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EDITORIAL

'Through lack of interest to-morrow has been cancelled'. The scientists tell us that we are in danger of completely destroying our environment by pollution unless drastic action is taken. Our cars eject exhaust fumes, the farmers spread insecticides and pesticides, the housewife throws away empty plastic containers. We treat the world as a dust-bin, and it is rapidly being filled. To blame the scientists for the present situation is tempting, yet man by nature accumulates and abandons as convenience dictates, acting always with limited foresight. The picknicker who leaves litter behind him fails to realise the dangers of glass and tin or the unsightly nature of the rubbish on which he turns his back. Others follow, and the situation worsens. Whether on an individual level or on a large scale, the pollution is essentially the same. Man abuses his environment for short-term convenience and readily ignores the long-term effects. The hunting of whale, seal, and many other species of wild-life demonstrate man's inability to foresee the results of his own actions.

Thus far comment has been restricted to the negative side. On the positive side it should be said that there are always men who seek to put right the wrong or to redress the balance. Legislation exists to control the hunting of wild-life, pollution of sea and river is viewed with increasing criticism, and the debate as to the site of the new air-port pinpoints perhaps most clearly the problem of convenience against effect on the environment.

Most boys are aware that in the School the environment is intended to be as favourable as possible, indeed they realise that upon them rests a great part of the responsibility for the preservation of that environment. Some boys, however, appear to lack such awareness and cause inconvenience both for themselves and for others. Damage to a window or to a chair benefits no-one, and litter belongs to the person who drops it. Damage may well be accidental, litter is nothing less than an expression of a boy's personal standards. Accidents can be avoided, and standards can be raised, each boy is responsible for his own actions. The scientist of to-day seeks solutions for the world of tomorrow; the schoolboy of to-day should be thinking of his own tomorrow, for his tomorrow will have its own environmental problems; damage by negligence and litter should therefore be condemned as being expressions of the failure of certain boys to measure up to their responsibilities. They should already be concerned about their environment.

School News

In the last issue we gave details of the appointment of Mr. J. G. W. Peck as Headmaster of the King's School. We would like to offer a warm though belated welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Peck and their family, and we hope that they now feel at home in Pontefract.

At the end of last term the School said goodbye to two members of Staff. Mr. T. J. Reynolds, second in the English Department, left to take up a post as Head of English at St. Gregory's Grammar School, Huddersfield. During his two years here, Mr. Reynolds ran the Sixth Form English Society, started the successful Theatre Group and was also involved in coaching the 1st XV Rugby team. He was responsible for successes in the Pontefract Music Festival and produced the recent School Play, a report of which can be found on another page. Mr. B. R. Ryder, second in the Physical Education Department, left after five years to lecture in Physical Education at North-East London Polytechnical College. Mr. Ryder was active in both rugby and soccer, taking over the latter from Mr. Young. He was also involved in the Soccer tours to East Anglia, and was stage-manager for several School plays. To Mr. Ryder and Mr. Reynolds we offer best wishes in their new posts.

We welcome to the School Mr. B. K. Tempest and Mr. J. M. Burke, who both joined the English Department last September. Mr. Tempest, who gained his degree at the University of Sussex, came from Nottingham University after the completion of his Diploma in Education course. He has already initiated the Junior School Magazine, which is produced in the School and which had its first edition at Christmas. Mr. Burke, who graduated at the University of Leeds, has become stage-manager for School

plays and has charge of the 2nd XV Soccer team.

We also welcomed in January Mr. P. A. Hargreaves, who came to be second in the Physical Education Department. Mr. Hargreaves, an Old Boy of the School, qualified at Loughborough College and then taught for a year at Gresham's Public School before taking up his position here. He is now busy with Rugby, Soccer and Fives. To Mr. A. J. Samwell, who has been helping out the English Department, we offer thanks for his assistance.

Our two Language Assistants this year are Fräulein E. Kröller and Monsieur B. Agrinier. Fräulein Kröller, from Lahnstein am Rhein, is a student of Bonn University reading German and English. M. Agrinier, whose home is in St. Etienne, is reading English at the University there. Both have formed many friendships, and we wish them a happy year with us.

P. B. Merry, School Captain, and A. J. Dines, School Vice-Captain, have both been accepted for Short Service Limited Commissions with the Army. They will both participate in a three-week introductory course at Mons Officer Cadet School, after which Merry will join the Royal Engineers and then be posted to Canada in the summer, while Dines will join the Royal Army Ordnance Corps in Germany.

J. Tams is now School Captain and S. V. Hoyle is School Vice-Captain.

In a competition held recently by Pontefract Lions' Club for the design for a new pennant, B. R. Watson and J. Netherwood distinguished themselves by gaining first and second prize respectively.

The School has acquired for use as a mini-bus a former ambulance. Mr. Davidson is ensuring that the bus will look spick and span and ready for the various small groups from School which can certainly make full use of its facilities. A rumour that it reversed fifteen yards in the playground and then ran out of petrol is not confirmed!

Three boys from the Middle School took part recently in a visit to Bewerly Park Centre. The visit

is designed to offer an opportunity of wider experience by concentrating on Outdoor Pursuits.

This year the Sixth Form have provided new Blood Donors — always in demand — from among their number. Each year should see fresh volunteers. On the eve of St. Valentine's Day the Sixth Form held at School a very successful Dance.

During the Autumn Term the School Band ventured forth to play to boys and girls at several Junior Schools in the vicinity. Reports from members of the audience — the editor has many contacts — indicate that the visits were very well received. On the same note it can be said that the Puppet Group enjoyed great success when they performed for Junior Schools.

As we mentioned earlier the Junior School magazine had its first edition at Christmas. It sold well and offered much of interest for the younger boys.

Before Christmas the Voluntary Group and the

Dramatic Society joined forces to provide a free performance and final dress-rehearsal of 'Oh, What A Lovely War' for senior citizens of Pontefract. That the audience enjoyed the performance immensely was clear from the singing of the songs and afterwards from the comments to 'taxi-drivers' on the way home. Nearer Christmas the Voluntary Group's plan to make up food-parcels for old people in need met with an excellent response. There was no problem in finding a home for each parcel. Boys in the Middle School did well in their production and sale of Charity Christmas Cards.

The term also distinguished itself in a variety of other ways. Power-cuts and loss of heating, bus-strikes and a work-to-rule, all sent to try us, did so, and lessons continued. It should go on record that the kitchen-staff always responded magnificently in their efforts to prepare meals in most trying circumstances.

Oh, What a lovely War!

CAST (in alphabetical order)

Anne Crofts	Pierrot, Nurse
Sarah Hall	Pierrot, Fanny; French Woman; 1st German woman
Jane Horsfall	Pierrot; Russian girl
Christine Pearce	Pierrot, Valerie; Mrs. Pankhurst; Nurse
Sally Smith	Pierrot; Lady Haigh; 2nd German woman
Joan Weston	Pierrot, Barbara; 2nd woman
Bailey, R. C.	British General; America
Bell, R. J. H.	Pierrot; 1st soldier
Bilsbrough, J. N.	C.O.
Bowes, J.	Newsboy
Calderwood, G. H.	Pierrot; 2nd soldier
Crofts, E. S.	Pierrot; 5th soldier
Dines, A. J.	Sir John French; Britain
Gogarty, S. J.	Pierrot; 6th soldier
Hookham, D. J.	M.C.; Pierrot; Recruit
Hinton, S. R.	Chaplain; Morranneville
Horsfall, J. A. C.	Pierrot; First Officer; Lieutenant
Jewula, K. P.	Switzerland; German Officer; Luxembourg soldier
Kirkham, G.	Sir Henry Wilson; Junior Officer
Machin, P.	Fanbearer
Merry, P. B.	Pierrot; Corporal
Moxon, K.	Kaiser; Germany; German soldier
Pearce, J. C.	Newsboy; Native Bearer
Russell, G.	General Haigh; Pierrot; Colonial Officer
Rutherford, J.	Scottish Ghillie
Tams, J.	Sergeant
Tate, J. A.	Pierrot; France; 3rd soldier
Walker, R. I.	Moltbe; 2nd Businessman; German soldier
Ward, A. G.	Robertson; French aide; Serbian Secret; Policeman
Warren, J.	General Laurezac; Austro-Hungarian; French Officer; Rawlinson
Watson, B. R.	British Admiral; Second Officer; M.O.
Wilson, N.	Native Bearer
Mrs. Catherine Jones	Singer

This year's School Play, 'Oh, what a Lovely War', by Joan Littlewood and the Theatre Workshop, was performed in the School Hall on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 3rd, 4th and 5th December, 1970, at 7.0 p.m. In addition to these performances there was a special showing on Wednesday, 2nd, for over 150 of the old age pensioners of Pontefract. This was organised by members of the Voluntary Group assisted by other masters and boys. In addition to its being a valuable dress-rehearsal in front of an audience for the cast, the old folk greatly appreciated it. Refreshments were provided during the interval and transport facilities arranged for over 70 people.

The performances were all well received and the audiences were some of the largest in recent years.

The production was excellent and attributable to a great extent to the energy, effort and experience of Mr. T. J. Reynolds who imposed his own high standards to achieve the success the venture undoubtedly was. With the assistance of an efficient 'behind the scenes' staff the School's present limited acting facilities were employed to their greatest extent. This, combined with the novel use of a slide projection and the technique of the overhead projector, ensured maximum dramatic effect from the production side.

The sound and lighting effects were skilfully co-ordinated and credit must go to I. C. Goodwin who played the piano competently throughout the performance.

The idea of the pierrot show and the use of the slide techniques necessitated only a simple set without cumbersome scene changing. The basic pierrot costume also gave greater flexibility in casting enabling 'doubling roles' to take place merely by the changing of hats.

More than being just a good evening's entertainment the play had a very serious message; and a message as valid for us today in the 'Age of Vietnam' as then. The very treatment of such a grave subject required a skilful production technique. To make people laugh and at the same time bring home to them the full pathos and tragedy of the situation was a difficult but not insurmountable problem. The key to it lay in the sincerity of the actors.



Oh, What a Lovely War!



Using a common contemporary vehicle — the pierrot show — the cast revealed their intention, to satirize war. True satire is not solely destructive; it can be extremely constructive, using ridicule to expose the vices and follies of mankind in their absurdest light in the hope of some redressal. That was the purpose of the treatment of such a real and tragic subject in such an apparently light manner.

'The British' said Hindenburg, 'fight like lions'. 'Yes', replied his Chief of Staff, 'but we know they are lions led by donkeys'.

This was one of the major themes of the play: to show the contrast between the determination and moral strength of the 'British Tommy' in the face of dire adversity and suffering, and the apparent stupidity and inefficiency of his leaders. The trivialities of the ballroom scene combined with the general blind optimism and gross miscalculations of the commanders, showed clearly their attitude to the situation. They did not fully comprehend the vital realism of the changing nature of contemporary warfare, and their belief in the illusions of a 19th Century approach to warfare, with its gentlemanly codes of conduct and dependence on cavalry techniques, had drastic results.

The actors who did most to reinforce this impression of contrast were A. J. Dines and G. Russell. Dines gave a very amusing portrayal of Sir John French, the typical British aristocrat whose qualifications seemed to be the number of contacts he had in Whitehall, rather than any resulting from personal merit.

Russell too, gave a convincing performance as General Haig, a character study obviously well-planned and thoughtfully interpreted. Haig was a man invested with a great deal of power. He was also responsible for the needless and tragic sacrifice of many millions of lives by the pyrrhic tactics he employed in such attacks as Ypres and the Somme which gained little or no strategic ground.

The play also showed the courage of the British people. Although the causes of the war were clouded, and its course perverted by those who stood to gain from it, the endurance and determination of the average person whose life and strength were channelled away in those troubled times, must never be underestimated. It is known that they experienced great suffering, but the grouse-shooting scene emphasised the numbers who made their fortunes during the war. In retrospect one can marvel at the 21,000 Americans who became millionaires; at the capitalists who disregarded national allegiance in order to secure the greatest financial advantage; at consignments of iron ore sent from Britain into Germany; at Krupp fuses being used in English grenades; at France using German barbed wire at Verdun; and at British experiments in gas warfare without proper precautions for changes in wind direction, resulting in further loss of British lives.

The list given by the play continues, and yet all of the examples given are true. The play is a chronicle of events of the First World War told through the songs and verified documents of the period.

Although it may appear unfair to single out for special praise any individual member of the large cast, for all gave worthwhile performances, it is very difficult to overlook the competence displayed by the leading actors.

D. J. Hookham is to be congratulated for the confidence with which he tackled the demanding role of Master of Ceremonies. Hookham provided the

continuity within the play's framework of the pierrot show. He gave a brilliantly polished performance and showed a high degree of natural talent. He has already proved himself to be a valuable asset to the School's Dramatic Society and his is certainly a name to be remembered in the future, for his dramatic aspirations certainly do not rest at this level.

J. Tams deserved all the applause and laughter he gained for his part in the farcical parade ground scene. Although only a minor scene it had its important underlying expository intention, to capture the audience's attention, and this it did well, due mainly to the efforts of Tams who imparted fresh vitality to what at best is a hackneyed theme (the R.S.M. versus the raw recruits) making it one of the funniest spots in the show.

The standard of acting as a whole was high and the satisfaction derived from the production, by the audience and all involved, was ample recompense for the many hours hard work devoted to the performance.

All the actors showed competence and creditable enthusiasm and vigour. The help of the seven girls, mainly from the Girls' High School, proved invaluable and, although technically a King's School production, they provided a realism the alternative to which (boys in female clothing) could only have diminished the total dramatic effect. Anne Crofts sang a solo 'Keep the Home Fires Burning' very commendably, and Christine Pearce did well as Mrs. Pankhurst.

The importance of the theme was evident by the way in which the play was performed. There was a sincerity which showed itself because the actors clearly held their belief in the message of the play above their obvious personal enjoyment of the acting. In this respect the church parade was probably one of the finest scenes. Although the significance of this particular scene was very important (the philosophical and practical position of the Church in the war) its tone and atmosphere seemed to equal, if not supersede, the dramatic value of the subject matter. There was a noticeable quality in the intonation of the words, a sincerity which provided maximum pathos behind the 'hymns' and almost tangible emotion in the prayers afterwards. This was an effect which could not have been achieved even by years of formal dramatic training.

It can be seen, therefore, that the play does not seek to denigrate the efforts of the common man but rather to exalt the sacrifices of the people of all the nations involved, emphasising continually the tragedy that it should ever have been so. The position of the leaders, enjoying and prolonging their 'lovely war', is at all times effectively and dramatically contrasted with the human misery of the soldiers in the trenches. It is there, in the trenches at Christmas, rather than in the ballroom or on the grouse-moor, that a true common unifying link, defying commercial and political exigencies, is hinted at.

Both participants and witnesses of the performances experienced what must have been one of the best and most enjoyable productions ever staged at the King's School. Although the play had broken away somewhat from the traditional type and form of school play, its tremendous success bodes well for the future, preceding the use of a much wider range of contemporary material. This, coupled with the resources of enthusiasm, energy and ability already existing in the School, can mean nothing but good for the School's flourishing Dramatic Society.

SCHWABISCH HALL — EASTER, 1970

To say that the departure from Doncaster was chilly would be to state the case mildly. The suggestion that all arrive in good time ensured a good length of cold waiting before we were finally waving fond or reluctant farewells. Of the speedy advance upon London little may be said other than that Sir lost speedily and repeatedly at chess (caused no doubt by anxiety that the other Sir might fail to turn up at Victoria). All survived and completed the mid-day underground experience (led by Sir from the rear), and we arrived at the Chicken Inn for the waiting meal only to learn that Wainwright had left his wallet on the train from Doncaster. Enquiries then and on our return were of no avail.

'Bill and Ben', having successfully rendez-voused (note the past participle — a very strong verb), led the party (after counting heads/arms yet again) to the point where our Travel Representative took over the responsibility of finding our seats. On the Dover run we saw pleasant country-side, particularly in lulls between snow-blizzards. At Victoria we had enquired about the crossing which 'they' said was rough. 'They' were right and 'it' was rough. Tastefully selecting an impressionist approach, let us say that on the boat more seats were vacated more frequently, more quickly, and less successfully than normally is the case. A staggering rush was to be seen, many walking sideways in vain attempts to balance and even advance. The chess game was abandoned, morale dropped, the coast (either one) never came. The final rolling, docking manoeuvres in Ostend quelled the early sighs of relief, and a review leaves this as consolation: better to be sea-sick and travel 1st Class than be the same in second.

After passing through Belgian Customs in confusion (theirs and ours), we sought the promised Representative. Was he/she still in bed? Thus we hurried unescorted to defend our reserved seats and met a very rude young German lady who would 'not be moved'. With the help of inspired fluency and a railway conductor we won the day, and then began a twelve hour journey at midnight on the Tauern Express which runs to Zagreb. Some slept incredibly, some not at all. Aachen looked like Siberia and snow was still falling. Köln Cathedral was just visible in the small hours, and not much later one had exciting glimpses of the Ruhr and then of the Rhine.

As we turned eastwards, leaving the Rhine and climbing in the direction of Stuttgart, we again reached the snow line, and snow fell without a break as far as Stuttgart. The fact that we arrived late and missed our connection to Schwäbisch Hall did at least mean that a proper breakfast could be had at the station. Here a speedy repair (best German cord and Knoten) was required for Sir's suitcase. He was seen to lurch rapidly away, nursing a heavy load, and to return not much later, having found a shop open at 8 a.m. which employed a most resourceful staff.

The final run to Schwäbisch Hall was again through heavy snowfall. Trees, hills and valleys held a special beauty; the fresh white snow produced a dazzlingly brilliant effect, though hearts sank somewhat at the 'spring' weather. Our arrival was confused — dividing the group for two hotels — but eventually came rest and a meal. Order was slowly established (cognac can be recommended medicinally). Exploration of Schwäbisch Hall revealed narrow winding streets, quiet walks, and little snow. Old half-timbered houses abounded, and the church, with its famous steps, looked imposingly down on the rest of the town.

Marks, stamps, cards and sausages were all in demand. Evening brought comparison of the two evening meals, discovery of the colour T.V. set, befuddled attempts at plans for the morrow, chess, and the sleep of the just. The third morning saw fresh snow. Heavy sleepers were roused, and after breakfast an easy walk was made to the Comburg, a monastic foundation with fortified walls, enormous buildings and a complete lack of other visitors. It stands on the heights above Schwäbisch Hall, and gently falling snow accompanied our visit. Indeed it was a fore-taste of the afternoon, plans for which had been made at the local Reisebüro. After a short rail journey to Ottendorf, we continued on foot, leaving behind a strong farmyard smell and taking with us driving snow. Up we climbed, down came the snow sweeping across the slopes, and at last we reached the fringe of the forest. Here were shelter and deeper snow, and the steep ascent was a little easier, though the snow caused one or two to make heavy weather of the climb. Frequent unplanned slides were seen, bodies were hauled up without ceremony, and after a quick count (essential) of panting, damp individuals at the top, we set off again and followed the path — a deep puddle of infinite length. Arrival in Fichtenberg was followed by an immediate dash to a nearby Gasthaus, where we sought to dry wet feet while the snow whirled about outside. Driven on by heartless staff after a rest, we began the trek to Gaildorf, and this time there was a difference — we had the snow in our faces. Many thawed and dried out during the wait at Gaildorf for the train back to Schwäbisch Hall, and the evening was spent at the hotel. A Stammtisch was formed and spirits quickly revived, though winning at chess proved increasingly difficult for some.

The outing to Rothenburg-ob-der Tauber on the next day took us back into the Middle Ages. Though catering for tourists (American), the town which is tightly encircled by its defensive wall still offers much which is unspoiled. From the top of the Rathaus tower the view is unforgettable and the modern world seems remote. The famous clock struck three, Tilly was amazed at the Trunk of wine, and little seemed changed from the thirteenth century. A wedding was seen, the bride and groom departing in a white coach pulled by white horses, and the wedding party wore colourful traditional costume. We thoroughly explored the town, following the advice and explanations of our map-reader with interest. Round the wall we walked, pausing to look at the gates and towers, and wondering what life in the tiny houses which lay all huddled together, was really like.

Stuttgart was our next day's destination, where our official map-reader lead us unerringly through the pleasant city centre and then (vertically) towards the T.V. tower. On this day the sun shone, just right for the steep climb. Rugby tactics were of value in the 'queue' to ascend the tower, though irony was felt as one emerged on high to experience harsh snow showers and a bitter, driving wind. Shivering individuals clung on, waiting for glimpses of the landscape, and sure enough, the showers eased now and then to reveal impressive views in all directions. The evening train was caught after a perilous tram journey to the centre of the city. Bullough had spent this day in bed, and was to be slow to recover from an upset stomach. The evening Stammtisch showed a further deterioration in the standard of chess, reasons were offered and many accepted — sandals and limps were ruled out. It should be said that Moxon smiled

on this day and that Shay discovered the delights of Torte and Schlagsahne.

The following morning saw Bullough injected and partially restored. The coach trip went well, Vellberg being the first stop. Here an impromptu snowball competition sprang up; many attempts were made to throw one from the defensive wall and across the river. Sir had some success, though Russell (as in chess) effortlessly hurled a snowball over the river, the houses, the gardens . . .

Dinkelsbühl, which again offers a step back in time to the Middle Ages, was our next stop. The church and a Konditorei were visited for spiritual and bodily strength. The town wall was walked, with Dines and/or Russell flying off at tangents (female). The weather at last was fine though still cold, and the Bavarian countryside on this outing was splendid and free of snow. The evening Stammtisch was enlivened by the discovery that chips could be ordered.

The following day was a trip to the Neckar valley. First came Bad Wimpfen and its narrow streets, high above the river, and then Burg Hornberg was discovered quite by chance; it offered a splendid opportunity to climb and explore, and the view from the top of the tower of this old fortress was magnificent: an unexpected attack would prove futile. The coach driver won tremendous applause by steering and squeezing the coach through the narrow entrance to the narrow courtyard and by then turning the coach round in this very confined area.

We then drove on to Jagsthausen, birthplace of Götz (of the iron hand), where in the museum we saw the Götzstube, the Rittersaal, and the original iron hand. A pleasant conversation in the grounds with the gardener, who spoke in delightful dialect and greeted us with the warm Grüssgott, produced the inevitable chorus of 'Bill and Ben, late again'.

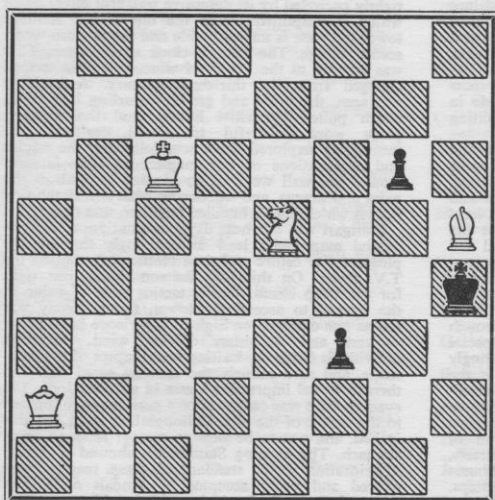
The baroque beauty of nearby Kloster Schöntal, the imposing facade, and the overwhelming decoration of the interior provided a perfect end to the day, and we returned in the spring evening light.

The eighth day was free, and most spent the time purchasing a variety of gifts and souvenirs. Friendship with the twins, Barbara and Sabine, and with their elder sister, Marie-Luise, strengthened, and appreciation of their help in the preparation and serving of the excellent meals was expressed in gifts.

The evening came, we prepared to depart, and Herr Braun sent us on our way fortified with his best cognac.

Of the return journey little need be said. Fitful sleep on the train, a beautifully calm crossing (1st class with breakfast on the boat), Rawding passing through Customs, and eventually Doncaster in the evening. All were safely met, and the week-end provided an opportunity for recuperation before the return to School.

D.W.R.



**White to
move
and win
in four**

RECORD OF BOYS PURSUING HIGHER EDUCATION, 1970

Allen, M. D.	Lancaster University
Ash, D. A.	Birmingham University
Barker, M.	East Anglia University
Bates, M. H.	Portsmouth Polytechnic
Beaman, J. R.	Bradford University
Buckley, P.	Hendon College of Technology
Clapham, I. A.	Imperial College, London University
Clark, P.	Warwick University
Conway, C. W.	University College, Oxford
Cooper, J. M.	Bingley College of Education
Donaldson, C. F.	Loughborough Training College
Donat, D. A.	Woolwich Polytechnic
Dyson, I.	University of Wales, Lampeter
Elliot, S. P.	Liverpool University
Garbett, S. W.	Middleton St. George College of Education
Gott, S. J.	Carnegie College
Griffiths, I. D.	University of Wales, Aberystwyth
Hawley, S.	Keble College, Oxford
Hepworth, D. J.	University of Leeds (Medical School)
Hewison, C.	Liverpool University
Hill, M. D.	University of Wales, Cardiff
Hindle, D. A.	Hull University
Holland, R. N.	Lampeter University
Hugill, M. J.	Bradford University
Jones, A.	University of Wales, Aberystwyth
King, H.	Nottingham University
Knapton, S. R.	St. Andrew's University
Lister, B.	Newcastle University
MacFarlane, D. S.	Sunderland Polytechnic
Marris, W. G.	Leeds Polytechnic
Meechan, K. T.	University of London, Chelsea, College of Science and Technology
Moody, K.	Hull College of Commerce
Morton, K.	University of Wales, Cardiff
Newbould, J. G.	Brunel University
Nightingale, P.	University of London, Guy's Hospital
Norfolk, D. R.	University of London, Guy's Hospital
Pearson, I. L.	City of London College Polytechnic
Perkins, G. P.	St. Martin's College of Education
Piper, A. J.	Leeds University
Rawding, H. I.	Woolwich Polytechnic
Rowett, C.	Leicester University
Savell, A. R. C.	Nottingham University
Shaw, R. J.	Nottingham University
Simpson, B.	Leeds University
Stokes, D. M.	Liverpool University
Watson, R. M.	Teesside Polytechnic
Weale, R. H.	Huddersfield Polytechnic
Wilcock, D.	Dundee University
Wilkinson, D.	Sheffield University
Woodall, K. S.	Downing College, Cambridge

G.C.E. ADVANCED LEVEL, 1970

- 6S³: Ash D. A. (2), Beaman J. R. (2), Griffiths I. D. (2), Hindle D. A. (3), Knapton S. R. (2), Long M. S. (4), Nightingale P. (1), Norfolk D. R. (2), Woodall K. S. (2).
- 6S^{2m}: Elliott S. P. (4), Goodwin I. C. (5), Horsfall J. A. C. (5), Lee S. J. (5), Merry P. B. (5), Piper A. J. (4), Savell A. R. C. (4), Shaw R. J. (4), Wilcock K. M. (5).
- 6S^{2a}: Applegate M. W. (1), Carbutt S. (3), Gingell T. (4), Holmes A. N. (4), King H. (3), Leach A. S. (3), Liddle D. (3), O'Neill P. B. (4), Spears R. S. (4), Tams J. (3), Wandless S. (3), Wilcock D. (3).
- 6S^{2b}: Abel J. V. (3), Aston P. A. (2), DeSilva R. J. (3), Hammond M. D. (2), Hepworth D. J. (4), Hugill M. J. (3), MacFarlane D. A. (1), Meechan K. T. (3), Newbould J. G. (3), Simpson B. (4), Stokes D. M. (3), Watson R. M. (2), Weale R. H. (1), Wilkinson D. (2).
- 6A³: Allen M. D. (4), Barker M. (3), Buckley P. (3), Clark P. (2), Dyson I. (4), Gott S. J. (3), Hewison C. (1), Hill M. D. (3), Holland R. N. (2), Morton K. (4).
- 6A²: Bailey R. C. (4), Bates M. H. (3), Bilsbrough J. N. (4), Clough J. A. (3), Dines A. J. (4), Donat D. A. (2), Fletcher W. (3), Hinton S. R. (2), Jewula K. P. (4), Lister B. (2), Lloyd R. (2), McPhee R. I. (2), Moody K. (2), Morrell R. (3), Moxon K. (4), Pearson I. L. (3), Perkins G. P. (1), Rawding H. I. (2), Rowett C. (3), Rowley J. P. (4), Tate J. A. (2).

ORDINARY LEVEL, 1970

- 5R: Athorn M. G. (10), Bell R. J. H. (10), Blakey M. J. (8), Close D. (8), Cookson P. (8), Coomer C. H. (7), Cox J. (9), Dimbleby B. J. (6), Glasbey C. A. (9), Glendinning K. R. (8), Greenwood D. (7), Hayman G. (8), Hobbs S. J. (7), Holland P. R. (7), Insall R. L. (7), Kirkham G. (10), Lockett S. (9), Marshall B. J. (6), Netherwood J. (6), Poundford R. M. (7), Savell I. A. (9), Tarrant S. W. (9), Tune P. C. (6), Walker B. (3), Walker C. (9), Ward A. G. (8), Warren J. (5), Watson B. R. (9), Whitehead P. D. (10), Wood D. J. (6), Wormald P. D. (6).
- 5A: Allen B. T. (2), Butcher C. H. (7), Butterfield C. J. (1), Clarke J. D. (9), Crossley D. A. (9), Dixon A. (6), Evans R. M. (5), Fish M. R. (5), Frankland J. C. (9), Haynes J. P. M. (8), Henfrey P. C. (4), Hookham D. J. (6), Jenkins A. (3), Milner I. (4), Pickles A. B. (7), Porter M. L. (2), Rush J. D. (9), Senior K. (9), Shay T. (4), Simpson J. (10), Sleight A. T. (5), Tate P. A. (6), Theaker C. G. (4), Walker K. D. (7), Walker R. I. (5), White M. A. (6), Whitehouse D. G. (5), Whitehouse M. A. (7), Winsor K. S. R. (6), Yates S. (4).
- 5B: Applegate B. V. (3), Atkinson K. (4), Barker A. (1), Barratt A. (1), Beaumont P. (5), Church J. R. (5), Crofts E. S. (6), Fox I. (2), Gill C. (2), Greasley B. (2), Grinsill P. (1), Henderson R. E. (1), Jefferies S. B. (1), John C. (2), Leach P. A. (2), Marris W. G. (3), Maskill T. J. (4), Rhodes P. A. (5), Robinson E. G. (1), Shaw D. (2), Sidwell J. E. (5), Whitworth J. H. (1), Wilby D. (2), Wilson D. (3).

PRIZE WINNERS, 1970/71

- Christie Prize: C. W. Conway.
Junior Christie Prize: P. J. Berridge.
First Jubilee Prize: C. W. Conway.
Second Jubilee Prize: P. B. Merry.
J. D. Lean Memorial Prizes: M. Allen, P. Clark, C. W. Conway, S. J. Gott.
Joan M. Lean Memorial Prizes: C. Hewison, D. A. Hindle, S. R. Knapton, M. S. Long.

Ruth W. Puttrell Prizes: I. L. Pearson, G. Perkins, H. Rawding.

Prefects' Reading Prize: S. R. Knapton.

History Essay Prize:

Senior J. P. Rowley.

Intermediate G. Kelsey.

Sixth Form Essay Prizes:

3rd Year M. D. Allen.

2nd Year A. Dines.

1st Year G. Russell.

Spoken English Prizes:

Senior S. R. Knapton, J. Tams.

Intermediate G. Kirkham.

Junior A. D. Murphy.

French Speaking Prizes:

Senior G. Kirkham.

Intermediate K. J. Murphy.

Junior P. J. Berridge.

Art Prizes:

Senior D. Spence.

Junior A. M. Skidmore.

Handicraft Prizes:

IVth Form J. R. Thompson.

Vth Form D. Greenwood.

Lyon Science Prizes:

IIIA¹ J. P. Lane.

IIIA² I. R. Parker.

IVR P. Machin.

IVA¹ P. M. Charlesworth, P. L. Driffield.

IVA² N. Wilson.

VR I. A. Savell.

VA A. B. Pickles.

VIS¹ G. Pollard.

VIS² J. A. C. Horsfall.

Done Chemistry Prizes:

Senior C. W. Conway.

Junior P. D. Birch.

A. E. Lovett Physics Prize: J. A. C. Horsfall.

Norton Maths Prize: K. S. Woodall.

Hebb French Prize: I. Dyson.

English Prize: M. D. Allen.

Geography Prize: C. Rowett.

Music Prize: D. Norfolk.

FORM PRIZES

- IA: P. J. Berridge.
IB: M. G. Jones.
IC: J. N. Revell.
2R: D. Northwood.
2A¹: D. Ellis.
2A²: C. W. Newlands.
3A¹: C. Spendlove.
3A²: A. J. Lloyd.
4R: A. Nath.
4A¹: P. Hewison.
4A²: S. W. Chase, G. Simpson.
5R: R. J. H. Bell.
5A: J. Simpson.
5B: E. S. Crofts.
6A^{1a}: G. Russell.
6A^{1b}: P. Jones, B. Marshall, M. J. Scott.
6S^{1m}: R. J. Shackleton.
6S^{1a}: G. R. Edwards.
6S^{1b}: K. Bramwell.
6A²: A. Dines.
6A³: M. D. Allen.
6S²: P. B. Merry.
- Special Merit 'O' Level Prizes:
J. D. Clarke, G. Hayman, P. R. Holland, G. Kirkham, K. Senior, S. W. Tarrant.
- Special Merit 'A' Level Prizes:
I. Dyson, T. Gingell, S. J. Lee, A. R. C. Savell.

spotlight



BASKETBALL CLUB

This season it was decided to enter the Wakefield and District League (Division 2) in order to obtain regular fixtures and a higher standard of Basketball. The Wakefield and District League is a Senior (as opposed to Schools) Competition, so The King's School was represented by the First Team plus two members of Staff, Mr. Barber and Mr. Porter.

The venture into League Basketball has been immediately successful, the team having won all its 14 matches, and in doing so establishing a record of 1,128 points.

This success has been mainly due to the enthusiasm and excellent team spirit of all the players, not to mention the considerable skill. For any team to score 100 points in a game is a notable feat; to do so five times in a season is remarkable.

Most of the scoring has been achieved by Stephen Hoyle, the captain (383 points), and Colin Walker, a player of outstanding promise (224 points). Good support in attack has been given by Kenneth Glendinning, Christopher Gogarty, and Keith Morton. Whilst the defence has been excellently served by John Barber, Roger Bell, Lesley Bullough, and Geoffrey Pollard.

All these players were entered for the Wakefield and District Trials and performed very creditably. Stephen Hoyle was selected and has played on several occasions for the area team. Colin Walker was selected as first reserve. These were outstanding

achievements for schoolboys in a Senior Area Trial.

We now look forward to next season in Division 1 of the Wakefield and District League, when the standard will be higher and the competition harder.

Results:

v. Penistone Martlets (home)	Won 52-44
v. Altofts Y.C. (home)	Won 81-46
v. Thornes House School (home)	Won 130-36
v. West Yorks. Police Cadets (away)	Won 47-21
v. Batley B.B.C. (away)	Won 61-37
v. Thornhill Y.C. (away)	Won 43-34
v. Woodkirk Wasps (home)	Won 105-44
v. Batley B.B.C. (home)	Won 101-44
v. Woodkirk Wasps (away)	Won 93-27
v. Altofts Y.C. (away)	Won 62-29
v. Thornes House School (away)	Won 60-30
v. West Yorks. Police Cadets (home)	Won 100-32
v. Penistone Martlets (away)	Won 57-49
v. Thornhill Y.C. (home)	Won 136-28

The School teams have continued to play matches against other schools at 1st and U.15 levels and results to date are as follows:

1st v. Ackworth School (away)	Lost 38-44
v. Mexborough G.S. (home)	Won 42-28
v. Old Boys	Won 56-45
v. Leeds G.S. (away)	Won 33-16
v. Ackworth School (home)	Won 87-55
U.15 v. Pontefract Boys Sch. (home)	Won 26-16
v. Ackworth School (home)	Won 26-15

BADMINTON

As four of last year's team are no longer available, this term has been one of rebuilding; but with the emergence of several newcomers, the outlook is promising.

Lower down the School a number of second and third-year boys are being coached by Mr. M. Bird of the Nomads Badminton Club whose offer of help was gladly accepted.

Finally we would like to thank Mr. Ryder, who left the School at Christmas, and Mr. Brooks for giving up so much of their time in helping with the organisation and ensuring the smooth running of the club.

J. Cox, 6Sc²M., Captain.

WARGAMES SOCIETY

The Society originated with pressures from the Lower School by founder members P. O'Malley (IIIa2) and I. C. Roberts (IIa1) and great enthusiasm has been shown in this part of the School. Thanks are very much due to the wargamers from 5R who have arranged demonstrations and given advice to the Junior section. Wargames combine tactical skills (working within complex rules) with historical research and pressure is now being exerted to form a senior section to include the VIth form.

D.C.M.

RAILWAY ENTHUSIASTS' CLUB

This is a new Society founded this term, aiming to cater for a widespread interest in the School in railways and connected topics. Planned activities will include talks, slide shows, and visits to railway installations.

Officers elected for the remainder of the academic year are as follows:

Chairman: R. I. Willett, 5A².
Vice-Chairman: A. M. Osiechi, 3A¹.
Secretary: J. C. Parkin, 5R.
Treasurer: C. J. Madden, 3A¹. B.K.T.

THE VOLUNTARY GROUP

We welcomed new members of the Group into what has been a busy term. A large number of gardening and decorating jobs, which form the backbone of the Group's work, have been done, and we have been able to broaden our activities still further.

Continuing the work done by the Group on the Mill Hill playground last Easter, teams worked on the two Saturdays during the Autumn half-term break to renovate the path around the central playing area ready for tarmacing. Coffee was provided on both occasions by girls from the High School, for which we thank them. The path has now been resurfaced, and plans are being drawn up for further projects on the playground this year.

On Wednesday, 2nd December, the usual dress rehearsal of the School Play, 'Oh, What A Lovely War' was given as a free performance for old people in the town. Over 150 people attended, refreshments were provided, and transport was laid on for over 70 pensioners who would otherwise have been unable to attend. Our thanks to all staff and boys who provided the transport. The participation of the audience in the singing was evidence of their enjoyment.

The firewood scheme, involving the collection, chopping and distribution of firewood to old people was again continued this year as well as two new ideas, the collection of food in the School and a Christmas card scheme. Over 650 items of food were made up into 66 food parcels, which were given to needy cases in the area. Six food parcels were provided by the efforts of 2nd formers in the School. Distribution of food, Christmas cards and firewood took place on Monday, 21st December, when over 70 members, including girls from the High School, turned out to brave the weather. The job was made much easier by the work of boys who transported teams about. It is hoped to continue these schemes in future years.

When the country went decimal on February 15th the understanding of the new system by the old people of the town was a matter of concern to us, so the Group's work organisers visited all our addresses explaining (?) the system to those who needed help.

Links with the Girls' High School have been maintained by joint lunches at the High School and more recently by inviting the girls to some of our regular meetings. Girls are now helping teams with decorating jobs, and more joint activities are planned.

With the onset of the warmer weather and lighter evenings the influx of gardening and decorating jobs will increasingly tax the existing members of the Group who continually show their reliability and willingness to work. I therefore appeal to members of the 6th Forms to ask themselves if their time is so valuable that they cannot spare any of it to help us in this worthwhile service. Anyone willing to help can join the Group by handing in his name to J. Tams or come along to our weekly Wednesday meeting at

4 p.m. in the Language Laboratory. PLEASE make the effort. J. Tams, 6S².

GYM CLUB

First of all I would like to say a belated goodbye to Mr. B. R. Ryder, who left at Christmas, and wish him well in his new post.

In his place I would like to welcome Mr. P. A. Hargreaves, who has come to us from Gresham's School. His arrival brought new life into the Gym Club; it was only a few weeks before members could be seen performing vaults such as Yamashitas, a vault at which a few attained a high degree of success, in particular G. Hirst.

The standard of floorwork has improved greatly, especially among younger members, while many with more experience have mastered backflips and both back and front somersaults. Basic pommel horse work has also been attempted.

Attendance has been very good, and I hope that this trend will continue. The club meets on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays during the dinner-hour.

K. Atkinson, 6S¹B.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Master-in-Charge: Mr. A. B. Skiera.

Secretary: J. Tams, 6S².

Treasurer: M. D. Hammond, 6S².

Committee: S. Wandless, J. V. Able, 6S².

The Society has met regularly during the Autumn Term, meetings being held fortnightly on Tuesdays in the Lecture Room at 4 p.m., when films on a variety of aspects of Natural History, from trout hatchery to coal mining, have been shown.

1970 was Conservation Year, and this influenced our choice of films, e.g., Pollution of our rivers, Forestry, the National Trust, and the misuse of our coast-line. Many more films have been booked, and talks and a competition in the Lower School have been planned for the rest of the year.

The postal dispute disrupted our meetings to some extent, but we now are able to continue with our programme. New members will be made most welcome at any time. J. Tams, 6S².

MODERN LANGUAGES SOCIETY

Secretary: Garbutt, P. S., 6A²B.

Only two meetings have been held this term but each was well attended and extremely interesting. The first was held at the High School, where we listened to some stimulating talks given by the French, German and Spanish assistants in their native tongues. The most amusing talk was given by Monsieur Agrinier who set about destroying many popular notions about Christmas abroad. I mean no disrespect to the assistants when I say that the most eagerly awaited part of the meeting came next—the refreshments. Once again the girls demonstrated their culinary expertise by providing us with an excellent spread of continental food. The evening came to a finish with a more-or-less tuneful rendering of some well-known foreign songs. We all extend our thanks to the girls for giving us a really enjoyable evening.

The second of our meetings was late in December when two coaches full of boys and girls went to the Carol Concert of the Yorkshire Branch of the Modern Languages Association, held at Leeds Town Hall. As in previous years the singing was of a high standard and we all found this trip to be very enjoyable and worthwhile.

Plans are now going ahead for further meetings this year and new members are always welcome to come along and join us. P. S. Garbutt, 6A²B.

THE SIXTH FORM ENGLISH SOCIETY

Since the departure of Mr. T. J. Reynolds the activities of the Society within the School have been brought to a halt but theatre visits have continued apace. A small party of Sixth Formers went to Harrogate to see S. Beckett's 'Waiting for Godot' — an exercise worth several readings of the text and a larger party saw 'Hamlet' at the same theatre. This included a brave last minute attempt by an actor to play Laertes, book in hand, while the previous incumbent was nursing a broken arm.

In our view the outstanding experience was Sheffield Playhouse's production of 'Macbeth' — a gripping production with a brilliant series of sets and costumes. This was an outstanding example of the heights a provincial theatre can rise to.

Other visits were to Bradford for Theatre Workshop's 'Oh, What A Lovely War', just before the School's production of the same play, and Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Wakefield, for a production of 'Measure for Measure'.

Interest in theatre visits is growing and it was especially encouraging to learn that a party of Junior School boys visited Doncaster for an enjoyable performance of Bolt's 'The Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew'.

M.H.C.

THE LIBRARY

Since the last edition of the magazine the library staff has been unfortunate to lose the services of several members of the third year Sixth, including A. J. Dines and J. A. C. Horsfall, Deputy and Chief Librarian respectively. Both have supported the Library for several years and have given a great deal of unselfish effort. We wish them well and congratulate J. N. Bilsbrough and R. Morrell on their appointment as Chief Librarians.

Although the number of Librarians is smaller than usual at the moment, the enthusiasm of some of the newer members of the Lower Sixth has been most welcome. They have contributed a great deal to the improvement of the service offered to borrowers. A recent Decimal Currency exhibition was well received and M. J. Blakey is to be congratulated on his enterprise.

We have dealt with a substantial number of new books recently, several of them being given to the library by the former headmaster, Mr. A. H. Aldous. Much of the evening work has been carried out by a small, capable group and Mr. G. R. Nattrass has been especially helpful here. We thank him for his assistance and wish him well in the future in his new career in the Library Service.

The following have been involved in the running of the Library:

Chief Librarians: J. N. Bilsbrough, R. Morrell.
Senior Librarians: M. Applegate, M. Blakey, D. Boustead, R. M. Poundford, S. Tarrant.
Librarians: B. Applegate, K. Atkinson, R. Bell, J. Cox, C. Glaseby, D. Hookham, G. Kirkham, S. Lockett, B. J. Marshall, P. B. O'Neill, G. Pearce, M. Scott, K. D. Walker, J. Warren, A. G. Ward.

M.H.C.

SIXTH FORM CAREERS COURSE

During the last summer holidays several three day courses were arranged with Hickson & Welch Ltd., Castleford. The courses took in every aspect of the

firm's work, from the design of an efficient plant to the actual chemical plant itself.

The course was short but full, providing a good idea of life in a chemical works. Our hosts were extremely friendly and succeeded in giving a fair and accurate picture of their work.

There was a welcome opportunity for prospective chemists to see a chemical plant in operation, and all who took part in the courses would recommend them, for they are both enjoyable and informative.

A. Elliott, 6S²A.

SQUASH CLUB

The boys continue to play regularly on Mondays and Thursdays. There seems to be a shortage of boys coming into the club in the First Year Sixth but those who do attend regularly have established a reasonable standard in basic strokes.

The team has had two fixtures — the first against Trinity and All Saints' College in Leeds, and the second against Doncaster Grammar School. We won the first and lost the second.

The next fixture will be the game against the Staff at the end of the Spring Term.

B.A.D.

RADIO SOCIETY

Meetings of the Society have been held regularly throughout the past term. Most members in the Junior Section have completed their crystal sets and some are adding an amplification stage.

Senior members have built amplifiers, electronic organs, or tape-recorders, and have mended faulty equipment.

The members of the Society wish to thank Mr. Green and Mr. Charlton for their invaluable help.

R. W. Hill, 6S²M.

CHESS CLUB

Both teams have had a more successful season this year and should finish in high positions in their respective league tables. So far, both teams have lost only one league match.

1st Team:

Played 7	Won 4	Drawn 2	Lost 1
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2nd Team:

Played 9	Won 8	Drawn 0	Lost 1
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In the Sunday Times Competition, the first team was knocked out in the First Round by Roundhay School, Leeds. The second team did well to beat a much older team from a sixth form college, The Thomas Rotherham College, Rotherham, only to be themselves knocked out in the second round by King Edward VII School, Sheffield.

In the Yorkshire Championships held at Huddersfield, the first team came fourth out of eight, and the second team played extremely well in winning first place in their division. Special thanks are due to Mr. Osiecki who has helped in 'coaching' and supporting the team.

P. Garvey and I. McElhinney have got through to the next round in the Under 16 Championship.

I would like to thank Messrs. Renton, Jones and Burke for their help in running the Club, and R. Spears, who left at Christmas, but who gave valuable service to the Club as Secretary and a member of the first team.

J.H.

COMMITTEE CORNER

Please:

What is blowing in the wind?
Did he break Parkinson's law?
How do you submerge a form?
Where has all the blossom gone?
Were they breaking in or out?
Was it on the cards?
And was it a question of interest?
Or wheels and pulleys?
Vintage:
Who had to stand in the corridor for two periods
with his gas-mask on?

For 63:

There was a young fellow from Lynn
Who was so exceedingly thin
That when he essayed
To drink lemonade
He slipped through the straw and fell in.



SAY 'HELLO' TO UNCLE
CHOPPER, KIDDIES!



Vintage Selection: (from past issues)

December, '39:

The 'Pontefract and Castleford Express', July 6th, 1889, reported that the Pontefract Town Council had confirmed the plans for the conversion of the old Militia Depot into the Grammar School and Master's premises.

March, '34:

An Innovation. A McMichael Twin Super-vox wireless has been introduced into the School. It is worked from the electric mains and has already been used for several class lectures. An electric pick-up has also been acquired and is being extensively used.

July, '34:

A School Organ. A School Organ is to be erected in the Hall, and it is hoped that it will be ready for use early next term.

March, '40:

Rationing. The Government Decree has not greatly affected the School Dinners, save for the fact that they have been somewhat improved. Vague suspicions were aroused one day, and there was much dubious speculation as to the nature of the menu, which turned out to be rabbits. We have happily survived.

July, '40:

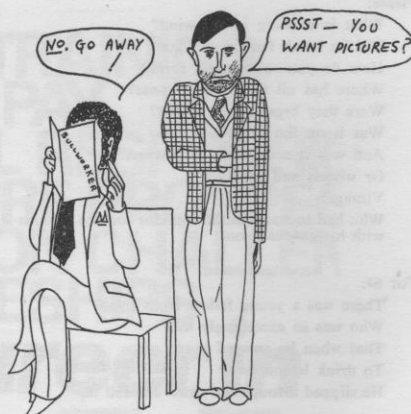
Air-raids. We have so far had three practices. Some base rumour has been fabricated that fearful examination candidates have resolved to keep text-books in the shelters so that in the event of an air-raid they might pursue their studies to advantage.

April, '24:

Weather Report. Lightning struck the house of one of our Masters, Mr. McKee. After that time the weather changed for the worse.

March, '47:

Ah Well! Press on! The organ, probably due to the reduced electricity supplies in the morning, refuses to gasp out more than a couple of bars, unless some junior volunteers to keep a finger on the electric blower button. The juniors, however, have been almost queueing for the honour, and consequently have been termed 'the press-gang', or, on occasions when all goes well without their aid, 'the watch committee'. The poor, overworked seniors, by the way, have still no place to sit in the Assembly Hall.



Q. E. D.

How Many?

Who was born:

- In 1874 and was the first foreign national to receive honorary American citizenship.
- In 1857 and wrote a tone-poem 'Falstaff'.
- In 1915 and became famous with Blackpool.
- Port Vale is a clue.
- In 1478, met Erasmus, saw the inside of the Tower and lost his head.
- In 1874, experimented on the roof of the Post Office building roof, and spoke with St. John's.
- In 1908 in Stonewall and had a lady-bird.
- In 1904 and has a brother, Sir Hugh Carleton Greene.
- In 1451, visited Cuba, and died in poverty.
- In 1901, first flew and then dropped anchor in Sydney.
- In 1788, settled in Switzerland, sailed for Greece and died of a fever.
- In 1901, developed the Silly Symphony and Dumbo.
- In 1904, followed the road more than once and has a running feud with a singer.
- In 1864, lived a short, 'short' life and produced many posters.
- In 1866 and wrote about the shape of things to come.
- In 1452 and was said to draw perfect circles free-hand.

A BIG IF

He knew it was dangerous, but that was all it was, he thought. Just dangerous. It did not lead him to think what might happen if he made a single mistake. A mistake would mean an advantage to his opponent which would lead to death. The amateur had been warned by the old man, who was experienced and had survived against all challengers, but the amateur lacked imagination and did not heed the words of the old man.

Although without imagination he was observant and thought out his actions carefully. He was doing well, but he was becoming over-confident. His opponent knew this, and with an evil gleam in his hard eyes he waited for his chance.

The amateur after long contemplation advanced a foot-soldier. It was a good move. He knew it was good. But his opponent seized it. But he could not!

He had thought it out after 'long contemplation'. It was true the foot-soldier did look safe, but there was an invisible flaw which his opponent had seen.

This shook the amateur, something told him he should not have started the battle, but he ignored it. He was going to show them he could win. So he fought on, constantly threatening, attacking and parrying.

Often he came up against his opponent's troops but managed to avoid them, though there was one near miss.

But finally it had to happen, the old man had told him so, it was his own fault, he was too confident. He made a mistake. His opponent had seen it and he made the appropriate moves. The amateur could have stopped it, if only he had seen, if only he had known, if The black eyes of his opponent shone with the urge to kill as he said: 'Queen to Rook Four, Checkmate. The King is DEAD!'

THE GOLDEN HIND



School Rugby

In contrast to last season the weather has been ideal for rugby on the great majority of occasions. The high scores reflect this state of affairs, also making it evident that much open rugby has been played. Under Mr. Porter's guidance the First XV has enjoyed one of the best seasons in my recollection at The King's School: the standard of rugby has been high and the spirit of the side has certainly never been bettered. Once again under Mr. Hall's guidance the Second XV has flourished and reflected his enthusiasm for the game. I am again grateful to Mr. Jones for taking on the difficult task of running the Third XV. It is becoming increasingly difficult to arrange Third XV fixtures as many schools do not run such a side and as a consequence a number of games have been unbalanced. However I am sure every effort must be made to find suitable fixtures so that rugby at this level can continue, so helping to bridge the gap between junior and senior rugby. I should like to thank Mr. Pickering, Mr. Buckroyd and Mr. P. Dunn whose work with the junior sides sows the seeds for future sound senior rugby. My thanks also go to Mr. Cavendish and Mr. Reynolds who have given some help during the term with the coaching of the First XV.

It is inevitable that a number of boys who have played for junior sides and have enjoyed the game find they are not suited for the game at senior level. On the other hand I am aware of an increasing number of competent rugby players in the School who are not prepared to offer their services to School sides. It is, I feel, an unfortunate and short sighted policy for a teenage boy to put more stress on a Saturday job rather than to continue to participate in a sport which can offer him so much at School and most certainly at club level when he leaves School.

The introduction of a Sevens Competition at the School in late September was a very successful venture. Helped by a beautiful evening the occasion seemed to acquire the festive air often associated with rugby sevens. Twelve schools participated, with Rothwell Grammar School coming out worthy winners. This competition will be an annual event and may be extended to include more schools next year. In addition to the usual sevens competitions next term at Ilkley, Hipperholme and Loughborough, we have been invited to send a team to the Rosslyn Park Sevens.

This year Colours were awarded to nine boys: to the Captain and Vice Captain, S. V. Hoyle and J. Tams, and to the following, S. J. Gogarty, D. Matthews, J. Rutherford, D. Smith, P. S. Sykes, M. A. Spears and D. Thorpe.

S. V. Hoyle and J. Tams both have my very sincere thanks for the excellent way in which they have worked for the success of the side. Hoyle's play at outside half has, throughout the season, set the standard for much sound and entertaining back play: whilst Tams' undoubted qualities of leadership have produced a pack of forwards with a real sense of unity and purpose.

A.J.L.

FIRST XV

With eight members of last year's team remaining at School the First XV had a good nucleus from which to build a side. As in previous seasons there were fears that the small forwards would be unable to give sufficient ball to the threequarters, but as the season got underway they emerged as a very mobile and effective unit. The threequarters were expected to be strong and when they were given good ball they proved this throughout the season.

The Sevens competitions at the School and at Manchester, which took place in the early part of the season, possibly disturbed the rhythm of the side for a short time. After the Manchester Sevens we suffered our first defeat when we were narrowly beaten by Rothwell Grammar School after a hard fought game. The highlight of the season was the game against Normanton Grammar School. Each member of the side was determined to win, and with the pack playing well together and giving good service to the backs, the School had the better of the game and won by 33 points to 14.

Two days after the Normanton game, and in good spirits, the First XV toured London playing three games, against Merchant Taylors' School, St. Albans School, and Haberdashers' Aske's School. The School remained unbeaten throughout the tour despite a hard game against Haberdashers. (As the 1st XV knows: 'It was good'). At the end of the term we were pleased to entertain a touring side from Eltham College, London. This was the first visit by a touring side to the School and we hope they and other Schools, will visit us in the future.

Team work has been the essence of the side's success but mention must be made of the Vice Captain, J. Tams, who has been a tireless and exuberant pack leader who has inspired the forwards to work together efficiently and effectively. The threequarters have used the ball between them, and with each member able to score tries the side has produced a record number of points for a season. I should like to mention P. Sykes at centre who has on most occasions made the initial break through, D. Thorpe, the top try scorer, for his power and determination both in attack and defence, and D. Smith who has played well at full back and has made many breaks when joining the threequarter line.

Without fitness the skills of the backs and the compact play of the forwards would not have been forthcoming and there is no doubt that much of the team's success can be attributed to the work of Mr. Porter. At the same time much is owed to the team spirit generated by Mr. Leaver and I would like to thank him for all the time he devotes to the First XV in particular and to School Rugby in general.

S. V. Hoyle (Captain).

THE FIRST XV TOUR TO LONDON

During half-term the First XV, together with reserves and members of staff, toured London. We were jubilant after our victory over local rivals, Normanton, which ended their two year unbeaten run. The journey down the M1 Motorway was punctuated only by stops at service centres and the questioning of our driver, Bill Meadows, in a big Police search.

We arrived at Merchant Taylors' School at about 1.30 p.m. and were met by Alfred Taylor, a former 1st XV Captain, who is now a master at Merchant Taylors' School. A rather scrappy game ended in a 28-0 win for the First XV, but the effect of the



FIRST XV

Back Row: C. Butcher, P. Sykes, S. Jenks, S. Hodgson, J. Rutherford, A. Dines, J. Simpson,
S. Wandless.
Front Row: S. Gogarty, D. Matthews, D. Thorpe, S. Hoyle (Capt.), J. Tams (V. Capt.),
D. Smith, K. Moxon. Absent: M. Spears, B. Allen.



SECOND XV

Back Row: P. Mason, A. Dixon, M. Fish, R. Johnson, G. Pollard, P. Merry, J. Conlon,
P. Hewison, M. Willoughby (Touch Judge).
Front Row: L. Benn, D. Close, B. Allen, G. Calderwood (V. Capt.), A. Clough (Capt.),
R. Evans, A. Cook, L. Bullough, R. Insall.

Normanton game two days earlier and the long journey meant that much of the cohesion, an outstanding feature of this season's performances, was missing. After the game we were entertained to an excellent meal and were then transported by a grand bunch of chaps firstly to swamp a lovely small country pub and then to invade the Old Merchant Taylors' Clubhouse. The evening quickly passed by and it was soon time to return to the School to sleep on the gym floor, an experience I would not recommend.

In the morning, having once again been given an excellent meal, we set out for the Salvation Army Hostel in Buckingham Gate. After stowing our luggage we had the rest of the day free. The sights of London came under close scrutiny throughout the two days we spent there, and in the evening the entertainment ranged from the theatre to visiting shows of a rather less erudite kind, the somewhat dubious delights of the latter being constantly relived by the individuals concerned.

Wednesday morning was again free but Bill Meadows kindly offered to take a group on a conducted tour of the city in the coach. Assembling at King's Cross coach park after lunch we left for St. Albans. The game proved rather disappointing as we had expected harder opposition, this had its effect on the School team who, after a good start, felt the necessity to dispense with imagination, application, and even catching the ball, eventually winning 32 - 3. However we were back in London in time for an evening in town.

We had to leave the Salvation Army Hostel early on Thursday morning but it had proved an excellent base providing good cheap accommodation. After loading the coach with our belongings we were again free until lunch time when we set out for Haberdashers' Aske's School at Elstree. This game was the hardest of the tour, 'Habs' having lost only one game, to Monmouth School, two days earlier. Their heavier forwards gained supremacy for most of the game, but our defensive work and superior fitness finally brought rewards and in the last quarter we were finally able to gain the upper hand and use the ball more effectively to clinch the game by 20 points to 9. After tea we left for home, tired but pleased with our successes, and arrived in Pontefract about 10.30 p.m.

I should like to thank, on behalf of the boys on the tour, Mr. Leaver for arranging the tour, the format of which was highly successful: Mr. Porter for training and coaching us; Mr. Hinchliffe and Mrs. 'Kill 'em Ponty' Porter for their support. Also deserving attention are the reserves who were unselfishly willing to forego a game so that the understanding between the team could be maintained.

A. J. Dines, 6A3.

THE OLD BOYS' GAME

A good crowd turned out to watch the Annual Old Boys' Game. Possibly the game was taken a little too seriously at times but the festive spirit was evident at the Dinner held after the game.

At the Dinner Mr. Leaver welcomed the new Headmaster and thanked him for his support of School Rugby during the term. Our guest speaker was Mr. S. Sykes who has been a most faithful supporter of School sport over the past seven years; we were pleased he was able to be present.

Extract from Mr. Sykes' Speech:

... 'There are TAMS when you have been a bit ROCKY in the scrums and have tripped round the

field like a set of WANDLESS fairies wearing JOCK straps and having little SIMMYLarity to rugby players with the opposition taking the MICK out of you. The weather has never been SNOWY for you BUTCHER've sometimes got yourselves into a bit of a HOYLE and looked grOOGY and then I've THORPE for PETE'S sake why don't I give it a MIFF and stay away. Then your moves have taken SHEP and you've had us all aGOG with a DING dong game'.

First XV

H v. De La Salle, Salford	Won	20 - 6
A v. Sir Wm. Turner's, Redcar	Won	25 - 6
A v. Goole G.S.	Won	30 - 0
H v. Heath School	Won	47 - 11
H v. Ripon G.S.	Won	48 - 8
A v. Rothwell G.S.	Lost	9 - 14
H v. Archbishop Holgate's G.S.	Won	37 - 16
A v. Ermysted's G.S., Skipton	Won	11 - 0
H v. Normanton G.S.	Won	33 - 14
A v. Merchant Taylors' School	Won	28 - 0
A v. St. Albans School	Won	32 - 3
A v. Haberdashers' Aske's School	Won	20 - 9
H v. Castleford H.S.	Won	14 - 13
H v. Oakbank School, Keighley	Lost	9 - 10
H v. Hemsworth H.S.	Won	35 - 6
A v. Bridlington School	Won	42 - 8
H v. Doncaster G.S.	Won	36 - 3
A v. Roundhay School	Lost	3 - 21
H v. Eltham College, London	Won	31 - 6
H v. Old Boys	Lost	6 - 14

SECOND XV

This year has seen the creation of a new record. The team has finished with a total of 418 points scored beating the previous best total by 18 points.

The root of this season's success has been in the very good team spirit which has been present throughout the term. Team spirit coupled with an ability to play the game well in all departments has given the side thirteen victories out of the fourteen games played. Open rugby has been the main aim all season and the team has played some fine attacking rugby in most games and has shown ability and adaptability when it was most required. The team has been able to tighten up the play to win some very good matches, perhaps most notable amongst these was the victory over Rothwell when the side played most of the game with only fourteen men.

I wish to give special mention to the Captain, A. Clough, who has captained the side with great drive and enthusiasm; he has been both a hard task master and an inspiration to the side. Lastly I wish to thank those loyal supporters who followed the side this season, their spirited support was most welcome indeed.

G.H.H.

Second XV

H v. De La Salle, Salford	Won	22 - 0
A v. Sir Wm. Turner's, Redcar	Won	23 - 6
H v. Goole G.S.	Won	50 - 0
H v. Heath School	Won	41 - 6
A v. Ripon G.S.	Won	58 - 0
A v. St. Wilfrid's 1st XV	Won	14 - 10
H v. Rothwell G.S.	Won	17 - 14
A v. Normanton G.S.	Won	14 - 11
A v. Castleford H.S.	Won	17 - 12
H v. Oakbank School, Keighley	Won	42 - 3
A v. Hemsworth H.S.	Won	18 - 6
H v. Bridlington School	Won	67 - 3
A v. Doncaster G.S.	Lost	15 - 24
H v. Roundhay School	Won	20 - 0

THIRD XV

The Third XV has had quite a successful season. Of the eleven matches played eight were won, one drawn, and three lost. Of the three games lost two were against 1st XV's from other schools.

A large number of boys have represented the side this year and amongst these have been boys who have not played rugby for a school team before. I hope these boys have derived some pleasure from playing and that they will continue to do so in the future.

Of the 'old-stagers', P. Wormald, R. Walker, R. Bell and R. Goddard have played very well this season; so too has J. Cox who has once again been a very effective Captain.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking parents for coming to support us, (sometimes in inclement weather), and for their help with some of our travel arrangements.

M.A.J.

Third XV

A v. Goole G.S.	Won	36 - 0
A v. Minsthorpe H.S. 1st XV	Won	26 - 0
A v. Bradford G.S.	Lost	0 - 17
A v. Ermysted's G.S., Skipton	Won	28 - 3
H v. Fulneck School A XV	Lost	6 - 35
A v. Ossett School 1st XV	Lost	0 - 39
H v. Bradford G.S.	Won	15 - 10
H v. Leeds G.S.	Won	10 - 6
A v. Airedale H.S. 1st XV	Draw	6 - 6
A v. Selby G.S. 1st XV	Won	27 - 3
H v. Roundhay School	Won	27 - 3

UNDER 15 XV

The under 15 side has not had a successful season winning four only of the fifteen games played.

Individually the team has considerable talent but as a unit it lacks discipline and drive. The games have not been without interest or incident and there have been many memorable moments including a solo run by King to score our only try at Roundhay.

Many members of the team have shown dedication and enthusiasm and I hope to see them playing under more favourable conditions next season.

F.P.

Under 15 XV

A v. De La Salle, Salford	Lost	3 - 42
A v. Sir Wm. Turner's, Redcar	Lost	5 - 26
H v. Goole G.S.	Won	16 - 8
A v. Heath School	Lost	3 - 28
H v. Ripon G.S.	Lost	11 - 24
A v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	Lost	6 - 37
H v. Rothwell G.S.	Lost	6 - 16
H v. Ermysted's G.S., Skipton	Won	21 - 19
H v. Castleford H.S.	Lost	9 - 24
A v. Hemsworth H.S.	Lost	8 - 11
H v. Leeds G.S.	Won	18 - 8
A v. Doncaster G.S.	Lost	9 - 40
A v. Roundhay School	Lost	3 - 48

UNDER 14 XV

The team has again enjoyed a successful season, although, because of injuries and illness, a full side has been fielded on only three occasions. The pack has played well together but must develop the art of rucking, if they are to keep up a constant supply of ball to the backs.

The backs have handled and run with great verve but the defensive skills, tackling in particular, have been woefully weak on occasions. S. Jackson and I. Hanks at halfback have made up for their lack of

inches with elusive running and astute kicking. M. Broughton, the Captain, and D. H. Cooper have combined well in the centre to add thrust to the attack. T. Morgan has been a first class utility player and should settle down well next season at full back. M. Ward, N. Carmichael, P. Bowler and R. Allen have provided most of the weight and size up front but have not always played with as much spirit as the smaller members of the pack.

The main weakness of the side is a lack of aggression and determination, particularly when the opposition shows fire and retaliation. The spirit in the side is excellent. The willingness to learn and the keenness in training have made coaching the team an easy and rewarding task. On occasion the team has played some thrilling rugby which has given immense pleasure to me personally and to the many loyal supporters.

D.M.B.

Under 14 XV

H v. De La Salle, Salford	Won	12 - 10
H v. Wakefield Cathedral H.S.	Draw	8 - 8
A v. Goole G.S.	Lost	3 - 8
A v. Heath School	Won	21 - 8
H v. Ripon G.S.	Won	24 - 6
H v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	Won	20 - 9
H v. Rothwell G.S.	Won	88 - 0
H v. Ermysted's G.S., Skipton	Won	39 - 0
A v. Normanton G.S.	Lost	11 - 26
A v. Stonyhurst College	Won	5 - 0
A v. Kirkham G.S.	Won	14 - 8
A v. King Edward VII, Lytham	Won	12 - 9
A v. Castleford H.S.	Lost	11 - 27
A v. Kettlethorpe H.S.	Won	24 - 0
H v. Hemsworth H.S.	Won	47 - 0
H v. Bridlington School	Draw	6 - 6
H v. Doncaster G.S.	Won	60 - 0
H v. Roundhay School	Won	21 - 3

UNDER 13 XV

This year's Under 13 XV has enjoyed a very successful season winning eighteen of the twenty matches played. The side has been a good one with no obvious weaknesses and it would be unfair to pick out individual boys for comment. The general pattern of the play has been good possession from the forwards and then to move the ball quickly to the wings from which positions many fine tries have been scored.

The team training sessions have been well attended with, on average, thirty boys attending each Tuesday evening. Twenty five boys have played in the team and with such talent available the future of School Rugby must be very promising indeed.

Finally I must record how much the enthusiasm and desire to play good rugby of all the boys involved have made this such an enjoyable season.

P.D.

Under 13 XV

A v. De La Salle, Salford	Won	14 - 6
H v. Wakefield Cathedral H.S.	Won	31 - 0
H v. Goole G.S.	Won	32 - 0
A v. Heath School	Won	26 - 0
A v. Ripon G.S.	Won	77 - 0
H v. St. Wilfrid's H.S.	Won	48 - 0
A v. Rothwell G.S.	Won	50 - 0
H v. Ermysted's G.S., Skipton	Won	45 - 3
H v. Archbishop Holgate's G.S.	Won	17 - 3
A v. Normanton G.S.	Lost	3 - 6
A v. Stonyhurst College	Lost	0 - 3
A v. Kirkham G.S.	Won	17 - 3
A v. King Edward VII, Lytham	Won	27 - 8

H v. Castleford H.S.	Won	20 - 0
H v. St. Olave's School, York	Won	36 - 0
H v. Bradford G.S.	Won	22 - 5
A v. Bridlington School	Won	17 - 5
A v. St. Olave's School, York	Won	24 - 3
A v. Selby G.S.	Won	22 - 0
A v. Roundhay School	Won	33 - 3

THE JUNIOR RUGBY TOUR TO LANCASHIRE

During the October half-term holiday the Under 13 and the Under 14 Rugby teams toured Lancashire using Blackpool as a base. Both teams had been having a good season and good results were expected. On the morning of 28th October the party, consisting of two masters and forty excited boys, set off via Skipton for Stonyhurst College. On the way the teams for the games against Stonyhurst were read out. Packed lunches were eaten during a short stop at Skipton.

Later in the afternoon we arrived at the very impressive Stonyhurst College. Here the teams parted, the Under 13 to play at St. Mary's Hall and the Under 14 at Stonyhurst itself. The Under 14's, over-anxious to win and having been beaten the previous year, missed several easy chances and only just won 5-0. The Under 13 side were narrowly defeated by three points to nil. After refreshments the party continued to Blackpool. On arrival at the Carn-Brae Hotel Mr. Buckroyd announced some room changes, (this was greeted with a groan) because of the presence of a honeymoon couple, (the groan changed to a cheer).

After a good meal at the hotel the boys went to explore the town but unfortunately everything seemed to have closed down. The next morning's training session had to be taken on the prom because the tide was in. In the afternoon both sides played, and beat, Kirkham Grammar School: after the matches we returned to the hotel for the second night.

The next morning the party visited the Derby Baths. We made the short journey to King Edward VII School, Lytham, after lunch where both teams won despite a torrential downpour. Pontefract was now the destination after a most enjoyable tour.

On behalf of the boys I should like to thank Mr. Buckroyd and Mr. Dunn for taking us on the tour, Mr. Leaver for arranging it, and those mothers who kept our kit so clean during the time we were away.

N. Walker, 4R.

FIRST FORM XV

There has been much enthusiasm from the First Form boys for rugby and competition for places has been keen. Two sides have been in action during the term with regular fixtures for the first team and three fixtures for the second team.

The standard of play in the first team has been variable but towards the end of the term the side settled down quite well and played some sound constructive rugby. The potential behind the scrum is promising and the forwards, given more experience and more weight, should develop into a useful pack. The Captain, D. Hobbs, and the Vice Captain, A. Mortimer, have both been reliable and competent members of the side.

It has been very pleasing to see so many parents coming along to watch the games: this is always a great source of encouragement to those who are running a side as I am sure it is to the boys taking part.

A.J.L.

Under 12 XV

A v. Queen Elizabeth G.S. U-11	Won	28 - 0
H v. Archbishop Holgate's G.S.	Lost	3 - 9
H v. Normanton G.S.	Won	20 - 0
A v. Wakefield Cathedral H.S.	Draw	9 - 9
H v. St. Olave's School, York	Lost	3 - 5
H v. Garforth School	Won	24 - 3
A v. Bridlington School	Won	11 - 3
A v. St. Olave's School, York	Lost	5 - 6
A v. Selby G.S.	Won	31 - 0
H v. Roundhay School	Draw	6 - 6

Under 12 B XV

A v. Kettlethorpe H.S.	Lost	3 - 16
H v. Garforth School	Won	6 - 0
A v. St. Olave's School, York	Lost	0 - 40

RUGBY SEVENS RESULTS FIRST KING'S SEVENS HELD ON 29th SEPTEMBER

Group 1			
Hemsworth	20	Doncaster	0
Q.E.G.S.	20	Hemsworth	0
Doncaster	3	Q.E.G.S.	15
Group 2			
Roundhay	18	Heath	10
Hipperholme	0	Roundhay	18
Heath	11	Hipperholme	13
Group 3			
Normanton	10	Leeds	5
K.S.P.	3	Normanton	8
Leeds	5	K.S.P.	20
Group 4			
Rothwell	18	Castleford	3
Goole	0	Rothwell	15
Castleford	5	Goole	10
First Semi-final			
Rothwell	18	Q.E.G.S.	3
Second Semi-final			
Normanton	8	Roundhay	5
Final			
Rothwell	19	Normanton	3

MANCHESTER G.S. SEVENS HELD ON 7th OCTOBER

First Round			
K.S.P.	11	Blackpool G.S.	5
Second Round			
K.S.P.	11	Roundhay School	0
Third Round			
K.S.P.	25	St. Bede's School	3
Semi Final			
K.S.P.	0	Queen Elizabeth, Wakefield	20

TABLE OF RESULTS

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Points for	Points against
1st XV	20	16	0	4	516	168
2nd XV	14	13	0	1	418	95
3rd XV	11	7	1	3	182	122
U 15 XV	14	4	0	10	147	334
U 14 XV	18	13	2	3	425	127
U 13 XV	20	18	0	2	581	48
U 12 XV A	10	5	1	4	140	41
U 12 XV B	3	1	0	2	9	56

OLD POMFRETIAN'S' ASSOCIATION

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THE FUTURE OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Committee thank all who completed and returned the questionnaire circulated in August, and in the light of the replies much thought and consideration has been given to the future value of the Association — both from the point of view of both its members and the School. A sub-committee was appointed to consider the replies and to submit suggestions. In due course the following recommendations were submitted to and accepted by the Annual General Meeting held in the School Library on the 14th October, 1970:

- (1) The Object of the Association was re-defined as 'to promote a continuance of interest in the School by Old Boys, to be of service to the School, and to provide opportunities for Old Boys to meet together from time to time'.
- (2) That the basis of membership be changed from an annual subscription to a single subscription payable at the time of leaving School.

New Members. Boys leaving School will be invited to join the Association and will be supplied with an O.P.A. tie — the actual subscription being the cost of the tie plus a small additional amount to cover administrative expenses.

Present Members. The 10/- annual subscription to be continued until the end of the current year 1970/71. Members to continue to receive copies of the Magazine. **After the 1st October, 1971, no further subscription will be payable** and members wishing to have copies of the Magazine will order them direct from the School. Full details and an Order Form to be included in the July issue of the Magazine.

(In view of the changes being made it is hoped that any outstanding subscriptions for the current year will be forwarded to the Hon. Treasurer without delay — in order to cover the cost of the Magazines sent to members).

Further recommendations which are still matters for discussion are:

- (a) that all functions be 'self-supporting' — and dates to be announced in the Magazine and the local press.
- (b) that initially attention be given to the Annual Cricket Match and the Dinner.
- (c) the possibility of a brief Annual Meeting for the election of officers be held on the evening of the Annual Cricket Match be considered.

It is envisaged that in the future members of the Committee — relieved of the concern experienced in the past in relation to the size of membership and payment of subscriptions — will derive more satisfaction in devoting themselves to furthering the broad

aims of the Association. It may be that a change of character is desirable and some project of value to the School may stimulate increased enthusiasm for what the Association has to offer. It has been agreed that the Association should continue and the Committee look forward to a rapidly increasing interest in its affairs and a widening recognition of the privilege of membership.

Life Members. Life members will continue to receive copies of the Magazine.

Standing Orders. Members whose subscription is paid by Bankers Order are reminded that the Order requires cancellation after the current year's subscription has been paid.

Further details arising from the decisions approved are to be discussed at the Committee Meeting arranged for 27th January, 1971.

The Secretary will be pleased to receive news or comment from members — and material for the July issue of the Magazine is required by early June.

O.P.A. TIES AND BLAZER BADGES

While present stocks last Ties are available at 72½p. They are available from the School, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and Messrs. Baxters.

The Annual Old Boys' Rugby Match was played on Saturday, December 19th, when a strong Old Boys' side won the game by 14 points to 6. After the game informal refreshments were served in the School, when the Chairman of the Association presented the plaque to C. W. Conway, last year's School Captain. In the evening a dinner was held for the two sides and guests at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Darrington.

OLD BOYS' HONOURS AND SUCCESSES, 1970

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- P. Rockett**, B.A. Honours, Class II (i), History and Politics, University of Warwick.
- N. Rowley**, B.A. Honours, Class I, Physics, University College, Oxford.
- J. D. Smith**, B.Sc. Honours, Class II (ii), Civil Engineering, University of Manchester.
- G. A. Tagg**, LL.B. Honours, Class II (i), University of Hull.
- M. Tennant**, B.A. Honours, Class II (i), French, University of Warwick.
- R. Thompson**, B.Sc. Honours, Class II (i), Agriculture, University of Reading.
- M. Tucker**, B.Sc. Honours, Class II (i), Electrical Engineering, Huddersfield Polytechnic.
- G. Tyrell**, B.Sc. Honours, Class II (ii), Chemistry, University of Manchester.
- A. Ward**, B.Sc. Honours, Class II, Chemistry, University of Nottingham.
- D. Whatmuff**, B.Sc. Ordinary, Computer Science, Teesside Polytechnic.
- F. A. Woodhead**, B.Sc. Honours, Class II (i), Geology, University of Liverpool.
- Alan Cranswick** (1959-66) is working in Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital, with the United Nations' Association. As a research assistant in econometrics, he will collect and analyse statistics which the U.N.A. will use to help in improving the Ethiopian economy. After two years Alan hopes to join the United Nations Organisation in Geneva as a statistician or work in India.
- Dr. Peter Foster** (1955-63) has taken up a Lectureship at the University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji.
- John H. Hargrave** (1956-63) has been appointed lecturer in French at Sunderland Polytechnic.
- Dr. Charles E. Miller** (1950-55) who has been Senior Lecturer in Electrical Engineering at Trent Polytechnic, left this post in December to take up a civilian appointment with the Royal Naval Engineering Service. He will be concerned with the design of electrical equipment for warships and will initially be based at Portsmouth.
- Flight Lieutenant Roland Taylor** (1951-58) is a navigator with No. 14 Squadron, one of the two Phantom fighter-bomber squadrons at R.A.F. Bruggen on the German-Dutch border. Roland joined the R.A.F. in 1958.
- Peter Thackray** (1962-67) took the top prize as the best recruit at a Royal Signals passing-out parade at Catterick.
- Colin C. Williamson** (19 -) is one of the planners behind a scheme which would bring the 1982 Commonwealth Games to Leeds. For his work on the Games scheme, Colin, a chartered surveyor, has received a Diploma in Town and Country Planning at the Leeds School of Town Planning.
- Martin Eccles** (1953-60) is now Director of Computer Services for the Canadian Government in Ottawa.

MARRIAGES

- Roger G. Canning** (1956-63) to Miss Margaret E. Lamb of Heaton, Bradford.
- David P. Carr** (1961-66) to Miss Anne Cook of Hemsworth.
- Ronald A. Firth** (1955-62) to Miss Jennifer A. Huddleston of Pontefract.
- John D. Lowe** (1958-65) to Miss Giselle C. Celaine of Pontefract.
- James Oldfield** (1958-64) to Miss Brenda Shay of Whitley Bridge.
- John R. Southall** (1958-65) to Miss Christine Nicholls of Pontefract.
- Peter Foster** (1955-63) to Miss Gillian M. Thomas of Wrexham.