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EDITORIAL

For the newcomer to a Public School the weeks may well seem eternal and the day when he will finally leave but a distant speck with which he is justifiably unconcerned. The second year of school life sees a transition, and for all but the most studious, time bows to the all-powerful god of sport. The final terms of every career however, when many contemporaries have already donned the Old Boys' scarf, is for each one of us a time for recollection, and perhaps we like Faust are led to exclaim to the fleeting moment "Verweile doch, du bist so schön!" It is then that the school magazine, whose pages have in previous years merely been turned for the trivial incidents recorded in "Here and There", or for a cursory glance at the "House Notes", takes on new meaning. For the sportsman, the magazine provides an opportunity for recollecting successes and disappointments too, while for the more industriously minded there is the pleasure of seeing his own work in print. Although we are wrong to insist on living in the past, as part of a tradition, the magazine can nevertheless play the essential role of chronicle and record, without retarding the advance of the school.



Et Virtutem Et Musas

School Staff

Senior Monitor: J. M. G. HUNT (W.).

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T. D. Phillips (Wk.), A. J. Horne (Wk.), S. W. White (W.), M. F. Hopkins (S.), J. Culver (R.), T. G. Davies (C.), C. J. Burt (B.B.), C. J. Carter (W.).

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Appointments

February 1960:

Monitors: C. J. Burt (B.B.), C. J. Carter (W.).

School Prefects: A. S. C. Air (Wk.), R. S. Burns (B.B.).

March 1960:

Monitors: R. J. Hayman (C.), W. O. W. Roberts (Wk.), R. K. Sadler (S.), A. K. Toulson (W.).

School Prefects: J. S. Abbott (C.), R. J. D. Boon (M.), R. A. Furness (C.), P. D. James (S.), D. G. Moore (M.), A. G. Walsh-Atkins (W.).

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Salvete

Spring Term:

School House: J. G. L. Kinghorn.

Summer Term:

Burton Bank: S. Calderara.

Murray: R. J. Barrett, R. M. Francis, M. D. Greisman.

Ridgeway: I. Borland.

School House: R. A. Elmore, R. W. Motson.

Winterstoke: P. B. Robinson.

Valete

M. F. HOPKINS (1955-60); Upper Modern Subjects VI; Monitor, Nov. 1959; Head of House; Games Committee; Executive Committee; 2nd XV 1958-59, (Captain 1959); 1st XI Hockey 1959-60, (Hon. Sec. 1960); 3rd XI Cricket 1958-59, (Captain 1959); Science Society; Phoebe Group, (Committee); Playreading Society, (President); Geographical Society, (Third Member); R.S.M. in Army/C.C.F.; Cromwell House, Shipton under Wyckwood, Oxon.

P. J. Fox (1955-60); Scrutton; Upper Modern Subjects VI; House Prefect; Royal National Lifesaving Society, Instructor; 1st XV 1959; Witan, (Prolocutor); Geographical Society, (Hon. Sec.); Society of Philatelists, (Hon. Sec.); Viticultural Society; Corporal in Army/C.C.F.; Reading P.P.E. at Wadham College, Oxford; Candlesby, Otley Road, Bramhope, near Leeds, Yorks.

M. O. LIDWELL (1955-60); Murray; House Prefect; 1st XV 1958-59; 2nd XI Hockey 1960; Athletics Team 1958-59; Cross Country Team 1958-60; Boxing Team 1957; Pythagoreans; Queen's Scout; Reading Physics at Balliol College, Oxford; 106, Holden Road, London, N.12.

Chapel

Preachers on Sunday mornings this term have been :

JAN.	17	The Head Master.
"	24	The Chaplain.
"	31	W. J. Wright, Esq., B.COM. (O.M.).
FEB.	7	Rev. Kenneth Slack, M.A., Secretary, The British Council of Churches.
"	14	Rev. Cecil Northcott, M.A., The Lutterworth Press.
"	21	Rev. Douglas Stewart, Assistant Director of Religious Broadcasting, B.B.C.
"	28	Rev. R. L. Howard, Vicar of Henlow.
MAR.	6	Rev. C. S. Selvamony, M.A., B.D., Tinvelly Diocese, Church of South India.
"	13	The Chaplain.
"	20	Rev. Dr. S. Maurice Watts, Union Church, Mill Hill.
"	27	The Head Master.

The Library

New books this term include: BIOGRAPHY: "The Rainbow Comes and Goes", "The Light of Common Day" by Diana Cooper; "Karl Marx" by C. J. S. Sprigge; "Tolstoy" by T. Redpath; RELIGION: "Giving and Receiving" by Anthony Barker; TRAVEL: "A Traveller in Rome" by H. V. Morton; POLITICS: "This Hallowed Ground" by B. Catton; "Japanese Politics" by Nobutaka Ike; "Common Sense about India" by K. M. Panikkar; CRITICISM: "Tolstoy or Dostoyevsky?" by G. Steiner; "Critical Essays on the Poetry of Tennyson", edited by J. Killham; "Literature and the Western Man" by J. B. Priestley; FRENCH: "La Bonifas" by J. de Lacratelle; HISTORY: "The Life and Death of Germany" by Eugene Davidson; "Lord Burghley and Queen Elizabeth" by Conyers Read; "Tudor Family Portrait" by Barbara Winchester; FICTION: "Cider with Rosie" by Laurie Lee; "Ben-Hur" by Lew Wallace, presented by C. Goldsmith, Esq.; "They Were Defeated" by Rose Macaulay.

Reading and Speech Competitions

The Reading and Speech Competition was held in the Music School on Sunday, March 6th, under the adjudication of John Slater, Esq. Results were as follows:

Junior Competition: Winner: D. F. Barnes; Runner-up: I. J. Mackenzie.

Senior Competition: Winner: R. S. Burns; Runner-up: J. D. Judelson.

The result of the French Reading and Speech Competition, held a week later was:

Senior: Winner: J. S. Abbott; Runner-up: D. J. Bevington. There was no award in the Junior Competition.

The Large

The Large has been in constant use this term. Current Affairs periods have occasioned the visits of scientists, members of Commonwealth countries, a photographer, a policeman and a film censor.

On a less serious aspect of school life, there has been the usual crop of films. Whether one went to the films in order to "escape" from the everyday routine of school life for an evening, or merely to enjoy oneself, one was always certain to be entertained by the antics of the inimitable Cool Four, whose renderings of the latest pop-melodies always helped the school audience to relax. "The Road to Bali", being a film with a Hope-Crosby combination, could not fail to please at least the junior section of the school, who found its peculiar brand of comedy irresistible. The documentary "Where No Vultures Fly" was more popular with seniors; its message has not lost urgency and was felt keenly by many members of the audience. "It's Always Fair Weather" was a good choice for a Field Day film, but was not to everybody's liking.

At the moment the Large doors are closed, and behind them the carpenters and painters of the School House Theatre Company are putting final touches to the scenery for their production of "Arsenic and Old Lace". The rest of the school can only stand and wait.

Arsenic and Old Lace

This year proved no exception to the School House Players' run of successful productions. Their performance of Joseph Kesselring's "Arsenic and Old Lace", might well have become tedious, because of its length and intricacy of plot; yet only once did the pace slacken, and that was towards the end of the first act. The producer is to be congratulated on his choice of cast, and the stage hands on their magnificent set.

For the second successive year, M. F. Hopkins was the mainstay of the production, and he was ably assisted by J. A. F. Galbraith and A. H. T. Harris who both gave superlative performances as the two old maids, Abby and Martha Brewster. A skilful piece of casting placed P. J. Fox in the role of a madman who believed himself to be President Roosevelt. The four policemen who had the added difficulty of sustaining American accents were more than adequate, even to the extent of chewing gum and performing feats of judo. A. L. Stanhope and B. S. Gray played the difficult parts of the two villains extremely well, both avoiding the common pitfall of overacting.

From the uproar in the Large during the performance, it was quite evident that the school appreciated the play. School House can confidently add "Arsenic and Old Lace" to their growing list of successes and the school is indebted to producer, cast and assistants for a most enjoyable evening.

D.C.J.L.

Here and There

A portrait, whether of a fashionable lady or of a period of time, must be flattering—sometimes even misleading. “Long periods of unbearable boredom, punctuated by brief moments of unbearable discomfort” was how an intellectual infantryman described trench warfare: he might well have applied these words to school life. Nevertheless, this shepherd’s pie of second-hand information must delude its readers into believing that interesting and exciting events occur at least every alternate day in our insulated little world. Boredom is indeed becoming the occupational disease of our affluent society. Escapism appears to be the answer, but “plus ça change”. Once upon a time, an afternoon “up in town” was the standard prescription, but even that now appears to have lost its former charm, and the avant garde are beginning to seek culture and recreation in the wilds north of St. Albans. The hazards they are reported to have encountered seem to bear out Dr. Johnson’s observation that “The man who is tired of London is tired of life”.

In spite of the Head Master’s promise on Foundation Day, a leek was planted in the centre of Top Field in the early hours of the morning of March 1st. The school’s official plaid cymru representative refused to admit anything to our interviewer. “What do you think I am, look you, a borstal boy or something, is it?”

The demons who so persistently bug the school’s electricity supply were at it again last term, while various plagues swept through the boys and the staff. The latter caused the absence from chapel, for a few days, of the director of music: the former, a temporary failure of the organ—longing perhaps, like Tennyson, for

“... the touch of a vanished hand,
And the sound of a voice that is still”.

Members of that House whose supremacy at tiddly-winks has only recently been challenged have now taken to discharging larger missiles (albeit with slightly less sophisticated guidance systems) from their study windows. We understand that since the range is not yet intercontinental, and the ocean recovery arrangements not yet perfected, so far only inland tests have been made. Complaints from irate farmers and the usual bills for broken glass are already rolling in.

Field Day, as usual sent members of the “super” cadre—now to be addressed as The Arduous Training Company—wandering through the countryside, burning with enthusiasm. On the same day, one of those fortunate enough to escape the horrors of (simulated) war on medical grounds unluckily ran into his squad on the Inner Circle line, while a noted marksman who disregarded the safety limits narrowly escaped with his lower limbs intact at Bisley. Intellectual members of the school with pacifist leanings are still building and tearing down new castles in the air, and disconcerting rumbles have been heard during parades in the latter weeks of term.

In conclusion, we feel it incumbent upon us to commiserate with the gentleman who was mistaken for Robin Hood while returning from an (official) visit to the theatre. We are sure that his natural chivalrous aspect and not his choice of headgear was responsible for this. His deluded travelling companion continued to lecture on intellectual sarcasm and procrastination, reinforcing his arguments by gesturing with a cornucopia of chips, until they parted company at Finchley Central. We also sympathise with the gentleman who asked a visiting speaker’s opinion of Chopin’s ninth piano concerto, and learned, too late, that Chopin wrote only two piano concertos.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Oxford Letter

Dear Sir,

Leaning back in my chair, hands thrust deep into my pockets, I adopt what I hope is a proper academic pose—and think. What do you expect to see in the Oxford letter? What, Sir, do you hope will appear in this termly missive from the home of Morris Motors? It is in an attempt to resolve my own doubts on these matters that I have sat down, as I said before, to think. This is important. Tutors never tire of reminding their charges that the object of an Oxford education is the acquisition of the habit of thinking. (The weekly essay must not, therefore consist of a neat precis of a book which your tutor happens not to have read.)

We, on the other hand, who are “in statu pupillari” but may have little of a tangible nature to show for it, take comfort from reminding ourselves of the true purpose of our calling, and can, therefore, with clear consciences give ourselves wholly to meditation—albeit in the company of like-minded men seeking inspiration from the arm-chairs and periodicals of the J. C. R.

Are these exhortations to thoughtfulness needed? Probably they are. A glance at the best-known undergraduate publications, *Cherwell* and *Isis*, ought certainly to confirm this, although few people within the University would ever suggest that they reflected general opinions. The trouble is that their crude and petty matter is accepted and digested thoughtlessly by so many. The Archbishop of York visited us during the term and in a week of daily addresses urged his hearers to think about religion. This and other topics have not been deeply thought out by the majority of undergraduates; they are often discussed, but discussions based on a few moments' thought—the tenor of which may well be decided by the likeableness of the party—is of little value. If you are still at school, do your thinking there; you will certainly not find a better place this side of taking your degree. What of our teachers? Are they great thinkers? You will know as much about the recent election of our new Chancellor as I do, and may judge for yourselves.

As usual, I am afraid, the Oxford letter has turned out to be a bit of a ramble. I apologise to those who fagged for old Bloggs, M.A., were fellow conspirators with Jo Smith, and so on, for lack of any mention of their heroes' successes or misdemeanours in University life. When I tell you that my style, or whatever it may be that gives me away, has been recognised in previous letters and my carefully preserved anonymity lost, you will understand that I dare not say anything that might call forth reprisals in future.

Yours etc.,

OXON.

Cambridge Letter

Dear Sir,

This term's activities have been dominated by the dinner, which took place at Queen's in early February. Those present were the Head Master, Colonel Viney, Mr. Morrison and a contemporary of his, Mr. Heim, and Mr. Gallagher. Guests and paying members alike gathered in Ted Fiddy's rooms, before leaving to dine in the Orange Room in Queens. Food and speeches were both of the most palatable nature. This year's Cambridge president, Bill Skinner, opened the proceedings, and the Head Master replied with his customary eloquence. Alan Bain told stories of Mr. Morrison's days at Caius, and Mr. Morrison parried with his accustomed references to the O.M.'s Club! Keith Armistead quoted poetry and Mr. Gallagher raided his inexhaustible supply of anecdotes. The festivities concluded in Keith Armistead's rooms with a barrel of beer.

The five O.M.s who breakfasted with Colonel Viney the following morning at the University Arms wish me to express their gratitude in this letter.

We congratulate David Blackman on being the first O.M. to win the Craven Prize.

Steve Bennett has returned to shaving, as has Alan Weatherall, still to be seen on the river. Simon Barber rowed in the Jesus 1st boat, which rowed over to finish "Head" of the Lents, while David Crook, who did not fare so well in the 1st and 3rd boat, is considering returning to rugger. Keith Armistead was seen rowing a "Gentleman's" boat, while Steve Sedley has given up coxing.

Keith Armistead and David Webster have gone to Holland on a Queen's rugger tour. Richard Goude is playing hockey for Trinity. Aidan Macdonald is combining hockey with rugger in Caius thirds, while Tim Sobey has boxed at lightweight for the University. It now appears that Alan Jackson has changed permanently from Geography to Agriculture. George Graham has changed his name to Roger. Jason Beart is running a pre-war Austin Ten, while Ted Fiddy's fine vintage Citroën can only be equalled by Tim Sobey's ramshackle touring Morris Eight.

Yours etc.,

CANTAB.

Belmont Letter

Dear Sir,

Congratulations to Mr. Clough and Miss Paddy Davison, also to Mr. Brian Rofe and Miss Mary Hope, who announced their engagements early this term.

Just before our Carol Service, which went particularly well at the end of last term in spite of Harry Barnes being almost a passenger, Mr. Warriner produced "Tobias and the Angel" in the gym. The costumes and scenery were magnificent, but the production suffered from the frequent amateur fault of under-rehearsal. There was an enormous improvement on the second night. Nichols, probably the most polished actor we have had at Belmont, was sufficient to make the production a success.

Mr. Alston has taken expeditions to the Goldsmiths' Hall and to the Mint, Mr. Sturgess to Smith's Clock Factory. We have regularly attended the Meyer Concerts at the Festival Hall and the Toc H concerts. We much appreciated a concert given us by the staff: Miss Palmer and Mr. Harris played an arrangement of the Greig Piano Concerto for piano and organ, as well as other solos, and Mr. Richards accompanied himself on the guitar in some folk songs.

Mr. Winter came over to judge the Verse Speaking Competition, won by Sedley (Senior) and Windle-Taylor (Junior). Mr. Robertson spent two afternoons in the gym judging two very successful House Competitions. Mr. Bromehead has once more managed somehow to improve on our very high standard. Angles won the senior, Jutes the Junior.

Our Rugger and Soccer sides have been of good average strength and have had average success. Robinson, who captains the XV and is Head Boy, comes over to you next term.

Marty, the Alsatian, has disgraced herself by presenting Bonzo with nine Boxatian puppies, in spite of her pedigree wedding to a famous champion at the Welwyn Kennels. She may have started a useful new strain. The puppies are very attractive and we shall have no difficulty in finding homes for them.

The Reading Room television set has finally faded out and has been replaced by a larger set which is also fully "commercial". Mrs. Sturgess has been doing good work with a small pottery group in the old Gothic chapel, in spite of difficulties over a somewhat mulish kiln. Mr. Warriner and Mr. Ginniver have conjured up an aquarium for tropical fish which gives us something to look at during meals in the dining hall. George and Ginny are leaving us after nearly eight years.

Mr. Alston and Mr. Gee, undaunted by their many previous visits, are off to Paris once more this Easter with a large party.

Yours etc.,

BELMONTIAN.

World Refugee Year

This term has seen a regrettably late start to a school fund in aid of World Refugees. The school's target is £200, which, when achieved, will be sufficient to pay for the education of one refugee boy at a training school in Spittal, Austria.

The effort has been divided into house funds, to enable organisers to collect in as personal a method as possible. However, a raffle on a school basis for an electric blanket was extremely well supported, and this set the collection well on the way to the £50 mark. Authorities of Blenheim Steps and the Tuck Shop have co-operated in putting out collection boxes, and the latter have held two competitions with small entry charges. The Old Millhillians Club has a collection box, and we are hoping to hear good news from them at the end of term.

House collections have produced many ingenious methods of raising money. As the target demands a contribution of about ten shillings per boy, organisers are trying to give something back in return for the money received. Prizes have been offered for Table Tennis Tournaments, and various guessing competitions, such as "When will the first walker arrive at Land's End?" One House is holding a penny race across the Quiet Room, another is serving tea in bed to its members on Sunday mornings, while yet another is running a successful bar. One House almost doubled its total over-night by means of an auction sale.

All this is being entirely organised by the boys themselves, with House Masters giving encouragement and suggestions where necessary. The treasurer is the Rev. H. W. Starkey, and he is pleased to be able to say that the school collection is well beyond the half-way mark as the term draws to a close.



The Editor's Table

The Editor gratefully acknowledges receipt of all our usual contemporaries. M. A. SUTTON of Ridgeway House, Wills Grove, Mill Hill, London, N.W.7, will edit the next issue of the Magazine.

LITERARY

The Ant and the Grasshopper : A fable retold

Once upon a time, an ant and a grasshopper went to school together. Albert, the ant, was very industrious, and everyone agreed that he was very bright for his age. After lessons he would go home and read large books about Sociology, Economics, and Political Science until the small hours of the morning. Television, he admitted, bored him.

Happy, the grasshopper, was a backward child—or so his teachers thought. During lessons he sat in the back row and read the “Melody Maker”. He invariably came last in the end-of-term exams, for he never worked out of school. His only pastimes were playing the gramophone, and singing, while accompanying himself on the guitar. No-one was surprised when the ant won a scholarship to university, and the grasshopper was expelled.

Shortly after this, Happy got a job washing dishes in a café, well-known for its floorshow . . . one evening the resident teenage singing idol was indisposed . . . Happy stepped into the breach . . . the managing director of Obscurity Record, Ltd. happened to be present . . . fame . . . fortune . . . success . . . success. . .

Meanwhile, Albert had achieved notoriety as a very angry young ant. He wrote hundreds of pamphlets on political, social and economic problems, and prophesied the downfall of western civilisation. The success of his first novel made him a public figure. Soon he was going to parties . . . writing reviews . . . throwing parties . . . organising protest marches . . . throwing parties . . . and, of course, living beyond his means. Irregular hours and alcohol sapped his strength. One morning he was found unconscious in his Chelsea flat, clutching a letter from the Inland Revenue in one hand, and a bottle of aspirin in the other. He never recovered, but when everything had been sold and all his debts paid, there was just enough to provide his ashes with a simple urn, almost lost in the churchyard of his home town, dwarfed by the massive mausoleum of his childhood school-mate, Happy, who had been trampled to death by a stampede of ecstatic fans.

Moral. Ashes to Ashes and Dust to Dust,
If the Tax-men don't get you, the teenagers must.

JIM

The Gallows Tree

Stout Jack stood at the gallows there,
And as he waited, said a prayer,
And while he waited thus, still more . . .
(It was the priest he waited for)
His hangman whispered very low
“What's up, Jack? You're as white as snow.”
“Well now,” said Jack, “just 'ow the deuce
Can my neck fit in that small noose?”
“We'll look 'e 'ere” the hangman said,
“I'll show you 'ow: now strike me dead
If it's not simple, as you'll see?”
He placed his head in gingerly.
“What happens next?” then asked Stout Jack.
“Pull the lever,” he answered back.
And when Jack did as he had said,
The hangman hiccoughing, fell dead.
He lay prostrate, his neck in twain . . .
“Hell,” cried Jack, “I've done it again.”

C.J.N., Rve.A.

The Three Races of Schoolboy

with all due apologies to Hilaire Belloc

Behold my child, the Rugger Man
And be as like him as you can:
His mind may not be very bright
But he plays the game, and he's all right.

Then next we see the Working Class
Still seeking new exams to pass:
His gait is stooped, his name is "swot",
The masters like him — we do not.

The last, and nastiest of all
The Intellectual we call;
He reads the *Guardian*, or *The Times*
And frowns on poetry with rhymes.

M.A.S.

'Vieille'

She sat there, the woman with the papers.
Her feeble pipe ever so often twittered
An unmelodious
Hap'ny chynge
But apart from that
She sat there silently, the old woman with the papers.
Her old face had been rudely awakened
From its first sleep maybe as much as eighty years
Before,
And it would go to its final rest
Before many more years had
Wrinkled it.
She sat there,
Half-asleep
Her withered eyelids shuttering out the intruding
Day from her dim eyes;
But as soon as a newshungry passer-by hovered
At her elbow
Wondering whether to wake her
She quickly put out her arm to shield her papers
Until they were sold,
When her tired face
Again rudely awakened
Would sink back
To sleep.
She sat there sleeping, the old woman with the papers.

M.J.L.

The Last Journey

The warmth of the spring sunshine caressed the youthful countryside. Birds sang; the air was heavy with the scent of apple blossom. Down the winding lane the noise of a country bus disturbed the peace. The air was choked with dust. With a bobbing of tails and a scurrying of feet, the animals were gone. By the roadside something stirred. Bracken and grass were brushed aside by stretching arms. A face lined with sleep appeared from behind a cloth cap. An old man sat up and hailed the bus. It stopped for him; as it moved off, peace returned to the countryside.

In that simple act of getting on the bus, Sam was turning his back on the country. He had done with sweat and hardship. At first sorrow crowded into his mind but the thought of seeing his youngest son put him at rest. They had not seen each other for many years since his son had lived in London.

He boarded the train and settled himself down in the corner of the carriage. The sun shone through the window and made him feel comfortable and happy. His mind slipped back over the past . . . to how at fourteen he had had to take over the farm because of his father's premature death. Soon after his marriage, his mother had died, a lonely and tired woman. Then the birth of his first son. . . .

What memories. . . . What joy. . . . When the porter found him. Sam seemed to be peacefully asleep.

“For thou hast neither youth nor age
But as it were an after-dinner sleep,
Dreaming on both.”

G.

‘Insight’

The bubbling water frothed
Over the pebbles;
The stream rushed and
Twisted itself over the
Leaves and twigs.
The bubbling water was
A river
Of Life
Casting all before it,
Smoothing out the
Creases of Age and the wrinkles of
Troubles in days gone by.
The Stream of Life was here and there
Tossed about like whirlpool rapids;
Following them would be
Patches of peace
Pursuing the periods of
Turmoil.
Was it a Sylvan, pastoral brook?
Did it see flocks grazing on its banks?
Did it come from some spring
Ever up-bubbling water?
Or was it an urban flood;
Did it gush from nowhere,
But merely appear as a result of
A storm and a blocked gutter?
Would the vortex of rush and hurry
Pull the bubbling water down,
Down
Into nothing below?
Would it pass on at the end of its course
As though unconcerned by the
Life it had lived out?
Or would it bubble through the
Bucolic land of its issue
To rise to another
Life at the end?
Through the clear patches between
The eddying and the cavorting
I could see
Something for me.
What was in store for me in that
River of Life?

M.J.L.

No Title

Dawn's dissipated leer
And lift over Earth's yoke
A golden helmet which,
Though burnished by the cloud,
Streams forth the bloody spoil
Earth's waters reflect
As pools of limpid blood.
Past them the rosaried Priest,
A restless spectre,
Crosses the crumpled brows,
The worn valleys worried
In the battle-scarred earth.

Not from Heaven sent; but too good for a god whose love is war
Whose cross has a pommel and a blade of strong steel.

No — In this is not God
Who hanged on a tree
For no militant ranks
Of Angels who suffered not
Stones to stub his foot
Carried down the Christ
From the wooden cross.
For the burned base
Was more than wood:
A blade of the strongest steel.

D.J.S.



HOUSE NOTES

Burton Bank

Head of House: C. J. BURT.

School Prefects: J. G. Hanchet, R. S. Burns.

House Prefects: N. Baker, I. Forrest-Hay, P. T. D. Winocour, P. C. Walker, G. C. Dyfnallt, H. H. Andrews.

The perennial epidemic, this time German measles, has as yet struck only a few, much to the disappointment of the healthy in the house who have been yearning for a rest away from the trials and tribulations of school life. However, it can be expected that their hopes will eventually be realised.

Once again a determined effort has been made to relieve the monotony of the term. The Burton Bank Playreading Society read "Waters of the Moon" with considerable and surprising ability, and is soon to tackle "Simon and Laura". The intelligentsia, under the influence of a certain oriental drug commonly known as joss-sticks, gloated over coffee, Keats and Shelley in the quiet-room; and fortnightly gramophone recitals have been held in the housemaster's study. Whether members of the house have supported these various functions in order to satisfy their appetite for culture or for the free refreshments is a matter for conjecture, but we like to attribute it to the former.

Yet somehow even these activities have failed, and in one study a new development has superseded them — action painting. It is supposed to be extremely good for the nerves and successfully relieves the frustrations of the term. This, coupled with reproductions of one of the inmates' size thirteen footprints in different colours formulated into a contemporary design around the wall, has certainly stimulated the artistically talented in the house.

As usual, the editor has called for the House Notes before the final of the Junior Fives tournament. A young Junior Rugby team did not do so well, but went down bravely to a vastly superior Scrutton fifteen. In the sphere of music, the house performed meritoriously, especially the choir. Their rendering of "Gossip Joan" was pronounced the outstanding piece of the competition, but on the overall marking they came a close second to Winterstoke. In the Senior Hockey Competition our teamwork and spirit built up to a gradual climax so that we were able to beat Winterstoke 2-1 in the final.

It is probably in the house's efforts to raise money for the World Refugee Year Fund that it has achieved most. The weights of cakes have been guessed; there have been chess, table-tennis, squash and lawn-hockey tournaments; "pop-sessions" at a small fee (including refreshments) have been duly attended; and a fun-fair is being arranged. Thus we continue to combine individual initiative with collective enterprise.

C.J.B.

Collinson

Head of House: T. G. DAVIES.

School Prefect: R. J. Hayman.

House Prefects: R. D. Ehrlich, A. Liaquat Ali Khan, M. J. G. James, J. S. Abbott, M. J. Darke, R. A. Furness.

Perhaps it was because the whole house slept through breakfast one morning last term despite the efforts of a thoroughly dispatched school house fag, that we were confronted on our return this term with a large new electric clock. Its sweep second hand now demands terrifying punctuality. Actually our over-sleeping was attributed to the cold weather coupled with a temporary breakdown of the house's central-heating system. These

were also blamed for the appearance of a hot-water bottle; but it soon became quite clear that the owner was completely unaccustomed to such a luxury since he failed to seal it adequately on the first and only occasion on which he used it.

We have been graced with the presence of a variety of visitors this term, but none more mistaken than the one who thought the the house was a convent, although an envelope arrived one morning from the British Council which managed to confuse the sex of one of the more "councilly-minded" of our number.

There have been rumours — although one should never believe them — that a member of the house was to be seen as far away as Chesterfield on Field Day; and when another gentleman signed himself off-roll for "Surrey and Cornwall", our suspicions were definitely aroused. It turned out, however, that he had merely been to a rugby match.

In a more serious vein, the whole house must be sincerely thanked for its generosity in the various schemes and competitions arranged on behalf of the World Refugee Year. Several people in the house have displayed considerable zeal, initiative and ingenuity in this cause and are now beginning to see the fruits of their labours as the total approaches the target. This has helped at least one member of the house to discover his vocation in life: we now have an apprentice auctioneer in our midst.

T.G.D.



Murray

Head of House: M. P. PETERSEN.

House Prefects: M. O. Lidwell, R. J. D. Boon, D. J. G. Moore, S. R. Bloom, M. J. Addison, M. R. Mann.

The eminent essayist Emerson once remarked that nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm. This was exemplified by the fanatical keenness of one member of our cross-country team, who could be seen sprinting to school each morning. (He claimed that he was doing so only because his cycle was being repaired but nobody believed him.) The reward came with the results of the competition, when our Junior Team came first, and M. O. Lidwell and J. P. G. Addison both came second in their respective races.

Although our Hockey team was narrowly beaten by Burton Bank (0-1); a young Junior Rugger side did well to reach the semi-final, only to be defeated by Ridgeway in a hard-fought game.

As for the Music Competition, any hopes of an angelic choir were soon smashed; and in spite of hard work, we had to face the fact that Murray was not sensitive enough to "dig" square music.

One of the ducks from the farm, merrily trampling down the host of golden daffodils in our carefully tended garden, sustained a temporary blackout after it was struck on the head by a ping-pong ball projected through the window by an ebullient but inexperienced table-tennis player. This illustrates the hazards of the duck's inexorable desire for Lebensraum and should be noted by the young farmers.

We are looking forward to a Tiddly-winks competition with Ridgeway and a Quiz in aid of World Refugee Year. We only hope that the wink proves less injurious than the ping-pong ball.

M.P.P.

Ridgeway

Head of House: J. CULVER.

School Prefect: J. R. Butler.

House Prefects: G. le M. Campbell, A. A. J. Browne, S. D. Jenkins, A. H. Fletcher, M. A. Sutton, A. J. H. Shaw.

"Ask not whether they lost or won
But how they played the game. . . ."

Said someone whose name escapes us. We are therefore proud of our efforts in the past term, if not of our achievements. In the Junior Rugger Final enthusiasm fell before skill, but we are hoping for better things from the same side next year. Ridgeway has never been a "Hockey House" . . . but our single-handed team, assisted by two members of Collinson Field Set was conspicuously successful with unorthodox teamwork, although it seemed to be struck with a creeping paralysis in the circle. For the first time within living memory we are entering a team for the Senior Gym Competition which is a step in the right direction. (We used not to be a "gym-house" either.) It has been said before in these notes that Ridgeway takes pride in winning things that are unpleasant as well as things that are enjoyable. Those who know us well will not be surprised to learn that we won the Senior Cross-Country Trophy—dare we say comfortably?

Twice this term the mighty roar of Ridgeway's gramophones has been silenced by a power failure, an event which was welcomed by some. A steady stream of seniors has been seen disappearing towards Longfield ostentatiously flourishing a soccer ball. They claim that we are unofficial house champions. One service not provided by the seniors was the early morning tea at threepence a cup on behalf of the refugees. This cause was also supported by the house's weekend tiddly-winkers. Even the most idealistic members of the house admit that the end justifies the means—"And oh how the money rolls in!"

J.C.

Scrutton

Head of House: M. F. HOPKINS.

School Prefects: R. K. Sadler, M. R. Williams.

House Prefects: P. J. Fox, P. R. Holmes, P. D. James A. G. Peters, N. B. David.

When the magnificent efforts of our junior team gained us the Rugger Shield, we turned hopefully to the Senior Hockey Competition; but a second shield was not to be ours and we lost to Weymouth in the first round. Had we kept our minds on the game and not on the other attractions of school life we might perhaps have been more successful. However the Juniors again provided us with a trophy by winning the kicking competition. Our music and cross-country efforts both failed—more through lack of support than dearth of talent.

Yet away from the games field, the house has indulged in an orgy of activities. In the pursuit of culture, our playreading society has met in the housemaster's sitting room to forget its woes with "Charlie's Aunt", "Thark", and appropriately enough, "Housemaster". Others have been occupied in detecting the source of the curious smells which have been wafting up and down the corridor. Some thought it was horses, others glue, and others cats; but it was finally put down to subterranean pipes. Equally mystifying has been the "barking" in line-up. When confronted with an "M" a certain junior gentleman complained indignantly that he would never dream of imitating a dog; whilst the "hog" organisers went on strike; and somebody muttered that it wasn't a dog anyway, but an imitation of Peter Sellers doing a cider advertisement.

Like other houses, we have been busy organising raffles and tournaments for World Refugee Year. Yet our crowning achievement, in conjunction with Weymouth, has undoubtedly been the play: "Arsenic and Old Lace". President Joe Roosevelt has been charging round ever since sounding the

Reveille on his bugle at the oddest of hours. This eccentric behaviour has been attributed to the shock of his recent acceptance at university. But bugles remind us of corps and the forthcoming Newcastle competition. That, thank goodness, is another story. . . .

M.F.H., R.K.S.

Weymouth

Head of House: J. M. G. HUNT.

Monitors: S. W. Whyte, C. J. Carter.

School Prefect: A. K. Toulson.

House Prefects: S. Y. Chinoy, A. G. Walsh-Atkins, R. A. M. Wade.

This term we welcome a new matron. She was immediately met by an epidemic of German measles. Many, afflicted by the ominous red rash, braved the perils of the sick-room. Not least among these were four members of the house hockey team who were forced to listen to an admirable commentary over a short wave radio installed in the house-master's sitting room. Their feelings, and at times their language are quite indescribable.

The World Refugee Year Fund has brought forth a flood of ideas. A table-tennis competition with a threepenny entrance fee proved very fruitful. Following the lead of an out-house, tea (or coffee) was served on Sunday mornings at a merely nominal price. Our sympathies go to the gentleman who on requesting a tea-spoon was met with the answer that he must use his finger.

We apologise to the members of the house for subjecting them to a search. Needless to say among other things nothing was found! However, this has not curtailed the activities of the newly formed "Bath Club", which quite inexplicably on the approach of a monitor has a habit of turning into an amorphous crowd doing "nothing in particular" for "no very good reason". This only goes to substantiate the opinion of our newly acquired matron that "boys never change".

J.M.G.H.

Winterstoke

Head of House: T. D. PHILLIPS.

Monitor: A. J. Horne.

School Prefects: P. W. Hancock, D. C. J. Lee, W. O. W. Roberts, A. S. C. Air.

House Prefect: C. R. Sotnick.

As I write one member of the staff is attempting to pick up a billiard ball from the floor in his mouth whilst he is still seated on a chair. The house has not lost its spirit of enterprise!

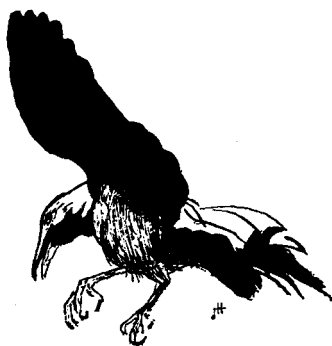
With the conductor's baton waving amongst us, we have excelled in musical activities this term. The harmonizing of modern jazz and popular classics across the study corridor and a new profusion of silverware in the Quiet Room are surely indicative of a growing interest in music in the house. For the picture-rail and the treasured billiard table these are indeed strange times. There is intense competition between them to raise money for World Refugee Year. Our picture-rail is being lined with coins of the realm, while a snooker tournament permits juniors to play openly and not surreptitiously before breakfast. Still before 7.30: the inclemency of the weather does not appear to deter our Housemaster from breakfasting over at school, and thus obliging certain senior members of the house to do the same.

The Hockey Shield, which is already on our walls, will remain there for another year provided that we can defeat Burton Bank in the Final. In a new minor sport, cross-country running, A. J. Davidson has kept Winterstoke on the map by winning the Senior Individual Race.

The same boy who inflicted corporal punishment on the Housemaster last term, was found by his victim feet uppermost during working hours. Has Winterstoke gone underground?

Finally, on a more sentimental note — when our matron, Mrs. Phillips, came, she had to cater for an extensive epidemic of Asian influenza. Now she is leaving us, German measles has appeared to wave her goodbye. We are grateful to her for everything and wish her well in her new appointment.

. . . My indefatigable friend is still trying to pick up his billiard ball. . . .
T.D.P.



Societies

INTERIM

Chairman: M. A. SUTTON.

Secretary: M. J. LUNAN.

Third Member: D. C. J. LEE.

Once upon a time in a house-note (or to be pedantic about it, in eleven house-notes running), someone said, "We are building for the future". A mathematician has been heard to remark that $\frac{d^2I}{dt^2} > 0$, where $I =$

Interim. Unlike the pitfall into which the debating team fell, "we've never had it so good" — at any rate, not for a long time.

The first debate was on the motion "This house maintains that War is the greatest single stimulus to human progress", with Messrs. Lubbock, Abbott, Parish and Marshall-Andrews at the table. From these four speakers there was much serious and cogent reasoning; indeed, the whole debate was one of well-planned and well-delivered speeches. The society is at last learning to sit down when it has finished. There were, of course, the cynics and the humorists, but without their wit the society would stagnate and become a den of political harangue. They are essential to preserve the balance, but they must not allow themselves to become unduly irrelevant for the sake of a laugh. When the vote was taken, the motion was defeated by fourteen to six with four abstentions.

The motion "That Britain has nothing to learn from the French except their language" was one of these put forward by Kenneth Harris (of "*The Observer*") for the preliminary round of the P.S.D.A. speaking competition. Unfortunately it was not a good debate, partly because the motion was too controversial for the realists and not controversial enough for the angries, and partly because it was one of our off-days. Early on we got bogged down with Molière, green tin huts and Madame Pompadour, and it was a lethargy from which we could not be shaken. Eventually the French won by six votes to five with one in the channel.

"This house serves no purpose" screamed the notice, and large numbers came to make sure. We were fortunate in having D. A. Miller, Esq., and R. P. Burn, Esq., to speak first, whilst M. F. Hopkins and the secretary seconded them. "This house" was taken by the speakers to mean anything from the literal to the wholly abstract — consequently there was some confusion in the arguing from the floor. One anonymous gentleman observed that the House was fulfilling its purpose by holding a debate, but nobody believed him. Another in a second speech systematically destroyed every point that he had made in his first, but nobody believed him either. The proposer, when summing up, neatly sidestepped the issue, but not quite soon enough, for he lost by twenty-three votes to six. Even at this debate five were undecided.

A mock trial was held a couple of days ago in aid of World Refugee Year, when everyone was invited to pay 3d. for a seat. (The total raised was £2 0s. 0½d. — there are generous people in the school!). Dick Turpin was in the dock, the chairman on the bench and the secretary and C. J. Burt were counsels. The accused was on trial for riding while under the influence of drink; for parking his horse in a prohibited zone; and for striking a Bow Street runner who was dutifully removing the aforementioned vehicle. Both the counsels and the witnesses had spent much time in preparing their respective cases, so there was ample opportunity for spontaneous wit, and, very nearly spontaneous combustion. The star performer, however, was not a member: the ingeniously constructed "breathanalysometer" held everyone within sight and earshot captivated. It was, perhaps, unfortunate that it could not be sworn in, but this was the only faculty it appeared to lack. After a lot of law and some order. Dick Turpin was eventually acquitted to return, more "broker" than when he started.

There is to be a junior debate before the end of term.

We were not, unfortunately, good enough in the speaking competition to pass on to the final, although we won a moral victory by being the only entrants from our region. I think, for a change, I will quote at you:

"... All the interim is
Like a phantasma, or a hideous dream:
The genius and the mortal instruments
Are then in council. . . ."

M.J.L.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Secretary: I. FORREST-HAY.

We have been fortunate in having three very able outside speakers to address our Wednesday meetings. The aim of these was to help us to grow in our faith, and with this in mind the following subjects were chosen: "The Importance of Prayer", "The Importance of the Bible", "Why we Sin", and "Our Time of Quiet". To the Reverend D. H. Strange, G. Leah, Esq., Rev. J. M. Scutt, and R. G. Hovil, Esq., we convey our hearty thanks for their illuminating talks. We also wish to thank our chaplain for all the help he has given to the Fellowship this term, and especially for leading the discussion about the letters to St. Timothy at the first Wednesday meeting. The attendances have been very encouraging.

I only wish I could say the same about the prayer meetings, which have been reinstated this term. But I believe that the few people who attended found them most valuable. In contrast the Fact and Faith films: "Glass Eyes that See" and "Time and Eternity", which were procured at very short notice, seemed to go down well with the school.

In the Thursday Bible Studies we worked our way chronologically through the four gospels. Although numbers fluctuated, some valuable points were raised, and experience in leading the meetings was given to many. In fact the most encouraging result of this term's activities has been a gain of experience in all spheres. Recently I have had many sound suggestions on how to establish the Fellowship firmly as an important part of school life.

The delusion seems to have arisen that the Christian Fellowship is merely churning out the same old stuff in the same old way. Our whole aim is not, as so many people think, to try to force religion on the school—religion is too personal for that. It is merely trying to keep religion abreast with the times and to present all the facts through the experiences, beliefs and ideals of first-rate speakers.

I.F.H.

INTERPRETES

Hegemon: H. R. M. MACDONALD.

Scriba: T. G. DAVIES.

We were privileged to see a performance of a Greek New Comedy without expurgation, modernisation or translation, given by the Classical Society of King's College, London. This play was the "Dyskolos" of Menander, which is the poet's only complete surviving work, discovered as recently as 1957. At an earlier meeting we heard two informative papers delivered by S. D. Jenkins and N. D. W. Armistead on Socrates and Aristotle respectively. An evening in a lighter vein was spent at St. Bees', where we greatly enjoyed Mr. and Mrs. Morrison's kind hospitality: we heard records ranging from Beethoven to the less gruesome work of T. Lehrer. Finally we are looking forward hopefully to a lecture by R. W. Horsley, Esq., who has temporarily joined the staff, on "Greek and Roman Festivals and Games".

H.R.M.M.

PLAYREADING SOCIETY

President: M. F. HOPKINS.

Secretary: M. J. LUNAN.

The first play read by the society this term was Anouilh's "Antigone". Although it was a most tense and gripping tragedy, and would make a good play to see on the stage, it was an unfortunate choice for reading since two of the parts — Creon and Antigone — overwhelmed all others in length. Three weeks later we again met to read Sherriff's "The Long Sunset". This, too, was interesting to read, but was not meaty enough fare for us really to enjoy. Furthermore, since it was set in 410 A.D., about which time few of us knew very much, the play afforded little opportunity for characterisation.

Before the end of term we are to read some of Sartre's plays and we are also going to see "One-Way Pendulum" at the Criterion Theatre.

M.J.L.

PYTHAGOREANS

Secretary: M. J. LUNAN.

Third Member: A. G. WALSH-ATKINS.

At the first meeting of the society, J. W. Patterson read us a paper entitled "Ingsoc and Newspeak in 1960", which dealt with Newspeak — the language used by the officials of Oceania — and Ingsoc, the political party of English Socialism. Apparently Newspeak is essential in such a community, partly in order to suppress the masses and partly to suppress any kind of thought. The ultimate aim of it is to make speech entirely automatic. He concluded his paper by explaining certain of these words, especially "doublethink", a phenomenon which, he assured us, was practised daily, but about which we were rather sceptical.

A fortnight later we met to read a play — "Ring Round the Moon" by Anouilh. Unfortunately it was too long to get through it all in the time allotted but this did not detract too much from the general effect.

We have had a paper "The life and works of Tchaikowsky" from H. J. Larkin and H. A. J. Browne, in which we heard of Tchaikowsky's sad life culminating in suicide, and of some of his gayer music. During the course of the evening the First Piano Concerto in B flat minor and the Sixth Symphony — "The Pathétique" — were among the pieces played and we were treated to a comparison between the complex Beethoven symphonies and the simpler Tchaikowskys.

At an informal meeting, members were invited to bring along something which, to them, spelt sorrow and something spelling joy. We were moved by "La Bohème" and W. H. Auden only to be restored to our former good spirits by Peter Sellers and J. S. Bach. Before the end of term we are to hear J. A. Lubbock speaking on Art Criticism — but more about that anon.

M.J.L.

MODERN LANGUAGE SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: D. C. J. LEE.

Early this term, the society visited l'Institut Français to see a performance of "Le Maître de Santiago" by the nineteenth century writer Henry de Montherlant. This is the second play that we have seen by this same company, and both have been of a high standard. Later in the term, we saw "Britannicus" performed by the Marie Bell company, and this was indeed magnificent, particularly because the majority of members had not seen a performance of a French classical tragedy before. Even the excessive heat of the Savoy Theatre could not spoil our enjoyment, and we are indebted to Mr. Brown for giving us this opportunity of seeing "Britannicus" performed.

In addition to these two theatre visits, there have been two lectures during the second part of the term. T. A. Mason, Esq., spoke on his recent visit to the Soviet Union which was most enjoyable for both senior and junior members. At the end of the lecture, the society had an opportunity to ask questions, and to inspect several albums of photographs and a number of Russian school books, all of which contributed to a most pleasant evening. Finally, towards the end of the term, Dr. H. J. Nimtz delivered a lecture entitled "Das deutsche Schulwesen". The attendance was naturally limited to those who study German, but the subject was dealt with most thoroughly, and even the member who asked what form of punishment is practised in schools in Germany, went away more than satisfied.

D.C.J.L.

SCIENCE SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: J. M. G. HUNT.

Hon. Treas.: S. W. WHYTE.

Third Member: A. G. WALSH-ATKINS.

Towards the beginning of the term R. P. Burn, Esq., introduced a film entitled "Earth and Sky", which traced the history of astronomy from Babylonian times to the period of the Industrial Revolution. This was followed a fortnight later by a combined meeting of the Science and Natural History Societies at which Dr. J. H. Humphrey of the Medical Research Institute lectured in a most interesting and enjoyable way on "Detective Work with the Antibodies". An Old Millhillian, J. Dinsdale, Esq., concluded the term's meetings by talking on "Space Vehicles and Guided Flight".

We hope to round off a successful term by visiting the A.E.C. engineering works at Southall.

J.M.G.H.

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: P. J. FOX.

Third Member: M. F. HOPKINS.

The society welcomed Mr. C. M. T. Bowring to the term's initial meeting when he spoke on his "Holiday in Australia". He described in detail his stay in Alice Springs, a town situated in one of Australia's most barren regions. Here continuous ranges of uninhabited mountains, overshadowing ghost gums and scanty grass, are only rivalled by deep-set gorges. Leaving Alice Springs Mr. Bowring moved a thousand miles south to Tasmania where his holiday ended on a lavender farm in a cloud of misty blue. The lavender is harvested in the summer months and is distilled into an essence much sought after for its perfume value.

Mr. H. E. Ricks consented to give the society another glowing account of his travels, and this time his subject was "The Canaries". He journeyed from Madeira, famous for its wine and finely embroidered tablecloths, and reached these islands to find the sun shining brilliantly in the midst of January. The Canaries are a Spanish archipelago in the Atlantic Ocean consisting of volcanic peaks rising directly out of the sea. At Santa Cruz the mean average temperature is 71°F. Naturally the flora is magnificent: the vivid colours of the mimosa and the flame-tree constantly catch the eye. The islands' chief revenue comes from the export of bananas, and though they pander very much to the tourist trade they are as yet unspoilt. One can only hope that they will long remain so.

P.J.F.

WITAN

Prolocutor: P. J. Fox.

Hon. Sec.: A. K. TOULSON.

Orde Wingate's strict upbringing amongst the Plymouth Brethren left an indelible impression on him. He swept tempestuously through the army; he became a fanatical Zionist in Palestine, a restorer of the monarchy in Ethiopia and the founder of the Chindits in Burma. It is for his frenzied advocacy of the expeditions behind Japanese lines that Wingate is chiefly remembered. A. K. Toulson's paper on "Orde Wingate — Man of Genius" soon became a matter for conjecture, a debate which was only terminated by the cryptic comment: "Genius is next to madness".

Like Wingate, Girolamo Savonarola had a peculiar edge to his personality which was not entirely attributable to his absolute self-confidence. It was more by luck than judgment that his prophecies and visions were fulfilled; yet he has become one of the most controversial figures of the Renaissance. After qualifying as a friar he became virtual dictator of Florence. Unfortunately his scarcely veiled attacks on the Pope led to his eventual arrest, and his execution followed after confessions exacted in a delirium of pain on the "strappado". Savonarola was a founder member of the Conciliar movement and certainly carved for himself a place in the history of Italy, but there are varying opinions as to his effect on the rest of Europe. Our thanks are due to C. J. Burt for a lucid account of a man often passed over by "A" level historians and who was yet something more than a "Meddlesome Friar".

P.J.F.

PHOEBAN GROUP

Joint Committee: R. S. BURNS, M. F. HOPKINS.

Although a daily newspaper has claimed recently that Tennessee Williams had to see a psychiatrist after writing his latest play, "Suddenly Last Summer", J. S. Abbott's paper on his work was sane enough. He compared Williams with Eugene O'Neill and Arthur Miller, and expounded his skill in the revelation of plot and his insight into human problems. The paper was short, but the discussion did not pall. Perhaps this may be a warning to future paper-givers: a long talk is not necessarily a good one.

Another equally controversial figure is D. H. Lawrence. Although R. S. Burns lost his voice half-way through the reading of his paper, and "that word—subjectivity!" was used more than once in the course of the evening; members finally agreed that Lawrence was a brilliant but eccentric man. In his deliberate surrender to sex and emotion lay the causes of both his worst excesses of vulgarity and his greatest qualities of literary genius.

The society's annual theatre visit was to the Cambridge theatre to see John Mortimer's first full-length play: "The Wrong Side of the Park". This "sitting-room" drama failed to inspire, but we enjoyed Margaret Leighton's performance and at least one of us admitted condescendingly that "it showed promise".

Yet the highlight of this term has undoubtedly been the visit of Robert Morley, Esq., the actor and dramatist. He addressed a large open meeting on the subject of: "My experiences in the theatre", and spoke on that theme at least part of the time. Amongst other things, he appealed to "the lunatic fringe", he told us to go to Mexico, to leave the C.C.F., to go on the stage, never to work before we were twenty-five, and not to listen to the advice of the Public Schools' Appointments Bureau. We found his personal and witty talk an entertaining contrast to more orthodox speakers. Although his advice was perhaps not intended to be taken too seriously, he has persuaded at least one member to go on the stage!

R.S.B.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Hon. Sec.: K. S. SMITH.

Hon. Treas.: B. D. EDMOND.

Third Member: R. K. SADLER.

This term has been an active one. Two weekend expeditions have been undertaken as well as visits to the Natural History Museum and Barn Elms reservoir. Two evenings have been devoted to films, and early in the term Dr. Humphrey gave an interesting talk to a combined audience of the N.H.S. and Science Society. It is hoped that a room will soon be available in which to house the school's collection of specimens and to enable it to be properly laid out and classified.

K.S.S.

SOCIETY OF PHILATELISTS

Hon. Sec.: P. J. FOX.

Third Member: J. D. PERKINS.

There have been no extraordinary activities this term. Every week members of the society have persevered with the school collection, and under the management of J. D. Perkins, much has been done towards sorting and classifying it under countries and states. The problem which remains is the large number of low value duplicates, for although these can be bought at a quarter of the catalogue price, they are increasing more rapidly than they can be sold. Yet even this difficulty is more easily resolved than that of how to increase membership. Perhaps the school does not realise that there is no subscription.

Unfortunately the annual "Stampex" expedition has not been held this term. Nevertheless the society continues, and still holds its own auctions at which it can guarantee any would-be vendor not only the best prices but also that it deducts no percentage.

P.J.F.

COSMOS

Soviet: J. A. LUBBOCK, B. D. EDMOND, R. S. BURNS.

Charles Reid, Esq., music critic of the *News Chronicle*, revealed to us an expanse of musical enthusiasms ranging from Beethoven to Stravinsky. He said that the critic's role was to interpret verbally music's emotional abstract, and gave us excellent expressions on Brahms' Third Symphony, Bach's B minor Mass and Berg's *Wozzeck*.

Richard Robbins, the artist, gave us a highly personal insight into artistic creation: art and life were inextricable . . . a painting was like a child since each had an existence of its own . . . on the artist were built the truisms of future generations. He thus emphasised that the artist must live and experience intensely, and above all, that to achieve a universality which is both impersonal and objective, he must resort to the deeply subjective process of creation. Thus, ex hypothesi, the artist must be the epitome of humanity.

Dr. S. F. Osiakowski, the Russian art historian, talked to us about Soviet art. He did not attempt to eulogise on Soviet paintings, for it cannot be denied that they are of as poor quality as the most commercial of contemporary British: rather he brought out what was good in Soviet art—wood-engraving and other graphic art, and although not in the same category, Hedecke's great painting, "The Defence of Petrograd". I found especially convincing the Leninist doctrine of "best art is popular art", for it is evident that non-representational art is purely selfish and capitalistic. But surely the remaining problem is whether naturalism will lead to epigonistic tendencies. I find this highly disturbing.

To these three speakers the society owes a great debt and they have all given us talks of infinite value.

J.A.L.

INNOMINATE SOCIETY

Secretary: C. R. SOTNICK.

After the one hundred and fifty-two years of the school's existence, it has at last been decided to form a Medical Sixth society. The difficulty was in finding a name. After the first business meeting "The Nematodes" was suggested, but Mr. Hall, our patron, refused to be associated with a group of predominantly parasitic worms. Since we could find no other name, we all finally agreed to call the new group "The Innominate Society". This also has a biological connection, since there is an Innominate artery which runs to the brain on the right side.

For our first full meeting we were honoured to have Dr. Bloom to give us an informal and informative talk on "The life of a doctor today", which was a most suitable launching for the society. Our other meeting this term was a musical one, when everyone brought a record of his own choice and tried to justify it. This was a very enjoyable evening, all the more so because none of the music was too "square".

C.R.S.

Y GYMDEITHAS GYMREIG

Cadeirydd: G. C. DYFNALLT.

Ysgrifennydd: G. LL. HOWELL.

To disillusion the more romantically minded who may be wondering what the above caption means, it is not the formula of an alchemical charm, or the slogan of a revolutionary party, or even the password of a secret spy ring: it is the vernacular name of a new society, the Welsh Society. Neither should it be supposed that under the pretence of propagating Welsh culture the founders intend to create a Free Welsh Republic. This is proved by the keen membership of several English boys.

Seriously however, there have always been close ties between Mill Hill and Wales. Both have traditions of rugger: both have traditions of non-conformity. Today there are at least thirty Welsh boys in the school, and all have approved the formation of our society. Our aim is to cultivate and maintain an interest in Welsh affairs and culture.

We held our inaugural business meeting on St. David's Day, when this new venture was appropriately launched and officially recognised. Unfortunately it does not seem likely that we will hear our first full lecture this term. However a programme of films and lectures is being arranged for next term, the first, we hope, of many successful terms in the life of our new society.

G.L.L.H.



Hobbies

The time is Sunday evening, six o'clock. An unnatural silence settles down on common-rooms like the fog on the hockey-pitches outside. There is no gramophone moaning: nobody is playing table-tennis. Cliff and Marty lie undigged in their sleeves. Fags sit on tables surrounded by empty milk-bottles and attempt to sort out the blotting-paper, corps-brushes, pen-nibs and bits of string from their jacket pockets. Superior second-years wander along vacant corridors gazing at photographs and notices. Study doors greet visitors with tactful reminders: "Go home", "Enter at thy peril", and "We don't want it". The only signs of vigour are in the quiet-rooms where intellectuals drool over *Paris Match* and Agatha Christie; beatniks sprawl on chaise-longues chewing in their sleep; and one despicable fellow dutifully removes the seventh blot from Horace Ode V....

And what is the cause of such unMillhillian behaviour? Have we the half-term blues? Are we mourning the death of the house-cat? Perhaps it is prep? Have the fags mutinied by poisoning their masters' coffee? Has Mill Hill been polluted by radio-active fall-out? Or are the governors converting the establishment into a co-educational school?

Alas! It is none of these devastating catastrophes. This unnatural atmosphere is normal, for it is Sunday evening at six o'clock — "Hobbies Hour!"



Yet not everyone thinks of "hobbies" in terms of one dreary hour to be passed on Sunday evenings after exeats and before chapel. "Real hobbies" are an important part of school life and last all the week round. For some inexplicable reason, societies and clubs have been even more active than usual this term. Whilst those already established thrive, a new TABLE TENNIS CLUB now meets regularly in the gym, a HOBBIES COMMITTEE has been formed, and the WIRELESS CLUB has been rejuvenated.

The hut behind the "gun shed" on the farm track has over the past three years been used for everything from plucking chickens to dissecting motor-cycles. It is now once again the property of the W.C.C. (WIRELESS CONSTRUCTION CLUB), and the interior looks like a stand from the "Ideal Home", complete with running cold water and semi-functional television. The club is progressing slowly in spite of the help and guidance given by the Stage and Cinema Committee, and we are expecting a large influx of new members next term.

THE STAGE AND CINEMA COMMITTEE, apart from causing explosive upheavals in the Wireless Club and various other places, is in charge of the Large. This term, owing to the controversy over VARIETY TOP HAT, it has been concerned mainly with film-shows. It has shown films to the Natural History and Science Societies, the Christian Fellowship, the Young Farmers' Club, and to the MOTOR CAR AND CYCLE CLUB; it has been on mountains with the SPELEOLOGICAL GROUP; it has shown water-pollution and Irish fish to the Angling Club; and it has been to Sweden, Russia, New York, The Alps, The Riviera and the Antarctic with the Travel Club. The proceeds of two films — "A day in Moscow" with the Travel Club, and "It's always Fair Weather" have been donated to the World Refugee Year Fund. This charity has also given the COOL FOUR a pretext to attempt to reproduce the atmosphere of a New Orleans cellar at a "Jam Session" in the Music School, even to the extent of stifling their clients by closing all the windows and then charging exorbitant prices for the refreshments.

One might think that the name TRAVEL CLUB is a contradiction of terms for a Mill Hill Hobbies society, since the necessary restrictions of boarding-school life render travel impossible — except on field-days. Yet the Travel Club remains undaunted by such minor obstacles: by means of its connections with a major American film company it journeys round the world in spirit at least, if not in body. In the Easter Holidays two of its members will be hitchhiking to Rome.

Although VARIETY TOP HAT is not being performed this year, the MAGICAL SOCIETY is busy reforming itself. Yet the rehearsals for the School House play, "ARSENIC AND OLD LACE" are well under way, whilst actors wander around in almost too realistic attire and the producer offers them the benefit of his own experience. THE PRINTING SOCIETY has been preparing an experimental design for the programmes.

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY has also had a successful though secluded term. The darkrooms have been modernised, seven meetings have been held, and the membership has increased by 75 per cent in eighteen months. The RAILWAY SOCIETY remains small and has had a change in the presidency. Although its meetings are rare, they are nevertheless rewarding: this term there has been an illustrated lecture and a visit to two Motive Power Depots. Meanwhile the CARPENTRY CLUB continues to benefit from its improved facilities on the ground floor of the new Art Block, by an unusual increase in numbers. But in the exalted heights of the studio upstairs where the ART CLUB creates, nobody is quite sure what is going on — least of all the wild, gesticulating and Freudian artists. It is only known that they are too engrossed in their subjectivity to be in a fit state to make any report, and it is suspected that at least two of them are so far gone that they are cultivating their sideboards for future use in paint brushes.

Others prefer to drown their sorrows in the healthier atmosphere of outdoor hobbies. Apart from its usual pastoral activities, the YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB has been attempting to improve the drainage of the paddock by enlarging the pond. Unfortunately this has not prevented two ducks from taking occasional promenades in search of new pastures in the direction of the crocus-patch.

The ANGLING CLUB has concerned itself with a larger pond — the Aldenham reservoir; but whether anything was caught is uncertain. Another fishy group, the AQUARIST CLUB, as at least one (and perhaps only one) O.M. will be pleased to hear, is still functioning. Here there is no problem of catching the fish: guppies in their glass houses are already merrily celebrating the rites of spring behind the sagittaria bushes.



I felt that I could not end this report without mentioning the FREDs. The Freds would feel hurt if I called them a hobby, yet they refuse to be classified as a society. Nobody knows what the Freds are except the Freds. Rumour has it that they are a Kulturkampf for illiterate scientists, but I am personally convinced that they are a fan-club for Peter Sellers and Bernard Bresslaw. . . .

. . . And so back to Horace :

"Quis multa gracilis te puer in rosa
Perfusus liquidis urget odoribus,
Grato, Pyrrha, sub antro. . . ?"

MUSIC

THE MUSIC COMPETITION

Dr. Wilfrid Greenhouse Allt, Principal of Trinity College of Music, was the adjudicator at this year's Music Competition which took place on Sunday March 13th. The quality of the performances naturally varied. The best were very good, and the house choirs reached a very high standard. Both H. R. M. Macdonald (Wk.) and J. G. Hanchet (B.B.) with their respective choirs, are to be congratulated.

There were surprise winners, all more than justified, in the Bass, Baritone and String Classes, while R. A. Cowan (treble) and C. R. Sotnick (tenor) retained their titles won last year. C. Blackman's organ playing was musical and accurate. The House Ensembles had to be postponed because of illness. Winterstoke won the competition comfortably, and in the House Choirs edged ahead of Burton Bank by the nearest whisker. There were well over two hundred entries—a good showing, if not a record. The house music managers all did splendid work. Dr. Allt enjoyed his visit as much as we enjoyed having him here.

RESULTS

HOUSE CHOIR COMPETITION: 1st: Winterstoke.
2nd: Burton Bank.

(the part song was "Good Morrow, Gossip Joan" arr. G. Shaw, and the Unison Song was Parry's "England".)

HOUSE COMPETITION:

1st: Winterstoke	— 175 points
2nd: = Ridgeway and Weymouth	— 105 "
4th: Burton Bank	— 74 "
5th: Scrutton	— 68 "
6th: Collinson	— 63 "
7th: Murray	— 25 "

INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS:

Junior Piano: 1st Pierce-Butler (B.B.), 2nd Simpson (B.B.), 3rd. Ball (R.).

Lower Intermediate: 1st Lawson (Wey.), 2nd Wrigglesworth (Wk.), 3rd Johnstone (Wk.).

Upper Intermediate: 1st Jacobs (C.), 2nd Ayre (R.), 3rd Tchighianoff (C.).

Senior Piano: 1st Howard (R.), 2nd Macdonald (Wk.), 3rd Hanchet (B.B.).

Junior Duet: 1st Robins and Noakes (R.), 2nd Palmer and Graves (Wk.), 3rd Kerr and Johnstone (Wk.).

Senior Duet: 1st Blackman and Ayre (R.), 2nd Macdonald and Wates (Wk.), 3rd Tchighianoff and Dorken (C.).

Intermediate Sight Reading: 1st = Tchighianoff (C.) and Barlowe (R.), 3rd Jacobs (C.).

Senior Sight Reading: 1st Macdonald (Wk.), 2nd Stone (S.), 3rd Blackman (R.).

Strings: 1st Johnstone (cello) (Wk.), 2nd Ross (cello) (M.), 3rd Kerr (violin) (Wk.).

Wind: 1st Allison (clarinet) (S.), 2nd Day (oboe) (S.), 3rd Isaac (oboe) (R.).

Brass: 1st Reik (trumpet) (Wey.), 2nd = Dorée (trumpet) (Wey.), and Palmer (trumpet) (Wk.).

Organ: 1st Blackman (R.), 2nd Phillips (Wey.), 3rd Macdonald (Wk.).

Treble: 1st Cowan (Wey.), 2nd Cartwright (Wk.), 3rd Wrigglesworth mi (Wk.).

Alto: 1st = Phillips (Wey.) and Russell (B.B.), 3rd Kerr mi. (Wk.).

Tenor: 1st Sotnick (Wk.), 2nd Henderson (Wey.), 3rd.

Baritone: 1st Broido (S.), 2nd Lunan (B.B.), 3rd Whyte (Wey.).

Bass: 1st Kerr ma. (Wk.), 2nd Hillier (Wk.), 3rd = Hanchet (B.B.) and Judelson (M.).

Chapel Choir and Choral Society

The choir has increased noticeably this term with the addition of two Winterstoke basses and a Winterstoke tenor, each of whom reached his respective final in the Music Competition. This increased power in the lower parts has been happily offset by a far more confident treble line which is now adequately capable in leading a sometimes sluggish congregation in the harmony verses of hymns, as well as providing a powerful driving force in the anthems.

We have broken no new ground this term; but our concentration on the Elijah and on the finer points of choir discipline will stand us in good stead for the concert next term. Although the Choral Society still practises as a separate body from the Chapel Choir, an unexpected drop in numbers has merged the two. This has at least provided us with a nucleus for next term which we hope will be supported by a marked increase in numbers. We have the potential but I fear we lack the enthusiasm.

J.G.H.

Music Club

The first meeting of the Club took place in the Large on Saturday, January 23rd, when a concert was given by the Women's Royal Army Corps Band, conducted by Major Jean Macdowall, A.R.A.M. The band gave a most enjoyable concert to a large audience, and played the waltz from *La Ronde*, the march from Holst's *Suite in E flat*, a movement from Weber's *Clarinet Concerto*, selections from "Gigi", as well as a post horn solo and a duet on the xylophone. The visit of Major Macdowall and her band was greatly appreciated.

On Saturday, February 20th, the Watford Chamber Orchestra gave a concert in the Large, under the direction of Kenneth Leaper. The programme began with a polished performance of Beethoven's "Coriolanus" Overture, and with Clarence Myerscough as soloist, there followed Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto. After the interval, the orchestra played Schubert's early Third Symphony, with a care for phrasing and detail.

Later in the term we were visited by four lady students of the Royal College of Music—Jessie Cash (soprano), Virginia Henson (clarinet), Neda Jankovic (piano) and Veronica Smith (accompanist). Our recollections of concerts given by students in the past two years aroused high hopes and we were certainly not disappointed. A varied programme was offered which included both the classical and the contemporary. Technically the ladies were well equipped, and they displayed great artistry. Miss Smith did invaluable work at the piano, and at the end Miss Cash, Miss Henson and Miss Jankovic combined in Schubert's "Shepherd on the rock".

The School Orchestra provided the fare at the fourth concert (which was the ninth of the series). Members of the music club get good value for their money!

Mr. Myerscough was unable to be present, and D. F. Hugill had a responsible task. As leader he played splendidly, as he has throughout the term. The programme began with Handel's "Scipio" March, and the Winterstoke Ensemble gave a well-rehearsed account of a movement from the Haydn E Major trio. The orchestra continued with two Mozart waltzes, and Mr. A. H. Vine then played Gluck's "Dance of the Blessed Spirits" from "Orfeo" quite delightfully. This was followed by P. S. Kerr's spine-chilling "Mephistopheles Serenade" from Gounod's "Faust" during which our hearts bled for poor Catherina. Then the orchestra played two of Schubert's songs—"Farewell" and "Cradle Song"—after which the Weymouth ensemble of three trumpets, two cellos and a piano, took us back into the opera-house with Verdi's stirring Grand March from "Aida". The programme ended with three English songs arranged for the Orchestra—"Drink to me only", "Oh dear, what can the matter be", and "Home sweet Home". It was a highly creditable performance. Distinction may not have been achieved; but it is something to have attempted it.

S.J.B.

C.C.F.

ARMY SECTION

This year marks the centenary of the C.C.F. and a commemorative page has been prepared of the history of the Mill Hill School C.C.F. to be included in a book which will later be presented to H.M. Queen Elizabeth II. The contingent will also be recognising the occasion by a display of equipment and training after an inspection by Brigadier J. E. F. Willoughby, M.B.E., Col. of the Middlesex Regt. (D.C.O.). The "Die Hards" have been associated with the Mill Hill contingent since 1911, providing the Corps with its first cap-badge, and assisting in various ways the training and administration of this unit for the last fifty years.

Training this term has followed the usual pattern and the specialist sections have shown considerable ingenuity in the planning of their programmes. Despite some early set-backs the R.E. section have now nearly finished the brick compound on the car-park; the Signals sections have been very active with their new 88 sets; and the R.A. section have planned a demonstration which should be in the best service tradition.

The events of Field Day were varied and apparently most sections were handsomely entertained at their respective venues. A word of praise is due to the various N.C.O.s of the specialist sections and of the basic and proficiency companies, who have at such times shown their initiative and have acted responsibly in the absence of supervising officers.

Next term the Annual camp is to be a "self-help" camp in Norfolk but before this the Shooting VIII will be competing in the "Ashburton" at Bisley for the first time since the nineteen-thirties. We wish them luck for they have been working hard in preparation.

C.S.B.

R.A.F. SECTION

Although the results of the Advanced Training examinations at the end of the Winter term were rather disappointing, there were a good number of proficiency passes. This term, every candidate passed proficiency and we are awaiting the Advanced Training results hopefully.

Field day this term was spent at No. 2 Air Navigation School, Thorney Island. During this visit, which was one of the most interesting that the section has ever made to any R.A.F. station, every cadet was allowed to make a thirty-minute flight in one of the navigational training Valetta aircraft. We also saw a Bomber Command Valiant from Honington, Suffolk, doing a practice G.C.A.

The Link Trainer has had a complete overhaul and is now in full working order. Certain industrious cadets are also constructing a large wind tunnel, which will eventually be most useful for teaching the basic principles of flight and for individual research by those who are considering entering either the technical branches of the R.A.F. or the aircraft industry.

R. K. Sadler is to be congratulated on completing his flying scholarship at the Elstree flying club, where he flew solo after ten hours' training on Chipmunks. M. A. Edwards and G. M. B. Theaker will shortly be starting their flying scholarship training at Elstree and Shoreham respectively, and S. D. Wand will be attending a selection course at Hornchurch. We wish these the best of luck.

K.C.R.

The Scouts

The regular weekly troop meetings in which Scouts become more proficient at Scouting do not make good magazine copy. It is, however, these weekly troop meetings which occupy most of our time.

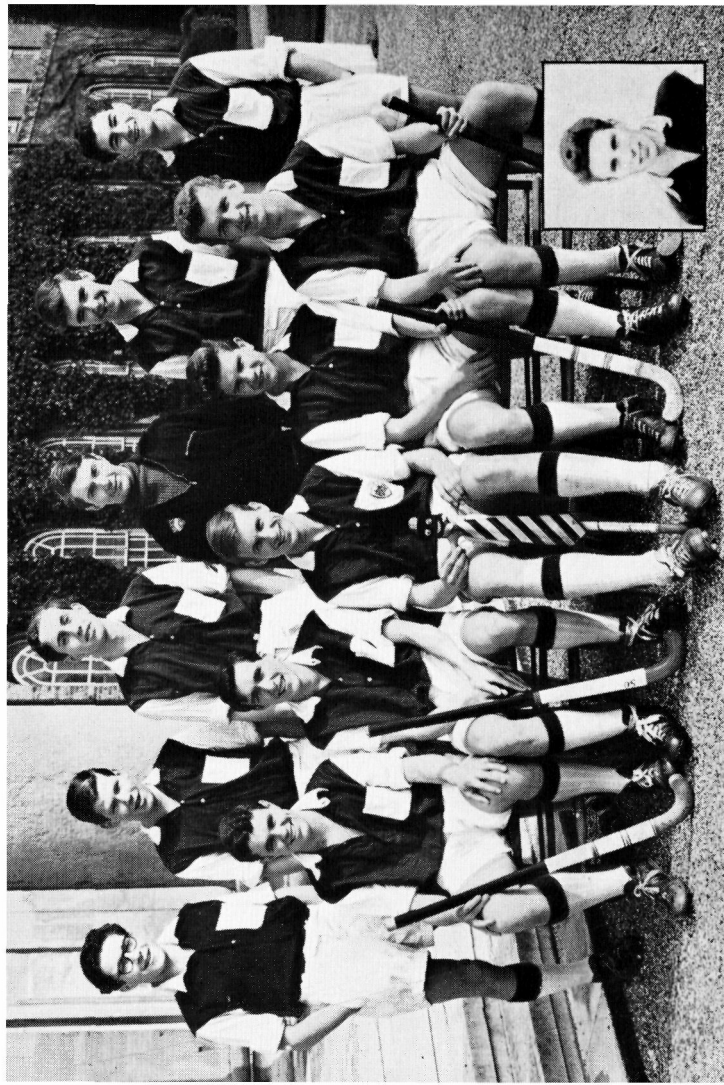
More exciting are the activities of Whole Day's Training. Starting at Portsmouth, some of the seniors walked a good stretch of the South Downs. The under fifteens were divided between an exploration project in the City of London and cooking and axemanship training at Moat Mount.

More people have been working for Proficiency Badges and several enjoyed a week-end at Chalfont Heights on a Backwoodsman course.

Now we look forward to Summer Camp: after last year's very successful camp in North Wales the Patrol leaders decided on Devonshire for this year, and we have accordingly arranged to go to a farm on the edge of Dartmoor.

H.W.S.

1st XI HOCKEY 1960



Standing (left to right): R. A. M. Wade, R. J. Hayman, R. S. Palmer, W. O. W. Roberts, P. T. D. Winocour, G. C. Dyfnallt.

Seated (left to right): G. J. M. Westoby, M. J. Darke (Sel. Com.), T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, R. T. Hillier.
(Inset) M. F. Hopkins (Hon. Sec.).

SPORTS

HOCKEY

Captain: T. D. PHILLIPS.

Hon. Sec.: M. F. HOPKINS.

Selection Committee: M. J. DARKE.

Match Summary, Season 1960

<i>Date</i>		<i>Opponents</i>	<i>Venue</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Ag't</i>	<i>Result</i>
<i>First XI</i>						
Sat.	Feb. 6	Southgate	A	1	2	Lost
Sat.	Feb. 13	Bishop's Stortford ...	Cancelled			
Tues.	Feb. 16	St. Catherine's College	A	1	0	Won
Sat.	Feb. 20	Wellington	A	2	1	Won
Thur.	Feb. 25	United Banks	Cancelled			
Sat.	Feb. 27	Caterham	H	2	0	Won
Thur.	Mar. 3	Old Millhillians ...	H	3	2	Won
Tues.	Mar. 8	Felsted	A	1	2	Lost
Sat.	Mar. 12	The Leys	A	2	0	Won
Sat.	Mar. 19	Aldenham	H	2	0	Won
Wed.	Mar. 23	Cranleigh	H	4	0	Won
<i>Second XI</i>						
Sat.	Feb. 13	Bishop's Stortford ...	Cancelled			
Sat.	Feb. 27	Caterham	Cancelled			
Tues.	Mar. 8	Felsted	A	2	3	Lost
Sat.	Mar. 12	Southgate	H	0	7	Lost
Sat.	Mar. 19	Aldenham	A	0	5	Lost
Wed.	Mar. 23	Cranleigh	H	2	1	Won
<i>Third XI</i>						
Sat.	Feb. 27	Merchant Taylors' ...	A	7	0	Won
Tues.	Mar. 8	Felsted	H	2	1	Won
<i>Colts XI</i>						
Sat.	Feb. 27	"B" v. Merchant Taylors'	A	2	3	Lost
Tues.	Mar. 8	Felsted	H	1	3	Lost
Sat.	Mar. 12	The Leys	A	0	3	Lost
Sat.	Mar. 19	Aldenham	A	2	0	Won

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Match Reports

1st XI v. SOUTHGATE Away (Lost 1-2)

Despite the many petty infringements there was much open fast-moving hockey, and after several failures in the circle Mill Hill went ahead when the Southgate goal-keeper kicked the ball into his own goal, under pressure from Boon.

In the second half Southgate's greater experience gained them some measure of control and they scored two goals. But the Mill Hill forwards continued to move smoothly, only lacking finishing power. It was a confident start to the season with the team working well together, and the final result was somewhat unlucky.

Team: W. O. W. Roberts, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, R. S. Palmer, P. T. D. Winocour, R. A. M. Wade, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, G. C. Dyfnallt.

1st XI v. ST. CATHERINE'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE Away (Won 1-0)

Mill Hill began at a furious pace and scored in the first ten minutes from a fine shot by Boon off a short corner. From then on, as against Southgate, the forwards attacked again and again only to lose the advantage by slowing up round the circle and failing to make the final pass quickly. The College was not playing as well as anticipated and they failed to create many really dangerous situations throughout the game. Nevertheless the defence played a solid and creditable game, even if they failed at times to give the forwards sufficient support, and there was one particularly spectacular save by Roberts in goal. It was an evenly contested game and Mill Hill did well to win.

Team: W. O. W. Roberts, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, R. S. Palmer, M. J. Darke, P. T. D. Winocour, R. A. M. Wade, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, G. C. Dyfnallt.

1st XI v. WELLINGTON Away (Won 2-1)

With the grounds under water on the morning of the match another cancellation was envisaged, but Wellington's pitches were comparatively dry and the game was played away. The unexpected journey and insufficient lunch were reflected in the first ten minutes and Wellington were unlucky not to score. The defence then settled down and the forwards, baulked frequently by his opponent's offside trap, eventually combined in some very impressive movements, only to lack finish. Phillips, however, picked up a sixteen yard hit, beat his man, pushed into the circle and scored with a hard shot just before half-time.

Mill Hill took control after half-time but still failed in the circle. Ten minutes from the end Wellington drew level by deflecting a shot from outside the circle. This called for greater efforts, and in a final onslaught Boon, exploiting the positioning of the backs, took a hard cross from Winocour, forced his way through the gap and tapped the winning goal into the net.

Team: W. O. W. Roberts, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, R. S. Palmer, M. J. Darke, P. T. D. Winocour, R. A. M. Wade, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, G. C. Dyfnallt.

1st XI v. CATERHAM Home (Won 2-0)

Mill Hill looked superior in attack and defence throughout the game, but as the score shows, failed to take advantage of their opportunities. Fishing Net was very heavy and hard and through passes seemed the order of the day. Before long, Phillips had pushed through to Boon in the circle, who cracked the ball into the roof of the net and near half-time Westoby followed up a shot and flicked the ball home from the ensuing scramble. Only once did Caterham really threaten, with a shot which hit the upright.

In the second half the game tended to deteriorate with Mill Hill unable to consolidate their lead. Boon and Phillips were not playing as well as usual, and Wade on the right wing was well marked. It was left to Westoby, playing his best game to date, to hold the forward line together; the defence meanwhile played safely and constructively, and long before time the result was a foregone conclusion.

Team: W. O. W. Roberts M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, R. S. Palmer, M. J. Darke, P. T. D. Winocour, R. A. M. Wade, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, G. C. Dyfnallt.

1st XI v. OLD MILLHILLIANS Home (Won 3-2)

When Boon scored in the first minute, hopes of an easy game were raised — only to be dispelled as the O.M.'s replied with a number of fierce attacks which soon evened the score. Mill Hill had the more organised and constructive team, and controlled the midfield, mainly through some outstanding interceptions by Darke, ably supported by the backs, Hopkins and Hillier. The wing-halves were not playing as well as was expected however, and there was a general tendency to concentrate on the right, where Palmer was slow on occasions. The O.M.'s, meanwhile, relied mainly on individual thrust.

Mill Hill soon regained the lead as Wade dribbled along the back-line, beat his man and flicked home; but shortly after half-time the O.M.'s drew level again with a good deflection off a short corner. A draw seemed liable until five minutes from time Phillips picked up a free hit, pushed into the circle and shot from a narrow angle to win an enjoyable and close game for the School.

Team: M. O. Lidwell, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, R. S. Palmer, M. J. Darke, P. T. D. Winocour, R. A. M. Wade, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, K. A. Khaleeli.

Unavailable: W. O. W. Roberts.

1st XI v. FELSTED Away (Lost 1-2)

Mill Hill appeared quite at home on the unusual conditions of a fast pitch and pressed hard in the early moments, nearly scoring three times. Both sides were playing a high standard of hockey, until quite suddenly a poor and hurried shot from the edge of the circle rolled past Roberts to give Felsted their first goal. Mill Hill still had an even share of the game however, and constructed many a scoring chance, but Felsted found the next gap and with the backs square as a result of some quick cross-passing, a Felsted forward was put through into the circle, avoided the covering half and hit home a convincing goal to make the score 0-2 at half-time.

The Mill Hill forwards continued to look dangerous, and Phillips played another outstanding game, yet the goals would not come. The Felsted forwards were at the same time worrying the Mill Hill defence, but found few openings, which Roberts used to redeem himself. Five minutes from time Phillips received a quick roll-in and, catching the defence unawares, shot from the edge of the circle to score Mill Hill's only goal.

Mill Hill had only themselves to blame for losing. They made two vital mistakes in defence and some easy scoring chances were missed.

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1st XI v. THE LEYS Away (Won 2-0)

The pitch was dry and fast and Mill Hill were without their regular inside left and right wing, but the forwards attacked straightaway forcing a short corner. Minutes later a mêlée developed round the goal and Hadi hit the loose ball from the back of the circle to score the first goal. Mill Hill continued to press, looking superior in attack and defence — partly owing to lack of co-ordination among the Leys' forwards — and just before half-time Phillips deflected a sixteen yard hit to Boon who raced fifty yards, beating the backs and goalkeeper, to score a very fine goal.

In the second half Mill Hill lost some of their superiority although Phillips came close to scoring a number of times. The backs were not as safe as usual, Hopkins in particular seeming remarkably unsteady, but both reserves acquitted themselves well — Hadi working constructively and Hayman putting across numerous good centres. Though the Leys forwards became more thrushful, their wings were well marked by Palmer and Winocour and they failed to score, giving Mill Hill their first win over the Leys since 1934.

Team: W. O. W. Roberts, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, R. S. Palmer, M. J. Darke, P. T. D. Winocour, R. J. Hayman, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, F. Hadi, G. C. Dyfnallt.

Unavailable: G. J. M. Westoby, R. A. M. Wade.

1st XI v. ALDENHAM Home (Won 2-0)

Mill Hill played extremely well for the first twenty minutes, appearing faster on to the ball and more controlled in their passing than their opponents, and had soon scored two well deserved goals. The first followed a through pass from Phillips, which Boon gathered and flicked past the advancing goalkeeper and the other was a second flick by Boon after a misclearance. From then on the standard of play deteriorated and no more goals were scored.

Immediately after half-time Aldenham rallied and came very close to scoring, but the defence, though flurried, kept them out and Roberts in goal played exceptionally well, at times coming to the edge of the circle to save.

Mill Hill showed their strength early in the game as they have tended to do throughout the season, and as the low scoring rate suggests, they have never maintained this early pressure. Had this been achieved, not only Aldenham, but Caterham and Leys as well, could have been beaten far more convincingly.

Team: W. O. W. Roberts, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, A. K. Toulson, M. J. Darke, P. T. D. Winocour, R. J. Hayman, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, G. C. Dyfnallt.

Unavailable: R. S. Palmer.

1st XI v. CRANLEIGH Home (Won 4-0)

Mill Hill scored the quickest goal of the season when Dyfnallt dribbled down the right wing in his usual impetuous manner, brought the ball round into the circle and flicked it into the goal after precisely 30 seconds. The forwards kept pressing hard in an effort to build up an early lead and their second goal came from Westoby with a strong hit after a long corner. The pace slowed a little and Cranleigh began to look more dangerous, but Mill Hill increased their lead just before half-time when Boon, carrying the ball from right to left across the goalmouth, put in a reverse stick scoop.

Cranleigh put in a concentrated effort after half-time, but with no success and however unsteady or slow the Mill Hill defence might have seemed, it is significant that the goalkeeper only touched the ball twice in the whole game. Soon the game began to slow down again as the heat of the afternoon had its effect. Attacks on both sides became more the expression of individual vigour than of any concerted effort and it was not until Mill Hill forced a short corner that they scored their fourth goal, Darke shooting home from the goalmouth muddle that followed. Shortly the final whistle blew to end the most successful season for many years.

Team: C. J. Burt, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier, R. S. Palmer, M. J. Darke, P. T. D. Winocour, R. A. M. Wade, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, G. C. Dyfnallt.

Unavailable: W. O. W. Roberts, R. J. Hayman.

OXFORD HOCKEY FESTIVAL

The 1st XI less Dyfnallt but reinforced by Furness, Khaleeli and Wade took part in this year's festival. Four games were played and in spite of a most enjoyable four days, all were won. Charterhouse were beaten 3-1, Liverpool College 6-1, Magdalen College School 3-1 and St. Edward's School 4-3.

Team: W. O. W. Roberts, M. F. Hopkins, R. T. Hillier P. T. D. Winocour, M. J. Darke, R. S. Palmer, R. A. Furness, R. J. Hayman, T. D. Phillips (Capt.), R. J. D. Boon, G. J. M. Westoby, K. A. Khaleeli.

A.P.H.

Retrospect

1st XI

This must rank as one of the best seasons that the school has ever had for of the seven school matches played six were won and one lost; in the whole season only seven goals were scored against us for which club sides were responsible for four. Throughout the term only one voluntary (and temporary) change was made in the side until two forwards achieved German measles — one was unfortunate enough to lose his place altogether. This, together with the skill and experience of the inside forwards, Phillips and Westoby, the ability of Darke at centre half and the dash of Boon (C.F.), produced a well balanced and well knit side with enough spirit and skill to meet the demands made upon it.

Though the record shows their efficiency, the defence could look slow, but good stick work and covering, and a refusal to give best to anyone, turned them into a compact and efficient unit. They were much helped in their distribution of the ball, by a hard-working forward line who assisted in defence without neglecting attack. Some goals and many opportunities were created by turning defence into attack rapidly, making use of Boon's pace down the middle. Two constructive inside forwards have given the approach work pattern but, though Boon has averaged a goal a match, finishing has been the weakest part of the play. Only twice have more than two goals been scored in a match but in spite of this the spirit of the side was excellent and they were quick starters: one up inside a minute against the Old Millhillians and Cranleigh, two up in ten minutes against Cranleigh and Aldenham — a mixed blessing this as complacency was inclined to creep into the play.

The experiment of having another pitch on Park "R" was a success. A third pitch and reasonable weather have enabled the school to play more hockey than is usually the case in an English winter on clay!

A.P.H.

2nd XI

While one does not want to make excuses for a rather mediocre season, various factors should be considered in conjunction with the 2nd XI's record of three losses and one win. We were more handicapped than the other sides by lack of practice and two match cancellations at the start of the season, and even then deprived of really useful practice games by the state of the pitches. Consequently, after a good first half at Felsted when we led 2-0, we could not last the pace on a fast pitch and lost 2-3;

even so, this was a good game, and did not prepare us for the heavy defeats by Southgate, when experience and strength told, and by Aldenham, a lively side who were much faster on their own ground. We finished with our only win in an even game against Cranleigh, when better individual performances and more confidence as a team produced a goal in the last minute.
H.S.S.

COLTS XI

We started the season with the usual inability to find a forward line which looked even potentially dangerous. The defence was generally sound and improved in cohesion throughout the term though it was not until later that the halves discovered the effectiveness of the flat pass.

The best of the forwards was Silk who lacked polish but attacked with fire. Davies who led the team well, was outstanding for stickwork but was often too fond of the hit straight ahead. Allison and Drake were sound in defence and distributed the ball well. The team as a whole improved in speed and attack until on a fast pitch they ran Aldenham off their feet.

E.P.S.

Make-Ups

First XI

1. T. D. Phillips, 1958-9-60
(Sel. Comm. 1959, Capt. 1960).
 2. M. J. Darke, 1959-60
(Sel. Comm. 1960).
 3. M. F. Hopkins, 1959-60
(Hon. Sec. 1960).
 4. {R. J. D. Boon, 1959-60.
G. J. M. Westoby, 1959-60.
 6. P. T. D. Winocour, 1960.
 7. R. T. Hillier, 1959-60.
 8. W. O. W. Roberts, 1960.
 9. R. S. Palmer, 1960.
 10. G. C. Dyfnallt, 1960.
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11. {R. J. Hayman, 1960.
R. A. M. Wade, 1960.

Second XI

1. C. J. Carter.
2. A. K. Toulson.
3. F. Hadi.
4. {K. A. Khaleeli.
A. T. Wrigglesworth.
6. R. A. Furness.
7. P. W. Hancock.
8. {N. Burggy.
A. S. Mortimer.
10. T. G. Davies.
11. {C. J. Burt.
M. O. Lidwell.

Those above the double line regain or are awarded 1st XI colours.

Those above the single line regain or are awarded 2nd XI colours.

The following represented the :

3rd XI: A. Liaquat Ali Khan, H. H. Andrews, A. A. J. Browne, S. Y. Chinoy, R. D. Ehrlich, P. R. Holmes, A. D. Hopkins, A. W. Isaac, S. D. Jenkins, R. D. Mills.

Colts' XI: *R. W. D. Allison, M. P. Archer, N. W. D. Armistead, *P. P. T. Davies, J. A. Dean, *G. L. Drake, A. W. Dyer, P. H. Graves, R. A. Latner, R. A. Lee, J. R. McAllister, B. J. Richards, R. M. Scott, R. M. Silk.

* Awarded wings.

1st XI Characters

T. D. PHILLIPS (Captain and Inside Right). The results this year are largely due to his success in passing on to others his own great determination and will to win. On the field his experience and knowledge of the game have been invaluable and he has played well in a position possibly not his best.

M. F. HOPKINS (Right Back). An experienced player whose great assets are a hard flick and a refusal to admit defeat. His own play and "know-how" have greatly assisted the more inexperienced members of the defence.

M. J. DARKE (Centre Half). A fine player whose distribution of the ball is quite outstanding. He has done the work of two—occasionally to the detriment of his positional play, but his flair for the game and fine interceptions have usually enabled him to recover.

A.P.H.

W. O. W. ROBERTS (Goalkeeper).

He has had an excellent season especially as this was his first term of hockey. It was unfortunate that his only serious mistake should result in Felsted scoring one of their vital goals.

R. T. HILLIER (Left Back).

A reliable full back with a strong hit, whose lack of speed was his only failing.

R. S. PALMER (Right Half).

At the beginning of the season he was unsteady, and was sometimes tempted to tackle the opposing inside forward. As the season progressed however, he established himself as a safe half back who was difficult to beat.

P. T. D. WINOCOUR (Left Half).

Probably the most improved player in the side, whose reverse-stick tackling was excellent. His positional play in the circle could still be improved.

R. J. HAYMAN (Right Wing).

He was brought into the side towards the end of the season and he immediately proved his worth. However, his lack of experience was apparent in certain aspects of his game.

R. A. M. WADE (Right Wing).

A fast and skilful winger, but because of his inability to centre the ball, promising movements often petered out on his wing. However, this season's experience should stand him in good stead next year.

R. J. D. BOON (Centre Forward).

An extremely fast mover and the top goal-scorer during the season. His speed enabled him to beat opposing defences and to chase after long hits, and in this way many successful attacks were made upon the opposing goal.

G. J. M. WESTOBY (Inside Left).

He was a constructive inside forward with outstanding stickwork, but at times was slightly erratic in the circle. He should have an excellent season next year.

G. C. DYFNALLT (Left Wing).

A determined player whose main weakness lay in his inability to centre the ball. He was left out of the side for the Old Millhillians' match and on his return to the team improved beyond recognition.

T.D.P., M.F.H., M.J.D.

Senior House Matches

The result of this year's competition was by no means a foregone conclusion, and ended with Winterstoke, possibly the favourites, losing to Burton Bank in a close and exciting final. Throughout the standard was probably higher than usual, especially when the pitches were good. Scrutton disappointed but were unlucky to play on a very muddy ground. Collinson looked promising but lacked forward finish, and Ridgeway did well to run Winterstoke close in a very good game. Burton Bank looked ordinary while beating Murray, who offered spirited if unscientific resistance, and a plucky but sadly depleted Weymouth team. They improved with each match however, and their win in the final was the result of greater understanding as a team and very hard work. They took the chances offered in the second half, whereas Winterstoke throughout the competition did not score as many goals as they should have done, and were occasionally suspect in defence. They could look a very good side but did not sustain the pressure of their best moments.

Weymouth	}	Weymouth	}	Burton Bank	}
Scrutton		(2-1)				(3-0)
Burton Bank	}	Burton Bank	}		
Murray		(1-0)			
Winterstoke	}	Winterstoke	}	Winterstoke	
Collinson		(2-1)			(2-0)
		Ridgeway			
				Burton Bank	
				(2-1)	

A.P.H.

Junior Rugger

Scrutton looked likely winners throughout, making little weather of their first two opponents, whereas Ridgeway had to struggle through a muddy encounter with Weymouth, and an equally close game with Murray. At half-time in the final the sides looked even enough however, with Scrutton only leading by a try and a penalty goal and facing the prospect of playing into a strong wind. Soon Drake had reduced the lead with a good penalty goal, but the Ridgeway backs were weak and their forwards were held by a lively pack in which Allison and Archer were always prominent. Scrutton on the other hand, had a fine pair of halves in Fowell and Armistead, and Armistead it was who scored two further tries to insure that the Junior Rugger Shield would not spend another year in Ridgeway.

Weymouth	}	Ridgeway	}	Ridgeway (6-3)	}	Scrutton (12-3)
Ridgeway		(6-3)				
Murray	}	Murray	}			
Collinson		(17-0)				
Winterstoke	}	Scrutton	}	Scrutton (23-3)		
Scrutton		(14-0)				
		Burton Bank				

Public Schools Seven-a-side Tournament

The first game against Berkhamstead provided us with an easy victory. Playing with a strong wind in the first half, Boon, Jourdan, Ehrlich and Davies scored tries, three of which Davies converted. The second half was spent in conserving energy and the score remained at 18-0.

Our second game was played in driving rain against much stronger opposition from Haverfordwest. They scored first after a 30 yard dribble, to which Jourdan replied. At full time, with the score 3-3, Mill Hill were beginning to get on top, but it was not until the third period of extra time, after numerous opportunities had been wasted, mainly because of the wet ball, that Boon finally scored after a solo run to put us into the next round, 6-3.

On the next day Bancroft's scored two tries in the first half, playing with a strong wind; poor tackling allowed them a third try at the start of the second half, but then Davies scored from a 50 yard run after a blind-side break, and converted his own try. With the score at 5-9 and the wind behind us we had a good chance of scraping home, but too much time was lost in retrieving the ball from distant parts of the ground, and Bancroft's held out.

The team played well, and might reasonably have hoped to progress further: and after our own failure nothing gave us greater pleasure than to see Royal Belfast Academical Institution, who entertained us in Ireland last January, reach their third consecutive final, and at last win after two failures.

Team: R. D. Ehrlich, R. J. D. Boon, N. D. W. Armistead, P. P. T. Davies, M. H. T. Jourdan (Captain), N. Burggy, A. S. Mortimer.

First XI Cricket Fixtures, 1960

MAY	Saturday	7.	Hampstead	...	...	...	...	H
	Saturday	14.	St. Paul's ...	...	...	...	...	H
	Saturday	21.	Highgate	...	...	...	...	H
	Tuesday	24.	Cranleigh	...	...	...	...	A
	Saturday	28.	Dulwich ...	...	...	...	...	A
JUNE	Tuesday	31.	Aldenharn	...	...	...	...	A
	Saturday	4.	Merchant Taylors'	...	...	...	...	H
	Tuesday	7.	Incogniti	...	...	...	...	H
	Saturday	11.	Old Millhillians	...	...	...	...	H
	Tuesday	14.	Felsted ...	...	...	...	...	H
JULY	Tuesday	21.	M.C.C.	...	...	...	...	H
	Tuesday	28.	The Masters	...	...	...	...	H
	Saturday	2.	The Leys ...	...	...	...	...	A
	Wednesday	27.	Amsterdam Junior Touring XI	...	...	...	...	H
	Thursday	4.	Glenalmond	...	...	...	...	H

MINOR SPORTS

Fives

Captain: A. LIAQUAT ALI KHAN.

Hon. Sec. C. J. BURT.

The season 1959-60 has proved to be the most successful the school has experienced, as the team won seven matches and lost only two. The first pair has played consistently and combined well to produce some excellent fives. The second pair, reinforced at the beginning of the spring term by M. J. Darke, has built up an admirable record and only suffered one defeat, whereas the third pair did not live up to expectations but played some entertaining games.

The juniors have some promising players and it is hoped the experience gained this year will enable them to be more successful in the future. In the final of the junior house competition Winterstoke beat Burton Bank after a keen struggle.

The standard of fives throughout the school has in fact risen, and it is unfortunate we possess only two courts. We are indebted to P. H. Figgis, Esq., for his great enthusiasm and advice in this and previous years. He more than anyone, is responsible for the improvement, and as five of the team are staying on we can hope for an even brighter future.

RESULTS

- v. Stowe, Cancelled.
- v. Harrow, Won, 2-1.
- v. Aldenham, Lost, 0-3.
- v. Old Berkhamstedians, Won, 114 pts. to 113 pts.
- v. City of London, Lost, 1-2.
- v. Berkhamsted, Won, 2-1.
- v. Old Westminster, Won, 2-0.
- v. Old Citizens, Won, 5-3.
- v. Old Millhillians, Won, 2-0.
- v. P. H. Figgis' team, Won, 3-1.

MAKE-UPS

SENIOR :

1. A. Liaquat Ali Khan, 1957-8-9-60 (Hon. Sec. 1958-9, Captain 1959-60).
2. C. J. Burt, 1958-9-60 (Hon. Sec. 1959-60).
3. M. J. Darke, 1958-9-60.
4. J. Lovett, 1959-60.
5.

{	N. D. W. Armistead, 1959-60.
	P. P. T. Davies, 1959-60.
	R. D. Ehrlich, 1959-60.

Those above the double line regain or are awarded full colours.

Those below are awarded half colours.

JUNIOR :

1. N. D. W. Armistead.
2. G. L. Drake.
3. K. Hadi.
4. A. W. Dyer.
5. R. A. Latner.
6.

{	R. L. Peat.
	P. J. Russell.

Those above the single line regain or are awarded vests.

A.L.A.K.

Squash

Captain: T. D. PHILLIPS.

Hon. Sec. R. J. HAYMAN.

This year the team has won every school match, losing only four rubbers in the process. One or two of the harder encounters were cancelled, however, and all three club matches were lost — two to the O.M.'s and the other to a strong Hertfordshire team.

T. D. Phillips completed his fourth unbeaten season for the school and R. J. Hayman proved very difficult to beat at number two. R. Thorpe, still inclined to be lackadaisical, won all his school games, while P. P. T. Davies and H. H. Andrews produced consistently good form lower in the order. G. L. Drake and A. W. Dyer were the mainstays of a junior side that unfortunately had two matches cancelled.

RESULTS

SENIOR:

- v. Old Millhillians, Lost, 1-4.
- v. Aldenham, Won, 5-0.
- v. Stowe, Won, 3-2.
- v. Felsted, Won, 4-1.
- v. Harrow, Cancelled.
- v. Herts "A", Lost, 1-4.
- v. Old Millhillians, Lost, 2-3.
- v. Eton, Cancelled.
- v. Brighton, Cancelled.
- v. Merchant Taylors', Won, 5-0.
- v. Dulwich, Won, 5-0.
- v. Haileybury, Won, 4-1.

JUNIOR:

- v. Stowe, Lost, 2-3.
- v. Harrow, Cancelled.
- v. Brighton, Cancelled.
- v. Merchant Taylors', Won, 3-0.

MAKE-UPS

SENIOR:

1. T. D. Phillips, 1956-7-8-9-60 (Hon. Sec. 1958-9, Capt. 1959-60).
2. R. J. Hayman, 1958-9-60 (Hon. Sec. 1959-60).
3. R. Thorpe, 1958-9-60.
4.

H. H. Andrews, 1959-60.
P. P. T. Davies, 1959-60.
6. A. T. Wigglesworth, 1959-60.

JUNIOR:

1. G. L. Drake.
2. A. W. Dyer.
3. P. S. Farren.
4. R. A. Latner.
5. R. D. Mills.

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Those above the double line are awarded half colours.

Those above the single line are awarded vests.

T.D.P.

Gym

Captain: S. W. WHYTE.

Hon. Sec. R. J. HAYMAN.

Our long run of victories ended in a crushing defeat at the hands of the Royal Grammar School, Newcastle, but we recorded good wins over Berkhamstead, Stationers' School and Borehamwood G.S. The backbone of the team lay in the four old members who were ably supported by the newcomers, none of whom had any previous match experience. With seven of the team staying on prospects are bright and we owe much to Mr. Robertson whose advice and coaching are invaluable.

The Senior Gym Competition was marred by injuries handicapping some of the better gymnasts; yet the number of entries was higher than in previous years. S. W. Whyte (Wey.) won the Haggaley Cup from R. J. Hayman (C.), R. A. Lee (Wk.) and R. A. Furness (C.). The team event was exceptionally close, Collinson beating Weymouth by $3\frac{1}{2}$ points, with Winterstoke a further $2\frac{1}{2}$ points behind in third place.

RESULTS

- v. Berkhamstead, Won, 513-445 $\frac{1}{2}$.
- v. Stationers', Won, 503 $\frac{1}{2}$ -440 $\frac{1}{2}$.
- v. R.G.S. Newcastle, Lost, 815-977.
- v. Borehamwood G.S., Won, 541-467.

MAKE-UPS

1. S. W. Whyte, 1957-8-9-60 (Hon. Sec. 1959, Capt. 1960).
2. R. J. Hayman, 1956-7-8-9-60 (Hon. Sec. 1960).
3. R. A. Lee, 1959-60.
4. R. A. Furness, 1959-60.

5. { A. C. Denham, 1960.
R. L. Peat, 1960.
A. L. Stanhope, 1960.
8. { G. du P. Gillett, 1960.
P. G. B. Johnston, 1960.

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Those below are awarded half colours.

S.W.W.

Boxing

Hon. Sec.: M. R. WILLIAMS.

Admin. Sec.: S. D. JENKINS.

Though the team as a whole has been disappointing, certain individuals have acquitted themselves well. We began with two undeservedly heavy defeats, but won five good bouts against Highgate and narrowly defeated Merchant Taylors' in a first-class match, to end the season.

Grimsdell boxed well to win all his bouts and Armistead maintained his unbeaten record with some competent fighting. Of the juniors, Mann and Black have started well and should prove formidable in future years. Yet no standard could be reached were it not for Mr. Turnbull who has continued to aid the club with great enthusiasm, and for him we reserve our sincerest thanks.

RESULTS

- v. Felsted, Lost, 3-10.
- v. Harrow, Lost, 1-8.
- v. Highgate, Lost, 5-6.
- v. Merchant Taylors', Won, 5-3.

MAKE-UPS

SENIOR :

1. M. R. Williams, 1957-8-9-60 (Hon. Sec. 1960).
 2. S. D. Jenkins, 1957-8-9-60 (Admin. Sec. 1960).
 3. { N. D. W. Armistead, 1959-60.
R. S. Grimsdell, 1958-9-60.
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5. M. R. Mann, 1957-8-9-60.
 6. N. L. Pilkington, 1959-60.
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7. E. W. Turner, 1958-9-60.
 8. S. P. Broido, 1959-60.
 9. R. S. O. Bennett, 1959-60.
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JUNIOR :

1. F. Mann.
 2. B. J. Jenkins.
 3. E. J. Black.
 4. { J. J. Webb.
D. C. Williams.
 6. S. J. Gunn.
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7. { D. H. Balmforth.
S. D. H. Jones.
I. C. Sanusi.
P. K. Skaife.
C. J. Stacey.
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Those above the single line are awarded vests.

M.R.W.

Cross-Country Running

Hon. Sec. : J. R. BUTLER.

The standard of running has far exceeded all expectations and cross-country has fully justified its new status as a minor sport. Three senior matches were run and the results were encouraging. The first was a hexangular match on the familiar Haberdashers' course when a comparatively unfit team came fourth. We were then hosts to Berkhamsted and Charterhouse, losing narrowly to the latter, but gaining a convincing win over Berkhamsted. It was consequently disappointing that a much fitter and more confident team lost to both Harrow and John Lyons over the difficult Harrow course. A rather scratch junior team tackled Haberdashers', but were heavily beaten.

A. J. Davidson capped a good season's running by winning the inter-house competition in the record time of 26 minutes 56.6 seconds. Ridgeway won the team event, with Winterstoke second. In the junior race S. B. Genden lowered the record to 12 minutes 24.0 seconds, but his house, Weymouth, failed by two points to beat Murray in the team placing.

MAKE-UPS

1. J. R. Butler (Hon. Sec.).
2. (A. J. Davidson.
M. O. Lidwell.

4. A. G. G. Henshaw.
5. (D. C. J. Lee.
K. S. Smith.

7. M. J. Addison.
8. R. S. O. Bennett.

T. R. V. May also represented the team.

Those above the double line are awarded full colours.

Those above the single line are awarded half colours.

The following represented the junior team: J. P. G. Addison, M. P. Archer, S. B. Genden, P. A. Graham, T. R. Hallpike, F. Mann, R. G. Toulson, N. J. Wyndham.

J. P. G. Addison and M. P. Archer are awarded vests.

J.R.B.

Shooting

Hon. Sec.: A. C. DENHAM.

Admin. Sec.: R. J. THORN.

Despite C. S. M. Maloney's tireless efforts to improve the standard of grouping in small-bore matches by changes in technique and concentrated practice, it was grouping that prevented the eight from having a successful season. For although the team was young, it was keen and the standard of rapid and snap shooting was high. The scores in the Country Life Competition were not as good as was hoped, but the team scored well on the Landscape target for which we owe much to M. J. G. James, our Fire Controller.

As usual we are entering the Middlesex Schools' Championship and will be sending a team to Bisley for the Ashburton Shield. As we have not entered this since 1948, new equipment has been bought and nine .303 rifles are being brought up to match standard. The team has frequently practised at the Middlesex barracks and has been to Bisley twice, shooting at 500 yards for the first time. Practices have also been arranged for the holidays and next term. It will be a keen team with good equipment, hindered only by inexperience.

MAKE-UPS

1. A. C. Denham, 1959-60 (Hon. Sec. 1960).
2. R. J. Thorn, 1959-60 (Admin. Sec. 1960).

3. D. J. Sebire, 1960.
4. R. V. Petersen, 1959-60.
5. S. P. Broido, 1959-60.
6. A. Liaquat Ali Khan, 1960.

7. D. C. J. Lee.
8. C. B. Herrman.

C. J. Carter also represented the team.

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A.C.D.

Chess

Match Capt.: S. P. BROIDO.

Admin. Sec.: M. A. SUTTON.

The status of chess here is as uncertain as it is in society, but whether it is played as a sport or a hobby, it is played out of enjoyment and fascination, and the excitement of battle. The club is small, the standard high, and for those who have not yet achieved team standard a seed has been sown that will continue to give fruit long after the attraction of physical sport has died away.

D. F. Hugill is congratulated on winning the club ladder competition.

S. P. Broido and S. R. Bloom have represented Middlesex in junior county matches during the term.

Senior team: S. P. Broido, S. R. Bloom, M. A. Sutton, J. K. Ayre, N. L. Pilkington, C. Blackman, A. C. T. Somogyi, C. Lawrence.

Junior team: P. L. Cook, W. F. Ball, T. R. Hallpike, P. L. Ridd, T. H. Walker, D. F. Hugill.

RESULTS

SENIOR:

v. City of London, Lost 3½-4½.

v. Westminster, Won, 5½-½.

v. The Cedars, Won, 4-2.

v. Queen Elizabeth's, Barnet, Lost 3-5.

"A"

v. Eton, Lost 2½-3½.

JUNIOR:

v. City of London, Lost, 1-5.

v. Queen Elizabeth's, Barnet, Lost, 1-5.

S.P.B.

Holiday Sport

TENNIS: T. D. Phillips lost to T. J. Reynolds (Derbyshire) 5-7, 6-3, 5-7 in the final of the Junior Covered Court Championship of Great Britain. Partnered by D. K. Martin (Surrey), he then won the doubles competition by defeating Reynolds and T. L. Sandor 6-2, 7-5 in the final.

SQUASH: T. D. Phillips regained the Public Schools Squash Championship for the Evans Cup beating D. R. Brazier of Lancing for the second year running, 9-3, 9-1, 8-10, 9-3.

RUGGER: R. J. D. Boon represented London Welsh Schoolboys against the Welsh Grammar Schools.

M. H. T. Jourdan represented Middlesex Schoolboys against Kent.

ATHLETICS: A. J. Davidson, P. W. Hancock and J. M. G. Hunt attended the A.A.A. National Athletic Course at Motspur Park. It is hoped many will follow their example.

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

CARNEGIE: On 12th January, 1960, at Mornington, Digswell, Herts, to Elspeth (née White), wife of John Carnegie (1948-52), a daughter.

CLIFFORD: On 14th February, 1960, to Marguerite and David Clifford (1943-47), a brother for Anthony (Michael Alistair).

HAWKER: On 13th January, 1960, at 57 Ottoline Drive, Troon, Ayrshire, to Marie, wife of John H. E. Hawker (1938-42), a daughter.

LUNAN: On 25th October, 1959, at Middlebury, Connecticut, to the wife of J. Douglas Lunan (1926-29), a sixth child and third son, Charles Douglas.

Marriages

PENHALE-TIMBERLAKE: On 19th December, 1959, at Priory Church, Lancaster, Ronald L. Penhale (1948-52) to Janet Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Timberlake of Lancaster. (Their new address is:— 26 Stuart Avenue, Bare, Morecambe, Lancs.)

SMITH-O'SULLIVAN: On 16th January, 1960, at Our Lady of Muswell Church, Muswell Hill, N.10, A. D. Smith (1950-54) to Miss E. O'Sullivan.

Engagement

POLLOCK-MILLER: The engagement is announced between Richard William Wakefield Pollock (1948-53) of Marlborough College, Wiltshire, and Catherine Janette, only daughter of the late Mr. John Miller and of Mrs. Isabel Miller of 82 Vere Road, Kirkmuirhill, Lanark, Scotland.

Deaths

EASON: On 6th January, 1960, in a Dublin nursing home, E. K. Eason, B.A. (1897-1903) of 42 Sydney Avenue, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, aged 74. (Obituary follows.)

LAMONT: On 20th January, 1960, suddenly, in Ceylon, Colonel J. Newton Lamont, M.C., T.D. (1907-13) of Marshalls, Chart Sutton, Maidstone, Kent. (Obituary follows.)

MACALPINE: On 17th March, 1960, after a short illness, James Barlow Macalpine, D.Sc., F.R.C.S. (1897-1900) of Michael's Nook, Grasmere, Westmorland, aged 78.

SHIRES: On 5th December, 1959, very suddenly, Philip M. Shires (1916-20) of Sunninghill, Sharp Lane, Almondbury, Huddersfield, Yorkshire, aged 57.

YOUNGMAN: On 3rd January, 1960, suddenly at his home "Byways", Northam, Devonshire, J. G. Youngman, F.R.C.S. (1926-29), aged 48. (Obituary follows.)

Obituaries

E. K. EASON, B.A. (1897-1903): The death occurred on 6th January, 1960, of E. Keith Eason, the well known Dublin businessman, at the age of 74. Son of the late Charles Eason, M.A., J.P., of Dalkey, Co. Dublin, and brother of A. B. Eason, M.A., A.M.I.C.E. (1901-05), Eason was in the VI Form, a monitor, and gained his 2nd XV colours and the 3½ mile medal. He was awarded a Bousfield Leaving Scholarship and obtained a Mathematical Scholarship at Jesus College, Cambridge, where he was a Wrangler.

Eason was a director of Eason and Sons, and a keen Rotarian. He was a one-time president of the Dublin Rotary Club. Maintaining a lifelong interest in mathematics, of which he had a profound knowledge, his correspondents included the President, Mr. de Valera, who is also known for his keen interest in the subject.

In Ireland Eason was the principal advocate of calendar reform, and his writings included a book entitled "Our Defective Calendar and the Remedy". The reform he supported was that originally proposed by the League of Nations, which envisaged a fixed calendar with 12 months with 26 week-days in each, giving simple quarter and half years, and one week which would have 8 days. He stressed the tremendous savings to governments and commercial enterprise with a fixed calendar, and the further advantages of fixed dates which would stabilise Easter, Whitsun and other holidays.

Eason served as a member of the court of referees for Workmen's Compensation and was on the council of the Royal Hospital for Incurables. He was also interested in other charitable bodies and was an elder of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Blackrock, and a past president of the Presbyterian Association.

Colonel J. NEWTON LAMONT, M.C., T.D. (1907-13): Newton Lamont's sudden death whilst on holiday in Ceylon in January this year was a great shock to his very many friends. He was an outstanding personality and in particular his influence was prominent as a Millhillian and as a member of the Territorial Army. Extracts from his record reflect his many distinctions:— M.H.S. 1907-13; Senior Monitor, VI Form, Hockey XI, Cricket 2nd XI, Football 2nd XV, Colour Sgt. O.T.C. Member of Council, O.M.C. 1917-33. Hon. Secretary O.M.C., 1919-28. Member of Court of Governors, M.H.S., 1934-58. Commissioned 9th Middlesex Regiment, 1915. Awarded the Military Cross in Mesopotamia, 1917. Commanding 9th Middlesex Regiment, 1933-37. Honorary Colonel 571 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment (9th Middlesex), 1951-57. For many years a member of the Middlesex County Territorial Association.

Newton has been described as "a born soldier". He certainly possessed the quality of leadership, which he practised and perfected. He was intolerant of inaction, critical but constructive, jealous of reputation, proud of achievement and generous in praise.

Soon after World War I he captained the Old Millhillians' "A" XV for three seasons and took an active part in the acquisition of the Club's sports ground at Headstone Lane. As Honorary Secretary of the Old Millhillians Club his interest and service will long be remembered. As a member of the Court of Governors of Mill Hill, his wise counsel and energetic co-operation were a real benefit both to his fellow governors and to the School. His particular interest was evident in the work he did for the School's Combined Cadet Force. It is a matter of great regret that, when the Old Millhillians' Council invited him to allow his name to go forward for nomination as President of the Club, he declined because of ill health.

Lt. General Sir Brian Horrocks paid a personal tribute at the Memorial Service to Colonel J. Newton Lamont at St. Columba's Church, Pont Street, S.W.1, and the Club is indebted to him for permission to quote his concluding remarks:— "No personal appreciation would be complete, however, without a word about the man himself. It was not easy to penetrate behind the facade of efficiency and cynicism with which Newton loved to confront the world, but those of us who were privileged to do so found a man with a charming, kindly nature and a rare gift for friendship. A host of people have benefited from his many generous acts, all of which he carried out almost in stealth so that nobody would ever possibly find out. He was a devoted husband, intensely proud of his wife's artistic skill, and over the years, largely as the result of her influence, he mellowed and broadened his outlook to include an appreciation of art and a deep interest in his garden at "Marshalls", Chart Sutton."

The loss sustained by both Millhillians and Territorials is very great, but the example he set is a legacy which all who knew him may share and which will remain as his lasting memorial.

Dr. JOHN GORDON YOUNGMAN died very suddenly at his home "Byways", Northam, Devonshire, on 3rd January, 1960, aged 48. He entered School in 1926, and on leaving in 1929 qualified at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, during which period he played rugby for the Hospital and for Middlesex. He obtained his F.R.C.S. at Edinburgh, and in 1937 entered into partnership as a general practitioner at Northam. In addition he was an ear, nose and throat specialist with clinics at Bideford, Ilfracombe and Torrington, for a time he was Medical Officer to the Northam Urban Council, and at his death he was Chairman of the local branch of the B.M.A. During the war he served as Medical Officer to the Home Guard with the rank of Major, and has since served one year as Chairman of the annual Officers' Reunion of the 5th (Bideford) Battalion. In his early years in the district he played rugby for Bideford, but golf was his chief hobby and for several years he was both Chairman and Captain of the Royal North Devon Golf Club. Last year he was appointed a trustee Lord of the Manor on behalf of the Club. His sudden death came as a great shock to the neighbourhood where he had been in practice for some 20 years, and at the service in the Parish Church prior to cremation there was so large an attendance that some people had to stand. He leaves a widow, one son and one daughter.

Personalia

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. W. BOARDMAN, J.P. (1908-12) was recently commissioned Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Essex, having been Chairman of the Tending Hundred (Essex) Justices since 1945.

L. C. BURNHAM (1928-32) has been transferred from Itu to the Basel Mission Leprosy Settlement, P. A. Manyemen, via Kumba, Southern Cameroons, and would be very interested to hear from any Old Millhillians who are travelling or settled in the district. He expects to be home on furlough during the coming summer.

P. H. DAVIS, B.A. (1935-38) has been appointed Principal of King's College, Lagos, by the Nigerian Government. He first joined the staff in 1950, and was appointed Acting-Principal in 1957.

H. GOLDSMITH (1954-58), now at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, U.S.A., has been elected Business Manager of the College Radio Station in the 1961 directorate. His responsibilities will include various book-keeping functions and the sale and service of advertising.

G. S. HAMPTON (1919-22) has been elected President and Life Member of the Hamilton Cricket Association in New Zealand. Described as "a stroke player in the really classical tradition and a delight to watch", in his younger days he represented Auckland Province in the Plunkett Shield Matches, whilst in recent years his interests have lain mainly in helping the junior teams in the district.

A. M. HENDERSON, O.B.E., C.A. (1920-24), who was previously Comptroller and Chief Financial Officer of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, on 1st March, 1960, took up his appointment as Auditor-General of Canada in succession to Mr. Watson Sellar. His function is to scrutinise public accounts and call attention to irregularities and the appointment is of particular importance as, although appointed by the Cabinet, he is not subject to dismissal by that body and can only be removed by a vote of Parliament.

A. G. HUMPHRIES (1947-52) is spending 15 months in India and expects to return early in 1961. Meanwhile his address is c/o United Steel Co. (India) Pte., Ltd., P.O. Box 673, Himalaya House, Hornby Road, Bombay, and he will be very pleased to hear from any old friends.

L. KUROPATWA (1952-56) is at present in the Department of Metallurgy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Building 35-310, Cambridge, Massachusetts, U.S.A., and writes that he will be very happy to welcome any O.M.'s who might be in that district and if necessary to put them up in his apartment.

PILOT OFFICER R. N. W. MARCHANT (1954-57) was commissioned in 1958 and completed a navigation course, receiving wings early in 1960. In March, 1960, he commenced O.C.U. at Leeming, converting on to Javelins.

C. A. PHILLIPS (1948-51) has now completed his National Service and is working for a London firm of accountants.

J. ROBERTS (1945-50) played in the final England Rugby Trial and gained his Cap in the four international matches of the 1959-60 Season. He scored both of the tries against Wales and also scored a try against Scotland.

SIR GRAHAM ROWLANDSON, M.B.E., J.P., F.C.A. (1919-26) has been appointed by the Minister of Health a member of the Boards of Governors of the London Hospital, the Hammersmith Hospital and St. Mark's Hospital. He was already Chairman of the North East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board, and a member of the Board of Governors of St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

A. D. SMITH (1950-54) has now taken up a post as Ferry Manager with Elder Dempster Agencies, Ltd. in Calabar, Nigeria, and would be very pleased to see any Old Millhillians who are in West Africa at any time.

F. T. SOBEY, O.B.E., M.C. (1912-16) has been re-elected President of the Worsted Spinners' Federation for the current year.

T. H. HUXLEY TURNER, C.B.E., B.Sc. (1908-14) was, on 15th July, 1959, appointed Chairman of the Governors of the Welsh College of Advanced Technology for the ensuing year.

J. E. WILLIAMS (1945-49) played in the final England Rugby Trial.

Forthcoming Events

OLD MILLHILLIANS NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.—The Ninth Annual Dinner will take place on Saturday, 8th October, 1960, in New York City. The date coincides with the Canadian Thanksgiving week-end and is within four days of Columbus Day. Full details will be announced later, but meanwhile any Member who expects to be within calling distance of New York at that time is asked to make a note of the date. Enquiries should be sent to:— E. H. Thackrah, 1382 First Avenue, New York City 21, New York, U.S.A.

OLD MILLHILLIANS ANNUAL DINNER.—All Members, particularly those who have only recently joined the Club, are reminded that the Annual Dinner is always held on the last Friday in October. Full details will be available later, but meanwhile please note that our main function of the year will take place on Friday, 28th October, 1960.

Functions Held Since Last Issue

NORTH WESTERN DINNER-DANCE

Friday, 19th February, 1960

Some 90 Old Millhillians and their guests enjoyed an excellent evening at the Grand Hotel, Manchester, on Friday, 19th February, 1960. After the loyal toast to the Queen and to the Duke of Lancaster, a toast was honoured to the new Prince Andrew, whose birth had taken place that morning.

The toast of the School was given by N. M. Timpson (1910-12), and the replay by the Head Master—such an adept on these occasions—was both witty and inspiring. The President, J. E. Benham (1913-19) responded to the toast of the Old Millhillians Club in excellent fashion.

During the dance which followed two down quilts presented by an Old Millhillian were raffled, and the sum of £15 5s. 6d. was handed to W. Galloway (1919-24), the Hon. Secretary of the Club, to be taken back to London for the benefit of Alford House.

It was pleasant to have so many Members from Yorkshire, who, because of the snow, had come prepared with chains and spades for the tricky journey home.

The success of the evening was due to the hard work put in by the new Area Secretary, Ian Hampson (1938-42), who was congratulated on his first function.

OLD MILLHILLIANS' ANNUAL BALL

Friday, 4th March, 1960

The President and Mrs. Benham received about 200 Old Millhillians and their guests at the Annual Ball at the Savoy Hotel, London, on Friday, 4th March, 1960, and by the end of the evening all had thoroughly enjoyed the dinner and dance. The numbers were up on last year, when an influenza epidemic caused a lot of last minute cancellations, and O.M.'s of many generations spent an active or sociable time in accordance with their age and inclinations.

The Ball Committee wish to thank the many kind friends who donated prizes for the usual Ground Fund Raffle; and so successful were the glamorous saleswomen that they conjured some £75 from the empty pockets of their escorts.

The policy of fixing a regular date for this event is proving popular, and the Committee would like to point out that an additional 100 guests can be accommodated before they have to seek larger premises.

One table of officers in mess kit colourfully showed up the need for brighter evening dress for men; and it was very pleasant to find even more of the younger O.M.'s patronising the Ball.

MIDLAND DINNER

Friday, 11th March, 1960

The Annual Midland Dinner was held at the Edgbaston Golf Club, Birmingham, on Friday, 11th March, 1960, and this year was open to ladies. More than 60 people attended, including a contingent from Nottingham University.

C. Morgan Silk (1920-23) presided, accompanied by Mrs. Silk, and the toast of the School was proposed by Mr. A. G. Sheppard Fidler, the Birmingham City Architect. The Head Master replied and proposed the toast of the Club, to which J. E. Benham (1913-19), the President responded. The President attended the Dinner with Mrs. Benham, and Midland O.M.'s were also pleased to welcome the new Honorary Secretary, W. Galloway (1919-24).

Altogether there were 30 Old Millhillians present, from Birmingham, Nottingham, Leicester, Atherstone, Aylesbury and London. The most senior was Lt. Col. O. V. Viney, T.D., D.L. (1900-03), who misses a Midland function very seldom indeed.

The next Midland Dinner will be held at Leicester.

YORKSHIRE DINNER

Thursday, 17th March, 1960

The Yorkshire Old Millhillians' Bi-Annual Dinner was held at the Hotel Metropole, Leeds, on Thursday, 17th March, 1960, when the toast of "The School and the Old Millhillians' Club" was proposed in a witty and entertaining speech by County Alderman Sir Harry Hardy, A.T.I., J.P., to which the Head Master made his usual brilliant reply.

The Guests were welcomed by the President, J. E. Benham (1913-19) and the Deputy Lord Mayor of Leeds, Councillor A. R. Bretherick, replied on their behalf. Amongst the guests were Mr. Justice Salmon (1917-22), Mr. Justice Edmund Davies and Mr. Bernard Kenyon, Clerk to the West Riding County Council.

Although the attendance was rather less than usual this was a most successful Dinner, and the occasion was greatly enjoyed by everyone present.

SCOTTISH COCKTAIL PARTY

Saturday, 19th March, 1960

More than 30 Old Boys and guests attended the Scottish Bi-Annual Cocktail Party, held on the morning of the Calcutta Cup Match. The Head Master and the President of the Club were both present, and the guests covered a wide range both as regards age and geographical distribution. It was particularly pleasing to have a good representation of recent leavers.

One or two intending guests—who shall be nameless—failed to find the building in which the party was taking place, but there is no evidence as to the reason for this failure.

THIRD OLD MILLHILLIAN LAWYERS' DINNER

Friday, 25th March, 1960

On Friday, 25th March, 1960, the Old Millhillian Lawyers invited Lord Justice Sellers, M.C., LL.D., the Chairman of the Court of Governors of the School, to dine with them as their Guest of Honour, other guests including Lord Goddard, Mr. Justice Finnmere, Mr. Justice McNair, the Head Master, the President of the Old Millhillians Club and Mr. M. L. Jacks.

As on the two previous occasions the dinner was held in the Hall of Gray's Inn, by kind permission of the Benchers, and it was generally agreed that it was the most successful of these functions so far. Old Millhillian Lawyers owe a considerable debt to R. W. Atchley and B. C. G. Webb for the trouble they have taken in arranging these events, which have been so much enjoyed by everyone who has been able to attend. Unfortunately Mr. Justice Salmon was unable to get away from Leeds Assizes.

The toast to Lord Justice Sellers was proposed by Mr. Justice Finnmere in a speech which combined some highly enjoyable quips with an excellently phrased tribute to the Guest of Honour, every word of which was endorsed by his listeners. In his typically modest and kindly reply, Lord Justice Sellers told us something of the history of the Inn. The toast of the School was aptly proposed by D. E. Morris, and the Head Master as usual made an excellent reply. Finally Lord Goddard entertained us with a small part of his apparently inexhaustible store of reminiscences of Judges, Counsel and litigants stretching over many decades.

Those present were:— F. W. Beney, Q.C. (Chairman), His Honour Percy Lamb, Q.C., His Honour Judge Trevor Morgan, M.C., Q.C., Colonel O. V. Viney, R. W. Atchley, N. E. P. Harris, J. T. Morris, E. P. Wallis-Jones, R. C. D. Makins, B. E. L. Taylor, P. J. McAllister, N. W. Atchley, T. A. Wilkins, F. W. Naylor, M. Sellers, E. ap G. Lewis, R. H. Joyce, R. E. Pain, P. O. Walker, P. D. Childs, G. H. Walker, B. Atchley, C. G. Hill, A. R. Troughton, F. D. Kennedy, A. K. Clarke, R. P. Colinaux, P. E. Gill, J. H. E. Evans, W. James, G. M. Day, H. D. Carter, J. P. Morrison, J.P., K. G. S. Llewellyn, E. P. Shanks, W. Wallace, C. R. Hart, R. F. Tovey, J. G. Samuels, P. M. Sellers, M. ap G. Lewis, W. J. Mowbray, J. G. Hemingway, F. D. Chaplin, R. M. Barlow, K. J. Milnes, R. J. S. Thompson, T. Springer, F. W. I. Barnes, A. I. F. Goldman, D. E. Morris, B. G. C. Webb, C. W. Ikin, P. M. Woodroffe, N. Micklem, L. P. Rees.

Subsidiary Club Reports

RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Results for the present Season up to 27th March are as follows:—

	<i>Played</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Drawn</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Points</i>
1st XV	26	12	2	12	200 — 196
"A" XV	23	6	1	16	99 — 170
"B" XV	20	9	1	10	186 — 181
"C" XV	23	9	2	12	209 — 289
Ex. "C" XV	7	1	1	5	32 — 157

The improvement hoped for in 1st XV results has materialised and, of the last 12 games, 7 have been won, 4 lost and 1 drawn, these results having been based on the great showing of the forwards. We have the heaviest and best pack for many years, scoring 10 push-over tries and ensuring a plentiful supply of the ball. It is encouraging that there are no "veterans" in the pack, and the steady improvement of younger players such as Jim Kent, Richard Bean and Ken Hinckley-Smith bodes well for the future.

We are on tour again in the West Country, playing Taunton, Torquay Athletic and Okehampton, and all being well we expect to see some of the senior Members arrive on the good ship "Winnie" under the auspices of the Old Millhillians Yacht Club. This seems to offer the chance of novel tour "adventures".

In the evening of Wednesday, 14th September, 1960, we are playing a Canadian Team from Balmy Beach, Toronto, at Headstone Lane. This will be the first game of the next Season, and although it is some months ahead we would ask you to make a note in your diary NOW and give us your support.

CRICKET CLUB

The success of the 1st XI last Season was due, to a large extent, to the excellent captaincy of A. P. H. Wilkinson whose enthusiasm was instilled throughout the Club, and we look forward to his leadership again this year.

A good summer produced good cricket, our most notable feat being on the Sussex Tour, where out of six matches only one was lost. The 2nd XI also played with the same keenness, and this year will again be captained by K. C. Lethem. With several players who have not been available in recent seasons but are now able to resume, and with last year's leavers to swell our ranks, we look forward to the coming Season with extremely high hopes.

We are always delighted to welcome new Members, whether they wish to play regularly or only the occasional game. This also applies to non-cricketers, whom we are only too pleased to see at Headstone Lane.

All new Members, or those who require fuller details of the Sussex Tour, are asked to contact the Hon. Membership Secretary:— E. S. Harvey, 18 Marlborough Avenue, Edgware, Middlesex.

GOLFING SOCIETY

By the time this appears in print we shall have taken part at Burnham and Berrow in the Brent Knoll Tournament, where we are one of 16 Societies invited to compete. We are meeting the Old Cranleighans in the first round. We shall also have played at Deal in the Halford Hewitt Tournament, where our first opponents are Cheltenham.

We have a Spring Meeting at Puttenham on 14th and 15th May, 1960, and then during the summer we shall play as usual against the School, the Old Alleynians, the Old Malvernians and the Old Cholmeleians. Six of us, over 50 years old, will play in the Mellin Trophy at West Hill on 15th and 16th July, 1960. This is the first year of a tournament amongst the second 16 original entrants in the Halford Hewitt Tournament.

Any Old Millhillian who likes to play golf will be welcomed as a Member of the Society, whatever his age or handicap, and should get in touch with the Hon. Secretary:— C. R. Steele, 32 Finsbury Square, E.C.2.

HOCKEY CLUB

Season 1959-60.

October	4th	Pagans	...	...	...	Lost	2-4
October	18th	Beachcombers	...	...	...	Drawn	2-2
November	15th	Old Lawrentians	...	...	...	Drawn	1-1
December	27th	Scorpions	...	...	...	Lost	0-6
January	24th	Avorians	...	...	...	Lost	3-5
January	31st	Old Cholmeleians	...	...	...	Won	1-0
February	7th	Middleton	...	...	...	Lost	2-3

February	28th	Imperial College	...	...	...	Lost	1-4
March	3rd	Mill Hill School	...	...	...	Lost	2-3
March	13th	Old Aldenhamians	...	...	...	Won	2-1

It is hoped next Season to enlarge this Fixture List to allow more Old Millhillians to represent the Club. Anyone wishing to play is asked to contact the Hon. Secretary:— G. A. Stannard, The Cottage, Oxshott Way, Cobham, Surrey.

ALFORD HOUSE

A good deal has happened at Alford House during the last twelve months. It was found that the average age of the membership was rising unduly, probably due to some extent to the ending of National Service. This brought about problems of its own, and it was realised that if the club was to be run constructively it was necessary to ensure a more even spread of ages, both before and after school leaving age. For the time being, therefore, it has been decided to concentrate on members up to 16, with the intention of building up again to 18 or so over a period. It is good to know that on this basis the club is running actively and with enthusiasm. The new arrangement gives plenty of scope for useful voluntary help, and the committee is always anxious to hear from any O.M.'s who would be willing to run groups or help with the organisation.

The club was very pleased to have a visit in March from the President of the Old Millhillians Club, J. E. Benham, and Mrs. Benham, who were shown round by the Warden and members of the committee.

A Jumble Sale is being run in Lambeth during National Club Week in October, 1960. If anyone can supply articles of clothing—particularly children's clothing, the Warden would be very pleased to know: and if there is a fairly substantial amount to collect arrangements for transport could be made in the London area. Enquiries to:— The Warden, Alford House, Aveline Street, S.E.11.

OLD MILLHILLIAN YACHT CLUB

At the time of going to press the 1960 Season will be well under way. "Winnie" was commissioned on the 2nd April and the committee duly authorised her formal visit to Torquay at Easter to support the Rugby Club in their endeavours.

It was decided to make the journey in two stages, on the weekend of the 9th April to Portland and from there on Good Friday to Torquay. One of the many pleasures of yachting and particularly a trip of this sort so early in the season, is its glorious uncertainty and uncertain it has proved so far. "Winnie", is, at the time of writing, in Poole, where it was necessary to leave her on the 10th April due to gales raging all along the South Coast, but bad weather can't last for ever and an optimistic crew is assembling at Poole to complete the trip to Torquay. The results of this optimism will be reported in the next edition!

Once again the Yacht Club owes a debt of gratitude to its many supporters and in particular to David Piercy who has presented the Club with a magnificent dinghy. The importance of a good sturdy dinghy cannot be overstated particularly when returning on board after an evening ashore.

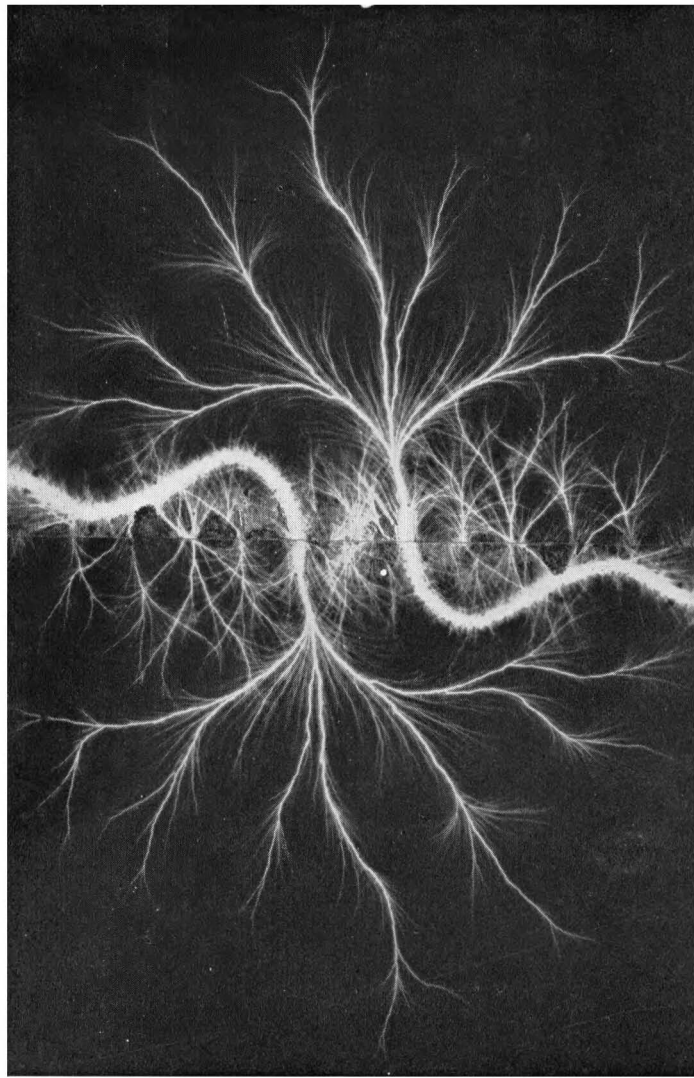
The Members of the Club are looking forward to another successful season and if there are any persons who are interested in becoming Members of the Club in any of the three categories please contact the Hon. Secretary, O.M.Y.C., c/o, Whitehall Court, S.W.1.

The categories are:—

Full member—Subscription £20.

Associate Member—Subscription £3.

Cadet Member—Subscription £1 (Age limit 30).



ELECTRICAL DISCHARGE

Photograph of part of a spark produced at a pressure of 450,000 volts (enlarged by 10 diameters). Taken in the Science School by C. B. Hermann and A. G. B. Wilson.