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COLLEGE NOTES

King George V College opened in September 1979 with 750 pupils on roll. 350 of them were in the third, fourth and fifth years of King George V School —the last grammar school for boys in Southport. 400 were students in the new college, and of those about a third were the first girls to come to K.G.V., most of them joining at the start of a twoyear 'A' level course, but a few coming as third year students.

The teaching staff of the college numbered thirty-six. Twenty-five of them had previously been on the staff of King George V School; eight came from the former Southport High School for Girls. Because of the large number of boys still in the school there were another seventeen members of the school staff, and there were also four part-time teachers. So one might have expected to see a total of 57 men and women teaching in both the college and the school (very few taught in only one) throughout the year.

In the event the total number of those who taught at K.G.V. during the year was significantly higher as a consequence of a number of serious illnesses. Mr. H. C. Davies, who had been Head of Biology at K.G.V. since 1953 and was to have been the Senior Biology Tutor in the college, retired as the result of illness in the summer of 1979. Mrs. B. M. Edwards, who had been Head of Geography at the Southport High School for Girls since 1952, was unable to take up her post as Tutor in charge of Geology and eventually retired in the summer of 1980. Mr. G. Berry, the Tutor in charge of German and Russian, had to be away in hospital and then convalescing for about half the year, but happily was able to return after Half Term in the Summer Term. Mrs. V. J. Morrell, the Senior Tutor, has been away for most of the year, much of the while in hospital, but is hoping to be fit enough to return at the beginning of the next academic year.

Largely as the result of these absences we have had a number of

extra temporary members of staff at K.G.V. during the year. We were particularly fortunate that Mr. P. B. Ellis was able to take Mrs. Edwards's place throughout the year, and that Miss Scawthon, for many years Head of Modern Languages and then Deputy Headmistress at the High School, was able to take some Sixth Form French.

At the end of the Lent Term Mrs. B. Partington, who has taught Chemistry at K.G.V. since 1971, left to take up a post at the Sacred Heart High School, Crosby, and five other members of staff are leaving at the end of term two of them, Mr. J. Condon and Mrs. R. D. Rowe, after just one year on the staff, and another, Mr. S. Peach, after 2 years. Mrs. P. Davies, who first joined the staff in 1966 and recently has been in charge of Modern Languages in the school, is moving to a post at Greenbank High School. Mr. L. S. Metford, Housemaster of Higham's House, who has taught History at K.G.V. for the last ten years, is moving to be the Careers Master at Deyes High School, Maghull.

Two members of staff are retiring this summer. One, Mrs. Jean Buck, has been the Head Master's Secretary for the last eighteen years and recently Bursar as well. She is only the second person to fill this post since the school was founded in 1920. The other, Mr. G. P. Wakefield, is retiring after spending more than forty years of his life at K.G.V., eight of them as a boy, nearly twenty as Head of the English Department, ten as Deputy Headmaster, and the last year as Vice-Master of the college. We hope to see both of them back during part of next year. Jean Buck will return at least for a while in a part-time capacity, and it is just possible that George Wakefield may be tempted by the construction of the new Hall to try his hand again at producing a play.

At the start of the next academic year in September we expect to have just over two hundred boys in the school in nine forms, each numbering about 23, and in four houses, each with just over fifty boys in it. We also expect to have rather more than five hundred students in the college. So far we have had just over 120 applications from boys at King George V School and nearly as many from girls at Greenbank. High School, an average of twenty applications from each of the other Southport High Schools and a similar number from pupils at independent schools.

We shall also be joined by a few new members of stall. Mr. M. R. Smith, al present the Doputy Headmaster of Ormonde High School will be joining us as Tutor for Admissions and in charge of Admissiration; he will be teach Economics Mr. A. P. Stopyra, who graduated from St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, last year with a degree in Modern Languages, will be joining the college staff to teach Spanish and French, Mr. J. E. Bradshaw an Old Georgian, is coming to take charge of Mathematics in the school and Mrs. J. M. Jamieson is coming to teach French. We shall also have some part-time assistance in English from Mrs. V. R. Chadwick, in History from Mrs. P. Collier, in Mathematics from Mrs. H. K. Haughton, and in Biology from Mrs. R. E. Fairburn.

The new Science laboratories, which we had hoped to have a year ago, should be ready for use by September. The rest of the new buildings, including the Hall and the Sports Hall, the Com-mon Room and the kitchen, and the accommodation for Music and Art, will not be ready until later in the year. This will inevitably cause some problems, all the more because of the increased numbers in the college, but none which appears to be insuperable nor even as great as some of the difficulties which have faced both staff and students during the past year. What is more, the worst of the problems should have gone away by Christmas, the new buildings should be in use at the beginning of 1981, and we should then have the opportunity of helping to make the surrounding area significantly more attractive than it is at the moment.

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KING GEORGE V SCHOOL, 1920-1980

Southport is, as English towns go, a relatively new one and King George V School was, as English grammar schools go (and most of them have gone) a relatively new grammar school. it was one of the fruits of the expansion of secondary education produced by H. A. L. Fisher's Education Act of 1918, which raised the school leaving age to fourteen and provided for the extension of the number of free places in grammar schools. Three years later, in one of those bouts of cutting public expenditure which are characteristic of British political life, the Fisher Education Act was in effect discarded. In August 1921 Sir Eric Geddes was given the job of making recommendations for cutting government expenditure "with an axe." But already the previous year the burgesses of the County Borough of Southport, spurred by the Fisher Act to use belatedly the powers they had been given by the Balfour Education Act of 1902, had founded a Southport Municipal Secondary School for Boys-and the new school escaped the Geddes axe.

It met in September 1920 in a house known as the Woodlands at the North end of Lord Street where the Law Courts now stand. The house and several huts which had been built in the grounds had been used as a military hospital during the first World War. Now they were converted for use as a school. The first Head Master, George Millward, was appointed while still a serving officer with the Royal Engineers during the war, and when the school opened he and his six assistant masters had 110 boys to look after. It was in the intimate atmosphere of the Woodlands that the foundations were laid of a sound academic tradition and of a house system within which boys were encouraged to co-operate with each other for communal success and were never rewarded with individual prizes either for work or for games.

From the start plans were being made for a new and splendid building. The foundations were eventually laid (though not very well laid) and the building, which was to be a model for much other school building in the following two decades, was completed in 1926. It was opened by that most genial of Englishmen, Edward Stanley, seventeenth Earl of Derby, the intimate friend of King George V, six times winner of the St. Leger and twice of the Derby, Secretary of State for War under three prime ministers, and ambassador in Paris immediately after the First World War. Lord Derby was able to confer the name of King George V on the school. It was a unique distinction in England, though four other King George V Schools were eventually to be tound scattered around the world in Hong Kong, Malaya, South Africa and the Windward Islands, and it was a distinction shared with one of the Royal Navy's greatest battleships and one of the Great Western Railway's most splendid engines. When he did so he also left the boys of the school with an exhortation to "Aim High!"

These were the days when the grammar school was widely seen as a means of social mobility, a means by which a working-class boy could start climbing the steps of the educational and social ladder. The Sixth Form was its crown and glory, and from there it was but a short step on to university. King George V School was a model of such a school. When it started it had no Sixth Form, but by the 1930's there were more than 500 boys in the school, more than fifty of them were in the Sixth Form, and about ten went on to university each year. This was also a remarkably stable period when, in the seven years from 1932 to1 939, apart from one man killed in a car accident, no master left the school. By the end of the second World War numbers had risen to over 600, and of those more than a hundred were in the Sixth Form, and nearly twenty went on to University each year.

Up till that time admission had been by a mixture of fee-paying (four guineas a term!) and the winning of free places by a scholarship examination.



THE WOODLANDS

The Butler Education Act of 1944 changed all that. All over England the educational orthodoxy culled from the Norwood Report of 1943 was now that there were three kinds of children: those who loved learning for its own sake, who should go to a grammar school and thence eventually into one of the learned professions or into administration; those who found the subtleties of language beyond them but could understand machinery, and so should go to technical schools and then into "certain crafts - engineering, agriculture and the like"; and thirdly, those who could deal only with "concrete things," who should go to secondary modern school where they would get a "general grounding" and not be provided with any special training for anything. In practice everyone forgot about the second category and local authorities devised systems, collectively known as the 11-plus, to segregate children into those suited to a grammarschool education and those suited to a

secondary-modern education.

In reality the segregation depended on the size of the buildings available in any area and the whim of the local politicians. In one area only 10% of the children would go to a grammar school, in another 60%. In Southport it settled down at 20%. Although the theory was that the 11-plus selection procedure was a way of discerning the style of education most suited to a child's needs, everyone knew that it was really an examination which children either passed or failed - and which most failed. The parents of those who passed were generally well satisfied. The parents of those who failed were often dissatisfied, particularly if they were middle-class parents who under the old dispensation would have paid their four guineas a term to send their son to K.G.V. Thus right from the start the new system generated opposition to itself. By abolishing all fee-paying places in maintained schools, while nevertheless permitting it in independent and a

number of semi-independent 'direct grant' schools, the politicians gave themselves the comforting illusion that they were promoting equality while in practice doing precisely the opposite and driving an increasing number of those parents who could afford it to look to independent schools to provide a suitable education for their children. At the same time the fact that most children failed the 11-plus examination and were thereby excluded from grammar schools meant that there was a built-in likelihood that when the next generation grew up they would demand a change.

Meanwhile, however, the 11-plus was a peculiarly effective device for helping to create a grammar school with high academic standards, and it was at this stage that King George V School got its second Head Master. George Millward had presided over the school through twenty-nine years of development and growth. In 1949, when he retired, his place was taken by Geoffrey Dixon, who came from a post as Head of the Science Department at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst to lead the school through twenty-seven years in which numbers grew steadily in line with the growth in the population of the town, and academic standards also rose steadily to a level of excellence equalled by few grammar schools in the country. The parents and the 11-plus selection procedure provided the pupils. The level of ability of the pupils attracted able and dedicated men to serve on the staff, and King George V School justifiably acquired a remarkably high reputation within the teaching profession.

By the time King George V School celebrated its Golden Jubilee in 1970 there were 800 boys in the school, of whom just over 200 were in the Sixth Form. For some years three or four pupils a year had been winning Open Awards to Oxford and Cambridge colleges, and the annual figures published in the **Times Educational Supplement** showed that the record of King George V School in gaining these

awards over the thirty years from 1940 to 1970 was unequalled by any maintained school in the North West of England and exceeded by very few in any part of the country. Of the 112 boys who had left the school the previous year 51, or just over 45%, had gone on to degree courses. 44 boys had gone to 22 different universities to study 21 different subjects (28 to take science, engineering and medical degrees, and 16 to take arts subjects), and a further 7 were taking degree courses at other institutions of Higner Education such as polytechnics.

But by this time the movement to replace grammar schools and secondary modern schools with comprehensive schools had gained momentum in much of the country. Public opinion had changed a lot in the previous fifty years. In 1920, when K.G.V. was founded, a common attitude would have been that it was wonderful if a bricklayer's son or a bus driver's son got a free place at a grammar school in the scholarship examination. A couple of decades later, by the beginning of the second World War, rather more people were suggesting that it was scandalous that so few bricklayers' sons or bus-drivers' sons got places at grammar schools. To some extent this seemed to be put right by the 1944 Education Act, which had resulted in a vast extension of free grammar school places, and by 1949, when Geoffrey Dixon became Head Master, many people in Southport, as in the rest of England, must have felt that it was wonderful that so many young boys and girls were now getting a free grammar-school education.

But already a further change was coming in people's attitudes, and a decade or so later it was being suggested by many people that it was scandalous that grammar schools should be bastions of privilege for the clever. Equality had become a more fashion-



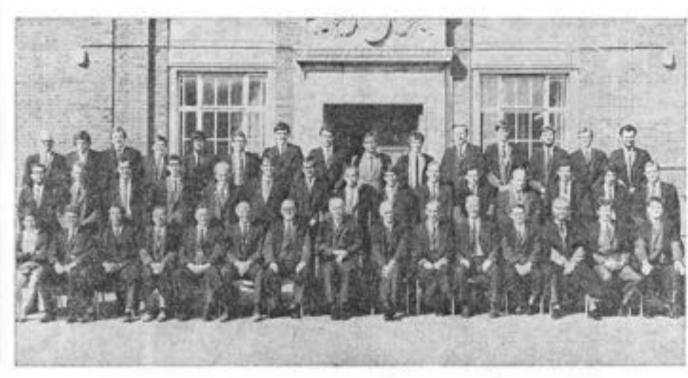
Staff when the school opened in 1920 Front Row: Mr. GREAR, Mr. ROGERS, Mr. MILLWARD, Mr. CHARNLEY Back Row: Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. MASON, Mr. SPENCER

standably seen as a breeding ground of the new meritocrat.

grammar schools got little The support in these years from either of the two main national political parties. The leaders of the Conservative Party in the post-war years had been educated at independent schools: Churchill at Harrow, Eden and Macmillan at Eton. So had most of their cabinet colleagues. both Conservatives resented Many grammar schools and secondary modern schools as institutions to which they would not send their own children but for which they nevertheless had to pay, and they tended to be contemptuous of grammar school boys who went up to university with the serious-minded intention of working hard and doing well in their examinations, knowing that they had to rely on their own ability to get them a job afterwards. The leaders of the Labour Party were no better. Either

they also had been educated at independent schools (Attlee at Haileybury and Gaitskell at Winchester) or, like Bevin and Morrison, they had been to the old elementary schools and looked at grammar schools with suspicion as devices for turning good working-class boys into middle-class Tories.

Between the Scylla of Socialist suspicion and the Charybdis of Conservative contempt it is perhaps surprising that the grammar schools survived so long. One reason is simply that they were there. Another is that so many of them were demonstrably very good, and of this King George V School was an outstanding example. Such schools, with scant resources other than blackboard and chalk, well-thumbed text-books, and an excellent staff, pulled themselves and their pupils up by their own boot straps.



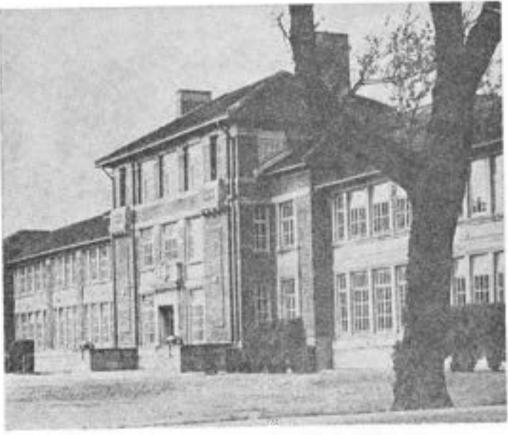
THE STAFF 1970

In 1965 there were 1,285 grammar schools in England and Wales. By 1976, when Geoffrey Dixon retired and K.G.V. got its third Head Master, there were only 477, and many of these, including K.G.V., were due to close. Over the same period a passionate argument had raged over the relative merits of a selective or a comprehensive system of education. Those who wanted to retain selective system proclaimed the a virtues of academic excellence. Those who wanted a comprehensive system took their stand on the principle of Equality. In the event the comprehenders won, for the combination of the 11-plus selection procedure with the abolition of fee-paying places in grammar schools had ensured them an eventual majority. A nation of 11-plus failures had grown up and would not stand for having their children humiliated in the same way. Between 1965 and 1976 the number of comprehensive schools in the country had increased

attending them. But by this time it was becoming apparent that a comprehensive school

from 262 to 2,878 and three-quarters of all children of secondary age were

apparent that a comprehensive school in order to sustain a Sixth Form needed to be very large indeed. In 1976 there were 840 boys at K.G.V. of whom 240 were in the Sixth Form. Since K.G.V. took only a fifth of all the boys in Southport that meant that it would as a comprehensive school need 3000 instead of 600 boys in the first five years to support the same Sixth Form. One answer was to have a school which was far too big. Another was to have several schools with Sixth Forms which were far too small. In the country as a whole the usual answer to this problem had been to make the worst of the situation and have schools which were too big with Sixth Forms which were too small. Fortunately K.G.V. and Southport were saved from this fate and the problem



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was solved by deciding to provide comprehensive schools to cover the age range 11—16 and turn K.G.V. into a Sixth Form College.

A new Head Master was appointed to preside boys' gr College Sixth F creation of King G another story, and just beginning, but on the other hand this should not be seen as the story of the destruction of King George V School. The school and its educational traditions are the base on which the college is being built, and, for all that the buildings are falling down, it is a remarkably stable base on which to build. When the new Head Master arrived in 1976 he found five Old Georgians on the staff: George Wakefield, Bob Abram, Hubert Long, David Miley and Stan Rimmer. They had then already put in between them a hundred and twenty years teaching at K.G.V. The school had clearly influenced their lives profoundly. They in turn had influenced it. Over the sixty years of the life of King George V School it had three Head Masters but only two Head Master's Secretaries: Elizabeth Craig and Jean Buck. Just 250 members of staff taught either in a permanent or a temporary capacity during that period, and a rough calculation will testify to the stability of that staff. It had five Deputy Heads (George Mason, Joseph Edwards, Ike Higham, Les Hargreaves and George Wakefield), all of whom were appointed from among the existing staff, and the last of whom was an Old Georgian.

The school began its life with a staff of seven and ended it with a staff of 50. It grew from 110 boys in 1920 to 851 in 1977, the last year in which there was an 11-plus entry. Standards of academic achievement continued to rise right to the end. In the last year of the school's existence the Sixth Form numbered 267 and was larger than ever before, the average 'O' level candidate in the Upper Fifth forms got just over six passes at grade C or above, and the average 'A' level candidate in the Upper Sixth forms got just over three passes. Of the 169 boys who left that year 86, or just over 50%, went on to degree courses, 66 of them at universities and 20 at polytechnics or colleges of higher education. Throughout the life of the school it had retained the distinction of being the last school in the country to be named after a reigning monarch, and when it was transformed into a

Sixth Form College Queen Elizabeth II agreed that her grandfather's name should be retained in the name of the new college.

There may, perhaps, be some who look back with nostalgia to the grammar school of the 1930's, those years of international and economic gloom which were the hey-day of the old English grammar school. At that time King George V School was a comfortable size for a grammar school, with about 530 or 540 pupils, and was proudly established in its splendid new building — though already the building was slowly subsiding on its insecure foundations. The nostalgia is understandable. But it may be some consolation to know that the new King George V College which has grown out of King George V School will be the same comfortable size, with about 530 or 540 students, and will also be established in new buildings. This time it may be hoped that the physical foundations are as secure as the educational foundations on which K.G.V. is built.

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Lisa Ferrans, Carl Hogg, Stephen Robb.

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Paul Welch.

Stowe:

James Arnold.

Tarleton High School:

Jacqueline Burrows

Welshpool High School:

Mimi Brook.

Wilmslow Harefield County High School: Ian Caton.

Worcester Royal Grammar School:

Paul Wolfenden.

2nd Year

ARTS DIVISION

- A1 David Saunders.
- A2 Julian Abraham.
- A3 Roy Alexander, David Ball, Michael King, David Lonsdale, Andrew Rowland, Mark Salthouse, Brian Viner.
- A4 David Crawford, Iain Turnbull.
- A5 Craig Harding, Mark Pearson, Glenn Sandiford, Christopher Tinsley.
- A6 Christopher Hayward, Mark Sutcliffe.
- A7 Graham Boardman, Michael Gurr.

HUMANITIES DIVISION

- H1 Andrew Barrett, John Hepworth, Andrew Mather, Peter Sinclair, Richard Titherington, Peter Venables, Robert Woodhouse.
- H3 Christopher Cadman, David Harris, Martin Losasso, Gareth Maude, Craig Nuttall, Jonathan Poirrette, Graham Wright.
- H5 Simon Cliffe, Karl Dunkerley, Haydan Jones, Jonathan Miller, Simon Newton, Raymond Teale.

MATHEMATICAL DIVISION

- M1 Mark Bond, Russell Everett, Andrew McMinn, John McQuilliam, Ian Pattison, David Percy.
- M3 David Butterfield, Andy Ormesher, Jonathan Peet, Matthew Richards, Gary Rimmer, Christopher Wilson.
- M4 Linus Birtles, William Birtles, Ian Cleverdon, Trevor Roberts, Russell Watkinson.
- M5 Jacek Brant, Simon Greenhalgh, Stephen Mallinder, John Mercer, David Percy.

PHYSICAL SCIENCES DIVISION

- P1 Robin Andrews, Nicholas Gilbert, Ian Knowlson, Mark Leatherbarrow, Nigel Maddocks, David Metcalfe, Paul Morris, Noel Shearer, Mark Wickens
- P3 Howard Bryan, Graham Dalton-Cox, Iain Gregory, Graeme Petrie-Brown
- P5 Philip Barton, Roy Beetham, Andrew Cargill, Philip Chong, Grahame Wood.
- P6 Richard Carter, Mark Hepple, Robert Waggett, John Walters, John Williams, John Wray.

ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION

- E1 Alun Davies, Nicholas Hayward, Steven Heyes, Neil Parkinson, Andrew Warburton.
- E2 Michael Corr, Michael Hansford, Richard Hawksworth, Steven Howard, David Kime, Anthony Richards, Adrian Sewell, Timothy Wilson.
- E3 Stephen Crook, Gary Samuels, Colin Sinclair, Paul Sutton.
- E4 Jeffrey Brignal, John Brooks, Andrew Coughlan, David Evans, Ian Gardner, Richard Leigh, Rafe Parker, Michael Proctor, Christian Treble, Stephen Twigge.
- E6 Philip Harris, Christopher Lewis, Timothy Lloyd, Michael Munoz, Malcolm Rimmer, Mark E. Roberts.

3rd Year

Greenbank High:

Rebecca Allott, Susan Duff, Alison Hogg, Melanie Maxwell, Deborah Smith, Penelope Standring.

King George V:

Peter Cohen, Mark Day, Mark Dransfield, Jonathan Elliott, Martin Fearn, Christopher Gow, Michael Horrocks, Colin Kerr, Bruce Langridge, Anthony Monk, Christopher Parkinson, Alan Pogson, Mark A. Roberts, Robert Stevens, Peter Stott, James Suddaby, Christopher Threlfall, Philip Tiplady, Richard Turner, David Whittaker, Neil Wood.

Merchant Taylors':

Janet Panagakis.

VALETE

We bid farewell to the following students who left during the last academic year.

After each student's name is indicated the number of 'O' level subjects passed with grade C or above, any grades awarded at 'A' level, and any positions of distinction acquired while here.

1971-79

Peter Miles (Hon) 8 BBCD. Senior Prefect. (Sheffield University to read Accountancy)

1972-79

David Andrews (Ev) 8 BDEE (Sheffield University to read Microbiology)

Jeffrey Beattie (Ed) 7 DEE

(UWIST to read Chemistry)

Timothy Bennett (Le) 9 DEE General Secretary of Hockey (Hull University to read Chemistry) Simon Biddolph (Hol) 9 CDE (Leeds University to read Microbiology/Botany) Steven Collinson (Ev) 6 EEE (Trainee Quantity Surveyor) Jeffrey Cummins (R) 8 BBDE (Banking) Steven Curwen (A) 9 DE (Preston Polytechnic to take HND in Biology) Nicholas Dawson (Hol) 8 BBBC Member of the School Hockey Team. (Imperial College, London, to read Mechanical Engineering) Peter Dudley (Hon) 6 CE School 2nd XV (Preston Polytechnic to read Business Studies) George Eastmond (Lu) 7 B¹CCEEE Senior Prefect. Cricket Colours. (Hull University to read Mathematics/Physics). Colin Halsall (Hon) 6 CDDE Junior Prefect. School Swimming Team, (Sheffield Polytechnic to read Mathematics) David Halsall (Hol) 7 DDE (Family Business) Martin Halsall (A) 6 EEED (Southport Technical College) Andrew Hassenruck (Lu) 7BBCE Member of the Photographic Society. (Warwick University to read English and Film) Malcolm Heathcote (Le) 8 BB House Vice-Captain. Senior Prefect. (Sheffield Polytechnic to read Applied Biology) David Heslegrave (G) 6 BD Senior Prefect. House Vice-Captain. R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion. (Banking) David Hill (G) 9 BBCC Senior Prefect. House Vice-Captain. 1st XV and 1st XI Colours (Leeds University to read German and Management Studies) Ralph Keeley (M) 7 CDEE House Captain. Senior Prefect. (Newcastle College of Higher Education School of Music to read Music) Barry Klaassen (Le) 8 CCD (Dundee University to read Physiology) Paul Lockyer (S) 8 BBC Junior Rugby Colours (Computing Industry) Andrew Maxwell (S) 7 DE (Manchester Polytechnic to read Electronic Engineering) Stephen McLean (Hol) 6 EE (Employment) Charles Mellalieu (Hon) 8 CDE (Preston Polytechnic to read General Sciences) Paul Openshaw (Lu) 8 ACDE Senior Prefect (Loughborough University to read Chemical Engineering) Peter Ray (W) 6 (Employment) John Ridehalgh (Ed) 6 DDD (Quantity Surveyor, Leeds Polytechnic)

John Rigby (A) 4 ADD. Senior Prefect

(Traince Manager)

Ian Singleton (S) 7 E Senior Prefect. 1st XV Colours. (Finance Company)

Colin Smart (G) & B'BDE

(Liverpool University to read Medical Cell Biology)

Simon Speight (Hon) 7 BEE Senior Prefect. 1st XV colours. (Preston Polytechnic)

Russell Slott (Le) AAEE House Captain. Senior Prefect.

(Manchester University to read Law)

Steven Surridge (Ed) 6 CEE Senior Prefect

(Building Surveying, Liverpool Polytechnic)

Steven Taylor (M) 7 EEE Senior Prefect. House Captain Secretary of the Christian Union, Rugby Half Colours 1978

(Derby Lonsdale College to read Life Sciences)

Alan Thomas (Ev) 6 CE

(Liverpool Polytechnic, Urban Estate Management) Andrew Threifall (Lu) 4 DE

(Preston Polytechnic to read Business Studies)

Michael Vernon (G) 6 BCDE Senior Prefect. Rugby Colours. School Choir.

(Birmingham University to read Mineral Engineering)

Ian Warren (W) 7 ACD Junior Prefect

(Insurance)

Neil Webster (R) AB BBE Head of School. Senior Prefect.

House Vice-Captain, Captain of Rugby, Cricket Colours. (Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge, to read Geography)

Graham Whalley (R) 6 DDEE Captain of Swimming. RLSS Distinction. (Saltord University to read Mechanical Engineering)

Cline Williams (S) & BCDD Chairman of the Christian Union (Bangor University to read Mathematics and Electronics)

Christopher Wood (W) 8 BBDD

(Manchester University to read Dentistry)

1973-79

Mark Ashworth (Le) & CDE

(Liverpool University to read Chemistry) Keith Barrett (Ev) 5 CDD Senior Prefect, Golf colours.

(Hull University to read S.E. Asian Studies)

Andrew Boothman (Ed) 4

(Employment)

Jonathan Cope (M) 7 D

(Banking)

Mark Edwards (W) 8 ACDE

(Dundee University to read Pharmacology)

Peter Faraday (Le) 5 AAB

(Leeds University to read Mathematics)

Carl Fletcher (A) 9 BCDD Senior Prefect. House Captain. 1st XV colours. (Newcastle University to read Agricultural Engineering)

Guthrie Gow (W) 8 A?ABBC Junior Prefect

(Durham University to read Biology)

Stuart Gow (W) 8 BBBD

(Hull University to read Computer Engineering) Mark Griffiths (Hon) 8 BE

(Birmingham Polytechnic to read Business Studies) Steven Grindley (R) 9 BBCD

(Leeds University to read Economics and Accountancy) Steven Heron (S) 7 ACCD

(Trainee Sales Estimator)

David Hodgson (W) 8 BEE Junior Prefect. Librarian. 1st XV Colours. Captain House Cross Country

(B.Ed. course at Edge Hill Training College)

Simon Jones (G) 7 ACD

Martin Joss (Lu) 6 ABCD

(Lampeter University to read History) Martin Loughlin (G) 6 BE

(Town and Country Planning at Trent Polytechnic) Martyn McDonald (Hon) 6 DDD

Martyn McDonald (Holl) 6 DDD

(Liverpool Polytechnic to read Law) Paul Merone (S) 9 BCDD Senior Prefect. Junior Rugby Colours. (Leeds University to read Civil Engineering)

Geoffrey Milne (Hol) 5 DDEE

(Employment)

David Newcombe (Le) 7 ACC^UE (Banking)

Michael Riddle (A) 7

(Management Training)

David Ridgeway (Hon) 7 ABCDD

(Liverpool University to read Chemistry)

Peter Stott (W) 8 A1AB2BB Librarian

(Durham University to read Physics)

James Suddaby (Hol) 8 A1AAAA Senior Prefect. Chess Team (Queens' College, Cambridge, to read Mathematics)

Andrew Swettenham (Ev) 5 C¹D Senior Prefect. House Vice-Captain (Estate Management at Liverpool Polytechnic)

Richard Taylor (R) 5

(Employment in the Building trade)

Stephen Taylor (M) 9 ABBBE

(Bath University to read Pharmacy)

Nicholas Thomson (S) 8 CE School Golft Team (Liverpool Polytechnic to read Accountancy)

Philip Tiplady (A) 8 A¹A²AAA Librarian. Chess Team (Scholarship in Mathematics at Gonville and Caius College,

Cambridge)

David Trottman (G) 7 DDE School Swimming Team.

R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion (Banking)

Peter Wynne (R) 7 BBDE Librarian

(Leeds University to read English)

1974-79

Terence Bell (Ed) 7 (Southport Technical College)

Brian Blackwell (Ed) 7 Craig Bromilow (Ed) 5 Captain of Hockey Banking) Iain Clenahan (S) 9 BBCE Senior Prefect (Bradford University to read Chemical Engineering) Gary Dent (Hol) 5 (Hugh Baird College of Higher Education) Merryn Jones (M) 5 ABCE Junior Prefect. House Vice-Captain Full colours cross country, Hulf colours Rugby and Athletics (Liverpool University to read Geography) Colin Kerr (Ev) 8 A'AAD Junior Prefect. Librarian (Manchester University to read Chemistry) Ian Kettle (Ev) 2 (Southport Technical College) David Marshall (G) 9 AAAD Senior Prefect. Librarian. 2nd XV colours (Durham University to read Modern Languages) Paul Morris (Le) 6 (Employment) Graham Potter (Lu) 7 BC (Hull University to read Economics) lan Skipsey (Hol) 8 A7AACE (Manchester University to read Medicine) Stuart Wincer (S) 4 (Banking) 1975-79 Mark Armstrong (Ev) 3 (Southport Technical College) John Cobb ,Ev) 8 BBCC Librarian (Leeds University to read Accountancy) Michael Dalton (Ev) 8 CDE (Sheffield Polytechnic to read Metallurgy) Laurence Hayward (A) 6 CD Junior Prefect. Librarian (Banking) Charles Hewetson (Hol) 8 (Winchester College) John Holloway (Ev) 4 (Southport Technical College) Michael Jones (S) 4 (Southport Technical College) Guy Withey (R) 8 ACD School Prefect. Librarian (York University to read Economics) Martin Wright (R) 9 ADD (Briatol University to read Economics and Economic History) 1976-79 Mark Dexter (Ev) EE Senior Prefect. Librarian (Merchant Navy College)

Paul Fargher (Hol) 2 (Southport College of Art) Timothy Ogden (W) 5 EE (Hugh Baird College of Further Education) David Seddon (Lu) 7 BCC

(Liverpool University to read Philosophy) Ian Sumner (W) 8 ABBE Librarian

(Sheffield University to read Business Studies) Ian Thomas (Hol) 2

(Southport Technical College)

1977-79

Jonathan Cotterall (Ed) 6 BEE (Deferred entry to university) Michael Harding (M) 6 EEE (Edge Hill College of Higher Education) Andrew Hoyle (M) 7 ADDD (Swansea University to read English and History) William Jackson (Ev) DDD Senior Prefect (Salford University to read Mechanical Engineering) Jonathan Kremner (Hol) 6 B (East Anglia University to read History) Stephen Manning (Ev) DD (Lancaster University to read Politics) Christopher Pittaway (Ev) 4 ADE (UWIST to read Architectural Studies) Christopher Swift (Lu) 6 DEE (University of London to read Social Sciences) Herbert Waithman (Le) 5 EE (Preston Polytechnic to read Accountancy) Graham Whitehead (W) 4 BD (Employment)

Third Year Sixth admitted to the College in September 1979 and left December 1979

Rebecca Allott (from Greenbank H.S.) 8 A¹A²AAA (Newnham College, Cambridge, to read Mathematics)
Susan Duff (from Greenbank H.S.) 8 A¹A¹AAB (Exhibition at Girton College, Cambridge, to read Mathematics)
Janet Panagakis (from Merchant Taylors' S) A¹BC (Exhibition in Geography, St. Hugh's College, Oxford)
Penelope Standring (from Greenbank H.S.) 10 AABB

(Wadham College, Oxford, to read Biochemistry)

THIRD-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATES, 1979



The photograph shows from left to right the following students, with the award or place gained after each name:

PENELOPE STANDRING, Wadham College, Oxford, Bio-Chemistry JANET PANAGAKIS, Exhibition, St. Hugh's College, Oxford, Geography GUTHRIE GOW, Durham University, Biology ALISON HOGG, Newnham College, Cambridge, Geography SUSAN DUFF, Exhibition, Girton College, Cambridge, Mathematics REBECCA ALLOTT (standing), Newnham College, Cambridge, Mathematics JAMES SUDDABY, Queen's College, Cambridge, Mathematics RICHARD TURNER, St. Anne's College, Oxford, Bio-Chemistry PETER STOTT, Durham University, Physics COLIN KERR, Manchester University, Chemistry PHILIP TIPLADY, Scholarship, Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, Mathematics

MASON-DIXON SCHOLARSHIPS

The Mason Memorial Fund was established as the result of a generous bequest in the will of George Mason, Deputy Headmaster of King George V School from 1920 to 1945, and is used principally to provide a number of Mason Memorial Scholarships to enable students to take part in the holidays in activities with a broad educational value.

Further scholarships were endowed by Geoffrey Dixon, Head Master from 1949 to 1976, to enable students to undertake activities such as mountaineering during the holidays.

Applications for Mason Scholarships were received from a total of nine students and one boy in the Upper Fifth

G. P. WAKEFIELD

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Whilst July 17th brings to us the thoughts of a long and pleasant holiday it is aso tinged with sadness because that is the day we say goodbye to George Wakefield. It will be the end of an association which started way back in 1931. He was a pupil at K.G.V. from 1931 to 1939. Whilst at school he was a Prefect and took many leading parts in the School plays which were such a feature of school life at that time. He was also a leading member of the Art Society.

In 1939 he went up to Liverpool University to read English. From there he went in to the Army and was wounded and taken prisoner of war in the fighting in Italy. The legacy of that period, about which George himself says very little, is the famous and instantly recognisable 'Wakefield Walk.'

1945 saw him return to K.G.V. as a member of the English department in a "temporary" capacity. As we are all aware this became very permanent indeed. He was promoted to Head of the English Dept. in 1950. It was during this period that the annual production of the school play reached a standard both in quality and range never equalled forms. After considering the applications and interviewing the applicants, the committee made the following recommendations which were subsequently confirmed by the Head Master:

Mark Bond (M1), Philip Harris (E6) and Grahame Wood (P5) £75 each to visit historical and other sites in Greece:

Richard Leigh (E4) £60 to visit Israel and work on a kibbutz:

Melissa Lubich (E1) £60 to visit Israel and work on a kibbutz:

Christopher Taylor (U5B) £30 to take a table-tennis coaching course in Durham:

No applications were received this year for a Dixon Scholarship.

before or since. To one who was on the staff at that time it brings back memories of frenzied activity during the last few days prior to the production. Of Freddie Rollinson and Charles Woodham and later Ron Heyes and Hubert Long complaining that the set George wanted was impossible; somehow or other he always persuaded them it could be done, and it was.

In 1969 he succeeded Leslie Hargreaves as Deputy Head, a post he has held with distinction. He has handled the many problems which this position entails with tact and courtesy but when the occasion demanded it he was capable of making people aware of how many beans made five in no uncertain manner. Probably his greatest achievement was his involvement in the purchasing and the development of the Hostel at Sedbergh. As Chairman of the Long Rigg Management Committee he has taken a major role in making it the fine place it now is. We will always be grateful to him for that.

In conclusion we would wish George and June a very long and happy retirement and, if one may be permitted a private joke, may they always "be up at the front."

R. A.



JEAN BUCK

In April 1961 Jean Buck came to K.G.V. as Headmaster's Secretary and in charge of the the place of th Craig who had years, almost since the school.

The job of school Bursar, as we now call her, is complex and demanding. On being told this on her arrival, Jean remarked that she was tough and could take it. From the start she proved this true, as she has done ever since,

THE JOSEPH EDWARDS MEMORIAL FUND

This fund was established in memory of Joseph Edwards, one of the first housemasters of King George V School and Deputy Headmaster for ten years, as a memorial to his work in the school from 1920 to 1955. he job with a stamina which y are inspiring. five'' mentality. To her the work goes on until it is done. She has worked countless hours of overtime in the interest of the school without a murmur and without any though payment. Only two people , can testify to the peace as given them to know t the engine room of the school, can be absolutely relied on to produce all its work punctually and completely accurately.

Of course it does not end there. Jean is a great making frien has ting fo ladie for her fifteen or more years ago. Many members of the staff, both past and present, will remember the smiling welcome they have always received when they visited the office and the help that was so willingly given to them even in the busiest of times. Her cheerful and friendly personality has played a significant part in making K.G.V. such a happy place for all to work in during the last twenty years.

Now she has decided that she must take life more easily and has retired from full time work. She will be able to devote more time to her family, to her bridge, at which she is a formidable player, being a National Master, and to her country walks. But she will be remembered at K.G.V. with gratitude, affection and respect by all who have had the privilege of working with her.

G. F. D.

A total of £39.50 was distributed to students from the fund during the year. The fund, which is now available to both boys and girls, continues to prove most valuable in assisting those who might otherwise find it difficult to take a full part in the life and activities of the school or college.

KING GEORGE V COLLEGE ASSOCIATION

The College Association came into being at the start of the 1979/80 academic year as a continuance of the previous School Parents' Association. A revised constitution was agreed at the last A.G.M. and the principal objectives are to involve parents/guardians in all matters concerning the welfare of the students by arranging regular social, informative and money-raising events, to maintain the upkeep of Long Rigg and its services and promote other projects as may from time to time be agreed upon.

The officers of the Association for the year are:

Chairman: Mrs. J. A. West Vice-Chairman: Mr. M. Cartlidge Secretary: Mrs. B. Bromilow

Treasurer: Mr. F. Cowley

Two clauses in the new constitution made provision for 1. two student representatives on the executive committee, and this year they are the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the College Council, Christopher Stitson, who took over this term from Jonathan Miller, and Elyssa Pollick; and 2. the formation of a Programme Committee. This committee has produced a comprehensive programme of events for each forthcoming term. In certain of these, teaching staff, students and parents have worked together and so

THE COLLEGE COUNCIL

The College Council is still at an experimental stage. For the first year of the Sixth Form College it was a relatively small body of 12 elected students and 2 members of staff. Mr. Hubbard chaired the meetings which were held at least monthly and the Council represented the views of the students, organising social activities, charities and some societies among the student body.

In May 1980 the second Council was elected, a much larger body consisting

the evolution of the College Association from the Parents' Association has taken place. This is a solid foundation to be built upon in the future for the benefit of the College.

Activities which have been organised during the years to date include a Cheese and Wine Evening, Christmas Concert, Annual Dinner Dance, two Careers Evenings (one with a talk on Long Rigg), Jumble Sale, Grand Draw and light musical entertainment by the students, Fashion Show and Spring Concert. We are grateful to the students who have both helped with and organised refreshments for these functions and acted as stewards. Events to come include a Car Rally on June 27th, Founder's Day on July 4th, Sports Day on July 15th and an Old Boys' Cricket Match on July 15th. Next year we hope to arrange a lecture by a notable speaker and other evenings on an educational theme.

Principally as a result of this year's functions the amount of £1,320 has been handed over to the College. This money has mainly gone towards the new building at Long Rigg. Owing to technical difficulties the opening of this new building has been postponed until next term.

For the next academic year it is intended that a programme of College events should be available at the beginning of the first term.

J. A. West

of 30 students, (one to represent each tutor group), a member of staff from each of the five Divisions, a representative of the Senior Staff, a representative of the Games Committee, the Senior Librarian, the Bursar, the Kitchen Superintendent, the Caretaker and the Senior Lab. Assistant. This large group is to meet at least twice a term and will carry out its work through its committees. All eight of these committees have already met and council members have been joined by other students and staff so that a large number of people are now involved in the life of the College, tive Committee of the Council.

Already we are discussing emergency Common Room provision until the final stage of the building is completed, becoming involved in Summer Play Groups, planning a half-termly bulletin of Cotlege news, organising a Disco, providing tea for the West Yorkshire

THE LONG RIGG REPORT

There are changes appearing in the traditional first impressions of Long Rigg, as seen by weary travellers from Southport. The original single building visible on the horizon is now accompanied by a long low neighbour, at present under construction but to be completed during June. This will be an extra dormitory for ten students and staff, and with its own heating, toilets and washroom will greatly increase the hostel's versatility.

When the travellers enter the front door of the main building, they will has been considerable streamlining of kitchen and clothes-drying facilities and both studies and table tennis take place

COLLEGE MUSIC

The Parents' Association Grand Draw

On Tuesday, March 4th, the music department provided some light entertainment to accompany the draw, performed by the following musicians:

> The College Choir The Madrigal Group The King George V Singers The Brass Quartet Michelle Moseley (piano) Frikki Walker (piano)

athletic team, holding a Summer Fair and hoping to put the money raised towards a new greenhouse for the Biology Department and the new Careers Centre, taking over the running of the Tuck Shop and planning other activities.

We hope that all members of the College community will be able to express their views, become involved in activities and keep in touch with what is going on through their representative and that those who wish to play an active part will join one of the committees.

J. M. L.

in much less austere surroundings. In short, the field centre has received a new lease of life.

In the last twelve years it has been all too easy to take the existence of our field centre for granted. Most schools, after all, do not offer any pre-'O' level residential visits. We also tend to forget the efforts of parents, staff and boys in the 1960's to pay for the investment. This year we must again thank members of these three groups for their help in providing funds or manpower and skill. We must also acknowledge the generous donation of £4000 from the Sefton Lottery towards the building of the Long House. In all, nearly £10,000 has been spent on improvements.

Without this, the crumbling green paint, white ceilings, and chipped wooden bunks would be greeting parties into the 1990's. A. S. F.

> Wendy Harwood (violin) Ian Cleverdon (guitar) Michael Gurr (trumpet) Mimi Brooks (cornet) Andrew Liley (tuba) Bryndon Webb (euphonium)

The lively and varied programme was introduced by Frikki Walker, and there was a dramatic interlude by Sara Chesters and Jonathan Elliott who enacted two telephone calls of a contrasting nature.

Spring Concert

The music department's concert, which was held on the evening of Thursday, May 8th, was serious note than the but was nevertheless As in the last conce informative background to events was provided throughout by Frikki Walker who acted as compere.

Although this was in fact the spring concert, the performers were clearly looking ahead when the choir opened the entertainment with "Summer is icumen in", an anon. C 14th round. This was followed by a soft interluding prelude and the choir then concluded their contribution to the evening with Dowland's "Come again sweet love." Next Philip Mallinder, a violinist from the lower school, played Dvorak's 7th slavonic dance and Graham Petrie-Brown then performed Debussy's Arabesque No. 1 for plano. After a couple of cornet solos by Mimi Brock another piano solo, the 1st movement of Beethoven's sonata in F, was played by Michelle Moseley. For their performance of Telemann's Trio sonata in F the students 'borrowed' their music teaching practice graduate Paul Rhodes who played the recorder

part with Wendy Harwood (violin) and Gary McBretney and Frikki Walker (continuo). The atmosphere then changed when Ian Cleverdon played on guitar a little composition of his own entitled 'Jollity Rag''. Wendy and Frikki then joined Ian to play Gilbert O'Sullivan's "Home Again'. The first half was brought to a rousing close when Frikki persuaded the audience to join in and sing "Morning has broken".

The second half began with a contribution from the K.G.V. brass ensemble, followed by Danny Metcalfe who played Purcell's flute sonata in F. Next Michael Gurr presented Telemann's trumpet concerto in D. The sensitivity of the audience was then aroused by Gary McBretney who gave an extremely touching performance of Rachmaninov's "Vocalise" on the 'cello. Nor were their sensitivities allowed to rest when Wendy followed this with a marvellous performance of V.Monti's Czardas - the pronunciation of which provided a certain amount of discussion. Finally, the concert was brought to a close by a superb rendition of Beethoven's Piano Trio in B flat which involved Wendy, Gary and Michelle.

TESSA FINCH, A3.

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THE CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club had a reasonably successful year, achieving a membership of 69 even after the initial membership fee increase to 30p for the two terms. We ran 3 leagues with a total

CROSS-COUNTRY REPORT 1979-80

9 Fixtures: 5 won 4 lost

This year's cross-country team has been a successful integration of college and school members, having won a fair proportion of matches and achieving a creditable position in a tough Rossall Relay race.

The team was captained this year by John Williams and the team and fixtures were organ e Mr. Marsh. All re to join me in d Dr. Stevenson, team affairs on away matches.

Good performances were achieved by Dennis Leck and James Arnold, newcomers to the college, and lan Cropper has proved that he has found the key to C.C. running: the consumption of a tin of cold hot dogs prior to each match.

It has been rumoured that Rob

HOCKEY

Р	W	D	L	G.F.	G.A.
13	6	6	1	25	10

At the beginning of the season all the hockey players were relieved to see the return of Monk, Horrocks and Roberts. A cry soon arose for a good competent goalkeeper. Cobern was picked and the team prayed for a miracle (you weren't that bad Thrush).

The team had an excellent season mainly revolving around Ludlow in the centre and a good, if sometimes panicky defence of Bromilow, Tomkinson and Collinge. Up front Monk played well all A. Savage won this beating R. A. Baton in the final. In the U18 Inter-School Chess competition the "A" team was knocked out in the first round while the "B" team, playing lesser teams, reached the final. In the U16 Inter-school Chess Competition we did reasonably well in the league. In this competition a member of the school played Nigel Short, who is the best in the world for his age and plays for Bolton School.

R. A. BARTON.

Stevens has been spotted at the college this year, but only on dates of crosscountry matches.

There has been a notable amount of strange behaviour in the team this year, but I put this down to the encounters of team members with the guardian of all C.C. runners, "Wally", a 10-foot white rabbit. Two examples of this include Mark Woolston, whose inability to distinguish between a sugar bowl and a tea cup never ceases to amaze us, and Chris Stitson who cannot refrain from singing George Formby songs. Obviously they did not pay enough respect to "Wally" by shouting his name before the start of each run.

Other dependable members of the team include Bob Olive and John Kershaw from the school and Chris Topping from the college. Well done lads, and don't forget the "Wally".

J. C. WILLIAMS.

season scoring the most goals, 10, Guidi developed on the wing, Arrowsmith and Cummins gave good support and the forward line slowly improved.

The highlight of the season was undoubtedly in the Trinity Sixes. Having lost the opening game K.G.V. fought back to reach the final for the first time. Sadly they lost 2-1, falling to a dubious penalty decision.

The team would like to thank Bromilow, the captain, and wish him luck in his new career, and Mr. Comfort for giving his time to umpire.

G. D. TOMKINSON & V. GUIDI.

GOLF SOCIETY

The year started on a successful note with a win over Stowe School by 7 matches to 3. This match was played at Southport and Ainsdale C.C. Gary Samuels made a successful debut, winning all his games and lain Gregory maintained his record of being unbeaten in these games.

In the Aer Lingus Schools Competition the team was placed second in the Area Qualifying round played at Widnes Golf Club. This was our best performance to date in this competition. The team was John Hepworth, who returned the second best score in the competition, tain Gregory and Robert Sturgeon.

SKI HOLIDAY 1980

our party and the dismay of others. After this short interlude it was back to travelling before we eventually arrived at our destination in Austria.

The first few days passed quickly and enjoyably as soon as people got used to being taught by clowns and arabs! Those who had not skied before learnt how to fall, and those who had skied before improved their techniques! After a few days groups began to be moved up from the nursery slopes to the Lizum, the Olympic ski-run, It was here that peole tested their skill and one girl broke her leg. On the final day of skiing

THE TRIP TO CAMBRIDGE

On the crisp, cold morning of March 1st at 7-30 a.m., 40 students and staff boarded a coach at Southport station.

Their destination: Cambridge.

Their mission: to find the Greek play, Electra.

They arrived at 12-30 p.m. after a stop on the motorway for a game of Space The second competition for the David Marsh Trophy was held at Hesketh G.C. on Wednesday, 16th April. The winner, with a net score of 63, was Graham Tomkinson. Richard Turnbull was second with a net 65. The best gross score hn Hepw A pleasi as that s

Prospects for the future seem quite bright. A group of junior members of the College are taking part in a coaching course being held at Royal Birkdale C.C. under the sponsorship of the Golf Foundation.

R.A.

a ski-test was held, where people attempted a slalom run once they had conquered their initial nervousness and fear. Many gold, silver and bronze awards were achieved.

Skiing was not the only form of entertainment. On one evening during the week there was the opportunity to go ice-skating in Innsbruck—now we could show Robin Cousins how to skate, but that was before contact was made with the ice! The other evenings were spent either at the disco, in the hotel, or in the cafés in the village. For those who had enough strength there was an opportunity to swim in the hotel swimming pool. A trip to Innsbruck was arranged, to enable people to spend any money which was burning in their pockets!

The end of the holiday came all too quickly and armed with luggage, souvenirs and memories we headed back to England.

THE SKI CLASS.

invaders, After a quick glimpse of the cultural aspects of the town with Miss Hughes, the students split into small groups for a longer glimpse of the shops. Later they come in sight of the sophisticated grandeur of the standard grade Youth Hostel, where they were commanded to stay the night.

After a meal at Clare College, the

search for the theatre began. Some students queued up with the mods outside "The Selecter" concert, but realised their mistake when they discovered none of these two-toned beings could students put into the performance.

The students had Sunday morning to

PILLAR REVISITED

Over the last few days I have thought very deeply about a little matter that has been worrying me. The problem has been on my mind since my grandson came to see me on Tuesday. His parents had never let him visit me before but they relented this time. Perhaps they thought he might learn something about the Lake District which may be of use to him when he visits the place. He stayed for over an hour. When he had left I took my mind back, as I had done many times before, to one day in March, 1921.

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The day dawned bright and clear and as was my habit when slaying at the Wastwater Hotel I was up with the lark. The previous twenty-four hours had been hectic. I had been led up a fearful ascent of Napes ridge by a famous "tiger". During the evening celebrations I had been introduced for the first time to the traverse of the billiard room. It was considered the done thing to circulate the room, hands on table and feet high up on the wall, and even the most distinguished gentlemen joined in the frivolity. There had been much laughter and drink that night and my head was a little heavy as I set off up the track towards the lake. It was my intention to have a peaceful day, well away from grim rock faces, that would soothe my head and relax the nerves. Since the sun was up and about with not too many clouds to trouble it, a round of the themselves. A group of girls were show round Newnham college by Sheil Horrocks and Valerie Robson, bot former pupils of Greenbank, and mixed party was shown round S Catherine's by Jane Upton and Mar Suddaby, a former pupil of K.G.V.

After dinner a Girton College th back in Southport.

THE CLASSICAL STUDIES GROUP.

Mosedale horseshoe seemed an idea prospect.

Since I was feeling energetic I in cluded Yewbarrow. After a short pull us a steep grass slope there was some fin easy scrambling until the superb Great Door, where I suddenly met the ridge a its sharpest and most precipitous point I rested just above here and looked of over the blue tongue of Wastwate flanked by the screes. The Wasda Valley was in those days almost cor pletely deserted; a valley that was beautiful yet sinister, superbly remoand wild. I turned and traversed th summit ridge.

It was warming up, as the sun ros higher in a sky, clear but for a few lig clouds that drifted slowly over the top the bulk of Gable. I soon reached the pass and looked down onto one of the longest and most exhilarating scre slopes it has ever been my pleasure run, It used to provide a lightnin descent into the Mosedale Valley b now it has been ground away from over use. On the day in question however r next objective was not Mosedale be but Red Pike, an hour's hard slog. The summit duly reached, I positioned m self carefully on the cliff edge at delved into my rucksack for the day mid-day refreshment.

It was only when I had been sittin for ten minutes or more that I realise the need for an extra jumper. A co wind had sprung up and clouds ha begun to gather ominously on the Scafell and Gable peaks. I set off at a brisk pace towards Scout Fell and Pillar. Things began to worsen noticeably. The clouds spread and thickened; first they obscured the sun and then the view as a thin mist enveloped the ridge. When the first spots of rain came down, I was climbing up the final slope to the summit plateau on Pillar. The weather had turned nasty and I was in a hurry to complete the round and return to the hotel.

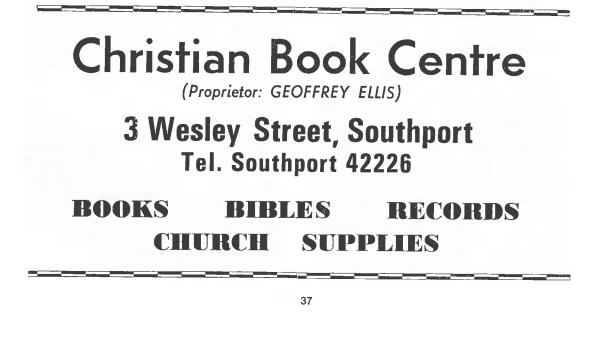
But for a faint shout I would have missed him altogether. I looked round and saw a faint orange glow penetrating through the swirling mist. I walked up to it and saw a body huddled up on the ground. He was clothed in a strange orange garment that seemed to envelop his whole form. Compared to my conventionally sombre greys and blacks his clothing was outrageously visible. Without it, I would not have seen him. He was cold and wet and it was obvious that he had lost his way on the featureless top. He seemed to have lost interest. I persuaded him to get up and then to wallk along my hastily taken compass bearing into the driving rain. Time was of the essence. With some

success, I pushed and bullied him into carrying on. We were making reasonable progress when disaster struck. He lurched and fell. With his twisted ankle I knew I would have to fetch help to bring him down. I would have to leave him.

In the afternoons I often sit in my favourite chair and look out over the grounds. They don't bother me very much at this time of day and with many of the others being taken outside a rare peace descends. I often think back to that day fifty-nine years ago. They never found him. I remember that we only saw each other's faces when I was just about to desert him. He was a young boy, deeply afraid. As we looked at each other, his expression suddenly mirrored some renewed source of hope. Sadly, it was no use to him.

There is a girl from the university who comes to visit me every so often. I told her about my grandson and his impending visit to the Lake District and Wasdale Youth Hostel. I told her about the boy I had met on Pillar in a storm and the eery look of recognition he had given me. I explained everything. She seemed strangely shocked.

PETER STOTT.



EVANS' HOUSE REPORT

House Master :Mr. Stichbury House Tutors: Mrs. Davies Mrs. Szczesniak, Mr. Cochrane House Captain: Robert Sturgeon House Vice-Captain :Andrew Webster

In our first year, Evans' has proved to be one of the most competitive houses, of which the Upper Fifths have contributed most towards the house's success.

The year started well with Evans' coming second overall with Upper Fifth winning their basketball competition convincingly. In the cross-country again Evans' came second with Jeff Kershaw running well and Anthony Cartlidge

LONG'S HOUSE REPORT

House Master: Mr. M. Basford "House Tutors: Mr. B. L. Hubbard, Mrs. F. H. Gould, Miss D. Woodward House Captain: J. Pickard House Vice Captains: P. Wilkinson and T. Wilson

Long's house was formed by the amalgamation of Spencer's, Woodham's and Leech's from the previous twelve houses.

In its first year, the house has had its ups and downs, starting with a failure in the cross-country with very few people excelling themselves. Unfortunately but not surprisingly the house finished last.

The failure continued in the baskettight against Hargreeves', coming from behind to win by one basket. The rest of the years tried hard but got nowhere with the House finishing equal test

The first success came in the chess where P. Wilkinson, R. Elliot, S. Pearson and D. Pollick put in excellent performances to annihilate the opposition.

In the swimming the House decided to give the other three a chance by only having part of the team turn up, but we still managed to finish third instead of the planned fourth, owing to excellent performances by K. Cockwill and A. Porter.

winning the fourth-form race.

Even in the Rugby the Upper Filths dominated the competition and won easily, the fourths and Lower Filths not doing so well. Needless to say the Upper Filths had an easy task of winning the Football with good performances from Paul Carr and Andrew Webster. However the fourths and lower fifths only managed three points between them.

Now we come to the swimming which is best forgotten, as it was on the night! Finally our thanks to the various members of staff in the house for making the house one of the best, if not the best.

ROBERT STURGEON

The football was completely dominated by Long three matches and the Upper V's who were by the largest margin of the whole competition, 11-1

The rugby would have been a lot more successful if the Lower V's hadn't lost all their games.

With cricket and athletics still to come Long's House is looking forward to still further success.

I would like to thank Messrs. Basford and Hubbard, Mrs. Gould and Miss Woodward for their support during the year and to wish all the members of the house the very best of luck and continued success for the future.

JOHN PICKARD

House reports in my to sing the praises of and to glout over failu success of a House have played their part well and ought, as I do, to feel proud to be associated with Long's House.

I would like to extend my thanks to John Pickard for his invaluable help during the course of the year. M. B.

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Peter Gale (L5X, Ed.) History, CJC Sanjiva Goyal (3X, Hon), History, CJC Michael Entwistle (3X, Hon.) History CJC

TWO DREAMS

1-A Dream of Metamorphosis

All ahead was dark and then suddenly, as if from nowhere, there were colours, rich, muted colours, transported from a spring garden in warm sunshine. The lovely shades of green of the flourishing grass and the strong. firm leaves of the mighty oak; the bright and dark reds of the beautiful rose, the blue of the spring bluebells, picked in abundance to adorn the dining room tables and rooms of the nature-loving people, for whom all this had been conceived by the creator, and, of course, the pale, different blue of the sky under Andrew Goddard (3X, Le), History, CJ Ian Hogg (LSS, W), Physics, MBC Andrew Dean, (LSX, Le.), History, CJ Jonathan Badger (4G, G-) History, LS Neil Bartlett (4G, R-), History, LSM

December, 1979

Philip Melaney (L5S, L.), Physics, FH

which all the beautiful things of li lived and thrived.

Then, as if as a result of my conce trated thoughts, the colours disapped ed to reveal the other side of life, th whiteness of sterility created by ma frightening ghostliness and chilling co the sort of life lived by too many peop for whom life is not as it was create The pure whiteness took over eve thing in its path, until slowly but sure blackness appeared: the aftermath. T feeling of death and destruction es blished itself in the role of the whi ness but this time nothing was to folk except more and more blackness un the terrible dark mist existed to the oblivion of all that was good.

A man was living in the white world. watched him awake from uneasy dreams to find himself changed inside and, after a search of his body, changed outside as well, into a huge writhing hulk, with a dome-like belly, armourplated back and numerous lean, meagre legs, all of which projected to his deformed brain the terrible image of an enormous insect. This, the man assumed, was the result of the white world in which he lived. He had been altered by his surroundings into the ghastly creature he appeared to be; to some unsuspecting stranger of the almost foreign world he now hated so much. he would be a 'creature'. He had been

2-A Nightmare

I was suddenly aware of walking down a road. I did not know how I came to be doing so, and I neither realized nor would have cared that I did not know. I was walking down a perfectly normal road. Perfectly normal, that is, before it started heeling over. The world was suddenly gyrating about me and I staggered, trying to stabilize myself. But I was falling into an opaque, cold and gloomy chasm. For how long I fell I could not tell, for time did not exist in that murky, obscure darkness. Eventually I began to feel an increase in speed. Below me was a patch of lighter blackness which resolved itself into a great expanse of water, and I was falling towards it.

I splashed into it and carried on travelling down, down, down. Then I hit the sandy bottom with a terrific jolt and began sliding. I clung to the wet sand but it trickled away. I ploughed two great furrows in the bed of that sea. Finally, the depth of those furrows brought me to a stop. It was then that I noticed that the water had gone. So had hated, misjudged, misled, imprisoned, enfeebled and now, because of his hatred for the world he lived in, and his longing for the colourful world of the past, he had been transformed.

He began subconsciously to ask himself questions, questions about the past, the present and what the future would hold. He had to make decisions, important decisions, he was incapable of answering these questions against the mounting pressure induced on him by the life he had led and the consequences he faced. He reasoned with himself, forced himself to concentrate, lay writhing in his bed for hours until he finally made his decision and all ahead was dark.

DAVID LEDGER (L5X)

the furrows, those deep, long scratches that had brought me to a halt. I was standing in a completely empty desert.

I began casting about, looking for some sign of water. It was the lack of this vital commodity that left me very soon lying on the scorched sand, unable even to move. The sun became even hotter, until it reached the point where my sweat evaporated immediately it left the skin. As an extra torture, the sand was pricking me.

After a length of time, the pricking became worse. It was so bad that it seemed alive and as I looked, for movement had now become possible, I saw that ants had replaced and I was now lying on of them. I leaped up an them off my body. The ing me. It was dark and I was falling again.

ANDREW GODDARD (L5X)

OLD GEORGIANS NEWS

Obituary

We regret to announce the death of J. R. CULSHAW (R) 1936-40. He was manager of the classical recording division of the Decca Record Company from 1956 to 1967 and head of music for BBC Television from 1967 to 1978. He was a pioneer in the art of record producing and his recordings of Wagner's Ring and Britlen's War Requiem were outstanding examples of his skill. Many eminent musicians owe him a considerable debt of gratitude. He also published several books, including two novels, and more recently he had been a visiting professor at the universities of Houston, Southern Califiornia, Perth and Melbourne, and television music consultant for the Australian Broadcasting Company.

M. R. ABRAM (L) 1960-68 has been appointed Head of Mathematics at Kettering Boys' School.

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- J. C. D. CROSS (R) 1963-71 is Head of Economics at Bixley Grammar School.
- G. S. HEWETSON (G) 1958-65 has been appointed Deputy Head at Ashton-on-Ribble High School.
- A. C. JACKSON (Ev) 1948-55 has recently been appointed Engineering Manager of the Advanced Composite Vertical Fin Programme at Lockheed, California.
- R. D. JOHNSTONE (Ed) 1959-66 has been appointed Consultant Anaesthetist at Kidderminster General Hospital. He was previously a Lecturer at the Welsh National School of Medicine.
- F. H. JONES (W) as Supervisor, trol Canada E gration Commi
- P. J. KENYON (Ed) 1946-50 is now Technical Development Manager at Basingstoke.
- B. A. KIRKHAM 1962-64 is now Managing Director of Global Village Communications Ltd. in Honk Kong.

- M. M. PENNELL (N) 1927-35 has be elected a Fellow of the Royal Socie He has recently retired from to vice-chairmanship of British Petr eum and he is a director of Cadbu Schweppes.
- J. D. PICKARD (Ev) 1958-64 has be appointed Consultant and Sen Lecturer in Neurosurgery at Sou
- B. H. RICHARDSON (G) 1941-48 Chairman and Managing Director Ferrocast (Ilkeston) Ltd. He is a Chairman, East Midland Region the Association of Indepedent Businesses.
- S. K. RUNCORN (G) 1933-41 has be awarded a dociorate by the Univer of Paris. He is Protessor of G physics in the University of Newcat
- K. H. SACH (R) 1962-67 has be appointed Director and Secretary R.L.S.S. U.K. and Commonwe Chief Secretary of the Society.
- R. A. SUTTON (Ev) 1949-56 has be appointed Senior Lecturer in Des Education at the North East Lon Polytechnic.
- R. T. K. SYMINGTON (W) 1952-59 now Chairman of the Departmen Germanic Studies, University of V oria, British Columbia.
- J. J. THOMPSON (W) 1949-57 has b elected to a Chair of Educatior
- B. W. TRUEMAN (S) 1941-46 who Professor and examiner at the Lon College of Music and a teacher at Hertfordshire County Music Scr has been appointed organist at Festival Church of St. John's, Lon
- C. A. WHITEHEAD (L) 1950-53 Prospects Control Manager with C Engineering (UK) and is at pre engaged on installation Pipe Systems in the Middle East.
- K. J. WHITEHEAD (W) 1958-65 has I promoted to command flying HS in Scotland with British Alrways.
- K. F. WILSON (L) 1951-57 is a Dire of Railex Wilson Filing Ltd. He admitted as a Member of Bi Institute of Management in 1978.

IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term, 1980:

Tuesday, 2nd September — Friday, 19th December. Half Term: Monday, 20th October — Friday, 24th October. Grace Day: Monday, 1st December.

Spring Term, 1981:

Wednesday, 7th January — Friday, 10th April. Hall Term: Monday and Tuesday, 23rd and 24th February. Grace Days: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 25th — 27th February.

Summer Term, 1981:

Monday, 27th April — Thursday, 23rd July. Half Term: Monday, 25th May — Friday, 29th May.

