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M.J.F., C.J.T.

SCHOOL NEWS

This term Mr. Mason is leaving us to become head of the Modern Languages department at Gordonstoun, Mr. Barsby is leaving us temporarily to take up a university post, and Mr. Winter leaves us for a year to teach in Canada. We wish all three the greatest success in their new posts.

We welcome Mr. Ochser, who joined us for the last half of this term, to the Maths department, Mr. Griffith to the Classics department, Mr. Harris to the English department and Mr. Farrow who will take P.T.

T. A. MASON

We are saying good-bye to Mr. Mason who has been appointed head of the Modern Languages department at Gordonstoun.

Tony Mason who came to Mill Hill from Portsmouth Grammar School nine years ago, has been the vigilant monitor of our modern languages team, whose teaching methods have owed much to his precept and personal example. He has also been an outstandingly energetic and resourceful Careers Master who has promoted the valuable co-operation of Old Millhillians and widened our contacts with the Youth Employment Service and other outside bodies. His remaining spare time has been devoted to running Mill Hill golf and philately.

Seldom has promotion been better earned. Tony and Joan Mason will be missed but they leave for Scotland with the warmest wishes of us all.

SCHOOL STAFF

Senior Monitor D. J. Stevens (C)

Monitors D. Lloyd (B), J. T. Holmes (S), C. W. Riddell (W), A. P. J. Souter (S), M. C. B. Sumner (M), T. W. Bunyard (B), B. P. Kirk (M), J. R. Lethbridge (R), R. W. Burns (C), J. Stephens (S)

Prefects P. E. Barker (R), N. P. Franks (R), B. R. Coleman (S), R. C. O. Farrow (S), M. E. D. Francis (B), J. R. Hume (S), S. D. J. Newby (S), S. C. Nightingale (S), R. W. Phillips (C), D. K. Clark (W), P. J. Glover (R).

APPOINTMENTS

Senior Monitor S. C. Nightingale (S)

Monitor J. R. Hume (S)

School Prefects J. D. E. Gallagher (R), J. H. Griffiths (C), D. L. L. James (C), T. A. Kempster (B), D.B.B. Kenning (R), A. S. Morton (W), T. R. C. Parker (S), S. J. E. Terry (W), I. J. Turnbull (M)



THE SCHOOL CONCERT

This year's school concert, consisting of a selection of music from the Messiah, was presented on June 14th and 15th. The performance itself was in what we have come to consider the traditional vein, though in one technological sphere it was far from traditional. When an overwhelmed audience had recovered consciousness after the onslaught of the amen and Hallelulah choruses (was it modesty that set the limit to one exclamation mark in the printed programme after the latter?), it was sincere in its endorsement of the vote of thanks to Mr. Terry. One was lost in admiration of the almost perfect timing achieved by Mr. Lanyon at the organ in the chapel, by means of the complex equipment so efficiently managed by Mr. Terry.

The familiar music lost nothing of its impact by the unfamiliar machinery discreetly arranged at its own strategic points. And the Choral society seemed to take heart from its awareness of extra musical assistance. We have come to expect a superb performance from the ranks of the society, and the 180 involved gave us everything we expected. The excellence of technique, particularly in the "And the Glory of the Lord" chorus underlines the enthusiasm and sheer hard work of every member.

Some of the solo arias seemed, at any rate to this listener, to be taken at a slower tempo than usual. Obviously this could have been nothing but beneficial to young singers doing their utmost to cope with the extremely difficult requirements, but it did produce an unfortunate sense of elongation at times, and even the quality of Jeffery Hopewell's voice could not entirely dispel this in "I Know that my Redeemer liveth". Peter Jeffes' performance could hardly be faulted — it was excellent, and one was amazed at the maturity of his tenor voice. Charles Farrow, the bass, was unfortunately suffering from a throat infection, but what his voice lacked in strength was more than compensated for by his musical ability, which came more and more apparent as the evening progressed, reaching a peak in "The Trumpet Shall Sound", the trumpet obligato for which was played so well by John Parker.

The orchestra was augmented by students from the Guildhall School of drama, and this proved a most happy plan. Too often in the past the orchestra has seemed inadequate (in numbers, never in quality) when attempting to match itself with the large choral section. Let us hope that facilities such as this will be available in the future, and used as advantageously as on this occasion.

Altogether, this was one of the most successful concerts of recent years. One's eyes tended to deceive at times when it seemed as if it were Sir Malcolm himself on the rostrum — something perhaps not quite as hallucinatory as it may seem. But at any rate, Sir Malcolm would have been proud of the performance.

D.C.F.W.

THE SCHOOL CHOIR

It was good to be invited to sing in Shenley Hospital Chapel, and it was pleasant to be able to accept the invitation on Monday, July 8th. We sung music from "Messiah" to a large and appreciative congregation, and Jeffery Hopewell, Peter Jeffes and Charles Farrow repeated their now familiar interpretations of their respective rôles.

The hospital Chapel is a magnificent building in which to sing, and we were able to sing in a tension-free atmosphere. Afterwards our hosts entertained us with an excellent meal.

About a dozen boys are leaving the School Choir this term. We thank them for their cheerful loyalty, and wish them well. Paul James (chorus leader) and Bruce Murray (sub-leader) are being honourably retired, and are succeeded by Howard Manton and Rowland Myers.

THE CHAPEL

We had morning "chapel" in the Large on one occasion last term, in order to have a film (To Children with Love: the work of Vellore Hospital, S. India) and we had the Chapel organ relayed to the Large for "Messiah". We had a visit to Haslemere, to an Ockenden Venture house to prepare for another service, and a West Indian choir to sing at another.

But for a most unfortunate misunderstanding we would have had our first Roman Catholic preacher — we nearly did have both Father Noel Hanrahan and the Head of the Science Dept. at Shrewsbury School on the same day! We did have a very moving joint Jewish-Christian memorial service for Simon Slater and are greatly indebted to Rabbi Dr. Leslie Edgar for his most charming co-operation in this.

We welcomed the Methodist minister from Mill Hill, the Rev. Brynmor Salmon, the Rev. Richard Matanle from Oxford, Peter Hughes Esq. from Shrewsbury.

On May 26th when numbers in chapel were much smaller because of a C.C.F. and Scout week-end we invited masters to bring their younger children and had a story suitable for children of all ages (!) "The Selfish Giant" by Oscar Wilde, set to music by N. M. Bloom who accompanied the reading on his guitar.

H.W.S.

THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra, the Covent Garden Orchestra and the orchestra of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama were all represented at the 1968 performance of parts of the Messiah by Handel. The string section, which was the size of a symphony orchestra (apart from a rather thin viola section) was led by Kathleen Cload, A.R.C.M. Their handling of the recitatives and the Pastoral symphony, on Saturday night especially, was superb with an exacting balance between the parts which made this beautiful, tranquil piece of music a joy to listen to. As a contrast to this quiet method of playing, were the "Hallelujah Chorus" and "Worthy is the lamb", where they were not drowned in the least and came over as clear and as resonant as could be hoped.

The brass, though not very large in size, proved that they could still make themselves heard above the rest of the orchestra. The trumpets in "Glory to God" handled the initial phrases, which they later repeated, with a gradual crescendo, signifying the gradual approach of the Angels; this proved to be very effective. The horns had slightly more to do than the rest of the brass; one of the greatest compliments paid to them was that nobody noticed them — a clear sign that they had not gone wrong. The trombone provided the real volume as could be heard in the "Amen". The percussion and continuo were again good, the only criticism of the continuo was that it did not blend too well with rest of the orchestra and the organ. The timpanist controlled the closing stages of several powerful pieces well, especially in the "Amen Chorus".

To sum-up, I think that this is one of the best orchestras and one of the best concerts that Mill Hill has put on for quite some years, thanks to the untiring enthusiasm and help of the Director of Music, Sydney Barlow, F.R.A.M.

C.J.W.

THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

As usual in the 'A' level term the library has received a great deal of use. While conditions there have improved immeasurably in the first year, there are still many who do not realise that absolute silence should prevail all the time, although it is obvious that a great deal more work is being done in study periods than formerly.

In addition to books bought from funds this year, the library stock has been augmented by presentations from Mr. Landaw, father of J. Landaw (O.M.), of two fine history books from the American Embassy of the five-volume Columbia encyclopaedia, and a volume of his own poems, entitled "Truth's Highway", by Hedley Lucas — we gratefully acknowledge all these presentations.

Many senior librarians and assistants are leaving this term, and I hope there will be many volunteers to take their place in what is a very worthwhile and rewarding task.

D.J.S.

Obituary

S. J. SLATER

Burton Bank 1962-1967

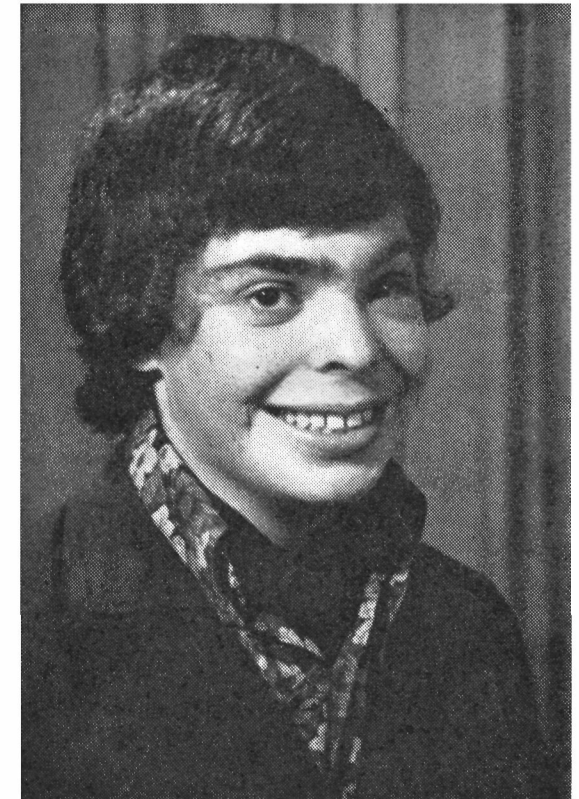
Simon Slater died of cancer on March 30th 1968 and a Memorial service was held in the Large on May 19th. It was conducted by Doctor Edgar, former Minister of the Jewish Synagogue at St. John's Wood and by the Chaplain, in the presence of a large number of family friends, staff and boys.

It is rare for a boy who contributed much to several branches of the life at Mill Hill to be remembered more for what he was than for what he did. But such is the case with Simon Slater. He was a successful captain of Fencing, but one remembers the cheeky pugnacity of his style rather than the fact that he won. He played the French Horn in the school orchestra with enthusiasm but with evident doubt in his own mind as to what sound might, or in fact did, come out of it. He had a stage presence, no doubt inherited from his father, but even in a straight part one could not dissociate him from comedy. It was this quality of irrepressible cheerfulness which was so valuable on so many occasions and which most people will remember.

But there was of course a serious side too. He was a loyal House Prefect and hoped to go to Exeter University where he expected to play a full part in the Drama Department.

He made his mark at Mill Hill and we shall remember him and are glad to have the Trophy for Drama presented by Mr. and Mrs. Slater in memory of their son.

E.P.S.



"BURSAR'S CLERK"

In March of this year died Harry Lack. He retired from the service of the School in February 1960, having entered it in September 1926, a span of one hundred terms. His business, among other trifles such as P.A.Y.E. and the intricacies of National Insurance cards, was to superintend the intake and distribution of books and stationery, to keep tab on who had what, and to ensure that the recipient — or the parents — duly paid. It was in this latter function that he became a familiar figure to the G.C., and his subterranean cavern in the Marnham Block acquired its name of the "Lackery", a title which it still bears.

During the war he went North to St. Bees, and there acted as a sort of provincial export manager to Blenheim Steps. He had a well earned reputation for efficiency and absence of flap. He was appreciated and liked, and a man in good esteem.

T.F.J.

ALEXANDER STEWART GILLESPIE, 1894-1968

It was characteristic of Alex Gillespie that when asked to help us in an emergency in 1961 he hurried by the first available train from Edinburgh. He taught at Mill Hill for only a short time, but his influence for good was great and abiding. At our disposal he placed his wide experience gained at Westminster, Rugby, and more especially at Blundell's, where he had been head of the science department, and at Loretto. Who could know so much about sea-horses? And who could lavish so much affection on that particularly unlovable crocodile he sought to tame? "Gil" was a great common-room colleague and his whimsical humour commended itself to masters and boys alike. As his old tutor, Dr. W. R. Matthews, so aptly put it: "He was a very remarkable man".

J.P.M.

C.C.F. REPORT

At the end of this term Lt.-Col. C. S. Baker is resigning from the C.C.F. after 20 years, 13 of which he has spent as Contingent Commander. During this time his enthusiasm, wide range of interests, and his extensive knowledge of things military have made him an outstanding Contingent Commander.

Under his guidance the scope of C.C.F. activities at Mill Hill has been tremendously broadened. Field Days have been devoted to a wide range of activities, the Naval section came into being, overseas camps were introduced, and, more than anyone, he has made full-bore shooting at Mill Hill a successful venture.

Also leaving the C.C.F. after 21 years is Capt. Turnbull who has combined the duties of House Master of Collinson with those of organizing the Royal Artillery section. His infectious enthusiasm has brightened many a Friday afternoon.

ARMY SECTION

The term started as usual with preparations for the Annual inspection and the Newcastle drill competition and both these events took place on May 13th. The day was fine and with the help of Major Greenacre and the R.S.M. from London district, we managed to keep to our schedule for the morning quite easily. The competition was won by Winterstoke. The inspecting officer, Rear Admiral F. D. Holford, D.C.S., saw enough of the contingent in the afternoon to satisfy himself that we were still efficient and has since awarded a certificate to this effect.

The weekend of 25-27 May enabled the R.N. section to break new ground in training ideas, when a party of 18 cadets travelled from Leighton-Buzzard to Watford in canoes on the canal, while the R.A.F. and Army sections were involved either in a map-reading exercise in the Ashridge area or went shooting at Purfleet on the Essex marshes.

The camps at Malta and at Penhale have been reasonably supported this year and should provide some varied experiences for the cadets involved.

Finally, as outgoing Contingent Commander, I would like to thank everyone who has made my term of office easier. In particular the officers and cadets who have served with me for the past 13 years and who have managed, sometimes in the face of difficulty, to see my side of the coin. F/O Peskett will in future command the R.A.F. section, while F/Lt. Franklin will be O.C. Contingent. Shooting will be run by Capt. E. J. Crook. Capt. J. A. Turnbull, T.D., is also retiring this term after some 22 years of loyal service to the C.C.F. I am sure that many others will feel as I do, that this humanity, determination, and dry sense of humour have had considerable influence in the contingent.

ROYAL AIR FORCE SECTION

The main event this term has been the Annual Inspection which passed satisfactorily. The Section was commended by the Royal Air Force Staff Officer for its general smartness on parade. For the benefit of the Inspecting Officer we endeavoured to show off the full range of our activities although bad weather prevented the Model Aircraft section from flying their aircraft.

Field Day for A and B Flights was less arduous than usual, being spent on the ranges at Purfleet. C Flight spent their time exploring the highways and byways of rural Ashridge.

Group Captain Foskett, who is the Royal Air Force Old Millhillian representative, has been posted to Bahrain as an Air Commodore. We have been very grateful for the interest he has shown in the C.C.F. and the R.A.F. in particular. As yet we do not know who his successor will be.

Next term F/O Peskett will be assuming command of the section as F/Lt. Franklin is becoming Contingent Commander.

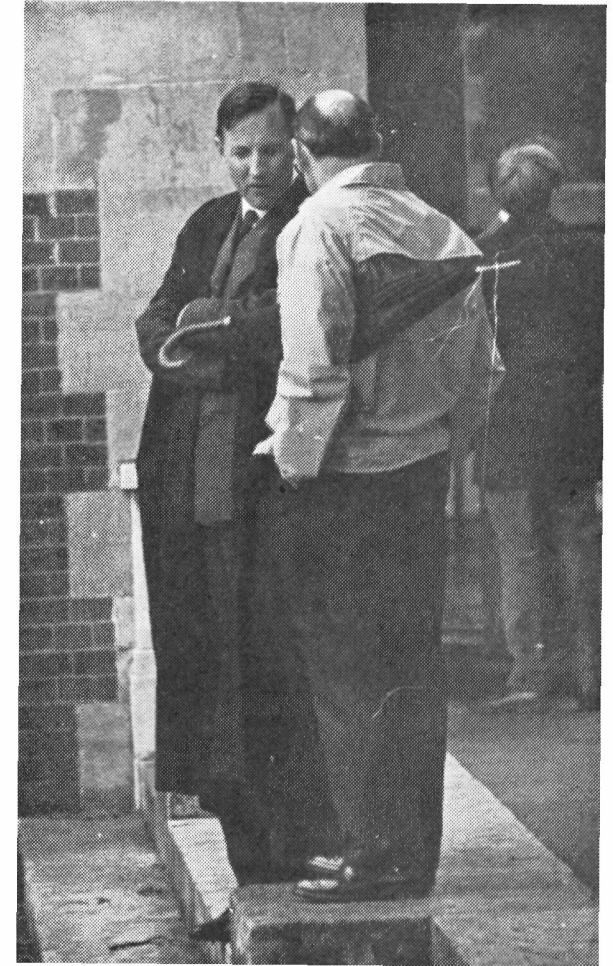
SCOUT SECTION

At the moment of writing equipment is being checked and packed, food bought, and vehicles overhauled ready for Summer Camp. By the time this is read we hope that a most successful camp amongst the Welsh mountains will have become part of the annals of the Troop.

Week-end camps were held this year at Well End, and at Tolmers and virtually everybody in the troop was able to go. The van that we acquired last year has been exceedingly useful.

After a year of running the new syllabus for scout training we are beginning to get the hang of it, and next year should show a considerable increase in efficiency. J. Stephens and C. G. Briggs deserve our special thanks for all the work they have put in as warranted Scouters in their last year at school.

H.W.S.



"two see eye to eye"

HOUSE REPORTS

BURTON BANK

Head of House : D. Lloyd
 Monitor : T. W. Bunyard
 School Prefect : M. E. D. Francis
 House Prefects : R. W. J. Newberry, R. O. Feneck, L. J. Exton,
 I. H. Walker, C. J. E. Leach, T. Kempster

With exams virtually over the term is fast drawing to a close and sighs of relief from most of us are to be heard.

The term on the whole has been a good and successful one. People in the House have worked constantly (so it seems) and have performed their duties reasonably well. It seems amazing that after thirteen weeks of full pressure leading to exams, the happy atmosphere in the House is still intact — I just don't know how some of us survived.

On the sports field BB has done herself proud. The fencing trophies were retained, the Junior Cricket competition, if the rules are not changed in mid-stream, is ours, and the Swimming Shield once again hangs in the Common Room. The Seniors reached the cricket final but unfortunately lost to a strong Weymouth side. The tennis is still to be played.

Almost a third of the House will be leaving at the end of term which must be a new record. With the rest of the Staff I wish the House every success in the future and hope that she continues to thrive.
 D.L.

VALETE

T. W. Bunyard (62-68); Upper Mod. Subjects VI; Monitor; 1st XI Cricket 66-68 (vice-captain); 1st XI Hockey 66-68; 1st XV 67-68; Junior Boxing Team; Witan; Economics Society; H.N.D. Business studies at Hendon College of Technology; 39 Edgeworth Crescent, Hendon, N.W.4.

D. R. Dickinson (64-68); Upper Economics VI; Petty Officer; 4th XI Cricket 67-68; Geographical, Philatelic (3rd member), Economics Societies; Articled Solicitor; 5 The Ridgeway, Cuffley, Herts.

L. J. Exton (64-68); Upper Classical VI; 4th Head of House, House Prefect; Squash Team (Hon. Sec.) 64-68; Tennis Team 66-68; Swimming Team 65-67; 4th XV Rugger 66-67; Choir 64; Choral Society; Ichthus; Koinonia; Interea Society; Photographic Society; Magical Society (not with Zed!); Interpreter; 2nd Patrol Leader in Scouts; c/o Exton Enterprises, 6 Leicester Road, Branksome Park, Poole, Dorset.

R. O. Feneck (63-68); Mod. VIA; 1st XV; Athletics Team; Innominates; Science Society; Playreading Society; Photographic Society.

M. E. D. Francis (63-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; School Prefect; Removes German Prize 65; Cross-Country Team 66-68 (Hon. Sec. & Capt. 68); Swimming Team 68; 5th XV 66-67 (capt. 67); Warrant Officer C.C.F. 67; School Play 65; Stage; Cinema Committee & Prop's Manager 66-67; Choral Society 64; Play-reading Society; Mod. Lang. Society; National Hunt Jockey & Assistant Trainer; c/o Capt. H. R. Price, "The Downs", Findon, Sussex.

R. D. Goldstein (63-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI (formerly Maths VIB); Upper Mod. Lang. German Prize 68; 1st XI Hockey 66, 67 (colours), 68 (colours); 3rd XI Cricket 66-68 (capt.); Several activities in Stage and Cinema Committee and supernumary societies (see last year's valet).

C. N. Hutton (63-68); Upper Economics VI; House-staff (twice redundant); 4th XV Rugger (capt.); 2nd XI Hockey; Swimming Team; Treasurer of Geographical Society; Patrol Leader of Owls; Future undecided pending psycho-analysis; Plumptre Cottage, Mitchell Lane, Thackley, Bradford, Yorks.

D. Lloyd (62-68); Upper Mod. Subjects VI; Head of House, 2nd Monitor; 1st XV 66-67; 1st XI Hockey 66-67 (sec.), 68 (capt.); Swimming Team 63-68 (sec. 66, capt. 67); Golf Team 66-68; Colts Cricket; Economics Society; L-cpl. in R.E.M.E.; Hoping to study Business Administration majoring in Personnel Management at Bowling Green University, Ohio, U.S.A.; 13 Denehurst Gardens, Hendon, N.W.4.

P. G. Lodwick (67-68); L. Arts VI; Athletics Team; 69 Banging St., Columbia,

Missouri, U.S.A.

R. B. Morris (64-68); Mod. Lang. VI; £200 open Entrance Scholarship; English Prizes 65-68; 3rd XI Cricket 68; Ex-Choral Society, Telly Team 67.

R. W. J. Newberry (62-68); Upper Maths VI; House Prefect; Science Society; Koinonia; etc.; hoping to further education at university; 17 Langley Park, Mill Hill, N.W.7.

D. J. Nichols (64-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; Exhibition Scholarship +£80; Jun. Colts Hockey 66; Colts Hockey 67; 2nd Hockey 68 (colours); 3rd XV 67; Member of R.A.; Greyhound breeding; "Little Rude", Rugby Road, Dunchurch.

C. G. Rees-Roberts (63-68); Upper Mod. Subj. VI; O.M's Lit. Prize 67, Minor Hobbies 64, 66, 68, Major Hobbies 68; Swimming Team (Junior 65-66) (Senior 67-68), Full colours; Pres. of Art Society; Committee of Jazz Club and Concert Society; Witan, Art Ed. of Mag. 67-68; 34 The Avenue, Kew Gardens, Richmond, Surrey.

D. H. Shanks (64-68); Upper Maths VI; Scholarship (£300); Various form prizes 64-66; 2nd XV 67; Swimming Team (Hon. Sec. 68); Interim, R.A.

M. A. Smith (64-68); Upper Sc. VI; Senior League XV 67; Science Society; Jazz Club (Founder member); University of London group; "Green Gorse", Brimstage Road, Heswall, Wirral, Cheshire.

P. C. M. Sunley (64-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; 8 Green Lane, Croydon.

R. N. Templeton (63-68); Vith form; Continuing studies; 145 Farnham Lane, Farnham Royal, nr. Slough, Bucks.

I. H. Walker (63-68); Upper Mod. Subj. VI; House-Staff; Stage 63-68, Stage Manager 68, Senior Projectionist; Leeds University studying Textiles; "Oakfield" Cecil Ave., Lightcliffe, Halifax, Yorkshire.

SALVETE

S. N. Brown (Lochinver House).

G. L. Chase (Willesden High School).

A. K. S. Ching (La Salle College, Kowloon).

P. J. Edmed (Hutt Valley High School, New Zealand).

P. B. Fei (Cheam School).

L. W. Gibson (Woodberry Forest School, Va.).

S. W. Hamilton (Belmont).

J. A. Hoon (Crosfields).

S. J. A. Love (Belmont).

N. K. Maile (Lochinver House).

I. W. McIntosh (Willesden High School).

C. J. Prior (Michenden School).

A. M. Shah (Nairobi School).

V. K. Shah (Nairobi School).

J. S. G. Taylor (Belmont).

J. N. Weber (Belmont).

MURRAY

Head of House : M. C. B. Sumner

Monitor : B. P. Kirk

House Prefects : J. P. P. Oleson, J. M. R. Potter, W. N. T. Oleson,
 R. C. A. Thompson, M. J. R. Tinker, T. S. Pulman,
 I. J. Turnbull, D. Desai, G. A. Misner

The pressure of 'O' and 'A' levels has to some degree stifled sporting activities this term. However, we were able to achieve some considerable success in our swimming, especially in life-saving. Our efforts in tennis have not been without their rewards — we have already reached the second round in the inter-house competition and have hopes of further attainments.

Mr. Winter is retreating temporarily to Ontario, Canada, and we wish him and his family all happiness and success. During his absence Mr. Franklin will Housemaster. N. C. Winter was awarded the Peter Davies Memorial Prize.
 M.C.B.S.

VALETE

B. P. Kirk (63-68); Upper Med. VI; Monitor; Hamilton Bailey Memorial Prize for Vth forms 65; Ousey Handwriting Prizes 64-66; Headmaster's Prize for Reading in Chapel 68; Yearlings XV 63; Junior Colts 64, Colts 65, 3rd XV 66, 1st XV 67; Junior Cross-Country 64; 4th XI Cricket 67-68 (capt.); Athletics 68; Travel Club 63-64; Photographic Society 65; Music Club 64-68; Science Society 66-67; Koinonia; Innominates 67-68; Choral Society 63, 65-68; Choir 67-68; Senior Scout; Christian Fellowship (Committee); 126 Wolmer Gardens, Edgware, Middx.

O. Mundy (65-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; £75 Day-boys Scholarship; French & Latin Prizes 67, 68; Working for a year then (perhaps) University; 14 Uphill Road, Mill Hill, N.W.7.

J. P. P. Oleson (63-68); Upper Med. VI; House Prefect; Junior Colts XV 65, 3rd XV 67; Cross-Country Team 66-68; Athletics Team 66-68; Sergeant in R.A.F. (retd.); Innominates; Choral Society; Photographic Society; Ancients Anonymous; Christian Fellowship; Music Club; Science Society; Murray House Debating Society; Entering Guys Hospital Medical School; 93 Milesplit Hill, Mill Hill, N.W.7.

W. N. T. Oleson (63-68); Upper Med. VI; House Prefect; Boxing Team; Shooting Team; School's 100, London County, and Middx. County Badges; Cdt. in R.A.F. (retd.); Innominates; Science Society; Choral Society; Entering University College Hospital; 22 Via Vittoria Veneto, Caza Tiziona, Ventimiglia, Imperia, Italy.

J. R. M. Potter (64-68); Upper Economics VI; House Prefect; Junior Colts Cricket 64; 5th XV 67; 3rd XI Cricket 67-68; 3rd XI Hockey 68; Murray House Debating Society; Photographic Society; Ancients Anonymous; Choral Society; Science Society; Geographical Society; Economics Society; Christian Fellowship; Cdt. in Army (retd.); Entering Articles; 2 Bittacy Park Ave., Mill Hill, N.W.7.

T. S. Pulman (64-68); Upper Med. VI; House Prefect; Corporal in R.A.F. (retd.); Choir (retd.); Science Society; Choral Society; Murray House Debating Society; Continuing education at Technical College; 5 Cotman Close, London, N.W.11.

J. E. O. Starr (63-68); Upper Science VI; 4th XV; Athletics Team; Science Society; Ancients Anonymous; Jazz Club; Entering University to read Physics (probably Sussex); 22 The Loning, London, N.W.9.

S. F. Stone (63-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; 4th XI Cricket 68; Lr.-cpl. in Signals (retd.); Murray House Debating Society; Choral Society 63; Mod. Lang. Society; Photographic Society; Hoping to enter Law School; 19 Hampstead Way, London, N.W.11.

M. C. B. Sumner (62-68); Med. VIA; Monitor; Remove Prize; Tennis Team; Photographic Society; Innominates; President of M.H.D.S.; Games Committee; Cardiff University to Study Biochemistry; 181 Hendon Way, London, N.W.7.

R. C. A. Thompson (63-68); Upper Med. VI; House Prefect; Fourth Form Prize; Science Society; Photographic Society; Innominates; Choral Society; Young Farmers Club; Murray House Debating Society; Reading Biology at Sussex University (Hoping); 19 Winterstoke Gardens, London, N.W.7.

SALVETE

R. D. Arcsott (Beeston Hall School).
V. Balakrishnan (Hendon Prep. School).
C. R. M. Bangham (Belmont).
E. M. Clifford (Hendon Prep. School).
J. Dangoor (Alpha Prep. School).
R. B. Gonzalez (Belmont).
G. Haines (Hendon Prep. School).
M. Hodes (Edge Grove).
D. F. Jennings (The Hall).
R. D. Lennard (Belmont).
N. J. Moorhouse (Orley Farm).
C. R. Semken (Belmont).
G. S. Simmons (Southgate Comprehensive).
S. H. G. Sutton (Belmont).
A. A. Turnbull (Belmont).
N. S. J. Wilkinson (Belmont).
P. E. O. Williams (Hawthorns).

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House Prefects : D. L. L. James, A. E. S. Eastman, J. H. Griffiths,
J. D. A. Zarno, G. J. A. Dutton, S. M. Halton, S. J. Fisk

A term is always judged on three aspects — social, sporting and academic. Our House dance never materialised; so the first must be accounted, if not a disaster, at least a disappointment. On the games field our best hope, the Senior Tennis competition, threatens to be unfinished, although our Juniors took the plunge and emerged triumphant in the Swimming Sports. In the academic sphere the day of reckoning will soon be here — we wish success to all those who suffer in the meantime.

A confrontation between house-staff and the adults of our house avoided what might have been more than a storm in a tea-cup, and all parties were to be seen soon after amicably watching Wimbledon on our Housemaster's television — for which many thanks. The sun-bathers from their vantage point have been able to see assorted objects flying across Collinson Field, propelled by various means, but so far no casualties have been reported. The real highlight of the term, however, was when Simon's "Flying Machine" actually became air-borne, but the surprise to one and all was so great that it crashed into a tree. Better luck in all spheres next term.

D.J.S.

VALETE

N. M. Bloom (63-68); Upper Science VI; Societies and School Activities—Music, Keele (Science) and Music; 63 Oakleigh Ave., Whetstone, London, N.20.

R. W. Burns (63-68); Science VI; Monitor; 2nd XV (capt.); 1st XI Hockey & Cricket; Choral Society; Freds (Headfred); Otherwise not an active member of any school society, Guys Hospital Medical School; Twayblades, School Lane, Caterham, Surrey.

A. E. S. Eastman (63-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; House Prefect; French Reading and Speech Prize 68; Chess Team 64-65; Choir 64-65; Photographic Society (Hon. Treas.); Koinonia; Architectural Society; Studying Town and Country Planning at Nottingham College of Art and Design; Kirkstone, 27 Northumberland Road, New Barnet, Herts.

S. M. Halton (64-68); Arts VI; House Prefect; History Prize 68; Fifth XV (scrum-leader); Collinson House Football Team; Sunderland Supporters Club; Glasgow Tech. College and following Sunderland AFC; Fulwell End, Roker Park, Sunderland. (Moving soon to Parkhead, nr. Gorbels, Glasgow).

R. W. Phillips (63-68); Upper Maths/Economics VI; School Prefect; 3rd XV 67; President of Soc. of Philatelists; Pythagoreans (Sec.); Bristol University to read Economics and Statistics; 7 Russell Grove, London, N.W.7.

D. J. Stevens (62-68); Upper Mod. Subj. VI; Senior Monitor, Head of House; Junior Music Prize 64; Upper VI History Prize 67; McClure Music Prize 68; David Needham Memorial Prize for History 68; 1st XI Cricket 65-68 (capt. 67); 1st XV 67; 2nd XI Hockey 66-68; Fives Team 64-68 (capt. 67-68); Squash Team 65-67; Senior Tennis V/ 67-68; Youll Cup Tennis Team 67-68; Head Librarian; Choir Manager; Witan (Prolocutor); Phoebean Group; Geographical Society; Operatic Society; Senior Scout; Pembroke College, Oxford to read P.P.E.; 43 Egmont Close, Sliema, Malta, G.C., or letters c/o 73 Durants Road, Enfield, Middx.

SALVETE

E. S. Addison (Belmont).
D. P. Ashton (Hampton Grammar).
K. Bridges (Holmewood School).
A. D. Guthrie-Jones (Kingsfield/Belmont).
A. R. B. Phillips (Belmont).
R. S. Scott (Avon Old Farms School).
K. G. Thomas (Belmont).
S. R. Wright (Belmont).

RIDGEWAY

Head of House : J. R. Lethbridge
School Prefect : P. J. Glover
House Prefects : R. T. Watkins, J. D. E. Gallagher, G. N. Myers,
D. B. B. Kenning, C. J. Whiteman, A. H. Chojnicki,
M. D. Stuart, C. A. L. Weber

This term has been a reasonably good one for Ridgeway. We began by trying hard at that tedious competition, the Newcastle, and as usual we came fourth. Likewise, compared with other houses, we maintained a good standard at athletics and came third. Our cricketers have done well and we may still retain the Junior Cricket Trophy; and we have very high hopes of winning the Junior Tennis, which has yet to be played.

Not having had a house dance for two terms, this term's was an exceptional success, partly because people were able to take the occasional breath of fresh air.

After a stay of only a year Mr. Seagrim is leaving us and we wish him all the best in his Triumph car.

And now, at the end not only of another term but also of another year, it is inevitable that one looks at the state of the House: although no-one can deny that we have seen our ups and downs it has been a year in which Ridgeway has learnt and grown wiser. Thus we are making progress, and so the future looks very bright.

J.R.L.

VALETE

P. E. Barker (63-68); Economics VI; Hockey Team 67-68; Rugger Team 66-68; Athletics Team (capt. 68); Immediate future — undecided; 22 Highfield Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham 15.

N. P. Franks (62-68); Upper Science VI; Head of Ridgeway (retd.); School Prefect (retd.); House Staff (retd.); Remove D Form Prize 63; 1st XV 66-67; 1st Seven-a-sides 67; Athletics Team 67; Founder member of Outdoor Activity Squad; R.A.F. cdt. (retd.); Furthering education at home/university; "Beaulieu", Mildred Ave., Boreham Wood, Hants.

P. J. Glover (63-68); Economics VI; School Prefect; House Prefect; Major Hobbies Prize 67; 2nd XV 66-67; Corporal in R.E.M.E.; Hon. Sec. of Photographic Society; Geographical Society; Nat. Hist. Society; Entering Law; "Fritwell", Copt Elm Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

C. H. F. Haering (64-68); 11 Oakdale, Southgate, London, N.14.

J. R. Lethbridge (63-68); Upper Med. VI; Head of Ridgeway; Gym Team 63-68 (Hon. Sec. 67-68); Tennis Team 64-65; Athletics Team 65-68; Games Committee; Hon. Sec. Koinonia; 3rd Member of Concert Society; Music Club; Choir; Photographic Society; Innominates; Hoping to enter Medical School; 12 Chemin de L'Imperatrice, Pregny, Genève, Switzerland.

R. N. McConchie (64-68); Upper Mod. Lang. VI; Immediate future — undecided; Front Street, Wolsingham, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham.

P. J. J. Olivier (67-68); 36 Quai St. Vincent, 69. Lyon.

Rhodri Tasker Watkins (63-68); Economics VI; House Prefect; 4th XV 66; 3rd XV 67; Golf Team 66-68 (Hon. Sec.); Economics Society; Geographical Society; Playreading Society; Welsh Society; Hon. Member of Art Society; Immediate future — Surveying; "Fairwater Lodge", Fairwater Road, Llandaff, Cardiff.

SALVETE

P. A. S. Brown (Lochinver House School).

D. R. Bruss (Balboa High School).

A. L. R. Farmer (St. Edmunds School).

A. P. Haggis (Northwood Prep. School).

C. R. Hodge (Quainton Hall).

A. Y-Y. Ko (St. John's School).

V. W. H. Lorimer (Holmewood School).

D. H. Mundy (Quainton Hall School).

J. F. Sleath (Belmont).

N. E. I. Samuray (Sina Ahwaz).

SCRUTTON

Head of House : J. T. Holmes
Monitor : J. Stephens
School Prefects : R. C. O. Farrow, S. C. Nightingale
House Prefect : J. A. L. Dawson

Despite exams it has been quite an eventful term and we are now fully rationalized, specialized and even computerized. The staff enjoy their splendid isolation and there have been no complaints about their new "bed-sits", which have proved a boon both academically and socially. Under the buoyant enthusiasm of Mrs. Richards the House was daubed with carnival colours and as so many visitors said, "Yes it is bright isn't it; however, it is all for the boys." Our open House at half-term showed off our new common-rooms with their cubicle accommodation as well as our new showers, lavatories and "bed-sitters".

At the time of going to press we still have all our House-staff though the Head of House and a prefect were detained by police under suspicion of possessing drugs. The changing circumstances of the House will present many problems to my successor and I wish him every luck in solving them.

J.T.H.

VALETE

G. B. Boardman (64-68); Economics VI; 2nd XI Cricket 67-68; 4th XV Rugby 66-67; Jazz and Economics Society; Estate Agency in the City; Eccles, Monkhams Lane, Woodford Green, Essex.

P. J. E. Childs (64-68); Lang. V; Dormitory Prefect; Junior Colts Cricket 65, Colts Cricket 66, 3rd XI Cricket 67-68; 4th XV Rugby 67; Cross-Country 65; Boxing 65; Printing Society; Photographic Society; Natural History Society; No immediate future; 6 Helena Road, Southsea, Hants.

R. M. E. Childs (64-68); School Boxer; 2nd XI Cricket, Colts Cricket 1966; 4th XV Rugby; Printing Society (Expelled); Photographic Society; Intending to be educated elsewhere; 6 Helena Road, Southsea, Hants.

R. C. O. Farrow (63-68); Maths VI; Richard Lister Franks Prize 63, 68; Alan Timpson Prize for Carpentry 68; Junior Athletics 64; Colts Cricket 65, 3rd XI Cricket 67-68; 2nd XV Rugby 67; School Choir (soloist) 68; Music Club; Science Society; Koinonia; Travel Club; Concert Club; Hoping to enter Southampton University to study civil engineering; 22 Watford Way, Hendon, N.W.4.

J. A. L. Dawson (63-68); Maths VI; Honoris Cause Prize 68; Captain of Rugby Football 67-68; 1st XI Hockey 67-68; 2nd XI Cricket 66-68; Pythagoreans; Science Society; Call of the Wild; Working for British Rail before university; End House, Duke's Lane, Gerrards Cross, Bucks.

P. H. Neate (64-68); Economics VI; Dormitory Prefect; Middlesex entrance scholarship; 1st XV Rugby; 1st XI Hockey; 3rd XI Cricket; 1st VII Rugby; Jazz Society; Economics Society; H.N.D. City of London; 39 Avenue Road, Tottenham, N.15.

J. T. Holmes (63-68); Modern Subj. VI; Junior Individual Shooting 65-66; 5th-3rd XV Rugby 66-67, 4th-2nd XV Rugby 68, 1st XV Rugby 68, Roehampton Sevens 68; Hammer Hounds; 1st Swimming VIII 66-68; C.C.F. Naval Ceremonial Duties squad; Witam; Science Society, Music Club; Shotgun Club; Economics Society; Koinonia; School Play 65-66, School House Play 63-67, stage manager, actor, property manager; R.M.A. Sandhurst; Lamport Grange, Lamport, Northants.

J. Stephens (62-68); Medical VI; Exhibition for entry; Junior Music Prize 63; Van Moppes Travel Grant; Senior Fives Team; Hon. Sec. Innominates; Ancients Anonymous; Freds; School Choir; London Hospital; 18 Aspen Grove, Upminster, Essex.
D. J. Young (63-68); Economics VI; Stoford Brooke Prize for Art 68; Athletics 64-68; Fencing 64-68 (retd. capt.); 3rd and 4th Rugby XV; Art Society; Jazz Society; Art editor of magazine; 1st orchestra; Hoping to go to the Harrow School of Art; 32 Elthorne Way, Kingsbury, N.W.9.

WEYMOUTH

Head of House : A. P. J. Souter
 School Prefects: B. R. Coleman, J. R. Hume, S. D. J. Newby
 House Prefects : C. G. Briggs, M. W. F. Hancock, T. R. C. Parker,
 J. F. Prout, M. D. A. Walker

Having just about recovered from the numbing shock of exams and the sight of six rather large fire engines which converged on School House on a peaceful summer afternoon, we can only look back on the term with some bewilderment. The mere fact that it has seemed so short is an obvious sign that it was a happy one, if not an exciting one. However we are now grateful for the Sun being on our doorstep as we managed to supply most of its patients during those first few weeks of plague and hardship.

The haircut inspection took a new stately look outside the portico and while we were there someone very kindly came and took our photograph.

Our common rooms have at last become practical, habitable places to live in. These conversions were long needed and we must be very grateful in being the first to have them. We hope that we can show their worth with reasonable exam results. In the light of these changes the House emerged proud but unscathed from the onslaught of parents on Foundation Day. Those parents who wondered why they didn't send their sons to School House may be interested to know that transfer fees can still be arranged . . .

Wild speculation raged at the start of the term as to who was going to occupy the newly-acquired "bed-sits" (which now revel in such names as "The Graveyard" and "Spaniards Retreat"; or simply A.P.J.S., J.T.H. and Johnsie) but finally authority triumphed and a new reign of Dormitory Prefects was created. The scheme seems to have operated admirably although there is something to be said for the House Staff being too detached from the rest of the House; this, however, is a problem that must obviously resolve itself over the next few terms, and depends much on the attitude of the House as a whole.

In the field we have had a term of extremes: we lost the Newcastle Competition and the shield leaves the House for the first time for many years. On the other hand we very convincingly beat B.B. in the final of the Senior House cricket competition to win the first major sport trophy for as long as anyone in the House can remember. Our swimming and athletic efforts can only be called mediocre but as in the tennis and squash, the final reckoning has yet to be encountered and several competitions have yet to be completed.

. . . the wheel has appeared to have turned the full circle. Weymouth will do well in the ensuing years for it has the potential, but it needs the efforts of everyone and not just the concentrated efforts of just a few.
 A.P.J.S.

VALETE

J. C. Alpe (64-68); Economics VI; Dormitory Prefect; Gilbert Buchanan Prize 67-68; Stopford Brook Prize for Art 68; 3rd XV Rugby 68; Fencing Team 68; Choral Society 65; Art Society; Young Farmers Club; 1st orchestra 67; President of the Photographic Society 67-68; Hon. Sec. Natural History Society 67; Undecided immediate future; Eastwood, Pelhams Walk, Esher, Surrey.

C. G. Briggs (63-68); Economics VI; Middlesex Scholarship; Boxing Team 63-65; Hon. Sec. Geographic Society; Printing Society; Science Society; School House Play (Stagehand) 65-68; Koinonia; Music Club; Entering accountancy articles with Bournier, Bullock and Andrew of Regent Street; 5 Riverview Mansions, East Twickenham, Middlesex.

B. R. Coleman (63-68); Modern Subjects VI; 2nd XV Rugby; 1st VIII Swimming 64-67; Editor of the School Magazine (retd.); Chairman of Interim; Witan; Economics Society; C.C.F. Naval Ceremonial Duties Squad; Hoping to read Law at Bristol University; 71 Mount Nicholson Gap; Hong Kong.

K. Edmonson (63-68); Science VI; Dormitory Prefect; Middlesex Scholarship; Removes Science Prize 65; Junior Squash Team 66, Senior Squash Team 67; Junior Tennis Team 66, Senior Tennis Team (2nd VI) 68; Music Club, Science Society, Geographical Society, Koinonia; School Choir; School Orchestra; Hoping to go to either Sussex or Newcastle University; 7 The Greenway, Potters Bar, Herts.

M. W. F. Hancock (63-68); Science VI; Honoris Causa Prize 68; Junior Swimming

Team (capt.), Senior Swimming Team; Shooting Team; 4th XV Rugby; Hon. Sec. Computer Group 66-68; Art Society; C.S.M. i/c Corps & Signals; Travelling in Middle East before entering University; Cherry Garth, Ellis Avenue, Chalfont St. Peter, Bucks.

J. B. Murray (66-68); Science V; Major Hobby Prize (Minerology) 68; Junior Captain of Gymnastics 67, Senior VIII 66-67; Natural History Society; Photographic Society; Music Club; Lance-corporal in Army; Immediate future unsettled; 51 Colney Heath Lane, St. Albans Herts.

S. D. J. Newby (62-68); Science VI; Captain of Gymnastics; Coffin Club; Concert Society; Science Society; School House Play 68; Passing peacefully away, no flowers please but money gratefully received; Belrail House, Rectory Street, Halesworth Suffolk.

A. Pandit (67-68); Maths VI; Dormitory Prefect; Honoris Causa Prize 68; Jubber Memorial Prize 68; 1st VI Chess; 3rd XI Cricket; Senior Athletics Team; Science Society; Music Club; Pythagoreans; Koinonia; Christian Fellowship; Choir; Open Scholarship to St. Peter's College, Oxford to read Physics; 36 Rotherwick Road, Golders Green, London, N.W.11, OR: 51 West Street, Corner Brooke, Newfound-land.

J. F. Prout (64-68); Maths VI; Entrance Scholarship 64; Junior French Reading and Speech Prize 66; Shooting Team 66-68; Chairman Science Society; Second Member Computer Group; Pythagoreans; Modern Languages Society; Sgt. i/c A Company, Bugler in Band; Working with G.P.O. then university in 1969; The Croft, Woodland Way, Kingswood, Surrey.

N. K. Ross (63-68); Modern Subjects VI; Dormitory Prefect; Food Committee; Entrance Exhibition; Senior Chess Team 67-68; Founder Chairman Economics Society; Witan; Interim; Art Society; Ancients Anonymous; Editor of the New Magazine 67-68; School Play 65-66, School House Play 65; Hoping to read economics at the university of Kent, Canterbury; Until end Sept. 40 Eaton Court, Eton Avenue, N.W.3; After end Sept. 3 Park Towers, Old Park Lane, W.1.

A. P. J. Souter (63-68); Medical Sixth; Athletics 63-67; 2nd XV Rugby, 3rd XV Rugby; Innominates; Science Society; Ancients Anonymous; Stage Manager in School House Play 67-68; Entering London Hospital subject to qualifications; Michaelmas Cottage, Dunton Road, Stewkley, Bucks.

M. D. A. Walker (63-68); Economics VI; House Prefect; Art Society; Jazz Society; Geographical Society; Koinonia, Economics Society; House Play 66-68, School Play 67; University; Casilla 1220, Quito, Ecuador, South America.

SALVETE

J. C. Davies (Lochinver House).

P. J. Dean (Giggleswick).

T. K. Fok (Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong).

A. L. Foster (Pinner County Grammar School).

P. G. Grant (Hendon County Grammar School).

V. P. Gudenian (Arnos School).

J. D. Harding (Hamilton House).

J. L. Harrison (St. Angelo's Prep., Ealing)

R. B. Kalms (Beechwood Park).

G. Lesser (Bronx High School of Science, New York).

A. J. Mason (The Beacon Chesham Bois, Bucks.).

M. R. McGillivray (Quainton Hall School)

M. O. Meurig-Jones (Spratton Hall).

A. R. W. Moore (St. John's School).

M. Morter (The Grammar School, Welwyn Garden City).

P. N. Murtagh (Kingsbury High School).

J. C. Naylor (Michenden School).

A. C. Ockendon (Enfield Grammar)

J. L. Penny (Aberdeen Grammar School).

N. M. Richardson (Manor House School).

M. D. Smith (Belmont).

W. J. Taylor (Heath Mount School).

B. J. Whitmill (Orange Hill Grammar School).

S. D. Williams (Hawthorns School).

A. C. Gordon (Alley Court).

WINTERSTOKE

Head of House : C. W. Riddell
School Prefect : D. K. Clark
House Prefects : P. J. Mills, J. A. N. Leeming, G. P. Coleman, D. J. Brooke,
A. S. Morton, S. J. E. Terry

Most members of the House have gone through, to quote the Housemaster, "a term of undetected crime." This new trend was indicated by the fact that no copies were given in the first week and as a result the Housemaster was seen washing his own car.

For the second year running we have won the Newcastle competition. This was due to a large number of practices and the effort put into it by the platoon and those in charge.

Against overwhelming opposition we failed to hold our Swimming Trophies but did well in both the Senior and Junior competitions. We managed to win the Senior Life-Saving although only three "Awards of Merit" were gained. Junior Cricket has been much more successful this summer and we finished with a total of four out of six wins. We also hope to do well in the Athletics and Tennis competitions which, as yet, are uncompleted. The most gratifying side of this term has been the large number of people who have taken part in school activities. Similarly we had a very big share in the exhibitions on Foundation Day.

Dances with Queenswood and Northwood College have been enjoyable and I hope that they continue to be so. Our putting lawn has been used by many members of the House and with our new "shop" can be said to be most successful innovations. In the hotter spells of our English summer, some of the House staff who fancied themselves as male models had their photographs taken. The results were more appropriate to Oxfam than a modelling agency.

Finally I and the House staff would like to wish our successors the best of luck during the coming year.

C.W.R.

VALETE

D. J. Brooke (63-68); Upper Mod. Subjects VI; House Prefect; Magazine Ed.; School Librarian; Witan (Sec.); Interim (Hon. Sec.); Economics Society (3rd Mem.); Concert Society; Ancients Anonymous (Blue mantle); Geographical Society (3rd Mem. retd.); Phoebeans; Food Committee; Senior Scout (Committee, retd.); Continuing studies; 5 Dorchester Gardens, London, N.W.11.

D. K. Clark (63-68); Upper Mod. Subjects VI; School Prefect; 1st XI Cricket 67-68; 2nd XI Hockey 67-68 (capt. 68), 1st XI 67; 2nd XV Rugger 67; Eton Fives 65-68 (vice-capt. 68); Tennis team 66; Seven-a-side 67; Oxford Hockey Festival 67; L./Cpl. R.E.M.E. retd.; stage and cinema committee; Witan; Ancients Anonymous; Geographical Society; Science Society; D.A.; Economics Society; Koinonia; Production Management Training at Technical College; 76 Elmhurst Road, Reading, Berks.

G. P. Coleman (63-68); Upper Mod. VI; House Prefect; Lower and Upper VI Biology Prizes; Athletics team 67-68; Tennis team 67; School Play 64, 65, 67; Innominates; Science Society; Photographic Society; Ancients Anonymous; Concert Society; Koinonia; N.C.O. in the R.A.F.; Travelling to Uganda to study Animal Behaviour before going to university; 71 Bishop's Mansions, Bishops Park Road, Fulham, London, S.W.6.

I. A. N. Leeming 63-68; Upper Mod. Lang. VI; House Prefect; 1st XV Rugger 66-67; 2nd XI Hockey 68; Seven-a-side Rugger team 67; 1st XI Cricket 67; Eton Fives team 64-68; Athletics team 64-68; Ancients Anonymous; Koinonia; Choir 63-65; Articled to a Chartered Accountant; 27 Grosvenor Road, Southport, Lancs.

J. R. Mangham (66-67); 5th Form; Art and Handicraft 68; Swimming team; Nat. Hist. Society; Going to Seattle (Lakeside School and University of Washington); 5131 Laurelcrescent Lane, Seattle, Washington 98105.

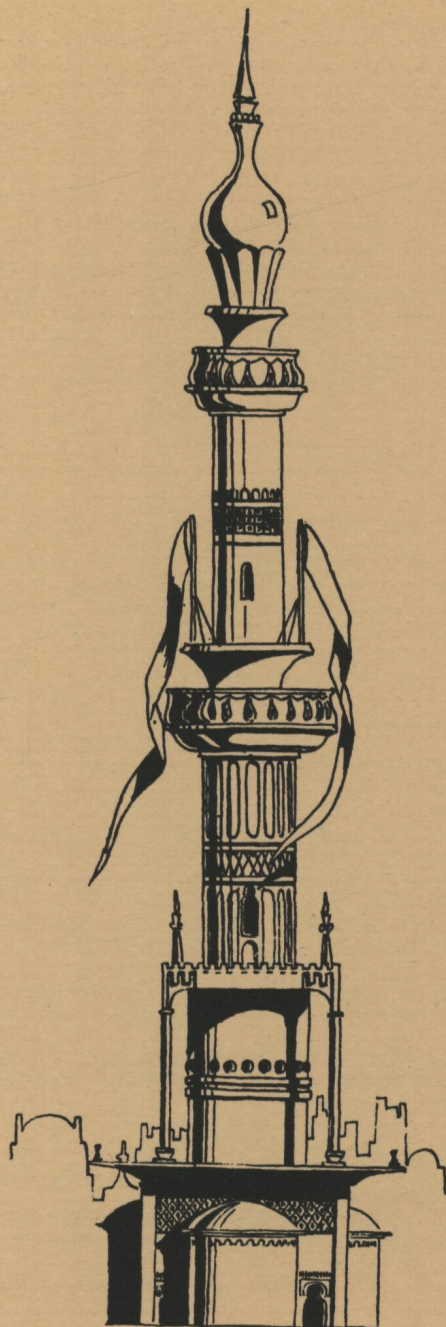
P. J. Mills (63-68); Upper Maths VI; House Prefect; 2nd VI Tennis 67; Chess team 68; 3rd Rugger 66-67; 3rd XI Hockey 67-68 (capt.); 2nd XI Cricket 67-68; Senior Scout; School Play 64; Stage 65; School Librarian 67-68; Ancients Anonymous; Pythagorians; Koinonia; Science Society; Philatelic Society; Choir 63-65; Hoping to enter university; Winterstoke House, 39 Post Hill, Tiverton, Devon.
C. G. Mundy (64-68); Upper Mod. Subj. VI; Life-saving Manager 67-68; Swimming Team 67-68; 4th XV 67; Play 65-67; Vines Society; D.A.; 152 Plashet Road, London, E.13.

C. W. Riddell (63-68); Upper Med. VI; Monitor, Head of House; Tennis team 65-68 (capt. 68); Youll Cup Tennis 68; Squash team 66-67; Junior Swimming team 65-66; 5th XV Rugger 66-67; Science Society (Co-Chairman); Ancients Anonymous (Hon. Sec.); Nat. Hist. Society (Hon. Sec.); Koinonia (committee); Geographical Society; Innominates; Freds (Hon. Mem.); Music Club; Choral Society 64, 66-68; Food Committee 66; Games Committee; Concert Society; Librarian; Science Librarian; Entering Medical College; 20 Hill Crescent, Totteridge, London, N.20.

SALVETE

D. K. Byard (Crosfields).
A. R. Clark (Crosfields).
A. J. Fisk (Alleyn Court Prep.).
B. K. Flynn (Belmont).
T. A. Friese-Green (Harrow Weald Grammar).
J. A. Galloway (Aldro School).
R. J. Holley (St. John's, Pinner).
I. R. Williamson (Willesden High School).
J. N. Wilson (St. John's, Pinner).





SOCIETIES

RIFLE CLUB

This report is being written half hour after the Ashburton, but unfortunately the results were not good. The shooting on the first two days was very promising, in the Iveagh (1,400 entries) J. F. Prout came 2nd and J. Walker 51st, and in the Wellington (1,800 entries) S. Clarke came 13th. On Ashburton day no-one seemed on form and our total was 450. Our shooting this term suffered a severe blow at the start of the season when the grouping range at Inglis was put out of use. We are very sorry to see Mr. Baker leaving the shooting team and we would like to thank him for the thirteen years of hard work he has put in to bring the shooting team up from scratch. I would also like to welcome Mr. Crook and wish him the best of luck for the future.

Full colours were awarded to S. A. Clarke, who is also Hon. Sec for the year 1968/69.

Half colours were awarded to J. Walker.

J.F.P.

CONCERT SOCIETY

Patron : M. P. Seagram, Esq.
Secretary : D. J. Brooke
Committee : J. R. Lethbridge, C. G. Rees-Roberts

At the end of term, we went to a Kenwood Lakeside Concert. In charming surroundings and despite some drizzle in the first half of the evening, the concert proved most enjoyable.

Rudolf Schwarz conducted the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and the program was made up of the Overture to The Flying Dutchman by Wagner, The Karelia Suite by Sibelius and the Polovtsian Dances (Prince Igor) by Borodin. The evening came to an end with Dvorak's New World Symphony. This last piece was not played all that well, as the wind section did not give of its best.

Steve Terry becomes Secretary next term and I would like to wish the Society, which will largely consist of new members, a very successful second season.

D.J.B.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Patron : J. A. Turnbull, Esq.
President : R. J. Tyrrell
Hon. Sec. : R. N. Templeton
Hon. Treas. : A. E. S. Eastman
4th Member : A. M. Smith
Hon. Members : J. C. Alpe, P. J. Glover

The society has been relatively inactive this term mainly because most of the committee were involved in exams, however, we did have a very successful exhibition in which over 120 photographs were exhibited; unfortunately we were unable to show our slides because of the absence of a power point in the gym. Congratulations to R. J. Tyrrell who received a major prize and A. E. S. Eastman and I. M. Harris who got minors.

Also congratulations go to L. D. Bender and H. Hafter for their nomination to the committee next term and we look forward to an active year under the new President, A. M. Smith. As always our thanks go to the patron for his invaluable assistance throughout the term.

J.C.A.

MODEL AIRCRAFT GROUP

Secretary: C. I. Purkis

The Club started life as an off-shoot of the R.A.F. Section of the C.C.F. half way through last term. With financial help from the school and premises in the Marnham Block the club has a promising future. The room in the Marnham Block is used for model construction and being secure is most suitable for the purpose. It was intended to give a display of our flying models on Foundation Day but it turned out to be too windy. We are very grateful to Mr. Franklin and Mr. Hind for their support and assistance.

PRINTING SOCIETY

Patron : E. P. Stanham, Esq.
Chairman : M. C. Grant
Hon. Sec. : Kiran Shah
Hon. Treas. : Kirit Shah
4th member : T. Jones
5th member : H. C. Williams

As far as printing has been concerned, we have had a very hectic term: we printed our Booklet on Mill Hill School Buildings in the record time of six weeks, averaging three and a half impressions a week; on top of that we also prepared a slide show about printing in readiness for Foundation Day.

This term has had a number of successes and a number of disappointments: unfortunately we didn't manage to win the Hobbies Cup, but we did win a Major Prize for our booklet. Also, we didn't manage to raise as much money as we had hoped for Cancer Research.

Earlier on in the term we had an outing to Odham's which was quite successful, but many members were unable to attend at the last minute because of sport.

Normally the society remains dormant at this time of the year, but because of bad weather, the society has been in constant use. At the time of writing we have just moved out of newly acquired premises into part of the basement of the Science Block, which although it is smaller has running water, which is one thing we didn't have in the old premises.

Our thanks go to the Viaduct Process Block Company Ltd., for their generous offer of manufacturing the blocks for our booklet free of charge, and also to Mr. Stanham for the great amount of help and encouragement he has given the society. Finally I would like to say thank you to the many people who have helped make things run smoothly, and also to the boys who helped us to move rooms.

M.C.G.

JAZZ SOCIETY

Patron : S. J. Barlow, Esq.
President : J. Gilston
Hon. Treas. : C. G. Rees-Roberts
3rd Member : D. J. Young

With many 'A' levels and few meetings this has on the whole been an uneventful term for the society. We went to "Jazz Scene 68" at the RFH, where the music of the Don Rendell, Ian Carr Quintet and Michael Garrick's organ managed to convince the audience that there is a future for BRITISH jazz; although hailing from South Africa, the Chris Macgregor Quintet have now based themselves in London as a result of the tremendous acclaim which has arisen for their somewhat discordant harmonics and wailing, aggressive style, which some members found oppressive, although it was pleasant to discover a British group of such a high standard in that particular field. Exams over we all blew our cool in the Music school to recordings of Miles Davis, Roland Kirk, Ornette Coleman, Rendell-Carr, Indo-Jazz Fusion, Buddy Rich and Sonny Rollins, not forgetting Hamp or the O.D.J.B. The event proved a great success judging by the great number of cats who turned up, and the unexpected appearance of "Benny" (brother of Jim) Hall was a pleasant surprise for all of us. We hope in the future to widen our scope and present many jazz notables in person for our members.

J.G.

THE MODELLING SOCIETY

Patron : H. W. Starkey
Chairman : G. F. Chase
Hon. Sec. : P. D. Horada
Treasurer : M. V. Edwards
4th Member : P. S. Harris
5th Member : K. N. Milburn

The society started off the term very slowly but soon found its feet again after the first two weeks had gone by. Four weeks before Foundation Day we started our project of the Crossing of the Wesel River during the Second World War. Everything seemed to be going well until we found some fungus growing on the superstructure.

By the time we had stripped our baseboard and re-started we had less than two weeks to go.

Our second attempt was successful and we found ourselves with two hours to spare before the judging began. The outcome of the judging was a minor prize.

On Foundation Day all went well including the tape recording of shots which we recorded when members of the school were firing blank ammunition. Once again our thanks go to Mr. Starkey for his valuable help during the term.

G.F.C.

KOINONIA

Patron : The Rev. H. W. Starkey
Hon. Sec. : J. R. Lethbridge
Committee : R. W. Burns, R. J. Hailey, S. C. Nightingale, C. W. Riddell,
C. J. Trier, I. J. Turnbull

The society got off to a fine start this term when Mr. R. A. Grumet came to speak to us about the "Dead Sea Scrolls". We are most grateful to him for giving us a well prepared and highly interesting talk. However, it also turned out to be our last meeting since various other possibilities have not materialized; and so all that remains to be done this term is to decide on a new committee for the next term.

Finally, our thanks go to the Rev. and Mrs. Starkey for their continued hospitality throughout this last year.

J.R.L.

TRAVEL CLUB

Patron : J. A. Turnbull, Esq.
President : W. M. Wright
3rd Member : S. P. Robinson
4th Member : D. J. Wright

The society has had two meetings this term. At the first S. P. Robinson gave a slide-illustrated talk on Malta and it was enjoyed by all those who came. Later in the term Misses D. and H. Morcom Taylor gave a slide-illustrated talk on Iceland also showing slides and talking about their escape from the Boeing 707 air crash at Heathrow Airport last April. Both meetings were a success and we hope to hold more next term.

W.M.W.

SOCIETY OF PHILATELISTS

Patron : T. A. Mason, Esq.
President : R. W. Phillips
Secretary : S. P. Robinson
3rd Member : D. R. Dickinson
4th Member : I. G. Blair

Philatelists normally hibernate during the summer. However, the society worked hard preparing the exhibition for Foundation Day. Some members exhibited their own stamps and others sections of the school collection. We hired a dozen cases from the British Philatelic Association to house the more valuable stamps.

Work has begun putting covers into cover albums which we purchased last term. We regularly receive New Zealand 1st-Day Covers from Mr. M. F. M. Jones (O.M. 1947-50).

A quantity of stamps were sold in a London auction in May for £58. We are buying a cupboard to house the school stamps and we intend to compile a small library of catalogues and books on philately.

We wish Mr. T. A. Mason, who has been our patron for two years, all the best in his new post at Gordonstoun. Next term we welcome Mr. E. Crook as patron.

R.W.P.

PYTHAGOREANS

President : E. W. Crook, Esq.
Secretary : R. W. Phillips
3rd Member : D. G. H. Hodgson

What does one say about a society that has not yet met this term? Nothing! . . . Oh, except that as a relief from 'A' level tension we went to see Peter Ustinov's comedy "Half Way Up the Tree".

This last Thursday of term D. B. B. Kenning will talk to us about journeying through France by boat.

R.W.P.

RAILWAY SOCIETY and MODEL RAILWAY CLUB

Patron : The Rev. H. W. Starkey
President : C. I. Purkis
3rd Member : A. S. Morton

The last two terms have seen the society's continued activity, focused on the Foundation Day exhibit. Various unforeseen complications prevented the society from arranging many other activities. It is a pity that not more are interested in the society, but, with a little more enthusiasm, next year should prove to be much more of a success.

C.I.P.

WITAN

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

At the end of term we will be going to see "Hadrian the Seventh" at the Mermaid and hope it is as good as the reviews make out.

The Witan will be in the capable hands of Tim Hall and Steve Terry next term and the retiring committee would like to wish them every success.

D.J.B.

ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY

Patron : C. S. Baker, Esq.
Joint Presidents: D. C. L. Peterson, P. M. R. Tinker
Hon. Sec. : A. M. Smith

This term has seen the physical absence of one president and the seeming mental absence of the other. This could be the reason why our admittedly passive existence has become positively placid except for a few lonely ripples of activity. Despite all, upon these serenely oblivious waters, our Hon. Sec. has bravely splashed and spluttered, holding up a lone beacon of hope. His undaunted spirit has been made manifest in the three film shows, the first on Coventry Cathedral, the second on prefabricated housing and the third on Chicago — the city of Sullivan and Frank Lloyd Wright. The unfortunate audio-visual attempt at which only the president and projectionist were present will be mentioned only in passing.

Nevertheless, the aforementioned Hon. Sec. and president, having emerged from his dormant inclinations, have recently spent considerable time and effort on a feature for this very magazine. Our other president, whom we have welcomed back with open arms, has also contributed to this. We hope that the gusto with which we have worked will be rewarded by interest in the result.

Our final fling has been to an uproarious West End musical comedy, the dubious choice of which has been staunchly defended by our now wide-awake president, who maintains that the sets are of quite definite architectural interest.

This term sees the untimely and unfortunate departure of the beloved, founding president (me) from the society and from the school. Despite this mortal blow it is fervently hoped that the society will gather momentum without becoming permanently derailed. A galaxy of superb lectures and other enthralling events should appear next year. Providing our members can gather sufficient strength to follow the example set by the new joint presidents — P. M. R. Tinker and A. M. Smith, the society should prosper; I wish it well.

Our multitudinous thanks to the Film Unit and Architects' Dept. of John Laing & Son Ltd. and to Mr. David Landaw for his contribution to our project.

D.C.L.P.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

President : B. F. C. Sennitt
Hon. Sec. : C. W. Riddell
Hon. Treas. : A. S. Warde
3rd Member : R. G. Pugh
4th Member : M. J. Fuchs

The term's activities started with the society holding a camp at Dungeness on the first weekend of term which was very successful. Later four films were shown in the Large. "Wild-life in Trust" and "Water in Biology" were both very interesting and two films on Africa's wild-life were rich in both content and colour.

The society's main efforts were centred upon preparing and obtaining exhibits for Foundation Day's exhibition. Our success in winning the Hobbies Cup, was due to the fact that there had been a considerable amount of preparation by the members of the committee. An "at home" enabled members to arrange their projects a week before the display.

Conservation work was carried out in the latter part of the term and quite a few members took part.

Finally we would like to wish next term's committee, headed by R. G. Pugh and M. J. Fuchs, all the best during next year; and also to thank Mr. Sennitt for all his personal effort in helping the society's activities to be such a success this year.

C.W.R., A.S.W.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Committee: B. P. Kirk, A. S. Warde, P. L. Binder

We have found having two meetings a week a success; the one being an invitation meeting with a visiting speaker and the other a Bible study, on Philipians. Visitors included our old friends the Revs. J. A. R. Pierssené and R. G. Hovil, Mr. Backhouse, Mr. Francis, the Rev. J. Webb (curate of St. Paul's, the Ridgeway), Mr. Pratt (a curate from Southall) and two boys who recently left the school — Andrew Butcher and Alastair Wilson.

Sometimes we have met in the Music School which has enabled us to add a musical flavour to those meetings, with the Joystings' records and hymn singing.

Attendance has exceeded twenty on a number of occasions and we hope that next term will see a similar improvement. We thank Mr. Sennitt for his help during the term.

A.S.W., B.P.K.

ANCIENTS ANONYMOUS SOCIETY

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

Although the society has been inactive this term because of the pressure of 'A' levels, a number of members managed to get away to see the film "2001 A.D.". Next term C. J. Trier will take charge of the society and we wish him the best of luck.

C.W.R., D.J.B.

PHOEBANS

Patron : E. Winter, Esq.
Secretary : T. P. Hall

Most of the notorious Phoebans were this term feverishly making up for past misdemeanours before nemesis in the shape of 'A' levels caught up with them. Consequently the Group remained dormant for most of the Summer. Academicitis, however, was not so advanced that members were unable to appreciate Mr. Burn's instructive and entertaining talk on poetry. We would like to take this opportunity to thank him — and especially Mr. Winter for the consistent interest he has taken in us. We hope he will continue in the same rôle after his sabbatical year in Canada.

T.H.

ACADEMIC STAFF

Head Master	M. HART, M.A., Exhibitioner of Keble College, Oxford
Second Master	E. P. STANHAM, M.A., Emmanuel College, Cambridge
Assistant Masters	<p>D. M. Hall, M.A., Senior Scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge W. A. Phimester, T.D., M.A., Exhibitioner of Jesus College, Oxford M. W. F. Brown, M.A., Senior Scholar, Emmanuel College, Cambridge J. A. Turnbull, T.D., B.Sc., A.R.I.C., Glasgow C. S. Baker, T.D., A.T.D. A. H. Vine, M.A., Sydney Sussex College, Cambridge A. Robertson, Dip. Phys. Ed., St. Luke's College, Exeter E. Winter, M.A., Christ's College, Cambridge O. J. Wait, M.A., Scholar of King's College, Cambridge W. N. Gallagher, M.A., Scholar of Trinity College, Dublin; Wadham College, Oxford A. P. Hodgson, M.A., Worcester College, Oxford J. A. Barsby, M.A., Scholar of Peterhouse, Cambridge S. J. Barlow, F.R.A.M., A.R.C.O. (CHM) Open Organ Scholar of the Royal Academy of Music B. F. C. Sennitt, M.A., Exhibitioner of Clare College, Cambridge Rev. H. W. Starkey, M.A., Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge and Westminster College (Chaplain) A. Prosser-Harries, B.Sc., F.R.G.S., University of Wales G. C. Sutcliffe, M.A., Clare College, Cambridge H. S. Stringer, M.A., St. John's College, Oxford T. A. Mason, M.A., Hertford College, Oxford D. M. Franklin, Dip. Phys. Ed., St. Paul's College, Cheltenham C. Dean, M.A., Scholar of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge G. R. Orr, M.A., Balliol College, Oxford R. S. Hind, B.Sc., University of London D. C. Martin, M.A., University of St. Andrews S. M. J. Peskett, M.A., Churchill College, Cambridge R. Auger, B.A., Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge T. J. Huxtable, B.Sc., Imperial College, London R. W. Veit, B.A., Lincoln College, Oxford G. D. Butler, B.A., Corpus Christi College, Cambridge M. P. Seagrim, B.A., Trinity College, Dublin E. W. Crook, M.A., Choral Exhibitioner of Exeter College, Oxford</p>
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Machine Drawing	E. U Spruce, A.M.I.A.E.
House Masters	<p>School House: O. J. Wait, M.A. Burton Bank: A. Robertson Collinson: J. A. Turnbull, T.D., B.Sc., A.R.I.C. Ridgeway: M. W. F. Brown, M.A. Winterstoke: W. A. Phimester, T.D., M.A. Murray (Day Boys): E. Winter, M.A.</p>
Master of the Junior School (Belmont)	J. J. Burnett, M.A., Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge
Bursar	J. F. Symons, O.B.E.
Assistant Bursar	J. W. Newbery
Medical Officers	<p>A. Hill, M.B., B.Ch., Cambridge M. Young, M.B., B.S. (Lond.), M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.</p>

PRIZE LIST 1968

SPECIAL PRIZES

Prizes "Honoris Causa"

Open Scholarship in Physics at St. Peter's College,
Oxford

Exhibition in English at St. Edmund Hall, Oxford
(in absentia)

Vickers Medical Scholarship at Emmanuel College, Cam-
bridge (in absentia)

British Rail Engineering Scholarship

Royal Naval Engineering Scholarship

G.P.O. Engineering Scholarship

Arthur Jubber Memorial Prize

Edward Sheffield Prize for Classics

Walter Knox Prize for Chemistry (in absentia)

Isabel Hector Fleming Prize for Modern Languages
(in absentia)

David Needham Memorial Prize for History

Parkyn Prize for Mathematics (in absentia)

Stopford Brooke Prizes for Art

Old Millhillians Lodge Prizes

for History

for Modern Languages (in absentia)

Pearce Prizes for Art and Handicrafts

Fifths

Removes

Fourthts

McClure Music Prizes

Richard Lister Franks Music Prizes

Junior Music Prizes

Old Millhillians Literary Prizes

Prose

Verse

Essay Prizes

Open

Marnham

McGowan (Junior) (in absentia)

Hamilton Bailey Memorial Prizes

Bowling

Fifth Form

Head Master's Prize for Reading in Chapel

Van Moppes Travel Grant

Reading and Speech Prizes

Senior

A. Pandit

J. N. Landaw

A. Wright

J. A. L. Dawson

M. F. W. Hancock

J. F. Prout

A. Pandit

Not awarded

D. W. Roper

F. J. Lyons

D. J. Stevens

M. M. Chaudoir

D. J. Young

J. C. Alpe

T. P. Hall

C. J. D. Carpenter

J. R. Mangham

M. P. Wurr

K. Bush

R. W. Atchley

A. W. Jackson

K. R. Wilkins

S. R. Harkett

D. L. L. James

D. J. Stevens

R. C. O. Farrow

D. N. Harris

P. W. Jeffes

S. J. E. Terry

A. R. Gellert

I. M. Harris

R. N. Templeton

R. G. Williams

J. S. Hopewell

P. D. James

D. E. Croxson

J. L. Bernstein

Not awarded

C. A. L. Weber

P. M. R. Tinker

G. S. Sarna

B. P. Kirk

S. C. Nightingale

& J. Stephens

S. C. Nightingale

S. J. E. Terry

Junior K. N. Milburn

S. C. Trewin

French Reading and Speech Prizes

Senior A. E. S. Eastman

Junior J. W. Flynn

K. D. Haggis

Ousey Handwriting Prizes

Senior C. J. Jankel

J. L. Bernstein

M. P. Wurr

Junior J. P. Taneborne

M. G. Hall

M. S. A. George

Gilbert Buchanan Prize for Hobbies

The Hobbies Cup J. C. Alpe

Natural History Soc.

SUBJECT PRIZES

Sixths Upper

Classics A. J. S. Spawforth

Latin and English T. P. Hall

French and Latin O. Mundy

English and Latin R. B. Morris

German R. D. Goldstein

Mathematics G. Myers

Geography S. C. Nightingale

Physics M. P. Thomas

Chemistry A. H. Chojnicki

Biology G. P. Coleman

Sixths Lower

Greek and Latin J. B. Woodhams

Geography R. J. W. Thompson

History and Latin (in absentia) P. M. R. Tinker

History S. M. Halton

Physics K. Scott

Chemistry J. A. Ashton

Biology M. C. Grant

French and Latin S. Parry

German and Latin A. P. Blumenthal

English M. J. Fuchs

Mathematics G. J. A. Dutton

... .. N. C. Winter

... .. M. Fowler

... .. S. Nair

Fifths

French and German D. G. Boothroyd

Latin J. W. Flynn

Science H. E. H. I. Mahgoub

Geography and Latin L. Cheney

English Subjects R. H. Belton

Mathematics N. J. Lidwell

Removes

Latin A. R. Gellert

Science and Geography R. G. Williams

English K. N. Milburn

Mathematics F. R. R. Francis

French and German A. R. Gellert

Fourthts

Latin J. W. Franks

French and German J. F. Megginson

English N. Morter

Science and Latin P. D. Revel

Mathematics B. R. Partridge

FOUNDATION DAY—Friday, 14th June, 1968

Foundation Day 1968 was a unique occasion, for the first Foundation Day of the new headmaster was also the last to be chaired by the Right Honourable Lord Justice Sellers. After 16 years as Chairman of the Court of Governors Lord Sellers decided to hand over to Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Dermot Boyle whom in his speech he described as a man of outstanding distinction in both war and peace and a keen supporter of the School.

Lord Sellers has presided over the Court of Governors and the fortunes of the School for 16 years with singular skill and wisdom and the whole Millhillian community is deeply indebted to him. At the end of the speeches the Vice-Chairman, Mr. W. C. Ramsey, paid a warm and moving tribute to Lord Sellers long and distinguished service.

HEAD MASTER'S REPORT 1968

My first and very pleasant task is to welcome you as parents and friends of the school. The close co-operation of all those concerned in education — Governors, masters and boys, parents and old boys at both Mill Hill and Belmont — is one of the growing points in our schools, and nothing much can be achieved without it. I can assure you that you won't find any signs saying "no hawkers, no dogs, no parents" at this school. And there are many reasons why you should be frequent visitors: one is that having children at boarding school is really very bad for the education of the parents — you don't realise how difficult or interesting they can be. But more important is the fact that education is a joint responsibility, and if we are to be successful, we must bridge the gap between home and school. This requires not only a sensible compromise between the practices of the holidays and of term time. More important, home and school must be seen to stand for the same basic beliefs and values. The Annual Foundation Day when we are mutually parading and inspecting each other is a fine social occasion, but it is hardly an adequate link to discuss the serious business of educating your boys. So we have arranged a number of meetings when parents and staff can come together to discuss practical problems. I am grateful for the encouraging response you have given to these meetings and also to all the masters who have given up much of their free time.

Which brings me to my colleagues, and I should like to say at once how much Mrs. Hart and I have appreciated the warm welcome we received on all sides — initially from my predecessor and later from so many others. Roy Moore, you will be glad to hear, is now happily settled in the generous climate of California though, I believe, a little apprehensive of the allegedly "tension-free" system of American education so often held up to those of us who defend the more conventional English pattern. I have only had the benefit of his advice for a very short time, but throughout this year I have been very conscious of the quality and friendliness of those whom he has appointed to the staff here. Mill Hill has many good servants — whether they govern or teach, coach or administer, maintain our beautiful grounds and rather more fragile buildings, or, last but not least, look after our basic sustenance. I am sincerely grateful for the great deal of work done by them both in and out of school, and under the trying conditions of a new and somewhat impatient headmaster. And if my tribute should be regarded as biased, may I quote the testimony of an outsider who recently joined the staff of a public school: "I came to this job after 20 years in various types of state schools: I am still amazed by the extraordinary sense of service shown by the majority of my new colleagues who work six-and-a-half days a week, with incredibly long hours, and often give up a good portion of their free time, too." In our case, for instance, some of my colleagues still drive boys engaged in social service to and from a hospital in Northwood at the end of a long day's work — which gives me an opportunity of saying that if any of you just happen to drive past on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday evening on your way to Northwood, do let me know. Indeed, any help you can give us to extend the range of voluntary social work will be much appreciated.

But to some colleagues we have to say not only thank-you but good-bye. Mr. Mason has been appointed Head of the Modern Languages Department at Gordonstoun School and leaves us after nine years of loyal and distinguished service not only on the Modern Languages side but also as Careers Master. He has instituted regular careers conferences and meetings with Old Millhillians in different professions and under his meticulous and enlightened sponsorship careers have become a major

department in the school. We wish him and his wife and children every happiness at Gordonstoun. Mr. Dean, assisted by Mr. Hind, will take on the careers department.

There have also been major changes in the Mathematics Department. Oscar Wilde might have said that to lose one mathematician is a tragedy, to lose two is sheer carelessness. But after Mr. Caine departed last summer, Mr. Wormell left us in December to take up a university appointment at Leicester. We have been saved by Mr. McAllister who rejoined us from Aldenham in September, demonstrating that the term "the non-resuscitable age" is totally inapplicable to the teaching profession, and by Mr. Crook who arrived in January from Barnard Castle to take over the department. Two masters will leave us temporarily — Mr. Winter to go on a year's exchange to Canada and Mr. Barsby to take up a temporary university appointment at Bristol. I am sure these exchanges and sabbaticals will be beneficial to them and to us in the long run, though at the time we may well sympathise with those Roman Emperors who regretted that some of their best men were in the provinces.

Mr. Baker is handing over to Mr. Franklin as C.O. of the C.C.F., never an easy assignment but one which he has run with imagination and success for 14 years. Mill Hill was one of the first schools to change to the shorter, three years service pattern in the C.C.F. which was later generally adopted by other schools. The C.C.F. has at all times been the subject of fairly heated discussion. There was a celebrated occasion when army authorities and headmasters discussed the pros and cons of retaining Cert A and all it stood for. After every imaginable view had been aired, the house was finally brought down by a Sgt. Major who argued that there was a simple and obvious reason why you had to retain Cert A, for, he said, "if you don't have Cert A, you can't have Cert B". This is not the sort of argument Mr. Baker would have used. I should like to thank him warmly for the many years of service he has given us. His retirement from the Corps will enable him to spend more time at the Art School and to help boys to make good use of their free time.

The intelligent use of free time is indeed one of the big challenges of our times. The battle is fought on two fronts — on the one hand one must fight the Great Illusion that 24 hours are only sufficient for working, playing games, eating and sleeping; on the other hand a school must compete against the attractions of the teenage cult with its premium on passive entertainment and its unwritten assumption that far from drink being the vice of the working classes, work is now considered the vice of the drinking classes. There are two remedies that we would like to explore — firstly projects for all boys in their first year, i.e. one afternoon a week when they are introduced to a variety of different hobbies, such as arts and crafts, natural and local history, photography and printing; activities which, one hopes, boys will then continue in their own time. Secondly, and aimed at the older boys, an extension of voluntary social work.

Not that the school needs many external stimuli to its activities — there is, as you can see, a great deal going on: indeed, I doubt whether many of you here will be able to visit all the exhibitions that are on show today and tomorrow: they give a clear indication of the vigorous life of many minorities. And some aren't minorities: the Dramatic Society with their imaginative production of "Dr. Faustus" called on nearly every talent in the school; and the singers and musicians who will be performing the Messiah for you number 150 (or more than a third of the school), not to mention a very welcome detachment of Trebles from Belmont, and the latest closed circuit television equipment to link the orchestra in the Large with the organ in Chapel.

Nor have the athletes hidden their lights under a bushel this year. The rugger and hockey sides preserved an unbeaten home record in their school matches and the cricket XI caused many incredulous readers of the Sunday papers to ring up and ask whether Dulwich had really been 17 for 6 at the end of play. And if I don't mention every successful activity of the year, it is because this is a sufficiently charitable community to forgive certain omissions. In any case, you will be able to read about them in the Magazine, in itself a rather interesting barometer of the vitality of the school.

As a new headmaster, one is swamped with good advice. "Of course you know best headmaster, but . . ." is a frequent opening gambit. The truth, of course, is that one doesn't know best and is very grateful for advice. The most clear-cut advice I received was from an ex-member of the staff who is now headmastering. "The great thing", he said, "is to show them who is boss. So after four weeks you just bang on

the table and say all periods will start five minutes earlier. After that you won't have any trouble." The fact is that the first period now does start five minutes earlier, but I don't really think that this has been one of the more memorable changes of the year. Others have been more significant. To start with the mundane: we have gone over to a self-service system in the dining room, offering choice of dishes, and if love comes through the stomach, then we ought to be a reasonably affectionate place by now. But you can't please everyone, and some boys will complain that we have baked beans far too often. When I replied that they could, after all, choose something else, I got the classic answer: "But if I don't like baked beans, I don't have a choice."

Another major change will benefit the Modern Language side. Through the remarkable generosity of an O.M. family, the Walker brothers, the school will be presented with a Language Laboratory. It will be installed before the beginning of next term and all boys studying a foreign language should have the opportunity of using it regularly. Naturally, we must not exaggerate the efficacy and language machines: on one occasion an Anglo-Russian translation machine turned the phrase "the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak" into "the vodka is good but the meat is off". However, they are very useful at a less sophisticated level.

The Language Laboratory will be, we hope, the first of a number of additions and improvements to our academic facilities in years to come. For in the last resort we shall be judged, and quite rightly judged, by our academic results, and the competition shows every sign of getting fiercer. We have held our own this year with quite good 'O' levels, reasonable 'A' levels, and a number of university and industrial awards, but the record lacks real distinction. There is much that needs to be done by all of us. One practical contribution to the problem is to provide boys with better study facilities in houses, and I hope that you will find time to have a look at the changes in School House, particularly at the common rooms in which each junior boy has his own working desk — I believe "carrel" is the u-word. From there he will move to a reasonably spacious study and in his final year as far as possible to a bedsitter at the top of the house, offering greater privacy and independence. I believe this may well be the pattern for the future and if it works in School House, we would hope to extend it to other houses later.

I have nearly come to the end, and have done so — a rare feat for a headmaster in 1968 — without mentioning the Public Schools Commission. The publication of its report, the Newsom Report, fortunately falls outside the speech day season but leakage after leakage has drained it, like Pandora's box, of most of its secrets. What sort of hope remains in the box seems to be a matter of considerable conjecture. But it seems clear that in essence the report will recommend an extension of what Mill Hill, with the aid of some very enlightened local authorities in the so-called Middlesex Scheme has been doing for many years. Our only regret has concerned the reluctance recently of some of the boroughs in the old county of Middlesex to give their boys the choice of competing for a boarding place at Mill Hill. We hope that the publication of the report may remind them of these opportunities.

It is worth stressing that the Middlesex Scheme was the result of voluntary negotiations and agreement, that in no way impaired the independence of the school and that its educational success has been beyond doubt. If there is to be further change as the result of the Newsom Report, let us hope that it will be in this spirit of voluntary co-operation, safeguarding the parents' right of choice, the school's independence, and the maintenance of high academic standards. Mill Hill with its wide experience in the past will be well prepared for it and can look to the future confidently.

And it is a future into which the school has been guided by a singularly dedicated Court of Governors under the Chairmanship of Sir Frederic Sellers — for a headmaster, as you will know, is at best a vice-roy. It is not for me to comment on the distinguished and invaluable work Sir Frederic has done for Mill Hill but I should like to say that no new headmaster could have wished for a wiser counsellor and friend to see him into office. It is a great pleasure to know that Sir Frederic will carry on as a member of the Court and we hope that both he and Lady Sellers will continue to be frequent visitors at Mill Hill.

ADDRESS BY PROFESSOR A. G. DICKENS, M.A., D.Lit., F.S.A., DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH.

It is among the privileges and pains of my job that I am often called upon to function at prize-givings. I am not what you call a natural prize giver, but in this case when the Headmaster asked me to come I felt no reluctance at all, since Mill Hill is so famous, and so deservedly famous a school; delightful to visit at any time, an honour to visit for this purpose today. In any case it would be impossible to refuse a request from my old pupil Michael Hart. To the boys, prize-givings must all too often seem to be dominated by pompous middle-aged chaps paying one another compliments, but here I just cannot avoid saying how fortunate it is even for this fine school to have secured Mr. Hart as its new Headmaster.

After promising to speak at such a gathering, one has then to think of a suitable subject, and clearly there is only one possible for me at this moment: the recent disorders in the various universities. This topic cannot but interest those many of you who will soon be attending these institutions, not to mention the parents about to be called upon to sign cheques and suffer at home. Certainly if you read the whole of the press at the moment you would get some oddly contradictory impressions of us in the universities. According to some gleeful reporters we appear to be a collection of hippy organisations steeped in rebellion, drug-taking and permissive conduct in general. According to other journalists with higher brows we should be grateful to our students for working out marvellous new ideals of life and learning hitherto unrevealed to the human race. As one involved all his life with students I think the first are sensationalists and the second are plain sloppy.

I hope I don't minimise the recent disorders, yet in general I find students pretty well what they have always been in my rather long experience of 16 years as an Oxford don and of 20 years as a college professor in charge of a 100 students. I can honestly say that I have uniformly enjoyed my relationship with students. There have been odd bits of bother over the years. In 1931 I saw some of them after a Bump supper systematically knocking in every ground-floor window of my Oxford college with the aid of hockey sticks. In 1935 a tipsy undergraduate from another college threw (very wastefully) two bottles of Guinness through my bathroom window, not knowing whose room it was. Fortunately I had just got into the bath and was uninjured by this act. Then I spent a relatively secure five years in the Army after which there were a number of small incidents. I remember that in 1959 as Pro-Vice Chancellor at Hull I cautioned and fined fourteen students for breaking numerous objects in the hall of residence on Guy Fawkes night. That's about the sum total of violence encountered in 38 years. On several occasions I must admit to using forceful language to students who failed to work hard enough. I even put on an act of bravado when a female student gave a sudden howl and burst into tears, but you must admit that over all these years it has not been all that hectic. Well now I'm arguing that students haven't suddenly changed this year. You have to put all this in its perspective. We now have over forty universities and in this country at least the recent demonstrations have been the work of a tiny minority, a few hundreds out of a quarter million students. The vast majority of students are hardworking, realistic and sensible and when a well-known journalist had as the headline to his article "A New Sorbonne on the Cam", he must surely have known that he was being very naughty indeed, naughtier than the bedraggled little group of undergraduates who had demonstrated in Cambridge the previous day. So when you hear that 100 students at Bristol set up a "free university" there, remember there are 5,000 students in Bristol. Incidentally, as a hard-boiled Yorkshireman keen on the brass it wasn't my idea of a free university, because they immediately announced at the same moment everyone would be charged a shilling per lecture. As for this Continental celebrity, Danny the Red, I can't see him getting very far over here. How can anyone who looks and talks so exactly like Benny Hill? And talking of free universities run by students, I don't know whether all of you boys realise that medical doctors are trained in universities. If ever you are seriously ill, do ask if your doctor has been trained in a free university. This gruesome thought should make the most arrogant of these fools think again!

Now the disorders in a very few British universities and colleges seem to me to have two aspects — rational and irrational. When they ask for more representation on bodies and committees of their universities, or indeed for any specific improvements and reforms, they should, in my opinion, be taken seriously by the authorities.

Their requests should be granted if they are reasonable and helpful, or given a carefully reasoned refusal if they appear impossible. The N.U.S. doesn't in fact cut all that much ice throughout all the universities, but is now putting forward demands, some of which could be granted without any harm being done. We have to remember there are sometimes real student grievances; in some colleges where not enough money is being spent on facilities and guidance for students, there are things needing reform. There is a need for active student participation always. However, in relation to these specific demands which I can understand, I should point out that students already have complete control over their unions, clubs, games, over virtually all their social life, very large control by student committees in halls of residence and other such institutions. This has always been so for a very long time in the great bulk of modern universities. These universities have for years had high level staff-student committees to thrash out the inevitable problems and tensions existing between the students and their seniors. This collaboration with the elected representatives of the students (and I do place emphasis on the word "elected") has generally over the last ten years worked very well — much too well for these little groups of extremists who want power and don't like the electoral principle. The difficulty comes, however, when discontented students demand seats on the Senate of the university — that is to say the top academic body — or even (as some are now doing) demand actual equality of representation on the senate alongside the seniors. Now surely the academic side of the university is too important to be put into the hands of a floating body of learners who have to leave as soon as they begin to get to know a little about things. It is far less sensible than, say, putting men from the shop-floor on the board of directors. The undergraduate courses in our universities are very intensive; they don't allow even a keen student-politician enough time to acquire the very complex skills demanded by many sides of the university administration. How can students, for example, know enough to assess the research abilities and potential for people competing for chairs and lectureships in universities? If students know how to organise courses, libraries and complex equipment, they would not need to read for a first degree.

In addition one thing seems most difficult to get into the heads of politicians, press men and many students: that the universities have a sacred trust — that's not putting it too high — a sacred trust not simply to teach people up to B.A. or B.Sc. level, but to add to the stock of human knowledge, in other words to conduct research. This is of course dismissed by the ignorant as "ivory towers", yet research forms in fact the whole basis of a modern complex society. It forms a basis for civilisation itself. We turn out, perhaps rightly, ever more thousands of young graduates, but for example, a newly fledged B.Sc. is a pretty lowly form of academic life. He has added nothing to our scientific or technological knowledge. He can add nothing unless he spends another three or four years of carefully directed research under people who know a lot more than he does. If this is true, how much more so is it true of that even lowlier form of academic life, the undergraduate. He cannot put forward any claims to direct and control the world of research, which is just as important as his elementary little world. Marching around with Vietnam banners may be very good, but it doesn't help you to organise a computer-centre or to prepare the vast quinquennial plan which every university has to put up for its Government grants. Ultimately, places of education whether schools or universities have to command the confidence of Parliament, local authorities and tax-payers by a certain degree of technical competence, which undergraduates or even young graduates cannot possibly supply. Even Danny the Red and Mr. Tariq Ali cannot occupy the Ministry of Education, the Houses of Parliament and every local County Hall — that is beyond even them. It should be remembered that other people can go on strike against violence allied with incompetence. For this reason the university authorities must without delay get together to decide what privileges in addition to the present ones should be given; not of course to mobs, but to elected student representatives. I fervently hope that for the students' own sake they never give students any significant academic control. Having taken this stand, the Vice-Chancellors must not be terrorized by strikes, sit-ins and so on, not even if student mobs should tear the whole place apart. Ultimately you can't run anything by concessions to mob-rule, and even a sit-in is an act of physical force, whether people are actually assaulted or not. It is an act of physical force whereby a self-appointed minority disrupt life and work of a majority. If such events go too far or get too frequent, they will only bring about what we all dearly

want to avoid, the use of counter-force.

Now I said there are sometimes rational if sometimes mistaken demands, but what about irrational activities? I mean by this students who burn Union Jacks in order (as one brilliantly put it) "to protest against society". I mean students who want to insult the British Royal Family in order to demonstrate the wickedness of the United States in Vietnam. I mean students who join together to howl down, or even assault, visiting speakers because they disapprove even of the discussion of certain subjects. I mean students who disrupt the life of a British university in order to demonstrate solidarity with the students of the Sorbonne, where conditions are totally different and where students are admittedly not properly looked after. The contrast between the British and the French universities one can illustrate statistically. In France there are 27 students per teacher — and at the Sorbonne many more than that — whereas in British universities there are 11 students per teacher. The essential thing is that students must be looked after academically, and here there can be no real comparison. Now the last of these sort of superstitions is the set of beliefs which you saw rather well illustrated on that programme of the BBC last night — especially a blind belief in syndicalism or anarchism. Syndicalism especially seems to be the thing that has again reared its ugly head. I used to read about it in text books when I was a boy, and it was supposed to be all finished with then, but it has proved extraordinarily tenacious in the Latin countries where it started. It is the idea that the coal-mines belong to the miners, the railways belong to the railwaymen, the universities belong to the students and that they should get along somehow by making arrangements between one another. This may sound a very nice idea but the job of suddenly going over it is quite absurdly impossible. If you watched this programme you would notice that Mr. Tariq Ali said, "Don't let us make any plans. Our revolution will produce its own plans as it develops". Can you imagine an abnegation of Reason as great as that?

The object of the University is to teach people to be reasonable, to attempt always to go through the process of logic. The behaviour of the demonstrator is so often anti-rational; by staging a sensational physical event (no matter what) he hopes to convince other people of his view on some totally unrelated problem. The bean-brained gentleman who burns the Union Jack in order to beat America in Vietnam is after all very closely related to the nasty little Arab who assassinated Senator Kennedy. The principle of it is just the same, even though of course the degree of turpitude differs so greatly. Incidentally, these unrelated acts do not seem to win effective adherents to a cause. That completes their irrationality. A reasonably organised demonstration is sometimes defensible, I think, in politics and in universities where there is no conciliatory machinery, and where some effect can reasonably be hoped for. Yet there are always sinister possibilities not far in the background. Those slogan-yelling mobs of students have reminded me sometimes of nothing so much as the Hitler youth. A university where freedom of speech is persistently denied by these tactics would be well advised to close down for a time rather than put up with it, for it isn't a university any more. I would certainly urge those of you who are going up to the university to take an interest in real freedom, and not to be deceived by one-sided tyrannies, by communists, anarchists, syndicalists, masquerading as academic liberals, their very opposites. As a would-be academic liberal I find it deeply distressing that the minds least free, least just, least objective, are nowadays those odd people who claim to be fighting for liberalising causes.

My job as an historian is to teach people to be fair, and to envisage both sides of the issue before there is any question of partisanship. Not only do our modern leftish prophets close their minds to one side, for example the American side in Vietnam, but they even decide which of the world's evils can be discussed in public and which you howl down. For instance mass-killing in Biafra arouses no interest in them, because it does not very easily lend itself to discrediting white men or western civilisation. Now another aspect of the disease is represented by those journalists who sympathise with student-demonstrators on the grounds that students feel thwarted and powerless in a complex society, and that the normal democratic processes do not seem to remedy those wrongs. But haven't we all felt like that? If there is any sense in the revolution as envisaged by student leaders from abroad, it is hatred of the ballot box and the bureaucrat. But surely that is old stuff and elementary stuff. The Greeks had a word for it and in the 18th century Rousseau remarked "the English are only free during General elections". It has all been said before. It is elementary be-

cause it doesn't begin to answer the first question: what alternative would you have. And believe me, History indicates that the alternatives are so awful that if ever we got them we should soon be sighing to return to the good old days when we had all these Labour and Conservative politicians around. Even the most appallingly bright holier-than-Jo Liberal would somehow seem bearable compared with the alternating chaos and tyranny which would become our lot once we abandoned representative government! So whatever we do, do not let us lie on our backs and scream because we can't have the moon.

I don't want to end on a moralistic tone, but in the face of these disturbing tendencies I can only urge you who are going on to further stages of education to be fair and just in argument, to be hard-boiled and not to believe the fashionable superstitions of our day. Above all don't be naïvely optimistic about human nature and what it can do. If you find yourself going that way, study Christianity. It has all the right ideas on that difficult point.

Looking round a great school like this, I cannot help reflecting how much the future of the universities will rely upon such places, especially upon their sixth forms, which are now so vast in size and themselves among the most important institutions of Great Britain. As a university teacher I frankly acknowledge that the future of the universities lies with the sixth form teachers and their pupils. Our future depends on whether mental integrity is implanted at that stage, whether ethical principles are conveyed and above all whether some sense of vocation is aroused in every boy. There are too many students without vocation. You simply must acquire some intellectual enthusiasm, either here or very soon after arrival at university. If you find yourself going on without such enthusiasm, do think again. Have you chosen the right subject? Above all are you really the type to spend the next three or four years in academic education? If you are just going to a university because it is fashionable, my advice is to stay away. If you hate the hard grind of academic life, you may well end up as one of those disgruntled student-politicians who cannot fulfil themselves academically and seek another outlet as substitute. This trouble has nothing whatever to do with class-background, as some people have said; it has not got much to do with mere intelligence. The capacity which we want at the universities is the capacity for selfless absorption in a task for its own sake. This is the real gift of the gods. Nevertheless it must usually be fostered by a teacher or a parent. However acquired, this sort of enthusiasm is what we want in the universities, and unfortunately guidance is not as good everywhere as I well know it is here. Our schools and universities should be seen, not as student agitators see them in a political context, but in a spiritual and cultural context. Once that is agreed, everything else falls into place; science and scholarship begin to matter for their own sake. A Church forever convulsed by matters of merely ecclesiastical organisation would entirely miss the point of its existence — religion. Likewise a university convulsed by disputes about student power or even by the mere organisation of academic courses, would likewise miss the point of its existence. Everything I've been discussing to-day is really at bottom a matter of secondary importance. Education like religion is a thing of spirit and truth. It will be an evil day when students and their seniors confuse the real thing with the sort of problems which at this present time are making the headlines. In the last resort it all comes down to you and me, to the individuals, to our integrity and sense of purpose for ourselves and for humanity at large.

A CRITICAL COMMENTARY ON THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY PROFESSOR DICKENS

Professor Dickens selected as the theme for his speech the recent student unrest which has swept through Western Europe, with especial reference to British colleges and universities. He is well qualified to speak on this subject by thirty-six years of authority over students. He observed that he has enjoyed the experience, and maintained that students have changed little — even this year: he explained that while students have always had grievances it is only this year that they have achieved wide publicity; this is because small groups of "arrogant little fools" have stirred up student troubles with a specific aim to publicising their own political convictions. (A reference to the anarchist-syndacalst movement which would like to see the universities become bases for political revolution.)

Professor Dickens claimed that these demonstrations — "this disease" — are both irresponsible and pointless, on the grounds that they are the work of only a few

hundred students out of a total of about two hundred and fifty thousand students at the present studying at the forty-four British universities; he apparently failed to see any possibility that these demonstrators might accurately represent the general views of a wide cross-section of the student population. This seems strange when he repeated several times his belief that any student delegation must be representative — although in all fairness he did stress that they must be elected democratically. (This seems to display a confidence in the justice of democracy which is becoming increasingly rare today!)

We must accept this view when we consider such atypical student leaders such as Tariq Ali and Danny the Red. (It seems a pity, however, that Professor Dickens had to follow up this victory by labelling the latter a second Benny Hill, which was hardly sporting — or relevant).

Professor Dickens stated that one of the major problems was the degree to which students should have a say in the running of their own universities and colleges. He encouraged demonstrations through which students ask, in an acceptable manner, for representation on any university bodies or for specific reforms. He considered that such requests should be taken seriously, and either granted or refused categorically (such a view reveals considerable confidence in the machinery of bureaucracy!) He expressed the view that all student grievances should be presented through the Student Union Council of each university — democratically, of course. (I wonder how much attention university authorities would pay to the Councils if they did not fear more direct approaches.)

He also stated his views on what the set-up in our universities and colleges should be: he said that he considered the running of a university to be a sacred trust, with a dual aim: to turn out "perhaps rightly" — an ever-increasing number of graduates yearly, but more especially to conduct research which, he claimed, is "the whole basis of a complex modern society". He observed that students already control many aspects of their university lives through the university committees; while accepting this, he refuted vehemently any right for students to sit on a university senate — the senior academic committee of a university, on the grounds that to do so would be worse than putting a man from the shop-floor of an industrial firm on to the board of directors, and that any student clever and able enough to help on this committee should not even be at the university. Following this point up he seemed to imply that measures should be imposed to actually prevent students from applying pressure in any way to their academic overlords — save through elected representatives. Surely, if these representatives have no power to back up their arguments they would simply be ignored? And isn't it that exactly which is one of the causes of today's unrest?

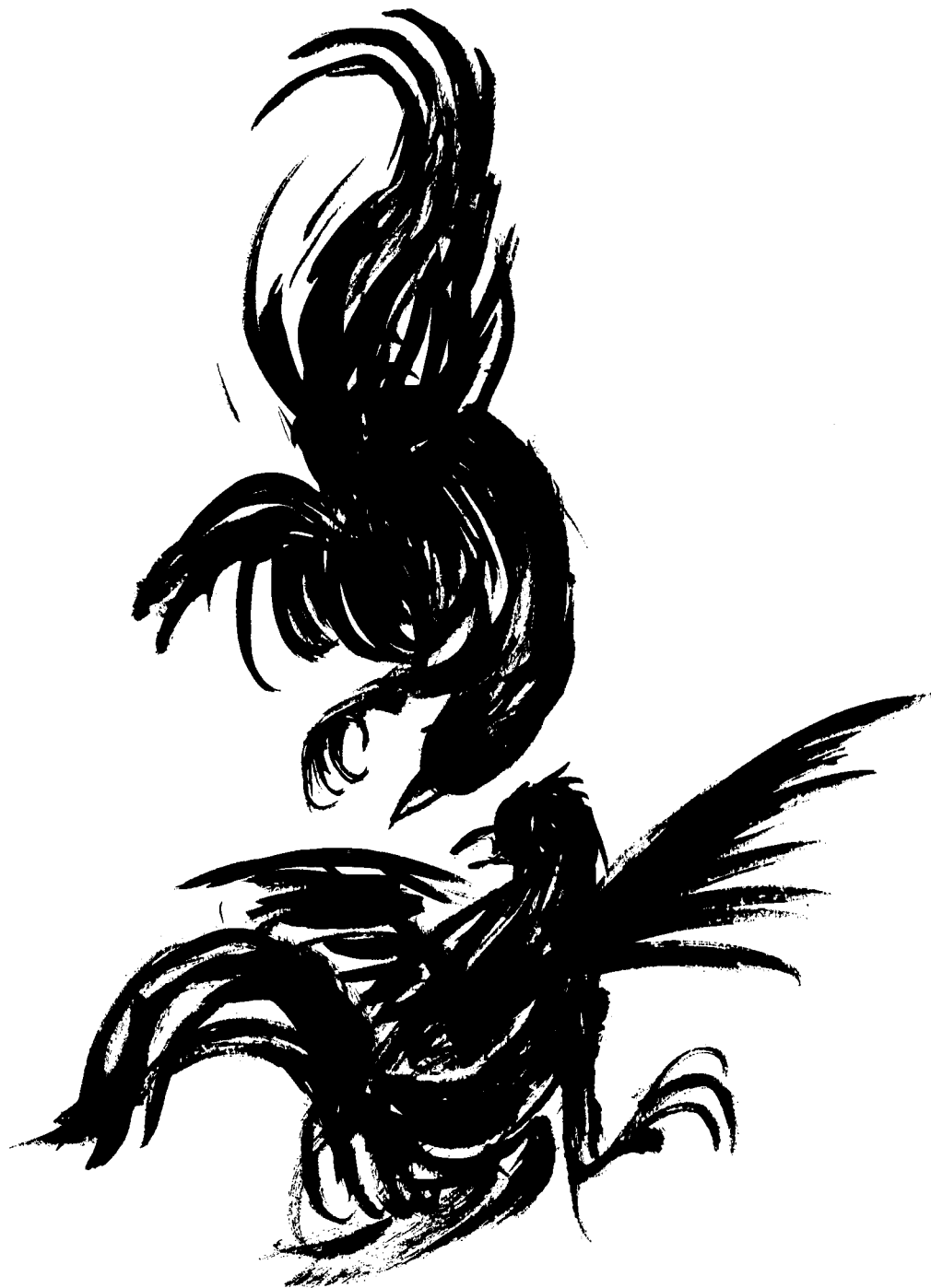
Professor Dickens sees today's unrest as the result of two things: superficially, it is an infection caught from the French students; (while both English and French students have genuine grievances, the French certainly have more to complain about). Beneath this lies "a blind belief in anarchism and syndacalism" (the principle cornerstone in a "free" university). The students are fighting towards liberalism, and any bastions of the old system must be swept away. The force of his objection to this attitude caused him to lose control over the argument which he had previously displayed, and several points seemed only partly relevant:

"Marching around with anti-Vietnam banners may be all very good, but it doesn't help you to organise a computer centre" — is this not a confusion of values? Similarly, the Professor derided demonstrators who burn Union Jacks in protest against American policy in Vietnam; he obviously failed to see such incidents as the acts of general protest which they clearly are. (I will concede that perhaps it would be more relevant — and satisfying — to burn the personal flag of Mr. Harold Wilson!) He also complied with a fashionable trend when he attacked the attitudes of the national press to the problem of student unrest. He divided the press into two categories: those who describe the universities as "a collection of 'hippy' organisations steeped in rebellion, drug-taking, and permissive conduct in general", (a view which he described as "sensationalist"); and those who maintain that we should be grateful to our students for pointing out the defects in the system (which he describes as "plain sloppy").

This was a pity, as it served to obscure an interesting point of view. This was that the universities must not be seen in a political context but in a spiritual and cultural one; and above all the universities must continue to fulfil their purpose in society, and we must all strive towards this end.

Gavin Dutton

LITERARY SECTION



MALICE IN WONDERLAND



"On the run."

Leopold is a boy on the run. One has to move fast to survive in the cracked-plaster jungle of Mill Hill. In the hem of his twenty-two inch flares is carried all he needs to exist for a week — the Rothman's iron-rations pack.

Now it is lunchtime, and he needs to shift if he is to meet his expensive (and expansive) chick, outside "Cook's". Furtively the donkey-jacket is removed, and kicked into a school-house locker, by shoes covered in dust from the farm (not the dust of honest toil). Into the dining-hall with knife, fork and sticky tray, and he barges past the waiting queue. Leopold comments, "My dear, the new system is so quick". Then loading his plate with hash (which he finds oddly disappointing in its effects) he scuttles to regain the security of his donkey-jacket.

As he emerges from Wills Grove he gives the "Wills" on the nameplate a loving pat ("Good old W.D. and H.O."). Always gives credit where it's due,

does Leopold. He reaches the 'phone box and the girls gather round. The healthy tan on his fingers is admired by all.

Glancing at the watch on his wrist, he hopes he will not meet its owner. He prefers this one to the last watch he "borrowed". Later he takes a stroll between the verdant flanks of the farm-track, and reaches the farm, where the grateful smell is reminiscent of the bush fires he caused in Virginia. He plans to retire there after leaving school.

As he is checking the state of his opium plants, his eyes fall on a nearby tramp — perhaps his friends from the East in the white slave-trade, would give him a commission?

At last it is bedtime. But for Leopold, "Die nacht ist junge", the Soho joints are awakening, and there is a window open. Leopold takes comfort from open windows. For if "M" throws him out, he can easily break back in again.

J. Craymer



"...open windows."

A LEAVING STORY

"My knotted emotions arise from a confused mind", she said and she meant it.

"Pray set the table, James", Mother said and she meant it. James set the table and Jamie had a confused mind. Mother continued as she always did before dinner, doing nothing.

"My tangled mind screams for existentialist freedom, my soul cries for unadulterated green fields and a virgin white sheet."

"How very nice dear; and who is the young man?"

"Oh wise, wise mother, you see through my disarranged lines, my ill-directed dictate, my uncounselled words. Yes, yes, here is a young man, an Atlas from on high, a Hercules with his armour, a Hannibal without his elephants."

"Where does he come from dear?" Mother asked as only a Mother could, she being Mother.

"He comes from on high, mother, from a hill whereupon stands a mill. He comes in green on the sabbath and in blue in the summer days and in the glory of his grey when the summer days draw past."

"Not another from Mill 'ill, dear, that bog suit gets on my wick."

Fred

"THE COMMITTEE THINKS . . ."

"The Committee thinks you'd better go," said Smythe distantly. "They'll be involved if you don't, and The Corporation can't cope with a scandal just at the moment."

Legrand nodded. "Of course." Strange he didn't feel scared, or even remorseful, just faintly amused at this funny little man unconcernedly telling him that he was " . . . no longer needed." A bit of a nuisance of course, in the middle of this production; they might have had the sense to wait until he'd finished. The thought of the publicity didn't bother him, though, in fact he derived a sort of reckless pleasure from visualising the headlines: "Top T.V. producer cited as correspondent," or "M.H.B.C. smear . . ." — in the coarser papers . . .

He awoke from his reverie to see Smythe glaring at him. "I can't say I find any cause for amusement in this - - - - affair." You wouldn't, thought Legrand rudely; none of you would, because you haven't got the guts. He caught himself grinning again.

The little man must have sensed danger, because he hurried on: "You have your schedule, of course. The idea is that you need only turn up for rehearsals." Otherwise keep out, they both thought simultaneously. Their eyes met. Could Legrand detect just the trace of a grin on that carefully composed face? No, the other was permanently on his guard. Against whom? Himself?

For the hundredth time Legrand cursed his eternal optimism in human nature.

Nik, Klein

Black and White Rainbows

Someone is crying in the rain.

He, with jumbled ego torn out with tears,

Is not alone with his personal sorrows.

For, alone, awake, with my head

Resting on my lap in self-pity,

I curl into the dreamless caverns of sleepless

sleep and dream

. . . . puddles forming on the sun

waters wanting more to drink

(Darkness swallows light with lustful avarice)

Then a frothing, mirthful laughter

And I wake holding a dream

In one hand and

The truth in the other

I stand by my bed of nails

and wonder why.

I was someone wishing you goodbye

In the late night I was crying

I felt a fool and felt you on my back.

It was raining rainbows before

Now it was all in black and white.

I was foreseeing as you and

Me watched the traffic light's rainbow

Reflecting on the road.

But on the surface of the sun-puddle

I see myself as someone

Who never really said hello.

June 1968

Suburban Happening

One golden night by Shakespeare street

A young man and an old did meet;

The old was lonely and sweated in the street-light

The young was faintly annoyed and

Incapable of pity at that time of night.

Just then came tearing from the past

Four ghostly night-black motor-cars

The young swung round to catch the old one's face

And found a wretched mongrel in his place

But waving from the window of the biggest car

Was the old man

In a fur coat

Smoking a cigar

The young man just kicked the mongrel in the cold street-light

(Incapable of pity at that time of night.)

Nic Bloom

The Punishment

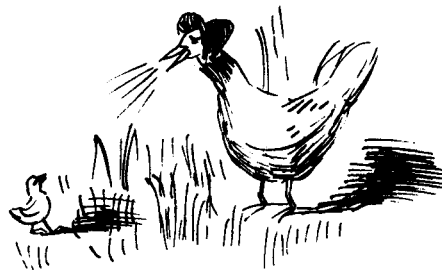
There was no forgiveness.

*We were alone and were forever clutching
at the straws of human friendship
that we had lost.*

*People were no longer with us,
they had left without a parting tear.
We were condemned.*

That was our punishment.

J.C.A.



THE NO-GOOD GOSLING

In Never-Never land, where the only creatures of human shape are fairies, witches and royalty, there is a duck pond by the road. You can be sure that any ducks not living near the pond have something to hide, for it is the only pond in the whole country. And so it was with the two ducks who lived in sin down the road in the old deserted shrubbery. The result of their clandestine relationship was at that moment underneath the fairer of the pair and they were both knitting their eyebrows in a desperate attempt to devise a plan to dispose of it.

And so it was that Mrs. Goose, who lived on the other side of the road, came to have an extra egg in her brood. Being rather short sighted and no mathematician, she never realised, and so the duckling was to all intents and purposes, born a gosling. He was certainly treated as one.

Many years passed and our hero soon achieved a reputation for being difficult. He was always restless, felt he was looking for something but he had no idea what it was.

"You were always different from your brothers and sisters, always wanting something you couldn't have, and never satisfied if you got it." Mrs. Goose, who now had varicose veins and a superb, nagging voice, ruffled her feathers in annoyance at her wayward offspring: "I wouldn't mind if you showed any enthusiasm for your lessons but you are always playing truant; really I do not know what is going to become of you!"

That night the duckling decided to leave home. He crept away from his family and started to make his way up the road. He did not look back because his thoughts were full of resentment and bitterness. He was brooding. But as he walked he began to feel a strange uplifting of his heart that seemed to grow stronger with every step. From up the road came a delicious sound that he somehow recognised, though he had never heard it before. He quickened his pace, rounded the corner, and there it was: water. With a squawk that was pure duck he hurled himself forwards and swam. He never pondered how his strange longing was at last fulfilled. He was happy.

N.B.

A SONG

The management is becoming concerned by the appallingly high rate of failure in adopted ducklings :

*Said the ugly gosling
(Who was really a duck)
Just because I can't hiss
And prefer to sqawk.*

*They tell me I'm difficult
My friends think I'm crazy
And in all my reports
Teachers say I'm lazy.*

*For my kind of failure
Employers have no use
I'm ugly, I'm lonely
I've got no excuse.*

Chorus :

*I'm leaving home
to find me a chick
I'm leaving home
And I won't look back.*

Parallel to a Religious Argument

He ran through all the corridors
But could not escape the bullet
That was following him.
Eventually, he stopped, and awaited
Its arrival.

It came and travelled through
The layers of his back
To finish its frantic journey
In his belly.
He screamed.

The pain was not intense.
He knew he would die soon,
Before he reached the surface.
As he died the bullet took over
Leaving his body doomed
To its purpose.

When he awoke
He searched for someone
To tell, who would
Maybe believe his story
And prise the bullet from him.

But no-one seemed to hear
His voice except when
He spoke of mundane things —
The bullet had control.

He understood at last
One night whilst waiting in a queue :
To die is but to be transferred
Into a nether world.

N.B.

Words, words, words, words.

Write them down and what do they mean?

Anything a man can wish. A phrase is enough to kill over,
Or to love over; to hate or to adore, over one or two words.
Meanings are lost, words are traps for the mind
And souls, lurking like beasts of prey for men
To encroach too far on their presence.

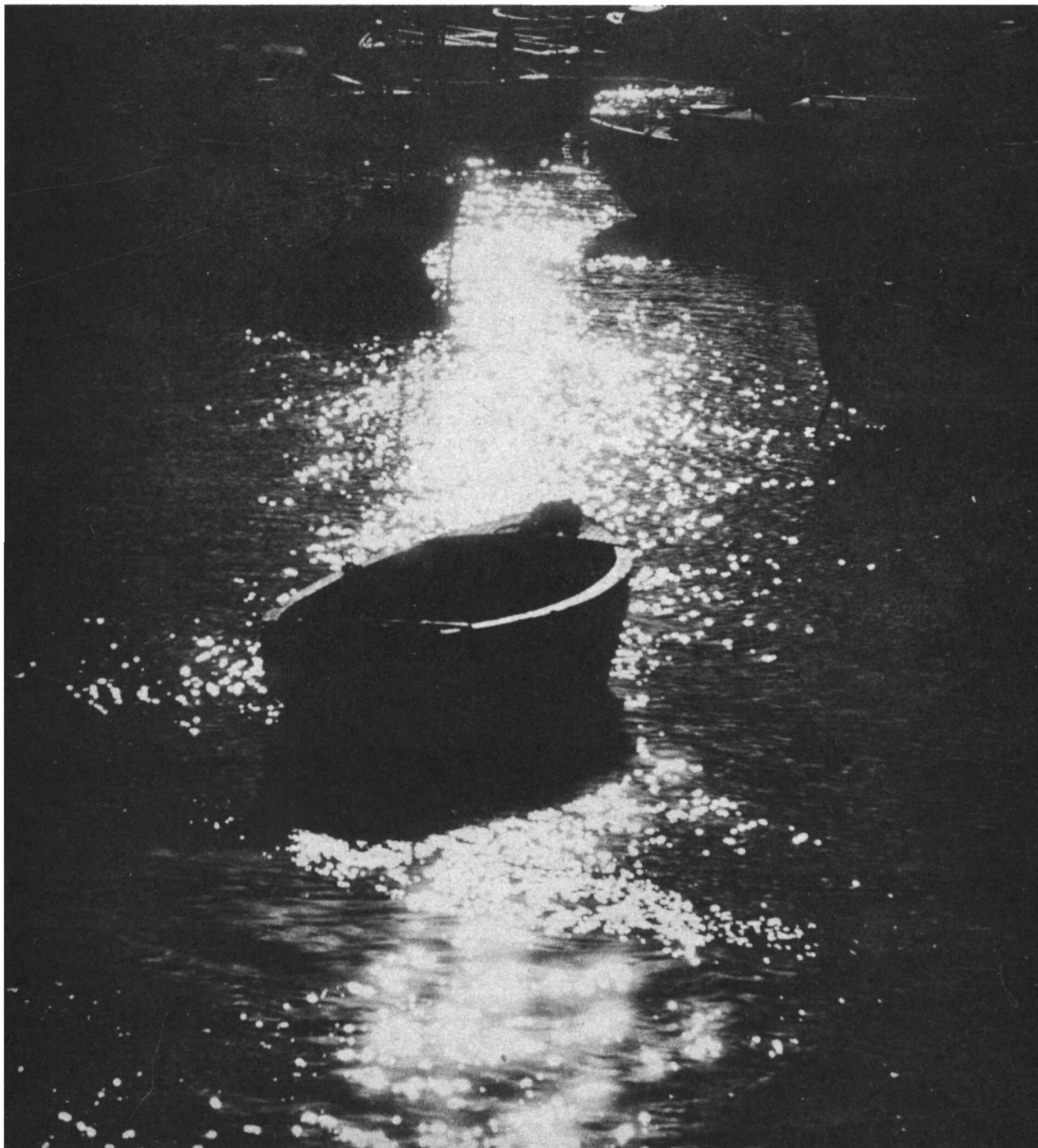
There is a communism in words, they pack together
For greater effect. It is words that hang or imprison a man,
Words that bind him to a woman he only lusts after,
Words that are said when he is lowered
Into the ground — Why is this eternal
Preoccupation with a random combination of letters?
For, think, even where a man is dead, all that is left of him
Is a gravestone carved with a few pitiful, meaningless words.

C.G.

Like Snow on a White Hot Mountain

In my chapel now I nervously chew
my thumbnail and bite my lip
which reels forth
word after word; I am eating.
I stare at my mirror of sorrow
and cry into my weeping image
which conceals itself somewhere
in my mind; congeals in someone
else's thoughts. My carbuncle is
killed with an aspirin.
Meanwhile, my aspirin drowns
in a sea of beer and whisky
which is acid to my mind.
I live outside my living-room door,
I sleep with all my eyes open
in fear of what I might miss :
not only this, but I die quite often too.
My thoughts are so full up with nothing
that nothing, not even nothing, can
penetrate my self-pity and self-hate
which builds up inside me
surrounded by my pure
white skin which hides
my mouldy
heart.

May 1968



From the Embankment

A pall of thick, black smoke
Suppresses the sun on the horizon.
Orange points of light lie in rows
Like soldiers on parade.
Big, depressing blocks of brick and cement
Arrest the already limited view.
The long, tapering rails disappear into the dusk,
Their silver sheen quickly fading.
Somewhere down the line
A train whistles :
A long, shrill scream
That shatters the urban quiet asunder.
A green light flickers.
Dark red rust hisses on the ballast
As it falls
From the stark, skeletal outlines of the bridge,
Dislodged by vibrations.
Somewhere a child begins to wail.

K. N. Milburn

Rural Incident

Our present troubles started with the harvest, which was seen through in the most unblemished sunshine for many years. It was perhaps this perfect weather which prompted our local feudal gentry (they still live in the old manor, on a hill five minutes' walking out from the village) to plan a condescending garden-party — "they would love to come". All the hard-worked harvesters would not love to come, but they would turn up out of duty, to be patronized by any of the gentry who might be interested to see some of England's other half. The other half would be rather out of their element, though — gasping through their gills and hooked by alien collarstuds. To appear otherwise would bring disastrous results, for it is writ that the serfs must aspire to "genteelity" when faced with it.

An invitation was found on the door-mat one morning. Usually something as extraordinary as this would have been grape-vined around the village much earlier, but we knew nothing of this occasion until the elegant card was found. We all looked at it for several minutes — it was lettered in gold, with a complicated crest, on stiff white paste-board that was spoilt only by the postman's dark and sticky finger-marks. I was called on to make sense of the letters; it named the date, time and place — the garden-party would be on the next Saturday but one. Local reaction was very much divided.

Two days later half-hearted preparations began — finding out where the vicar had hidden last year's flags and so forth. Some villagers pointedly refused to help, though none had turned down his invitation. And then the tinker arrived. He was Irish — though perhaps only because the tradition of his trade demanded it; most years he came later, perhaps in November, with well-priced stores for winter. But when we heard the hoofs lop-sidedly trotting past we knew whose horse it was — he claimed every year that it had come from a famous Newmarket racing-stable, and that its leg had been lamed "over the sticks". Naturally this was believed less and less as the years went by (the real reason was probably that he whipped it so often), but he was a very persuasive talker still, whose experiences of other outlandish areas passed here as a substitute for wisdom.

When the tinker recognized signs of dissent among the villages he saw his chance for a demagogue's glory. With trade over for the day he harangued the customers he had caught from his perch on the shabby caravan. The gist of his rhetoric was that it was time for the worms to turn. We had thought so ourselves, for a long time, and now that an outsider agreed it seemed justification enough for turning.

So when a beer-bloated military man came down from the manor to tell us of some last-minute preparations to be made for the Saturday we ignored his commands, and left him. In the style of a true soldier he drowned his bewilderment in a coarsely vibrating shout: "D'ye hear, you blackguards?" He went on like this for quite some minutes, croaking unconvincingly — "D'ye hear me? Come back!" I had stayed behind to watch his blustering and I felt glad that he was confirming the anti-military prejudices that I had feared to be outdated. Slapping his fleshy thigh with a flushed and puffy hand, he muttered something about horsewhips and then walked off, striding fast and swearing in time. That was Friday.

The garden-party was to start at three o'clock the following day. The weather held fine. At about seven on the Saturday morning the cool dew and the fast-warming sun made getting-up a pleasure (for once); I ran over the common and back, for no obvious reason. Then we drew back defensively into daily routine: Mother and the girls did chores, keeping inside all the while, and I studied, as I'm always expected to do now. We didn't need another outside meeting to strengthen our resolve to avoid the garden-party. So we just stayed inside, and, at about two, I went up to bed and slept again. Most of the older men apparently spent the time in the pub.

When I woke up we had all done what we had promised — almost. Only the postman had given in to the promise of tea at the manor. We all felt proud, too — defiance was new wine for us; I put a match to the invitation card and threw it on the fireless grate.

We still have no idea of what is going to happen now. Some of the village-people are troubling themselves about eviction, but the gentry at the manor would never dare break up a whole community. Anyway, how would they replace us? All the same, some doubts are beginning to nag at my revolutionary's pride.



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burnt a finger,
leapt away,
and felt the pain?

i squashed a fly
so languidly
and so much blood —
it felt the same

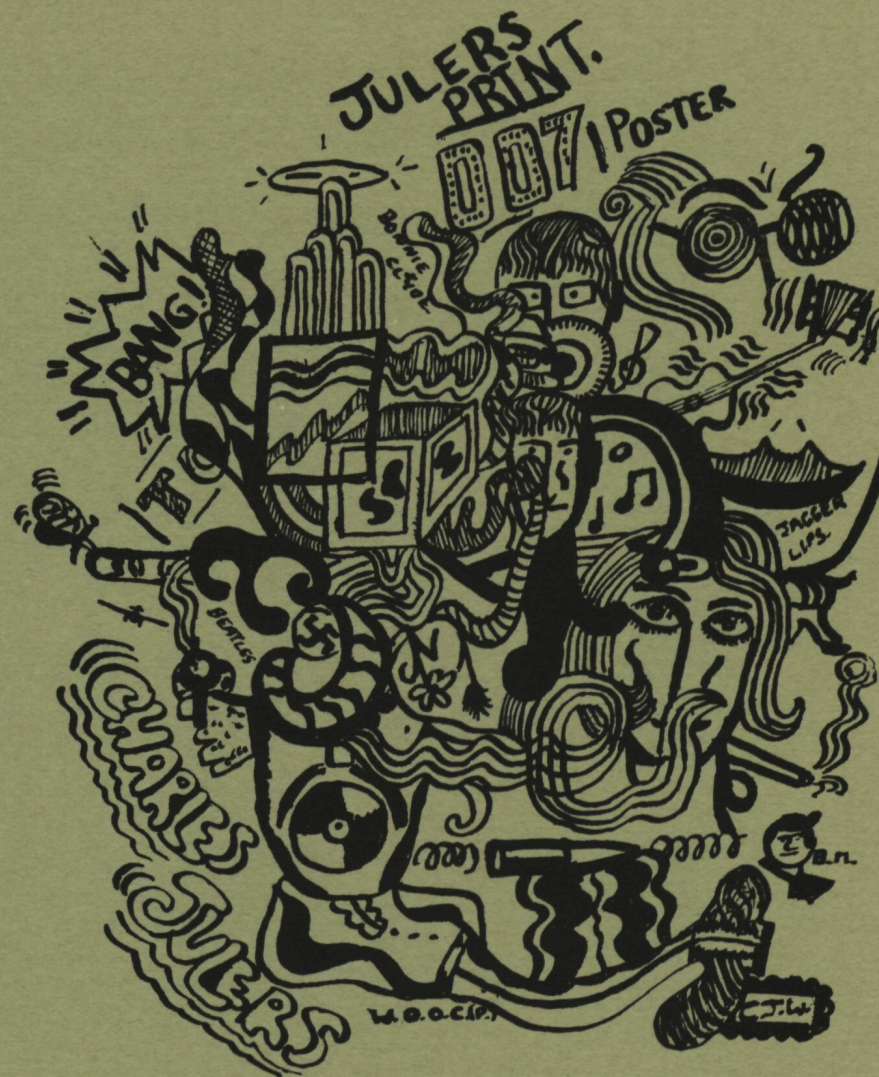
as when i burnt my finger.
i rushed over to the tap
to wash the blood away
i was feeling sick by then
for the blood stayed

and in the blood
was hard white worms
with claws and intelligent faces
i heard them talking
about my crime
i saw them digging in.

i ran into the kitchen then
and grabbed a carving knife
for to cut them out at first
but frenzied and in fright

i cut off my whole finger
and threw it in the fire
the worms they sprouted wings
and flew at me, and my distress was dire

i ducked and ran out from the room
and there a giant waited
he crushed me underneath his thumb
my sorrow was out-dated.



MAN FRIDAY

It is a Friday afternoon, and the celestial notes of the army bugles cut the air like a bent corkscrew. The Naval Section, complete with rugged international, perform their customary hoisting of sails, drawing up the anchor, and waiting in the car park till the tide comes in. They also try some dry-land rowing practice, with screaming fags tied to the end of the oars to provide suitable resistance. The boys of the Royal Signals wander about, apparently directed by remote control.



"Dry-land rowing."

Artillery taking careful aim on Harrow every Friday, waiting for the big day.

The artistic fraternity are in the studio, happily painting an old master (who is suitably bound and gagged).

The Fencing Club decided yesterday that the rifle range would be a good place to practice, but the shooting eight strongly objected. Since then a pitched battle for possession has been taking place, broken only by the bells of ambulances, collecting the wounded. As the entire fencing team has been massacred, there will be extra vacancies next term. The eight have all been awarded minor sports ties for their efforts.



"Hail of gear-teeth."

Noises like feminine screams are coming from the Modelling Club room (the girls are being troublesome again). Suddenly a member of the Photographic Society dashes out clutching a film. In collaboration with a blackmailed member of the Printing Society a magazine of a more stimulating nature than this one is being produced.

As usual the L-Drivers set off from Wills Grove. The engine is pushed up to nine thousand revs and the clutch is released quickly. This is accompanied by violent screaming from both tyres and instructor. The big crunch comes at the first gearchange. Those within

range dive into the ditch to avoid the hail of gear-teeth issuing from the exhaust pipe. As the speeding car passes along the Ridgeway toward the Master's Common Room, the driver is distracted by the legs of a Mount girl, and crashes into a blue Cortina estate-car, parked in the road. Perhaps the resultant mangled metal heap will win a minor art prize next Foundation Day.

J. Craymer

Supplementaires Francaises.

It was my last chance of conventional comforts — such as a taxi to a hotel. So I took the taxi from the Gare du Nord and read the address off an envelope at the driver. His first concern seemed with keeping up Gallic traditions of what real cab-drivers ought to be — a shock-wave of garlic cloves and the state-grown nicotine. And we got there, too, down a mostly-forgotten street; some almost-Chinese restaurants, a discreet pill-box topped up with sub-literature, and a Marx Brothers' film went slowly by. The hotel took five minutes' finding, but I made the first-floor reception desk; there it took Olympic bell-thumping to bring the concierge from his lair. As the bell-peals entered double figures, and after Victorian cistern noises, the concierge made a rare sortie from his dark and secret lavatory-womb, blinking hard at the intruding light.

He finally admitted that my room had been booked; then we market-haggled over a bath — "Cing francs supplementaire, monsieur". He took the supplementaire, but I made the most — more than an hour — of the bath. Then, completely clean and leaning precariously from the bath, I heard him impotently creaking the boards outside; afterwards I sampled the film and one of the Eurasian restaurants, but not the book-stall (which was shut).

A sleep full of vivid dreams was cut short at six, when the bedside 'phone rang to proclaim the other's arrival. In place of the sleep I had hoped for we had the breakfast included in the bill, and then a metro to the Gare de Lyons, where we met two other refugees from school. After this chance meeting we bought some tepidly white wine; already through-the-moustache Anglo-phobic mutterings were audible in the compartment.

An hour's worth of undisturbed journey, then the ticket-collector came in. I offered my Lyons ticket, naively believing that this would allow getting off at Lyons. However Gallic logic would not accommodate that: "Non, vingt francs supplementaire pour Avignon."

But we wanted to get off at Lyons, where this train stopped.

"Mais non," he corrected, "Il vous faut payer vingt francs supplementaire pour Avignon."

Nods of agreement followed from the other passengers, but no reasons were given; the situation was simply this — to get off at Lyons one had to pay an extra fare to Avignon of 20 francs.

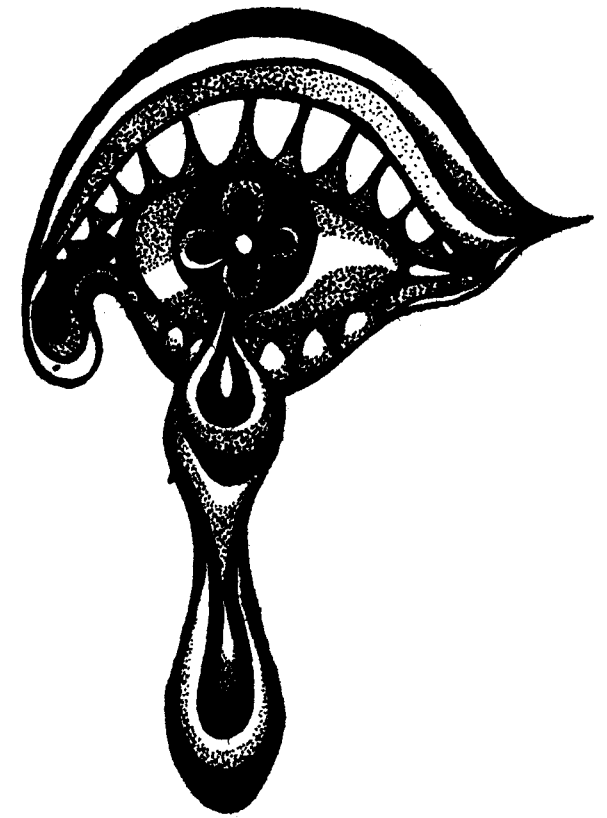
So we got off at Avignon.

Backs to The Wall

God's sodden handkerchiefs
Came drifting through the sky
— A certain irritation caused
By numerous nebulae.

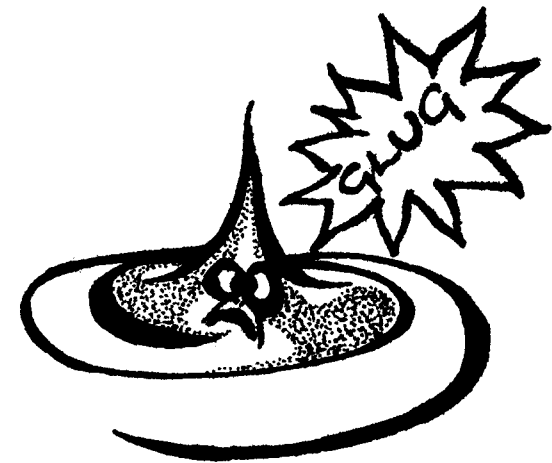
God too gets hay-fever
Theologians now confide
He has a nose too, just like ours —
But ten million light-years wide.

N.B.



Offset Punctuated Doubtfulness

An air of disbelief covers my head
Like a lost halo looking for a lost head.
It lingers round about me as shadows
hover round their heroes.
“There is no cause for an alarm”
Yell iron-clad knights, “We’ll do you no harm”,
Through a thicket of new found hatred.
Is there a doctor in the house
Or am I dreaming?
Spewing love spouts from my mouth and pours
Its stale ideals and morals and on all-fours
Crawls ready to pounce on a rancid world
Creeping with the ever-green envy which is curled
up inside me. My insides crack under strains
Of having to bear up the hurting cigarette pains.
“It’s alright, the world’s only laughing”
Is there a doctor in the house
Or am I dreaming?



June 1968

Male Figure Playing a Double Flute

(National Museum, Athens)

In austere polished marble, Orpheus plays,
his flute clamped tight between untiring jaws.
immune to criticism, deaf to praise,
transcending censure, wonder or applause.

With those twin pipes stuck in that chinless face
he played the first tune Asia ever heard,
and smuggled it to Europe out of Thrace :
he plays it now, but we don't hear a word.

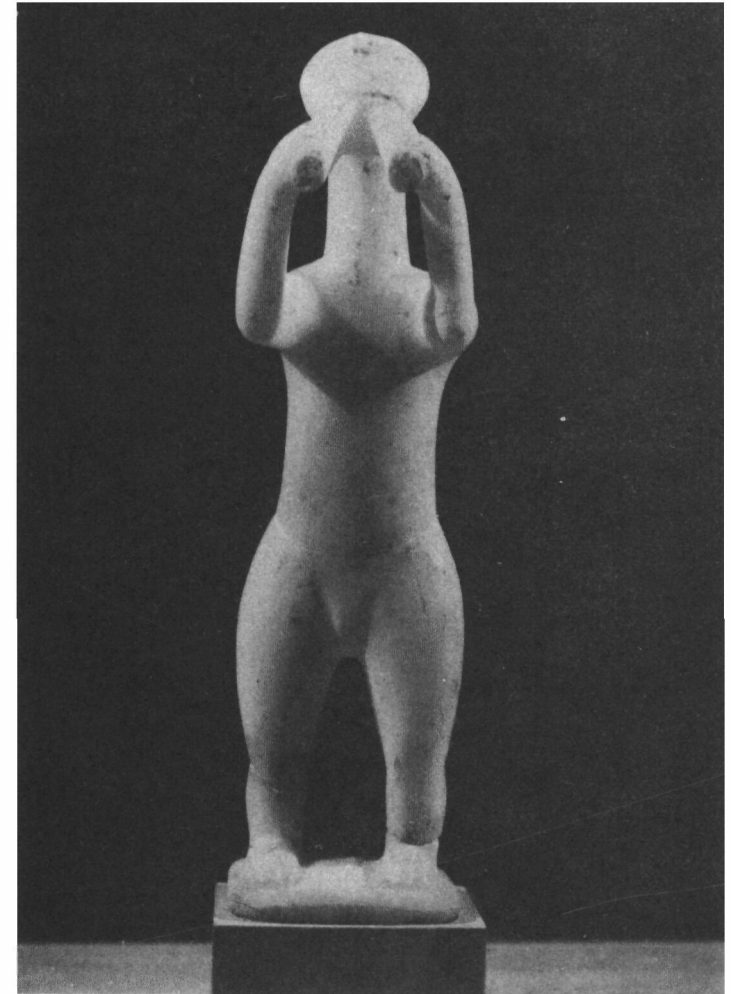
His arms are poised like handles of some urn
that held a scroll which spelt the name divine,
but we who puzzle out its script to learn
that ageless secret, cannot read a line.

The long proud lifted neck, unleashed in leaping
from the four-footed posture of the beast,
cries to the world that Europe's soul is sleeping
and mind has not yet dawned upon the East.

Erect, yet legs like haunches, feet like paws,
his thighs primeval tree trunks turned to stone,
bridges from mind's inquiry and earth's laws
to silence that's immortal and alone.

He plays himself : there is no other song
behind those eyes, half closed in ecstasy,
but the same trial through all the ages long,
the erring spirit rising over entropy.

Richard Burns (an Old Millhillian)



CLOSE SHAVE IN THE CAMARGUE

We were tired of Avignon; we had already squeezed out its appeal by dutiful sight seeing and had photographed the song celebrated bridge from every angle. As there was little else to waste film on and the mosquitoes bit hard, the time had come to move on. Thus when we saw a British car (suitably Dagenham built) stopped by the river, bumpers pointing at the Papal Palace, we realised that a possible means of transport had presented itself to us.

We prepared ourselves to slime like slugs into the car-owners confidence. On introduction they were quick to offer us a cup of tea, we sat down and they soon revealed themselves as a near-bald Sussex schoolmaster and his wife. It was impossible to make our clothes respectable so we had to rely on strenuous smiling and all the educated talk we could muster ("Yes we came from Public School") to impress the couple. This hypocritical change was crowned with a bombardment of Provencal knowledge which I had gained from a better washed holiday with my parents two years before. Against this they couldn't riposte — so we not only got a lift to Arles but also a tour of the Camargue.

It was after the promised tour that this story's light-weight point occurred. The car had stopped for tea, in the middle of the Camargue's imposingly unsheltered plain. Paddy-fields, tourist-subsidized white horsed, and an untrammelled wind, which no vegetation could resist, apart from the feeble rice. Outside the car, the old man dallying with a primus-stove which might well bring forth tea, sometime; inside, we attended to swallowing and digesting all the food available, which was hardly a glut — some local tomatoes and day-old bread.

A dull explosion then put a definite end to feeding-time: the school-teacher was in mid-leap, thrown back some feet from the volcanic primus. After a bruising landing he became only too aware of his vanished dignity, so long and studiously tended among the tiny tots of Haywards Heath.

This was the last stress that finally cracked the camel's veneer of respectability; afterwards nothing checked our hilarity, which (a mile later) could only be increased by the wife, sow-like and motherly, congratulating her husband: "It's lucky you weren't closer to the thing — you'd've lost all your hair".

Convinced of the gods' intervention in a disaster that would otherwise have reached Aberfan proportion, the schoolmaster steered on, and his head, carefully cut before his holiday to a tenth of an inch off naked baldness, visibly glinted in the six o'clock sunlight.

R.B.M.



TEA TIME

Our big, red house stood aloof and permanent in the suburban road where I lived. There was nothing to touch it for grandeur in the whole street. It was almost as if it was aware of the frivolity of the green, black and white house opposite with the bay window and the red and white houses that flanked it, and ranked them as vulgar upstarts of this century.

In the afternoons, the long, sleepy, suburban time after lunch and before tea, things would be very quiet outside. Perhaps one car would slide past but the house somehow remained undisturbed. It muttered and creaked to itself; it rumbled and made dripping noises; it sent invisible messengers to creak the stairs and pause guiltily, hand on the bannisters, ready to vanish at the sound of a human footstep. Outside the house the twentieth-century receded for a while. And then the magic really started.

My mother and father lay asleep in the drawing-room in careless positions on crumpled newspapers. The firelight flickered on them in slow rhythm and I knew they were more than asleep. Our big Golden Retriever lay curled up in the hall, whimpering, and jerking, as he chased a white bitch over the main road. I would be upstairs in my bedroom trying to stay awake. Usually the spell was too strong and I would fall upon my bed to sleep; allowing the house to prowl unmolested by time or stray thoughts.

I knew I dreamed strange dreams when I slept in the sleepy, maternal house. But when I woke up they shimmered into pieces before I could clutch them, leaving me with a hint of gossamer, a fragment of lace and a black butler. I think it must have been the house that woke me, because I always woke at four o'clock. As I came down the dog would stir and stretch, at which I would make tea. My parents were always awake when I brought in the tea things and with that ceremony the spell would vanish — until tomorrow.

G.M.T.



FEATURE ARTICLE—Architectural Project

Introduction

Current trends in secondary education throughout the country have signalled a new approach to sixth formers. This not only affects teaching techniques, which are brought up to date using seminar sessions and audio-visual facilities, but introduces the need for social centres, where boys can gather in an adult atmosphere for various student functions and where they can all retreat to meet friends and simply relax together.

This type of scheme is, in fact, particularly relevant to a public school such as this where we are in very real need of further facilities for sixth form boys, and thus could use these ideas profitably.

On the academic side, seminar rooms and, indeed, further classrooms are needed, as well as a general meeting hall; all for the sixth form. As for a social centre, there can be no doubt that it is needed as there is nowhere specific at present for older boys to gather. This is very necessary because boys need to come together socially at sixth form level to broaden their outlook through a wider circle of friends, and not be segregated due to boarding houses.

As we know that the creation of such a centre is high on the priorities of the schools governing authorities, we are submitting our own particular ideas about how the scheme could be approached. It is hoped that these ideas will not only be interesting in their own right as an architectural exercise, but that they will stimulate concern for the plan so that before very long it might become reality.

Very great thanks go to Mr. David Landaw, A.M.T.P.I., F.R.I.B.A., for providing the professional scheme at extremely short notice and despite various set-backs. His plan provides considerable contrast to Mark Tinkeres' and my own and we are extremely grateful for it.

D.C.L.P.,
Architectural Editor.

DESIGN FOR CLASS-ROOM, SOCIAL CENTRE BUILDING by Derek Peterson

The main objective in designing this building has been to conform with the contours of the land while providing the most practical internal and external lay-out. Every aspect of the design is extremely functional and takes into consideration the multiple purposes of the building and the special occasions for which it must cater. Its basic function is to provide classroom and seminar space with a separate social area; all of which is for sixth form boys. It also has facilities for conferences, lectures, and films as well as for parties and dances.

The situation unifies the surrounding buildings by filling the gaping hole which

is at present termed the "car park". The new area between the Art Block and this building can be properly paved and re-classified as "pedestrian only". The car park will thus be reduced considerably although it will still cover the large area between the present classroom huts (which will be removed) and the auxiliary huts at the far end.

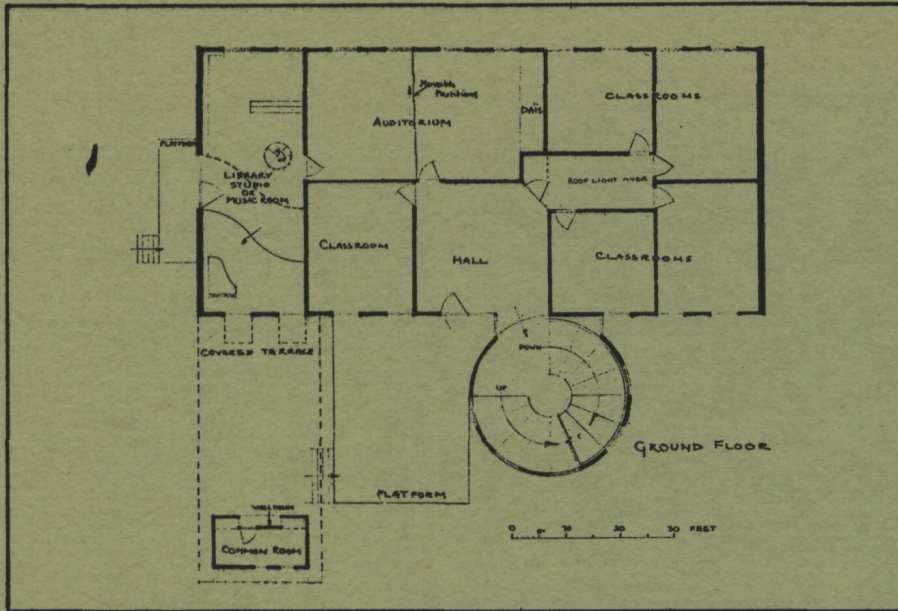
In order to include two floors it is necessary to change the existing ground levels. The level is raised to the Art Block floor level (it is several feet below at the moment) whereupon the upper floor is laid. Due to the natural drop in ground level there is sufficient height to place the lower level underneath the upper with little excavation necessary. This plan reduces the strong verticality of the Art Block without obliterating the view from it entirely. It allows a striking setting for the building giving the side elevations far more interest than they would otherwise command. The raised area would become a pleasant and sheltered court where people could gather in their free time.

The upper floor plan contains four classrooms (two for twenty-five boys, two for twenty boys), gentlemen's facilities, the staircase to the lower level, and, the most important feature of all, the dual purpose seminar-auditorium. Normally this would comprise two separate seminar rooms divided by folding partitions. For larger scale use it would be opened out as a whole (maximum capacity two hundred). The seating descends at a slight gradient towards the platform and, for films, shutters are provided to black out the windows (which have been deliberately limited to facilitate this). Corridor space is generous to cope with large numbers and clerestory windows give excellent natural lighting. The two entrances provide good access for both relevant directions.

The lower level provides generous social facilities. There is a music room with phonograph, tape recorder, etc. (and a piano if desired). Here music of all types could be enjoyed in a relaxed atmosphere without disturbance. The position of the room (away from everything else) would ensure this. The gentlemen's facilities on this level would change sex during parties and dances. The foyer is designed to provide casual seating for a few people while being part of the communicating area. The large social hall (30 ft. x 40 ft.) would serve as a spare time centre and provide a badly needed retreat for older boys. The space can be cleared to give an extensive dance floor. Joined to this is the snack bar, catering for light snacks during breaks and afternoons. Seating is either at the counter or at large booths along the walls. The counter is extended to provide standing service for large scale occasions. Generous kitchen facilities are included in the plan.

Furniture lay-out for the lower level has been included to add general interest and help indicate scale, although it should be added that the desired effect of spaciousness has meant the use of oversize chairs and large tables. The idea of fitted seating units (as in the snack bar) is optional.

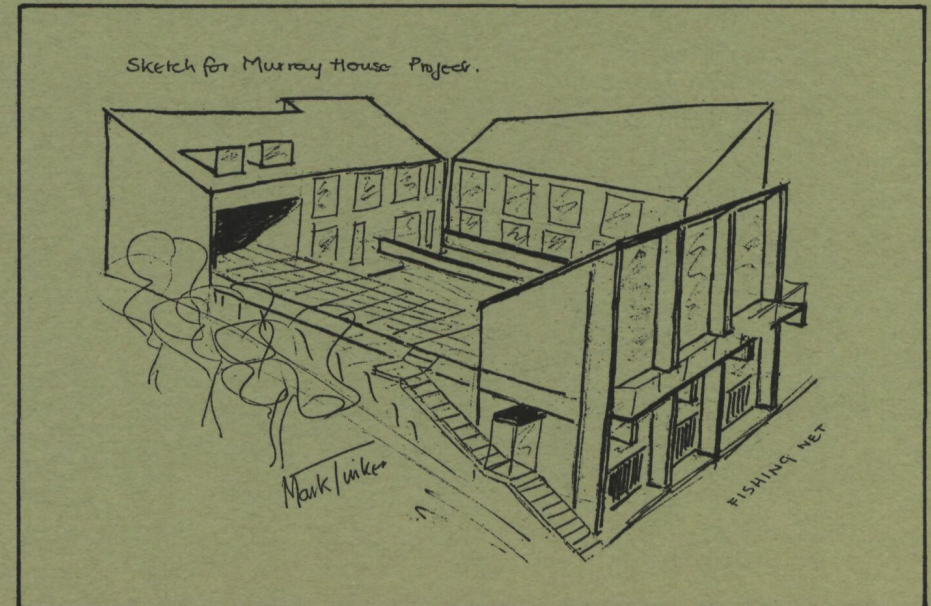
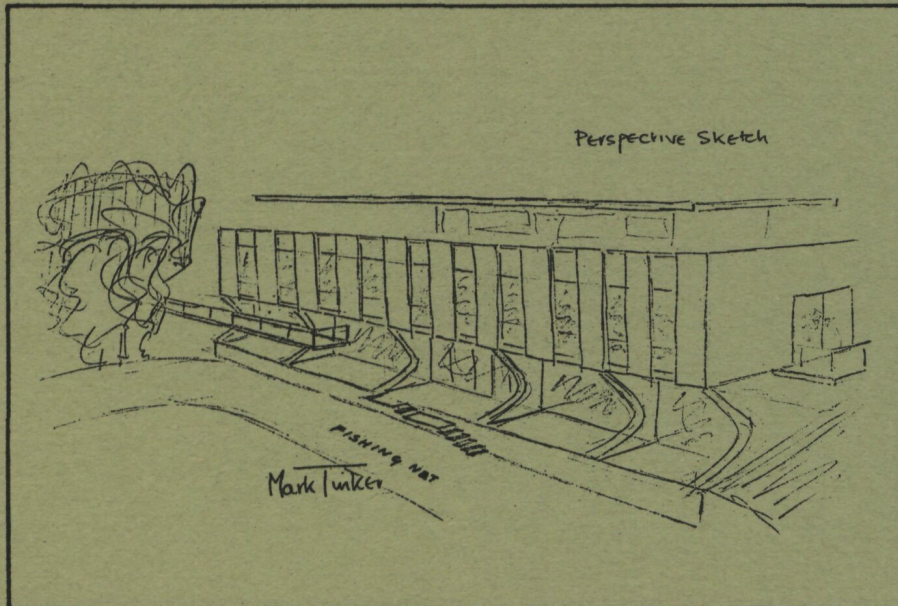
Rough-cast, aluminium window frames with rounded corners have been chosen to complement the strongly rectilinear effect of the facade. Dark coloured red brick (similar to that used on the Art Block) and stained redwood facing on the eaves would combine to give a subdued overall effect which would be in keeping with the surrounding buildings.

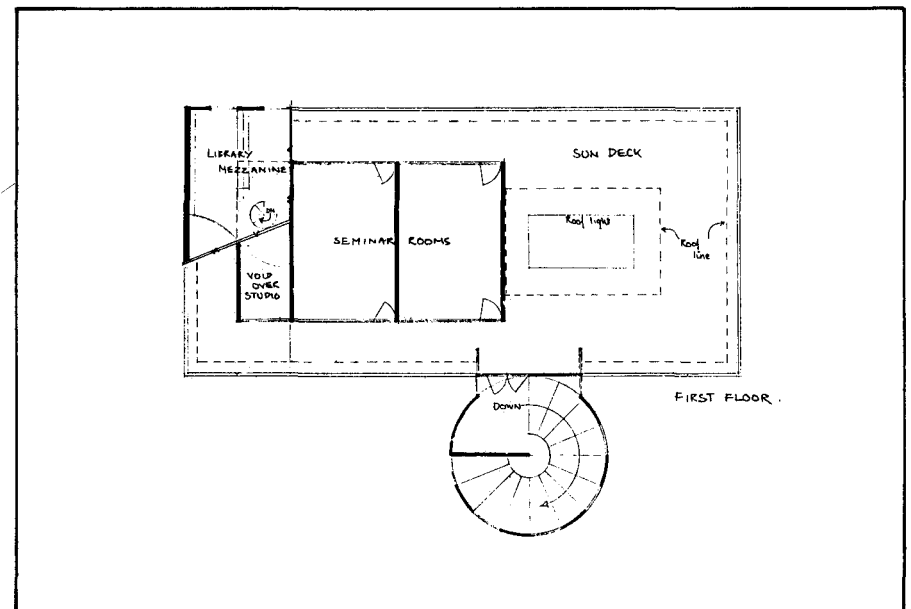
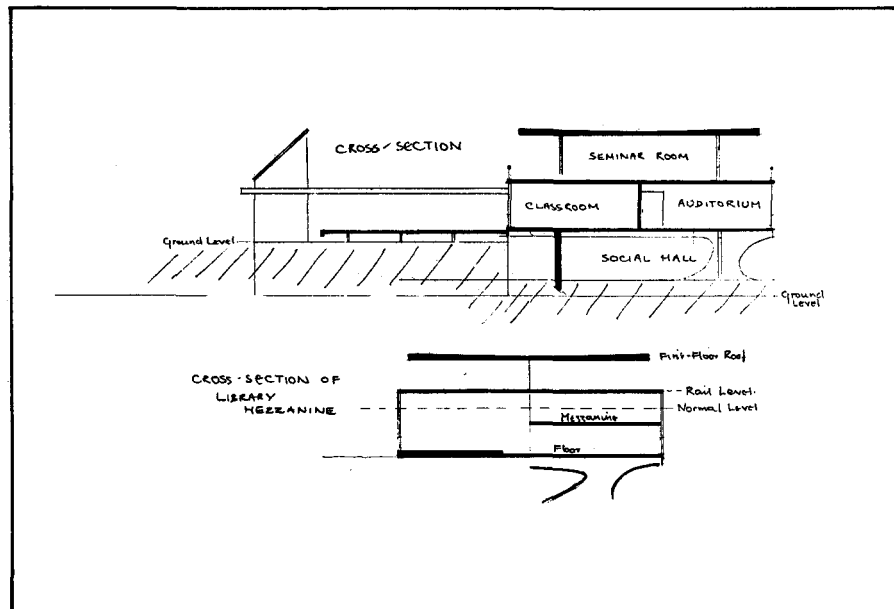
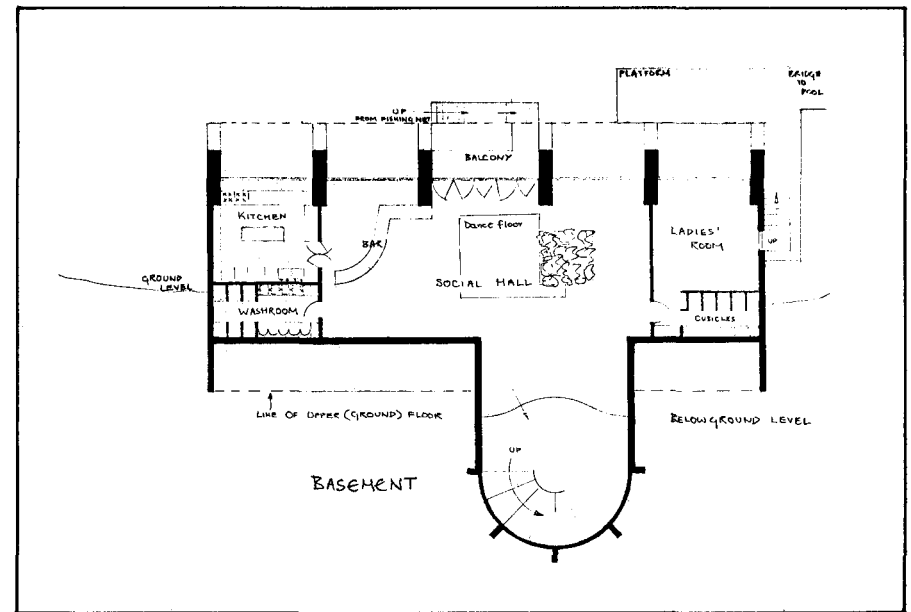
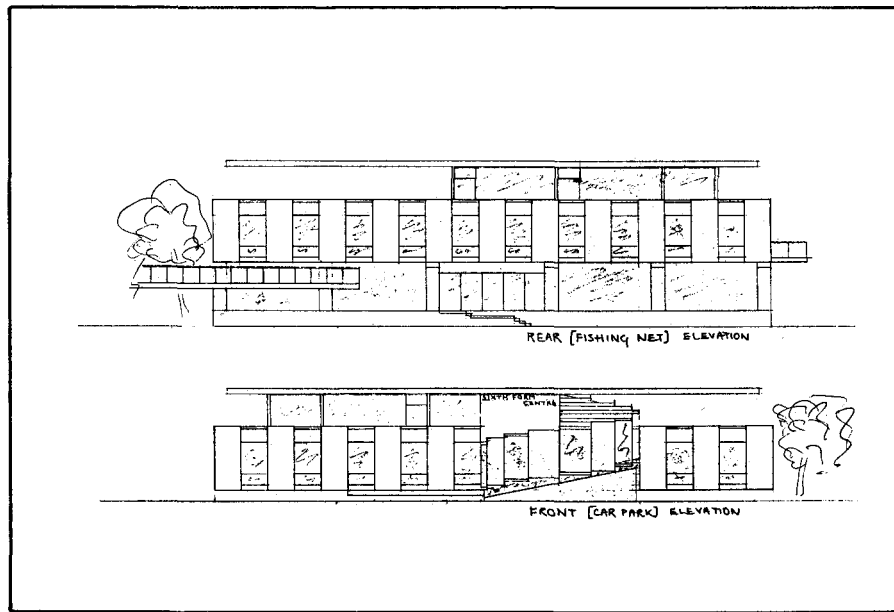


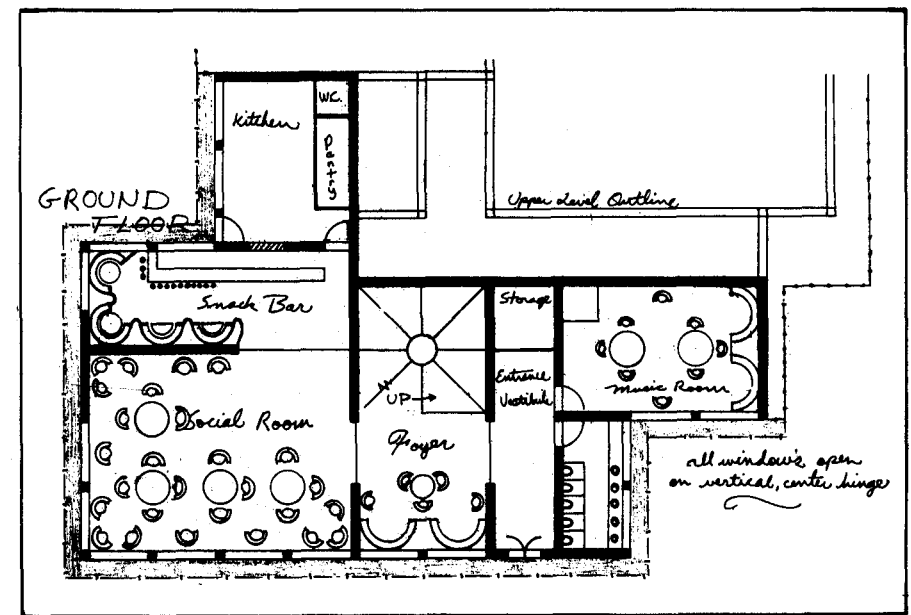
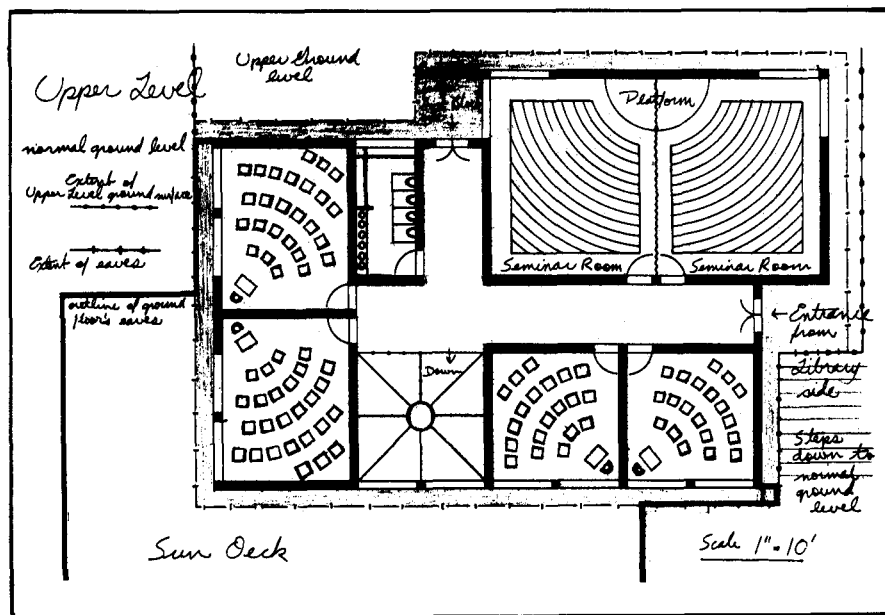
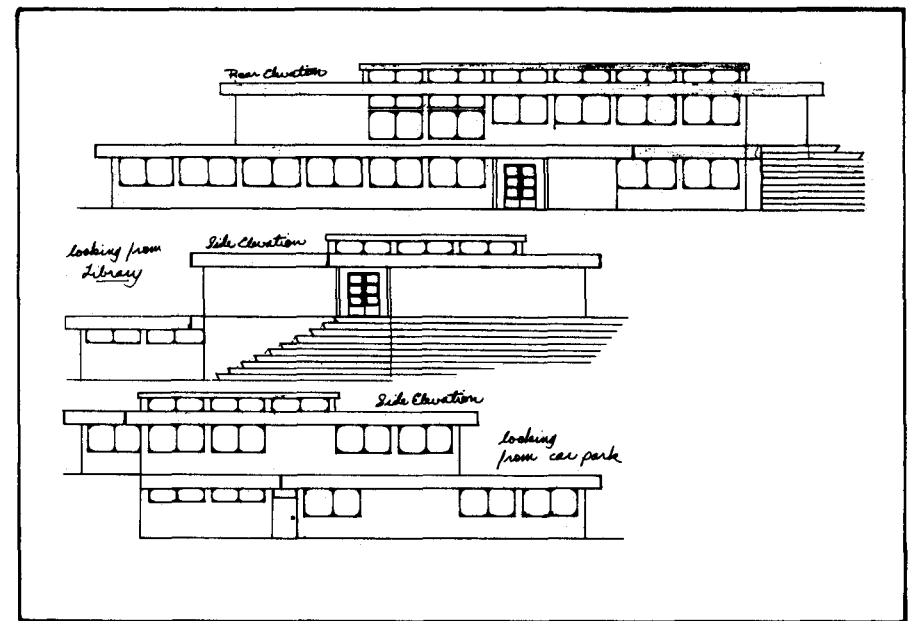
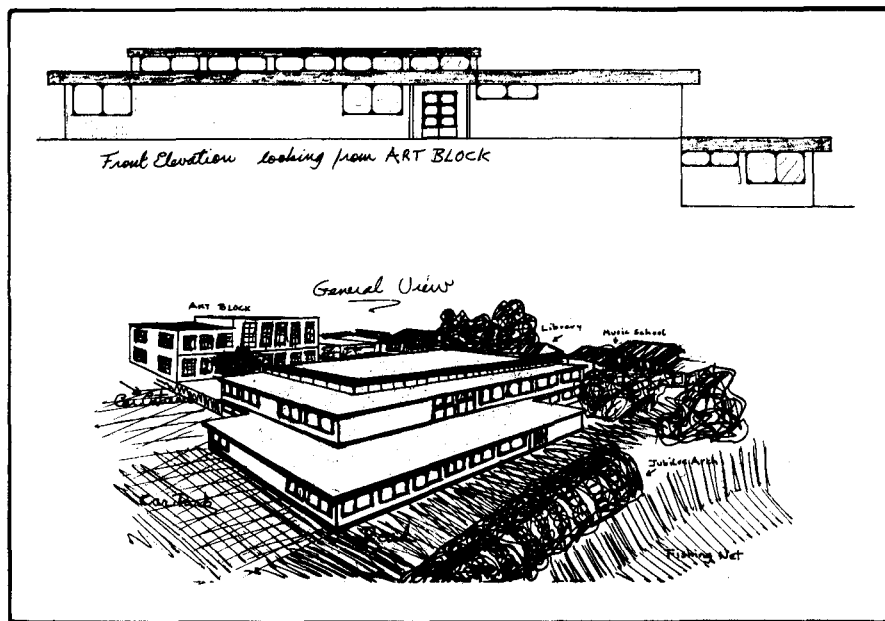
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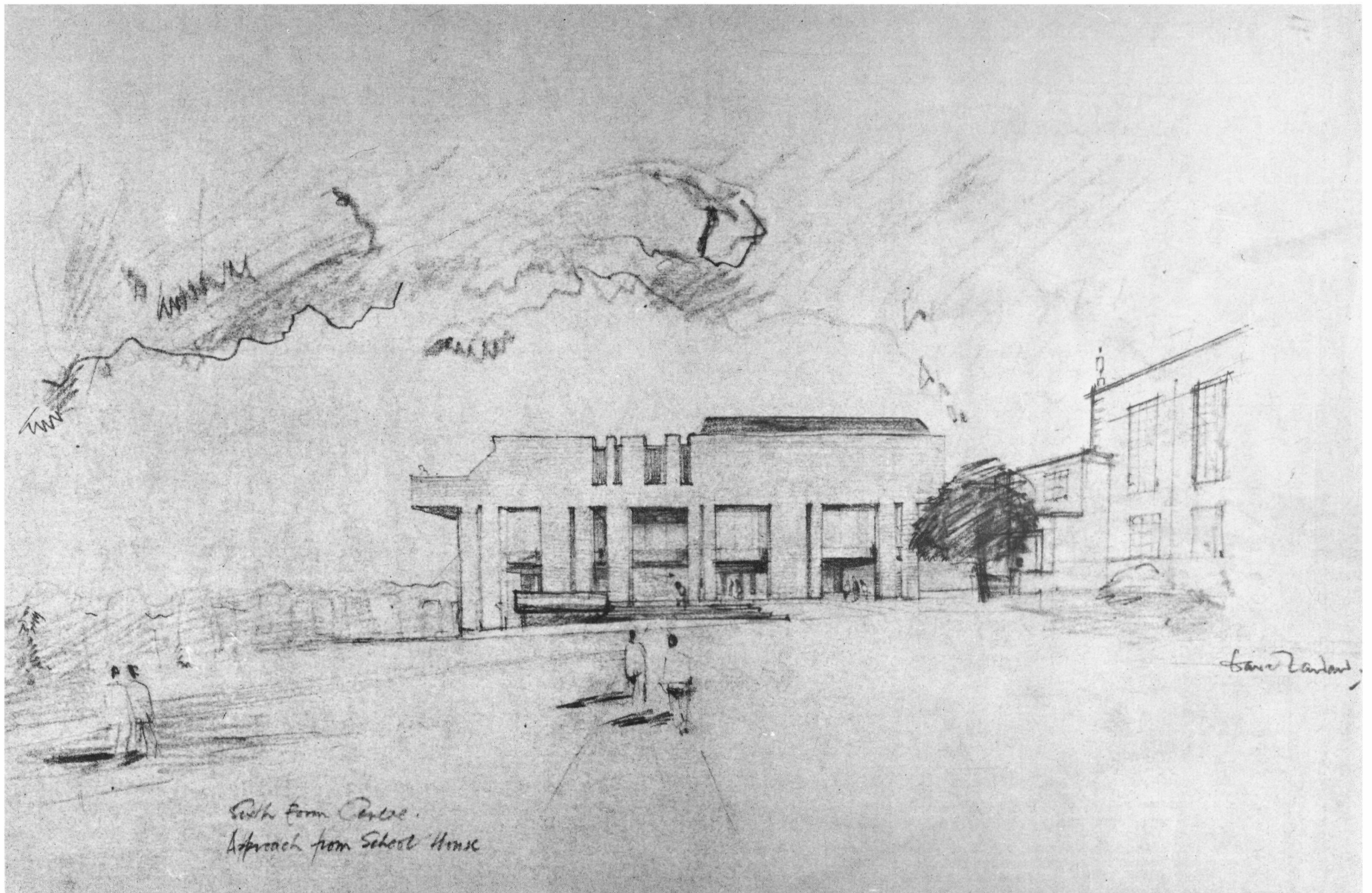
The inspiration of this sixth-form centre was in the site, the sloping bank overlooking Fishing Net which immediately suggested a cantilever. Determined not to waste the space under the cantilever arches and yet not to destroy the cantilever effect, I set the curtain wall of the basement back several yards from the projecting edge of the ground floor. On the first floor the roof hovers lightly over the vertical concrete slabs which extend upwards to form the sun deck railing. The various platforms complement this effect. The roof of the common-room is likewise designed to contrast with and complement the main structure which is linked to the common-room by a concrete slab at roof level. The social hall downstairs is designed for use as a sports stadium, at house dances and all school social occasions and it is hoped that the auditorium will be used for society meetings. The studio/library might also be used in the same way, but is provided not only because the present corresponding rooms are tightly packed but also because the artist is more likely to find solitude there. It is hoped that lessons or study periods could be taken in the open air — the reason for the provision of a sun deck.

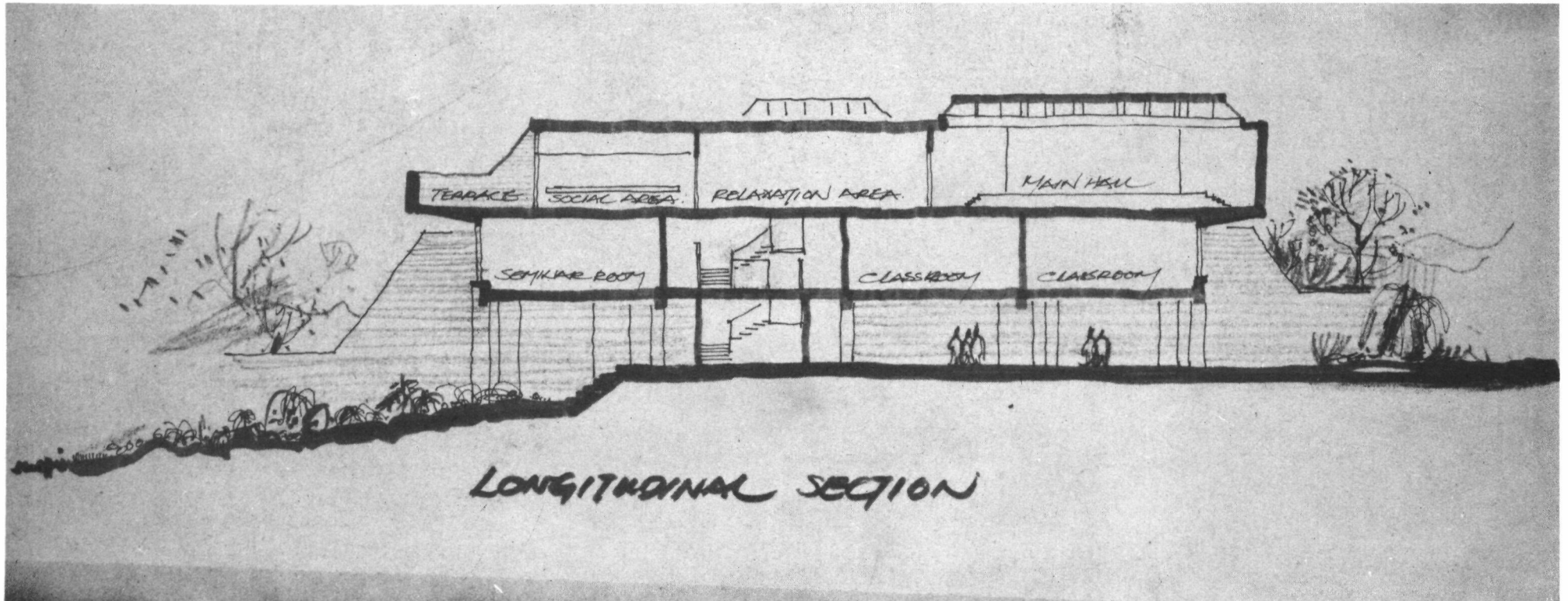
Finally a complementary drawing is shown for the reconstruction of Murray — a longawaited spectacle. The site would be where the scout huts now stand and the inspiration is the same as for the sixth form college although the design is in some ways more adventurous.











MILL HILL SCHOOL SIXTH FORM CENTRE

The concept is that three sides of a quadrangle be formed with the open side to the near and distant views. At present the space has a forgotten appearance. By making this an entirely grassed area the strong "carpet" will unite the different shapes of the surrounding buildings which form the enclosure and link also with the grass slopes to the south-west. The aim is to achieve a quiet scholastic environment.

The siting of the building will provide a vista between the Music School and Library and an interesting view from the approach at the side of the Art Block. The access to the Car Park requires taking a small part of the grounds to the Sanatorium.

For various reasons brick has been chosen as the facing material throughout. The whole of the Ground Storey is left open, paved and provided with seats as a covered meeting place for the boys. The Entrance and Main Staircase rises out of this area. There are broad steps occurring at the change in levels. The Classrooms and Seminar rooms are accommodated on the first floor with the whole of the Social Area at the top, the latter poised upon the brick faced piers which continue through the two lower storeys.

SPORT



ATHLETICS

Captain : P. E. Barker
Hon. Sec. : T. A. Kempster
Standards Hon. Sec. : C. D. Freeman

1968 has been a year of unfulfilled expectation. Theoretically we have two strong teams, but it is only on rare occasions, such as the Achilles Relays where our 220 yards relay team clocked the fastest time of the afternoon, that we have shown that our talent is not entirely latent. The senior team is built round a nucleus of good track runners, who have all performed well on occasion, unfortunately never at the same time. The junior team's talent was more evenly distributed, and not unnaturally they have had a better season. Perhaps effort has more bearing on the final results than ability, for the beginning of the season's large training squad had dwindled into a small elite by the end.

It is inevitable that Athletics clashes with other sports, and this year it seems unfortunate that many potential athletes have chosen the cricket field or the swimming pool in preference to the running track.

I would like to thank Mr. Franklin, Mr. Auger and Mr. Huxtable who have persevered in trying to create a good team in the face of much disappointment, and also Mr. Prosser-Harries and Mr. Winter who have coached the jumpers.

T.A.K.

TEAMS.

SENIOR:

P. E. Barker, T. A. Kempster, C. J. E. Leach, I. A. N. Leeming, A. Morton, D. Young
Ramsden, Snell, Kirk
Muller, Bernstein, Templeton, Pandit
Lodwick, Olesen, Boardman

JUNIOR:

C. D. Freeman, D. A. Harrison
P. R. Clark, Paterson, Winter, Lange, Blumenthal, Roberts, Riddel, Martin
Klein, W. J. Reid, Shaw, Pugh, Mizner
Bush, T. J. King, Walker

RESULTS

v. The Leys and Bishops Stortford
Senior: 1st, Leys 2nd, Mill Hill 3rd, Bishops Stortford
Junior: 1st, Mill Hill and The Leys
v. Stowe and St. Albans
Senior: 1st, Stowe 2nd, Mill Hill 3rd, St. Albans
Junior: 1st, St. Albans 2nd, Mill Hill 3rd, Stowe
v. Felsted and Aldenham
Senior: 1st, Felsted 2nd, Aldenham 3rd, Mill Hill
Junior: 1st, Felsted 2nd, Mill Hill 3rd, Aldenham
v. Queen Elizabeth's School and Orange Hill
Senior: 1st, Queen Elizabeth's 2nd, Orange Hill 3rd, Mill Hill
Junior: 1st, Mill Hill 2nd, Orange Hill 3rd, Queen Elizabeth's

The following boys represented Barnet in the Middlesex Schools Championships

C. J. E. Leach: 1st in the senior 440 yards
T. A. Kempster: 4th in the senior 880 yards
D. J. Young: 5th in the senior 440 yards
C. Ramsden reached the final of the senior 120 yards hurdles
D. A. Harrison: 5th in the intermediate long jump
C. D. Freeman and N. C. Winter also represented the Barnet Intermediate team

SPORTS DAY 1968

SENIORS:

100 yards
220 yards
440 yards
880 yards
1 mile

Shot

Discus

Javelin

Long Jump

Triple Jump

High Jump

4 x 110 yards relay

4 x 440 yards relay

4 x 880 yards relay

1st, Kirk (M) 31 ft. 9 ins.; 2nd, Starr (M); 3rd, Malik (R)

1st, Muller (B) 106 ft. 8 ins.; 2nd, D. Clark (Wk); 3rd, Olesen (M)

1st, Coleman (Wk) 17 ft. 9 ins.; 2nd, Rees-Roberts (B); 3rd,

1st, Leeming (Wk) 35 ft. 3 ins.; 2nd, Rees-Roberts (B); 3rd, Stanbury (B)

1st, Irwin (R) 4 ft. 7 ins.; 2nd, Exton (B); 3rd, Shanks (B)

1st Burton Bank 3 mins. 41.4 secs.; 2nd, Scrutton; 3rd, Ridgeway

1st Burton Bank 4 mins. 0.4 secs.; 2nd, Winterstoke; 3rd Ridgeway

JUNIORS:
100 yards
220 yards
440 yards
880 yards
1 mile

Shot 1st Roberts (Wk) 34 ft. 8 ins.; 2nd, Martin (Wk); 3rd, Hogarth (Wk)

Discus

Javelin

Long Jump

Triple Jump

High Jump

4 x 110 yards relay

4 x 440 yards relay

4 x 880 yards relay

1st, Harrison (W) 18 ft. 5 ins.; 2nd, Riddel (Wk); 3rd, Blumenthal (C)

1st, Harrison (W) 36 ft. 5 ins.; 2nd, Riddel (Wk); 3rd, Blumenthal (C)

1st, Horton (Wk) 5 ft. 0 ins.; 2nd, Haggis (R); 3rd, Riley (R)

1st Winterstoke 3 mins. 56.8 secs.; 2nd, Weymouth; 3rd, Scrutton

1st Winterstoke 9 mins. 36 secs.; 2nd, Murray; 3rd Ridgeway

SWIMMING

Captain : S. C. Nightingale

Hon. Sec.: D. H. Shanks

The first event of the season was the Public Schools Medley Relay at Swiss Cottage, in which we came sixteenth, our highest placing for eight years. Throughout the remainder of the term the seniors lived up to expectations, and, but for injuries, were reasonably successful. The Juniors, as far as results went, did even better; it is perhaps a pity that they had the smallest number of members on record, but this seems to have been little disadvantage.

Possibly the one blot on the season's swimming was the lack of entries in the house competitions. The excuse that standards, being held in the spring term, clashed with other sports is difficult to justify, and I only hope that this is not a bad omen for future years.

We are, as usual, extremely grateful to Mr. Sutcliffe for supporting and encouraging the team itself and the relatively small number of non-swimmers in the school; the seniors would especially like to extend their thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Sutcliffe for so kindly entertaining them.

S.C.N.

MATCH RESULTS:

SENIOR

v. Otter S.C.

1st, Otters 87 M.H.S. 43

v. Junior Leaders Regiment R.A.C.

1st, M.H.S. 69 J.L.R. 61

v. Haberdashers' Aske's and The Leys

1st, H.A. 74 M.H.S. 50 L. 43

v. Felsted

1st, M.H.S. 50 F. 45

v. Berkhamsted and Whitgift

1st, W. 77 B. 66 M.H.S. 33

v. Oundle

1st, M.H.S. 24 O. 14

v. Aldenham and Highgate

1st, A. 1st M.H.S. 2nd H. 3rd

v. Wellington, St. Paul's and Harrow

1st, St. P. 61 M.H.S. 39 H. 38

JUNIOR

H.A. 66.5 M.H.S. 61 L. 40.5

M.H.S. 40 F. 36

W. 75 B. 44 M.H.S. 35

M.H.S. 45 O. 35

M.H.S. 1st A. 2nd H. 3rd

M.H.S. 48 St. P. 33 W. 17

SPORTS DAY

220 yards freestyle

100 yards freestyle

50 yards freestyle

100 yards backstroke

50 yards backstroke

100 yards breaststroke

50 yards breaststroke

50 yards butterfly

25 yards butterfly

4 x 33 yards individual medley

3 x 25 yards individual medley

Diving

4 x 33 yards freestyle relay

4 x 33 yards medley relay

Total points: Senior: 1st, B.B. 217; 2nd, Scr. 115; 3rd, Wk. 106

Junior: 1st, Coll. 218; 2nd, Wk. 106; 3rd, Mur. 96

The following records have been set up or broken this year:

SENIOR

100 yards breaststroke

50 yards breaststroke

100 yards butterfly

25 yards butterfly

SENIOR

D. Lloyd (B) 2 mins. 51.9 secs.

C. Rees-Roberts (B) 67.1 secs.

J. Holmes (S) 30.2 secs.

R. Horton (Wk) 74.2 secs.

R. Horton (Wk) 34.0 secs.

D. Shanks (B) 79.4 secs.

S. Nightingale (S) 35.5 secs.

C. Rees-Roberts (B) 32.2 secs.

C. Rees-Roberts (B) 13.3 secs.

D. Lloyd (B) 1 min. 45.5 secs.

C. Rees-Roberts (B)

Scrutton 1 min. 12.6 secs.

Burton Bank 1 min. 22.5 secs.

4 x 33 yards medley relay

1st, Coll. 218; 2nd, Wk. 106; 3rd, Mur. 96

The following records have been set up or broken this year:

SENIOR

K. Bush

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C. Rees-Roberts

C. Rees-Roberts

JUNIOR

R. Whithouse (Wk) 2 mins. 51 secs.

N. Farrow (C) 81.1 secs.

R. W. Atchley (C) 30.6 secs.

R. W. Atchley (C) 82.6 secs.

R. W. Atchley (C) 33.0 secs.

R. Whithouse (Wk) 86.0 secs.

K. Bush (M) 33.3 secs.

R. Atchley (C) 36.6 secs.

R. Atchley (C) 14.1 secs.

K. Bush (M) 1 min. 45.0 secs.

R. Whithouse (Wk) 53.5 secs.

J. Walker (W)

Collinson 1 min. 20.6 secs.

Collinson 1 min. 30.8 secs.

4 x 25 yards individual medley

4 x 33 yards individual medley

4 x 33 yards medley relay

JUNIOR

220 yards freestyle

100 yards breaststroke

50 yards breaststroke

100 yards butterfly

50 yards butterfly

25 yards butterfly

4 x 25 yards individual medley

4 x 33 yards individual medley

D. Lloyd

D. Lloyd

Burton Bank

JUNIOR

R. Whithouse

K. Bush

K. Bush

R. Atchley

R. Atchley

K. Bush

K. Bush

K. Bush

1 min. 6.3 secs.

1 min. 40.0 secs.

1 min. 20.3 secs.

2 mins. 51.0 secs.

1 min. 14.5 secs.

33.3 secs.

1 min. 34.0 secs.

31.4 secs.

14.0 secs.

1 min. 9.0 secs.

1 min. 47.8 secs.

FENCING

Captain : S. R. Trewin

Hon. Sec. : N. G. Homan

Vice-Capt. : J. D. Zarno

Asst. Hon. Sec. : J. C. Ward

The Easter holidays witnessed our first entry in the Public Schools Championships, with good results, the school being placed fifth overall. J. D. Zarno performed extremely well to come second in the final of the sabre championship and S. R. Trewin was placed fifth in the foil championship. J. P. Stanbury, although he has not been fencing épée long, did very well to reach the quarter-final of the épée championship. We look to the Juniors for even better results next year.

Unfortunately, through various difficulties, many of our matches this term had to be and was narrowly lost, our sabre team teaching the veterans many new tricks. Mr. Martin postponed. An entertaining match versus the O.M.'s fencing club started the term's fixtures gathered together a masters' team and in a series of rather unorthodox duels the school team was beaten.

In a match against Merchant Taylors' school all the teams fought well but owing to the unavailability of two fencers, we lost. A match was arranged against Westminster School but they never turned up. To make up for the lack of matches Mr. Butler arranged an open competition for the Junior fencers, R. Pusey being placed first.

Next term we look forward to the postponed fixtures and some new fencing talent among the new boys. The club once again owes its thanks to Mr. Martin and Mr. Butler who devote so much of their time to coaching us.

TEAMS:

1st foil: S. R. Trewin; J. P. Stanbury; N. G. Homan

1st sabre: T. P. Hall; J. P. Stanbury; J. D. Zarno

1st épée: J. P. Stanbury; C. J. Trier; S. R. Trewin

JUNIORS:

Chase, Pusey, Warde, Palmer, Trier, Lowe, Edwards, Bychowski, Sykes, Smith, Pratt

QUARTER COLOURS:

Lowe, Palmer, Pusey, Edwards, Warde

GOLF

We have not had the greatest of terms. This was mainly because we had an inexperienced and young team, one had never played on grass before! We did not win any matches, but we all thoroughly enjoyed them, especially the 19th hole. But we did not lose badly, and as most of the team are staying on next year we have a good nucleus of players on which to base the foundations of the team. We owe a lot to Hendon Golf Club who have been very kind and patient with us, especially with our less talented members.

I would like to thank all the masters that have helped the school golfers, especially Mr. Sutcliffe and Mr. Turnbull. Also I would like to thank Mr. Mason for all that he has done for us during the many years in which he has looked after the golf club, and especially for the way in which he never lost heart in our gravest hours. We wish him all the success in his new-found status in the Golf Club at Gordonstoun. We know Mr. Mason is leaving us in good hands, as Mr. Butler's youthful zest has already made its impact.

COLOURS:

R. T. Watkins, I. J. Turnbull

TEAM:

R. J. Watkins, I. J. Turnbull, P. Levay, S. Nei, I. Morter, S. Crichton, P. Dexter, D. Kenning, S. Robinson



Front (left to right):
D. J. Stevens
T. W. Bunyard (Vice-Capt.)
J. R. Hume (Capt.)
S. Wright (Hon. Sec.)
R. W. Burns

Rear (left to right):
L. G. G. Taylor
D. K. Clark
D. L. L. James
A. P. T. Wilkinson
R. J. Hailey
M. Fowler

CRICKET

FIRST ELEVEN

Captain: J. R. Hume Vice-Captain: T. W. Bunyard Hon. Sec. S. Wright

April 27	HAMPSTEAD C.C.	H	99-6	183-6*	Drawn (rain)
May 4	ALDENHAM SCHOOL	A	157-9*	40-0	Drawn (rain)
11	MERCHANT TAYLORS'	H	—	—	Cancelled
14	CRANLEIGH SCHOOL	A	183-7*	75	Won by 108 runs
18	THE LEYS SCHOOL	A	113	115-3	Lost by 7 wickets
25	HIGHGATE SCHOOL	H	136-6	158-4*	Drawn
June 1	INCOGNITI	H	127	129-7	Lost by 3 wickets
1	M.C.C.	H	168	178-6*	Lost by 10 runs
8	DULWICH COLLEGE	A	135-9*	17-6	Drawn
15	OLD MILLHILLIANS	H	190-6*	187-9	Drawn
22	ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL	H	176-2*	14-0	Drawn (rain)
July 9	THE MASTERS	H	124	143	Lost by 19 runs
11	FELSTED SCHOOL	H	—	—	Cancelled
13	HAILEYBURY COLLEGE	A	176	177-5	Lost by 5 wickets

SECOND ELEVEN

April 27	OLD MILLHILLIANS	H	85	163-3*	Lost by 78 runs
May 4	ALDENHAM SCHOOL	H	—	114 4	Abandoned
18	THE LEYS SCHOOL	H	—	—	Cancelled
25	HIGHGATE SCHOOL	A	—	—	Cancelled
June 4	HARROW SCHOOL	H	59	61-1	Lost by 9 wickets
8	DULWICH COLLEGE	H	123	117-5	Drawn
15	OLD MILLHILLIANS	H	154-5	153	Won by 5 wickets
22	ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL	A	—	25-2	Abandoned
July 10	MERCHANT TAYLORS'	A	—	55-1	Abandoned
11	FELSTED SCHOOL	A	—	—	Cancelled
13	HAILEYBURY COLLEGE	H	79	142-4*	Lost by 63 runs

THIRD ELEVEN

May 4	ALDENHAM SCHOOL	A	119	6-1	Drawn (rain)
25	HIGHGATE SCHOOL	H	170-8*	85-7	Drawn
June 4	HARROW SCHOOL	H	121	120-9	Drawn
8	DULWICH COLLEGE	A	79	80-5	Lost by 5 wickets
15	OLD MILLHILLIANS	H	148-6*	114-9	Drawn
22	ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL	H	95	99-7	Lost by 3 wickets
July 10	MERCHANT TAYLORS'	H	—	—	Cancelled
11	FELSTED SCHOOL	A	—	—	Cancelled
13	HAILEYBURY COLLEGE	H	100	41	Won by 59 runs

FOURTH ELEVEN

June 8	DULWICH COLLEGE	H	119	199-4*	Lost by 80 runs
22	ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL	A	—	36-0	Abandoned
July 10	MERCHANT TAYLORS'	A	—	88-2	Abandoned
13	CHRIST'S COLLEGE, FINCHLEY	H	72	73-5	Lost by 5 wickets

COLTS

May 4	ALDENHAM SCHOOL	A	109-3	—	Abandoned
14	CRANLEIGH SCHOOL	A	65	152-5*	Lost by 87 runs
18	THE LEYS SCHOOL	A	85-4	130-8*	Drawn
25	HIGHGATE SCHOOL	H	—	—	Cancelled
June 4	HARROW SCHOOL	A	—	—	Cancelled
8	DULWICH COLLEGE	A	101-4	110-3*	Drawn
22	ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL	A	45-2	—	Abandoned
July 10	MERCHANT TAYLORS'	H	—	—	Cancelled
11	FELSTED SCHOOL	H	—	—	Cancelled
13	HAILEYBURY COLLEGE	A	71	72-0	Lost by 10 wickets
17	V.R.A. (AMSTERDAM)	H	—	—	Cancelled

JUNIOR COLTS

May 4	ALDENHAM SCHOOL	H	91	10-0	Drawn (rain)
18	THE LEYS SCHOOL	H	—	—	Cancelled
25	HIGHGATE SCHOOL	H	129-8*	76	Won by 53 runs
June 4	HARROW SCHOOL	A	—	—	Cancelled
8	DULWICH COLLEGE	H	27-0	26	Won by 10 wickets
22	ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL	H	147-3*	29-2	Drawn (rain)
July 10	MERCHANT TAYLORS'	A	—	—	Cancelled
11	FELSTED SCHOOL	A	—	—	Cancelled
13	HAILEYBURY COLLEGE	A	65	66-4	Lost by 6 wickets

YEARLINGS

May 4	HIGHGATE SCHOOL	A	41	42-1	Lost by 9 wickets
18	THE LEYS SCHOOL	A	29	141-6*	Lost by 112 runs
30	BELMONT SCHOOL	H	83-9	185-7*	Drawn

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

	P.	W.	D.	L.
First Eleven ...	12	1	6	4
Second Eleven ...	8	1	4	3
Third Eleven ...	7	1	4	2
Fourth Eleven ...	4	0	2	2
Colts ...	6	0	4	2
Junior Colts ...	5	2	2	1
Yearlings ...	3	0	1	2

MATCH REPORTS

HAMPSTEAD C.C. 183-6 dec.

Hampstead, with a strong side containing three Blues, had little trouble with the Mill Hill attack, though Hailey bowled well to take 3-66.

Wright and Burns put on 34 for the first wicket, but then the score slumped to 59-6 — three wickets each to Brodie and Piachaud — and though rain began to fall, Hampstead stayed out in the hope of a win. But Stevens played a fine defensive innings of 44 not out, accompanied by James in an unbeaten stand of 40 before Hampstead called it a day.

MATCH DRAWN

MILL HILL 157-9* (Bunyard 53)

The Mill Hill innings progressed in fits and starts: no-one reached double figures except Clark (42) and Bunyard, both playing good hard-hitting innings on a sodden field with a quick 23 not out from Sarna at the end.

Mill Hill fielded in increasing rain until tea, but the impossibility of holding the ball and the imminent danger of mass pneumonia prevented further play.

MATCH ABANDONED

MILL HILL 183-7 dec.

No-one batted badly for Mill Hill, but no-one reached 50. Fowler (45) and Bunyard (41) were top scorers, and we were able to set Cranleigh to get 183 in 165 minutes.

Cranleigh were never in the hunt. At team they were 31-4 mainly due to some fine bowling by Hailey, supported by good wicket-keeping and fielding. Taylor, an acquisition from the Colts, finished off the tail. A very competent performance.

MILL HILL WON BY 108 RUNS

MILL HILL 113

Mill Hill got off to a good start, putting on 33 for the first wicket in even time. But disaster then struck and everyone got out to some good leg-break bowling by Murrills. Wright made a quick opening 32, but thereafter only Taylor (31) could pick the googly.

The Leys had little trouble in knocking off the runs. After a quick wicket they had a second-wicket stand of 70 which virtually saw them through. This was a disappointing sequel to the team's display against Cranleigh.

MILL HILL LOST BY 7 WICKETS

HIGHGATE 158-4 dec.

Mill Hill had to field in appalling weather with a steady drizzle throughout. The ball was very difficult to hold, and the bowlers did extremely well in the conditions. However, Smethers made full use of the advantages of batting in such circumstances and made a fine century.

Mill Hill were left 129 minutes to get the runs. Burns and Stevens (34) batted very well, putting on 77 for the second wicket. At six o'clock we needed 59 runs in 30 minutes; this was on, but we started losing wickets and all sight of victory was lost.

MATCH DRAWN

MILL HILL 127

Mill Hill batted poorly against some very tight bowling. Only Burns (28) and Fowler (34) made a fight of it; the others mostly got out through impatience.

Incognito started very well, mainly through James, on loan from our 2nd XI, who scored 34 in an hour and thereby regained his place in the 1st XI. Some accurate bowling from Hailey (4-33) and first class fielding caused them to slump from 61-0 to 76-6, but victory was denied us by some very careful batting by the tail.

MILL HILL LOST BY 3 WICKETS

M.C.C. 178-6 dec.

Some excellent fielding kept M.C.C. to 84-3 at lunch, but Mill Hill could only contain the batsmen on such a placid wicket, and not make the breakthrough they needed.

Mill Hill had 156 minutes to get the runs, and after a disastrous start Wright and Stevens (38) batted extremely well to put on 103 for the third wicket. When Stevens was out 57 were needed for 7 wickets in 55 minutes. But now wickets began to fall in the face of some very steady bowling, and two suicidal run-outs did nothing to help. Eventually the match was lost by 10 runs with 2 minutes to go. It might so easily have been a famous victory, but it was in any case a very good match.

MILL HILL LOST BY 10 RUNS

MILL HILL 135-9* (Fowler 60)

The weather was cold and wet, and some good seam bowling, aided by some life in the wicket brought Mill Hill to 25-5 at lunch after 1½ hours' play. Play resumed at 3 o'clock when the rain stopped, and a fine determined stand by the two youngest members of the side put on 91 for the sixth wicket. Fowler's innings included two sixes, and Taylor again showed his elders the way with an excellent 38. The tea score of 105-5 was too little to declare on, and since we had no chance of bowling Dulwich out in much less than two hours, we declared at 5.07, giving them no chance of winning.

As so often occurs when batsmen have nothing to play for, they played irresolutely against steady bowling from Wilkinson (3-9) and Hailey (3-3) who gained some help from the pitch. Clark held three slip catches, but once again the weather was the real victor of the day.

MATCH DRAWN

MILL HILL 190-6 dec. (Stevens 72)

After a dreadful start Stevens and Wright (47) put on 89 for the third wicket. The good work was carried by Hume (31) and Mill Hill were able to declare leaving Old Millhillians 160 minutes.

After a slow start Old Millhillians quickened the pace, but wickets fell steadily and at 105-5 the School were well placed. Now Corby arrived and, after being dropped at 10, proceeded to hit the ball very hard and reached his 50 in 30 minutes. He was out at 6.15 with 13 needed to win, and once more wickets began to fall. The game ended in a very exciting draw. The Mill Hill fielding and throwing had not been bettered for many years.

MATCH DRAWN

MILL HILL 99-6

Aldenhams 40-0

The Mill Hill innings progressed in fits and starts: no-one reached double figures except Clark (42) and Bunyard, both playing good hard-hitting innings on a sodden field with a quick 23 not out from Sarna at the end.

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MILL HILL 176-2* (Stevens 60*, Wright 75*)

A good toss to win. In steady drizzle Burns (32) batted beautifully until he was run out; then Stevens and Wright took advantage of the bowlers' difficulties with the wet ball to put on 138 in 26 overs. Rain stopped play twice, and St. Paul's had 125 minutes to bat.

After five overs the rain was back with a vengeance and further play was impossible.

MATCH ABANDONED**THE MASTERS 143**

After a fortnight's break for exams Mill Hill made the mistake of giving The Masters first innings, and a rather lethargic display in the field allowed them to score comfortably, though the last 5 wickets fell for 32 runs.

James played a good innings for 28, and Clark, at number 8 made a hard-hitting 37 not out, but the others offered little resistance to a series of knowing bowling changes which enabled five different masters to share the wickets.

MILL HILL LOST BY 19 RUNS**MILL HILL 176 (Burns 61)**

An excellent hard-hitting innings by Burns and an equally aggressive rescue act by Bunyard (35) who came in at 123-6 gave Mill Hill a respectable total scored in fast time.

Haileybury were soon 19-3, but although Hailey and Taylor bowled well, the others could not help, and a fine innings by Beales (86 not out), who was dropped early on, took Haileybury to a disappointingly easy win.

MILL HILL LOST BY 5 WICKETS**FIRST ELEVEN AVERAGES****BATTING:**

	M.	Inns.	N.O.	Runs	H.S.	Av.	50s	ct/st
D. J. Stevens ...	11	11	2	306	60*	34.00	1	4
S. Wright ...	12	12	1	318	83	28.91	2	4/5
R. W. Burns ...	10	10	0	219	61	21.90	2	3
T. W. Bunyard ...	12	11	1	199	53	19.90	1	1
M. Fowler ...	12	11	2	171	60	19.00	1	3
L. G. G. Taylor ...	10	9	2	112	38	16.00	1	1
D. K. Clark ...	12	10	1	133	42	14.78	5	1
G. S. Sarna ...	7	4	2	29	23*	14.50	1	1
J. R. Hume ...	6	5	0	57	31	11.40	3	1
D. L. L. James ...	10	10	1	91	28	10.11	1	1
A. P. T. Wilkinson ...	12	9	2	43	18*	6.14	1	1
M. H. Pritchard ...	6	4	2	10	9*	5.00	3	1
R. J. Hailey ...	12	6	1	21	7	4.20	2	1

BOWLING:

	M.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.	5 wks
R. J. Hailey ...	12	138.2	41	357	25	14.28	1
A. P. T. Wilkinson ...	11	107	31	310	15	20.67	
J. R. Hume ...	6	76	19	236	9	26.22	
L. G. G. Taylor ...	5	32.5	6	136	5	27.20	
T. W. Bunyard ...	7	42.3	9	123	4	30.75	
M. H. Pritchard ...	6	26	4	130	4	32.50	
G. S. Sarna ...	4	13	2	55	0	—	

RETROSPECT

The First Eleven had the prospect of a very good season: seven old Colours remained, together with three more players who had been to Holland last year, and all of them had good performances for the First Eleven behind them. To these was added a Colt, Taylor, who quickly justified his selection, and we had a ready-made team. Two things prevented our hopes from being fulfilled: first and foremost the weather, which not only washed out two matches entirely and prevented a finish in five others (a total of half our fixtures), but also hampered practice and preparation, and very rarely allowed us to play on a good dry wicket.

Secondly we were unfortunate that two of our bowlers were out of action for most of the season. Hume, the Captain, missed the first month through illness, was never really fit and in form, and was ill again for our last three matches. Last year he got 28 wickets and nearly 300 runs; he should have been a great force this year, but instead could do almost nothing.

This was a cruel blow to our (and his) hopes, and when Bunyard broke down after five matches, we were considerably reduced in bowling power. A great burden was placed on Hailey's shoulders, and he bowled very well indeed — our best slow bowler for a long time — with good control of length and line, and changes of pace and flight: he has all the weapons of the classical slow left-armer. His main support came from Wilkinson, who started the season bowling leg-breaks, but then took over Bunyard's place as a seamer; his lively medium pace was always adequate and sometimes destructive. Taylor, our second slow left-armer, had some promising spells, but generally the attack was too thin to trouble the opposition: we could and almost always did contain them, but we could not bowl them out.

ST. PAUL'S 14-0

The ground fielding and throwing were pretty good and keen, sometimes outstanding (as against Old Millhillians), and Wright's wicket-keeping showed signs of real class; but although more than half our opponents' wickets were taken by catches (as they should be), there were a few too many dropped.

The batting was better than for some time. 150 should be regarded as the normal target in a whole-day match: more than that and we should at least be safe from defeat; less, and we may be struggling; and under 100 is a disaster. This year (unusually) there were no disasters, and we were out for under 150 only three times. The encouraging feature of this was that although collapses occurred (as they always will), there was usually someone with the character and temperament (for these are the vital qualities in a tough situation) to rescue the sinking ship. Stevens, Bunyard and Clark, and especially our two Colts, Fowler and Taylor, all played fine innings of this type.

Stevens was again our best batsman: he had the straightest bat (an excellent example to the others) and a fine sense of timing; his innings were always elegant and a delight to watch. He has served Mill Hill cricket very well, and his School career has been fittingly crowned by his selection for Southern Schools v. The Rest at Lord's in August (our first representative in this match since A. W. Dyer five years ago).

Wright was close behind Stevens with the bat, and shared in two century partnerships with him and one of 89. The feature of his play was his powerful driving which, when he remembered to keep his bat straight, was of high quality, and he played some fine innings. Of the two openers Burns had some very good hard-hitting innings, and James showed some ability. Clark and Bunyard were our biff-bang boys at 7 and 8, and each had a number of successes. And Fowler and Taylor each played some excellent innings and showed great promise.

Altogether this was a very happy and likeable side who all tried very hard; it was a great pity that, through no fault of their own, their efforts were not better rewarded. The season has been so dominated by the foul weather that there is little else for one to say about the Second Eleven. Of our programme of 11 matches, three were rained off before the start, two abandoned in the first hour, and one more at tea-time.

Five matches therefore remained intact, but it can hardly be claimed that this Second Eleven sparked with either bat or ball. Spineless and inept batting lost us the matches with Harrow and Haileybury, and an early match with Old Millhillians. We escaped luckily with a draw against Dulwich, who let us off the hook. Our one victory was on Old Millhillians Day, when in spite of a fine innings by Harley, we bowled the Old Millhillians out for 153. Thanks to good batting by Mills, Sarna and Philipps, we won a comfortable victory by 5 wickets.

The general standard of play was poor, the only bright spots being the batting of Philipps and Mills. Obviously the weather was a major factor in this disappointing season; let us hope for better in 1969.

The Third Eleven had to wait until the last match for their first victory, but in fact played better cricket than for two or three years, and can claim to have had the upper hand in most of the draws. Goldstein, in his third year in the side, captained the team intelligently and proved the mainstay of the batting; the bowlers too often bowled too short to be effective, but were well backed up in the field, where we had some accurate throwers, and some good catches were held. Above all, as befits a Third Eleven, there was a general cheerfulness about the side allied with a certain amount of determination.

Does the Fourth Eleven represent British amateurism at its best or worst? It depends on your viewpoint, I suppose. Enjoyment was certainly lacking when, on two occasions, we fielded in vile conditions for over an hour before common sense prevailed and play was abandoned. Efficiency in the other two matches was sometimes reduced by casualness; a hitter must acquire enough orthodoxy to do it soundly, as Dulwich showed us; and our batting was very brittle.

The best feature of the season was a spell of aggressive and tight bowling by Carter and Ashton, backed up by keen fielding on this occasion, against Christ's College, Finchley; but we had too few runs to play with, and ended the season with our second completed match, but also our second defeat.

The Colts only completed four games, and that against Dulwich started late. Quite a promising group of cricketers therefore had little opportunity; and some missed those games which were played.

Palmer and Wilkinson batted well on occasions; and the 90 runs which Palmer and Shaw made for the first wicket against Dulwich is a record. The bowling was poor after the promotion of Taylor, and the fielding worse; but unlikely people tried very hard on occasions and did very well.

The Junior Colts salvaged from the floods their most successful season since 1956, beating Highgate and Dulwich (needing less than three overs to do so), and losing to Haileybury. Six matches were either cancelled or abandoned.

The success of the side could be largely attributed to some excellent catches close to the wicket, backed up by competent ground fielding and throwing. The opening bowlers, Noorani and Hulme, were particularly indebted to sharp chances held by Constable, Walker and Manton.

It will be interesting to follow the development of the batsmen next year when one hopes they will have a chance of batting on dry wickets. Dawson, Witten and Hulme all showed an encouraging willingness to get on to the front foot and play strokes (against slower bowlers particularly), and all had at least one sizeable innings to show for it. Manton used his bottom hand to good effect and accumulated more runs than anyone, including 87 against St. Paul's

Not until after two defeats did the Yearlings realise that to perform satisfactorily, straight ball must be met by straight bat. The sometimes adequate bowling was alas not supported by keen fielding.

Weymouth won the Senior House competition, beating Burton Bank comfortably in the final. Burton Bank won the Junior House trophy, and shared the Leagues with Ridgeway.

THE TEAMS

1st XI

J. R. Hume (Captain)
T. W. Bunyard (Vice-Captain)
S. Wright (Hon. Secretary)
D. J. Stevens
R. W. Burns
D. K. Clark
R. J. Hailey
M. Fowler
L. G. G. Taylor
D. L. L. James
A. P. T. Wilkinson

3rd XI

R. D. Goldstein (Captain)
P. J. E. Childs
S. D. J. Newby
P. H. Neate
J. R. M. Potter
R. C. O. Farrow
J. D. E. Gallagher
A. C. Riley
M. J. Freeth
A. Pandit
P. C. M. Sunley

2nd XI

J. R. B. Dabney (Captain)
M. R. Phillips
P. J. Mills
G. S. Sarna
M. H. Pritchard
J. H. Griffiths
J. A. L. Dawson
R. M. E. Childs
G. B. Boardman
K. Chinoy
F. G. A. Passmore
D. M. Desai

4th XI

B. P. Kirk (Captain)
N. C. Andrew
J. A. Ashton
M. E. Carter
D. R. Dickinson
P. S. Dougal
M. R. Dungay
D. R. Duggan
J. A. B. Gray
D. A. Hopkins
M. Pe Kin
M. R. Pilkington
H. P. S. Shaw
S. F. Stone
A. Warshaw
J. D. A. Zarno

COLTS

D. G. Boothroyd, P. E. Edwards, K. D. Haggis, M. T. Harrold, A. G. C. Hogarth, T. J. King (Captain), A. M. Kingon, J. C. Massey, P. J. Palmer, M. E. Shaw, T. R. Scuray, C. E. R. Wilkinson.
Also played: J. L. Fox, S. K. Moss, S. R. Paterson, A. G. Turnbull.

JUNIOR COLTS

P. S. Arghebant, C. J. S. Belshaw, M. Constable, C. J. Creffield, R. J. Dawson (Captain), L. D. Greenfield, H. M. W. Hulme, R. A. Leach, H. P. Manton, A. F. Noorani, C. J. Shaw, M. P. Walker, P. H. Witten.

YEARLINGS

S. C. Bird, T. R. Chapman, R. H. Curtis, C. C. Davies, R. W. Guest (Captain), A. J. Hawkins, K. J. Norris, C. M. Parker, J. P. Reid, M. Salem, T. E. M. Sheikh.
Also played: P. A. Gould, I. Limbrey, A. Pe Kin, M. O. B. Pidgeon, N. C. Potter.

TENNIS

Master in charge: A. H. Vine, Esq.

We have had a poor season mainly because cricketers have been unable to strengthen our team when they were most needed. Our second pair showed much promise and it is hoped that their performance next year will come up to my expectations.

The juniors have performed well once again, losing only one match and then with a depleted team.

COLOURS:

1st XV:

1. C. W. Riddel (capt.) 1967-68
2. M. D. Stuart (Hon. Sec.) 1967-68
3. = M. R. Phillips 1968
D. J. Stevens 1967-68
5. D. R. Duggan 1968
6. P. I. Kino 1968

2nd VI:

1. L. J. Exton
2. G. A. Mizner
3. J. D. Riddel
4. = A. S. Warde
K. Edmondson
I. J. Turnbull

Colts VI:

1. L. Cheney
2. T. J. King
3. M. E. Shaw
4. I. Limbrey
5. = M. Fowler
L. G. G. Taylor
7. = J. R. Purkis
B. N. Gray
(G. R. Griffiths also played)

RESULTS:

1st VI:

v. Highgate	Lost 6 - 3
v. Stowe	Lost 8½ - ½
v. U.C.S.	Lost 9 - 0
v. Epsom College	Won 5 - 4
v. Aldenham	Lost 5½ - 3½
v. Felsted	Lost 9 - 0
v. Westminster	Lost 6 - 3
v. P.S.O.B.	Lost 6 - 3
v. Berkhamsted	Drawn 4½ - 4½

2nd VI:

v. Highgate	Lost 7½ - 1½
v. Epsom College	Drawn 4½ - 4½

Colts VI:

v. Stowe	Lost 3 - 1
v. Aldenham	Drawn 2 - 2
v. Haberdashers	Won 4 - 0
v. Felsted	Won 3 - 1
v. Berkhamsted	Won 4 - 0
v. Westminster & U.C.S.	Won 5/6 wins

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

IBBOTSON On 14th March 1967 to Sally (née Bean) and W. B. Ibbotson (1947-50), a son, John.

LLOYD-OWEN On 5th May 1968 to Heather (née Croucher) and Robin Lloyd-Owen (1954-59), a son, David Anthony.

BAILEY On 13th March 1968 at St. Margaret's Hospital, Epping, to Florence (née Davis) and Sqd. Ldr. R. Bailey (1948-51), a son, Christopher David, a brother for Richard, Jonathan and Andrew.

MEGGITT On 18th May to Maureen (née Horne) and Michael Meggitt (1944-48), a son, Edward Proger Claxton, a brother for Richard.

FERRYMAN On 14th February 1968 to Delia (née Westley) wife of Arthur J. Ferryman (1954-59), a daughter, Sara Elizabeth.

PICKERING On 2nd March 1967 in England to the wife of Dr. A. H. Pickering (1947-54), a son, Arthur Richard Couper.

ENGAGEMENTS

HOLLINS—READ The engagement is announced between the Rev. John Edgar Hollins (1949-54) only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hollins of Worthing to Elizabeth Anne Read only daughter of the late Mr. G. L. Read and Mrs. S. Read of Looe, Cornwall. The marriage will take place on 24th August 1968 at Stoke Damerel Parish Church, Plymouth.

HAWTHORNE—MACONACHIE The engagement is announced between John Duncan Hawthorne (1957-62) son of Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Hawthorne of Hendon, N.W.4, and Susanne Chloe Maconachie, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maconachie of Braughing, Hertfordshire.

MARRIAGES

VINT—HUGHES On 20th January 1968 at Nantwich Parish Church, J. W. Vint (1947-52) to Mary Hughes. Present address "Greenfields", Royalty Lane, New Longton, Preston, Lancs.

TRENCHARD—KOHLER On 4th April 1968, Hugh Anthony Trenchard (1932-36) of Mill Hill to Inge Kohler of Heidelberg, West Germany.

GUNN—OSBORNE On 20th April 1968 at St. Mary's, Somerleyton, Suffolk, Simon J. Gunn (1959-63), eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. R. Gunn of Finchley, London to Jennifer M. Osborne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Osborne of Oulton Broad, Suffolk. Best man was R. A. Lidwell (1959-64).

ANGEL—DAOUST On May 4th 1968 at St. Antonin's Church, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, Robert Angel (1955-60) to Carmen Daoust. The Best man was Robert Sadler (1955-60). New address: 4870 Cote des Neiges, Apt. 303, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

DEATHS

DUDMAN On 1st May 1968, Col. H. Curtis Dudman, O.B.E., T.D., M.A., (1913-20) of Troutwells, Penn, Buckinghamshire (obituary follows).

VINEY On 28th April 1968, A. D. Viney (1895-99) at his home at Jubilee Road, Parktown, Johannesburg (obituary follows).

SLATER On 29th March 1968, Simon Jonathan Slater (1963-67) of Upper Harley Street, Marylebone, W.1.

PURCHASE On 5th June 1968, Dr. H. S. Purchase (1921-24) in Johannesburg (obituary follows).

LEWIS In April 1968, Rev. J. MacGregor Lewis (1919-24) of the Vicarage, Ashford Carbonell, Ludlow, Salop.

MEGGITT On 17th June 1967, John Stanley Meggitt (1905-08) of Merethold, Wrecclesham, nr. Farnham, Surrey.

MILLS On 3rd June 1968, W. D. Mills (1962-66) of 18 East Hill, Wembley, Middlesex.

OBITUARIES

COLONEL H. C. DUDMAN, O.B.E., T.D., M.A. (1913-20)

The death of Curtis Dudman on 1st May 1968 was a great loss to the Club. When he was elected Hon. Secretary at the A.G.M. in 1965 he was not well known generally to members because after coming down from Cambridge he had spent only a short period in London before moving to the West Country where he became a Manager for Shell, and later, after overseas War service, his work had kept him on the Continent.

As a Territorial Officer it was not long after the outbreak of the Second World War that he was called on for Military Service. His was one of those cases in which a round hole was found for a round peg, and his experience of the distribution and storage of petrol and oil was put to good use in the R.A.S.C. As a result during the North African Campaign he found himself at Tobruk, where he was chiefly responsible for the creation of the petrol and oil installation there. Later he was a member of Monty's staff planning the invasion of Normandy, and during the subsequent advance into Germany. By the end of the War he had been promoted Colonel and awarded the O.B.E.

After the War he briefly resumed his former position with Shell in Devon, but then became attached to the Allied Control Commission in Germany, where he was the Commission's senior civilian officer for petrol and oil supplies. When those responsibilities were coming to an end he accepted an offer from British Petroleum Co., to establish B.P. in Italy. He did not know the language, and had to apply himself intensively to obtaining a working knowledge of it before taking up his appointment in Rome. Later he moved to B.P.'s associated company in Germany before ultimately holding a senior executive position at B.P.'s office in London until his retirement in 1962. Before leaving Germany he had bought a house in Penn, Buckinghamshire, where he lived on his return to England. In the meantime his son Timothy had gone to Mill Hill, where he became a Senior Monitor, a fact of which his father was very proud.

Curtis was brought out of his retirement to become Hon. Secretary of the Club when someone of his ability, experience and enthusiasm was urgently needed. Those qualities he brought unstintingly to the service of the Club, and the man who had been virtually unknown to members on his appointment became well known to a great many, at least by name, because of his power and desire to communicate, which he regarded as the most important aspect of the Hon. Secretary's job.

During the last six months of his life he had devoted a great deal of his time to the preparation of the new list of members of the Club, of which he passed the final proofs for the printers a few days before he died.

Perhaps those in the best position to judge of the quality of his work for the Club were the Presidents with whom he had worked, B. J. M. Boys, who had asked him to accept nomination as Hon. Secretary, Sir Graham Rowlandson, J. B. Fox and Lord Justice Salmon. It was a great disappointment to Curtis that his fatal illness prevented him from joining the last named at more than a few of his presidential engagements as they had been contemporaries at Cambridge, and he had looked to their working together for the Club.

Amongst those who attended the funeral at Penn on 6th May, were the Head Master, and the Club was represented by two former Presidents, A. S. Hewson, who also represented the Court of Governors, and B. J. M. Boys, the Chairman of the Council, M. W. Lloyd Owen, a former Hon. Secretary, W. Galloway, and Sir John Dunlop (1907-10) who had been British High Commissioner in Germany during Curtis Dudman's period with the Control Commission.

"He was a good man", a great companion who enjoyed life to the full, loved and respected by his many friends, and by all with whom he worked.

IAN DAVID CALDER, B.D.S. (Edin.) (1948-52)

In the December 1967 issue it was reported that I. D. Calder was missing, presumed drowned, on 26th August of that year on an expedition in Northern Canada.

His brother, Keith D. Calder (1945-49) now reports that I. D. Calder lost his life on a canoe expedition, when he and two others were exploring the Back River in the far North East of Mackenzie in the North Western Territories as their contribution to Canada's Centenary.

From an extract from the "Yellowknife News" of 6th-13th December 1967 it appears the Centennial Committee there made application to Ottawa to immortalize Calder's achievements by naming a northern lake after him as Calder Lake, and states "It is only fitting that he joins the names of others who gave much to the country on the permanent record".

H. S. PURCHASE, M.R.C.V.S. (1921-24)

H. S. Purchase died in Johannesburg on 5th June 1968. On leaving School he graduated at the Royal Veterinary College, and then went up to Selwyn College, Cambridge, before joining the Colonial Office Veterinary Service in Northern Rhodesia. Subsequently he became Director of Veterinary Research at Kabete in Kenya, and on leaving that country became a Director of Cooper & Nephews in South Africa.

A. DONALD VINEY, B.Sc. (1895-99)

A. Donald Viney, the Grand Old Man of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange died at his home in Jubilee Road, Parktown, Johannesburg, on 28th April 1968 at the age of 85. He had served ten terms as President of the Stock Exchange, and when he retired in 1961, had been on the Stock Exchange Committee for 46 years, a record unsurpassed by any other Committee Member.

Viney served as a member of a transport unit in the First World War, and was twice mentioned in despatches. In 1940 he was appointed Honorary Colonel to the Rand Light Infantry. He established the Exchange War Fund, which raised more than R.180,000, and its pension scheme.

The following Obituary appeared in the Rand Daily Mail on 29th April:—

"Mr. A. Donald Viney, who was 10 times president of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange died at his home in Jubilee Road, Park Town, Johannesburg, last night. He would have been 86 next month.

Mr. Viney had been suffering from bronchitis for the past few days. He leaves a son-in-law and several grandchildren.

'He was the greatest president the Stock Exchange has had' Mr. V. H. Simmons, present president said last night. 'He did a good deal for the Stock Exchange and for Johannesburg. He was a revered person'.

Mr. Viney, or Colonel Viney, as he was also known, came to South Africa as a young B.Sc. graduate in 1902. He became an authorised clerk of the Exchange in 1905, a member in 1908, and was elected to the Exchange committee in 1915.

The son of a broker, Mr. Viney started as a clerk in his father's firm of Viney & Jamieson. When he first became chairman of the Stock Exchange Committee, he was a member of Viney, Allen & Company, a firm respected throughout the world. He remained a partner in the firm until 1959, when he retired.

When he retired from the committee in 1961 after 46 years unbroken service, a plaque was placed in the market hall of the Exchange in his honour. He first became chairman in 1922.

Mr. Viney was twice mentioned in despatches during the First World War. His son died in action in the Second World War.

A keen student of heraldry, Mr. Viney was responsible for the addition of a crest of supporters to the Johannesburg coat-of-arms and for the granting of arms by the College of Heraldry to the Stock Exchange.

Last year he presented a symbolic sword to the Johannesburg City Council for use on all ceremonial occasions at which the Mayor was present.

He was fond of music, travel and art and remained a non-broking member of the Exchange. He was on the market last week soon before he became ill."

PERSONALIA

R. C. BRAITHWAITE, B.A., M.A.A. (1945-50) has been appointed Deputy Managing Director of Interlink Advertising Ltd.

E. S. COLQUHOUN (1961-66) who has been serving with the Hong Kong Police will shortly be leaving the force and proceeding to New Zealand. He came through the riots and subsequent bomb campaign unscathed, although he had a number of close escapes as a member of the bomb disposal squad. Colquhoun met **JULIAN HAYES** (1954-59) who was on H.M.S. Hermes at Hong Kong during the troubles.

LT.-COL. J. CROSS-BROWN, D.S.O., O.B.E. (1895-1900) a co-founder 30 years ago of the Anglo-Portuguese Society was the recipient of a presentation to mark his retirement as chairman of the Society at a recent reception at the Dorchester Hotel in London and was elected honorary deputy president. Col. Cross-Brown is a commander of two Portuguese Orders, the Military Order of Christ and that of Industrial Merit.

MAJOR J. M. HEWSON, M.C. (1946-50) writes to say that Lieut. **B. W. BARSTOW** (1955-60) is serving with him in "A" Company, 4th Battn., The Queens Regiment (Middlesex) as a platoon commander. Barstow had a very good Rugby Season, playing for the Army team eight times and representing the Army against the R.A.F. in the annual match at Twickenham.

E. J. MACKENZIE (1959-64) has been elected President of the Students Club of Guy's Hospital Dental and Medical Schools

J. E. MARNHAM, C.M.G., M.C., T.D., M.A. (1929-34) British Consul General in Johannesburg writes that an informal gathering of O.M.'s took place there on 7th February 1968 when he joined **A. D. VINEY** (1895-99), and **Col. A. E. MARNHAM** (1905-09) in dining with Mr. and Mrs. Dean Yates (Master 1950-53) at St. John's College, where Mr. Dean Yates is Head Master. The next generation of Marnham's, Nicholas (1960-65) and Brian (1962-67) have also been in Johannesburg during the last year.

J. D. PERKINS (1958-62) who was admitted a solicitor in June 1968 has recently returned from a two-month visit to the United States. Whilst travelling down the coast of California he had the pleasure of staying with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore, Head Master (1951-67) at their attractive home in Santa Barbara.

Rt. Hon. LORD OGMORE, P.C., T.D., J.P. (1917-20) was unanimously re-elected President of the newly formed Welsh Liberal Party at the second Annual Conference held at Llandrindod Wells from 30th May to 1st June 1968.

PHILLIP KING (1947-52) was one of the two youngest and most talented artists ever sent by Britain to the Venice Biennale which opened on June 22nd. After taking his degree at Cambridge and spending four terms at the St. Martin's School of Art he became an assistant to Henry Moore. King's sculptures have earned him a world-wide repute.

DR. A. HOLMES PICKERING (1947-54) has been appointed Medical Director of the Nigerian Gulf Oil Co., and will take up his duties on 1st August 1968. Pickering will be pleased to meet any O.M.'s who are stationed in Nigeria, or may be passing through, and can be contacted at:— Nigerian Gulf Oil Co., Gulf House, 19 Tinubu Square, P.M.B. 2469, Lagos, Nigeria. (Telephone 23421)

H. B. VANSTONE, J.P. F.C.A. (1926-29) partner in Thornton Baker and Co., Chartered Accountants, was elected President of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce in February 1968. He has served for a number of years on the Council and on the Taxation Committee of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce. A Justice of the Peace on the Manchester City Bench, Vanstone is a Past President of the Manchester Reform Club.

J. W. VINT (1947-52) has now returned to this country and is living at "Greenfields", Royalty Lane, New Longton, Preston, Lancs. After obtaining his B.A. at Christ's College, Cambridge in 1958 Vint was engaged in the railway locomotive industry in Britain, Sudan and East Africa.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION Last season's County Champions undertook an 18-day tour of East Africa in July. Included amongst the party of 21 players were three O.M.'s, **F. MANN** (1960-64), **J. H. KENT** (1952-57) and **A. S. MORTIMER** (1957-61). **R. S. SPONG** (1918-24) was the senior official on the Tour.

LIFE GOVERNORS OF THE SCHOOL

Under the 1869 New Foundation the qualifications for election as a member of the General Court of Life Governors of the School include:

Any O.M. who has contributed not less than ten guineas to the capital fund of the school, or

Any O.M. who has been awarded a degree at a British University.

The Life Governors meet once a year towards the end of June and are responsible for the election of the Governors of the School and for the appointment of the Auditors. At their meeting they receive reports from the Chairman of the Court of Governors and the Head Master, and they consider the accounts of the School for the previous year.

Any O.M. qualifying under either of the above conditions who would like his name to go forward for election as a Life Governor should apply to the Secretary to the Governors, Mill Hill School, Mill Hill Village, London, N.W.7, before the end of March in any year.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

LONDON ANNUAL DINNER: The Annual Dinner will take place in accordance with tradition on the last Friday in October i.e. the 25th. The Club is greatly privileged this year to have been invited by the President, Lord Justice Salmon, to hold the Dinner in the Middle Temple Hall. It is hoped that members will turn up in large numbers to show their appreciation of the opportunity thus given them to enjoy the hospitality of such historic surroundings, though accommodation is not unlimited. Acknowledgement should be given to Grosvenor House for having generously released the Club from the engagement previously made for holding the Dinner there, so that the President's invitation might be accepted.

AUSTRALASIAN 7th ANNUAL DINNER: The 7th Annual Dinner of the Australasian Association will be held on Saturday 5th October 1968 in Sydney.

FUNCTIONS SINCE LAST ISSUE

YORKSHIRE DINNER

The Yorkshire Dinner was held on 15th March 1968 at the Hotel Metropole, Leeds, at which the Chairman was Lord Justice Salmon, President of the Old Millhillians' Club. The principal guests were Mr. Joseph Hiley, M.P. for Pudsey, and Mr. Richard Wainwright, M.P. for Colne Valley, and there was a very representative gathering to welcome the Head Master on his first visit to Yorkshire since his appointment.

Old Boys present at the Dinner covered a period of 75 years at the School, and included Sir Ronald Walker (1894-97). The following report is taken from the Yorkshire Post of 16th March:—

Many attitudes to world problems were marred by "illogicality and emotionalism" said Mr. Joseph Hiley, M.P. (Cons. Pudsey), in Leeds last night.

He told members of the Old Millhillians' Club at their annual Yorkshire Dinner in the Hotel Metropole that this was the great danger to-day.

He drew a comparison between public response to the murder of thousands of tribesmen in Nigeria during the recent civil war, and to the execution of four Africans who had been convicted of "the most terrible murders" in Rhodesia.

Mr. Hiley who was proposing the toast of the School, complained of a lack of respect shown by young people to-day for their "elders" and "betters", and said that the traditional society which respected experience seemed to have become a victim of change.

Mr. Michael Hart, Head Master of the School, responding, said that no one was worried about the Newsome Report's implications for education. The problems ahead seemed to be more economic than political.

Those in charge of public Schools were, nevertheless, uncertain about the future and could be excused for feeling that they were "sitting on the edge of a precipice".

Mr. Richard S. Wainwright, M.P. (Lib. Colne Valley) proposing the toast of the Club, criticised the Headmasters' Conference schools for employing a public relations service. "Our independent schools should have no place for middlemen" he said.

The President of the Club, Lord Justice Salmon, responding, apologised for arriving half-an-hour late owing to a "technical hitch" on the aircraft bringing him from London.

He said there was "no county in England, Scotland or Wales where you can find as many devoted sons of Mill Hill School as in Yorkshire."

Those present included Sir Kenneth Parkinson, Mr. N. C. Haslegrave, Town Clerk of Leeds, Mr. J. H. Shaw, Professor J. B. Speakman, Mr. E. Waring, Dr. Vernon Light, Mr. G. M. Smailes, County Councillor J. R. B. Turner, Mr. J. B. Fox and Mr. R. Garnett.

LAWYERS' DINNER

The 11th Annual Lawyer's Dinner was held on the 22nd March 1968 in the Hall of Gray's Inn, when the Guest of Honour was the new Head Master. Lord Justice Sellers took the Chair, and we were very pleased to see amongst the guests Lord Morris of Borth-y-gest and Lord Justice Salmon, President of the Old Millhillians' Club, who proposed the toast of the School and of the new Head Master. In his amusing reply the Head Master referred to the common bond between the teaching and legal professions in that they were not always loved by one and all, and pointed out that complaints about the manners and outlook of the young had been common at least since the time of Socrates.

72 of us turned up for this delightful occasion, which we owe to the kindness of the Benchers of Gray's Inn and the considerable organisational work of Atchley and Webb.

MIDLANDS DINNER

The annual Midlands Area Dinner was held at the Westone Hotel, Northampton, on Friday, 29th March. Apart from the President and the Head Master, the guests included D. F. White Esq., the well-known Northampton Rugby Footballer who gained 14 England caps and captained Northampton "Saints" for several seasons. Mr. White proposed the toast of the School, and referred especially to the many fine Rugger players which it had produced. The Head Master replied with a speech that made all present realise that the School is very fortunate in its choice of new Head. He also proposed the toast of the Club, to which the President replied. C. W. Lewis (1923-27) was in the Chair.

There were six personal guests of O.M.'s present, and the O.M.'s in attendance were as follows:—

R. E. Pain	(16-20)	H. G. Spokes	(37-41)
K. S. Peirson	(17-20)	G. D. Tippleston	(50-55)
D. Williamson	(18-22)	C. R. Hilton	(51-55)
H. A. Lankester	(18-22)	W. R. Irving	(51-56)
A. D. Farmer	(23-26)	J. D. Farmer	(52-56)
J. G. Hilton	(23-27)	M. A. L. Holmes	(53-58)
C. W. Lewis	(23-27)	R. S. Russell	(53-55)
F. B. Thompson	(26-31)	J. D. Perkins	(58-62)
J. H. Cheaney	(27-30)	J. A. Davis	(59-63)
A. B. Cooke	(27-30)	M. J. North	(59-64)
O. M. Jones	(33-37)	W. J. B. Martin	(61-65)
M. A. Hastilow	(36-40)		

MAIDENHEAD & DISTRICT DINNER

An informal Dinner for Old Millhillians living in Maidenhead and the surrounding district, organised by J. M. Wright (1937-42) was held at the Hind's Head Hotel, Bray, on Friday the 29th March, when the following attended:—

M. R. W. Berry	(43-47)
J. N. Gadbury	(62-67)
M. W. Jackson	(16-20)
Keith Latham	(37-41)
Col. A. E. Marnham, M.C., T.D., D.L., J.P.	(05-09)
Richard H. Marnham	(40-43)
K. B. Nunn	(25-29)
G. Lloyd Page	(28-31)
R. A. Raffety	(29-33)
A. T. Rawlinson	(34-37)
Lt.-Col. D. E. Simpson, T.D.	(30-33)
K. D. Spivey	(36-39)
G. V. Walker	(24-29)
I. M. Wright	(37-42)

SUBSIDIARY CLUB REPORTS

CRICKET

The first eight weeks of the 1968 Season have been the worst "enjoyed" by the Club for many years. So little cricket has been played that it is not worthwhile giving details of the scores as it will be better to provide a full summary for the season in the next issue. At the time of writing, however, the First XI has won one match, tied one, drawn one, and lost two; while the Second XI has won two, drawn one and lost one.

At Headstone Lane we are pleased to welcome our new groundsman, Ted Carfrae, and his wife Joan. Because of the bad weather they have had a wretched start to their first cricket season, but being a cheerful couple they have overcome with equanimity and good humour all the problems set by malevolent nature. We are very fortunate to have found such friendly, competent and charming people.

FENCING

We have been smaller than we had hoped to be in numbers (although not, we hope, in stature). This year, and at the beginning of a new season, I hope that we will be able to rectify this somehow. One very notable new member has been the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Salmon, who has very kindly agreed to be the Club's President. He did say, however, that he did not expect to be asked to fence; no doubt purely on the grounds of modesty (perhaps?).

We had one notable fixture last term when we fenced the School, fresh from its success at the Public School's Championships. Our more experienced foil team won all but one fight, which was more than fortunate, as we then managed to lose both the sabre and épée fairly convincingly. Somehow we just scraped home the winners by 14 fights to 13.

A proposed tour of France — watered down to Ireland (no offence meant) — changed to Scotland, and finally arranged in sunny London — did not come off eventually due to various other tournament commitments. Next year, however, we hope something really will materialise.

Thomas Howe reached the semi-finals of the Aldershot Foil Championships, and Jeremy Thorn fenced épée and sabre for Yorkshire. He reached the finals of the Inter-County team championships. During the University Exam periods, while Jeremy Thorn was working hard it would seem, Derek Holliday carried away Jeremy Thorn's girl friend as a partner in the Yorkshire Pairs championships, where they reached the finals and came fourth (While the cat is away . . . ?).

Finally, on a very sad note, we would all wish to express grief at the tragic death of Simon Slater. A former Captain and Senior Foil champion at School, he perhaps showed the greatest promise of us all. A buoyant personality — he was always prepared to look at the sunny side of life. We shall all miss him greatly. We would like to convey our deepest sympathy to his parents and brother in their great loss.

GOLFING SOCIETY

The Society's team set out for the Halford Hewitt at Deal with a large part of the country covered in snow. Grim forebodings of a repeat of the 1966 blizzard conditions gripped us all, but the south-east had escaped very lightly and conditions were quite good throughout.

We looked forward to playing again at Royal St. George's and meeting our old rivals The Leys. Although we were missing some of our young players we took a party of 15 and had a good turn-out on the practice day.

The conditions for the first round were good, with a firm breeze following at the first hole. At top couple the experience of Tom Dilks-Page was too much for an out of practice Derek Sigley and Christopher Pilbrow, who lost 2 and 1. In the second match the brothers Cook for The Leys, one the Norfolk champion, were too severe for Ken Spivey and Alan Greenlees. The fourth match went to Mill Hill by 4 and 2, Donald Reid and Gordon Hawes found the ever courteous Freddie Brown, of cricketing fame, stroking his drives perfectly along the ground, and St. George's is no course for that. Forward then to the third match where Jim Hawes and Roger Steele, having a small early lead in a tight match, were caught and lay dormant one down on the 18th

tee. After some nervous play by both sides, Jim Hawes holed a 6 ft. putt to square the match. Since the fifth match was still playing some holes back, The Leys still lacked the third match for victory, and down the 19th we went.

As we played down the first hole a cheerful looking Jim Davidson and Dick Makins appeared over the hill from the 17th, having won their match there, so it was 2 all and all to play for.

Steele had the better second to the 1st hole but we failed to get the four and it was halved in five. The second was halved in four, both sides holding brave putts. Both tee shots missed the third green but Steele played a lovely chip from a difficult position short and right of the green. Later, Leys putting first holed an eight-footer but Hawes staunchly followed them in from slightly nearer and for a half in three.

Mill Hill played the fourth in orthodox style with a drive kept well right over the top of the hill and a fine second just short of the green. Leys played three shots down the left hand rough, leaving a fiendishly difficult blind approach to the raised green. The Leys made a brave try at their long putt from the top of the green and Hawes was left with two for the match from 6ft. He decided that three 6-footers in four holes was enough for mere mortals and sidled it up to two inches away. Whilst this titanic struggle was being fought out to a sizeable gallery a jet black cloud had been building up over Sandwich. On the long trek back to the Clubhouse the heavenly icebox opened and a vicious hailstorm quickly blew up. Soon after the rejoicing Millhillians were soaked inside as well. We have arranged an evening match against the Leysians on the strength of our thrilling encounter; they will no doubt be thirsting for revenge.

On Friday morning we met Rossall, winners in 1960 and 61 with some trepidation, which proved well founded. English international Malcolm Lee and his partner were out in 33 against Sigley and Pilbrow, and Nigel Howard, late captain of Lancashire, showed Ken Spivey none of the goodwill due to a fellow county cricketer.

In the end it proved to be a 5-0 whitewash, but we took three matches to the 16th and one to the 17th, with which we had to be satisfied.

Several Millhillians returned to St. George's for a delightful day's golf on Saturday, and on Sunday our very good friends, the Cranleighans, played with great distinction in the final, losing the deciding match in extra holes to the holders, Eton.

RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Coming as it does half-way through the Summer recess, a request for this report recalls both pleasant memories of the previous Season, and a nasty reminder that the next Season is nearly upon us, and a start must be made to get things organised.

Last Season was in retrospect an exceptional one. Although the number of wins fell slightly short of the previous Season, there was built up in the side a team spirit that in the Middlesex Seven-a-Side Competition carried us through to the finals at Twickenham for the first time in thirteen years. It is your correspondent's view that this was the triumph of the Season, and to pick out any single efforts of one of the seven would be unfair. I would like, however, to mention the Captain, Alan Toulson, who having trained the team, decided that he did not merit a place and therefore stood down, a most unselfish act.

Next Season looks good. The selection team has been added to for in addition to Toulson as Captain — Ronnie Boon as Vice-Captain and Jon McAllister as Third Member — Francis Mann has been co-opted as a second Third Member. Most of last Season's players will hopefully be with us again. F. Mann has gone to Africa with the Middlesex Touring Party and should benefit enormously from this experience, and with a full year of Club Rugby behind them some of the players who joined us last year should be edging up the teams.

If I may I will close on a more practical note. The Revenue from S.W.A.P.A.S. is vital to the Club's solvency, and S.W.A.P.A.S. is the playing members way of building club funds. If we want to keep the Club in the black so that eventually we can afford a hard pitch and better changing facilities we must support S.W.A.P.A.S. Every playing member should have at least three and if possible five tickets. See to it that you aren't falling your share.

Remaining Results for 1967/68 from March 21st:

	Points For	Points Against	Result
Northampton	11	17	Lost
Old Alleynians	13	11	Won
Williams College (Mass. U.S.A.) ...	11	9	Won
Old Rutlishians	19	6	Won
U.C.S. Old Boys	44	3	Won
Taunton	14	15	Lost
Torquay	19	16	Won
Bridgewater	20	11	Won

Summary for 1967/68:

Played 33, Won 19, Drawn 1, Lost 13, Points for 342, Points Against 228

TENNIS CLUB

In the Old Boys' Team Competition we drew a bye in the first round and defeated the Old Paulines 5-2 with two unfinished in the second. Tom Fenner and Brian Palmer and David Fenner and Tim Phillips each won two matches, and John McAllister and Paul Sellers won one. Our next opponents are the Old Rugbeians or the Old Welling-tonians.

Any players wishing to join the Club are asked to contact the Hon. Secretary, J. B. Visser, 85 Athenaeum Road, N.20. Telephone: 01-445 8949.

YACHT CLUB

The Season started with a period of very poor weather, however, both yachts were commissioned on time and the work undertaken by Members once again saved considerable sums of money.

As reported in the previous edition the venue for the Club Cruise this year is Denmark. During the first two-week period of the Cruise it was hoped to get "Winnie" to Fredericia in Denmark. However, the appalling weather which delayed Wimbledon and saved Australia in the Test Match also affected "Winnie". During the first week passage from Ramsgate to IJmuiden was completed and "Winnie" entered the Dutch Canals to Amsterdam and then across to IJsselmeer to Lemmer through Friesland to Delfzijl. This part of the trip was most interesting and the Dutch people throughout were most kind and helpful.

The Rear Commodore David Piercy in his yacht "Saint Cloud" met "Winnie" in Delfzijl as it was planned to carry out the passage from there to Cuxhaven and through the Kiel Canal in company. Bad weather then intervened and both Yachts were storm bound in the German island of Borkum for the rest of the week. However both crews made the best of a bad job and had as much fun as possible under the circumstances.

At the end of the week the weather eased and allowed both yachts to return to Delfzijl where the fortnightly change-over took place.

At the time of writing "Winnie" should be in Kiel Canal with Stuart Hibberdine and his party on board.

I am sure that everybody hopes that the latter part of the Summer will be an improvement on the first part, and if that is the case I am sure that the Yacht Club will have a most successful season.

ALFORD HOUSE

Summer-Lambeth like the rest of London becomes restricting, oppressive, and people more lethargic than ever. It shows in the youth clubs. Nerves can fray easily — we try to combat it by keeping a full programme. What are the members drawn in by night after night?

Alford House is vast with something going on somewhere all the time whether it be a pop group practising, football in the gym, cricket outside, or skating upstairs. Sundays see it packed in the evening for the discotheque. There is an easy-going but controlled atmosphere where it is as important for a leader to know when to leave well alone as when to take part. Often the members just want to get away from their little box council homes and the rest of the family. The club is then a meeting place and they talk for hours in the coffee bar.

There are the specials, such as the barbecues, the rock climbing and camping expeditions, and the holidays, one to Spain, another to Lee Abbey in Devon. Biggest surprise was when B.B.C.2 decided to come and film the Club, and then ask the members about their sex education for a programme in the Man Alive series.

So there is always something going on — there could always be more given the help and the money. Those boys who came down to help with the jumble sale realised how useful they could be. Alford House badly needs more help. Nobody pretends that it is easy here, but there would be no excitement or sense of achievement if it were. Alford House gives fantastic experience in dealing with people. It is bound to be a shock coming here after Mill Hill — almost certainly a good one — it will make you realise how important the start in life is. You could get a good start in life out of Mill Hill by helping here. Mr. Sutcliffe at Mill Hill, or Peter Hunt at Alford House, Aveline Street, S.E.11, will be pleased to advise you; why not get in contact with them?

MASONIC LODGE

The general chaos caused by the British Rail "go slow" resulted in a low attendance at our June meeting, at which Brother Ray Hubbard (1946-51) was elected Worshipful Master for 1968-69. W. Brother E. C. Emerson (1915-19) was re-elected Treasurer for a further twelve months. Several enquiries have been received from Old Millhillians who are interested in becoming members of the Lodge, but in certain cases, such as those who enquire at Leavers Parties, we have to say that the lowest age of admission is twenty-one. This usually means a delay of two or three years before they become eligible.

The Secretary will be pleased to give information to any Old Millhillian (or Master at the School), at Malvern, Cedars Close, Hendon, N.W.4. Telephone: 01-203 0644.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Editor,
Old Millhillians Column.
Dear Sir,

Looking Back

I was interested in Ford Young's letter in the Old Millhillians Column of the School Magazine under the above heading for I too was a member of the Old Dance Committee, and present at the Dance on the night when Edward VII died. My most vivid recollection is of the sombre silence that followed the announcement made by Sir John McClure before we all moved off slowly and silently as the occasion demanded.

I can look back, perhaps a bit further than Ford Young to the time when the old Dances were held at the Gate House Hotel, Highgate, before the Club climbed the ladder to the Wharnccliffe Rooms, and later to the Savoy.

I have been present with a party at almost every one of these functions until a few years back when "anno Domini", the Doctor, clamped down on some of my more youthful activities.

Looking back still further in the Club's history, it was, I believe, in 1903 that on the initiative of James McGowan and Jimmy Cross-Brown the O.M. Rugger Club was resuscitated: I played in the first match (against, I think, U.C.S.). I wonder how many who played in that team are alive to-day. Twenty-one years later to celebrate that occasion, I, as the oldest inhabitant, captained a team of veterans against the School Third XV. It was pouring with rain and the field was a quagmire, and we, with our vastly superior weight and, I claim, the right tactics for the occasion, won the match, if I remember rightly, by a push-over. Some forty-four years must have passed since then.

'Sic transit gloria Mundi'.

Yours sincerely,
Charles N. Dore,
1895-98.

HENRY SHAW OF ST. LOUIS, U.S.A.

In his speech at the London Annual Dinner on 27th October 1967 the President, J. B. Fox (1924-26), gave some account of his then recent visit to the U.S.A., where he attended the North American Association Dinner in Toronto. He went on to say that before returning to this country he had visited St. Louis, Missouri and there paid respect to the memory of Henry Shaw (1811-13) one of the earliest boys to attend Mill Hill which had opened four years previously in 1807.

Most members who heard the President's remarks never appeared to have heard of Shaw, so that they and other Members may well be interested to have some further details, which are taken from an article which appeared in the Christian Leader of 28th July 1892.

Henry Shaw was much influenced during his schooldays by the beauty of the school grounds which had in part been the famous botanical garden created by Peter Collinson who was the friend and disciple of Linnaeus. In later years Shaw often spoke to friends in the U.S.A. of his particular love for a tree at Mill Hill planted by Linnaeus.

It appears in those early days every boy at Mill Hill whose conduct merited the privilege was given a square rod of ground to till as he pleased during his time at School, and this also influenced Shaw very much.

A Yorkshireman from Sheffield, Shaw emigrated to North America with his father in 1818. They sailed to Quebec in an old Danish prize vessel, taking with them a quantity of merchandise for the furtherance of the family business, and we are told the voyage lasted 74 days! Business there was not good and Henry, still in his teens, went by sleigh through New England to New York. From there he went on a 23-day sail to New Orleans, and finally decided to try his fortune in St. Louis, where he arrived in May 1819 after a 45-day steamboat trip up the Mississippi.

Shaw was a very astute businessman and effected big freight economies by being the first merchant to import English goods by the direct water route rather than overland from Philadelphia.

It was not long before Shaw had become one of the leading citizens of St. Louis where he owned land in the city and 800 acres just outside. In this latter area in 1848 he commenced the construction of his famous garden, surrounded by a 12-ft. wall, which was floretum, fructicetum and arboretum. The garden, which became known as the Missouri Botanical Garden, was always open to the public, and every celebrity visiting the city was invited to plant a tree.

The garden became Shaw's absorbing interest, and he bequeathed it to the State in an early will with an endowment. However early in the morning a visitor came to the garden he would invariably find the owner "taking his morning round with an inevitable eye for everything left undone".

Subsequently Shaw endowed a botanical professorship in the neighbouring university and gave St. Louis a tract of land adjoining his garden for a park. This people's playground was a mile long and 270 acres in area, and for beautifying it, the perpetual ground-rent of a ring of building lots running round the park was added.

In middle life Shaw travelled much in Europe, Asia and Africa. He spoke French and Italian fluently, became fond of the latter country, and gathered a library there.

Shaw died in the city of his adoption in 1889, the last representative there of the old-time merchant princes, and the greatest benefactor St. Louis ever had.

In addition to his botanical garden he provided parks, a museum, an observatory and endowments of five million dollars, all of which he presented to the State of Missouri.

Shaw's name will forever be remembered in St. Louis as the 19th May is observed as a day of Commemoration for him each year.

CAREERS

CAREER SEMINAR — MILL HILL — 22nd/23rd NOVEMBER 1968

CAN YOU HELP?

The School are holding another of their Career Seminars under the auspices of The Industrial Society on November 22nd and 23rd. Some 160 boys in the Sixth Form will

be taking part. This activity has proved extremely successful and rewarding in the past, and great things are expected of this forthcoming session.

What they need is you! If you are under 40 and have line management experience in industry, would you be prepared to spend 48 hours at the School to act as a discussion leader for a group of some 10 boys? The School will of course provide suitably civilised bed and board. If you feel you could spare the time to help the School in this, please write to Tony Mason, Careers Master, Mill Hill School.

A CAREER IN ENGINEERING by Jack Dinsdale, M.A., D.A.E., C.Eng. M.I.Mech.E., M.I.E.E. (1950-55)

Until recently the engineer has been popularly regarded as a character in greasy overalls employed in monotonous manual manipulation in a dirty workshop. Nowadays however it is generally appreciated that engineering involves far more than basic mechanical skills, important though these may be. There is a growing awareness of the talents required of the professional engineer, and the responsibilities he has to assume in both technology and management. Whereas many people tend to think of engineers solely as Applied Scientists, they may in fact spend very little time applying science and maths. The professional engineer has also to be a salesman, artist, psychologist, economist, accountant, lawyer, politician and manager. Indeed if he so wishes the engineer has an almost unparalleled opportunity to exert his skills and influence over a wide range of subjects most of which directly affect our environment and living conditions.

With the multiplicity of jobs he may be expected to tackle (and in my opinion engineers have only themselves to blame if they get into a rut), it is impossible to describe a typical engineer's day, because there are no typical engineers. However, most engineers are involved either in forming ideas, for example in the design of a product, or in interpreting and perhaps improving upon the ideas of others.

There are various grades within the engineering profession, which may be generalised as chartered engineer, technologist, technician and craftsman, and all these may exercise their skills in management. Although there are many traditional specialisations within engineering itself, the old barriers of civil, mechanical, electrical, and others are being broken down now that individuals are finding the need to be knowledgeable in a number of disciplines. What the majority of engineers have in common are the desire and ability to serve the community by furthering the proper application of basic physics, mathematics and a sense of design. Engineers are creative, but within fairly strict scientific guide-lines. Above all, they are concerned with human beings whose lives and standard of living are influenced by their work.

As might be expected with such a diverse industry, there are many ways of becoming qualified. Broadly speaking, an engineer education falls into three phases: theoretical training, practical training and gaining experience. This last phase never finishes. Theoretical training may take place at a University or at a Technical College, and consists of either full-time study (normally for three years), "sandwich course", in which engineering theory is interleaved with periods of practical training at a sponsoring company, or day release and evening studies taken in conjunction with full-time practical training. Students who take a course of full-time theoretical study can gain their practical training either before the course starts, with further work during the long vacations, or during a "graduate apprenticeship" undertaken during the first one or two years after graduating. This practical training is very desirable, since it provides the chance to see how the various facets of industry work together and, if one is perceptive, to get the "feel of industry" which is essential for those aspiring to management.

There is currently much discussion about the advisability of specialisation at University. A few colleges offer a general engineering course, but the majority adopt a general first year followed by some degree of specialisation in the second and third years, but there is a far greater need for men who have acquired a broad general knowledge before specialising. A good plan is therefore to defer specialisation until a postgraduate course, which if taken after a few years in industry may be better directed to one's personal ambition. An educated man has been defined as someone who "knows something about everything and everything about something", and the best engineers and engineering managers seem to fit this description.

Even after qualifying, many engineers keep their knowledge up-to-date by attending occasional evening courses, and there are a number of short specialist courses run for periods from 1 day to 16 weeks, to which the large companies often send employees. The practice is also increasing of sending engineers to attend postgraduate management courses after they have been in industry for a few years.

The engineering institutions, which exist to foster and stimulate the growth and application of engineering knowledge, are well worth joining at an early stage as a student member. In this way one can meet practising engineers and experience up-to-date engineering in a wide range of subjects. Corporate membership of the major institutions confers the title "Chartered Engineer", and signifies that the recipient has achieved satisfactory standard in both theoretical and practical aspects of engineering, including management. However, this award is unlikely to come before one's 30th birthday.

In conclusion, engineering must be described as hard work, even more arduous at times than the advertising described in the previous issue, but at the same time it is immensely rewarding. Above all, modern engineering is fun; it gives a man the chance to extend himself, and one seldom meets a more delightful blending of the sciences and the humanities. During the next few decades, increasing use will be made of computers in the automation and control of processes throughout industry, and the engineers of the future will have an important and exciting part to play in this second Industrial Revolution.

OLD MILLHILLIANS' CAREERS FORUM NO. 10 Thursday, May 16th 1968 "OPPORTUNITIES IN ENGINEERING"

This session of the Forum focussed once more on Engineering. Some of the themes that emerged were:—

- (i) the need to present a better image of the new "Chartered Engineer" as a fully professional animal;
- (ii) the value of a broad, almost philosophical framework, within which to develop mastery of particular knife-edge disciplines (e.g. Tribology);
- (iii) the benefits of getting the flavour of a number of different industries while still at school;
- (iv) the realisation that training in Industrial Management made more sense after the engineer had had some years practical experience;
- (v) the fact that many of the smaller less-publicised industries (e.g. furniture) might well offer very much better career prospects than some of the larger organisations.

Those taking part were Keith Wrighton (1938-41), Jackie Dinsdale (1950-51) and Donald MacDonald (1946-51).

R. C. Braithwaite,
Secretary, Careers Forum

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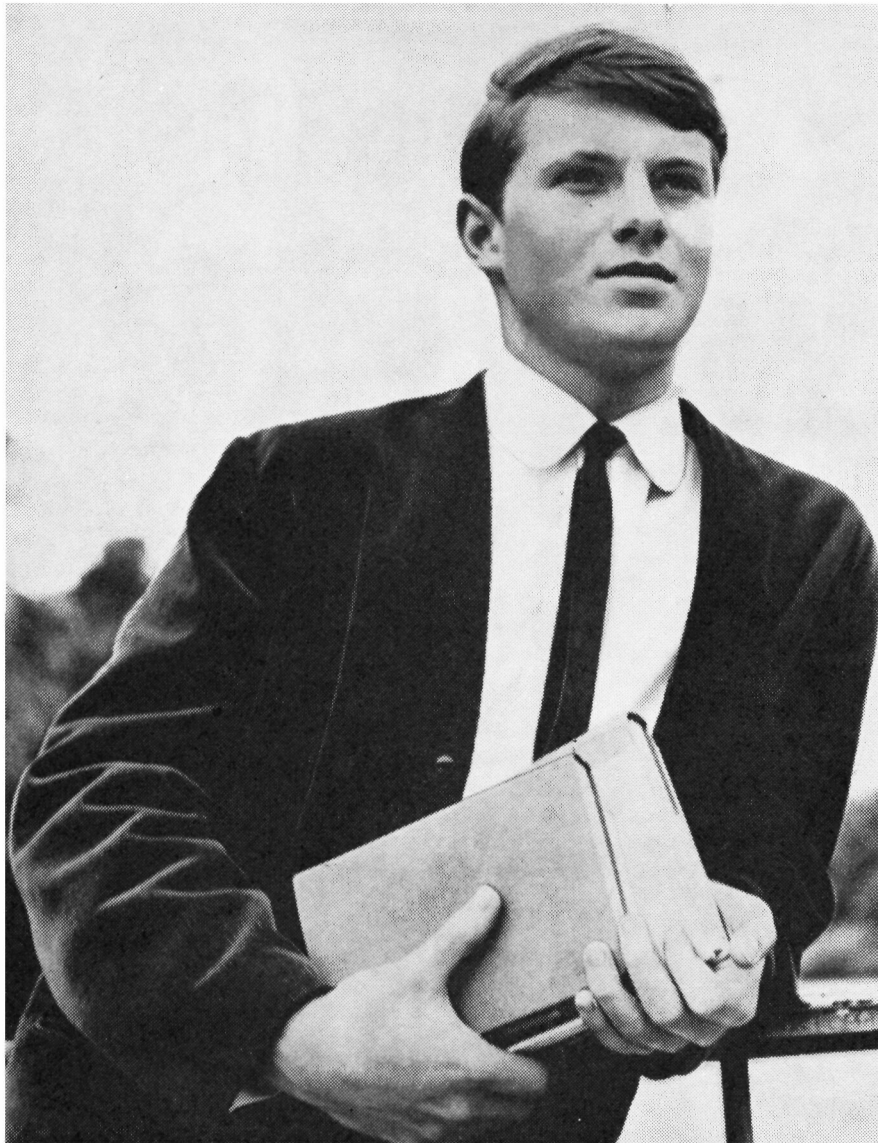
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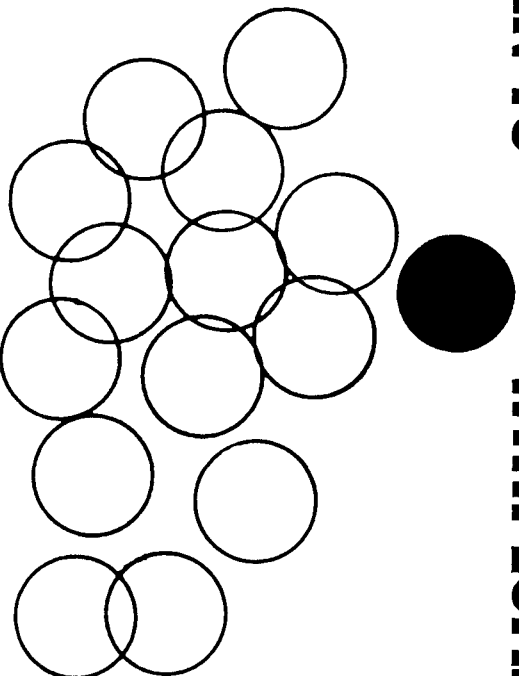
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