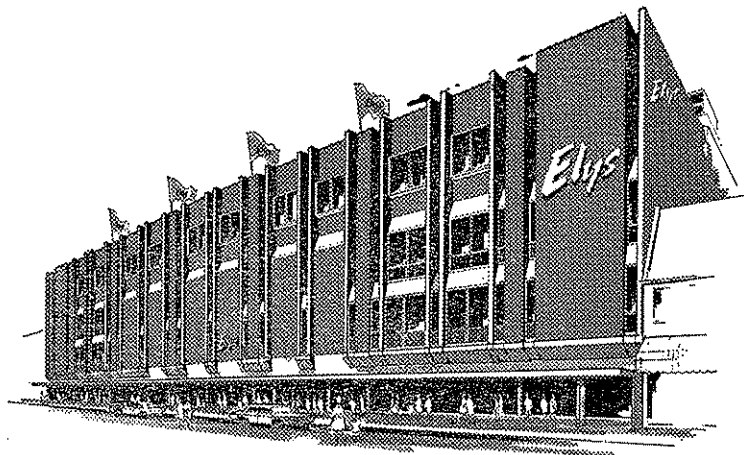


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## SCHOOL NOTES

Miss Woodhouse came to the post of School Secretary in 1946, just after the appointment of Mr. Porter. In the 20 years or so that she served the School, Miss Woodhouse established herself as a very important member of the School community. She was enormously industrious, and the School has reason to be grateful for the way in which the office has been run for so long; not only could many matters be left firmly in her control, but as custodian of the General School Fund during this time, Miss Woodhouse has made significant contributions to the good running of the School activities which the Fund helps in so many ways. The School is indebted also to her careful filing systems and meticulous organisation of so many administrative details which nowadays constantly beset office work in schools. In addition to her office duties Miss Woodhouse gave us much more of her time to the School. It was always a pleasure to see her taking so much interest in School fêtes, in the arrangement of flowers for many of the School functions, and in her support of so many of our activities.

We were all very sorry to hear in August that she had met with an accident in which she broke her arm and, although she has now recovered from that accident, it was for her a particularly unhappy fact that she was unable to complete the final week's service that was her due in September.

As a result of gifts from Old Boys, Staff and pupils of the School, some £60 was collected, and Miss Woodhouse decided that she would like to receive the gift of a television set. As she is still living in the district, it has already been a great pleasure to welcome her to various events at the School, and we wish her a very long and happy retirement and hope to see her in the future at many School functions.

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At the end of the Christmas Term we say goodbye to Mr. D. E. Johnston, who has been with us some years. When Dr. Morgan left, Mr. Johnston took over the Classics Department; there was only one point for which we knew that he might feel tempted to leave us and this was an opportunity to work in the field of Archaeology—his first love. This arrived, and, accordingly, in January he takes up the post of extramural Tutor in Archaeology at the University of Southampton. We would thank him for many ways in which he has helped the School: in running the Classical Society, organising the most successful Greek Cruise, helping run the G.S.F. and, not least, for his contribution to the School Orchestra, where his violin playing will be sorely missed.

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We were pleased to welcome to the Staff in September, Mr. B. Cosens, who has come to take the place of Mr. Smith in the Craft Room, and we wish him a long and happy career with us. We are already grateful to him for the help he has given with the School Play and Games.

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We are also pleased to welcome to the part-time Staff, Mrs. Llewellyn, who, having taught recently at a girls' school, will, we hope, find the change to a boys' school not too boisterous; Mr. Bond who helps in the teaching of Religious Education and Mathematics, and Mr. D. P. McCrory who is taking groups for German. We have had pleasure, too, in welcoming Mrs. Ingram, who joins Mrs. Hadley in the School office; she has gladly agreed to take over most of the accounts run by the School and we hope she will have a happy stay with us.

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On November 14th the School was very glad to welcome back Mr. Basil Wright to judge the first of the new series of John Robbins Film Making Competitions. That a man of his experience and insight in film making was able to come and help our film makers and give the audience such an entertaining and constructive session was a great honour. Mr. Basil Wright, for his part, was much impressed with the films that he saw and has offered to come next year and judge the Competition again. We shall be delighted to invite him.

It is sad to hear that the Old Boys' Memorial Ground by the Hook Underpass on the A.3 is likely to be required for the new Esher by-pass. There is, however, hope of adequate compensation, which may be enough to purchase a ground either somewhere near there, or, perhaps, somewhat nearer to the School. At all events, the Old Boys' Association have much improved the facilities at their ground in their Club House; the fixture against the School and the entertainment in the evening provided by the Old Boys to the Rugby XV's was much appreciated by all.

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The School Council has now met twice. It was necessary owing to the large number of applications for membership to have elections held, and these were all swiftly completed, nominations on one day and elections the next. I am glad to say that the number of the School who voted was something in the region of 96% to 97% and now the School Council has the task of dealing with matters put to it. Its first agenda was heavy enough to keep them busy for many more meetings yet.

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The House Activities Committee has now met several times and discussed various aspects of House Competition and it has been reluctantly decided that for the present moment the size of the School precludes any increase in the number of competitions without impairing the quality of competition. It was noted that it was an indication of keenness in the House System that competitions might be extended in the future to include such events as Bridge and Volleyball. Discussions were also held on the desirability or otherwise of restricting the number of times any pupil could take part in House activities and also whether there would be any merit in changing the timetable of these activities.

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Under Mr. Riley's guidance, it has been possible to start a small voluntary group in social service on Wednesday afternoons. One group helped with Merton and Morden Guild of Social Service who were carrying out a survey of old people in their area and trying to establish what problems existed; another group helped to paint rooms in the Cheshire Home on The Downs in Downs Road; and lastly a small group were trying to make a garden near the Biology Laboratory for Mr. Gleed. They have not yet solved the problem of the concrete air-raid shelters, but help has been promised from the Parks and Cemeteries Department.

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The School was fortunate in getting a grant of £50 from the Authority in order to build its own computer; so great has been the enthusiasm of the Mathematicians and Scientists that over twenty people have offered to help and the Secretary has been busy trying to find where the best bargains are to be found to purchase the necessary equipment. It looks as though the computer should be in action by the summer.

The Parents' Association is to be congratulated on holding, on November 4th, a most successful Autumn Fair, by which £195 was raised. The evening was brought to an end by an impressive fireworks display which even the damp weather could not prevent from being most enjoyable. The sum of money raised should certainly be a very good start to the fund which is being opened to raise money for a School minibus.

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Those who knew the School before the rebuilding will have been somewhat amused to find the School Play this year being performed from the other end of the hall. Nevertheless, the open-stage production of "Luther" was notable for the large number of boys taking part: 64 in the cast and another 33 taking part in the carpentry and building of sets. In fact, when the School Printing Guild is included as printers of the programme, over a quarter of the School were involved in the play production this year. When to this is added another quarter taking part in the Concert Choir and Orchestra, in many cases not the same pupils, it will be seen what a high percentage of pupils of the School have participated in the end-of-term activities.

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The 19th Wimbledon Scout Troop is no more. Owing to the difficulties in recruitment which the School Troop has had over the last few years, as a result of the lower age for entry into the movement, it was decided to amalgamate with the 12th Wimbledon at St. Matthew's Church in Raynes Park. Since the amalgamation is also likely to include the 23rd Wimbledon Scout Troop, it was decided to renumber the amalgamated group and call it the 5th Wimbledon Troop. A parent of the School, Mr. S. Simmons, is the Scout Leader and we are grateful to him for the work which he has already put in to make a success of this troop.

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The School has also become the sponsoring association for the Raynes Park Venture Unit and in this capacity the Raynes Park Unit called The Spur has now been amalgamated with another group from the Methodist Church, formerly known as the 4th Wimbledon Senior Scout Troop. All this means that Scouting will still be very much on the premises of the School and that the existing facilities, which are excellent, should be more fully used. It will be pleasant to see more boys of the School entering either of these units.

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M. Bedford (6 Science) is to be congratulated on being elected Chairman of the C.E.W.C. Student Committee, which was formed this year from schools in the Borough anxious to promote activities, both social and educational, concerned with United Nations.

The following are to be congratulated on representing Surrey Schools in Rugby this term: P. M. Thomson, in the Senior team; R. Lloyd, S. K. Young, P. B. Feist, in the Colts' XV.

The following have been selected to represent the London Schools' Hockey XI, and also deserve our congratulations: G. A. Hopper, A. R. W. Marsh, I. D. Brewer.

## MISS DOROTHY WOODHOUSE

To me one of the most extraordinary gifts that Dorothy Woodhouse brought to her job in the School office was her great memory and knowledge of every aspect of the School life. She knew so many boys and their parents, not just by name, but as friends; and the way in which people came to her for help and advice is the best tribute that can have been paid her.

I must be the one most guilty of using the easy way out, "If you go along to the office, Miss Woodhouse will see to it for you." Yet it was invariably true. She had the organisation and facts about Raynes Park immediately to hand, and with a capacity for managing a dozen things at a time, she was able to carry out a most important job single-handed for so long.

Very often a parent's contact with the School was through the School office and Dorothy. What better public relations officer could we have had! She always lent a sympathetic ear to problems and, even more important, had the skill and ability to help out.

The School owes her an immense debt of gratitude, and I am proud to bear some small witness to it.

T.H.

For twenty years Dorothy Woodhouse held the office at the School: it was, in a manner of speaking, the strategic hub of the place. But the military overtones of this statement suggest a totally wrong picture of Dorothy, who was so quietly unobtrusive that one might not have known she was there at all; yet there she always was, indefatigable in the face of multitudinous demands, "Dorothy this, Dorothy that; Dorothy here, Dorothy there." There were the usual daily batches of letters to parents and authorities, the endless typing and duplicating of circulars, the accounts with the County and later with the Borough, the General School Fund accounts, the contacts with the kitchens over boys' and staff dinners, the everlasting telephone, the daily dealing with the sick and wounded, the provision of dainty teas for Staff at the Summer Garden Party and other high days, the care of the flowers in the hall and corridors, and until lately of some of the garden flowers as well. Besides all this, scarcely a day passed without some enquiry to which she alone knew the answer, or knew where the answer could be found. The list is far from complete. Small wonder if, on the odd occasion, from beneath the clutter of demands



which virtually submerged her, came a sound which could have been taken for protest, but she emerged the next day bright and smiling as ever, and eagerly asking for more!

Such was our quiet, unspectacular Dorothy who kept the wheels running smoothly for twenty years, including the sad period of Mr. Porter's illness. Without her knowledge and readiness to the point of exhaustion how could first Mr. Horler and then Mr. Giles have carried on the School so smoothly after Mr. Porter's death. Now that she has retired, her work is divided among three people! They are full of wonder that she could ever have done it alone.

Retired? Can she believe that after twenty years the place can manage without her? And can it? She still pops in to lend a helping hand, while her spirit of cheerful service is a permanent legacy to us all. Thank you, Dorothy.

H.A.P.

## SCHOOL OCCASIONS

### THE PRIZEGIVING, TUESDAY, 17th OCTOBER

The Editor of The Times, Mr. William Rees-Mogg, spoke at Raynes Park Boys' School's prizegiving in the Town Hall, Wimbledon, on Tuesday, 17th October.

He devoted his speech to the part in which history would play in the lives of the present "younger generation." He said that the history of the past half century or so would at least repeat itself in its great advances in technology.

There would be as many advances in the coming years. "You must expect great revolutions," he told the boys. Technology had already achieved the ability to make people live longer and to change people's minds.

Mr. Rees-Mogg spoke of "the excitement of the historical times in which we are all going to live."

His wife, Mrs. Gillian Rees-Mogg, distributed the prizes.

#### Bright New World

"A bright new world with the label 'comprehensive' attached to it," was the way the Headmaster Mr. G. D. N. Giles described the future of the School in his annual report. The boys would have a school double the size with additional buildings, workshops and technical facilities and a different clientele. The tragedy of the selective system had been the quite unreal contrast encouraged to exist between the secondary grammar and modern schools. "It is a truism to state that the problems facing Raynes Park High School will only really hit us when our status changes in 1969, but I am sure this school is not so attached to its past that it cannot change and meet the challenge of the future with vigour, flexibility and humanity."

Mr. Giles went on to say that this year's "A" level passes had been more than satisfactory, and there had been an improvement in the general level of grades. This had resulted in a notable increase in the number of boys entering universities, which this year totalled 27.

Mr. S. W. Billingham, J.P., Chairman of the Governing Body, presided, and votes of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Rees-Mogg were proposed and seconded.

We are grateful to the Editor of The Wimbledon News for permission to publish this report.

## PRIZE LIST FOR ACADEMIC YEAR ENDED JULY, 1967

### Form Prizes

1.Y	S. Brown, C. B. Hosier.
1.Z	M. E. Pickstone, R. E. Heath.
2.C	J. G. Goldsmith, P. Szanto.
2.H	J. W. Bates, S. C. Lovell.
3.A	M. Loxton, S. J. Roberts.
3.K	R. Barford, A. J. Brown, D. K. Pinnock.
4.F	A. E. Marsh, L. D. Leyland.
4.I	M. J. Boxall, P. C. Horton.

### Lower Sixth—

Arts	G. C. Bond, P. J. Dufty.
Mathematics	S. L. Buckingham, K. C. Reeve.
Science	G. B. Brookes, P. R. Isaacson.
Economics	G. C. Fry, R. W. Seeley.

### For performance in "O" Level G.C.E. Examination

4th Forms	S. T. Kelley, A. H. Ansari, G. H. Roberts, P. J. Smith.
5.D	D. M. Roberts, C. R. Pearmine, J. L. Richards, R. S. Shaw, R. J. Dudman, M. A. Pashby, K. M. Rissen, C. D. Harper.
5.G	D. C. Woodcock, A. R. G. Jackson, M. I. Leyden, R. W. Jones.
5.J	M. J. Nakar, B. S. Ring, J. J. Humphreys, P. F. Goldsmith.

### For performance in "A" Level G.C.E. Examination

#### Upper Sixth—

Arts	G. J. Elliott, A. L. Freeman.
Mathematics	I. P. Greenaway, B. G. Pearce, G. A. Hopper, R. E. Pengilly.
Science	M. Underhill, D. H. Nutton.
Economics	S. H. Gebbett, P. M. Thomson.

**General Prizes****"Outside Effort"**

Music	A. F. Whitten, R. D. Huntley, J. J. Humphreys, I. D. Masters, K. S. Harnes, R. E. Pengilley.
Art	J. Street (Senior), B. T. Holmes (Middle), J. Bates (Junior).
Craft	E. Martin, A. J. Cocks, T. C. Smith.
Beaverbrook-Bennett Prize (Geographical)	G. Scotton, D. W. Evans, P. G. W. E. Meller.
Kilburn Prize	P. C. Horton.
Old Boys' Prize (Literary)	A. P. Howard, S. H. Gebbett.
Mrs. M. J. Monroe Prizes for Spoken French	P. J. Smith (Senior), M. F. Lea (Junior).
L. A. G. Strong Prize	R. P. Myers.
John Robbins Prize ("Essay") (Cinema)	Award delayed.
Alderman Cobbett Prize (Debating)	C. R. Shoebridge, L. C. Williams.
Leaving Prize to Head of School	A. P. Howard.
Norman Prize (Best scientific work)	I. P. Greenaway.
Whitman Prize (Medical studies)	No award.

**Advanced Level Certificates:**

VI Arts	A. F. Barnett (Merit in Geography), T. J. Cook, G. J. Elliott, A. L. Freeman (Merit in Geography), D. R. Green, R. J. Hawley, A. P. Howard, A. T. King, P. I. King, M. J. Meller (Merit in Geography), D. V. Miles, W. Munro (Merit in Geography), D. J. Napier, A. B. Payne, P. R. Phillips, M. J. Ridler, C. R. Shoebridge (Merit in English), P. Standish, G. A. Thompson, L. J. Vincent, G. A. Wright.
VI Mathematics	J. R. Buckler (Merit in Mathematics), P. H. J. Chapman, C. R. Chester, P. Fischer, D. G. Flude, I. P. Greenaway (Merit in Physics), D. J. Haines, P. Henry, G. A. Hopper (Merit in Mathematics), J. G. McCubbin, J. L. Newman, B. G. Pearce, R. E. Pengilley, T. L. Perry, C. C. Pottinger, A. Tickner, A. H. Tuley.
VI Science	J. D. Bishop, V. H. Davies, K. S. Harnes, G. R. Lake, J. M. Lee, P. A. Malam, D. H. Nutton, B. H. Perryman, P. B. S. Rutter, M. J. Stimpson, M. Underhill (Distinction in Chemistry).
VI Economics	R. C. Adams, R. A. Cordey, S. H. Gebbett (Merit in Geography), S. R. Hall, J. H. Hoffman, J. E. Swan, P. M. Thomson (Merit in Economics), P. J. Twite.

## TROPHIES

### From Open Competition

- Merton and District Athletic Championships: Senior Trophy.
- Merton and District Athletic Championships: Intermediate Trophy.
- Surrey Grammar School Athletic Championships (2 Stream) Trophy.
- London Schools' Hockey Festival Senior Trophy.
- London Schools' Festival U.14 Trophy.

### From School Competition

Eric Parker Cup	C. R. Shoebridge
Robert Hall Colt Cross Country Cup	D. W. Evans
Michael Welby Debating Cup	Gibbs
Weightman Chess Cup	Halliwell
Parents' Rugby Cup	Newsoms/Halliwell
Governors' Cricket Cup	Newsoms
Spur Society's Hockey Cup	Cobbs
Cray Swimming Cup	Newsoms
S. H. Marshall Cross Country Cup	Gibbs
John Garrett Athletics Cup	Newsoms
T. W. Powys Cobb Tennis Cup	Newsoms
B. C. Michez Cup for Gymnastics	Cobbs
P. W. Garrett House Play Cup	Cobbs
John Timpson Music Cup	Gibbs
A. R. Pannell Basketball Cup	Cobbs/Newsoms
Junior Shield (Half-year Cricket)	Miltons
B. T. King Cock House Cup	Newsoms

## THE PLAY

### LUTHER, by John Osborne

School plays traditionally conjure up a picture of numerous boys in costume reciting their lines in a nervously pedestrian manner, without any understanding of their meaning, and highly embarrassed by the whole situation. This year's production must have expelled completely any such ideas from the minds of all who saw it. The ambitious choice was treated in the ambitious way it deserved, and the result was a supremely polished performance, in which the actors showed an understanding of their parts, and balanced one another very well.

The technical side, too, maintained a very high standard throughout. This was the first time the School has made use of an open-stage arrangement, and this is just what the play needs. An actor is at his best vantage point when actually amongst the audience in the scenes which are monologues or duologues—this adds to the audience participation called for. The set was kept simple, but was very effective for scenes indoors or outside, and the scene changes were smoothly undertaken in full view of

the audience by people in costume. But the ultimately ecclesiastical temper of the play was maintained by the huge symbolic figure of Christ hanging from the back wall—the symbolism presumably epitomizing Luther's ideas of a modern break with convention.

The play belongs to Luther himself, and he was splendidly portrayed throughout by Paul Roberts. The religious fervour of this can become rather tiresome to most secular audiences, because it can be so stereotyped and rigid, but here was a portrayal of a man mentally confused with the vigour and determination of a man who knows what he must do, and how to do it. But there was never inconsistency in this character; certain traits always showed through; the slight shyness, the homeliness, his impatience with the charlatans. He dominated the stage, without overpowering it. The real acting ability shown was echoed by the heightened standard of the supporting cast when acting with Luther.

The general standard of the supporting acting was high, though, inevitably, some were better than others. Hans (John Street), Luther's father, rose very well to the argument with his son, and the two parts counterbalanced successfully. Whilst it was clear that he understood the part he was playing, I felt he occasionally lacked the self-confidence to go quite the full extent to bring this out; he sometimes seemed reluctant to give himself completely to the part. Robert Seeley as Lucas, Hans' friend, gave some fine character acting, which he obviously enjoyed immensely; however, there was an occasional tendency for this part to become too much the centre of the scene, but this never became too serious a fault. Johann Tetzel (Andrew Sanders) thoroughly deserved the participation he won from the audience, his portrayal of this character's comic malevolence and arrogance was very polished and amusing. Johann von Staupitz (Jeremy Humphreys) was also very effective, lending a great deal of calm to the action when he appeared, and, again, perfectly counterbalancing Luther himself. What added so much to his performance was his relaxed and unassuming manner, contrasted with his natural wisdom shown in his lines. The most effective of his two scenes was the first in the monastery garden; it is difficult to act the part of an old man without appearing senile, and I was inclined to have a few doubts about the state of Staupitz's mind. Cardinal Cajetan (Alan Marsh) was consistently portrayed, but I felt here that the point of both character and scene had been missed. Luther's victory in the argument should have been over a strong man rather than a weak one, and this would have been achieved if the cardinal had been suave rather than pompous. The words show that Luther wins the battle; the acting should have made it more striking. More generally on this scene, the rate of speech was far too quick and it was difficult to follow. As a result, the references to the following scene with the Pope were missed, and the effect was reduced. Lastly, the Knight-cum-Chorus was very competently played by Roger Adams. In his capacity as Chorus, he was perhaps a little rigid, but the scene after the Swabian massacre,

containing the long speech and the dialogue with Luther, was very movingly performed. It is significant that the part should be referred to as "A Knight," because it is important that he should be just an ordinary person, not especially intelligent, but excited by events, like everyone else. His pity for the dead peasants was heartfelt and very convincing.

Sound effects and lighting in amateur (if the word is appropriate) productions have a very amusing habit of going wrong. Here, both were used well; the lighting was always effective and the music well chosen. The costumes, as last year, were made by parents specially for the production, and the result was very lush. On this side of the production one fault was the erratic standard of the make-up. It is always difficult to find enough people who can use make-up competently, and chances are that some will be skimped, but there is no excuse for giving both the Pope and Hans emerald green eye shadow and ruby coloured lips; this would have been far more fetching in Katherine, who seemed to have no make-up at all! It might be as well in future to train four or five people in the art of make-up specially for the play.

In the end the success of the play was due to the producers, Mr. Holmes and Mr. Poulter, and they are to be warmly congratulated on this achievement. I look forward to future productions of a similarly splendid standard.

C. R. Shoebridge.

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C. R. Shoebridge kindly contributed the above review and we thank him for his help.

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The following report appeared in the "Wimbledon News" and we are further grateful to the Editor for his permission to reprint it.

Boys of Raynes Park Grammar School swapped their school uniforms for monks' habits last week and turned the clock back to the 16th century to present John Osborne's "Luther."

Stripping bare the tortured mind of the German reformer was an A-level test for the young players—but they passed. The play was performed on an open stage and the naked set—effectively lit—was very impressive. The success of the powerful piece stood or fell on the performance of Paul Roberts in the title role. And although the 17-year-old National Youth Theatre member tended to over-dramatise at times, he shouldered the burden well. John Street convinced as Luther's miner father baffled by his brilliant son's decision to devote himself to religion.

#### **Best Performance**

But the best performance came from Andrew Sanders as Johann Tetzl. His market place sales talk—at which he offered forgiveness for sins committed and planned—provided the lone light moments of a very heavy play.

The only female on show was Caryl Neale—girl friend of one of the pupils who made a fleeting appearance as Luther's ex-nun wife.

The play gave employment to almost 50 "extras" in the form of monks, pages, huntsmen, lords, knights, peasants, soldiers and trumpeters.

It was a depressing vehicle for so many youngsters—but they came through the gloom smiling, although perhaps a little tired, after 2½ hours on the sidelines of the overwhelming and very much Sixth Form play.

A.P.

## THE CAST

A KNIGHT .....	Roger Adams
THE PRIOR AT ERFURT .....	Jefry Richards
MARTIN LUTHER .....	Paul Roberts
HANS, his father .....	John Street
LUCAS, a friend of Hans .....	Robert Seeley
BROTHER WEINAND .....	Paul Isaacson
JOHANN TETZEL .....	Andrew Sanders
JOHANN VON STAUPITZ .....	Jeremy Humphreys
CAJETAN, Cardinal of San Sisto .....	Alan Marsh
KARL VON MILTITZ .....	Jeremy Goddard
POPE LEO X .....	Peter Hanson
JOHANN VON ECK .....	Neville Ware
KATHERINE .....	Caryl Neale

### AUGUSTINIAN MONKS ...

Alan Patrick, Martin Williamson, Stephen Parnham, Anthony Blakeburn, Alan Isaacson, Michael Pashby, Brian Holmes, Angus Hickish, Graham Hammett.

### DOMINICAN MONKS ...

John Pilkington, Richard Antonowicz, Lester Pearce, Clive Spraggs, Peter Metcalfe.

HUNTSMEN .....	Keith Harnes, Brian Moore
PAGES .....	John Ketchell, John Engall, Robin Feline
CHILD .....	John Dow

### EMPEROR, LORDS, KNIGHTS, etc., at Diet of Worms ...

David Pinnock, John Murrell, Stephen Finch, Christopher Kelly, Geoffrey Page, Jeffrey Marsh, Nicholas Moss, Martin Loxton, Peter Salter, Roy Hanlon, Robin Currie, Ian Robertson, Richard Padwick, Andrew Lee, Christopher Harris, David Chamberlain.

PEASANTS ..... Peter Metcalfe, Brian Moore, Andrew Miles, Martin Lea

### SOLDIERS ...

Jonathan Chappell, Nigel Richards, Stephen Ball, Mark Healey, Stewart Buckingham, Stephen Walton, Paul Farazmand, Paul Young.

TRUMPETERS ..... Malcolm Warner, Christopher Higgins, Paul Berry

## CREDITS

Set Design and Properties: Cecil Riley, assisted by Eileen Creane, R. M. Padwick, J. E. Street, S. N. G. Down and P. W. Roberts.

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Lighting: M. A. Bedford, G. Borrett, M. J. Elliott, G. A. Fraser, B. M. Luffingham and K. C. Reeve.

Sound Effects: M. A. Bedford and J. Chappell.

Front of House Arrangements and Publicity: John Carter, K. S. Harmes, I. D. Masters and S. Silver.

Costumes from the School Wardrobe supervised by Joan Monroe, M. A. Bedford and R. A. Cordey.

We are particularly grateful to Mrs. Earl and numerous other parents who have refurbished old, and made many new costumes for this production.

We are grateful to Messrs. Champion for their help with timber.

Tickets, programmes and handbills printed by the Printers' Guild.

Production: William Holmes and Norman Poulter.

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT, 19th December

Flinging wide his arms in a majestic manner amazingly reminiscent of the best of Gerard Hoffnung's sketches, Mr. Aldersea brought the 120 members of choir and orchestra under the control of the baton. In front of a packed audience the concert began in traditional vein with the Sussex Carol and a reading by Mrs. Hailstone of the story of the approaching Nativity. From this point conventionalism was set aside except for certain carols and the emphasis was placed on a healthy mixture of realism and good humour. Mr. Poulter gave a reminder of how Luther regarded the first Christmas and, after P. W. Roberts and N. Ware had spoken of the "Christian Landscape" and historical background of the arrival of the three kings, the Headmaster went on to emphasise the true message of love and gentleness which Christmas brings to all people. But no introductory picture of the festive season could really be complete without a poetic contribution, and Mr. Carter obliged by reading from the now famous lines of John Betjeman. Finally, Mr. Horler told of the way Albert Schweitzer views the search for Jesus, twenty centuries after the famous birth.



It was music, however, which was given most emphasis in the early part of the concert. Reactions to Higgins's performance of the air for violin by Antonio Francesco Tenaglia were warm and enthusiastic, and the choir, so far cheated of hearing the eminent selection of staff singers, was not disappointed by their unadulterated version of the Coventry Carol. There is no truth in the rumour that the staff choir has since been sent to Coventry! As if to outdo the staff contribution the choir then gave the carol "The Three Kings" by Cornelius. The solo was particularly good and the chorus was technically well balanced. The result was the best choral work of the evening. In the true spirit of contrast the next work was Benjamin Britten's "150th Psalm" for choir and orchestra. To be perfectly frank and honest and unreasonable it came as a 'rum' surprise to most. Mr. Aldersea might be likened to a Wells Fargo driver in charge of a runaway stage-coach, but this would be unfair. All credit must be given to orchestra and choir for keeping in balance, for mastering the changes in tempo and for grasping the subtleties of volume control. The result was an enlightening and challenging piece of work.

There can really be no doubt that the festive part of the evening given by the younger boys was the highlight of the concert. It was simple and effective in an attractive and humorous way. The invitation to be merry given by McLachlan was taken up by the Junior Orchestra and their "Eastern Piece" and "Parade" were refreshing to listen to. Every mum's heart must have warmed to the first year's thoughts about Christmas. Most of us feel much the same when the twelve days are over! But in the true spirit of the season the appeal for money for the little 'pot' brought forth the princely sum of £16. Nobody going home that night could really forget the striking figure of Kevin Quarmby. For in true 'Topolian' manner he strutted in front of an audience as much bedazzled as if it were seeing the great performer himself. All credit to him for a superb piece of work. With such talent he will be a rich man some day!

In the Christmas anthology the stories of Mr. Fezziwig and of Eddi's Service given by Mr. Holmes and Mr. Pratt really did reveal the variety of Christmas experience. The real mood of the audience was captured by Mr. Smith. Adorned with professorial beard, he became so involved in his story that the characters in the choir and old people's home seemed to come alive. There is truth in the rumour that Mr. Smith has been signed up for next year's concert. Mr. Wyatt's witty style was eminently suited to his readings from 'Punch' and nobody could really mistake Mr. James's vested interest in the "holy" story from wild and woolly Wales (apologies).

It would have been better if the anthology could have included one more full choral item besides "Good King Wenceslas." Of especial note was the contribution of the Woodwind ensemble who gave two varied pieces, "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen" and "The Saints." Presentation was well balanced. Superb tonal balance was also the notable characteristic

of the Smith Chorale and Ensemble. "Little Donkey" really did merit a repeat performance. Although the Staff Choir's "Christmas Carol" was reportedly written in dubious circumstances in the early hours of the morning and practised in double quick time it came over very well (needless to say). Mademoiselle Ximénès and Fräulein von Zedlitz preceded this with a 15th Century reading, "I sing of a Maiden," giving an international flavour to the evening.

Everyone agreed that the concert had been very enjoyable and successful. And so after Mrs. Monroe had reminded us of the 'Origin of Species' by McGinley, everybody joined in the carol "O come, all ye faithful" and left for home looking forward to Christmas fare, presents, and shaky bank balances.

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We thank Mr. Currie for this report and look forward to his re-appearance later in the School Year.

## SIXTH FORM LECTURES

18th September. Paul Vaughan, Esq.: "Writing for the Press on Medical Subjects." Mr. Vaughan explained very lucidly the difficulties of welding together the two disciplines of medical science and journalism while still communicating with the general public.

25th September. H. J. Blackham, Esq.: "Humanism." This subject aroused much interest, but at the end of the lecture it was evident that the next week's title was very appropriate.

2nd October. Rev. B. Esdaile: "Humanism is not enough." Mr. Esdaile challenged us to prove that his faith was not enough, and we failed miserably.

6th October. Alec Dickson, Esq., Director of Community Service Volunteers, on "C.S.V. Work." What Mr. Dickson had to say pricked the conscience of every one of us, and he left us all feeling slightly uncomfortable.

9th October. Dr. D. G. Dalton: "Nationalism." Dr. Dalton gave us a highly professional lecture on the basic characteristics of nationalism and demonstrated how difficult it is to generalise on the motives behind nationalism.

16th October. Rev. P. Dakosta, an Old Boy. This lively lecture was about Father Dakosta's experiences in his parish in Cape Town. The language was powerful, and the message was clear.

30th October. H. Atkins, Esq., M.P.: "Britain's Defence Problems." The problem of defence is a topical subject, as many people see a drastic cut in defence expenditure as a possible solution to our balance of payments difficulties. The topic was treated in a wider context by Mr.

Atkins, and, predictably, we were informed of the necessity to defend ourselves against the Communists and to preserve our crumbling Commonwealth.

6th November. Richard Rathbone, Esq.: "African Nationalism." Mr. Rathbone explained the peculiarities of African Nationalism and at the same time succeeded in giving that eleven-letter word greater respectability.

13th November: Kenneth Jones, Esq., "Composer and Conductor." Mr. Jones began with a reference to 'pop' music, which was a good start, but he was obviously not a fan. He finished very well with excerpts from film music he has written.

20th November. Prof. Arnold H. Beckett: "From Witch Doctor to Modern Drugs." Prof. Beckett gave us a very informative, illustrated lecture on the processes by which tribal potions are turned into modern drugs. He also gave some expert information on the dangers of using various drugs.

3rd December. D. Aburn, Esq.: "Personnel Management." Mr. Aburn showed us that there are some people who try to make the profit-seeking, back-stabbing, business world more acceptable.

S.R.H.

## THE JOHN ROBBINS PRIZE

Mr. Basil Wright, distinguished film-maker and founder of the prize, honoured the School with a personal visit to judge the entries for 1967. His constructive criticisms were appreciated by all concerned, and we thank him for his continued interest in our affairs.

The eight films entered, five of them first efforts, provided a varied and diverting evening. The renewed interest in the prize amply justified the new-style competition.

Special praise must go to Myers and Padwick for their winning "Holiday" which was notable for the confidence and crispness of its direction. In his summing-up, Mr. Wright described this film as 'magisterial'—high praise indeed from a professional. P. H. J. Chapman's adventure story, "Jivaro," perhaps the most ambitious of all the projects, was highly commended. A tremendous amount of detailed work had obviously gone into this production.

It was good to see that the competition had stimulated experiment. Hanlon's "Look-up" did not achieve its aims but it is to be hoped that there will be more films which are just that little bit "different" in future.

Entries were also received from the Middle and Lower School and this, in itself, was encouraging, although lack of experience was evident. Nevertheless, these boys will have profited by their efforts and can try again.

The notes which follow are based on information supplied by the competitors, together with the Judge's remarks. Prospective entrants for the 1968 competition would do well to study them.

**"The Holiday"** by R. Myers and R. M. Padwick.

Subject: The transition from Youth's materialism to the awareness of 'soul' in the widest sense. (9 minutes: speech and music on tape).

Remarks: Outstanding for its planning and direction. Shots were made with a specific purpose in mind; a personality emerges with what that personality feels.

Weakness: The final sequence was an anti-climax.

**"Jivaro"** by P. H. J. Chapman.

Subject: Explorers and savages in mosquito-ridden jungles. (16 minutes with speech and music on tape).

Remarks: Very good in taking up an idea and following it through accurately and efficiently. The technical standard was high.

Weakness: Despite many admirable qualities, this film failed to take hold of its audience. Excitement was lacking.

**"Tone Poem"** by P. B. Nicholls.

Subject: Pictures of lakes and mountains set off by music from Elgar's 'Cello Concerto. (3 minutes, music on disc).

Remarks: Here was a real idea. The elements were well contrasted and intercut. The unreal quality of the colour, achieved by accident, added to the general effect.

Weakness: The "zoom" effects lacked steadiness, although the use made of them was good.

**"Look-up"** by W. R. Hanlon.

Subject: The beauty and occasional humour which results from freeing the eyes and mind from the horizontal.

Remarks: A good idea. Observation, use of camera angles and sense of movement were good.

Weaknesses: Lack of experience with a hand-held camera led to unsteadiness and over-rapid movement. Many of the shots were inaccurately exposed.

**"The G.P.O. Tower"** by M. A. Warner.

Subject: Documentary. (3 minutes, with commentary and music on tape).

Remarks: This achieved its aims well. Diagrams and stills were used effectively. Strong points of the photography were good vertical shots and economical use of the zoom lens but the telephoto work was spoilt by unfavourable atmospheric conditions, weakening the visual element.

**"Zoo Bus"** by J G. Hoare and P. Keen.

Subject: Two French girls go to the Zoo by way of the Regent's Canal. (5½ minutes, with music on tape).

Remarks: The animated titling and the crisp, varied photography were strong points. The statuesque pictures of animals were especially good.

Weaknesses: Editing, continuity, and the inadequate utilization of the featured players were disappointments.

**"The Austria Trip"** by N. Ware and C. Spraggs (4½ minutes, with music on tape).

Subject: Reminiscences of the School Journey.

Remarks: This began well with a somewhat impressionist treatment but lapsed into "holiday snaps." The well-chosen music helped considerably.

**"A Visit to Chessington Zoo"** by K. M. A. Quarmby.

Subject: 'A selection of animals at Chessington Zoo.'

Remarks: It was good to see an entry from a junior member of the School. The camera used was a simple one having a fixed lens and without the benefit of automatic exposure. Nevertheless, there were interesting shots, especially those which captured the animals in movement.

This year's winners have invested the £10 prize money in more film stock. The winning film has been shown to officials of the British Film Institute. The 1968 competition is already in progress.

B.L.A.

## HOUSE REPORTS

### COBBS

**House Captain:** R. C. Adams.

**House Prefects:** J. D. Needle, I. D. Ness, S. Potten, S. F. Silver, D. C. Wilson.

This has been, on the whole, a poor term for the House, our most successful effort being made in the Colt Rugby where we came joint first with Newsoms, winning three matches and losing only to Miltons. Congratulations to Williamson on his captaincy of a good side.

Senior Rugby was rather disappointing, the team winning only the match against a weakened Gibbs XV. We should have beaten or at least drawn with Halliwells, but we played well to hold a strong Newsoms team to under twenty points. Thanks to Pearce, Vahali and Ness for turning out and playing well.

Senior Basketball was less successful than in previous terms, only one match being won. We had hoped for more victories, but we shall now have to wish the best of luck to Nicoll and the rest of the Colt team for next term. My thanks to K. Rissen for leading the Seniors.

Chess has not yet finished, but it appears that we will finish somewhere near last place.

The Tennis Competition was finished early in the term, and we finished in third place, beating Halliwells and Miltons. Potten and Cocks played well, especially Potten, who has contributed much to the House this term.

Next term should see an improvement in our fortunes, and I think we stand a good chance of winning the House Plays and the Gymnastics. If more effort is made by all the members of the House then the Swimming and Cross Country qualifying points could be more in our favour than in previous years. We all wish the best of luck to the Juniors, who will be playing their Rugby matches soon after the beginning of the Spring Term.

Now to the saddest part of this report. After four years we must now say goodbye to Mr. Johnston, who is leaving this Christmas. We thank him for all the work he has done for Cobbs and wish him luck in his new post.

This term we have welcomed a new member to the House, Mr. B. Cosens, who has already been very active.

Finally, on behalf of the House I would like to thank Mr. Atkins for all the work he has done for Cobbs. For as long as I can remember he has been the backbone of the House, always cheerful and always urging us on.

## **GIBBS**

**House Captain :** P. M. Thomson.

**House Prefects :** G. B. Brookes, T. J. Cook, S. J. Finch, B. Green, S. R. Hall, A. R. W. Marsh, R. W. Seeley, P. M. Thomson.

This term, which has been characterised by a number of unfinished competitions, has been one of mixed fortunes for Gibbs.

The only competition to be completed so far is Tennis. The Cup was taken by Gibbs a little unexpectedly, but deservedly, after both R. E. Smith and S. J. Finch had played some superb Tennis.

Senior and Colt Rugby is a sphere in which we did not excel this term. The Seniors did not win a match, although that against Miltons has been postponed until next term, while the Colts won one. Thanks go to Feist for fostering some spirit in a team not overladen with natural Rugby players.

Senior Basketball finished with Gibbs in fourth position, having one victory under our belts. R. W. Seeley had as good a side as could be reasonably expected, and thanks go to him for his efforts in a competition in which few people seem very keen to participate.

The only other competitive activity this term was Chess. We are in a very sound position at the moment and have a fine chance of winning the Cup next term.

As I have said before, with only one finished competition it is difficult to assess the term. Success and failure have both passed through the corridors of the House and the latter seems to have gained the upper hand. Next term will see some improvement with those competitions in which every member of the House can take part.

Thanks must go to our House Masters, and particularly Mr. Pratt, for helping to create an atmosphere which is the envy of the rest of the School. A more pleasant House it would be difficult to find, and I wish all members a successful and enjoyable future.

## HALLIWELLS

**House Captain :** C. P. Ainger.

**House Prefects :** J. E. Street, M. A. Bedford, S. L. Buckingham.

At the beginning of the term, Mr. Smith made a plea to the House on his own behalf. This being his last year in teaching, he hoped he might be rewarded by the suitable prize of Cock House. This has by no means looked like materialising so far; luck has deserted the House to a considerable extent, and the Colts seem to lack both potential and spirit. The Seniors had a successful Rugby season, beating Cobbs 3-0 and Gibbs 28-0, but losing 0-6 to Newsoms. Both Houses would like to forget the unfortunate incidents against Miltons, ending in a House match being abandoned. The Colt team was rather lacking in talent but must be congratulated on winning one match.

Again in Senior Basketball luck was never entirely on our side; we lost to Cobbs 12-14 after extra time, and to Newsoms 8-9, but beat Gibbs 19-0 and Miltons 13-11.

We still have a weakness in Tennis, although in Bellamy we have one of the best younger players in the School. Alas, we once more finished bottom.

The Chess Cup is not being taken away from us without a considerable fight; and even at this late stage in the Competition we still have a chance to retain it. Thanks go to Rand for maintaining our interest in this Cup.

Junior Rugby and Colt Basketball can play a big part in next term's competitions, and it is hoped that Halliwells will participate in the share-out of the Hockey, Cross Country, Debating, and Drama Cups. The big chance of gaining winning margins by qualifying points is where the House, and not individuals, can show their determination not to let down Mr. Smith.

## MILTONS

**House Captain :** R. A. Cordey.

**House Prefects :** R. Barton, K. Butcher, D. Clutterbuck, P. Malam, K. Reeve, D. Wingate.

This term the House prefects decided that the House report should be a joint effort, so in accordance with this wish the captain of each activity pursued during this term has written a short—though, I hope—informative report. Needless to say, I, as all House captains do, shall have my grumble at the end.

In the Senior Rugby Competition we started the term with great hopes after beating Cobbs, but we were to be bitterly disappointed in our match against Halliwells. The game was stopped a few minutes from the end at a point where we were leading 11-3 and almost certain of victory. Demoralised and weakened by injury and absence, we were faced by a strong Newsom's team, and after a rather uninspiring match we were defeated 0-3. We do not yet know our final position, as our last match—against Gibbs—has still to be played, but we are confident, and hope for a win.

D. Wingate.

The Colt Rugby team has fared moderately this season. An extremely good win against the unbeaten Cobbs was followed by two losses; but then the team easily beat Gibbs. The team has been supported well by Young, Armsby and Sharpe, but the majority just stood around letting a few of the team do all the work. The team finished third, but should have been much higher.

N. Holmes, C. Holden.

Milton's tennis strength has never been what might be called 'All-conquering,' but at least they go into a game in good spirits and a will to win.

Our first doubles pair, Reeve and Williams, were very unlucky in winning only one match out of four, but it must be said that they put up a tremendous fight. The second pair of Clutterbuck and Carpenter were also unlucky, and only managed to pull off one match out of three.

I played in the singles, managing to win two matches out of four. Our final position was fourth, which, although it is low, is an improvement on last year's.

J. Murrell.

The Senior Basketball team at last has emerged from the murky depths to which it descended last year. Both Gibbs and Cobbs were overcome, but losses were recorded against the mighty Newsoms and the lucky Halliwells. If the Colt team release all their potential next term, Miltons can look forward to a first or second position.

A. Williams.



First, I would like to thank the captains for writing reports for us. Much of our downfall has been due to the lack of communication to members of the House (this is either because they do not want to hear or because they happen conveniently to forget). Next term I shall be using the House notice board for most of the announcements—and I hope this will encourage people to find out and think for themselves instead of prefects having to spend their time chasing people round the School.

The date for our House Supper next term has not, as yet, been fixed, but I hope the majority of the House will attend what promises to be a different and most enjoyable evening.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the members of the House who took part in activities during the term, and also encourage members who have not been able to take part as yet, to do so next term.

## NEWSOMS

**Captain :** G. A. Hopper.

**House Prefects :** G. Borrett, N. G. Down, J. G. C. Graham, P. C. Salter.

So far the fortunes of the term are very hard to assess, as four Competitions have been started but, as yet, only one has been finished. The completed Competition left us without the Cup, although we finished in second position. In the other Competitions we are in extremely strong positions and with average luck should take at least two of the first places.

The term started with the Tennis, and we had a very strong team which was ably led by Salter. The challenges from Halliwells, Miltons and Cobbs were dealt with very effectively by the Newsoms squad, but Gibbs gained the final decision with a victory in the third and deciding match. We thus had to be content with second place.

In Rugby this term there was no question of second place. In the Seniors the team, captained by Davies, conquered their opponents in all four matches without a single point being scored against them. All of this team, in particular Salter, Down, Beardsmore and Graham, deserve praise for their excellent effort. The Colt team also had remarkable success, winning three out of their four matches and coming first equal with Cobbs. The stars of this team were undoubtedly Meller, Mayer and Lloyd, and they deserve praise for spurring the team on to such great heights. Combining the Colt and Senior results gives us a commanding four point lead in the whole Competition, and I am sure that the Juniors, in their Competition next term, will make the lead even greater.

The Senior section of the Basketball Competition was completed this term, and the results were all in Newsoms' favour. We cannot, however, pretend that we were never hard put to it to get the vital points as in the matches against Cobbs and Halliwells the verdict could have gone either way a couple of minutes before the end, and it was only through

great perseverance that we recorded victories. The Colt Competition takes place next term, and we are hoping that they will be able to convert this half-time lead into an overall victory.

In Chess very few matches have been completed, and on these no firm order has become apparent, but, if the results are consistent with form, I am sure that we will finish well up, even if we are not in the lead.

Overall, this term has been very successful, and a continuation of the same fortunes in the New Year must indubitably lead to the Cock House Cup for the third year running.

## THE CHRISTIAN UNION

"That which we have seen and heard we proclaim to you."

1 John 1, v. 3.

This is exactly what we as a Christian Union are trying to do—to tell you about the things we have seen and heard of Jesus Christ in our lives. We have found that His Good News is as relevant today as it was over 1,900 years ago; it is not out-of-date.

The Christian Union does this as a group by organizing meetings with this theme in mind. The Seniors' main meeting on this topic was a forum, when Christians stood up, said, and were questioned on "What they believe" and "Why they believe" about many subjects, including Prayer, and the Bible.

The Junior Christian Union's meetings have been very lively, with talks, discussions, and a sound-strip. Subjects have included, "Why believe in God?", "Conversion," and other fundamentals of Christianity.

Several visiting speakers were invited to give talks on various subjects, which included "The Purpose of Life" and "The Day of Judgement"—Mr. Burton, from Christ Church, New Malden—speaking on the latter subject reminded us that everyone will have to face God at that time, and only those who belong to Christ will be accepted as worthy of Heaven and Eternal Life.

One of the main meetings of the term was the showing of a sound-strip entitled "Head in the Sand." This drew the analogy between the Ostrich with his head in the sand and people who do not take the trouble to try to find out what the Bible says and what Christians believe.

Have you got your "Head in the Sand?" You cannot afford not to care. Whether you accept Jesus Christ or not is a matter of Life or Death. So, if you do not bother to find out, you have not given yourself a chance. If you want to know more, ask somebody whom you know to be a Christian, or come along to one of our meetings designed for this purpose.

"Seek and you will find; knock and it will be opened to you."

Matthew 7, v. 7.

B. Green.

## THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY

The Society reached pensionable age this term with its 65th meeting, which, owing to Mr. Wyatt's ill-health, was held at Mr. Tank's house. For this the Society is very grateful.

We welcomed to this meeting, the only one of the Autumn Term, Mrs. Anne Doughty, who spoke on Lucretius (a subject which, certain people suspect, was arranged for the benefit of the Upper Sixth contingent). The talk proved interesting and lively, with several academic interspersions and comments from the President and others, and less academic snorts from a tubby Corgi which seemed passively resentful of the intrusion into its domain and dreams of Lucretian philosophy.

The attendance at the meeting was slightly down, owing at least partially to its sudden change of location. The next meeting, however, when Aristophanes' "Lysistrata" is to be read, should prove a "crowd-puller," especially since it is near the Christmas break.

G. C. Bond.

## THE DEBATING SOCIETY

This has been a fairly active term for the Society, six debates having been held. Next term it is hoped that they will take place weekly. Much interest was aroused and useful knowledge gained at the Debate with the Ursuline Convent—full eight members of the School arriving to assist the proposition of Messrs. Brewer, Jackson, Hanlon and Masters that "Those who can-do; those who can't-teach!"

After an exhaustive coverage of the subject, the House still seemed to remain passive, if not actually antagonistic—and, as innocent products of the educational system, felt constrained to vote against the motion and acknowledge their debt to the people who had given them any wisdom they might possess.

Our honour was only saved, amid massive(?) abstention, and even voting with the opposition, by our own members, by one loyal vote cast by an automaton extracted from the chemistry laboratory for the occasion.

Thus, in defeat we triumphed, knowing full well that someone, somewhere, had broken the cocoon of academic stricture. Ignoring the blind, brain-washed thirty-three who voted 'contra,' our noble, unconvinced, unmoved, stoic robot, raised his arm to grasp from destruction the Debating Society's last flimsy remnants of pride.

We lost!

W. R. Hanlon.

## THE SPUR MODEL RAILWAY CLUB

Much progress has been made this term with the scenic side of the layout, and several electric points have been wired up. Work on the viaduct and branch lines continued, and a small goods yard was installed at Oberon station. During the term most of the locomotives were overhauled and a few minor repairs effected.

Membership this term reached a level unheard of for several years. At first this caused difficulties because there was simply not enough for members to do. However, this problem was solved by dividing the members into six groups, each group being assigned work of a particular nature on the layout. Thus some members are responsible for laying and maintaining the track, others for the scenery, and so on. It is hoped that next term we will be able to arrange a film show, as well as a visit to a local signal box. Any boys interested in joining the Club will be made very welcome at 7.30 p.m. on any Wednesday.

S. L. Buckingham.

## THE SCHOOL COMPUTER

In September, Mr. Brunt proposed that the School should build a digital computer, the design of which had recently been published in a well-known electronics magazine. About twenty boys attended an inaugural meeting and it was decided that we should meet at least once a week to discuss the working of the computer. Consequently, during the following weeks, interesting talks and demonstrations were given by Mr. Brunt, P. R. Isaacson, M. W. Baker, J. J. Leonard and D. M. Roberts on the various functions of the computer. Most of the components have now been ordered and the construction of the computer will commence early next term.

D. M. Roberts.

## No. 565 SQUADRON AIR TRAINING CORPS

In the summer there was a camp at West Raynham, which was attended by two cadets. This was thoroughly enjoyed by both cadets who, amongst other things, had two flights in a Chipmunk, performed night and day exercises, .303" shooting, and had a conducted tour of the station.

Three cadets took Proficiency Examinations this term. Cdt. Cpl. S. Ball took, and passed, part two of the Senior Cadet, and Cdt. D. Pelly and P. Metcalfe took their Leading Cadet Examination, the former passing, but the latter failing Part I.

This term three cadets shot 1" groups with .22" rifles. Cdt. Flt. Sgt. Richardson and Cdt. Ward qualified for the first time and Cdt. Pilkington requalified.

Three cadets were nominated, and accepted, for gliding courses. All three were successful. They were Cdt. Cpls. Ball and Humphreys and Cdt. Bond.

This term has been most successful for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. Cdt. Young is the first cadet on record to gain the Silver Award, and Cdts. Dudman, Harper and Buckingham qualified for the Bronze.

A team consisting of Cdt. Cpl. Ball, Cdts. Bond, Buckingham and Harper, represented the Squadron in the Air Britain International Aircraft Recognition Contest. They unsuccessfully defended their trophy, won at the previous contest, but did not disgrace themselves. The team, with the exception of Cdt. Bond, also represented Surrey Wing in the Eastern Region Aircraft Recognition Contest at Debden and came nearer to the top than at the Air Britain Contest.

Since the new term, the Junior Air Guild membership has increased by fourteen. This is an opportunity to extend an invitation to anyone in the Lower School to join the J.A.G. or A.T.C.

The football team has qualified for the Second Round of the Spitfire Cup, but next term must be awaited to see what result it will bring.

A. Young, S. Ball, J. Pilkington.

## **BRIDGE CLUB**

**Master-in-Charge:** W. P. Holmes, Esq.

**Secretary:** S. F. Silver.

This term has seen a considerable increase in the attendance at the Club. Membership has soared to over 50, making it the largest Club in the School.

Internally, we have played against the Staff—a game they won by 39 points.

Externally we played Wallington, both home and away, winning one and losing one. The Staff also had a match at the time of the home fixture, narrowly losing. Against Heath Clark, at home, we won by 21 points, while the Staff again lost narrowly.

Our thanks go to Mr. Holmes for the work he has put into teaching beginners.

## **SPUR VENTURE SCOUT UNIT**

Change has at last seeped into the School Scout Troop. After years of dwindling numbers (dare I say it!) we have amalgamated with two other Wimbledon groups, forming the Spur Venture Scout Unit.

Now the group has been launched, a full programme of activities has been compiled, and includes shooting, gliding, go-karting, caving, motor-car repairs, dances and various other sporting activities. Table Tennis is now very popular since the purchase of our new tables, and we are looking forward to matches in the Easter Term.

The leaders of the group, Derek Shaw and John Fifefield, have worked very hard this term, and we look forward to a successful year under their leadership.

A. Williams.

## THE CHESS CLUB

**Master-in-Charge:** B. W. Cosens, Esq.

**Captain:** G. B. Brookes.

**Hon. Secretary:** R. M. Peet.

The number of members has certainly decreased this term, despite the efforts of Mr. Cosens, who has tried to promote more enthusiasm. Misuse of the Chess Room has also caused concern, and lunchtime meetings have had to be suspended at certain times.

The House Chess Competition has almost been decided. Although the result will not be known until next term, Gibbs are in a commanding position, with Halliwells their closest rivals.

The Chess team has entered the Briant Poulter League for the first time and have begun fairly successfully. Peet on board two has played at his best and recorded two brilliant victories against Whitgift and Trinity. Rees, having been called upon at short notice, deserves special mention for giving a good account of himself in his first School match.

The fixture against Wimbledon College in the Sunday Times Schools' Tournament should have been won, but a tragic mistake by Ansari caused the match to be drawn and we lost on handicap. Ansari, however, must be congratulated on representing Surrey Juniors against Kent.

The team also played in the Thames Valley Schools Lightning Tournament. Having endured a thoroughly nerve-wracking afternoon, the team achieved a creditable seventh out of thirteen teams.

### RESULTS

v. John Fisher .....	Won 4-2
v. Wimbledon College ...	Lost (on handicap) 3-3
v. Whitgift II .....	Lost 1-5
v. Trinity II .....	Lost (on handicap) 3-3

The team consisted of Brookes, Peet, Rand, Ansari, Marshall, Oatway. Marcousé and Rees also played.

# SPORT

## RUGBY

**Master-in-Charge:** D. F. Alldridge, Esq.

**Captain:** P. M. Thomson.

**Hon. Secretary:** A. Williams.

### RESULTS OF SCHOOL MATCHES

Opponents	1st XV	2nd XV	U.16 XV	Colt XV	U.14 XV	U.13 XV
Wimbledon County	15-6	27-3		8-15	6-0	12-25
Salesian College			5-0			
Shene	6-11	5-25		39-3	0-25	8-11
Gunnersbury	8-6	14-0	42-3			
Beckenham	3-11		6-8	3-0	0-24	3-17
St. Joseph's	18-21			5-17	8-10	0-42
Mitcham	3-13		5-0			
Surbiton	0-3	3-11	17-5	17-5	0-41	3-18
Wallington	0-28	3-8		14-0	3-28	14-5
Harrow	6-14	0-42	3-11	20-5	3-3	3-6
Thames Valley	5-11					
John Fisher			25-3			
Reigate	0-16	3-19	3-25	3-6	0-66	0-27
Wimbledon County	8-3	6-6				
Hinchley Wood				*14-0	*11-0	3-3
Guildford	9-3	0-42	3-14			
Chiswick	3-20	0-12	3-16	3-8	8-11	3-3
Tiffins	6-11	0-19	3-16			
Beverley		37-0				
Garth (U.12 XV 9-0)			17-3	16-3	6-3	24-5
Old Boys	3-8	15-6				
William Ellis	0-3	8-3		0-20	0-32	0-15

\*Abandoned.

### RECORD OF TEAMS

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	
					For	Against
1st XV	17	4	-	13	93	188
2nd XV	14	5	1	8	121	196
U.16 XV	12	6	-	6	122	104
Colt XV	12	7	-	5	142	82
U.14 XV	12	3	1	8	45	243
U.13 XV	12	2	2	8	73	177
U.12 XV	1	1	-	-	9	-

## FIRST FIFTEEN

**Captain:** P. M. Thomson.

**Vice-Captain:** G. A. Hopper.

This season has been one of the worst that I can remember. To have played seventeen matches and won only four is not very impressive, but I do feel a short analysis of the results would be useful.

It is a fact that seven of the games in which we were defeated were lost by six points or less, and at the time one felt that several of these matches could easily have gone the other way.

I think it is also important to note that the spirit which was maintained throughout the season was commendable, and was seen at its best in the matches against Surbiton, Guildford and the Old Boys. The game with Harrow, a team which has had its best season for many years, was one that we were unlucky to lose 14-6, but it does reflect the nature of the season's results.

Our problem this term has been a lack of penetration in the centre, owing simply to our not possessing the necessary players. The defence has been good, but our attack has often lacked fire and imagination. The forwards have played consistently well, giving the three-quarters plenty of good ball from both set and loose play.

Of the backs I feel Cocks and Bedford deserve mention for their term's rugby; and of the forwards, Barton, Marsh and Hopper all had an outstanding season.

I would like to thank Mr. Alldridge for the time he has given to the team for training and tactical advice, and also for his encouragement during a rather depressing three months. The team's thanks go to Mr. and Mrs. Warner for their marvellous work at Oberon, and also to the Headmaster and parents who have actively supported us this term.

Full Colours: Adams, Barton, Bedford, Cocks, Marsh, Williams.

Re-awarded to: Hopper, Thomson.

Half Colours: Borrett, Pepperrell.

## SECOND FIFTEEN

**Captain:** G. Borrett.

After an erratic opening to the season, a series of losses followed owing to a lack of effective forward play, but against Bec there was a recovery, the result mainly of sound play by Beardsmore at fly-half and useful backing up by the forwards. Two more defeats followed before a debacle against Harrow and further discomfiture from Guildford, regarded as one of the best second fifteens seen at Oberon for some time. A strengthened team comfortably defeated K.C.S.

Some doubt was expressed whether the Old Boys would raise a side, but with a four-player subsidy from the School, they mustered fifteen and we won a pleasant game. Assisted by a Graham run our fourteen men won the last match—against William Ellis.



The following have played: Butcher, Reeve, Graham, Hall, Murphy, Dudman, Street, Ainger, Bellamy, Pepperrell, Taylor, Harper, Hughes, Coppen, Jones, Cordey, Blackburn, Patrick, Currie, Burgess, Collins, Wingate.

### **UNDER-SIXTEEN FIFTEEN**

**Captain:** J. R. Pepperrell.

Team-work has been the main feature of our play, and when our backs have been given the chance to run they have been very dangerous, producing for instance, a brilliant try against Surbiton. Although the pack is not a particularly big one, it has played very well as a unit, ably led by Blackburn, whom I must thank for taking over the captaincy in my absence.

As an Under-16 side we have beaten all except one similar team, Beckenham; all our other losses have been to Third Fifteens composed often of older boys.

I must thank Mr. Holmes, whose very keen work for the team has done a great amount, on and off the field. His voice on the touch-line made up for at least ten others, and he has been the mainstay on the spectator side of the game, and I think more support would have produced better results.

At some time in the season, members of our side have been chosen to play for the 2nd and 1st XV and I congratulate the following on this honour: Harris, Newport, Blackburn, Bellamy, Williamson and Healey.

The following have played: Hickish, North, Harris, Williamson, Blackburn, Bulmer, Newport, Marshall, Pepperrell, Bellamy, Russell, Healey, Farazmand, Metcalfe, Carpenter, Bisley, Sanders, Chalfont.

### **COLT FIFTEEN**

**Captain:** T. Williamson.

The season started unhappily, when we lost to Wimbledon County. Our three-quarters were greatly weakened by the absence of Meller, and the scrum likewise by Nicoll. It was a disappointing performance, but was put right in our next match.

Despite the high score against St. Joseph's, it was not at all our best display of the season. Bec, perhaps our closest rivals, again gave us a very hard game, this time showing up to be the better team. We had quite comfortable wins against Surbiton and Wallington, although they both gave us some anxious moments. Against Reigate we put up a firm fight, only losing to a late try. Unfortunately the next Saturday fog closed in at half-time, when we were 14-0 ahead. The weather held out the next Saturday, against Harrow, and with the help of some good tackling we beat them well. We were rather embarrassed by our 3-8 defeat by Chiswick, as we were defending for the majority of the match. Our second mid-week match versus Garth was disappointing as we should have beaten them by many more than we did. The final match was our worst display of the

season, the opposition giving us our worst defeat for three years, scoring 20 points to nil. Everyone on our side was disappointed with our display.

The season has been the worst for three years, but the scrum, under the eye of Young, has played well and has been overpowered on few occasions.. The line-outs and tackling have, however, let us down at times.

I should like to thank, on behalf of the team, Mr. Alldridge, whose personal attention to the team has been invaluable. My thanks also go to the many parents and friends who gave up their Saturdays supporting us in both our good and bad moments.

Congratulations go to Young, Feist and Lloyd, who gained places in the Surrey Colt XV.

The following have played: Young, Holden, Brammall, Armsby, Moss, Bee, Loxton, Lloyd, Nicoll, Sharpe, Meller, Mayer, Feist, Antonowicz, Bridgeman, Hammett, Bartlett, Pinnock, Williamson and Currie.

## **UNDER-FOURTEEN FIFTEEN**

**Captain:** N. Holmes.

This season has not been very successful result-wise, but on several occasions the team has played very sound Rugby, being hindered, however, by several injuries, often quite serious, as in West's case when he broke his leg; other minor injuries have often occurred preventing team members from playing. To make matters worse we have had ten away matches. The poor results consequently were by no means entirely due to those who actually played.

We started off the season with a good win, but were then twice convincingly beaten. Results such as the cricket scores raised by Surbiton, Reigate and St. Joseph's are best forgotten, but they were not entirely due to lack of ability, for often when twenty points down, the team's morale fell considerably, letting the opposing teams score. A poor display against Wallington was followed by an excellent performance against Bec, when the team were without five of their resident members but lost only by two points. At last there came a bright spell when a draw against Harrow was followed by an encouraging win against Hinchley Wood. After just losing to Chiswick the team again won with an excellent performance against Garth. The last match of the season was however lost by a large margin to a strong William Ellis team.

Special mention must be made of Miles, Lovett, Newman, Patty, Seeley, Fordham and Szanto, all of whom have played consistently well.

Thanks are due to Mr. James for his persistent but patient training of the team, and to Mr. Anstes for his support at home matches.

The team has been selected from: Anstes, Barrow, Bates, Brock, Cossey, Devine, Elliot, Fordham, Haynes, Holmes, Hays, Lovell, Lovett, Maguire, Marjoram, Miles, Newman, Orr, Patty, Petley, Rees, Russell, Seeley, Szanto and West.

## **UNDER-THIRTEEN FIFTEEN**

**Captain:** C. B. Hosier.

Although the record of matches won is not impressive, this has by no means been a disheartened or dispirited team. Spirit has, in fact, been excellent, and a gradual improvement in form has been evident throughout the term. The team and reserves have trained hard and regularly, and their efforts deserved better results. Hosier has been a thoughtful and intelligent captain, well supported by Kelly.

The forwards, in general, have played well. Early on they were rather slow to the ball, and had trouble in set scrums, but latterly they have shown greater toughness and willingness to fight for the ball in tight situations. Pearson, Kelly and Humphreys have all shown up well at times, and Dodd and Gagen have maintained a fine aggressive spirit throughout.

Among the backs there have been good individual players, but these have not combined well as a unit, and there have been few fluent moves along the line. There have, however, been many incidents of excellent individual play, notably from Hosier, Vipond, Marsh, and latterly Wood, whose arrival added extra power to the team. Gaffney has worked hard at scrum half, and at full back Brown has settled down well. Full credit, too, must be given to the reserves, especially Cooper, Beckett and Willcox, who not only trained hard but supported the team on match days.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Cosens and Mr. Atkin, the two masters in charge, and finally to the parents, Dr. Sharpe, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Saunders and Mr. Anstes, for their constant support and interest.

The following have played for the team this term: Hosier, Kelly, Brown, Cooper, Davies, Davis, Gagen, Heath, Onraet, Smith, Szymanski, Vipond, Beckett, Dodd, Gaffney, Humphreys, Marsh, Pearson, Sell, Sharpe, Willcox, Wood.

## **PREFECTS v. STAFF RUGBY MATCH**

The last Monday of term saw this historic meeting between members of the Staff (aided by several 5th and 6th formers) and fifteen of the more athletic of the Prefectorial Body.

When the Staff team had assembled on the pitch, those few brave souls who had ventured out to watch the "match," were treated to the spectacle of the Prefects' team appearing carrying swords. This was no doubt calculated to put fear into the hearts of their opponents, especially as it was followed by a travesty of the All-Blacks' chant. Unfortunately the desired effect was not achieved: in fact, several members of the Staff team were actually seen to be laughing. After these preliminaries the game began in earnest.

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There was plenty of action, but few results. The six members of Staff showed unaccustomed vigour, and yet it was left to one of the 5th/6th formers to score their only try. The late arrival of the fifteenth member of their team was greeted with the words "Where the 'ell have you been, then?" spoken in an irate Welsh accent. When order had been restored, the two teams played merrily on until half-time, with no further score. After the players had refreshed themselves, and all the pieces of orange peel had been removed from the pitch, th game re-started.

Here, unfortunately, this report becomes rather hazy, since the ball was invisible and the players nothing but dark shapes, owing to the failing light. All that could be deduced was that the Prefects were unable to equalize and, at the final whistle, left the field muddy and tired after what their captain later described as "a . . . . . hard game."

It is to be hoped that both teams will make a speedy recovery from their exertions and be fit to face each other again next year.

T. J. Cook.

## CROSS-COUNTRY

**Master-in-Charge:** M. C. Gleed, Esq.

**Captain and Secretary:** G. B. Brookes.

This has been a term of mixed fortunes, and after last year's successful results, this term's have proved to be only moderate.

The Seniors began better than had been expected, as only three out of the previous 1st VIII remained. Having soundly beaten neighbouring Rutlish by solid teamwork, we encountered Surbiton. That our leading runners lost themselves—plus a valuable minute, having navigated a greasy forest swamp—fortunately only reduced our winning score.

Depleted Kingston and Bec squads were efficiently disposed of, but our winning sequence came to an abrupt halt when matches were held with new opponents.

Both Glyn and Roan were just a shade too good, but the quality of the opposition is shown by the fact that Roan are present South London Grammar Schools Champions.

In between we tackled John Fisher and there seemed to be twice as many barbed-wire fences and pot holes as there were last year. Although providing the individual winners, and with Ness running well, we were soundly beaten.

The least said about the Mitcham result the better: with three leading runners absent, we had to include an Old Boy—Parr—in our team, or the score would have been even more discouraging.

Milton and Brookes usually filled the leading positions, while Ness—yet to find his best form—Ansari and Nicholls supported well. Finch, Tovell and Salisbury continue to be loyal team members.

Milton deserves special mention for breaking the School and Course record so convincingly against Roan, and was unlucky not to win a medal in the Selwyn Trophy.

The Under-Fifteen team appear to lack strength in depth. D. Evans has run sensibly and with a very good style throughout the season. M. Lucas, who broke the Under-Fourteen course record at Surbiton, shared the individual honours. Goddard's dogged determination set an example that others might profitably try to emulate, whilst Arthur backed up consistently well. Randall, too, showed up well towards the end of the term.

The Colts gained third place in the Selwyn Trophy over the windy, very hilly and strength-sapping Epsom Downs. The standard of running was very high, particularly from Lucas who, after two fast performances in the first and second legs, ran brilliantly in the third and could well win the race next year.

The Juniors have a few valuable individuals, notably I. Evans, Simmons, P. Lucas and Wells, who shows great promise. Seldom has the whole team run well on any one occasion, but most have put up promising individual performances. There has generally not been enough support for the team to win, and results have fluctuated. Steady improvement throughout the series of Selwyn Trophy meetings was, however, apparent.

The following ran regularly :—

Over Fifteen : Ansari, Boxall, Brookes, Finch, Milton, Mitchell, Ness, Nicholls, Oatway, Salisbury, Scrase, Spokes, Tovell.

Under Fifteen : Arthur, Brown, Bush, Evans, Goddard, Goldsmith, Lea, Lucas, Petrides, Randall, Shephard, Tupper.

Under Thirteen : Baker, Brown, I. Evans, Feline, Fraser, Grylls, Ives, P. Lucas, Mayles, Phillips, Silburn, Simmons, Sinclair, Sole, Wells.

## Results

Match	Age Group	RESULTS	Individual Successes
v. Rutlish (H)	O.15	Won 29-51	Brookes 2nd
	U.15	Lost 42-39	D. Evans 1st
	U.13	Lost 45-37	I. Evans 1st
Selwyn Trophy I	U.17	8th/10	Milton 11th/78
	U.15	3rd/17	D. Evans/M. Lucas 7th/109
	U.13	19th/22	I. Evans 42nd/147
v. Surbiton (A)	U.16	Won 24-35	Brookes/Milton 1st
	U.16	Won 37-45	D. Evans 1st
	U.14	Won 34-45	M. Lucas 1st
v. Kingston (H)	O.15	Won 12-28	Brookes/Milton 1st
	U.15	Won 33-45	M. Lucas 1st
	U.13	Lost 40-38	I. Evans 1st

v. Bec (H)	O.15	Won 12-25	Brookes/Milton 1st
	U.15	Won 28-52	M. Lucas 1st
	U.13	Won 34-44	I. Evans 1st
v. Glyn (H)	O.15	Lost 41-38	Milton 2nd
v. Battersea (H)	U.15	Won 19-42	D. Evans/M. Lucas 1st
	U.13	Won 19-41	I. Evans 1st
Selwyn Trophy II	U.17	8th/12	Milton 7th/72
	U.15	3rd/14	D. Evans 8th/104
	U.13	16th/22	I. Evans 16th/141
v. John Fisher (A)	O.15	Lost 45-38	Brookes/Milton 1st
	U.15	Lost 51-27	D. Evans 1st
	U.13	Lost 57-25	I. Evans 3rd
v. Roan (H)	O.15	Lost 47-36	Milton 1st
	U.15	Lost 59-27	D. Evans 1st
	U.13	Lost 47-35	I. Evans 2nd
Selwyn Trophy III	U.17	4th/10	Milton 3rd/60
	U.15	5th/18	M. Lucas 4th/100
	U.13	8th/20	I. Evans 7th/140
v. Mitcham (A)	O.15	Lost 59-28	Parr 1st
	U.15	Lost 42-38	D. Evans 1st
	U.13	Lost 58-28	I. Evans 3rd

## BASKETBALL

### UNDER NINETEEN

**Master-in-charge:** D. F. Alldridge, Esq.

**Captain:** G. A. Hopper.

**Secretary:** K. Rissen.

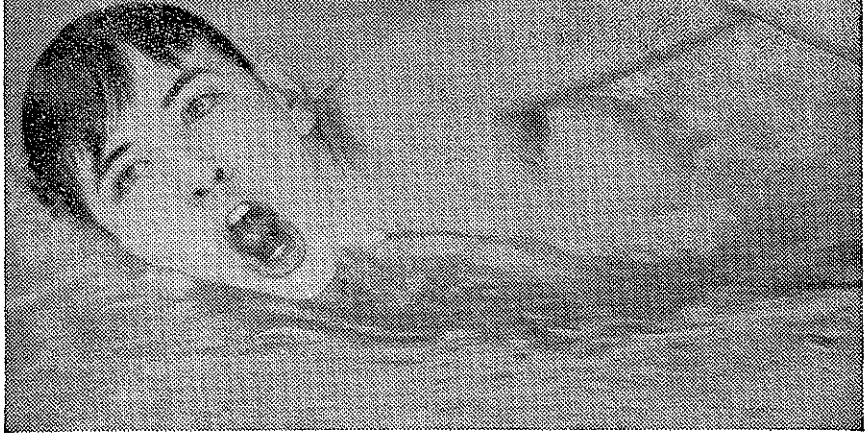
Played 13, Won 8, Lost 5, Points for 697, Points against 466.

During the past session the Senior squad has played some very impressive Basketball and, when the positions were published three matches before the term finished, we were rewarded by finding our names at the top of the list. However, we have lost two of our last three matches, and it is likely that at the moment we are lying about third in the League.

Our first loss of the season was received at the hands of Reigate. The shock that the team suffered when they found that they had to play on a cold outside court partly accounted for the poor play. We are all sure, however, that the gale force cross-wind was the main factor contributing to our defeat.

Glyn and Purley both gained deserved victories over us, and Purley were our only opponents to score over fifty points. Our other two losses were against George Abbott and Warlingham, both by a margin of five points, and both of these matches might well have gone either way five minutes from time.

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Probably our greatest victory of the term was against Sutton. Their record was very impressive, but we took them on in their own gym and finished with a sixteen-point lead. Our other two memorable victories were against Eastfields and Sondes Place, in both of which our team managed to register over a hundred points.

We have thus made a good start to the season, thanks very largely to the enormous effort put into training the teams by Mr. Alldridge. We are all extremely grateful to him. If we continue to play as well next term as we have played, we must have a great chance of finishing in a high position. We are, however, suffering a great loss over Christmas in that Salter has, after four seasons of first team Basketball, finally decided that it is time he left school. We shall greatly miss him as a guard, but I am sure the team is still in with a great chance.

The team consisted of Ainger, Potten, Rissen, Salter, Williams, Hopper. Also played: Kaill, Cocks, Pepperrell.

## COLT BASKETBALL

**Master-in-charge:** D. F. Alldridge, Esq.

**Captain:** A. R. Nicoll.

Played 7, Won 3, Lost 4. Friendly match with Garth: Won.

Competition in the Surrey League Division 1 is high, so the team can be satisfied with their performances, particularly against Warlingham and Carshalton. Nicoll was a skilful and enthusiastic captain and he was supported well by Feist, Hammett, Armsby and Holden, all of whom showed signs of improved attacking skill. Young, Bee and Mayer were excellent defenders, and were the team's strength. Young, particularly, was dangerous in his set shooting.

Thanks are due to Mr. T. Williamson for his scoring, and various Juniors for help in time-keeping.

## RESULTS

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| v. Garth, Won 19-17.         | v. Glyn, Lost 20-43.     |
| v. Redstone, Lost 10-25.     | v. Sutton, Lost 7-13.    |
| v. Carshalton, Won 50-8.     | v. Warlingham, Won 24-6. |
| v. Pollards Hill, Won 19-13. | v. Purley, Lost 19-22.   |

The team was picked from: Armsby, Bee, Holden, Feist, Lloyd, Hammett, Mayer, Moss, Nicoll, Young.

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