salopian

Needless to say the highlight of the evening was the presence of J. B. Fox (President of the Parent Club in the United Kingdom) and his review of the Club and School affairs.

A message was read from the new Headmaster, Mr. Michael Hart, and from Dr. Brian Harley (1937-42) who was unfortunately detained in Newfoundland with a broken ankle. Telegrams were received from the Parent Club and from the Australian O.M. Association.

The evening was a great success, and the date for the Dinner in New York was fixed for Saturday 19th October, 1968.

During the course of the Dinner it was learned that two of the younger members, Bob Sadler and Robert Angel, are engaged to Canadian girls. Robert Angel is to be married shortly, and Bob Sadler in the Spring, both in Montreal.

OLD MILLHILLIANS ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner of the Club was held at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W.1, on Friday 27th October 1967.

Although attendance was somewhat lower than last year an excellent evening was enjoyed by those present. Whilst regretting the smaller number attending, it must be borne in mind that many of the Areas and Subsidiary activities hold their own Dinners in these days, which must tend to reduce attendance at this function. The retiring President, J. B. "Joe" Fox, in his speech welcomed the guests of the Club who included Lord Justice Sellers, Chairman of the Court of Governors, Marshal of the R.A.F. Sir Dermot Boyle, Sir Cuthbert Ackroyd, Bt., Sir Donald Finnemore and Sir Learie Constantine. The President then extended a warm welcome to the Headmaster, Mr. Michael Hart, and gave him an assurance of the Club's support.

Turning to matters which he thought merited the attention of the Club, he referred firstly to Alford House. He had been impressed with the work being done there, and the premises now had a transformed appearance. He commended Alford House for greater support by Old Millhillians.

Secondly, the President said that after attending the North American Association's Dinner in Toronto recently he had visited St. Louis, Missouri, and paid his respects to the memory of one of the earliest old boys of the School, Henry Shaw (1811-13), who had settled in America in the early part of the previous century. He had made immense benefactions to that City in his lifetime, and his memory was still deeply respected. Would it not be possible to perpetuate in some appropriate manner this link with the School?

In introducing the new President, The Right Hon. Lord Justice Salmon, the President said that he had been at School from 1917 to 1922 in Collinson House. He was a Monitor, in the Cricket X1, the Tennis VI, and gained his 3rd XV Colours at Rugger. He was Senior Medallist in 1922 before proceeding to Pembroke College, Cambridge. The Mill Hill Magazine of 1922 giving his Cricket "Character" stated "a good batsman with many strokes, but who was unfortunately too fond of gliding to leg". He appeared to have corrected this tendency subsequently as his later career led him straight to the top of his profession.

On coming down from Cambridge, where he was President of the Law Society, he was called to the Bar in 1925, taking Silk in 1945. Appointed Recorder of Gravesend in 1947, he became a Judge of the High Court (Queen's Bench Division) in 1957. His success on the Bench led to his early promotion to the Court of Appeal, and he has been a Lord Justice of Appeal since 1964.

During the second World War he was commissioned in the Gunners in 1940, subsequently serving on the H.Q. Staff of Eighth Army in Italy from 1943-44. He has been a member of the Court of Governors of the School since 1960, is a Justice of the Peace for the County of Kent, and is married with one son and one daughter.

In the course of Cyril Salmon's career as a Judge of the High Court, the President recalled some of his dicta, which had made it abundantly clear that freedom of thought and expression in this Country were in no danger of suppression.

The President then inducted the new President with the Chain of Office, and proposed the toast of the Club coupled with that of the new President. In his reply the new President urged that whenever it was possible he advocated a boy staying at School for that "extra year". He believed that having obtained seniority for the first time was an experience unlikely to be repeated for many years. If wisely exercised it was of the greatest value to him. One must go through life with ideals, and second best must never be acceptable. It was because he believed that such qualities were to be found in Michael Hart, our new Headmaster, that he had especial pleasure in proposing his health coupled with that of the School.

In reply to this toast, the Headmaster displayed his evident desire to make himself a keen participator in our Club community. Naturally he was not in a position to comment at length on the past year's events, the onus of which had fallen on the shoulders of his predecessor, to whom we all owed a debt of gratitude. He looked forward, however, to a period of great interest, the outcome of which he viewed with confidence and enthusiasm.

SUBSIDIARY CLUB REPORTS

CRICKET

The Results for the second half of the 1967 season are as follows:

FIRST ELEVEN

| July | 8 | Mill Hill Village 139 (D. V. Saunders 4-19) | O.Ms 88-9 Drawn |
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| | 9 | O.Ms | Stowe Templars |
| | 15 | Old Dunstonians 138-7 dec. | O.Ms |
| | 16 22 | Old Merchant Taylors 242-5 dec. Kew | O.Ms |
| | 23 | Mayfair | O.Ms |
| | 29 | O.Ms 100 | Park 46-3 Drawn |
| Aug | 5 | O.Ms | Old Emanuel |
| | 7 | Bognor | O.Ms |
| | 8 | O.Ms | Middleton 121-7 Drawn |
| | 9 | O.Ms | Storrington |
| | 10 | Steyning | O.Ms 84-7 Won |
| | 11 | Worthing 175-4 dec. | O.Ms |
| | 12 | Linfields 149-6 dec. | O.Ms |
| | 12 | Old Gaytonians 121 (A. J. Ferryman 5-32) | O.Ms |
| | 20 | O.Ms | Mandarins |
| | 26 27 | O.Ms | Old Paulines 97-3 Lost Rottingdean 112 Won |
| Sept | 2 | O.Ms | Bushey |
| | 9 | O.Ms | Old Citizens 90-9 Drawn |
| | 17 | O.Ms | Hampstead |
| | 23 | O.Ms | Hornsey 144-2 Lost |

SECOND ELEVEN

| | Old Dunstonians 95 (P. R. Wakeham 7-45) | O.Ms 96-2 Won |
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| 22 | O.Ms | Old Fincunians |
| | | Park 51-3 Drawn |
| | O.Ms 82 (I. G. H. Halstead 33) | Old Emanuel 84-5 Lost |
| 26 | O.Ms | Old Paulines |
| | O.Ms 154-7 dec. | Bushey 119-4 Drawn |

FENCING

This year has seen the growth of the Old Millhillians Fencing Club from an idea last spring to a fully operational Club inaugurated last October. Considering all that has been done, the short time taken has been quite remarkable, and the Club would like to record its thanks to the officials concerned for the efficiency of the organisation, and the very generous support received, in particular, from last year's Parent Club President, J. B. Fox.

The inaugural meeting took place on Saturday 23rd September 1967 and the committee elected was:—

President: J. B. Fox (President Parent Club 1966/67)
Vice President: D. C. Martin (Master i/c Fencing M.H.S.)
Hon. Secretary: D. B. Hagger
Hon. Treasurer: J. G. Thorn
D. C. Holliday

To commence the season, a match against the School was held in the School Gym. This was a very enjoyable occasion, and we were very pleased to welcome the Headmaster who came to watch the proceedings. Although members of both teams appeared to be suffering from pre-season unfitness, the match was very closely fought, and the results were:—

1st team Foil Lost 5-4 and team Foil Won 8-1 Epee Won 5-4 Sabre Lost 6-3

The match was notable for two things, firstly, the camaraderie with which the match was fought (so often lacking in competitive events in many sports), and secondly, the use of electrical adjudication equipment, which the Club has purchased with the help of a loan from the O.M. Club. Most good Clubs now have this rather expensive equipment, and all competitions are now demanding its use. Unquestionably it is of great assistance in matches because of its impartiality and the reduction of humanerror in judging, but it is essential to master the change of technique required with the heavier weapons and the different tactics used. The equipment is to be kept at School for their use, and we therefore hope that the School Fencing Club will benefit.

Further informal meetings have been held this term, including an impromptu training session at Leeds one Saturday afternoon, and Members have entered for various individual competitions with quite promising success.

The next major meeting will be on December 18th. This will be a whole day quadrangular against the Old Millfieldians, Millfield School and Mill Hill. The Club would greatly welcome support from other O.Ms who are interested in furthering this new activity, either as fencers, or financially. Anyone willing to do so should contact the Hon. Secretary, J. G. Thorn, 14 Greenway, Appleton, nr. Warrington, Lancs.

GOLFING SOCIETY

The second part of the season contains two matches, the Autumn Meeting and two tournaments. The Mellin Salver takes place at West Hill between teams of six seniors.

over 50, representing 16 hand picked schools. Our team consisted of the Captain, Dick Makins and Jim Davidson, setting a hot pace at top couple. The powerhouse at two was Raymond Steele and John Gibbings, whilst the tail wagged furiously in the persons of Donald Reid and Stanley Wills.

Oundle were firmly crushed in the first round and Bradfield received the same treatment after lunch, each being allowed only half a point.

Next day we faced Cheltenham, winners of the first four competitions held, in the semi-final. The first two games went one to each side and Reid and Wills finally lost a close match by 2 and 1, and Cheltenham went on to win the final by 3 - 0.

The Grafton-Morrish match-play stages, for which we qualified earlier in the Summer, take place at Hunstanton and Brancaster. These great seaside courses provide a stern examination in controlled hitting, and a tight short game. There was a stiff breeze throughout, the wayward shots were soon blown off the course or into cavernous bunkers. We approached the Tournament with some trepidation as we had drawn Wellington, runners up in this year's Halford Hewitt; we played at Brancaster on a cold and breezy day. Derek Sigley and Christopher Pilbrow at top couple quickly found sound form and maintained their first class record with a 6 and 5 win. Geoffrey Vero and Gordon Hawes after some early indecision found their rhythm and forged ahead to a 5 and 4 win. Donald Reid and Michael Gedye were taking rather too much dune and seaweed with their shots and lost on the 14th.

In the afternoon we transferred to Hunstanton to play Dulwich, runners up last year. Our third couple led in the early holes but were overtaken, and beaten, 4 and 3. Both top and second matches were close throughout, two demented strokes by one of our second pair who prefers to remain anonymous, presented the opposition with two holes we were set to win. Finally, this match was lost 1 down and the top match halved. Overall this was probably our best performance since the Halford Hewitt 1962.

The Society's Secretary is W. G. Hawes, 28 York Street, London, W.1, who will be pleased to hear from any golfing O.M. not on the Society's list.

HOCKEY CLUB

Matches played to date:

Reigate Lost 0-1 Guildford Won 3-0 Pagans Lost 1-3

Still more players are needed, and any O.M. who would like to play on SUNDAYS should contact the Hon. Secretary, G. Stannard, The Cottage, Oxshott Way, Cobham, Surrey. (Tel: Cobham 3232).

RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

The start of this Season was, as everyone probably knows, marred by the death of Will Gibbs who had in various capacities, but in particular as Secretary and Chairman, been the main stay of the Club for many many years, and was largely responsible for the position and respect with which it is held in Rugby circles to-day.

The 1st XV this year is being lead by Alan Toulson with Ronnie Boon as Vice Captain, and John McAllister as third member. This is a new committee from last year, and after some bad luck at the start of the Season, has galvanised the 1st XV into a very competent side. This was no mean feat, having seen the departure of one or two of our experienced players, and the turning point was the match against the Metropolitan Police, which we won 11 - 9.

John McAllister played at prop forward and place kicker for Middlesex in November, and Francis Mann continues to play some very good football. We have developed into a tough and well disciplined side, which will do well despite the lack of experience.

The "A" XV are not having a lot of luck this Season, although they are well led by Brian Jarman, and it is probably best to pass on to the "B" XV captained by John Milnes. Out of ten matches played the "B" XV have won eight, and look as if they are going to end the Season with a very fine record.

The Extra "B" XV, captained by Mike Leon, after a similar start to the 1st XV, had a magnificent win over the O.M.T. on November 5th, for which they have every right to be proud.

The "C" XV last, but by no means least, and certainly not at the bottom of the list with their results, have done very well, winning six out of the eight matches they

have played.

The Biennial Rugby Club Dinner was held at the Hyde Park Hotel on Wednesday December 6th when Roger Spong, the Chairman, presided. There was an impressive list of speakers, including Lord Justice Salmon, President of the O.M. Club, Vivian Jenkins of the Sunday Times, and David Brooks, Manager of the British Lions in 1968. It was, I hope, a good evening.

The following are the results of the 1st XV Fixtures to date:

| | | | | Points | Points | |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------|---------|--------|
| | | | | For | Against | Result |
| North London | | | | 31 | 3 | Won |
| Sutton | | | | 9 | 22 | Lost |
| London Hospital | | | | 9 | 5 | Won |
| Old Alleynians | | | | 6 | 21 | Lost |
| Old Belvedere | | | | 5 | 14 | Lost |
| St. Thomas's Hospital | | | | 9 | 3 | Won |
| Aldershot Services | | | ••• | 3 | 6 | Lost |
| Metropolitan Police | | | ••• | 11 | 9 | Won |
| | *** | *** | ••• | | ő | Won |
| K.C.S. Old Boys | ••• | *** | *** | 13 | | |
| Old Cranleighans | | *** | *** | 12 | 8 | Won |
| Saracens | | *** | *** | 6 | 17 | Lost |
| Old Merchant Taylors | | | | 12 | 13 | Lost |
| Rugby | | | | 3 | 15 | Lost |
| Old Whitgiftians | | | | 3 | 15 | Lost |
| Rosslyn Park | | | | 16 | 17 | Lost |
| London Irish | | | | 6 | 5 | Won |

ALFORD HOUSE

Alford House plunged into the Winter Season, and did not just wait for the old faces to re-appear, but made sure that they were drawn to the centre. The old members were written to, given smart new membership cards, and encouraged to come and see the striking new decor in the most used part of the centre. Modern in concept with large colourful murals, it maintained the reputation of the Club as one forcing the pace rather than following a trend. Unfortunately, as you will read later, this coincided with some other parts of the Club falling into disrepair.

But any Club depends upon its members for success. There were many new faces, and a good few of these were among the leaders; this makes for an initial mutual strangeness, which one hopes is gradually broken down, and usually is by the various Club activities. It is found that one of the most effective ways of getting across to a member is in those activities which bear an element of risk. Perhaps the most satisfactory methods are when the members are in a totally different environment, such as a night walk out in the country. One lad feigned illness when he was about to be dropped in the middle of Surrey where there were no street lights. If he had known of the detention centre around the corner he would probably have never come in the first place!

These are the sort of occasions when he will start to heed the advice of a leader who will gain confidence in giving it. One tries to create such occasions in the normal round of Club activities, but this is becoming increasingly hard because of greater outside controls, especially as regards safety. This combined with lack of funds meant that we were unable to pay a properly qualified instructor for the trampoline, and this is now locked away. The Gym equipment has finally given way, literally, and so another room is out of action. Even the threads on the Billiard Room tables have finally parted company.

There are three points, one is lack of money, the second is that Alford House has a history of attracting people by its go ahead and forceful ways (many of these people are completely undesirable, but the very people we want to help). Lastly, these people will not come into the Club if our attractions are diluted excessively. The dividing line

between excessive danger and greatest benefit to the members is hard to draw. At Alford House we wish we were allowed to have more of a say in the placing of that line, rather than having it superimposed upon us.

MASONIC LODGE

At our Installation meeting in October, Brother R. A. Rossington (1946-51) was installed as Master for the ensuing year, and appointed Brother R. C. Hubbard (1946-51) as his Senior Warden, and Brother G. W. H. Peters (1920-25) as his Junior Warden.

Following the Installation at the Albert Hall in June of H.R.H. the Duke of Kent as Grand Master, three members of the Lodge received honours. W. Brother Eric Dangerfield (1920-24) became a Past Grand Deacon, W. Brother Phillip Kinsey (1921-23) Past Provincial Grand Registrar (Berkshire), and W. Brother B. W. G. Old (1930-34) Past Provincial Senior Grand Deacon.

It was a great shock to all members to hear of the sudden death, on the eve of our meeting, of W. Brother C. Morgan Silk (1920-23). Not only was Morgan a much respected and charming member of the Lodge, he was also a Grand Lodge Officer, and was elected Master of the Lodge during our 25th Anniversary Year in 1964. He will be sadly missed.

Membership of the Lodge is open to all Old Millhillians and Masters at Mill Hill, and the Secretary, H. Munday, Malvern, Cedars Close, Hendon, N.W.4 (01-203 0644)

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CAREERS FORUM

"SELLING THINGS" The first meeting of the new School year was held on the 2nd November at 4 Whitehall Court, when Maurice Catesby (1928-33), John Barclay Jacobs (1933-39) and Roderick Braithwaite (1945-50) told a record number of VI Formers something about the opportunities for a career in selling, marketing and advertising. A lively discussion followed in the best tradition of the Careers Forum. The Headmaster joined us for the occasion, and his presence was greatly appreciated, and, although taking no part in the proceedings, he was good enough to say how valuable this O.M. activity was to boys who were making up their minds on their future career.

The next Forum will focus on the Engineering industry. Offers to assist in this, and any other career area will be greatly welcomed by the Secretary of the Forum.

R.C.B.

MRS. J. MIDDLETON

The death occurred on 26th August 1967 at 37 Main Street, St. Bees, Cumberland, of

Gertie, wife of Jack Middleton, and mother of Maurice, aged 72 years.

During the School's period of war-time evacuation to St. Bees, Mrs. Mid was in charge of the Tuck Shop, first at Ashley House, and then at Grindal, and finally at the top of the hill in Main Street. Although beset by all the problems imposed by war-time food restrictions she was ever cheerful, and from her could be bought toasted buns, or the monthly chocolate ration, ice cream or Dandelion and Burdock. Credit was no problem if funds were low.

She was determined to make life as pleasant as possible for the boys evacuated during the war; in this she was entirely successful, and for this she earned the gratitude and the friendship of all who were at St. Bees. It was her practice, aided and abetted by her husband, Jack, to invite Senior boys to tea at her home on Sunday afternoons. These were occasions to be remembered, when for the moment rationing ceased to exist, and afterwards, in the front room, perhaps a bottle or two of beer could be found.

No yardstick is available against which to measure the pleasure and the happiness that she gave, and many O.Ms, during the post-war years, have always made a point of going to see her whenever they could to talk about old friends and to reminisce. From these visits Mrs Mid derived immense satisfaction.

Her funeral took place on her 46th Wedding Anniversary, and Millhillians the world over who were at School, when it was at St. Bees, wil grieve the passing of a wonder-

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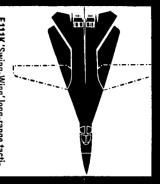
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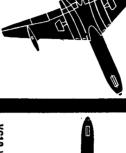




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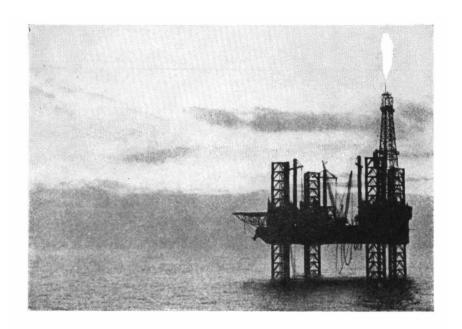
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