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The annual Rugby match against the Old Boys took place on 29th March, which the Old Boys won by 51-5. This was probably the strongest Old Boys' team which has ever been collected and the School team were rather overwhelmed. The Old Boys gave a magnificent display of fast moving rugby.

The Old Boys' Dinner took place on 1st April at the Belle Vue Hotel. The principal guest was Professor R. A. Morton from Liverpool University.

On the occasion of the visit of Her Majesty the Queen to Southport on 13th April a party of boys from the School under Mr. Wakefield were accommodated in the Band Stand in front of the Cambridge Hall and had an opportunity of seeing the Queen at close quarters. In addition two senior boys represented the School inside the Cambridge Hall.

On 5th May two meetings of parents took place. At the annual General Meeting the Rev. T. T. Williams gave his annual report as parents' representative on the governing body and was re-elected for a further year. This meeting was followed by one for parents of boys in the Lower Fifth forms, in which discussions on careers took place.

We have been very unfortunate with the weather this year for our Athletics Sports. On the original date, 10th May, it poured with rain the whole afternoon and so the Sports were postponed until the 17th. We were only a little more fortunate on this day



Mr. C. WOODHAM

A member of the Staff from 1921 to 1955.

as the competitors had to contend with an icy north-east gale accompanied by showers.

Founder's Day Celebrations were held on 3rd June. We were again rather unfortunate with the weather as it was cloudy all day and a little rain fell, but this did not interrupt the Cricket match in which the Staff team beat the 1st XI by 9 wickets.

This term's charity collection was taken for the R.S.P.C.A. and realised £10 0s. 10d.

We congratulate I. M. Blair on gaining an Open Scholarship in Natural Sciences at Oriel College, Oxford.

Important Dates

Autumn Term begins 6th September

Valete

Webster, J. W., 1947-55—Rogers', Upper VI Mod. Schol., G.C.E. (A3, O4),
School Prefect 1954-55.

Rimmer, D. J., 1949-55—Rogers', Lower VI ScB., G.C.E. (O4), 1st XV
Colours 1954-55.

Bancroft, D. R., 1950-55—Mason's, Lower VY.

Chester, P. G., 1951-55—Rogers', Lower Vb.

Derbyshire, F., 1953-55—Edwards', IIIa.

Hughes, C. E., 1953-55—Rogers', IIIb.

Turner, R. R., 1953-55—Leech's, IIIb.

Salvete

Newman, D. G.

Mr. C. WOODHAM

At the end of this term Mr. C. Woodham retires after serving the School for a period of thirty four years. He came to the School as Senior Chemistry master in 1921 and his enthusiasm for his subject, combined with the ability to stimulate interest by his method of presentation, established a department that has been most successful in providing a regular supply of students to the chemistry departments of the various Universities. The high attainment of many of these Old Boys bears testimony to the value of the early training received under the direction of Mr. Woodham. In the administration of his department he has always been appreciative of the change in approach made necessary by the changes in scientific development, but in making the necessary adjustments he has always encouraged, and welcomed, suggestions from his colleagues for whom his generosity in thought and action has created a happy atmosphere.

From the boys he has always demanded a high standard of conduct but in his firm support of law and order he has dispensed justice with mercy.

Mr. Woodham's influence over boys passing through the School has not been confined to academic instruction in the classroom; indeed no one member of the staff has contributed more to the welfare of the boys in the various activities that form an integral part of any good school. Gifted with apparently limitless energy and initiative he has taken a leading part in developing the additional functions that modern society demands from the schoolmaster. Many Old Boys of the School will treasure pleasant memories of the annual expeditions that Mr. Woodham organised, when parties of thirty or more were accommodated in one of the Lake District Guest Houses for a week's fell-walking and climbing. Later in the life of the School he helped to establish the present high standard of School Plays by the very efficient way in which he discharged the duties of Stage Manager for many years. With the building of the dining-hall, Mr. Woodham established a School dinner service which compared most favourably with the highly efficient service now provided by the Central Authority. Now in more recent years he has devoted a great deal of time and care to the subject of careers and many parents must be grateful to him for building up a very efficient organisation for consultation and advice concerning the future of their sons.

In spite of the heavy demands made on his time by his own particular responsibilities, one could always approach Mr. Woodham in an emergency to do a duty as cricket umpire or athletics judge, etc., knowing full well that if he was free he would accept ungrudgingly.

In addition to his wonderful record of service to King George V School, Mr. Woodham has earned a national reputation for services to his profession. It is impossible to make reference to all the offices he has held in the Incorporated Association of Assistant Masters, but his devotion to the cause of the profession has earned him such respect that he has been honoured by election to the high office of Chairman of the Association for the current year.

Because Mr. Woodham has played such an important part in establishing the good reputation that King George V School enjoys, it is fitting that as the original housemaster, his name will continue to be associated with one of the School Houses. He was Housemaster of Woodham's House from 1923 to 1949.

His colleagues will remember him for his loyal co-operation and the help, backed by a wealth of experience, that he has always been most willing to give to each one of us.

Surely such a long record of earnest effort has earned the reward of a long happy retirement, which is the sincere wish from all associated with the School to Mr. and Mrs. Woodham.

House Reports

EDWARDS'

" Amici Usque Ad Aras "

Captain: D. J. Farrant *Almoner:* J. M. M. Dalby
Prefects: B. Ackers, P. Croston, E. W. Llewellyn, I. J. Milne,
M. C. Thompson.

Once again we filled the first place in the Honours' List last term with a greater total than for some time. We would congratulate all those who contributed towards this total, but, at the same time, would express the wish that this high standard be maintained.

We scored another success in the Senior Elocution contest last term with R. Armstrong being placed second, and N. H. M. Freeman fifth.

The House was also well represented in the School Concert, having D. R. Dixon, T. R. Hesketh and S. J. Tasker in the orchestra, and D. J. Farrant and E. Stephens in the Choir.

In the Junior Rugby competition, after an initial defeat by Gear's, C. W. Jerram led his team to two well-merited victories of 20-9, and 12-3, over Leech's and Evans' respectively.

At the close of the season the Games Committee awarded Rugby colours to D. J. Farrant, E. W. Llewellyn, G. T. Watkinson, P. G. Davies, C. W. Jerram and D. Town.

This term has seen a most pleasing resurgence in House Athletics, and in the Sports, although placed only sixth, we scored thirty-three points, our best total for many a term. We retained our Junior tug title, and were placed third in the relay in both Group 2 and Group 3. Amongst other notable individual successes were P. G. Davies's fine "double" in the 100 and 220 in Group 2, and E. W. Llewellyn's in winning the Group 1 discus event. D. J. Farrant, B. Henshaw, C. W. Jerram and I. Maxwell also scored points in their respective groups. Davies, Farrant and Llewellyn have all appeared regularly in the School Athletics team.

The joint Swimming captains, R. B. Charter and D. R. Dixon, have insisted that everybody who can walk must qualify, and their demands are being steadily appeased.

At the time of writing, the Senior Cricket XI has only to draw its last match to reach the final, having previously gained two fine victories over Spencer's and Woodham's. In the former match we scored 67, and then, largely due to M. C. Thompson's taking 6 wickets for 1 run, brought about the opposition's speedy demise for 14 runs. Against Woodham's we made 113 for 8 declared (Miley 60 not out) and then dismissed our opponents for 29 (Miley 5 for 2). Miley, Llewellyn, Thompson, D. Bailey and A. S. Bailey play for various School teams.

The Junior XI, under R. Williams, had a disappointing start, but we hope for better things in later games.

Finally, we would wish luck and pleasing results to all those taking the G.C.E. examinations. D.J.F.

EVANS'

"Disce Prodesse"

Captain: B. Livesley
Secretary: D. N. Max

Vice-Captain: D. H. Rimmer
Almoner: M. L. Salkie

Last term's success in the field of Athletics was sustained in the School Sports, when we obtained second place in the total number of points, and we should like to congratulate all those boys concerned in achieving this excellent standard. The following boys have represented the School in the Athletics team: W. T. Keeley, J. R. Savage, A. Scholes and C. F. Wilson.

The Senior House Cricket team, led by F. H. Colledge, has met with varied success, having beaten Grear's with reasonable ease, but having lost its second match to Leech's. Its hopes of reaching the Final depend on the encounter with Mason's which takes place shortly after this report goes to print. The Juniors, in spite of losing their first match to Grear's, have shown great keenness, and we wish them better luck in their other games. We have been represented in School teams by F. H. Colledge and S. B. Rimmer in the First XI, M. D. Heeley in the Second XI, A. Scholes in the Under Fifteen XI, and C. W. Wattleworth in the Under 14 XI.

G. Livesley reports that the Life-saving classes have been progressing reasonably well; and, in addition, we hope that all boys capable of keeping their heads above water will do their best to qualify. P. Baird, A. B. Johnston and J. M. Rawlinson have made regular appearances in the School Swimming team.

The House still occupies the lead in the Honours' List, and we trust that this meritorious position will not be usurped.

L. A. E. Ashworth and A. C. Jackson have been made House Prefects, and we feel sure that they will prove worthy of their new appointments.

Finally, the House will be losing the services of a number of its senior members at the end of the term, and we wish them the very best of luck in their future careers. We will always be very pleased to see them, and we hope that they will still keep in touch with School and House affairs. D.N.M.

GREAR'S

"Labore atque ludo"

Captain: G. A. Pearce
Secretary: J. M. Pendlebury
House Prefects: J. H. Martindale, C. M. Griffiths, G. R. Blundell,
J. B. Whittaker, G. Sharp.

The Junior Rugby team at the end of last term was in the final against Spencer's. This was a very hard game and for the

greater part of it we were very hard pressed. However, the defence, following the example of the captain, J. C. Wilson, held out very well indeed, and the team was to be congratulated on a well-earned victory.

In the Sevens Competition on the last day of term the House was beaten in the second round by Spencer's, the winners of the competition.

As soon as we returned to School this term the main sporting interest was athletics. Several practices were held for the different age groups and we thank the House Prefects who gave their time to organise them. We had a good representation from Group I in the finals, but Groups II and III were disappointing. We congratulated the Athletics Captain, J. B. Whittaker, on his extremely fine performance in gaining 22 points for the House. Another notable performance was G. R. Blundell's; he won the mile with a good time and also gained second place in the half-mile. Although we came very close to winning the trophies which we have held for the past year there was not enough support from the lower age groups to enable us to retain them.

The House was sorry to hear of the illness of N. Rimmer.

The Life-saving competition has now finished and we are awaiting the result to be announced with high hopes of being first. We owe thanks to the Captain, J. H. Martindale, and K. G. Roberts for all they have done for life-saving in the House during the past year.

The Senior Cricket team under the Captaincy of G. A. Pearce has up to the time of writing played two matches, losing the first and winning the second.

Finally, we wish every success to those taking G.C.E. examinations. J.M.P.

LEECH'S

"Ad unum omnes"

Captain: I. M. Blair
Vice-Captain: G. Topping
Secretary: M. F. Savage

Another term flown by, bringing us to the end of another School year. Looking back over the past thirteen weeks we can find various items to report, but nothing to reflect on with exceeding great joy. The gloomy shadow of the man with the initials G.C.E. has caught up with most of us, and we cannot console ourselves with our achievements on Sports Day, which were not really outstanding. Through the downpour of rain we only just managed to see Bullock tie for first place in the Group 2 high jump and the Juniors come 2nd in the relays. Topping, Whitehead E. and R., Davies and Woodhall are to be congratulated on the result they obtained under such trying conditions. Fortunately,

for Woodhall, one of his events was decided beforehand: he gained second place in the Group 2 javelin.

In our first Senior House match we were beaten by Mason's who recorded a score of 39 for 2 wickets against our 38 all out. In the second match luck was on our side and we won against Evans' by five wickets. In the Juniors' first match, we are pleased to report they made 66 runs with 7 wickets fallen, whereas Mason's were all out for 65. R. White is to be congratulated on a score of 37. While on the subject of Cricket, it should be mentioned that Proctor has played regularly for the 1st XI this term.

In our House Charity collection we raised 35s. 8d. Much credit is due to Entwistle, our Almoner, for the magnificent work he has put in this year. Morris has been continuing his good work with the Swimming this term and will be staying on next year to carry on in this sphere. But we have to say goodbye to two of our Senior officials, Blair and Topping. Blair has been our Captain over the past year and has captained the 2nd XI. He will be going up to Oxford in October. As for Topping—well his achievements are too many to enumerate. He will be at Manchester University a year from now, so we wish him and all the others who are leaving all the very best. We hope they will all call in and see us if ever they are in the district.

M.F.S.

MASON'S

We congratulate Waiters and Bray on their well deserved appointments as School Prefects.

In the Seven-a-side competition the Junior team gave a very good account of themselves, although they were just beaten in the semi-final.

Last term we held our Junior Chess competition. The joint winners were Cousins and Jackson. Meadowcroft, Greenhalgh and Dutton also played well. We hope to hold this competition yearly.

With the Athletics competition now finished, we still have one Cup and we thank all those who helped towards the final result. The House is represented in the School team by Bray, Waiters, Ormesher, Hodge, Kissenisky and Burgess.

Once again the House is well represented in School Cricket teams, Bray, Waiters, Bradford and Batty having played for the 1st XI, Rawcliffe and Belmont for the 2nd XI and Baines, Moister and Mentha for the various Colts teams. The House team, under the captaincy of Bray, has played two matches so far, winning one and losing the other. Nevertheless, we are still very much in the running for the Senior House Cup. The Junior Team under Baines has lost its only match to date, but we hope they will do better in the two remaining matches.

Finally, we wish all candidates in the G.C.E. Examinations every success.

J.E.B.

ROGERS'

House Captain: P. F. Norman
Secretary: I. Ziment

Co-Captain: N. R. Crompton
Almoner: K. G. Halsall

This term we are very glad to have Mr. Higham back with us again after his long illness. The House is very grateful to Mr. Woodcock for all he did for us during Mr. Higham's absence.

Last term our boxers excelled themselves in fighting through to win the competition. This term our athletes have surpassed themselves: it took a magnificent effort to win the Hepburn Cup, the Pariser Cup and the Mawdsley Shield. Our strength lay especially in the track events in which our senior relay team came close to breaking the School record. A. D. Hughes, N. R. Crompton, D. L. Booth, J. Hulm and A. T. Day did particularly well. Our unexpected success is due to hard training under the persuasion of Hughes.

So far in the Senior Cricket competition we have lost one game and won one by 129 runs.

P. F. Norman's Life-saving class has acquitted itself well. Several seniors gained awards last term. We hope for more awards from the juniors as well, this term. The juniors have been showing commendable interest in swimming and we hope for good results in the gala.

The House collections for this term's charity appeal were again far from satisfactory. Apparently there are several members of the House who are not prepared to make some personal sacrifice for others who are less fortunately placed.

The main event this term for many of the seniors is the G.C.F. examination. This is the culmination of many years' hard work and we hope the results will do justice to this fact. For a large number of seniors this term is their last at School; we wish them all a successful future. We hope that the boys returning next year will make an extra effort to offset the fact that the House will be losing many boys who have contributed much to its success.

I.Z.

SPENCER'S

"Virtute ac Diligentia"

House Captain: Forshaw, J. B. *House Vice-Captain:* Hershon
House Secretaries: Forshaw, J. A. and McLean.

House Prefects: Nyman, Hill *House Almoner:* Rodwell

We extend our congratulations to J. A. Forshaw on his well-deserved appointment as School Prefect.

Last term saw our Junior Rugby XV, under the captaincy of Taylor, narrowly defeated in the final by Grear's. However, the final performance of the Junior VII which fought its way to a clear-cut victory in the Final was an adequate consolation prize for the House.

Although our points' tally in the bleakness of Sport Day was lamentably small, we congratulate all Spencerians who defied the elements and put up a courageous show. We congratulate especially Nyman, Gill, Goddard and D. Wintersgill, who earned places.

The following boys have represented the School at Swimming: I. Hill (the School Swimming captain), B. W. Rimmer and Procter; and the following at Cricket: Blundell, B. E. Knowles and McLean (2nd XI); Fox (captain), Ball and Halsall (under 15's XI); J. H. Knowles (Under 14's XI).

Despite our representation in School teams, the Senior House XI, under the captaincy of McLean, has so far been humbled both by Edwards' and Rogers'. We wish our Junior XI (Captain: J. H. Knowles) better success.

The Swimming Gala is yet in the remote future, but we hope that the House will make a good showing.

There is still plenty of room for improvement in the academic field; we expect all boys to put their backs into their work and obtain as high a place in their forms as their ability warrants.

Finally, to all those who are taking external examinations, we wish the best of success; to all who are leaving, we express our sincere thanks for past services and hope that they retain happy memories of House and School.

P.A.M.

WOODHAM'S

Once more another term and another year has ended. On the whole it has been a more successful term than most, mainly because of the new spirit running through the House. There has been a better response all round. The fifth formers, the main stay of the House, are not quite as apathetic as they were.

Although we did not distinguish ourselves this year on the athletics field, promise was shown in Groups 2 and 3, and there are high hopes for a better performance next year. Great ability was shown by Beattie, Husband and Rigby, each being placed in the finals.

The Senior House Cricket XI, very ably led by J. J. Thompson has, up to the time of going to print, played two of its three matches. We beat Rogers' by eight wickets but lost rather heavily against Edwards'. We wish the Junior XI (under its Captain A. Beattie) the best of luck in their coming matches.

Life-saving classes have again been held this term by J. M. Ellis and E. M. Bennett. The response this term has been much better than previously, but although we have some fourteen entries there is still room for improvement. Swimming practices have been held in preparation for the gala and we have high hopes for our team.

J.W.G.

Society Reports

ART SOCIETY

Chairman: R. J. Hewett

Vice-Chairman: P. D. Bagshaw

Secretary: D. R. Holt

The Society continues to attract a large membership and although it was expected that the longer Summer evenings would mean a drop in attendance, this has not been the case. Indeed, membership has increased among boys in the Junior and Middle School. The Seniors are not quite so well represented but it is hoped that more will come along next term when the pressure of examinations has eased a little.

A wide variety of work has been undertaken this term and, while most boys have been content to keep to small scale work, some have successfully attempted things of a much larger size, working in groups. Modelling continues to be a popular if somewhat messy occupation and it is hoped to extend the use of this and many other hitherto untried means of expression next term.

Because of the G.C.E. Examinations, our meetings were discontinued in June, but we hope that a high standard of work will be maintained in the forthcoming exhibitions.

We are pleased to hear that P. D. Bagshaw and E. S. Roberts have been accepted for the Southport School of Art and we would like to extend our congratulations.

In September a completely new list of our members will be made and boys from all sections of the School will be welcome.

BEE CLUB

Chairman: M. L. Salkie

Treasurer: Mr. Drake

Secretary: I. Ziment

Vice-Chairman: R. J. Elliott

This year has been an extremely unfortunate year for many bee keepers. A poor season last year was followed by a hard winter which killed off not only the School bees but also some of the club officers' own stocks. So far the School bees have still not been replaced, although we have had an empty hive presented to us by the Isolation Hospital.

In spite of the fact that the Bee Club cannot be said to be living up to its name there is still considerable evidence of a keen membership. The juniors have continued to make praiseworthy efforts in their protracted spring-cleaning of the hives. Their interest suggests that our new stock (when we get it) will not suffer from lack of attention.

The senior members, although so far somewhat idle, will undoubtedly make their annual effort in preparing our stand at the School exhibition.

Next year when most of the senior members of the Club will have left the membership will be largely junior. We hope that many more will join and so get a chance to learn the many aspects of bee-keeping, which is an interest easily carried on out of school.

CHESS CLUB

Only one more chess match has been played since the last edition of the "Red Rose" went to press. This was an interesting away match against Moels Cop which the School won by 7 games to nil. The team was L. Lyons, R. W. Smith, B. Livesley, B. E. Howard, G. Livesley, A. Roberts and I. Ziment. It is hoped to make this match an annual event.

The School's chess record against other schools for the past year is:—

Won	Lost	Games For	Against
2	1	17	4
			L.L.

CHRISTIAN UNION

Chairman: J. M. M. Dalby *Vice-Chairman:* J. B. Whittaker
Secretary: A. T. Williams

Committee: Mr. G. F. Drake, D. H. Rimmer, J. B. Forshaw.

After talks by Mr. B. A. Burbridge on "The Cross" and Rev. D. H. F. Shiress, Curate of Christ Church, on "Guidance," last term ended with an Easter Service led by Mr. Drake.

"The Challenge of Christ," was the title of a talk given by J. M. M. Dalby in the first meeting of this term. A week later there was a discussion on the work of Billy Graham. Consideration was given to his purpose, his method, the theology on which he based his message, and the effect of his meetings.

On May 26th, the date of the General Election, there was a discussion on the Christian's duties as a citizen. The final meeting of this term will be a farewell to members who are leaving. There are a large number of these, and it is hoped that next year they will be replaced by Fifth and Lower Sixth formers.

The Music Room has been used for several meetings, and hymn-singing and Bible-reading have been a regular feature of meetings. Weekly prayer-meetings at the beginning of the term were quite well attended.

We hope that next year progress will continue, and that the Union will grow in quality and in numbers. A.T.W.

THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

Several books have augmented the Library stock this term, and we should like to express our gratitude for volumes received from F. Bibby, D. N. Max, M. F. Savage, and the members of the 1st XV (1954-55).

Four new Librarians have been appointed: J. T. H. Allen, D. R. Dixon, J. S. Nottingham and A. Rodwell. D.N.M.

MODEL CLUB

Chairman: P. D. Bagshaw *Vice-Chairman:* K. F. Wilson
Treasurer: P. Travis *Secretary:* D. S. G. Salmon
Librarians: K. F. Wilson and J. Belcher

The building of the model of the School was further continued this term and it is hoped that it will be finished for the forthcoming exhibition. Meetings for this purpose have been held every Tuesday when possible, and the Club Library has been open three nights each week for boys to borrow books. We should like to thank Mr. Garnett and many boys for their welcome donations to the library.

Boys are reminded that they may make models at school with the use of club materials and tools, and also borrow books free of charge, providing they have paid their subscriptions.

It is intended to form a control-line flying club in the future and we should be pleased if any boys who can give their support to this function would notify us.

All boys are invited to take part in Model Club activities.
P.D.B., D.S.G.S.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Chairman/Secretary: D. R. Holt *Treasurer:* A. C. Jackson
Librarian: C. M. Griffiths
Committee: J. A. Forshaw, R. A. Hargreaves, D. Latchford, A. Rodwell, D. R. K. Seddon.

On Sports Day, four members of the Society were appointed official photographers, and the results of their efforts will be displayed in the Exhibition at the end of term.

Darkroom activity has continued steadily this term and junior members have shown increasing interest in the processing of their films.

The committee decided to include a junior section in the annual Exhibition at the end of term.

As the standard of work of members of the Society has improved considerably it is hoped that this year's Exhibition will surpass all previous ones.

Finally, we should like to thank all committee members for their continued support and help in the smooth running of the Society. D.R.H.

SCOUTS

This term we commenced our summer activities. Though the weather has not been good it has been possible to spend some time outside. A number of games of basketball have been played and one evening was devoted to a "scavenge hunt".

The Troop provided a contingent of scouts to assist in lining the route on the occasion of the visit of the Queen and the Duke

of Edinburgh. We were also represented at the annual St. George's Day service.

We were fortunate in having Nyman, our Troop Leader, to represent the Troop and the local association at the Windsor parade on St. George's Day. Attendance is limited to Queen's Scouts. A service is held in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, after which the Queen inspects the scouts on parade. This is the first time that we have been represented though we hope to qualify in subsequent years too. Nyman returned most impressed by the proceedings and by the organisation which made the visit so interesting and successful.

Dalby, too, should soon be a Queen's Scout. This term he has been awarded the bushman's thong, which is one of the final stages towards the Queen's Scout badge. Heyes has completed his First Class and a number of proficiency badges have been awarded to members of the Troop.

A team was entered for the Scout swimming gala. Most members of the Troop are able to swim but we were rather weak in strong swimmers. Johnson did well in the junior section and after a very good effort gained a second place. In the senior squadron race only two troops entered. Although we were placed second it was an excellent race which we only just lost. Ashworth gave our team a lead with his back stroke and Nyman would very soon have overtaken his opponent over a longer course. The scouts who took part in the gala are congratulated and we look forward to a similar event next year.

After a number of postponements, it was finally decided to hold an "Open Night" at the same time as the Whit camp. The parents were invited to this special evening which was held on the School field. It was most gratifying to see the number of parents who showed so much interest and endured the chilly conditions. Each patrol pitched a tent early in the evening and the Headmaster inspected the tents to select the best effort. The Eagles were placed first and the Lions second. Having completed the tent, each patrol lit a fire and boiled a quantity of water. The Otters were the first to achieve this. During the course of the evening a number of entertaining games were played and the proceedings finished with a camp fire which supplied welcome warmth. The A.D.C., Rev. W. Peters, led the singing, and each patrol supplied an original item. Troop prayers gave an appropriate finish to the evening.

The summer camp this year is to be held near Thirsk, in Yorkshire. The site is attractive in many ways. It is "new" ground and has a plentiful wood supply, with water close at hand, there is also a nearby tarn where bathing can be enjoyed. The country is good for walking, with the Hambleton Hills very close. We hope that the weather will be more favourable than we have experienced during the last two summer camps.

THE THORNLEY SOCIETY

President: The Headmaster

Chairman: J. W. Gatiss

Secretary: J. K. Grundy

A new School society has been formed to promote such vigorous activities as climbing and caving. It has been named "The Thornley Society" after Captain J. W. Thornley, an old boy of the School (Edwards' House). Captain Thornley had an outstanding School record: he was a prefect and played for the School at rugby and cricket, before winning a scholarship to Liverpool University where he took a degree in Social Science. Later he joined the 7th Gurkha Rifles. Along with Sherpa Tenzing and two other Englishmen he attempted to climb Nanga Parbat where he lost his life in August, 1950. Tenzing, in the book "Man of Everest",* refers to him with these words: "Thornley, a determined man, seemed to gain strength from labour and hardship. I think he was the most powerful climber I have ever seen". He also refers to him as his friend, as "two of the finest men we have known". The Society is honoured to name itself after such a man.

For the summer term and holidays, two pot-holing weekends and a climbing holiday have been arranged. Any boys over 15 years of age who are interested in attending any future meets should give their names to the secretary.

J.K.G.

*An autobiography published by Harrap, June, 1955.

Old Boys' Section

NEWS OF OLD GEORGIANS

- J. K. Aldred (Ev) (1941-48) who was previously at Skegness, was appointed to a teaching post at Newton-le-Willows College of Further Education at Easter.
- J. F. Coke (M) (1923-29) is now Supplies Officer to the York "A" and Tadcaster Hospital Management Committee. There are 20 hospitals in the York group.
- B. J. Hartwell (M) (1921-24) Clerk to Southport Magistrates, has been re-elected District President of the Lancashire and Cheshire District of the Boys' Brigade.
- D. Marsh (R) (1944-53) is Captain of Cambridge University Golf team.
- B. Palmer (L) (1936-41) has been made a Member of the Association of Professional Engineers and of the Engineering Institute of Canada.
- J. Rosenbloom (S) (1944-47) elected Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects.
- W. D. Sharrocks (W) (1933-40) has been appointed by the Foreign Office as English lecturer for training student teachers in Indonesia under the Technical Assistance Scheme of the Colombo Plan.

- K. Westerman (S) (1933-40) is Assistant Marine Superintendent of the General Steamship Corporation in Los Angeles.
 C. Wynne (S) (1943-51) has passed the second examination for the M.B., Ch.B. degree at Liverpool University.

Marriages

- J. R. Craig to Maud Odehnal at Chapel Street Congregational Church on 19th March.
 J. A. Watt to Jill Greenwood at St. Phillip's Church on 29th March.
 D. A. French to Christine Bedham at Christ Church on 2nd April.
 F. W. O'Brien to Christine Cowdery at Holy Trinity Church on 2nd April.
 C. Rimmer to Elsie Brearley at St. Cuthbert's Church on 2nd April.
 H. Spencer to Joan Brattin at All Souls' Church on 2nd April.
 A. J. Usher to Beryl Redfearn at Christ Church on 2nd April.
 G. A. Slater to Kathleen Piper at St. Peter's Church, Ealing, on 9th April.
 A. S. Taylor to Audrey Marshall at St. James' Church on 11th April.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER

About eighty Old Boys assembled for the Annual Dinner of the Association which was held on April 1st at the Belle Vue Hotel. The proceedings opened in the usual atmosphere of camaraderie which was further heightened by stimulants proper to the occasion. At table, the prevailing bonhomie seemed to be well maintained and the fare provided was generally admitted to be excellent. The Guests were Professor R. A. Morton, F.R.S., Professor of Biochemistry at the University of Liverpool, Mr. G. Woodham, Mr. H. Booth and Mr. G. Topping.

Professor Morton, as Guest of Honour, proposing the toast to the School, said that when preparing his speech, he had taken the trouble to look up something about the origin of Southport. After several vain efforts to find it, he was in the end surprised to discover that it seemed to lie in a hostelry of somewhat questionable reputation in the neighbourhood of Churchtown. Professor Morton went on to speak of the long association between the School and the University. The Headmaster, as President of the Association, replied on behalf of the School.

The toast of the Association was proposed by Mr. C. Woodham, who drew on his long memory in referring to many Old Boys who in their several callings, had achieved some eminence, and urged that the Association ought to strive more and more to make its influence felt and respected in Southport. The Chairman in replying, took the opportunity of passing on to Mr. Woodham the good wishes of all members of the Association for his coming retirement.

In the absence through indisposition of Mr. P. Slater, his speech as a toast to the Guests was read by Mr. L. Duckworth, vice-chairman of the Association. Mr. Duckworth referred to the accomplishments, activities and idiosyncracies of each of the Guests in turn and thanked them for the honour they had done the Association by attending. Mr. H. Booth replied in a very moving speech in which he referred to the wonderful heritage which lay in the grammar school tradition of England and what an immense and invaluable contribution it had made in the academic, cultural and recreational life of the past, adding a plea that every influence should be brought to bear to ensure that it may continue to do so.

It remains only to assure those who may read this somewhat arid precis of the speeches, that each was enlivened by a good deal of wit and spiced with anecdotes appropriate to the occasion.

J.W.L.

UNIVERSITY LETTERS

Cambridge

For some of us here the sands of time are running out all too quickly; even now we are turning our eyes towards the wide world in the form, perhaps of an industrialist eagerly seeking technologists fashioned on the Cambridge lathe; or, if in our folly we have run counter to the Spirit of the Age and are Arts Graduates, we reflect upon the merits of Banking and Journalism and Pig-keeping and decide that, after all that we have said for so many years and in spite of Mr. George Bernard Shaw, we will resign ourselves to the Burnham Scale and longer holidays and It is our last term, and, although we knew that it was inevitable, we never really believed it would come. Yet a little while and we shall no longer punt to Granchester "all on a golden afternoon" and have honey for tea—because Rupert Brooke did so; no longer "climb in" after a night of revels; nor simply tread the familiar paths of our College and feel that we "belong." We shall go down for the last time, and the spell (we dare not say the illusion) of Cambridge life will be shattered in a world which will be doing, and yet knows not why. But we have had our moments—perhaps just one short hour and sweet?—and time alone can take their remembrance from us. Leaving School was not so hard, for we had the (as yet unknown) romance of Cambridge life before us; but earning our living—that no poet, no novelist, not even a Secretary of the University Appointments Board can make appeal to the romantic in us. It is Adam's curse, and we are all Adam's children.

Philosophies is nasty (as Fluellen might have said), but what can a poor scribe do, when everyone is working for Tripos, and doing very little besides? Cricket, Tennis, Squash and the Trombone are played with varying degrees of skill by O.G's here.

We are expecting some impressive Tripos Results from a few of our number, but they are in the discerning hands of the President of the Immortals. All will be known in two or three weeks, and those of us who are still here can return to the common round, some a little bruised in the fray; or shall we note (with surprise) that the new "Deer-Stalker" we had ordered is now a size too small? We hear one of our number murmuring "Aequam memento . . ." but the Muse of Greece and Rome is a-dying, and Science waits impatiently to write her epitaph. But the murmur persists—*exigui monumentum aere perennius*—and (who knows?) the ancient poet's boast may still be heard, when Atomic Reactors are a Museum Curiosity.

It is time to close, for, as Aristotle so sagely remarked, a work should have a beginning, a middle and an end. Like the Welsh lady we have not mentioned names, but for that we offer no apology. A list of names, a list of examinations to be taken—that is not quite the whole story, but it is sufficiently so to make us preserve our anonymity. It is in the terms of Michaelmas and Lent that we are most truly ourselves, and then we shall be less bashful.

We bid a sad farewell to those who are leaving us—our good wishes go with them—and we welcome in advance those who will be joining us next term: "Tomorrow to fresh woods and pastures new."

Oxford

To those whose outlook is not dimmed by the spectre of "Schools", Oxford is displayed in its true glory during the Trinity Term. Awakened from a prolonged hibernation, produced by the inclement weather, Old Georgians can once again be seen, applying themselves to the Muses, the Isis, sport, and the social rounds. Notable in such surrounds is the figure of L. Barton, the most senile of our company, who, despite the joys of Finals, has managed to dabble in social cricket—light relief from his varsity Rugby tour of France, and several strenuous "coppers" matches of last term. At the House, J. B. A. Hyde, too, is to be congratulated on his half-blue and election to the secretaryship of varsity badminton, whilst his tennis debut has resulted in his award of a Penguin in the university 2nd VI.

R. S. Rubins, in the sheltered backwaters of Iffley Road, has played for St. Catharine's 2nd VI at tennis, and indulges in several gallant activities on the towpath after midnight. Charges of perjury, bribery and corruption, and arson, have been brought against J. W. Wood, who nearly persuaded the Magdalen Musical Society to elect him President, whilst, in his capacity as an electrician, he was responsible for an attempt to set the deer park alight. J. Hinds, at the Queen's, dabbles in cricket and eton fives and cuts a gallant figure in the High, whereas J. V. Boothman prefers the

more æsthetic charms of ramming punts on the Cherwell rollers, and demonstrating his incompetence with a rifle. Our theological students, M. Ridyard and D. Matten, donning their clerical regalia, have added to the social life of the River Cherwell in their canoes, and the fleeting figure of Solomons has been observed in the region of the Broad.

Liverpool

In March, Liverpool University holds its annual "Panto-Day" Rag. This year about £6,000 was raised for local charities. There was a pleasing variety of stunts performed. Among them was an emergency operation conducted by white-coated surgeons in the middle of Castle Street to the accompaniment of earnest entreaties from a rather overwhelmed police officer. Needless to say, Old Georgians featured prominently in the festivities. (Send stamped addressed envelope for details).

The summer term is here once again and most of us are now busy trying to catch up on the previous terms' work. This, no doubt, accounts for the sad neglect of the sporting side of University life by L.U.O.G.S. However, we hear that J. D. Lewis wields a bat for one of the XI's and several stalwarts perform regularly on the courts at Wyncote. Several Old Georgians pay farewell to the University this summer. D. McLeod will soon be a fully fledged medical practitioner! J. Smith spends his time swotting equity and tort (and what is the maximum number of years of hard labour they can give him) in the Cohen Library. R. A. Eccles is busy writing up the year's practical work for his thesis; together with J. Weber and "Nobby" Slack he takes his B.Sc. (hons.) finals this June.

Finally, we wish all boys facing G.C.E. examinations this summer the best of luck and we look forward to seeing many of them here next year. We might add, for the benefit of those who may still be undecided, that Liverpool is quite the best all round University for Old Georgians. And remember, it is the only one that lies in Mrs. Braddock's constituency.

Miscellaneous

"ANTIGONE"

(Performed by the Southport Repertory Company,
March 11th, 1955)

At some time or other we have all probably looked into the pages of Sophocles; what, therefore, we may ask, can there be new to find in Jean Anouilh's modern French version of "Antigone"? So many of us thought when we went to see this play—but how wrong we were proved! Not only were we given a new and deeper insight into those time-honoured characters, but

we had also the benefit of modern stage technique and convention to aid the illusion.

French playwrights have always succeeded in doing what no Englishman, and only one Irishman has ever really successfully done—to put their characters into a theatrical vacuum merely for the purpose of talking. One reason for this is that the theatre-going Englishman is inclined to remember what he has seen, the Frenchman what he has heard. But judging from the audience's reaction at the Scala, I should say that this was for once disproved.

How did Donald Bodley set about producing this vacuum for us? Chiefly by following the Greek and French tradition of simple scenes and costume. He took us into a room in Creon's palace at the back of which was a rectangular opening flanked by two columns, and fronted by a platform which descended by steps into the heart of the room. This opening revealed the sky, but our attention was too often dragged away from the central action by the constant merging of blues and reds behind. The main characters wore modern evening dress, thus implying the universality of the ancient myth, and the blacks and whites contrasted to suggest good and evil. One regrets, however, that the royal guards should have resembled the local territorial squad: Anouilh's aim was to portray a human character inside the uniform, and because of this he was accused of being friendly towards the Germans since the play was written during their occupation of France, and therefore the original uniforms would have been suggestive of the Gestapo. The homely khaki never gave the sinister impression which the author also intended.

The opening of the play was a triumph of production: the darkened stage revealed Antigone and the Chorus silhouetted against the deep blue sky. As the lights faded up the characters were shown in tableau, like some court scene by the painter David. The Chorus approach, quite casually introduced the characters who departed one by one, and the stage was cleared for action.

In actual fact there is, in this play, little action: we learn of Antigone's intention to bury her brother, the outlawed Polynices—the guard reports the body's burial—Antigone is caught making a second attempt and is brought before her uncle Creon. The major part of the play resolves itself into Creon's attempt to drive the death-wish from his niece's mind. We are shown Anouilh's genius at its best as he brings most cogent arguments from Creon's mouth. We see a far different man to the unscrupulous villain of Sophocles' trilogy: Anouilh shows him as a firm ruler, determined to do his best for the state, yet at heart loving his son and niece to the extent that he is willing to revoke his own law to procure their happiness. It is greatly to Donald Bodley's credit that he brought out these different facets. His performance was no less matched by Elizabeth McKenzie who, although her voice reminds us that she played Shakespeare's Goneril and O'Casey's

Juno, was at her most convincing as the physically plain but spiritually beautiful Antigone.

The actual catastrophe, as in Greek drama, was narrated by a messenger. The play, however, did not dwindle away conventionally with the feeling that all is for the best. Instead we were shown the pathetic Creon left alone with his page: bearing his sorrow, he trudges off to a routine cabinet meeting, reminding us that life must go on.

With this in mind we came back to reality as the curtain fell. The memory of a great and moving play lingered still—but the philosophy too remained. G.P. Hershon (Upp. VI Mod.Sch.)

SCOUTS' EASTER VISIT TO THE LAKE DISTRICT

For the second year in succession, a party of Scouts spent a week in the Lake District at Easter. This year the party, under the leadership of the Assistant Scoutmasters Mr. Berry and Mr. Garnett, was extended to include a number of juniors, and as a result separate programmes were arranged for the two groups of boys. Unfortunately the weather was not nearly so favourable as it was last year; in fact the party was unlucky enough to choose the only unsettled week in a month of comparatively fine weather. Mist and low cloud prevented our venturing on the mountains for most of the week, but although our intended programme had to be considerably modified, our enjoyment was not proportionally diminished.

The only summit of any note which we succeeded in reaching was Helvellyn (3118 ft.), climbed by both groups by different routes on the first day. For the senior party, however, this turned out to be quite a hazardous exploit. The juniors, who made the ascent via Sticks Pass and Raise, reached the summit about 2 p.m., and, seeing the approach of lowering clouds, made a hasty descent by Helvellyn Gill. At this time, however, the seniors, who had walked into Patterdale from Grasmere over Grisedale Hause, were only approaching Striding Edge, and before long they were completely enshrouded in mist. The scramble along the Edge was made even more unpleasant when a gale sprang up and it started to snow, while the final climb to the summit and the walk along the ridge was undertaken in conditions which could only be described as arctic. The party finally reached the road along Thirlmere soaked to the skin and numb with cold, but fortunately no damage was done which a hot shower and a good meal could not repair.

The remainder of the week's activities were confined to one or two frustrated attempts to climb other mountains, and a number of very pleasant but sometimes rather damp hikes on the lower slopes, for example to Hawkshead and Tarn Howes, Loughrigg Terrace and Blea Tarn. We can only hope that next year we shall

be able to achieve what the weather prevented us from doing this time.

Once again our sincere thanks are due to the Warden and staff of Hammarbank, Windermere, for giving us so warm a welcome and looking after our welfare so capably, and we look forward to further visits to this palatial hostel which serves us so well as a base for our Lakeland hikes.

CHORAL AND ORCHESTRAL CONCERT

The sixth annual Choral and Orchestral Concert was presented by the School Music Society on Friday, 25th March, 1955, when the programme was as follows:—

Orchestra: Heroic March (Schubert).

Choir: 1, Gaudeamus igitur (Old German students' song); 2, Die Lorelei (German folk-song); 3, The Piper O'Dundee (Scottish folk-song).

Orchestra: 1, Air; 2, Rondo (Purcell).

Madrigal Choir: 1, In going to my lonely bed (Edward); 2, It was a lover and his lass (Morley).

Junior Choir: 1, Sound the trumpet (Purcell); 2, Bobby Shafto (arr. by Alec Rowley).

Orchestra: Keltic Lament (J.H.Foulds).

Choir and Orchestra: Non Nobis Domine (Quilter).

Orchestra: Somerset Suite (Vaughan Williams).

Choir and Orchestra: 1, Ah! what strange feelings; 2, See, the realm of rest eternal (Gluck).

Madrigal Choir: 1, O, Sleep fond fancy (Bennet); 2, Now is the month of maying (Morley).

Orchestra: Incidental Music to "Romeo and Juliet"; 1, Introduction to Act IV; 2, Festive Music (J. R. Williams).

Choir and Orchestra—Choral Dance No. 17 (Polovtsienne Dances) (Borodin).

The Orchestra of 36 players, led by R. A. Hargreaves, and the Choir of 71 voices, were under the conductorship of Mr. J. R. Williams. We must express our thanks to the members of the High School for Girls who once again gave us their valuable assistance in the string section. The Orchestra has steadily improved during the past years, and this year its performance was by far the best yet. The improvement in tone was quite remarkable and the fact that the players kept better time showed their ability to follow the Conductor more closely. However, during the rendering of Vaughan Williams' "Somerset Suite", the violins sometimes tended to go astray from the written music, and some rather weird sounds emerged from that section of the Orchestra. They were, however, soon brought back by the leader, and this criticism apart, the Orchestra is to be congratulated on its performance.

This year's Choir was up to its usual standard. The soprano voices of the Junior Choir, forming over half of the whole Choir, were supported by a considerable number of bass voices, and a somewhat lesser number of tenors and altos. Singing on their own, the Junior Choir gave excellent rendering of Henry Purcell's "Sound the Trumpet", and an arrangement of "Bobby Shafto" by Alec Rowley. The tone of the whole Choir was good and well balanced, and the enunciation, even in the pieces not sung in English, and especially in "Die Lorelei", was also very good. It could have been improved, however, had the Choir learnt their words by heart; or, failing that, had they had one copy of music each.

Especially noteworthy this year was the Madrigal Choir. Introduced last year by Mr. J. R. Williams, it has now firmly established itself as a part of the Concert, and it is to be hoped that it will be a part of all future performances.

As is usual at the School Concert, the best was left until the last, and an enjoyable evening was crowned with a brilliant performance, by a combined effort of Choir and Orchestra, of the "Polovtsienne Dances" from Borodin's opera "Prince Igor". The Choir thoroughly enjoyed their part in this work, and the Orchestra had quite a difficult task in restraining their enthusiasm.

The Concert ran very smoothly and the audience were very appreciative. However, the intended abrupt ending to one of the sections of the "Incidental Music to 'Romeo and Juliet'", specially composed by the Conductor for last year's School Play, quite took them by surprise.

The Concert as a whole was a great success, and all those concerned with its production—Conductor, Choir and Orchestra—deserve congratulation on their achievement.

A.R.

FLYING SAUCERS—FACT OR FANTASY?

Since 1947, reports have been coming in from all over the world, but mostly from the United States, of unidentified objects travelling through the sky at tremendous speeds. Much controversy has gone on whether these so-called "Flying Saucers" are merely natural phenomena or interplanetary spacecraft. I believe that they do come from other planets and I will try to show that this suggestion is not absurd as it may appear at first glance.

Since 1951, at the Pentagon, Washington, U.S.A., a selected group of high American Government officials has been trying to find out all about flying saucers. Last year they officially stated that the only explanation they could offer the public was that flying saucers are from another planet.

Now let us look at the facts. In August, 1947, two American airline pilots reported having seen a black cigar shaped object silhouetted against the sky. When they tried to pursue it, it sped away out of sight.

A year later, a certain Captain Mantell, an experienced flier was killed whilst chasing an unidentified object described as "an ice cream cone tipped with red".

In 1951, two women and nine men flying near Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanganyika, saw a bullet shaped object which remained in sight for seventeen minutes.

In the United States one saucer did so much violent manoeuvring around an airliner that the pilot of the airliner said that no human could withstand such violent turns.

These are but four of the many hundreds of saucer sightings which have come from all over the world.

What explanations have been offered to explain these startling facts? Three possibilities have been put forward: 1, That the saucers are optical illusions due to atmospheric conditions or other natural phenomena; 2, That they are a new unconventional aircraft being developed; 3, That they are interplanetary.

I admit that some of the things reported are probably natural phenomena with some perfectly rational explanation, but this cannot account for all saucer sightings. Nor are flying saucers a new type of aircraft under development. Therefore the only explanation left is that flying saucers come from other planets.

Other things which suggest this explanation are the landings saucers have made. However, I think that one should regard these dubiously if there is not sufficient proof.

Probably the best known contact is that which George Adamski, an amateur astronomer from Mount Palomar, U.S.A., made in the Californian desert on November 20th, 1952. He communicated with a man from Venus who had landed in his saucer. To support his claim he has seven witnesses, a photographic plate with the Venusians hieroglyphics scrawled on it, a plaster cast of the visitors' footprints and a photograph of the flying saucer. Here is Adamski's description of the Venusian: "The beauty of his form surpassed anything I had ever seen. I felt like a child in the presence of one with great wisdom and much love."

Two other Americans claim to have met some beings who fly the saucers and even to have flown in a saucer, but their evidence is shadowy and they have no photographs.

An Englishman, Cedric Allingham, claims to have met a Martian in 1954. He has, to support his statement, a photograph of the Martian and a signed statement by a witness who has not yet been traced.

Both Adamski and Allingham say that the "pilots" of the saucers claim that space travel is common among other planets.

To conclude: until something appears which emphatically disproves the fact the flying saucers are from neighbouring planets, the only explanation is that they ARE interplanetary.

P. Middleton, (Lr. VX).

FUN WITH PLACE-NAMES

While walking over SIXHILLS I met Mr. WAKEFIELD, who had a RIPON his trousers, pushing a BARROW full of STONE. He took out his SANDWICH pack and as there had been NUNEATON, I took one. We passed the BUSHEY SEVENOAKS and ASH and walking past a HAYFIELD, went through a RAMSGATE into a MANSFIELD where a sole LEEK was growing near a WHITEWELL. We saw a workman called MUGGINGTON and called out, "CHORLEY! come here and ANDOVER your tools".

My EYE then picked out an OLD WARDEN from jail. He crossed OVER and asked WHITCHURCH I went to, and I replied CHURCH STRETTON. I bought an ice-cream COLNE and made for HOLME. I passed a POOLE and began to look on the BRIGHTSIDE for that night I was to take out MABLETHORPE.

R. Whitehead, (Lr. VX).

HOBBIES

1. **Keeping pets**—F. H. Addis, (2A).
2. **Photography**—J. Buck, (2A).
3. **Stamp Collecting**—D. Sharpling, (2A).

(1)

Keeping a miniature zoo can be good fun if you are prepared to look after and feed your animals properly. Regular cleaning is essential with most pets kept in cages. Nor should they be overfed, for the surplus food will rot and cause the cage to become unhealthy and smelly. To keep pets in these conditions is very cruel, as most animals like to be clean and fresh in their cages. Goldfish must have their water changed every day and the water from the tap must be left to stand for at least fifteen minutes to obtain the correct temperature. Goldfish are a good example of fish that do not eat much; if they are overfed, the uneaten food goes to the bottom and pollutes the water and kills the fish.

My guinea pigs take nearly as much looking after as the budgerigar. Every evening I have to clean out their sleeping-den and change the food (they are fed night and morning). Their main diet is a mixture of bran and oats, with grass, cabbage leaves, toast, carrot and apple peelings as extras. My grass snake lives in a cage which is filled with grass and has a small pool. His main diet is small frogs, worms and tadpoles. The slow-worms eat much the same food in the form of worms, slugs, caterpillars and spiders. The easiest pets to keep are the toads, for they eat hardly anything but worms. My most expensive pet is my budgerigar (Peter) who can talk well. The reason for his being so expensive to feed

is that he will only eat canary seed. He also has his extras such as groundsel and every so often we give him a dose of phospherine to keep him in good condition.

The most expensive pet in our house is our dog, a Cairn terrier, who is eight months old—he will eat cooked horse meat only. He has been caught more than once rubbing noses with my budgie!

(2)

Photography is a rewarding hobby, the most fascinating part of which is making the prints. Everybody who has used a camera will know the thrill of seeing his prints for the first time; recalling the places, the people and the incidents of a recent holiday. It is not difficult to imagine the added pleasure of seeing all these things gradually appear, almost as if by magic, on the surface of a piece of blank paper. But that is not the only attraction. Nobody will need to be told how much more interesting and satisfying it is to produce the pictures entirely by his own efforts rather than to feel that someone else has done the bulk of the work and he has only pointed the camera and pressed the button.

To print your films they must be first exposed to the light which acts upon the emulsion. Next they are placed into the developing fluid and you may watch the image that gradually takes shape. The print must then be transferred from the developing to the fixing fluid. This removes the surplus chemicals not blackened by the developer and makes the print permanent. Finally, the print is washed under a running tap and dried on some blotting paper.

(3)

The first stamps ever made were the famous Penny Black and Twopenny Blue of Great Britain, which were issued on May 6th, 1840. These two stamps were first printed by Sir Rowland Hill. In 1841 the Penny Black was changed to red as it was found that the postmark did not show very well on the black stamp. The Penny Black and Twopenny Blue were printed in London in sheets of two hundred and forty stamps, and were imperforate (having no perforations). The first perforated stamps therefore, did not appear until about twelve years after the colour of the Penny Black was changed.

Great Britain was the first country to issue a postage stamp. Brazil was the first to follow and that country's first issue appeared in 1843. Within ten years stamps were in use in nearly all the countries of the world, and very soon after, the hobby of stamp-collecting began.

The world's most valuable stamp is the British Guiana, first printed in 1856. It is worth over £7,340. There are only a few of these valuable stamps left.

Many countries print watermarks in their stamps to distinguish them from forgeries.

There are many groups of stamps, the most popular being air mail stamps, but others include commemoratives, pictorials, war stamps, triangular stamps, and charity stamps.

Sports Section

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS

After being postponed for a week because of rain the Sports were finally held on Tuesday, May 17th. We were again unlucky in having rain for most of the afternoon and this dismissed any hopes of exceptional performances. Rogers' House is to be congratulated on winning three of the four trophies.

Results

- 100 yards Group III: 1, Rigby, P. J. (W); 2, Day, A. T. (R); 3, Wintersgill, D. (S). 14.6 secs.
- 100 yards, Group II: 1, Davies, P. G. (Ed); 2, Keeley, W. T. (Ev); 3, Beattie, A. R. (W). 12.7 secs.
- 100 yards, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Topping G. (L); 3, Hughes, A. D. (R). 11.4 secs.
- 220 yards, Group III: 1, Day, A. T. (R); 2, Hulm, J. (R); 3, Rigby, P. J. (W). 33.6 secs.
- 220 yards, Group II: Davies, P. J. (Ed); 2, Burgess, G. F. (M); 3, Woodhall, P. I. (L). 29.0 secs.
- 220 yards, Group I: 1, Topping, G. (L); 2, Hughes, A. D. (R); Crompton, N. R. (R). 25.0 secs.
- 440 yards, Group III: 1, Wintersgill, D. (S); 2, Johnston, A. B. (Ev); 3, Hulm, J. (R). 71.6 secs.
- 440 yards, Group II: 1, Scholes, A. (Ev); 2, Whitehead, E. (L); 3, Whiteley, M. G. (Ev). 65.8 secs.
- 440 yards, Group I: 1, Crompton, N. R. (R); 2, Booth, D. L. (R); 3, Wilson, C. F. (Ev). 58.0 secs.
- 880 yards, Group II: 1, Perry, A. (Ev); 2, Whitehead, E. (L); 3, Whiteley, M. J. (Ev). 2 min. 31.4 secs.
- 880 yards, Group I: 1, Ormesher, B. D. (M); 2, Blundell, G. R. (G); 3, Wilson, C. F. (Ev). 2 min. 15.7 secs.
- One mile, Group I: 1, Blundell, G. R. (G); 2, Kissensky, J. O. (M); 3, Nymman, H. B. (S). 4 min. 58.1 secs.
- 120 yards Hurdles, Group II: 1, Burgess, G. F. (M); 2, Barton, J. (R); 3, Green, D. (Ev). 20.2 secs.
- 120 yards Hurdles, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Farrant, D. J. (Ed); 3, Waiters, A. K. (M). 20.2 secs.
- Long Jump, Group III: 1, Hulm, J. (R); 2, Sutton, B. J. (R); 3, Bullock, P. (L). 12 ft. 11 ins.
- Long Jump, Group II: 1, Burgess, G. F. (M); 2, Beattie, A. N. (W); 3, Jerram, C. W. (Ed). 14 ft. 11 ins.
- Long Jump, Group I: 1, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 2, Hughes, A. D. (R); 3, Topping, G. (L). 18 ft. 0½ ins.
- High Jump, Group III: 1, Maxwell, I. (Ed) and Bullock, P. (L); 3, Flemming, C. J. (Ev). 4 ft. 1 ins.
- High Jump, Group II: 1, Burgess, G. F. (M); 2, Husband, L. G. (W); 3, Green, D. (Ev); 4 ft. 7 ins.

High Jump, Group I: 1, Smith, J. E. R. (G) and Whittaker, J. B. (G) equal; 3, Waiters, A. K. (M). 5 ft. 1 in.
 Discus, Group I: 1, Llewellyn, E. W. (Ed); 2, Whittaker, J. B. (G); 3, Waiters, A. K. (M). 95 ft. 1 in.
 Discus, Group II: 1, Keeley, W. T. (Ev); 2, Woodhall, P. I. (L); 3, Henshaw B. (Ed). 122 ft. (Record).
 Weight, Group I: 1, Waiters, A. K. (M); 2, Pearce, G. (G); 3, Sharp, J. G. (G). 35 ft. 8 ins.
 Weight, Group II: 1, Keeley, W. T. (Ev); 2, Davies, M. K. (L); 3, Whitehead, E. (L). 35 ft. 5 ins. (Record).
 Javelin, Group I: 1, Waiters, A. K. (M); 2, Hodge, C. (M); 3, Gill, B. F. (S). 121 ft. 10 ins.
 Javelin, Group 2: 1, Goddard, R. F. (S); 2, Woodhall, P. I. (L); 3, King, B. (G). 106 ft. 4 ins. (Record).
 Relay, Group III: 1, Rogers'; 2, Leech's; 3, Edwards'. 61.7 secs.
 Relay, Group II: 1, Evans'; 2, Woodham's; 3, Edwards'. 56.2 secs.
 Relay, Group I: 1, Rogers'; 2, Grear's; 3, Evans'. 1 min. 43.8 secs.
 Junior Tug: 1, Edwards'.
 Senior Tug: 1, Rogers'.

Trophies

The Hepburn Cup for individual Track Events won by Rogers'.
 The Taylor Cup for individual Field Events won by Mason's.
 The Pariser Cup for team events won by Rogers'.
 The Mawdsley Shield for the highest aggregate in all events won by Rogers'.

ATHLETICS MATCHES.

Up to the time of writing, the Athletics team has competed in two home matches and the Northern Schools' Sports at the White City, Manchester. In the first of these matches we were narrowly beaten by Kirkham G.S., the result depending on the final relay, which Kirkham won. In this match, J. E. R. Smith competed very successfully in the high jump to establish a new School record of 5ft. 5ins.

We won the open competition against Merchant Taylors' School quite comfortably. J. B. Whittaker performed excellently, willing the 100 yards, the long jump, 120 yards hurdles and the high jump. A. K. Waiters also had a good day, completing a double by winning the weight and the javelin. In addition he came 3rd in the high jump.

The outstanding performers in the Juniors were P. G. Davies, who won the 100 yards and 220 yards under 16; and A. N. Beattie who, in the under 14's, won the 220 and long jump and came 2nd in the 100 yards.

In the Northern Schools Sports we achieved our best performance for the event by being placed sixth out of the sixty competing Grammar and Public Schools. J. B. Whittaker was our most successful competitor being placed second in the long jump by jumping 20ft. 4½ins. and third in the high jump by jumping 5ft. 6ins. A. K. Waiters was placed sixth in putting the weight with a distance of 39ft. 7ins. G. Topping and A. D. Hughes reached the

semi-finals of the 100 yards, but unfortunately Topping pulled a ligament. Here a word of praise is due for P. G. Davies who took Topping's place in the relay team at very short notice. Others who competed were Blundell (mile in 4 mins. 50.7 secs.); R. A. Sutton (¾ mile steeplechase); C. F. Wilson (880 yards in 2 min. 13.3 secs); and N. R. Crompton (440 yards in 56.1 secs).

MATCH AGAINST KIRKHAM G.S. AND BALSHAW'S G.S.

April 22nd, 1955

100 yards (under 14): 1, Bamber (K.G.S.); 2, McGaw (B.G.S.); 3, Brown (B.G.S.). 12.3 secs.
 100 yards (under 16): 1, Jackson (K.G.S.); 2, Davies; 3, Blossom (K.G.S.). 11.4 secs.
 100 yards: 1, Jeffery (K.G.S.); 2, Topping; 3, Whittaker. 10.4 secs.
 220 yards (under 14): 1, Bamber (K.G.S.); 2, Martland (B.G.S.); 3, Beattie. 27.2 secs.
 220 yards (under 16): 1, Blossom (K.G.S.); 2, Swift (K.G.S.); 3, Smith. 26.0 secs.
 220 yards: 1, Jeffery (K.G.S.); 2, Topping; 3, Hughes. 23.6 secs.
 440 yards (under 16): 1, Jones; 2, Jackson (K.G.S.); 3, Roorcroft (B.G.S.). 62.6 secs.
 440 yards: 1, Hall (B.G.S.); 2, Whalley (K.G.S.); 3, Crompton. 56.0 secs.
 880 yards (under 16): 1, Gillett; 2, Kennedy (K.G.S.); 3, Allen (B.G.S.). 2 mins. 24 secs.
 880 yards: 1, Ormesher; 2, Wilson; 3, Robinson (B.G.S.). 2 mins. 16 secs.
 Mile: 1, Makin (B.G.S.); 2, Kissensky; 3, Blundell. 4 mins. 54.4 secs.
 120 yards Hurdles: 1, Renshaw (K.G.S.); 2, Garstang (K.G.S.); 3, Farrant.
 Long Jump (under 14): 1, Bamber (K.G.S.); 2, Brown (B.G.S.); 3, Martland (B.G.S.). 16 ft. 5 ins.
 Long Jump: 1 Whittaker; 2, Hughes, 3, Jeffery (K.G.S.). 20 ft. 6 ins.
 High Jump (under 16): 1, Smith; 2, Hosker (K.G.S.); 3, Thwaite (B.G.S.). 5 ft. 5 ins. (School record).
 High Jump: 1, Whittaker; 2, Mee (B.G.S.); 3, Jackson (K.G.S.). 5 ft. 4 ins.
 Discus: 1, Whalley (K.G.S.); 2, Mee (B.G.S.); 3, Swarbrick (B.G.S.). 110 ft. 10 ins.
 Javelin: 1, Waiters; 2, Whalley (K.G.S.); 3, Mee (B.G.S.). 141 ft. 10 ins.
 Weight: 1, Cookson (K.G.S.); 2, Waiters; 3, Johnson (K.G.S.). 38 ft. 6 ins.
 Relay (under 14): 4 x 110 yds.: 1, K.G.S.; 2, B.G.S.; 3, K.G.V. 56.0 secs.
 Relay (under 16): 4 x 110 yds.: 1, K.G.S.; 2, K.G.V.; 3, B.G.S. 51.0 secs.
 Relay, 4 x 220 yds.: 1, K.G.S.; 2, B.G.S.

Open		Result	Under 16 and Under 14	
1.	Kirkham G.S.	48 pts.	1.	Kirkham G.S. 58 pts.
2.	K.G.V.	42 pts.	2.	K.G.V. 28 pts.
3.	Balshaw's G.S.	25 pts.	3.	Balshaw's G.S. 22 pts.

MATCH AGAINST MERCHANT TAYLORS' SCHOOL,

May 24th, 1955

100 yards (under 14): 1, Harrison (M.T.S.); 2, Beattie; 3, Symons (M.T.S.). 12 secs.
 100 yards (under 16): 1, Davies; 2, Flood (M.T.S.); 3, Corless (M.T.S.). 11.8 secs.
 100 yards: 1, Whittaker; 2, Topping; 3, White (M.T.S.). 10.6 secs.
 220 yards (under 14): 1, Beatty; 2, Heath (M.T.S.); 3, Davidson (M.T.S.). 28.2 secs.
 220 yards (under 16): 1, Davies; 2, Davies (M.T.S.); 3, Smith. 26.2 secs.
 220 yards: 1, Topping; 2, Hughes; 3, Jones (M.T.S.). 24.1 secs.
 440 yards (under 16): 1, Birchall (M.T.S.); 2, Jones; 3, Wells (M.T.S.). 60.2 secs.
 440 yards: 1, Parkman (M.T.S.); 2, Booth; 3, Crompton. 55 secs.
 880 yards (under 16): 1, Almond (M.T.S.); 2, Mathews (M.T.S.); 3, Gillett. 2 min. 16 secs.
 880 yards: 1, Eccles (M.T.S.); 2, Parkman (M.T.S.); 3, Wilson. 2 min. 10.4 secs.
 Mile: 1, Eccles (M.T.S.); 2, Blundell; 3, Norris (M.T.S.). 4 min. 42 secs.
 120 yards hurdles: 1, Whittaker; 2, Purse (M.T.S.); 3, Farrant. 18 secs.
 Long Jump (under 14): 1, Beattie; 2, Vanner (M.T.S.); 3, Hulm. 15 ft. 10 in.
 Long Jump: 1, Whittaker; 2, Hughes; 3, Henley (M.T.S.). 19 ft. 8 ins.
 High Jump (under 16): 1, Smith; 2, Mumford (M.T.S.); 3, Mathews (M.T.S.). 5 ft. 0 ins.
 High Jump: 1, Whittaker; 2, Jones (M.T.S.); 3, Waiters. 5 ft. 1 in.
 Discus: 1, Keeley; 2, Dixon (M.T.S.); 3, Greaves (M.T.S.). 87 ft. 0 in.
 Javelin: 1, Waiters; 2, Hodge; 3, Roberts (M.T.S.). 148 ft. 2 in.
 Weight: 1, Waiters; 2, Pearce; 3, Purse (M.T.S.). 37 ft. 4½ ins.
 Relay (under 14), 4 x 110: 1, M.T.S.; 2, K.G.V. 56.2 secs.
 Relay (under 16), 4 v 110: 1, M.T.S.; 2, K.G.V. 51 secs.
 Relay, 4 x 220: 1, K.G.V.; 2, M.T.S. 1 min. 37.3 secs.

Results

Open		Under 16 and Under 14	
1. K.G.V.	75 pts.	1. M.T.S.	58 pts.
2. M.T.S.	40 pts.	2. K.G.V.	46 pts.

CRICKET

1st XI MATCHES

April 23rd. K.G.V. v. Wigan Grammar School (at home).

K.G.V.		WIGAN G.S.	
Miley c Hilton b Smith	0	Platt c Waiters b Rimmer	9
Llewellyn c Kearsly b Parkinson	0	Smith c Llewellyn b Rimmer ...	39
Thompson not out	53	Wilkinson run out	11
Pearce b Parkinson	16	Littler c Miley b Rimmer	0
Procter c Smith b Kearsly	1	Parkinson c Miley b Rimmer ...	0
Rimmer c Kearsly b Smith ...	2	Kearsly lbw b Bradford	5
Bray b Parkinson	40	Hilton s Waiters b Bray	14
Probyn run out	1	Housley lbw b Bradford	2
Bradford not out	1	Sherington not out	1
Extras	3	Broadman not out	0
		Extras	2
Total (for 7)	117	Total	83

Waiters and Colledge did not bat.

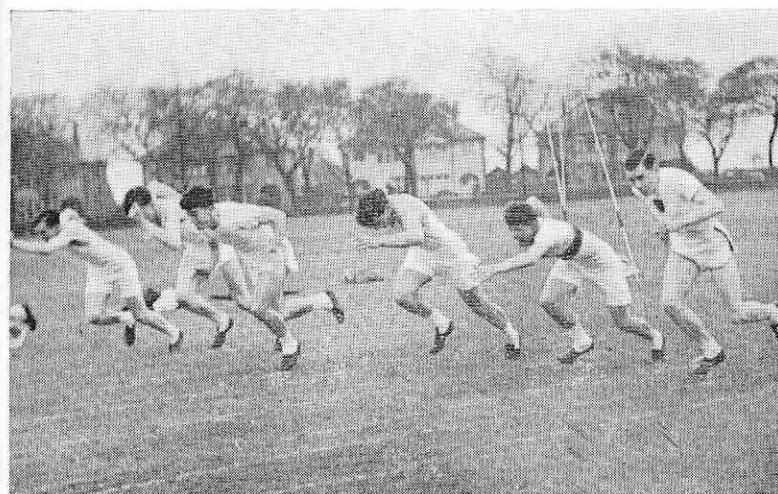
Fairhurst did not bat.

Rimmer 4 for 28; Bradford 2 for 10.

Result—Draw.



A. K. Waiters



The start of the 100 yards final, Group 1.

May 7th. K.G.V. v. Manchester Grammar School (at home).

MANCHESTER G.S.		K.G.V.	
Jackson lbw b Colledge	7	Miley c Richardson b Wrigley	13
Simpson c Miley b Bray	0	Batty b Hambleton	0
Richardson c & b Colledge	24	Thompson st Jackson b Wrigley	18
Hudson b Thompson	45	Pearce c Simpson b Richardson	6
Green c Thompson b Rimmer	4	Llewellyn c Richardson b Wrig-	
Glassey c Bradford b Colledge	0	ley	0
Hilton b Rimmer	3	Procter c Jackson b Richardson	1
Druce c Waiters b Colledge ...	0	Bray st Jackson b Richardson...	6
Hambleton b Bray	30	Waiters c and b Wrigley	20
Wrigley not out	4	Bradford c Hilton b Druce ...	14
Dover b Pearce	1	Colledge not out	1
Extras	4	Rimmer b Wrigley	1
		Extras	8
Total	122	Total	88

Colledge 4 for 51; Bray 2 for 38; Rimmer 2 for 21; Thompson 1 for 2; Pearce 1 for 0.

Result: Win for Manchester by 34 runs.

May 11th. K.G.V. v. King Edward VII, Lytham (at home).

LYTHAM		K.G.V.	
Wiggans c Bray b Colledge ...	23	Miley not out	16
Firth b Colledge	0	Batty not out	13
Ogden lbw b Colledge	0	Extras	0
White c Procter b Bray	0		
McNae c Batty b Bray	0	Total for 0 wkts.	29
Bewley not out	5		
Kidd b Colledge	0		
Adcock lbw b Colledge	0		
Winder b Colledge	0		
Boardman b Colledge	0		
Little st Waiters b Colledge ...	0		
Extras	0		
Total	28		

Colledge 8 for 11, Bray 2 for 13.

Result: Win for K.G.V. by 10 wickets.

May 14th. K.G.V. v. Hutton Grammar School (at home).

HUTTON G.S.		K.G.V.	
Iddon b Bray	1	Miley not out	36
Taylor run out	1	Batty lbw b Fiddler	0
Lee c and b Bray	3	Thompson c Oates b Hitchen	9
Oates c Bradford b Colledge ...	0	Pearce b Bethel	26
Clark b Bray	1	Proctor not out	0
Fidler run out	41	Extras	1
Leather st Waiters b Colledge...	2		
Tyrer b Bray	0	Total for 3 wkts.	72
Hargreaves c Batty b Rimmer	13		
Hitchen b Pearce	0		
Bethel not out	2		
Extras	3		
Total	67		

Colledge 2 for 21; Bray 4 for 14; Rimmer 1 for 15; Pearce 1 for 14.

Result: Win for K.G.V. by 7 wickets.

May 21st. K.G.V. v Kirkham Grammar School (away).

KIRKHAM G.S.		K.G.V.	
Porter lbw b Colledge	10	Miley b Swarbrick	0
Whalley lbw b Colledge	3	Batty lbw b Broadbent	2
Lloyd b Bray	5	Thompson b Swarbrick	0
Thorn lbw b Colledge	1	Pearce b Swarbrick	0
Plaster run out	0	Procter lbw b Swarbrick	0
Hopcroft c Pearce b Bray	0	Llewellyn c Whalley b Broad-	
Jeffery c Waiter b Colledge	8	bent	6
Pilling lbw b Bray	0	Bray not out	12
Sidebottom not out	12	Waiters b Swarbrick	0
Broadbent c Bradford b Colledge	2	Bradford b Swarbrick	4
Swarbrick b Rimmer	4	Rimmer b Swarbrick	3
Extras	1	Colledge b Swarbrick	1
		Extras	2
Total	46	Total	30

Colledge, 5 for 23; Bray, 3 for 20; Rimmer, 1 for 2.

Result: Win for Kirkham by 16 runs.

June 1st. K.G.V. v Calday Grammar School (away).

K.G.V.		CALDAY GRANGE	
Miley b Ennion	15	Ennion b Colledge	13
Thompson lbw b Amery	12	Tanblyn b Bray	5
Sharp b Ennion	2	McAlister b Bray	0
Pearce b Amery	14	Bell b Bray	1
Llewellyn lbw b Amery	0	Birchall not out	14
Procter not out	25	Hill b Rimmer	14
Bray c Myers b Ennion	16	Amery c Thompson b Bradford	0
Bradford not out	28	Oxton not out	0
Extras	12	Extras	14

Total, for 6 wks.124

Total for 6 wks. 61

Waiters, Colledge, Rimmer did not bat.

Colledge, 1 for 23; Bray, 3 for 16; Rimmer, 1 for 6; Bradford, 1 for 3.

Result: Draw.

June 3rd. K.G.V. v. Staff.

SCHOOL		STAFF	
Miley c Lewis b Fletcher	14	Norris lbw b Colledge	0
Batty lbw b Bevan	1	Fletcher not out	28
Thompson c Fletcher b Abram	32	Abram not out	42
Pearce c Norris b Longhurst	3	Extras	6
Procter lbw b Abram	0		
Sharp b Bowker	11	Total for 1 wkt.	76
Bray c Abram b Bowker	1		
Bradford lbw b Abram	5		
Waiters b Abram	2		
Colledge not out	0		
Rimmer c Longhurst b Bevan	4		
Extras	1		
Total	74		

Bevan, 2 for 16; Fletcher, 1 for 21; Abram, 4 for 11; Longhurst, 1 for 9; Bowker, 2 for 16.

Bray, 0 for 15; Colledge, 1 for 23; Rimmer, S. B., 0 for 25; Bradford, 0 for 7.

Result: Win for Staff by 9 wickets.

2nd XI

April 23rd, 1955—v. Wigan G. S. (A). Lost by 69 runs. Wigan 85 for 7 declared; K.G.V. 16.

May 7th, 1955—v. Manchester G. S. (H). Lost by 63 runs. Manchester 150 for 8 declared; K.G.V. 87.

May 11th, 1955—v. King Edward VII G.S. (A). Lost by 3 wks. K.G.V. 32; King Edward VII G.S. 34 for 7.

May 18th, 1955—v. Stockport G.S. (H). Draw. Stockport G.S. 107 for 3 declared; K.G.V. 53 for 2.

May 21st, 1955—v. Kirkham G.S. (H). Won by 4 wks. Kirkham 58; K.G.V. 59 for 6.

June 1st, 1955—v. Calday Grange G.S. (H). Draw. K.G.V. 87 for 5 declared. Calday Grange G.S. 65 for 5.

Under 15 XI

May 11.—v. King Edward VII (home). Lost by 4 wks. K.G.V. 49; K.Ed.VII 50 for 6.

May 14.—v. Hutton G.S. (home). Lost by 1 wkt. K.G.V. 38; Hutton 40 for 9.

May 21.—v. Kirkham G.S. (home). Won by 23 runs. K.G.V. 77; Kirkham 54.

May 25.—v. Wigan G.S. Lost by 4 wks. K.G.V. 45 for 7 (dec.). Wigan 49 for 6.

Under 14 XI

June 1.—v. Merchant Taylors (away). Won by 3 runs. K.G.V. 106 for 7 (dec.) M.T.S. 103.

June 11.—v. Blackpool G.S. (home). Lost by 29 runs. K.G.V. 48. B.G.S. 77.

June 15.—v. Bolton S. (away). Lost by 10 wks. K.G.V. 20. Bolton 24 for 0 wks.

SWIMMING

So far the swimming team has had a very successful season, winning three matches and narrowly losing one. The results have been as follows:—

Liverpool College 20	K.G.V. 53
Wallasey G.S. 42	K.G.V. 72
Calday Grange G.S. 22½	K.G.V. 49½
Lancaster R.G.S. 31½	K.G.V. 29½

The Juniors have been particularly successful with B. W. Rimmer, J. M. Parkinson and J. E. Rowntree swimming very well, and with G. F. Burgess and A. B. Johnston showing great promise as divers.

The Seniors have improved this season, and they have shown a great deal of fighting spirit. The better the opposition the better have they swum. I. Hill's breaststroke has improved tremendously; M. Gibbons is much faster now over shorter distances, both backcrawl and freestyle; and B. Pickering and W. E. Brookfield have, on occasion, played major parts in team races. A. D. Redman, too, has shown ability.

The team spirit is largely due to the efforts of the captain, I. Hill, who has not only organised events well, but has also encouraged his team, from the side as well as by his own swimming, to give of their best.

BOXING

The annual Boxing Competition was held at the end of last term and there was a record entry of 142 boys. These were arranged into 20 divisions, 11 junior and 9 senior. The finals were held on Tuesday, March 15th, and the results were as follows:—

5 stones—Junior

J. M. Greenwood, 2B (M) beat R. H. Blundell 3A (R) on points. This was a very even bout and was full of action. Greenwood made good use of his right counter punch.

6 stones—Senior

G. Smith, LVY (S) beat R. D. Ainsworth, LVB (M) on points. Both contestants laid emphasis on attack, but the early advantage gained by Smith won him the contest.

5½ stones—Junior

B. W. Howgate, Tr.Y (R) beat R. F. Keam, 2A (G) on points.

7 stones—Senior

J. P. Adams, LVY (G) beat A. Haigh, LVB (S) on points. The defence of both contestants was noticeably poor, but Adams' superior reach stood him in good stead. Haigh, however, managed to floor his opponent with a good punch in the 2nd round.

5¾ stones—Junior

D. J. Brown, 3A (W) beat I. D. Crompton, 4B (G) on points. Crompton had a great advantage of height and reach, but Brown out-boxed him with superior skill.

8 stones—Senior

F. Barton, UV, Tr.M (G) beat J. K. Grundy LVI ScA (R) on points. Barton did nearly all the attacking.

6 stones—Junior

S. S. Minn, 3B (M) beat B. J. Turtle, 3A (R) on points.

8½ stones—Senior

M. A. Adler LVIM (R) beat B. E. Milne, UVB (Ed) on points. The bout started slowly but speeded up near the end. Adler, with his greater experience, dominated the contest.

6½ stones—Junior

J. A. Marshall, 3A (W) beat D. G. Ripley, 4A (R) on points.

9½ stones—Senior

C. F. Wilson, LVIScA (Ev) beat G. W. Probyn, LVIScB (R) on points. A very good contest. Probyn had the superior defence but Wilson still managed to get home with swings to the head and body.

6¾ stones—Junior

D. E. Morris, 4B (G) beat B. G. Anderson, 4A (W) on points.

10 stones—Senior

B. F. Gill, LVIScA (S) beat J. E. Belmont UVIM (M) on points. Belmont had the better defence but tended to let Gill do all the attacking.

7 stones—Junior

P. D. Pond, LVX (R) beat R. Gatiss, 4A (W) on points. Nearly all the action came in the last round where Pond did most of the attacking.

7½ stones—Junior

C. W. Jerram, 4B (Ed) beat E. Stephens, 3B (Ed) in the 1st round. Jerram proved to be far too powerful for his opponent.

8 stones—Junior

C. E. Turner, 3B (S) beat J. M. Rawlinson, Tr.Y (Ed) on points. Rawlinson tried to counteract Turner's height advantage by getting to close quarters.

11½ stones—Senior

J. B. Whittaker, UVI ScA (G) beat G. T. Watkinson LVB (Ed) on points. In the early part of the contest Whittaker was punching wildly and not connecting with his opponent. After the 1st round, the contest became a series of short brisk encounters between long intervals of no action.

9½ stones—Junior

W. T. Rimmer, 4A (Ev) beat D. Green, 4A (Ev) on points. Contest previously decided:—

11 stones—Senior

I. M. Blair, UVISc.Sch. (L) beat J. G. Sharp, UVISc.B (G) on points.

Duration of senior finals: 3 rounds of 2 minutes each.

Duration of junior finals: 3 rounds of 1½ minutes each.

In the finals, 4 points were awarded to the winner and 2 points to the loser. In all other contests each contestant was awarded 1 point. On this basis, the points gained by the Houses were:—

Edwards'	34	Leech's	24	Spencer's	32
Evans'	34	Mason's	32	Woodham's	32
Grear's	42	Rogers'	46		

So this year the Boxing Cup goes to Rogers'. It was previously held by Edwards'.
I.M.B. and I.H.

RUGBY

1st XV

March 19.—v Hutton G.S. (home)	42—0	W.
March 29.—v. Old Boys (home)	51—5	L.

Under 15 XV

Jan. 29.—v. Blackpool G.S. (away)	19—8	L.
Feb. 2.—v. Wallasey G.S. (home)	19—0	L.
Feb. 5.—v. Liverpool College (home)	6—0	W.

Bantams

March 19.—v. Hutton G.S. (home)	15—8	W.
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