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Editorial

Are you aware of the definition of the word "Editorial"? In most dictionaries you will find this, or words to this effect—"An article by the Editor or written by anyone under his instructions." I wonder who it is this time?

There are two outstanding events in our minds at the moment; one future and one past.

The Future. We are very shortly about to celebrate our Diamond Jubilee on which occasion we are greatly looking forward to a visit from the Princess Royal. This will indeed be a great and important event in the history of the School. The School has grown steadily from its foundation and has made remarkable progress under its succession of Headmasters to mention anyone of whom might be invidious but we would like, particularly at this time, to convey our kindest remembrances and good wishes to the Rev. P. U. Henn our founder Headmaster (1895—1899) who has known the School from its birth and has watched its growth with keen interest.

The Past. It would not be inappropriate at this time to make reference to our Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, who has recently celebrated his 80th birthday.

He is a man who has made full use of his God-given powers and ability and one to whom we all owe so much. He has lived a full life and has been devoted to his work, has always been an early riser and has frequently retired to bed in the early hours. He has shouldered great responsibilities and has had to make grave decisions on many occasions. His courage and tenacity have been phenomenal; an example to us all.

Few are gifted to achieve such fame as he but we can be spurred on by his splendid example and leadership so let us make full use of whatever powers we possess. Let us, right from our youth, exercise those potentialities latent in us so that we may bring them into service for the good of mankind as soon as their construction is complete.

The real purpose and meaning of education is the developing of the mind. A mind without instruction can no more bear fruit than a field, however fertile, without cultivation. Let us bear in mind the words of Rudyard Kipling: "Go to your work and be strong, halting not in your ways. Baulking the end half won for an instant dole of praise. Stand to your work and be wise, certain of sword and pen, who are neither children nor gods, but men in a world of men."

Obituary

S. E. B. MAYOH (Talbot 1951³—1954²)

It is with deep regret that we report the death of Sydney Mayoh, at the age of $16\frac{1}{2}$. Mayoh was killed in an accident on his motor-cycle near his home at Neston, Cheshire, on the 12th September, 1954. His funeral took place at Neston Parish Church on the 16th September, and was attended by two masters, representing the School and his House. Our most sincere sympathy goes to his mother in her tragic loss

School Appointments

Captain of School .			. D. W. Turner
Vice-Captain of School			. D. A. Ineson
Prefect of Chapel .			. J. H. W. Beardwell
Head of Mason			. D. W. Turner
Head of Pelham			. P. G. Patchett
Head of Mountgarret			. J. H. W. Beardwell
Head of Talbot			. R. M. Wilcockson
Head of School House			. D. A. Ineson
Head of Shirley			. P. W. Wright
Head of Portland .			. M. A. Melligan
School Prefects			. T. C. Jones
			P. J. Sharpe
Captain of Rugger .			. M. A. Melligan
Captain of Shooting			. D. R. Willison
Captain of Squash .			. P. J. Sharpe
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Senior Under Officer in			. D. A. Ineson
Senior Under Officer in			J. H. W. Beardwell

Passim

We welcome to the Staff the Rev. B. H. Pierard who has come to us from New Zealand and we have already learnt to appreciate his great help in Chapel and in the form room.

We also welcome Mr. R. R. Winn who is teaching Geography and History. His experience as an Oxford Rugger blue is proving of invaluable help to the Colts. He has joined Talbot as House Tutor.

Mr. J. Butterfield has also joined the Staff as a teacher of Physical Training, Biology and History. Coaching of the first Thirty is giving him an opportunity to keep fit and his enthusiasm over Rugger is proving an excellent tonic. He is House Tutor of Pelham.

We welcome too—Mr. R. W. Adams who teaches Mathematics and Physics. He is also proving a great help over the coaching of Rugger and is House Tutor of Shirley.

We wish all good fortune to Mr. N. C. B. Creck who has been appointed Senior Geography Master at Dauntsey's School. He will be greatly missed both in the form room and on the playing fields. We do thank him for all his great service during his short stay with us.

We welcome Sister F. Johnson, S.R.N. who has now taken over in the Sanatorium with Miss P. M. Pirie-Watson, her assistant.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Bulford on the birth of a daughter born on November 25th.

Notes and News

J. C. G. Parkinson was awarded a State Scholarship in Physics and Mathematics and in recognition of this achievement the School was granted a half-holiday after the first round of the House Matches on Tucsday, October 12th. There were further half-holidays this term on October 18th for St. Luke, October 28th for St. Simon and St. Jude, and on November 30th for St. Andrew.

On All Saints' Day, November 1st, the School was granted a whole holiday. After breakfast there were many Society trips by bus, car, bicycle and on foot to museums, art exhibitions, Lincoln and even to the caves in Derbyshire. It proved to be an instructive and entertaining day for many, for the weather remained fairly kind.

On Wednesday, October 20th, a lecture was given to the Vth and VIth Forms on "Careers in Engineering" by Sir Ronald Nesbitt-Hawes, which was of special interest to our potential industrialists.

On Friday, October 22nd, we were pleased to welcome Captain Peter Churchill to the School, when he spoke of his experiences in the French Underground movement

during the Second World War. We had been briefed about some of his adventures earlier in the term when the Film Society presented the film about his wife, "Odette." Captain Churchill spoke for an hour and a half, holding the interest of the School not merely by his exciting tales but also by his skill as a lecturer.

On Thursday, November 4th, a group of boys spent a very enjoyable evening at the City Hall, Sheffield, where they listened to a concert given by the Vienna Boys' Choir.

This year Remembrance Sunday fell on November 7th. It was celebrated in the usual way with the ceremony of laying a wreath on the War Memorial, the playing of the Last Post, and the two minutes silence immediately after the Sung Eucharist.

This term Field Day was held on Monday, November 8th, in very bad weather conditions. However our activities were not marred by the rain, which added realism to our training. All credit must go to the organisation which remained undeterred by the conditions and to the fine spirit in which it was taken by the C.C.F. as a whole.

This year the School Play was a successful and elaborate production of William Shakespeare's history play, "Henry IV, Part I," which was performed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 12th, 13th and 14th, and boys were allowed out on special exeats on each day. During the same weekend we were pleased to welcome the Provost, the Right Reverend the Bishop of Shrewsbury, to the School, who preached at Evensong on the Sunday, and attended two performances of the play, speaking from the stage after the last performance.

On November 27th, Mr. E. W. Kevin-Walter, Esq., D.S.C., gave an interesting lecture on "Antarctica Today," illustrated by lantern slides.

The introduction of an Old Worksopian Weekend during the Christmas term proved highly successful. Apart from the obvious enjoyment in meeting so many old friends, it gave the Old Boys an opportunity to see the School in action. After being beaten in the Rugger and Shooting they defeated the School in the Squash Match. The dinner was most entertaining and it was gratifying to see a large attendance at Morning Chapel.

The last few days of the term were as busy as ever, and this time the first event was the closely fought House 2nd XVs Final in appalling weather on Monday, December 13th, followed on the next day by the House 1st XVs Final in the afternoon and the Choral Society concert performance of "Acis and Galatea" in the Music School in the evening. On Wednesday, in the evening we were entertained and fed at firstly the End-of-Term Supper in Hall—in candlelight and with a familiar-looking Father Christmas—secondly at House parties and thirdly at the end-of-term film, "Will Any Gentleman." The afternoon of Thursday, December 16th, was occupied by final packing and a soccer match between the Masters and the Prefects. At 4-30 p.m. the term ended with the traditional Carol Service in the Chapel, attended by all the boys, most Masters and many parents, who were able to take their boys away for the Christmas holidays immediately after the Service.

As a result of the Summer Bazaar it has been possible to equip the Chapel with

some very handsome choir stalls, and also a lectern on either side of the entrance. Other alterations in Chapel include the addition of two new rows to the Portland block, and as a result, the removal of the eagle lectern.

Two new pictures have been added to the large collection already on the walls of the cloisters. One is a print of a water-colour of the Coronation by Terence Cunes and the other is a picture map of the district surrounding Worksop.

This term we were very pleased to welcome an American boy, W. W. McDowell, who has come to us from New York under the auspices of the English Speaking Union and will be here for a year. He has been assigned to Shirley House, where he has been appointed a House Prefect and is settling down to the English way of life.

A Jubilee Ball will be held in the School Hall on Whit-Monday, May 30th, when it is hoped that many parents and Old Worksopians will be present. Invitations and further details will be sent out later.

Chapel Notes

On the first Sunday of Term, the 26th September, being the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, the Headmaster preached the sermon at Evensong on "Purity of heart text, Titus I:15. A Requiem Mass was said on the 27th September for the repose of the soul of Sydney Mayoh, who died as the result of a tragic motor-cycle accident during the holidays.

The Feast of S. Michael and All Angels was observed on the 29th September.

On Sunday, the 3rd October, Dr. John Kelly, Principal of S. Edmund Hall, Oxford, preached the sermon at Evensong on "The Invisible World"; text, John XX: 19.

The Rev. Geoffrey Sunderland, O.W. visited the School, and preached the sermon at Evensong on Sunday, 10th October. He preached on "Vocation"; text, Ephesians IV: 1. We wish him happiness in joining the Oxford Mission to Calcutta.

On Sunday the 17th October, which was Harvest Thanksgiving, Canon H. H. Dibben, Custos and Vice-Provost, preached the sermon at Evensong on the text, John XII: 24. The Feast of S. Luke the Evangelist was observed on the 19th October.

On Sunday the 24th October, Canon Kenneth Thompson, Vicar of Hucknall, preached the sermon at Evensong on "Steadfastness"; text, Isaiah XL: 27. The Feast of S.S. Simon and Jude was observed on the 28th October.

On Sunday the 31st October, the Feast of Christ the King, the Rev. Paul Asherin, Candidates' Secretary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, preached the sermon at Evensong on the text, Luke IX: 1—2.

On the 1st November, All Saints' Day, the whole School attended Corporate Communion, at which there were over 200 communicants. On the 2nd November, All Souls' Day, a Requiem Mass was said for the Souls of All the Faithful departed. The Feast of Dedication of the Chapel was kept on 3rd November, transferred from the 30th October,

On Sunday the 7th November, Remembrance Sunday, Fr. Pierard, the Assistant Chaplain, preached the sermon at Evensong on "Remembrance and Sacrifice"; text, Ephesians VI: 15. After the Sung Eucharist, the two minutes silence was kept, and the Last Post sounded.

The Provost, the Bishop of Shrewsbury, visited the School, and preached the sermon at Evensong on Sunday, 14th November. In the morning, after the Sung Eucharist, the Provost dedicated the Lady Chapel.

On the Sunday next before Advent, the 28th November, the Chaplain preached the sermon at Evensong on "The Stirring up of Wills." The Assistant Chaplain preached the sermon on the First Sunday in Advent on "Preparing the way of the Lord"; text, Isaiah XL: 3. The Feast of S. Andrew was observed on the 30th November.

On the 5th December, the Second Sunday in Advent, the Rev. F. P. Crosse preached the sermon at Evensong on "Absalom"; text, II Samuel XVIII: 33.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary was observed on the 8th December.

On the last Sunday of term, the 12th December, the Third Sunday in Advent, the Headmaster of Denstone College, A. M. Gamble, Esq., preached the sermon at Evensong on "What shall I do then with Jesus, who is called Christ?"; text, Matthew XXVII: 22.

The Carol Service was held on the last day of term, the 16th December.

Grateful thanks are due to Fr. Pierard, who joined us this term, to the Prefect of Chapel, the Sacristans, and Servers, and to all who have helped to make it possible for the services to be carried out "decently and in order."

Further improvements were made, during the term, in the furnishing of the Main Chapel and the Lady Chapel. The Choir stalls were altered, and made more practicable by the addition of oak reading desks, supported by wrought-iron work. Two lecterns, also of wrought-iron and oak were erected at the west end of the Main Chapel to replace the "Eagle."

Six oak benches, and the addition of a red damask back cloth to the Altar, have almost completed the furnishings of the Lady Chapel.

The new Choir vestries have also been completed, thanks to the skill and craftsmanship of Mr. George Parkin.

We are most grateful to Mr. W. F. Knight of Wellingborough who has been responsible for the carrying out of the alterations and additions to the Chapel this term, together with the silver crucifix and candlesticks in both Chapels, the Altar rails given by Captain Collings, and the rose pink carpet before the High Altar, during the past two years.

All these improvements and additions to the two Chapels have been made possible, largely through the generosity of people over the Bazaar at the end of last term, to whom again much gratitude is due.

The School Play 1954

It was the Poet Laureate who said "the days that make us happy, make us wise." Few more appropriate comments could be made on the School production of Henry the Fourth, Part One that was given in Play week-end between 12th and 14th November.

Shakespeare wrote for profit. He also wrote for the pure enjoyment of writing. Lastly he wrote this play, because in an age of Chauvinism, he understood Patriotism and the sources from which it draws its strength. "Patriotism," said Edith Cavell, "is not enough" but Shakespeare, in his age, realised that the infant Patriotism of Henry IV and his son was the warp and woof of a nation without which the European pattern could not be woven.

Henry IV is a bewildering play. It lacks cohesion; it has too many minor plots; it has too many minor characters; it is, in short, careless in construction, and, what is worse, garish to modern eyes. Worst of all, it demands concentration on historical detail from the audience. Yet its virtues can be made apparent by skilful production, by sympathetic acting, by the play of settings upon costume, by the inter-action of lighting and music. So it was with this production and it is ndicative of the quality of the play that it should be criticised not as an amateur rolic but as a professional production.

It is the Producer who makes the play, and it is but fair that he should first eccive the plaudits and the criticism. Mr. F. G. Higgins in his first major venture chieved great success. His re-arrangement of the scenes lent an entity to the play hat the conventional sequence lacks. The delicate synthesis by which he displayed he Tragic and the Comic in opposition showed the depth of analysis to which he had ubjected the original play. The quality of diction, the static groupings, the tapestry f colour and sound which he evoked, all contributed to make the evening memorable. here were moments when one felt that more movement was desirable—the Council hamber, and the Rebel Camp come to mind—but it was probably a desire to leave audience undisturbed to assimilate historical facts that produced this decision. here were other moments—the battlefield scenes for example—when one felt that so much was being done by too few. Here again, let those who have experienced the fficulties of battle scenes on a limited stage, throw the first stone. All in all, the roduction was imaginative, sensitive, and above all competent.

The Producer had always said that a play is as good as its cast, and here (as he ade clear to the final audience) he was fortunate. There were a number of rformances of genuine merit and high distinction. It is always invidious to mention rticular characters but it would be unjust not to mention T. C. Jones. He gave to enry IV a kingliness which his voice and stature emphasised yet he was able to display a monarch's crafty and time-serving politics. J. P. Taylor as Earl of Worcester ought nobly with a most difficult part—one felt that Worcester was not only evil t also able; he exuded cultured malevolence. Yet, perhaps, of the serious parts, was H. T. Walters who most captured the imagination with his Prince Hal. Young, sipated, charming, with a hint of steel in his nature, he never committed the

The School Play - King Henry IV Part I





SIR JOHN FALSTAFF

unpardonable sin of making the Prince a wastrel. When the heir to the throne advanced upon his finest hour one felt it was credible—no praise could be higher. A. R. Allum brought to the part of Hotspur some of that character's blustering determination. It is an immensely long part and he must have spent long hours in striving with it. His voice, however, lacked the variety and range that would have avoided monotony although this criticism may not be levied against his death scene.

Of the comic parts in this play, none is more "fat" than Falstaff, and P. W. Wright seized his opportunity avidly. His costume and make-up alone were sufficient to rouse any audience but he steadfastly refused to batten upon his natural advantages and his "Catechism of Honour" was more moving than his audiences sometimes allowed. Falstaff was fortunate in the support he had from his crew of ne'er-do-wells. P. W. Sharpe's nose glistened brightly, Mistress Quickly was pertly attractive, and P. D. Morris strove to combine ubiquity and comprehension with pleasing failure.

One could continue indefinitely but there are others to praise. No production succeeds without "those who cannot be known," and although many names appeared on the programme, few of the audience realised that the "back-room boys" outnumbered the cast. One need only say that their work may best be judged by the professional slickness with which the hard, undramatic (yet rewarding) work behind, and in front of, the stage, proceeded. There may, as the Producer said, have been occasions when "Chaos and Darkness" reigned—yet the audience were never to know of this. In short, this production was a team production, which deserved and won, success.

It now only remains to offer our apologies to those who helped and are not mentioned in this review through ignorance or lack of space; to those who undertook the unrewarding tasks and were happy to do them. The solace of all these is that it was a good play—sustained effort is always salutary but achievement is a precious satisfaction.

The cast was as follows:—King Henry the Fourth, Trevor Jones; Earl of Westmoreland, K.G., Earl-marshal, James Fergusson; Prince John of Lancaster, K.G., a son to the King, Robert Powley; Sir Walter Blunt, Peter Thompson; Earl of Warwick Shaun Adair; John Beaufort, Earl of Somerset, Chamberlain, David Forster; Sergeants-at-Arms, Paul Patchett, Alistair Grieve; Sir John Falstaff, William Wright; Henry, Prince of Wales, K.G., a son to the King, Hugh Walters; Edward Poins, a gentleman-in-waiting to Prince Henry, Simon Irving; Thomas Percy, Earl of Worcester, K.G., John Taylor; Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland, K.G., Earl-constable, David Turner; Henry Percy, K.G., surnamed Hotspur, his son, Anthony Allum; Richard Scroop, Archbishop of York, Geoffrey Marshall; Sir Michael, friend of the Archbishop of York, Derek Parkin; Gadshill, John Adams; Carriers, Christopher Crabtree, David Porter; Ostler Boy, Jonathan Ker; Bardolph, Philip Sharpe; Peto, Richard Hill; Travellers, Tony Gadie, Ralph Hibbert; Francis, Peter Morris; Mistress Quickly, Hostess of the Boar's Head Tavern, David McCann; Sheriff, David Porter; Edmund Mortimer, Earl of March, Michael Dyson; Owen Glendower, John Reynolds; Hotspur Pursuivant, Christopher Crabtree; Archibald, Earl of Douglas, Alexander Dickson; Sir Richard Vernon, Baron of Shipbrook, John Austin.

The scenes were :--

ACT I.

- Scene 1. London. The Palace at Westminster.
- Scene 2. London. An Apartment of the Prince's, in his Residence, Cold Harbour, near Eastcheap.
- Scene 3. Windsor. A Council Chamber.
- Scene 4. Rochester. Outside an Inn.
- Scene 5. The Highway near Gadshill, between Rochester and Canterbury.
- Scene 6. Northumberland. At Warkworth Castle, the principal seat of the Percy's.
- Scene 7. London. The Boar's Head Tavern, Eastcheap.

ACT II.

- Scene 1. Bangor. The Archdeacon's House.
- Scene 2. London. The Palace at Westminster.
- Scene 3. London. The Boar's Head Tavern, Eastcheap.

ACT III.

- Scene 1. Near Shrewsbury. The Rebel Camp.
- Scene 2. Near Coventry. A Public Road.
- Scene 3. The Rebel Camp again.
- Scene 4. York. The Archbishop's Palace.
- Scene 5. Near Shrewsbury. The King's Camp.
- Scene 6. The Rebel Camp again.
- Scene 7. A Plain between the two Camps.
- Scene 8. Another part of the Battlefield.

Scene: England, 1402-1403.

Incidental music by Leslie Bridgewater composed for the festival production of "Henry IV, Part I" at the Stratford Memorial Theatre in 1951, and by Sibelius.

Among the many helpers were the following:—Stage Director, Mr. N. C. B. Creek; Decor Designer, Mr. G. Wilson; Stage Manager, David Ineson; Assistant Stage Manager, Adrian Bramwell; Stage Staff, Timothy Ashmore, Alan Bennett, Hugh Falwasser, David Naish, Geoffrey Walter, Anthony Wilson; Lighting Director, Mr. A. Caufield; Stage Electricians, George Gyles, Michael McCann; Assistant Stage Electricians, David Ayers, Martin Smith; Production Manager, David Turner; Production Assistant, Robert Langley; Cue Assistant, Roger Wild; Curtain Assistant, Jonathan Ker; Property Assistant, Michael Dyson; Make-up Director, Mr. W. B. Rigg; Make-up Assistants, David Turner, Geoffrey Marshall, John Taylor, Derek Parkin, Michael Myles-White, Philip Smith; Wardrobe Mistress, Miss P. Richards; Wardrobe Manager, Gerald Smillie; Wardrobe Assistant, Shaun Adair; Music Director, Mr. J. H. Martin; Music Assistants, John Walker, Geoffrey Needler, Geoffrey Holding. The Costumes and Wigs were by B. J. Simmons & Co. Ltd., 7--8 King Street, Covent Garden, I ondon, W.C.2.

The Library

At the end of last term, frantic though extremely efficient activity by "post higher" students led to the conversion of the Library to the Dewcy system of classification, after repeated removals of books from shelf to shelf, and back again. By comparison, the Library has this term been apparently peaceful and inert to the casual onlooker; however the good work started last summer has been carried on, and much has been achieved.

At the beginning of the term we welcomed as our new Chairman, Mr J. H. Martin, who is by no means a stranger to the committee. We feel sure that in the chair he will enlarge upon the good work he has done in the past. We are pleased that our late Chairman, Mr. F. G. Higgins, who as done so much for the revival of the Library as one of the main institutions of the School, is not leaving the committee, but remaining as Vice-Chairman. He will continue to supervise the administration of the fiction by junior librarians.

At the beginning of the term the new catalogue for the Dewey system was completed, and is now in the Library to guide the would-be book borrower. Also at the beginning of term a new notice-board replaced the old "pin-cushion" which had been there for a good many years, and was of little use.

One of the problems in the past has been the borrowers' book, which, however strong, has been so used that after two terms it has become untidy. We hope that we have solved this by producing a strong file from which the used leaves may be removed and replaced by new ones.

The latest book reviews are now being published regularly either in the Library or magazine room, and are proving of interest to many people. The number of books on the shelves is still growing, and 160 volumes have been entered into the Library register this term. Many thanks are due once more to our good friend Mr. Oddy, O.W. for his most kind and generous gifts. We would like also to thank J. A. Fergusson for the valuable books on mountaineering which he has kindly presented to the Library.

And finally, as I pen these notes, I would like to send my best wishes to next term's librarian, G. R. L. Smillie.

D.A.I.

The VIth Form Society

As usual, the Christmas term started with an extraordinary general meeting at which Messrs. D. A. Ineson, P. K. J. Thompson and P. W. Wright were elected to the Committee. Despite many rival attractions and the pressure of work, the attendances at the meetings this term have been good and the readiness of all members to speak in debate or ask questions in discussion has been most encouraging.

On September 29th, Mr. T. H. Skeet of the British Empire League addressed the House on "The position of the Commonwealth in the World to-day." The speaker

maintained that the Empire was founded on trade, particularly in India and impressed on us that Britain relied on the Empire to survive economically, and that the unity of the Commonwealth is based on the Crown and the British way of life. Many questions followed from the floor of the House and the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. P. K. J. Thompson and seconded by Mr. P. D. Porter.

On October 16th, a party of twenty members of the Society visited St. Anne's Hall, Worksop to see a presentation of "The Happy Marriage" by Jean Bernard Luc by the Mobile Theatre. The play was most entertaining and any lack of polish in the acting was more than compensated for by the enthusiasm of both the actors and the audience, and by the delightful set.

The next meeting of the Society was a debate held on October 27th. Mr. D. W. Turner proposed the motion, "That Science has outlived its usefulness" and declared that all scientists were basically destructive and indulged in some mild invective against the Secretary, Mr. J. H. Beardwell, who opposed the motion. The Secretary in his reply defended the scientists as the saviours of mankind against famine and disease, and laid the burden of the responsibility for war at the door of the politicians. Mr. P. D. Porter, seconding the motion, maintained that the only way to avoid a third World War was to put away all scientists quietly in preventive custody. Mr. S. K. Irving, the fourth speaker, criticised very ably indeed the speeches of the Proposition and praised the works of science. The President and every member present spoke from the floor of the House and the motion was defeated by seven votes to four.

At the next meeting on November 4th, several members delivered papers. Mr. C. L. Colton spoke well about T. H. Huxley, and Messrs. M. J. Myles-White and J. D. Parkin gave a joint paper on Architecture and this proved to be entertaining as well as instructive. Finally Mr. M. J. McCann held us spellbound whilst he whisked us at breath-taking speed around the U.S.A. Mr. P. H. Loncaster proposed the Vote of Thanks and Mr. W. W. McDowell, our guest from the U.S.A. virtually delivered another paper in defence of his own country.

On November 23rd, we were addressed by the Rev. J. Gowing, the Secretary of the St. Paneras Housing Society. This Society owes its existence to the vision of the Rev. Basil Jellicoe, who worked in Somers Town, which is situated between the two main line stations of Euston and St. Paneras. It was founded in 1924 and since then has re-housed over 700 families. The Society is a non-profit making Building Society and is a splendid example of practical Christianity slowly but surely overcoming the appalling misery and squalor of some of the worst of London's slums.

At the following meeting on November 30th, the Society decided that Masters should be invited to attend certain meetings. Then letters which had been written by present members of the School to their successors one hundred years hence were read. The President, writing as the Headmaster, dwelt on the future achievements and buildings of Worksop and hoped that the College would not have become a State School for boys and girls. Although this letter was of necessity, brief, it set an extremely high standard of composition for later speakers. Mr. D. W. Turner writing as Captain of School advised his successor about local customs and amenities and then staggered his audience by stating that he hoped that by 2054 co-education would have been introduced at Worksop. The Secretary explained that he had written his letter by the

light of a guttering electric lamp and he commented on the various institutions at Worksop and gave detailed instructions to his successor about the annual summer visit of the Society to Averham Rectory. Mr. P. K. J. Thompson followed with a letter to a member of the Classical Sixth and said that he himself had chosen Classics as the middle course between Science and Rugger, and from a humane desire to keep the wolf away from his tutor's door. Mr. S. K. Irving, writing as a member of the Science Sixth made some witty remarks about the Eternal Science Master and Mr. J. M. Dyson, as an ex-fag, wondered if the system of fagging would still exist in 2054.

For the last meeting of term, a lively debate was held on 8th December. Mr. P. W. Wright proposed the motion "That Fame is preferable to Fortune." He equated Fortune with Money and delighted the House with a caricature of the successful, middle-aged Yorkshire business man. Mr. J. A. Fergusson, opposing the motion was horrified to think of his name in newsprint or in lights above a Cinema, and declared that the height of his ambition was to become wealthy, live quietly and to endow Public Schools with Chapels and to establish girls' boarding schools. Mr. H. T. Walters, seconding the motion declared that he was quite content to be famous and fortunate, and Mr. E. J. Phillips, speaking fourth in his best Demosthenic style, gave a very effective answer to the arguments of the Proposition. There were many speeches from the floor and the motion was defeated by seven votes to six.

The Secretary wishes to thank our two outside speakers very warmly for making the journey from London to address the Society, and all the members who have prepared speeches and given papers.

J.H.B.

The Film Society

The winter terms are always the testing terms for the Film Society, when as a rule no less than nine meetings are held. And, although the film agency could not provide us with the recent box-office successes that we had hoped for, yet the Society has again been equal to the occasion.

On Saturday, September 25th, we showed our first film of the term. It was "The Killing of Dan McGoo," with the dangerous Dan Droopy behind the shooting-irons. Our policy has generally been to start the term with a comedy, but this term as a forerunner to a lecture later in the term by Peter Churchill, "Odette" was shown. This excellent film, starring Anna Neagle and Trevor Howard, was well received, and was of especial interest as it coincided at time of showing with the talks on German rearmament.

The main film at the second meeting on Saturday, October 2nd, was the famous jungle film "Where No Vultures Fly," with Dinah Sheridan and Anthony Steel in the leading roles. As a film of jungle life it was outstanding, and the plot was well constructed round the true history of the National Parks. "Kiss Me Cat" was the cartoon, and the short was the celebrated Chaplin film "Champion Charlie." This latter went down particularly well.

The third show, on Sunday, October 17th, was for the Vth and VIths. The main film at this club night was a slightly disappointing Maurice Chevalier film "Le Roi." However the School, piqued at having the title translated for them, joined in a few of the choruses in a timorous drone that brought back memories of my aunt's pen. The cartoon was a Canadian one, "The Romance of Transportation," and was a refreshing change from friend Droopy; it took the form of a light hearted documentary about transportation in America. The short, "Return to Glennascaul" was a "true" ghost story, set in Ireland, brilliantly handled by Orson Welles with effects of lighting and photography, and especially eerie harp music.

The next meeting on Saturday, October 23rd, was again open to all the School. The show started with a lukewarm cartoon "Busybody Bear," and then came a newsreel. The main film was "Gilbert and Sullivan," starring Robert Morley as Sir W. S. Gilbert, and Maurice Evans as Sir Arthur Sullivan. The musical side was dealt with most fully and "Trial by Jury," which was shown almost in full was particularly popular. Robert Morley showed particular talent and his acting and the excellent singing helped to make the film a splendid tribute to the genius of Gilbert and Sullivan.

Alec Guinness, now on our screen fairly regularly, took the leading part in the adaptation of J. B. Priestley's book "Last Holiday," on Saturday, October 30th. With anyone else in this part, the film could easily have failed—in fact it was not a box-office success—but again his brilliance made the best of the dramatic story. Disney provided us with both cartoon and short, the former "Goofy's Gymnastics" which needs no comment, and "Water Birds" which needs less; for Disney's nature films have been a regular feature for several terms now.

Our second club night was on Sunday, November 21st. The first film was "The Unicorn in the Garden." The word "cartoon," which is now linked with Donald D. and his cronies, hardly does justice to this masterpiece of James Thurber's. We hope that more of this sort are on the way. Often in choosing shorts the Society tends to transgress on scientific and geographic territory, and the short, "Rig 20," was particularly S and G-ish. It told at length the story of a fire at the oil well, Rig 20. The main film was "The Private Lives of Henry the Eighth." Although his private life appeared as a prolonged march-past of a succession of wives, yet Charles Laughton's acting and the production, surprisingly ambitious for its time caused murmurs of appreciation this time forward of the back row. So the show is recorded as yet another successful and well-chosen club night.

Saturday, December 4th was the date of the seventh meeting, when James Mason gripped us in the famous thriller, "Odd Man Out." There was also a newsreel and a cartoon, "Putty Tat in Trouble," starring a newcomer to our lists, "Tweetie Pie."

The last day but one of term occasioned the showing of "Will Any Gentleman," when George Cole rambled through another of his wonderful adventures, and although not as successful as "Top Secret," yet the comedy did not fail to entertain. The cartoon was "Hot Cross Bunny," adding yet another creature to our menagerie of cartoon artistes. This term we have been entertained by Droopy, the Looney Tune bulldog, "Busybody Bear," Goofy, a Unicorn, Tweetie Pie and Putty Tat, and lastly Bugs Bunny. What more can we ask for?

On the following day, December 16th there were two films, "All in a Nutshell"—a Disney cartoon, and "The Wooden Horse," starring Leo Genn. This latter is one of the few instances where the film has lived up to the book, for in this thriller all the suspense of escape through German country is exceedingly well brought out. Thus bringing the term to a happy conclusion.

Although many left the committee last term, the committee has remained unaugmented, except that we welcome the Captain of School, D. W. Turner. So ends another term of films, each one in itself successful, but yet shortly to be eclipsed by the Lent Term programme.

P.K.J.T.

The Choral Society

This term the Choral Society has sung once more, after a lapse of a year. This lapse, however, has not affected either the attendance or the quality of the singing.

Certain numbers from Handel's "Acis and Galatea" were chosen for rehearsal and will be performed at the end of the term. The full chorus sing in two excerpts, one joyful, "Happy We!" and the other doleful, "Mourn, all ye muses" and also accompany W. Wood in Galatea's solo, "Must I my Acis still bemoan?" Eight trebles, four as Acis, four as Galatea, and two basses as Polyphemus have managed to conquer the rhythmical difficulties of the trio "The flocks shall leave the mountains." For the performance the accompaniments have been arranged for a small instrumental ensemble.

"Acis and Galatea" has proved very enjoyable to sing, and the Society has always looked forward to Thursday afternoons when it meets to practice. Junior members have also appreciated missing preps for extra rehearsals!

Under the guidance of Mr. Martin the Society has enjoyed a most successful term, and looks forward to many more in the future.

J.M.A.

"ACIS AND GALATEA"

Tuesday, 14th December, 1954

The spirited and thoroughly rehearsed singing by the Choral Society, restored to life at last by Mr. Martin, of excerpts from Handel's charming pastoral serenade, "Acis and Galatea," in the Music School at the end of the term was the most successful musical activity created by members of the School for some time.

The chorus, "Happy We," was sung heartily and joyfully, yet with admirable balance and control and introduced us most cheerfully to the difficult trio for Acis, Galatea and Polyphemus, "The flocks shall leave the mountains." Mr. Martin's arrangement of voices here produced a most pleasing result, and though the trebles had not the low register to cope entirely with some of the lines, they sang with confidence and a fine sense of rhythm. The bass voices and performances of J. M. Dyson and J. M. Austin were splendidly firm, blended and strong.

W. Wood displayed considerable polish in technique and style and great power of voice in his solo, "Must I my Acis still bemoan," though at times he had to strain a treble voice which is beginning to fail. It did not fail and soared out over the chorus's moving advice to Galatea to cease to grieve.

The steadiness of J. Allen (piano) and the skill of T. A. Spratley (clarinet) strengthened the small orchestra which accompanied these excerpts and the whole undertaking brought great credit to Mr. Martin and to all—singers and instrumentalists—he had gathered together and welded into such an enthusiastic team. The result fully justified the pleasure expressed by the Headmaster at this most welcome revival of choral singing in the School. What particularly impressed was the obviously complete understanding by each singer not only of his own part but of how his part fitted into the whole. Every note, each entry, all variations seemed to be anticipated and carried out with individual confidence—a result achieved only by hard practice and vocal talent from each boy.

It is always a pleasure to find an amateur performance with a touch of professional polish—and now we look forward eagerly to recognising that sure touch in the next Choral Society offering.

The Scientific and Geographical Society

The Society opened its programme for 1954—55 on Monday, 1st November with a visit to Aveling Barford Works at Grantham, where steam-rollers are made. Our only other visit this term was to the Priorwell Brewery at Worksop. We were pleased by the number of people wishing to go, and since we were unable to take them all, we have arranged another visit next term for those who were unable to go this term. Both visits were very interesting and were very much enjoyed by the Society.

As well as the two visits, we have had two film shows. The most notable films shown were of the Monte Bello Atomic Weapon Test of 1952, and the Mille Miglia car race of 1953.

The last meeting was held on Saturday, 11th December when Father Pierard spoke on his native country, New Zealand. Father Pierard began by describing living conditions in New Zealand, and then continued to outline the opportunities obtainable for boys who were interested in farming, and would like to emigrate to New Zealand, adding that he could help them in this respect. Having touched on politics, housing, dress, and the quality of the female population he drew to a close a very interesting and instructive lecture. A vote of thanks was proposed by G. R. L. Smillie, and seconded by A. D. McCann.

Finally our thanks are due to Mr. Hazlehurst who has very kindly given up his spare time to operate the projectors at our film shows.

P.G.P.

The Play Reading Society

It is with a feeling of great satisfaction that we can look back on the term. Despite the loss at the end of the summer term of several of our oldest and most prominent members, the Society has continued to flourish. Membership—which is limited to the Sixth forms only—has risen to over a score—a figure which we intend to maintain as the maximum for the present. Every meeting has been well attended with enthusiasm, and a high standard of reading has not been lacking.

"Off the Record," our first playreading, by Ian Hay, and Stephen King Hall proved an excellent choice. Although it was based on very unoriginal situations, intricacies and characters of naval life, the dialogue was stimulating and witty and more than made up for the other deficiencies of the play.

The second meeting when "The Dark is Light Enough" by Christopher Fry, was read, proved to be less successful. Although the initial difficulties of reading verse were soon overcome, the play lacked the zest, and situation needed to keep it alive. The language, though magnificent was too elusive, and it was generally agreed that the necessary atmosphere for the play could only be achieved by seeing, not reading it.

The third play to be read was "An Inspector Calls," by J. B. Priestley. It produced a stimulating evening to the small clique of members invited. Despite its socialistic leanings, the play was not lacking in interest and as one member was heard to say at the end of the meeting "It made you think."

The final playreading consisted of "The Man Who Came to Dinner" by Moss Hart and George Kaufman. This very American comedy, with its un-English and peculiar humour, nevertheless amused the Society. Being well in keeping with the seasonal festivities it provided a very exhilarating if somewhat rushed sequence to the playreadings of the term.

The last venture of the Society took place on Friday, December 10th, when a party of members visited Sheffield Playhouse to see "Escapade" by Roger MacDougall. The play involved the highly amusing, and at times deeply moving tale of the adventures and escapades of a trio of boys at a public school. "LW" Daventry won the laurels of the evening, one hopes, not because he claimed that "the public schools are merely glorified Borstal Institutions to which the rich send their children to get them out of the way." Thus was ended a highly successful and eventful term in the life of the Society.

To conclude I should like to pay tribute to the tireless enthusiasm and interest of our Chairman to whom we owe our gratitude for the successful workings of the Society; also to my predecessor Robin Ellis whose quiet efficiency has done so much for the Society. Long may he prosper in his studies at Oxford.

J.P.T.

The Junior Play Reading Society

We were unable to start activities until late in the term, as many of us were occupied in the School Play. Nevertheless we managed to hold two meetings, and to

go on a visit to the Sheffield Playhouse with the Senior Play Reading Society.

F. S. Bemrose was invited to become Secretary and J. A. G. Ker and R. B. B. Wild to form the committee. The Society is restricted to the Removes and Fourths.

At the first meeting we read "The Happiest Days of Your Life," again for the benefit of our new members but many old jokes were rediscovered.

At the second meeting we read "Arsenic and Old Lace," once a Staff play; which although interesting was not so funny as our first meeting.

Some of us also went to Sheffield to see "Escapade," a school story which was very well presented but flagged a little in the second act.

Finally we extend our thanks to Mr. Higgins, our Chairman, for allowing us to use his room for our meetings and for taking such a great interest in our acitivities.

F.S.B.

The Photographic Society

This term has not been so good for the photographers, the light being poor and the cold weather keeping people indoors. Except for the more experienced, photography was reduced to a minumum.

The great event has been the arrival of some excellent equipment from Mr. Wallace Heaton, a generous gift, for which we are extremely grateful. With our new enlarger, we now have a glazer and drier, a ten-inch trimmer, an enlarger focus-finder and a timing switch, and with the hope of a larger darkroom we are greatly encouraged.

There have been no competitions this term. Our thanks to the Committee for good organization.

D.C.B.E.

The Young Farmers' Club

We have had quite a successful term and were pleased to welcome some new members. There have been many more meetings held this term owing to the new system of using Thursday for societies.

On All Saints day the Club visited Cripps of Nottingham and saw the stripping and assembling of farm machinery, it proved to be a very interesting outing and was enjoyed by everyone. We also had a lecture this term on December 2nd given by Mr. G. Mollart, from Newark, who spoke to us on Farm Mechanisation. Mr. C. D. Edgar, the County Young Farmers' Club Federation Secretary, came with Mr. Mollart.

R.K.C.

The Ornithological Society

A few keen members have supported the Society this term, by recording birds seen in the district, and attending weekly meetings for discussion.

The total number of varieties seen this term is 60. The most interesting items are the discovery of the woodlark in Welbeck Park, and the willow tit in Clumber Park. These birds had probably been overlooked in the past owing to their similarity to the skylark and marsh tit respectively. But we are now fairly certain of their identity, and members will do well to watch for their presence in the breeding season next year.

We have also seen small flocks of redpolls, bullfinches and redwings in Clumber Park, and a goldfinch near Carburton.

I.J.S.

The Aero-Modelling Club

When the Club was first started two years ago there was some doubt as to whether there would be sufficient interest in the new members to keep the Club going. Now the Club is firmly established and there are more people who want to join than the Club has room for.

"Free flight" models seem to be the most popular and the School grounds offer good facilities for its development. Most of last term was spent in building models rather than flying them. G. R. Richards lost his "Stuker" again and it landed in a graveyard and was kindly returned to him. Another model which flew well was Cooper's "Tiger" which seemed to be overpowered with its Bec engine.

Next term we hope to see a "Venom Bee-Bug" and a "Ladybird" which are being built by Ross and Richards respectively. We also hope to see some of the models which are being built by other new members. If we have enough we hope to arrange a contest.

A.J.H.

The Philatelic Society

There has been an encouraging interest in the Club this term, with many new members. As a result there has been a more interesting programme, thanks largely to the enthusiasm of the Secretary, I. Gilchrist.

Weekly meetings on Sunday evenings have been well supported, and there have been three profitable auctions, and several friendly swapping meetings. We have not managed to fit in a Members' Lecture evening, but hope to have one next term.

There was an excellent selection from a member's collection of Indian Stamps on show in the School for two weeks. This was a popular idea, and we hope others will be arranged next term.

One Thursday, a party visited a most attractive stamp exhibition, which was organised by the Sheffield Philatelic Society. We were lucky indeed to be shown round by Mr. Ward himself, whose description was of great interest to us. A few weeks later, one of its members, Mr. Eric Lewis very kindly visited the College, and gave us a most interesting talk on the stamp history of the Gambia, which has enthused all those who were wise enough to come. If there is more support next term, we shall follow up his welcome offer to come again, probably to talk on the stamps of Egypt and The Sudan.

We are extremely sorry to lose our President, Mr. Creek, and not only for his fruitful connection with Renters, from which many stamps have come into our possession. We give him our very best wishes at his new school, Dauntsey's, in Wiltshire.

J.E.R.

The Piscatorial Society

This term members have been very enthusiastic, and every week groups of three or four have fished Clumber Lake (with little success) and the more fruitful waters of Carburton Dam.

On All Saints' Day the Club split into two parties, one travelling with our Chaplain Chairman and Father Pierard to Nottingham (we understand the Trent was in flood, so they pursued other activities), and the other party enjoying a very successful day at Carburton, catching nearly 5 lbs. of fish, mainly roach.

We all look forward during the Lent Term to successful pike fishing at Carburton. D.B.M.

The Modern Music Society

This term we welcomed a few new members; many more have asked if they can join, but these applications have not yet been sorted out.

Unfortunately this term has only produced one meeting, but for next term a full and varied programme has already been worked out, and will be put into operation as soon as possible.

It is regretted that the proposed visit by the Hon. Gerald Lascelles did not take place owing to his being fully engaged during the past few months, but we have been promised that he will come and speak to us next term.

On the whole, this term's programme has not been as successful as next term's promises to be.

C.L.C.

Biological Notes

At the beginning of the term we started off with two hamsters, besides the mice which we had last term. The holidays brought us two litters, making fourteen altogether. Nine of these were eaten by the father, who died later in the term.

However, the term proved to be one of mishaps. The female hamster escaped and drowned itself in a sink full of water. About three weeks later the male got out of the cage and was found dead on the bench. It had previously had a nasty experience by falling into an aquarium, but getting out a little wet. During the term the mice had two more lots of babies but all died. Out of all the babies we had, only five lived.

It has been an unlucky term and we are hoping for better luck next term, when we hope to have more mice and two more golden hamsters.

We are also in debt to Mr. Creek who has helped us out of many difficulties and assisted us in the keeping of the mice.

D.M.I.

C.C.F. Notes

This term has been one of reorganisation and expansion. Lt. Col. A. M. Thatcher, T.D., retired from command of the Corps and Major J. F. Coghlan took over. With the start of the term the entire School was brought into the framework of the Corps, and three Infantry Companies were established to deal with the increased numbers. Captain W. B. Rigg became O.C. Recruit Coy, whilst Major E. E. Peters commanded Certificate "A" Coy. Major F. G. W. Philips who joined the Corps this term, and whom we welcome as an experienced infantry officer, took over the onerous task of Training Officer and O.C. Training Coy, with particular reference to the N.C.O.'s Cadre. Mr. W. Welburn assisted the Training Officer in his role of W.T. Officer, whilst Mr. A. Caufield, who also joined the Corps this term assisted in Recruit Coy.

This term also saw the reinstitution of Cadet Under Officers, with Ineson as Senior Under-Officer, and Turner and Wright supporting him also as Under-Officers. The Signal section under Lt. Col. Thatcher and Mr. J. Kennedy has made progress but with limited numbers, as with the expansion of the contingent certain of the Signal section had to be drafted into the Infantry.

Field Day took place on Monday November 8th and Company Training took place on Proteus Training Area near Edwinstowe. This was a profitable day's training, and although the rains came soon after lunch, it did not interfere seriously with the day's work which was completed before hot baths and hot food were enjoyed back at the College.

Certificate "A" examinations took place on the 29th and 30th November. The new examination played havoc with the Part II candidates owing to their lack of proficiency with the Bren gun, and only eleven candidates were successful. In Part I

two-thirds of the candidates succeeded in the face of a stiffened examination. These two results brought home very forcibly I hope the much greater effort that is now required to gain this Certificate, and we look forward with some confidence to the future. The Senior Recruit Platoon took their passing-out examination on the last parade of term and the standard they attained was most creditable to all concerned.

On Sunday, December 5th, some seventy-five boys spent a most enjoyable session riding around on bren-carriers and half-tracks out on the training area. Lunch was served in the field, and the senior group eventually launched an attack as motorised infantry. The 8th Bn. Sherwood Foresters (T.A.) provided all the vehicles, drivers and instructors, and our thanks are extended to them for their help and kindness. The last parade of term saw the Cadre put on a most instructive and well executed wood-clearing demonstration.

Camp is already in mind and I look to a really hig effort from the contingent to support the School in this. A strenuous, enjoyable and valuable experience is offered, and one which no whole-hearted boy can afford to reject in his own interest.

R.A.F. SECTION

There has been little change in the Section this term except that the N.C.O.'s have been taking an increasingly large part in instruction of both recruits and the Proficiency candidates.

Although the weather prevented any flying when we visited R.A.F. Worksop, we are glad to say that some cadets have been taken up later in the term. We should like to thank the personnel at R.A.F. Worksop for the trouble they have taken over organising a bad-weather programme on the Field-day, and also for the interest that they have shown over the instruction of our Advanced Training candidates.

We must congratulate Cdt. J. G. Warner on passing Proficiency and also on being promoted to the rank of Corporal; also Cpl. R. A. Hare on his promotion to Serjeant and to Flt-Sjt. J. H. W. Beardwell on his promotion to Under-Officer.

Rugger

The record of the Fifteen for this season, played 13, won 7, drawn 1, lost 5 looks moderate, but when it is realised that the first five games were lost and of the last eight, seven were won and one drawn, it must then be admitted that the team has put up a remarkably good performance. The credit for this splendid recovery must not only go to all who played for the Fifteen but also to the other members of the 1st XXX for their whole-hearted and cheerful efforts, in practices and trial games. Credit must also be given to the captain, M. A. Melligan and the coach Mr. J. Butterfield; to Melligan for his enthusiastic leadership and unflagging efforts, and to Mr. Butterfield for infecting us all so thoroughly with the Rugger virus and for his thorough, patient, and expert coaching.

It might well be asked why we started the season so badly. There were two reasons. Firstly, in the early stages, the composition of the team was uncertain. At the outset, a substitute at wing-forward had to be found for P. W. Wright who was out of the game until late November with knee trouble; this was a difficult problem which was not satisfactorily solved until Wright returned. Also as the term progressed, it became obvious that it was necessary to have a more solidly built hooker so that the heavy second row could push their full weight, and in the back division Emmens was moved out to the wing and Grieve into the fly-half position. The second reason for the poor start, was that most of the early games were played on heavy grounds on which Worksop sides always tend to flounder. The teething troubles lasted a long time but there was plenty of bite later on.

The style of play adopted by the team can be judged from the fact that of the 24 tries scored 21 were obtained by the backs, Melligan and Emmens each scoring seven. This, of course, was only made possible by the pack steadily improving all phases of their play, particularly in set scrums and lines, and above all in quick heeling from the loose.

D. A. Incson inspired confidence by his cool play at full-back, saving many tries by his tackling and falling; the length of his kicking has improved but he still delays making his clearance. J. N. Emmens developed into a try-scoring winger but his tackling which can be good is too often untidy. On the other wing, W. W. McDowell, lacked pace but always tackled well and used his long American throw to advantage. The centres, M. A. Melligan and P.J. Sharpe, were very sound in defence and incisive in attack, the former specialising in swerve and the latter in the side-step. A. T. W. Grieve, at outside-half, takes and gives good passes but is inclined to kick ahead too much when in an attacking position. His partner A. D. Robertson gave him a good service but was sometimes caught through delaying his pass; his tackling, falling and kicking, however, were always first rate. The only criticism which could be levelled at the backs was that their passing movements lack rhythm and this was caused by the different speeds of the individuals. The pack was very well led by P. G. Patchett, who also specialised in line-out work, and with D. C. B. Ellis in the second row, was largely responsible for the shove in the set scrums. C. Green, moved from prop to hooker, improved with every game, and was often prominent in the loose, well supported by J. T. B. Pell, R. Nazir and D. R. Willison. J. C. Lloyd played some good games as wing-forward, open and blind, and P. W. Wright, on his return to the team for the last few matches showed that he has the makings of a good open-side forward, his positional play being particularly noticeable. The pack started with two main faults, lack of fire and slowness in reacting to the movement of the game, but towards the end of the term these defects had been largely remedied.

The recent success of the Fifteen and the unbeaten records this year of the Colts and Junior Colts make our prospects for the next two or three seasons distinctly brighter. In conclusion, we would like to express our appreciation of the keen interest which the Headmaster takes in School Rugger at all levels and our thanks to the Masters who have taken the games.

The Fifteen: D. A. Ineson; J. N. Emmens, M. A. Melligan, P. J. Sharpe, W. W. McDowell; A. T. W. Grieve, A. D. Robertson; R. Nazir, C. Green, J. T. B. Pell, P. G. Patchett, D. C. B. Ellis, J. C. Llovd, D. R. Willison, P. W. Wright.

Also played: P. K. J. Thompson, T. C. Jones, J. B. Rastrick, J. E. Swallow.

THE FIFTEEN v. THE HEADMASTER'S XV

Home, Wednesday, 6th October, 1954.

Result—Lost: Worksop College, 2 tries, 1 penalty goal, 9 points, The Headmaster's XV, 3 goals, 2 tries, 21 points.

Worksop College opened the season against a strong Headmaster's XV captained by G. Hollis (Oxford and England), and also included J. Butterfield (England), I. G. Botting (England, New Zealand and Oxford) and J. Hacker (N. Midlands).

The game was played in bright sunshine and was open and fast throughout. The School opened strongly and kept the play for a long period in the visitor's half, and during this time their backs were seen to advantage. A. T. W. Grieve opened the scoring after a good cut through by J. N. Emmens, the outside half. P. G. Patchett failed to convert this try. I. G. Botting levelled the scores with an unconverted try in the corner after a forward rush, and the scratch team took the lead when J. Butterfield made a clear opening for I. G. Botting to score under the posts. J. Hacker converted. The score at half-time remained at 8-3. Soon after the interval the Headmaster's XV went further ahead with two good scores. First, G. Hollis scored in the corner as a result of quick passing along the three-quarter line, and then J. Butterfield scored a typical try after a swift and elusive run. J. Hacker converted both these scores. The School now rallied strongly, and the forwards, well led by P. G. Patchett took the ball into the visitors' 25 by close inter-passing and determined running, and at this stage P. J. Sharpe kicked a penalty goal. The School continued to press, and A. D. Robertson, the scrum-half went over from a scrum on the line, but A. T. W. Grieve failed with a kick. Just before no-side J. Butterfield put in a judicious kick to the corner and I. G. Botting scored an unconverted try.

The School XV gave a most encouraging display against heavier and more experienced opponents, and what they lacked in finesse they made up with fitness and determination.

Teams:—Headmaster's XV: N. C. B. Greek; G. Hollis (Capt.), J. Butterfield, R. F. Kimberley, I. G. Botting; J. E. Ricketts, D. E. H. Frost; J. F. Coghlan, G. E. Matthews, J. Hacker, J. B. Widdowson, W. W. Rhodes, P. W. Wright, J. H. Bridgwater, R. W. Adams.

School XV: D. A. Ineson; M. A. Melligan (Capt.), P. J. Sharpe, A. T. W. Grieve, W. McDowell; J. N. Emmens, A. D. Robertson; C. Green, P. K. J. Thompson, Nazir Reda, D. C. B. Ellis, P. G. Patchett, J. C. Lloyd, J. T. B. Pell, T. C. Jones.

Referee: M. Pitt, Esq. (Uppingham School).

THE FIFTEEN v. MOUNT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

Away, Saturday, 23rd October, 1954.

Result-Lost: Nil to 12 points (3 penalty goals, 1 dropped goal).

There is no doubt that the Mount deserved to win this game and they did so by virtue of their superior kicking. It was a closely contested game with the home side

holding a definite territorial advantage and being on the whole quicker on the ball. Worksop were slowed down by the heavy going and seldom looked like scoring, but in all fairness it should be stated that they defended well and the home team never seriously threatened their line. It was mainly a forward struggle but the Mount backs were more effective because they nursed their forwards by using the touch-line instead of trying passing movements with a wet ball.

Wilson opened the scoring with a penalty from a wide position and shortly afterwards D'Andrade increased the lead with a dropped goal, neatly taken on the run. Worksop fought back but never had the extra man or pace to outwit a solid defence. The second half was a repetition of the first with most of the play confined to the forwards and Wilson made Worksop pay dearly for two needless off-sides by kicking two more penalty goals.

The Fifteen: D. A. Incson; J. E. Swallow, A. T. W. Grieve, P. J. Sharpe, W. McDowell; N. J. Emmens, A. D. Robertson; C. Green, P. K. J. Thompson, J. T. B. Pell, P. G. Patchett, D. C. B. Ellis, J. C. Lloyd, D. R. Willison, M. A. Melligan.

Referee: S. B. Olsen, Esq. (Notts., Lines., Derbyshire Society).

THE FIFTEEN v. KING EDWARD'S SCHOOL, BIRMINGHAM

Home, Saturday, 30th October, 1954.

Result-Lost: 1 goal, 5 points to 5 tries, 1 goal, 20 points.

K.E.S. came to Worksop with an unbeaten record which they retained after a game which was more evenly contested than the score suggests. Honours were about even between the forwards in the set scrums and lines, but the Birmingham pack was much livelier in the loose, their dribbling and keen following up being particularly good. The visitors' backs were faster, especially on the wings, but the home three-quarters tackled well throughout and seldom allowed a break through the middle. The changing of Grieve from centre to fly-half certainly increased the effectiveness of the back division.

K.E.S. pressed from the start and took the lead when one of the Worksop forwards kicked the ball from a loose scrum into the outside centre's hands and he put Mountford over in the corner for an unconverted try. Worksop now had more of the play, but Davis increased the lead by scoring another unconverted try after a forward rush. Two similar tries were scored by Gane and Davis in the second half, and these were followed by the two best tries of the match. First Wilkins went over near the posts after a quick run from the base of the scrum: Saxon converted. Then Worksop pressed strongly and Emmens made a good break through following a quick heel and timed his pass perfectly to Sharpe who scored a picture try and then converted.

The Fifteen: D. A. Ineson; W. McDowell, N. J. Emmens, P. J. Sharpe, T. C. Jones; A. T. W. Grieve, A. D. Robertson; C. Green, P. K. J. Thompson, J. T. B. Pell, P. G. Patchett, D. R. Willison, J. C. Lloyd, R. Nazir, M. A. Melligan.

Referee: J. H. Payne, Esq. (Leicestershire Society of Referees).

THE FIFTEEN v. WREKIN COLLEGE

Away, Saturday, 6th November, 1954.

Result-Lost: 1 try, 3 points to 2 tries, 2 goals, 16 points.

The Wrekin match pitch was waterlogged and this game was played on a reserve ground. Considering the conditions, it was a good game, mainly fought out between the forwards, but both sets of backs passed and handled the ball reasonably well. Wrekin had much more of the game territorially in the first half but Worksop defended stubbornly and by good tackling and first-time falling prevented any score and crossed over on level terms. In the second half the home side changed their tactics and Krinks at fly-half used the touch-line on every available opportunity to put his team within striking distance of their opponents' line.

Wrekin went ahead when Radin their scrum-half forced his way over from a five yards scrum and this was followed by two forward tries by Bullwant and Penn after good dribbling by the whole of the Wrekin pack. Needes converted both these tries. Worksop now replied strongly and Melligan, who had moved himself to the centre, made a long run into the Wrekin 25, and from a resulting loose scrum Grieve receiving a good pass from Robertson went over on the blind side. Krinks completed the scoring for Wrekin with a late try in the corner.

The Fifteen: J. A. Flew; W. McDowell, N. J. Emmens, P. J. Sharpe, T C Jones; A. T. W. Grieve, A. D. Robertson; R. Nazir, P. K. J. Thompson, J. T. B. Pell, P. G. Patchett, D. C. B. Ellis, J. C. Lloyd, D. R. Willison, M. A. Melligan.

Referce: R. J. Todd, Esq. (N. Midlands Association).

THE FIFTEEN v. WELBECK COLLEGE

Home, Saturday, 13th November, 1954.

Result-Lost: 1 try, 3 points to 2 goals, 2 penalty goals, 2 tries, 22 points.

This was the poorest game played by the Fifteen who were thrown completely out of their stride by a well-drilled team playing well together. The Welbeck pack dominated the game in the loose both by their combined rushes and quick-heeling form the loose. Worksop had rather more of the ball from the set scrums but any advantage here was nullified by the intelligent play of the visiting flanking forwards who were nearly always too quick for Robertson and Grieve. One of the features of the game was the tackling of McDowell by his opposite number.

The opening exchanges were even but Welbeck took the lead with a push-over try which Neyland converted. Before half-time Neyland kicked two penalty goals, one of them from the 10 yard line. Welbeck had much the better of the second half and added further tries through Adams, Iveson and Neyland, the latter converting one of them. Worksop's only score was an unconverted try by Melligan who charged down an attempted clearance.

The Fifteen: D. A. Ineson; W. McDowell, M. A. Melligan, P. J. Sharpe, N. J. Emmens; A. T. W. Grieve, A. D. Robertson; J. T. B. Pell, C. Green, R. Nazir, P. G. Patchett, D. C. B. Ellis, J. B. Rastrick, D. R. Willison, J. C. Lloyd.

Referee: R. B. Hunt, Esq.

THE FIFTEEN v. R.A.F. COLLEGE, CRANWELL

Home, Wednesday, 17th November, 1954.

Result-Won: 1 goal, 1 penalty goal, 2 tries, 14 points to 2 goals, 10 points.

In recent years the Cranwell fixture has always produced good football and this year's match was no exception; in fact this game was considered by many to be one of the most exciting played at Worksop since the war. The key-note of the success was that the Fifteen played with tremendous team spirit; the forwards "hunted" as a pack and moved quickly from one set or loose scrum to the next rather than standing and waiting to see what happened. The three-quarters took their chances as they came and tackled like demons throughout.

Worksop started at a great pace and quickly went into the lead when Emmens intercepted a pass near the half-way line and out-paced the defence to score an unconverted try. Next Melligan scored near the posts after a clever little kick ahead which he gathered on the run. Sharpe converted. Cranwell replied with an unconverted try and Patchett kicked a penalty goal to give Worksop a 11—3 lead at half-time. The tempo of the game was fast and furious during the second half with Cranwell coming more and more into the picture. Emmens scored another good try after a long dribble and pick-up down his wing, and the visitors replied with two converted tries. And so to the last hectic ten minutes with Cranwell doing all they could to score and Worksop defending desperately. Many times Cranwell were on our line but always the forwards fought back or the backs made a final destructive tackle, and so managed to hang on to their lead until no-side.

The Fifteen: Unchanged.

Referee: A. H. Harvey, Esq. (Leicestershire Society of Referees).

THE FIFTEEN v. SALE "A"

Home, Saturday, 20th November, 1954.

Result-Won: 2 penalty goals, 1 try, 9 points to 1 penalty goal, 1 try, 6 points.

Once again the conditions were wet and the Fifteen failed to reproduce the sparkling play of the previous Wednesday. It was a dull game enlivened by two very good tries, one by each side, in the second half. Worksop won the toss and played down towards the School and pressed immediately. After five minutes Patchett opened the scoring for the home team with a well-placed penalty from the 25 and near the touchline. The School had the better of the play in the first half but could not increase the lead, but they should have scored after a clever break through by Grieve who kicked ahead with Emmens unmarked outside him. Immediately after the interval from a quick heel from a set scrum, the ball went along the Worksop line to Melligan at outside centre and he broke clean through the defence and rounded the full back to score a very fine try-Sharpe missed the kick. Now Sale staged a good rally and Kelly scored a good try by running diagonally across the field and catching the Worksop defence on the wrong foot. Glynn narrowly missed the kick, but shortly afterwards he levelled the scores with a penalty from in front of the posts. It was now anybody's game and Worksop pressed almost continuously and five minutes before no-side Patchett kicked a simple penalty goal from in front and this concluded the scoring.

The Fifteen: P. K. J. Thompson substituted for R. Nazir.

Referee: D. L. Lishman, Esq. (Leicestershire Society of Referees).

THE FIFTEEN v. ST. PETER'S SCHOOL, YORK

Home, Wednesday, 24th November, 1954.

Result-Drawn: 1 try, 3 points to 1 try, 3 points.

This was a game which the School should have won. After an evenly contested first half Worksop pressed continuously after half-time, but were only able to score a solitary try, and then allowed the visitors to equalise in the last two minutes of the game. The home pack gradually wore down their opponents and in the latter stages of the game had most of the ball from the set scrums and lines. The Worksop backs had an off day and the experiment of moving Melligan to fly-half in the hope of setting the line in motion more quickly was not a success and after half-time Grieve returned to the pivot position and Melligan back to the centre. The York backs marked up closely and rarely did the School backs shake them off, although Emmens made several strong runs down the left wing, and carly in the first half, Melligan should have put Grieve over after a quick burst down the blind side but he was tackled by the full-back before he could pass the ball. After a pointless first half, Worksop quickly took the lead when they were awarded a penalty try after the forwards had pushed the York pack over the line from a set scrum. Unfortunately there was a misunderstanding about the kick at goal and the referee finally disallowed this because the kicker handled the ball after it had been grounded. The equalising score came when Macpherson dodged over from a loose scrum near the Worksop line.

The Fifteen: D. A. Ineson; W. W. McDowell, A. T. W. Grieve, P. J. Sharpe, J. N. Emmens; M. A. Melligau, A. D. Robertson; J. T. B. Pell, C. Green, R. Nazir, D. C. B. Ellis, P. G. Patchett, T. C. Jones, D. R. Willison, J. C. Lloyd.

Referee: F/Lt. Butterworth (Notts., Lines. & Derby Society).

THE FIFTEEN v. WORKSOP R.F.C.

Home, Saturday, 27th November, 1954.

Result—Won: 2 goals, 2 penalty goals, 16 points to 2 tries, 1 penalty goal, 9 points.

The conditions for this game were extremely bad; it was blowing half a gale and with rain driving in the wind, it was practically impossible to play good football. The School started well and after a few minutes Patchett kicked a well judged penalty goal into the wind. The home side continued to press and from a set scrum near their opponents' line, Wright, playing his first game of the season at wing forward after a prolonged absence due to injury, positioned himself well for an inside pass and went over near the posts for a try which Sharpe converted. The Club side now retaliated and Lusty scored in the corner following an uncertain clearance by the Worksop defence. Just before half time Sharpe kicked a penalty from near the posts and the School crossed over leading 11—3. The second half was an even forward struggle and the backs on both sides for once must have longed to have been in the pack. The home team's lead was reduced to 11—6 when Palmer kicked an easy penalty, but McDowell replied with a try following a kick ahead and a bulldozer like run for the corner. Patchett kicked another fine goal. In the closing stages, Turner scored an unconverted try for the Town side.

The Fifteen: D. A. Ineson; W. W. McDowell, P. J. Sharpe, M. A. Melligan, N. J. Emmens; A. T. W. Grieve, A. D. Robertson; J. T. B. Pell, C. Green, R. Nazir, P. G. Patchett, D. C. B. Ellis, T. C. Jones, D. R. Willison, P. W. Wright.

Referee: F/Sgt. G. Dearlove (Notts., Lines. & Derby Society).

THE FIFTEEN v. DENSTONE COLLEGE

Home, Wednesday, 1st December, 1954.

Result—Won: 4 tries, 12 points to 2 penalty goals, 6 points.

It was a pleasant change to have reasonable conditions for this game and the l'ifteen reproduced much of the life and sparkle which they had shown a fortnight previously against Cranwell. The forwards gradually gained a marked ascendancy and Rebertson, playing his best game of the term at the base of the scrum, gave the backs a good supply of the ball which they used to advantage and scored all four tries. Grieve was in good form at fly-half, handling and passing cleanly, and nursing his forwards by long and accurate kicks to touch. Incson also played a very sound game and never put a foot wrong.

The School pressed from the start and after a prolonged attack, from a quick heef Grieve sent Emmens in the corner for an unconverted try. Everall levelled the scores with a penalty goal, but before half-time Worksop regained the lead. Melligan made half an opening for Sharpe who jinked past his man and dived over the line for an unconverted try. Worksop had the better of the play in the second half and Emmens increased the lead with another unconverted try. Everall again replied with another penalty goal, but the home team never looked in danger and Melligan collecting the ball from a rebound after an unsuccessful drop at goal by Grieve, weaved his way through the middle for the final score of the game.

The Fifteen: D. A. Ineson returned at full back, and J. C. Lloyd replaced T. C. Jones in the pack.

Referee: K. L. T. Jackson, Esq.

THE FIFTEEN V. THE OLD WORKSOPIANS

Home, Saturday, 4th December, 1954.

Result—Won: 3 tries, 2 penalty goals, 15 points to 1 goal, 1 penalty goal, 1 dropped goal, 11 points.

The Old Boys fielded a good side and the Fifteen put up a splendid performance to win particularly as at one stage in the first half they were cleven clear points down. The O.W.'s won the toss and playing with the wind and the slight slope, pressed immediately and soon went into the lead when Hewitt landed a good goal from 30 yards out from a penalty for a scrummage infringement. This was followed by a typical try by Kent who dribbled a loose ball on and was decidedly lucky to have it rebound from the upright into his hands. Hewitt converted. The Old Boys continued to press and Hewitt increased the lead with a well taken dropped goal. The School now replied strongly and from a loose scrum Grieve worked the blind side and sent Emmens on a strong run down the touch-line and he finished by side-stepping the full-back on the inside and scoring an unconverted try in the corner. With the wind behind them the School practically camped in the O.W.'s half and remorselessly wiped off the arrears and finally went into the lead. First Sharpe kicked a penalty goal and then the School pack scored a push over try, accredited to Lloyd. Then Sharpe kicked another penalty goal to give the School a 12-11 lead, and Robertson made the game safe by touching down when the O.W.'s heeled from a set scrum on their own line. A most enjoyable game which the School deservedly won.

The Fifteen: J. A. Flew substituted for D. A. Ineson.

O.W.'s: F. J. Hewitt; A. F. Nichol, C. D. Robinson, I. G. Harrison, P. G. E. Spencer; M. K. C. Morgan, R. M. Sumrie; G. W. Brunyee, J. S. Cumpstie, W. P. A. Malton, W. S. B. Spencer, D. C. Wilkinson, J. H. C. Kent.

Referee: S. B. Olsen, Esq. (Notts., Lines. and Derby Society).

THE FIFTEEN v. TRENT COLLEGE

Away, Tuesday, 7th December, 1954, Result—Won: 2 tries, 6 points to Nil.

On a very heavy ground, both teams played well and endeavoured to make it an open game. The start was slow but Worksop were determined to score whilst the ball was dry and easily handled. The first try was a particularly good one; the ball was heeled quickly from a loose scrum and the backs passed quickly and accurately, and ran straight, and Emmens was given a clear over-lap, and went over in the corner. The next try was an individual effort by Melligan, who made a snap interception outside the opponents' 25 and swerved his way past two defenders to score near the posts. Both kicks at goal failed. In the second half, the conditions began to tell and the game became a robust forward tussle which moved at considerable speed from one end to the other. The backs on both sides were unable to hold or give good passes and many good movements thereby faded away. Neither side looked like scoring and the tackling and falling on both sides reached a high standard. The School pack rose to the occasion and obtained a major share of the ball in the lines and set scrummages but forward rushes and dribbles never materialised.

The Fifteen: Unchanged.

THE FIFTEEN v. WATERLOO "A"

Home, Saturday, 11th December, 1954.

Result-Won: 1 goal, 1 penalty goal, 2 tries, 14 points to Nil.

The last match of the season was played under very good conditions on a comparatively dry ground and with no wind. The forwards more than held their own against a heavier club pack and the backs played well except for a tendency to kick when in a good attacking position. The visitors played well individually, particularly J. Sims at full-back, R. Johnston, the outside half and D. White and P. Welsh on the wings, and the covering defence of the School did well to withstand several powerful thrusts in the second half. Worksop played well together as a team and it was fitting that Melligan, the captain, playing for the last time should have had a very good game, scoring two tries, the second one after a memorable run from his own half.

The School soon went into the lead with an unconverted try by Melligan, who seized on a dropped pass by his opposite number and kicked ahead and outpaced the opposition for the touch-down. Worksop continued to press and from a loose scrum and a quick heel, Grieve made half an opening and then the ball was passed along the line at top speed and Emmens dived over in the corner. Just before half-time, Sharpe made the score 9—nil with a penalty from in front of the posts. Waterloo had more of the game in the second half but could never penetrate a resolute defence, in which Robertson, Grieve, McDowell and Ineson did many good things. Mid-way through

this half, during a passing movement along the home three-quarter line, Melligan beat his own man on the outside by a clever change of pace and with the covering defence going across to his wing, he cut inside at top speed and scored under the posts after a run of 60 yards without being touched. Sharpe kicked the goal. After this the School pressed strongly but were unable to score again.

The Fifteen: Unchanged.

Referee: V. F. Davey, Esq. (Notts., Lines. and Derby Society).

"A" XV and 2nd XV

During the early part of the term, two "A" XV matches were played against Silcoates School and Doncaster Grammar School. Both games were away and were won by convincing margins.

The Second Fifteen was a good workmanlike side which was always capable of stretching the premier side in practice. It was unfortunate that two successive games on the fixture list had to be cancelled at a stage in the term when the team was settling down as a combined unit. In the forwards, P. K. J. Thompson was outstanding for his hooking and lively play in the loose, and other prominent players in the pack were D. A. Dickson in the lines, J. H. Bridgwater as number eight forward and general marauder, W. W. Rhodes and M. Stokes as solid scrummagers in the second row, and J. B. Rastrick as an effective blind side wing forward. The backs were better individually than as a line. D. E. H. Frost gave a good service from the scrum to the mid-field trio, J. E. Swallow, D. W. Turner and R. M. Wilcockson, all of whom attacked well but too often lost contact with one another and too seldom gave the wings a scoring chance. J. A. Flew, at full back, kicked a good length but was uncertain of direction, and showed good opportunism in initiating attacks, from which he scored two tries himself.

"A" XV Results

	9th Oct. 19th Oct.	Doncaster Grammar Scho		Away Away		36—6
		2nd XV Results				
Sat.	23rd Oct.	Mount St. Mary's College		Away	Won	95
Sat.	13th Nov.	Welbeck College		Home	Lost	3—6
Wed.	17th Nov.	R.A.F. College, Cranwell	***	Home	Lost	10 - 14
Wed.	24th Nov.	St. Peter's School, York	200	Home	Won	3—Nil
Sat.	27th Nov.	Worksop R.F.C. "A"		Home		Cancelled
Wed.	1st Dec.	Denstone College				Cancelled
Tues.	7th Dec.	Trent College	***	Away	Won	16—Nil

The Second XV: J. A. Flew; T. C. Jones, D. W. Turner, R. M. Wilcockson (Capt.), D. Ord; J. E. Swallow, D. E. H. Frost; D. A. Dickson, P. K. J. Thompson, R. M. King, W. W. Rhodes, M. Stokes, J. B. Rastrick, J. H. Bridgwater, M. Rubin.

THE 3rd XV

This year the 3rd XV began well but towards the end of the season they were beginning to look a little tired! However, the results were, once again, most satisfactory. Our fixture list was a very good one and comprised 5 away and 3 home

matches. We were disappointed by Denstone and Doncaster, neither of whom could raise a team during the epidemic of influenza.

The side was captained, rather modestly but efficiently, by R. A. Bradwell who also proved to be a valuable scrum-half. In spite of demands from the 2nd XV (and in one case from the 1st XV) the team settled down quickly and usually played well together. The frequent changes affected the pack mostly and resulted in rather weak forward play, particularly in the loose.

Our backs were fast, expecially M. H. Dickson, and their handling and teamwork were good under favourable conditions, but deteriorated somewhat on bad ground.

The general standard of play was as good as last season and what is more important, we all enjoyed it.

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		Results	
Sat.	23rd Oct.	E.S.C. Colts Ho	me Won 17—Nil
Wed.	27th Oct.	Silcoates School Aw	ray Drawn 3—3
Wed.	10th Nov.	Mount St. Mary's College Ho	me Won 9—3
Sat.	20th Nov.	King Edward School, Sheffield Aw	ray Won 30—Nil
Sat.	27th Nov.	Doncaster Grammar School Ho	me Cancelled
Wed.	1st Dec.	Denstone College Aw	ray Cancelled
Tues.	7th Dec.	Mount St. Mary's College Aw	ray Lost 13—3
Sat.	11th Dec.	Welbeck College Aw	ay Lost 12—Nil
		Points for 62. Points against 31	

Team: J. B. R. Walker; M. H. Dickson, G. Needler, S. A. Blyth, J. C. Wilson; J. A. Gadie, R. A. Bradwell (Capt.); A. C. Tanner, C. Stout, R. N. H. Hibbert, R. G. Batty, P. E. Sternberg, T. A. Spratley, M. L. Morris, D. Forster.

Also played: D. W. Humphrey, G. W. S. Marshall, M. C. Baker, A. R. Allum.

COLTS' XV

This year, a strong side came up from the Junior Colts' XV. It was unlucky in having two of its fixtures cancelled owing to the influenza epidemic in the Midlands, but it did win its other fixtures convincingly. The side proved to be a good one, comparatively well balanced, and with a tradition of success behind it.

The main strength of the team lay in its forwards who were quick on the ball, hard in the tackle, and realised the value of giving the three-quarters the ball. J. M. Austin led the pack most competently and captained the side well.

The three-quarters were potentially good, and improved steadily throughout the term. They could be dangerous and learned to give their passes well but an occasional hesitancy often robbed them of their just reward.

The place-kicking of the side was very undistinguished and our margin of victory would often have been overwhelming if we could have converted our tries. More perseverance and less confidence would have provided the answer here.

The XV were successful for three reasons. Firstly they played as a team; secondly they had the will to win; and lastly when things went wrong, they regarded adversity as a challenge, and not as a stroke of ill-fortune.

We have to thank Mr. Mackie who generously gave us much of his time, and Mr. Winn and Mr. Philips, whose enthusiasm and expert coaching seemed to infect the whole team.

Results							
Sat.	16th Oct.	Trent College	Home	Cancelled			
Tues.	19th Oct.	Doncaster Grammar School	Home	Won 58-3			
Sat.	30th Oct.	K.E.S. Birmingham	Home	Won 3—Nil			
Wed.	10th Nov.	Mount St. Mary's College	Home	Won 19—3			
Wed.	24th Nov.	St. Peter's School, York	Away	Cancelled			
Wed.	1st Dec.	Denstone College	Away	Cancelled			
Sat.	4th Dec.	Trent College	Home	Won 14-9			
Tues.	7th Dec.	Mount St. Mary's College	Away	Won 20—12			

The final XV was: J. M. Kidd; D. V. Warrington, S. R. Eaton, P. R. Brunyee, H. T. Walters; G. E. Maskell, W. D. G. Sykes; J. M. Austin (*Capt.*), J. D. Adams, A. B. E. Bennett, C. R. Clewlow, M. J. Dyson, J. P. Richardson, S. K. Irving.

Colts' XV colours were awarded to: J. M. Austin, J. P. Richardson, W. D. G. Sykes, C. R. Clewlow, S. R. Eaton, J. D. Adams, D. V. Warrington, A. B. E. Bennett, C. P. Walker, P. R. Brunyee and J. M. Kidd.

JUNIOR COLTS

This has been a good side, and one which in the later games really began to play good rugby football with the ball moving about between the backs and forwards. We started the term with two old members of the side, D. B. Moody at fly-half, the captain, and B. A. Smith at full-back, and the team was built round these two players. A big heavy pack with two six-footers, which broke quickly, and also heeled quickly from the loose, gave the backs plenty of the ball which they used as the term wore on with skill and intelligence. The side was unbeaten and it was a great pity that our matches against St. Peter's, York, and Denstone were both cancelled because of illness at these schools. This side should develop well for they think when they have the ball, and try to use it. My sincere thanks to Mr. N. C. B. Creek who assisted me this term and who helped in no uncertain way in the successful term the team enjoyed.

The final team was: B. A. Smith; J. B. Scott, A. Wilkinson, T. G. W. Barber, I. R. Dugdale; D. B. Moody (Capt.), R. E. Bosworth; L. R. C. Burgin, M. Hatton, G. T. Ashmore, B. K. Lee, D. H. Morrison, S. Furness, J. G. G. Saxton, R. M. Powley.

Also played: I. Gilchrist, R. W. Bamforth.

		Results		
Tues.	19th Oct.	Doncaster Grammar School	. Away	Won 168
Sat.	23rd Oct.	Sheffield Schools' XV	Home	Won 63
Wed.	10th Nov.	Mount St. Mary's College	. Away	Drawn 6—6
Sat.	20th Nov.	K.E.S. Sheffield	. Away	Won 16-Nil
Wed.	24th Nov.	St. Peter's School, York	Away	Cancelled
Wed.	1st Dec.	Denstone College	. Home	Cancelled
Sat.	4th Dec.	Trent College	. Home	Won 32—Nil
Tues.	7th Dec.		. Home	Won 17-3

UNDER 14 JUNIOR COLTS' XV

After a depressing start to the season against opponents who held the advantage of superior size and age, the team have shown that they can play some good rugby.

The Captain, G. Phillips, has run well, but has not had the room to move in, which a wing-threequarter needs. P. R. Swinney, at full-back, played soundly with a cool head and safe hands. In the stopping of forward rushes, R. K. Allen was prominent; he has played very intelligently, passing well to his outsides, but was not co-ordinating with the scrum-half, F. S. Bemrose, frequently having to stop to receive the pass. I. B. Grieve has become a much sounder player during the term, and shows some rugger sense; A. P. R. Harris on the wing, runs very well, yet needs to learn when to give passes. P. A. Duke and D. M. W. Griffiths have both played very hard and promise well, also N. J. Nixon whose size is still a handicap. J. C. H. Goodall a late-comer, has ability, and earned a place in the team.

Of the forwards, M. B. Hurst, the hooker, was outstanding; even in the loose he was very quick on to the ball, and playing intelligently. D. A. Cooper, too, gave of his best; both he and I. R. Edwards featured well in the line-outs. R. C. Carrell was a lively pack leader, and he and R. N. York did sound work as wing-forwards.

The team was always changing, and space does not allow mention of all who played. However, much has been learnt, and the whole XXX are to be congratulated.

The Team: P. R. Swinney; A. P. R. Harris, G. Phillips, I. B. Grieve, J. C. H. Goodall; R. K. Allen, F. S. Bemrose; D. A. Cooper, M. B. Hurst, G. M. H. Harvey, I. R. Edwards, R. C. Carrell, R. N. York, I. E. Crummack, J. S. Rayner.

Also played: P. G. Bruce, P. A. Duke, D. M. W. Griffiths, I. C. Jones, N. J. Nixon, M. J. McCann, J. A. Clower, G. T. Atkins.

Results

Tues.	19th Oct.	Doncaster Grammar School	Home	Lost	Nil31
Wed.	27th Oct.	Silcoates School	Away	Lost	3—16
Wed.	10th Nov.	Mount St. Mary's College	Away	Lost	Nil—3
Wed.	17th Nov.	St. Hugh's School	Home	Won	32—Nil
Wed.	1st Dec.	Silcoates School	Home		Cancelled
Tues.	7th Dec.	Mount St. Mary's College	Home	Won	63
Sat.	11th Dec.	Denstone College	Away		Cancelled
Wed.	15th Dec.	St. Hugh's School	Away		Cancelled

THE HOUSE MATCHES

Except for the first rounds, the House matches this year have been played under very bad conditions and the competitions became a survival of the fittest. School House were seeded in the Seniors, and deservedly went through to the final and won; they had a well balanced side, the pack being well led by C. Green, with the School halves, A. D. Robertson and A. T. W. Grieve, and the School full-back, D. A. Ineson, behind them. Shirley put up a gallant fight in the final, particularly as P. J. Sharpe, one of their key men, was limping badly after the first few minutes and R. C. Hill was carried off in the second half. School House always looked the likely

winners, but it might have been much closer; D. A. Ineson, A. T. W. Grieve and A. D. Robertson scored their tries and J. M. Kidd converted one of them.

For the second year running Mason shared the Junior Cup, but this time with Portland. The final was a gruelling affair in pouring rain. Mason took an early lead with an unconverted try by G. Jennison. The smaller, but livelier Portland team held on and later outplayed their heavier opponents and deserved an equalising score through a try by R. W. Bamforth in the second half. Extra time was played and Portland pressed for most of the period but just failed to score.

Senior Competition 1st Round Semi-finals School House School House Bye School House Talhot. Talbot 9 - - 3Mountgarret 9---3 School House Shirley Shirley 11-Nil 23 - - 3Portland Shirley Pelham Pelham 14-Mason 6--3 Junior Competition 1st Round Semi-finals Final Mason Bye Mason Mason Pelham Pelham 8---6 Mountgarret 17—Nil Draw Shirley Shirley 3--3 21-Nil Talbot Portland Portland Portland 6-Nil School House 11-Nil

Squash Rackets

As Captain of School Squash, P. J. Sharpe (last year's first string and the only member of the side still with us) had the problem at term start of forming virtually a new team. As an aid to discovering relative form, a very successful American tournament was held and we also welcomed two coaching visits from Mr. J. H. Giles of the Abbeydale Club as an aid to developing the side, as well as a means of encouraging younger talent.

Two matches have been played so far—against the Staff and the Old Worksopians—and these "family matches" have given competitive experience for the games to be played next term against St. Peter's School, York, Nottingham University, Sheffield University and (it is hoped) St. Edward's School, Oxford.

In the Staff match, the School first two strings were successful, but could not register a third win, so that the Staff recorded their first victory for several years. The School, unfortunately without Grieve through injury, lost by the same margin in their second match. Individual scores were:—

The School v. The Staff

P. J. Sharpe beat N. C. B. Creek, Esq. A. T. W. Grieve beat A. de M. Beanland, D. W. Turner lost to Dr. Venables G. Needler lost to J. H. Bulford, Esq. T. C. Jones lost to the Headmaster		* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	3—1 3—2 0—3 1—3 0—3
The School v. Old Worksopi	ans		
P. J. Sharpe beat R. S. Wood			30
D. W. Turner lost to P. S. Southcott	***		0-3
G. Needler beat B. S. J. Stocken	110		3-0
T. C. Jones lost to D. J. Bradwell	411		03
R. A. Bradwell lost to J. M. Coldrey	***		1-3

At the same time another O.W. side, consisting of W. M. Audsley, G. M. Booth, D. W. E. Bridgwater, F. J. Hewitt and M. F. Robinson, lost to a Staff side, 4—1.

In the Inter-House Competition, the two seeded sides—School House and Shirley—reached the final, the former winning by the odd match. The draw and results were:—

Shirley Bye Talbot	Mountgarret	Shirley 41	
Mountgarret	3—2		School House
Mason	Mason		3-2
Portland	4-1		
	-	School House	
Pelham School House	School House 4—1	4—1	1

Looking back at Inter-House play one would regret the tendency to overplay the side wall shot, while the length shot to the back corners was insufficiently used and the lob was rarely seen. There was also too much thoughtless hitting to the centre of the court.

It is hoped next term to repeat last year's School and Staff second team match and also to run a Senior and a Junior Singles Championship.

House Notes



MASON

Our activities have been varied this term, apart from normal routine Rugger and Squash, we have taken an interest in the various School Societies, many of us helped to put on the School Play and we had a very successful outing to the Derbyshire Moors.

The 1st Rugger XV proved to be a much improved side, many of last year's team still being with us. With the loss of our captain through injury we just lost in a hard fought game

against Pelham by 6 points to 3, a commendable performance.

The Under 16 XV seem fated to deadlock, for the last two years they have shared the cup after an undecided final. After beating Pelham in the semi-final by the narrow margin of 2 points, the final score being 8—6, they drew with Portland 3—3 in the final. Both matches were played in very bad weather conditions and both our own team and our opponents must be congratulated on their spirited displays.

We started the term with a rather inexperienced Squash team, which, nevertheless, improved rapidly. In the first round we beat Portland by 4 matches to 1 and hopes were raised. Such hope was only to be shattered by a strong School House team which defeated us by 4 matches to 1 in the semi-final.

On All Saints' Day, Mr. Thoday took a Mason party to Castleton in Derbyshire. They had a picnic lunch on the Castle Hill and afterwards visited the Peak Cavern. Outside the cave they were fortunate enough to see the last surviving rope maker at work. Interest inside was centred on the rock formations. With a little imagination figures, such as that of the Virgin Mary could be picked out. Later they visited the Treak Cliff Cavern where they saw both stalactite and stalagmite formations. After having tea at a small cafe the party returned from what had been a most interesting and enjoyable day.

Among our other activities we seem to have acquired a skilful table tennis team. The Common Room pride themselves in an unbeaten record and offer a firm challenge to all junior teams. The permanent wireless has added much to the amenities of our Common Room and we thank Mr. Morrey very sincerely for his kind gift.

Finally our congratulations go to J. C. G. Parkinson on his award of a State Scholarship, and again to J. C. G. Parkinson and A. R. Allum on their appointment as House Prefects.

House Rugger colours were re-awarded to D. E. H. Frost, D. W. Turner and J. H. Bridgwater, and were awarded to A. R. Allum and P. D. Porter. D. H. Morrison gained a half Rugger colour.

With the Common Room highly decorated and the party spirit very evident we feel the end of term is almost upon us. We cannot be blamed for our mixed feelings

concerning our future prospects in the eternal Dorm Run and the dreaded Boxing ring. However time alone will tell, and if truth were really known we look forward to the future with optimism.



PELHAM

At the beginning of term we welcomed Mr. J. Butterfield as a House tutor. Mr. Butterfield has already shown us his enthusiasm for the House, and we would like to wish him a long and happy stay with us.

This term we were unable to retain the Inter-House Rugby Cup, but we did not relinquish it without a fight. In the first round of the Competition we just managed to beat Mason, but were beaten by Shirley in the semi-final in a very

good and hard fought game. In the Junior competition we also reached the semi-finals by beating Mountgarret, but were then narrowly beaten by Mason. However the determination shown by the juniors shows hope of better things to come in the future.

In the Squash competition we suffered a quick defeat at the hands of School House who won four games against our one.

On All Saints' Day, November 1st, the School had a whole holiday, and a large section of the House led by Mr. Lee, Mr. Francis and Mr. Butterfield, went to Lincoln for the day. The main items on the programme were a visit to the Cathedral in the morning, and a Treasure Hunt round the city during the afternoon. When they had finished turning the city "upside down," the party met at The High Bridge Cafe and had a very good tea, which was very welcome after all the running they had done. After tea the party returned to College having spent a most enjoyable day. Our thanks are due to Mr. Butterfield who gave up a great deal of his time, and went to great trouble in organizing the Treasure Hunt.

Finally our congratulations are due to P. G. Patchett on being appointed Captain of House; to J. C. Lloyd and E. S. R. Adair on being appointed House Prefects; and to J. C. Lloyd, P. G. Patchett, D. C. B. Ellis, J. B. Rastrick, D. Ord, J. D. Adams, and J. P. Richardson on the re-award, and to R. N. Hibbert and W. G. D. Sykes on the award of their House Rugby colours.



MOUNTGARRET

We are sorry to say that in the field of sport this term we have not gained any great success. The Rugger XV met Talbot in the first round of the House competition for the fourth time in three years. The score at half-time was 3—0, to Talbot and, although R. M. King, the captain, did score a penalty goal in the second half, the final score was 9—3 to Talbot.

The Squash V also met Talbot in the first round of the competition, but this

time with more success, winning 3-2. We lost 4-1 to Shirley, however, in the semi-final.

We should like to thank W. S. Thompson, Esq. for his gift of a Continental landscape painting, which has replaced the sombre etching of a duel, entitled "To the Death," which has for many years hung above the Common Room fire-place. It will be of interest to many old members of the House to know that we re-started the House Chess Club this term and have been holding meetings at least twice a week. On All Saints' Day the House visited Wollaton Park Natural History Museum in the morning and spent the afternoon in Nottingham, whence we returned refreshed and invigorated.

House holiday ties are once again available. Will any past member of Mountgarret who would like one, please write to the House Master, enclosing 10/-.

Finally we offer congratulations to P. Darley-Usmar and D. V. Warrington on gaining the Senior and Junior places, respectively, on the House Honours Board for 1953—4; also to R. A. Hare, R. M. King, E. J. Phillips, J. E. Swallow and J. G. Warner on their appointment as House Prefects; and to G. Readman, J. E. Swallow and J. H. W. Beardwell on the award of their House Rugger colours.

This term we were pleased to receive visits from the following Old Boys:—W. M. Audsley, J. M. Baines, J. M. Bellis, G. P. Broadbent, P. Darley-Usmar, A. F. Dick, A. R. Dyer, A. F. J. England, M. A. Fletcher, J. D. Fox, A. F. Hancock, R. A. Johnson, P. C. Knowles, E. R. Martindale, G. D. Miln, W. W. G. Miln, M. K. C. Morgan, J. A. Naish, J. A. Newton, A. F. Nichol, D. Outram, V. Outram, G. O. Roberts, C. W. Rutherford, P. V. Sampson, P. G. Southcott, W. B. Sutcliffe, L. Taylor, G. L. Thompson, R. C. W. Thompson, W. B. Thompson, W. S. Thompson, R. J. Vardey, R. Wadsworth, R. S. Wood.



TALBOT

This term we welcomed Mr. R. R. Winn to the House in the position of House Tutor. Already he has proved a great help both on and off the games field and we hope his stay with us will be a long and happy one.

We played Mountgarret in the first round of the House Rugger competition and had we had a good goal-kicker in the House we would have won by a greater margin.

In the semi-final we played School House, a much stronger and more experienced side, and unfortunately lost narrowly, but were by no means disgraced. The side was captained by R. M. Wilcockson, J. T. B. Pell being vice-captain.

The Junior XV, captained by J. D. Lomas, did not have any luck at all and were beaten in the first round by a strong Shirley side.

The House Squash team well captained by G. Needler did not receive the glory of last year for they were beaten in the first round by a mediocre Mountgarret team.

Congratulations to R. M. Wilcockson on his appointment as School Prefect and Captain of House and also to J. T. B. Pell, D. R. Willison on the re-award and to J. P. Atter, J. K. P. Watson, P. R. Brunyee, S. R. Eaton, C. P. Walker and J. Russell on the award of their House Rugger colours ; and finally to Λ . J. Bentley on the award of his House Squash colours.



SCHOOL HOUSE

This term has been most successful and the attitude of the House both on the sports field, and, more important, within the House community has been most encouraging.

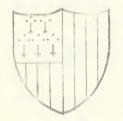
The Rugger XV was one whose strength lay in the backs. However the emphasis was continually laid on team work, and this brought as a reward the 1st XV Rugger cup. We passed through the first round with a bye, and came up against

Talbot in the second round, whom we beat 8—3. In the final we were to play Shirley, and after an extremely hard game, we beat a very gallant side 11—0. The cup was won by team work, and it was felt that in consequence colours must be awarded to the whole team. Thus we congratulate C. Green, A. D. Robertson, N. J. Emmens and D. W. Humphrey on the re-award of their House Rugger colours, and A. T. W. Grieve, T. C. Jones, J. M. Kidd, T. S. Spratley, M. Rubin, M. E. Stone, J. M. Hempsall, W. W. Rhodes, S. G. Prince, J. P. Taylor and M. Morris on the award of House Rugger colours.

The 2nd XV met with less success losing in the first round to Portland.

Our second success was the winning of the Squash cup. This we did by beating Pelham in the first round 4—1, and Mason in the second round 4—1. The final was played against Shirley and the team was changed slightly, I. B. A. Grieve coming in the Junior instead of P. F. Whicher. In an exciting match we won 3—2; A. T. W. Grieve lost to P. J. Sharpe 3—0, T. C. Jones beat R. A. Bradwell 3—0, T. S. Spratley beat W. W. McDowell 3—0, J. M. Kidd lost to D. C. Hanks 3—1, I. B. A. Grieve beat R. E. Bosworth 3—0. Colours were re-awarded to A. T. W. Grieve, and awarded to T. S. Spratley and J. M. Kidd.

Thus we have started the year well, and we have high hopes for the future.



SHIRLEY

At the start of term we welcomed our new Housemaster, Mr. F. G. W. Philips, and a new House Tutor, Mr. R. W. Adams. We wish them both all success, and also extend a warm greeting to W. W. McDowell who is over here from the United States for a year.

We have had a busy and not unsuccessful term both in the classroom and on the playing fields and our new Common

Room is gradually being improved and made less austere. When the new floor has been put in, life will be much more comfortable,

School House beat us in the final of the Squash by 3 matches to 2, and we give them our congratulations and thanks for a pleasant game. We also hope to take our revenge on them in the final of House Rugby competition at the end of term—a game between two evenly matched sides.

It has been pleasant to entertain other houses in our Common Room with table tennis and billiard competitions, and we look forward to the House Party at the end of term. Glee parties are feverishly rehearsing in corners, and strange discords come from the Music School—but that is not unusual!

We are happy to congratulate P. J. Sharpe on his appointment as School Prefect, and also on his appointment as Captain of Squash. We also offer our congratulations to P. W. Wright, the Captain of House, and to W. W. McDowell on the award of their School Rugby colours, and also to D. A. Dickson on the award of his School 2nd XV colours.

Our new boys appear to have settled down reasonably well, but we are indeed sorry to lose this term, A. C. Tanner and P. F. C. Lobley who have served us very well. Our best wishes go with them and we hope they will visit us frequently.

PORTLAND

This term we regretfully say goodbye to Mr. N. C. B. Creek, our House Tutor, who has been of great assistance in the founding of Portland House and in the sports activities of the House. We wish him well in his new appointment as a master at his old school, Dauntsey's, in Wiltshire.

We wish to thank very sincerely the parent who has so kindly given the fine cinema seats and curtains to the Common Room, which have added so much to our comfort and pleasure.

Nothing outstanding was expected of the 1st XV Rugger, but a very commendable spirit was shown. We were knocked out in the 1st round by Shirley, the far superior team both in the pack and in the three-quarters. The 2nd XV have done remarkably well considering their size and age, by beating School House in the first round and Shirley in the second round, thus reaching the final to play Mason. The match ended in a 3 points all draw, after a hard tussle, and the whole XV is to be congratulated on a fine show.

In the Squash we were defeated by Mason in the first round, losing 4—1 S. Furness the Junior String beating Morrison.

Congratulations to P. H. Loncaster, J. Reynolds and M. Stokes on their appointment as House Prefects; to Reda Nazir on the award of School Rugger colours; to A. B. E. Bennett on the award of Colts' Rugger colours; to M. Hatton on the award of House 1st XV Rugger colours; and finally to M. A. Melligan on the award of a School Rugger Cap and a House Representative Blazer.

Old Worksopian Society

President: The Headmaster.

Committee:

D. M. Dunning (Chairman), V. Hollowday (Vic?-Chairman), J. F. Whittelle, H. Watson-Smith, G. F. G. Rees, Dr. L. Taylor, L. W. Butlin, W. S. Thompson, A. M. Harvey, P. M. Bradley, I. G. Harrison, The Hon. Auditor,

The Hon. Secretary.

Conditions for the opening of the Reunion Weekend on December 4th, could not have been more inauspicious, and the Rugger Match against the School was played in a high wind and intermittent but heavy rain. However, the last Whit Monday taught much about braving the Worksop weather, and there was a full muster on the touch-line—albeit snugly ensconced in cars—to cheer the side, though not to victory.

Calm after storm, and tea in the Library provided a welcome contrast to the vile weather outside. About 120 members were there, and were greatly pleased to have Mrs. Northcote-Green as their hostess.

The Cocktail Party was very popular. The Ante-Hall has seldom been the scene of such animation, and provided a very fitting prelude to the Dinner.

119 members sat down to the meal, together with 24 members of the Staff, the President (the Headmaster), the Captain and Vice-Captain of School and the Prefect of Chapel. The guest of honour was Colonel H. H. Story, M.C., the Divisional Bursar of the Midland Division of the Woodard Corporation, who had very kindly consented, at somewhat short notice, to take the place of Sir W. W. Wakefield.

The speeches which followed the Dinner were given by candle-light—a very popular innovation—and were admirable for their quality and brevity. All had a common theme—the Diamond Jubilee Year and the Appeal Fund, and many tributes were paid to the Headmaster for all he is doing for the School and the Society.

The evening ended with a general "get-together" in the Ante-Hall.

Many O.W.'s took advantage of the Headmaster's invitation to attend Chapel on Sunday morning, and there was also a very encouraging attendance at the Annual General Meeting, which was held in the Theatre later in the morning.

In the afternoon, there were Squash, Shooting and Golf matches against the School. The Society was successful, in the Golf and Squash, but lost to the School at Shooting, and to the Staff at Squash.

For those who could remain there was tea in the new tea-room of the Tuck Shop and, finally, Evensong in the Chapel.

The numbers present for the weekend, though not as large as had been hoped, were very encouraging, and the Headmaster is to be congratulated for initiating the idea of a Reunion Weekend, which will certainly increase in popularity.

I. G. Harrison, of 13 Roker Park Terrace, Sunderland, is the Secretary for Hockey for this season, and any who would like to play in the Match against the School should get in touch with him as early as possible.

Annual Subscribers are reminded that a further 5/- became due from each of them on January 1st, 1955

The List of Members will again be revised and brought up to date early in 1955, and it would be appreciated if any changes of address, not yet notified to the Hon. Secretary, could be sent to him as soon as possible.

All members will, by now, have received from the Headmaster details of the progress of the Appeal Fund for a new Swimming Bath which he launched in December, 1953, and of the modifications which have been made to the original plans. The present target of £17,000 should be within our means to attain and, as the Headmaster announced at the Annual General Meeting, the half-way mark has already been passed.

It is greatly hoped to ask H.R.H. the Princess Royal to lay the foundation stone when she visits us at the end of July, but it is felt that we must get nearer to the target figure before work can start. Many of you have already given to the Appeal, but those of you who have not yet done so are earnestly asked to send whatever you can afford, however small it may seem to be, so that this grand project may be realised. Please don't delay. We are very near to success—help to make it assured.

- REV. H. H. W. BEAN (Talbot 1906—1912). It is with great regret that the death of the Rev. H. H. W. Bean, in October, 1954, is recorded.
- J. D. BEECROFT (Shirley 1938—1942) went to St. Mary's Medical School, Paddington, on leaving School. He is now living in Canada, where he has started in private practice at Trenton, Ontario. Beecroft, who is an M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., L.M.C.C., is married and has two children.
- C. R. BROWN (Shirley 1937-1942) is now working as a Studio Manager for the B.B.C.
- B. S. BUTLER (School House 1943—1948) is in New Zealand for a season to learn wool-classing. He went out by boat, crossing the Atlantic and passing through the Panama Canal, and had a very interesting and pleasant trip. His work in New Zealand will take him over a great deal of North and South Islands. Just before leaving England he became engaged to Miss Yvonne Halliday, of Lightcliffe, Nr. Halifax.
- M. FROST (Mason 1940—1950) is now working as a trainee with the G.E.C. in Kingsway, London.
- F. P. R. HINCHLIFFE (Shirley 1935—1940). Congratulations on his marriage to Miss Ann Rosamund Featherby, of Wilmslow, Cheshire, on August 7th, 1954.

- G. K. HOLTBY (Talbot 1942—1945). Congratulations on his marriage to Miss Sheila Jackson, of Haisthorpe Hall, Haisthorpe, on July 4th, 1953, and on the arrival of their daughter, Ann Elizabeth, on August 10th, 1954.
- N. P. KINGSTON (Mason 1936—1939) has been living in Essex for over three years, and is working for a firm of importers and distributors of heavy earthmoving equipment and agricultural track-type tractors. Kingston has been married for six years. During the war he was for $5\frac{1}{2}$ years with the R.A.F. in India, and since his return to this country he has helped to re-form two Rugger Clubs. He is still playing himself. Kingston's elder brother, P. A. KINGSTON (Mason 1932—1937) who is married and has three daughters, is working in the same firm.
- A. R. LAING (School House 1933—1938). It is with great regret that we record the death, on October 27th, 1954, of A. R. Laing. Laing served with the R.A.F. during the war, and was a member of 8 Group Pathfinder Force of Bomber Command. He was on frequent operational flights over Germany, and was shot down near Mulheim in June, 1942. He was a prisoner of war for a longer period, and on return home, was granted 100% disability pension. His health steadily deteriorated, and he was frequently in hospital. For the last ten months of his life he was confined to bed. Laing's name is to be added to the School's Roll of Honour.
- D. M. LANGBRIDGE (Mountgarret 1939—1949). Congratulations on his marriage, on August 24th, 1954, to Miss Frances Riley. Langbridge obtained a Ph.D. of Sheffield University in June 1954, and has now taken up a post as Chemist to the Sokoto Malaria Control, involving the spraying of all habitations, over an area of 500 square miles, with three types of insecticide.
- S. L. MATHER (Mountgarret 1947—1949) is just finishing a five-years' course with Leyland Motors Ltd., and he is shortly to join their research department.
- P. S. QUAYLE (Shirley 1941—1946) is now in Australia, where he has a post with Broken Hill Property Ltd.
- M. E. REDFERN (Pelham 1945—1949) has now completed his National Service as a sergeant in the R.A. During his service he was stationed in Germany, Austria, and finally in the Canal Zone.
- P. E. F. RHODES (Shirley 1934—1939) has been appointed a member of a small team of mining experts to go out to Korea to assist in the rehabilitation and development of the Korean Coal mines. He travelled out by air at the beginning of November and, initially, he is on a two year's contract. Rhodes will have his headquarters at Seoul, and has been promised a paper house!
- W. ROBERTS (Shirley 1945—1952) is now on National Service, and is stationed at Munchen-Gladbach in Germany.
- P. G. RUSSELL (Pelham 1943—1946). Congratulations on his marriage to Miss Gladys Stella Woolridge, on September 24th, 1954, in St. John the Divine Church, South Burnaby, British Columbia.

- W. D. SIMPSON (Talbot 1940—1946). Congratulations on winning the Moulton-Mayer Fund competition. The prize is to give a recital in the Wigmore Hall, London, and Simpson hopes to give his recital in January, 1955.
- T. STOCKDALE (Mason 1933—1941) is engaged in Electrical Engineering at Sonning-on-Thames, in Berkshire. He has been married for two years, and has a small son, Nigel.
- J. T. TOPHAM (School House 1946—1949) is now stationed in Belgium, and is enjoying life. He has played hockey for the British Army against a Belgium XI, as well as for his Battalion and Base Teams.
- J. G. VERE (Pelham 1946—1951) is a Corporal in the Royal Signals and is, at present, stationed in Germany. He is playing Rugger regularly for his regiment, and has been picked in the trials for the B.A.O.R. XV at Munster.
- T. F. B. WATKINS (Shirley 1949—1952) is now at the Royal Agricultural College, Circnester.
- E. WILLIAMSON (Mountgarret 1913—1920) has been elected President of the Chartered Institute of Patent Agents, after serving on the Council for eleven years. He is in charge of the London Patent Department of General Motors Corporation, with whom he has been for the last 21 years. While at School he had the distinction of being the last Captain of Soccer, and the first full C.S.M. of the O.T.C. He was also Captain of Mountgarret in 1919—1920.
- R. W. LANE (Mountgarret 1944—1954) has been farming in Yorkshire with A. F. J. ENGLAND (Mountgarret 1916—1925) before entering an agricultural college.
- W. B. THOMPSON (Mountgarret 1947—1954) is serving with the Royal Artillery at Oswestry, where he has met J. KIDBY (Shirley 1948—1954) and P. G. T. READ (Mountgarret 1945—1949).
- J. G. WHITE (Mountgarret 1944—1950) is now in the R.E.M.E. stationed at Blandford, where he has played for the Battalion Rugby XV and Hockey XI.

Oxford Letter

Keble College,
Oxford.
December 5th, 1954

To the Editor of "The Worksopian."

Dear Sir,

Wonders never cease and miracles still continue to happen. At last there has been another addition to the family. Don't get me wrong sir; by family I mean the Oxford branch of the Old Worksopian Society. Formerly there were two active members (and Rawson), now there are three active members (and Rawson). It has

been a great pleasure to welcome Robin Ellis to our midst this term, and we wish him well in his University career. Robin is now at Pembroke occupying a palatial room in a palatial tower known as the Master's House. It is generally believed that the predecessor of the present Master was evicted thence during the celebrations that followed the relief of Mafeking, and that from that time Undergraduates lived in the Master's House, and the Master and his successor lived wherever it is that they do live. From this, sir, you will have gathered that Pembroke as a College is notoriously Conservative. The legend runs that the present Master was installed when it was becoming fashionable in most colleges to put a few bathrooms here and there. It was with some trepidation then that the Bursar of Pembroke approached the Master and suggested that the College might not be behind in the provision of this amenity for its undergraduate members. "Baths," the reverend and enraged gentleman is reported to have exclaimed, "Baths, what do they want baths for? Confound it sir, term only lasts eight weeks."

It is such a college as this of which Robin is a member, but I think he likes it well enough. However on dark nights he may be seen sneaking out of College, his head muffled up in a large scarf, to admire the architecture of Christ Church.

Congratulations also to Michael McKean on his inclusion in the Cross Country team that gained such a resounding victory over Cambridge at Roehampton. A noteworthy achievement. To his many other activities Michael has added that of Journalism, and has been appointed to record the weekly successes of the Cross Country team in "Isis." "Isis," for the benefit of the uninitiated, is the University weekly magazine. It is of a somewhat hybrid pedigree, but critical insight will reveal that amongst other things it owes most to those three well-tried literary forms, Lilliput The Tatler and Blighty. Here, in these pages, Michael has throughout this term, displayed that simple and unassuming nature that we have come to know and love in him. Not least in such sentences as these: "J. M. McKean also ran well," sentences that occur in articles at the foot of which is to be found the modest signature appended—J. M. McKean.

Mac has visited Cambridge this term for reasons best known to himself. There he met Titus Ross who feasted him with all kinds of entertainment. "Say something nice about Titus in the letter" he told me, "then perhaps Titus will say something nice about me in the Cambridge letter." This is not going to be easy, but I am sure sir that the fog from the fens will have done nothing to warp, but rather will have had the effect of cherishing and fostering that genial spirit that Titus so often manifested in days of yore.

Well sir, tempus fugit, Christmas is coming and the geese are getting fat. Let me take this opportunity of conveying good cheer to all your readers, leaving them with this thought: "If you can't be good at least you can be careful."

With all best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

O.W. OXON.

Cambridge Letter

Cambridge.

To the Editor of " The Worksopian."

December, 1954

Dear Sir,

This term, R. S. Wood and M. J. Leverton came into residence. Wood who has come from the R.A.F. to Pembroke, is playing regularly as inside-left for the University 2nd Hockey XI, and occasionally for the first team; those who remember him at School will not be surprised at this. Leverton, a medic who has taken Brunyee's place in the closed exhibition to St. Catherine's, has taken up rowing. His Valete in last summer's Worksopian includes "School Play, 1948," but omits that he was the second urchin.

Last term John Dudley passed his B.A. exam., and the other members passed their respective exams, all returning this term in a carefree manner. Ross was accepted by the C.U. Footlights, as well as helping his College's 2nd boat to rise a few places in the fairbairn. He was elected to the Footlights on the strength of his Professor Geugleschneut, a character he created at Worksop. Brooke, Barraclough and McCarraher appear to be leading normal lives except that the latter capsized a skiff by the gasworks on a cold afternoon. Brunyee, Sykes and Carter left last term all with degrees.

It was encouraging to see the School's success at athletics during the Summer Term, in spite of a visit to Oxford; if a similar match is held next year, we are hoping to see it at Cambridge, a suitable place for such an occasion. Now that golf is gaining such prominence in world sport, Worksop would do well to give a lead in encouraging more boys to play it—I believe Mr. Francis knows where to go when the School wants a golf cup.

The last Oxford Letter paints an odd picture of Cambridge undergraduates, by putting "duffle coats, oval caps and bent pipes" as musts. I assure those thinking of coming here that these can easily be dispensed with, and remind them that Oxford consists of movements for this and that, and judging by the Rugger and Soccer results, only in one direction.

We wish Capt. Collings good luck on his retirement from the post of Housemaster, and also wish Mr. Anderson good luck on his temporary retirement to the illuminations of his home-town, Blackpool.

Any Worksopians or Old Worksopians who are in Cambridge during the term will receive a warm welcome.

Yours sincerely,

O.W., CANTAB.

Correspondence and Contributions

(In order to economise in this edition of *The Worksopian* all correspondence and contributions have been held over until the next issue—except for the following instalment of an Old Worksopian escape story).

PILOT-OFFICER K. H. HOUGHTON, D.F.M. AND BAR

Kenneth Houghton was at Worksop from 1933 until 1935 and was in Mason and Shirley Houses. He joined the R.A.F. in 1938 at the age of 18 as Observer and Bombardier and after much action he baled out of his aircraft over Belgium on the way back from a successful bombing raid on Cologne in Germany in the autumn of 1941. After escaping through Nazi-occupied France to Switzerland, where he was interned for 10 months, he escaped again back to England and was trained in Canada as a pilot. After much plane-ferrying activity he erashed and was killed after taking off from Lydia with cadets going to America on August 2nd, 1944.

While he was interned in Switzerland he wrote a graphic account of his crash and parachute landing over Belgium and his dangerous travels through France. Too long to publish in full in this magazine we print here an extract and hope to continue the story in the next edition.

I was a F/Sgt. Observer stationed at Waddington on the first Manchester heavy bomber squadron. From the beginning of the war I had been very lucky and had completed 48 night operations over enemy territory. My story begins on October 13th, 1941. The previous night I had been on my second operation in three nights and was therefore due for a night off duty, but at three o'clock in the afternoon I was detailed for another raid that night, and at 01.30 hours I took off in a Manchester from Waddington, target Cologne, route Orfordness, Furnes, Charlra, Cologne.

Bright moonlight identified my target in N.E. of town and I dropped my 1 x 4000 lbs. Observing the starboard engine overheating, I decided to S/C for Rotterdam taking a more direct route home. On crossing the German Belgian frontier I was getting out a cup of coffee when we were caught by a dozen searchlights which were part of a great belt of searchlights extending from the Franco-Belgian frontier to north of Hamburg. At this time we were at 16000 ft. We tried violent evasive action to escape these searchlights but to no avail. Suddenly without warning we felt shells and bullets ripping into us. We realised we were being artacked by a night fighter, invisible to us, from outside the cone. After the first attack my W Op. who was my best friend in the R.A.F. tapped me on the shoulder and pointed downwards where I observed a spiral of smoke coming through the floor. My pilot realising that we should be attacked again before we got out of the searchlights gave the order 'Prepare to bale out.' Hearing this my heart sank as this was one of the things I had been dreading. Then on the intercom we heard the rear gunner yell 'Turn port,' but before we could do this we felt the aircraft shudder from the impact of shells and bullets of the second attack. The aircraft burst into flames, all lights were extinguished

The School Play



ACT I. THE BOAR'S HEAD TAVERN



ACT III. HOTSPUR'S TENT AT SHREWSBURY

(Photographs by J. A. Coulthard of Sheffield)

and the cabin became full of acrid fumes. Immediately the second pilot came back to get his parachute from near my table, I pulled out my intercom and oxygen plugs and on breathing the fumes I was repeatedly sick. This was stark suffocation, which was my greatest horror in life. This put me into rather a panic with the aircraft diving down in a mass of flames out of control. I managed to squeeze past the second pilot making for the bomb aimer's compartment where my parachute and the escape hatch were. In the scramble my parachute harness seemed to catch on every projection. Having reached the compartment I grabbed my parachute. Owing to my condition and total darkness I had the greatest difficulty in putting on my parachute. The next thing I did was hastily to throw the cushions covering the escape hatch to one side, pull the escape hatch release, and after frantic struggles managed to clear the hatch to one side. Now that the way was clear for me to leave the aircraft, across my mind flashed the story of a man who had baled out and was picked up dead with his right hand bleeding at the finger nails and a hole worn in the right side of his parachute cover. He had put his parachute on upside down and the rip cord release was on the left hand side instead of the right. So I checked mine and sure enough my release was on the left, so putting my left hand on the rip cord I toppled head first out of the aircraft fearful as to whether we had lost too much height to allow my parachute time to open before I hit the ground. In view of this I counted a rather quick three and pulled my rip cord. I opened my eyes and saw a fire above me and I gathered the horrible impression that my chute was on fire. Then I felt a jerk as my parachute opened and my descent arrested I realised that the fire was the burning aircraft above me.

I then found myself floating in the moonlight about 8000 ft. above the ground. This was an amazing sensation. Hanging there on the end of a parachute in utter lonely silence of the cool night air after my recent frantic semi-conscious struggles in that roaring inferno a few seconds ago affected on me an indescribable reaction. I watched the aircraft in a mass of flames diving in a long curve like a meteor, and I wondered how many of my friends had been unable to bale out. In my semi-conscious state I realised that I still retained my helmet with its intercom and oxygen leads which I should have left in the aircraft. This might have been a fatal mistake as I might have got hung up as I left the aircraft.

I think I must have lost consciousness during my descent because when I looked down once more I saw the top of trees coming up to meet me. I just had time to swing myself round before I crashed into the trees backwards. Fortunately for me, they were pine saplings only about 10 ft. high, and they made a perfect cushion for my fall. I lay among these trees for about a quarter of an hour without moving a muscle except to vomit. During this time I pondered my position. It was rather a peculiar sensation to realise myself suddenly in the middle of enemy territory whilst only an hours flying time from England. Whilst I was descending by parachute I felt that it was inevitable that I should very soon become a prisoner of war, but lying among those trees I gradually realised that there might be a possibility of cluding capture and escaping back to England. I then tried to think of the best way to get home. I realised that it would be much too dangerous to try and make for the Channel, so I decided straight away to head south for Spain. It seemed a devil of a long way to go and I then did not cherish much hope of success, but I determined to try. I realised it was hopeless to look round to see if any of my pals had descended by parachute, and it was imperative if I was to elude capture to get as far away from the scene of the crash at once. I got up

and divested myself of my flying equipment. It was impossible to hid my chute as it was strung across the trees. The saplings were very close together so that I had to crawl for several hundred yards to the edge of the wood. The surrounding district consisted of masses of these saplings intersected by cart tracks. Taking my bearings from the stars I headed south along these cart tracks keeping near to the edge of the woods so that I could quickly duck in if I came across a Jerry as I could hear them about searching. After an hour's walking I came upon a peasant's cottage at the edge of the wood. By this time it was 9600 hours and another hour before daylight, so I hid at the wood's edge waiting to see some activity at the cottage as I suspected the possibility of a searchlight detachment billetted there. When it was just getting light an old peasant came out and lit a small fire in a shed, so I emerged from the wood and went up to him. He was very surprised to see me and called for his wife who came from the cottage. By my uniform and actions I indicated that I was a survivor of a bomber that had crashed during the night and that I needed help. After more explaining by signs he indicated that he was pro-British and that he would help me as much as he could.

Giving me a blanket he showed me to a pile of hay where I could sleep, indicating he would send one of his sons to keep an eye on the Germans and warn me of any danger. I slept till 1100 hours being absolutely exhausted. On awakening I went into the cottage where they gave me food which I had great difficulty in eating as the food was unpalatable and also the fumes had upset my system. I requested if they could give me any clothes as I obviously could not wander around in uniform. One of the sons went away and half an hour later came back with a pair of trousers, jacket and a very old cap. I donned these clothes, but they were too small for me to wear my uniform underneath, so I decided to go without my unifrom risking being shot as a spy if captured, knowing that it was hit or bust. I then realised that I had gone flying without my escape outfit which consisted of two silk maps, a compass, and a hack saw blade. All I had was about 13/6 in English money. Luckily for me, sometime before I had lost my flying boots so I was wearing my ordinary boots. At this time the boy who had been watching the Germans came back and said that the Germans had found my chute and were still looking for me in the woods behind the cottage, so I decided that it was time I made tracks.

I realised that I must find some sort of a map. On the window sill I found a school atlas and I ripped out a page which showed Belgium and Holland. By diligent enquiry I at last decided that I must be about 30 kilometres N.N.E. of Hasalt. I wasn't absolutely certain of my position as the people didn't seem to know themselves. Straight away I decided that I would travel by daylight acting the part of a poor peasant so I deliberately made myself dirty even down to my finger nails which I tore and ingrained with dirt. I put my watch in my pocket and did my best to obliterate the mark it had made on my wrist. Fortunately I wore an old roll neck blue pullover. I told the people if they wanted to keep my uniform to hide same as it would be very dangerous. All the time I was at the cottage one of the sons was posted outside on watch to warn me of any impending danger. These Flemish parents being well out in the wilds away from any centre of habitation were very ignorant on how the war was progressing only knowing that Belgium was still occupied by the Germans, but always having been very poor they were hardly affected in any way by the war and the Germans, which probably accounted for the fact that they did not seem unduly worried at the risk they were taking in sheltering me.

Retrospect

It is now 50 years ago exactly since "Henry IVth, Part I" was produced at Worksop. It was the first Shakespearean play ever attempted and the Masters took the title roles. These extracts are taken from *The Cuthbertian* of March, 1904.

"The presentment of a Shakespearean play undoubtedly marks a distinct epoch in the progress of the School. Such an undertaking seems to have been an integral part of the older Woodard Schools, where it has annually not only provided amusement, but what is of more importance, has had a definite educational value. For to rehearse one of Shakespeare's plays necessitates a certain amount of study and research on the part of all concerned in it. Thus an additional zest and interest is given to reading, whilst the introduction of action prevents the conning and repetition of lines from becoming merely a mental gymnastic. Moreover, the fact that Shakespeare is far better understood when acted, is now recognised by the majority of educational experts. But surely the value of seeing a performance is of small weight compared with the value of trying to personally interpret the lines. Too often, spectacular effect, and an actor-manager's predominance spoil the ordinary professional performance. The spectator, especially the young one tends to miss the effect of the play as a whole in the preponderating ascendancy of one part. This is avoided when the learners themselves take a part, however small. So with us the effect aimed at was really on educational appreciation.

"' Henry IVth, Part I' was selected; a happy choice which entirely justified itself. It was necessarily shortened, but nothing essential was eliminated. The fourth Act, although it contained Falstaff's famous 'ragged army,' was cut out, yet the play as a whole was complete. In the acting edition the first Act introduced the chief characters. The gradual unfolding of the plot against the King was brought out, whilst a glimpse of the young Prince and his boon companions was seen. The second Act was the lightest in the play, as it contained the frolics of Falstaff in the inimitable mock trial. In the third Act the plot grew to a head. The conspirators made a definite plan, though the antagonism of Hotspur and Glendower presaged disaster. The news of the rising was brought to the Court, where the King and his son, once more reconciled, determined to face their foes. The noise of coming battle even penetrated into the Tayern, and stirred up to momentary activity the wine-sodden patriotism of Eastcheap. The fourth Act brought the climax of the play in the defeat of the rebels and the death of Hotspur. Here we may note that one of our visitors, himself a stage-manager long ago, pronounced our battle-scenes the best thing in the play, a decided compliment, when one remembers how provocative of derision they usually

"The action of the play is very simple. It blends history and comedy in one. Henry IV predominates in the former; Falstaff in the latter. Prince Hal is the connecting link between the two. Round these are grouped all the other characters. The gallant but hasty Hotspur, the subtle plotter Worcester, the mystic Glendower, seem pitted against Bolingbroke, whose coldness and caution contrast curiously with the reckless daring of Richard II's opponent. But in the realm of Eastcheap, Falstaff holds sway, surrounded by an adoring court of tapsters and cut-throats, amongst whom Peto and Bardolph stand out predominant. Yet the great character of the play is that of Falstaff, a character as we know created by genius alone. In the two parts of

Henry IV we love the real Falstaff, who in spite of his foibles and total lack of moral sensibility wins us all. There is a wonderful richness of humour about the character which attracts even in spite of his plea that 'he is but the cause of wit in other men.' Mr. Rew was wonderfully good, and his make-up added to the effect which was produced. As leader of the 'frolics' he gave a 'go' to every scene. In his first appearance he brought out well the tardy repentance for lost years, which was quickly replaced by the joyous excitement at the robbery, which followed. This constant contrast between fear and boldness was well-sustained. The ripe joviality of success at Gadshill was followed by the pitiable roaring for mercy when attacked unawares: an effect again seen when without a word he fell motionless at Hotspur's appearance, only to rise and claim him as his victim. But Mr. Rew was really best in the Tavern scene. Few will forget the quaint manner in which he spoke the line 'I'll tickle you for a young prince i'faith."

Calendar

EASTER TERM, 1955

Tuesday Saturday Sunday Tuesday Sunday	January January January January January	22nd. 23rd. 25th.	Term begins. Film Society Meeting. Evensong Preacher: The Provost. Conversion of St. Paul. Half holiday. Preacher: The Archdeacon of Newark. Squash v. Sheffield University—Home. Film Society Meeting—Club Night.
Wednesday	February	2nd.	1st XI v. Trent College—Home.
Saturday			1st XI v. J. F. Whittelle's X1—Home. Film Society Meeting.
Sunday	February	6th.	Exeat.
			Preacher: The Provost of Southwell.
Wednesday	February	9th.	1st XI v. Derbyshire "A"—Home.
Friday	February	llth.	Dorm Run.
Sunday	February	13th.	Preacher: Rev. G. Hollis.
	·		Squash v. St. Peter's School, York-Away.
Tuesday	February	15th.	Cross-Country v. Doncaster Grammar School—Home.
Wednesday	February	16th.	1st XI v. Styx H.C.—Home.
Saturday	February	19th.	1st XI v. Nottingham H.C.—Home.
v	-		Film Society Meeting.
Sunday	February	20th.	Exeat.
ž	,		Preacher: Father Nicholas Graham.
Tuesday	February	22nd.	Boxing v. Bloxham School—Home.
	February	24th.	1st XI v. Repton "A"—Home.
Friday	February		St. Mathias. Half holiday.
	J		1st XI v. Cambridge University Wanderers-Home.
Saturday	February	26th	Cross-Country v. Denstone College—Away.
Monday	February		Field Day with Repton School.
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Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	March March	2nd. 3rd. 4th. 5th.	1st XI v. St. Peter's School, York—Away. Boxing v. Rateliffe College—Home. Steeplechases. Film and Talk by Guy Butler, Esq., on "European Championships, 1954."
Sunday	March	6th.	Exeat. Preacher: The Headmaster of Ardingly. 1st XI v. Oxton H.C.—Home.
Wednesday Sunday		9th. 13th.	Squash v. Nottingham University—Away. 1st XI v. Bacchanalians H.C.—Home. Preacher: The Custos, Canon H. H. Dibben.
Wednesday	March	16th.	Film Society Meeting. Club Night. "A" XV v. R.A.F. College, Cranwell "A" XV— Away.
Saturday	March	19th.	Confirmation by the Bishop of Southwell. Film Society Meeting.
Friday	March	25th.	Annunciation of the B.V.M. Lady Day. Half holiday.
Sunday	March March March	26th. 27th. 28th.	Play: "The Happiest Days of Your Life." 8-0 p.m. Second Performance of the Play. 8-0 p.m. Final Performance of the Play. 4-30 p.m. Film Society Meeting.
Tuesday	March	29th.	Term Ends.

Salvete

CHRISTMAS TERM, 1954

MASON

Bedells, J. R.			Easton Hall, Norfolk.
Gelsthorpe, G.			
Griffiths, G. M.	W.		St. Chad's School, Lichfield
Morrey, S. D.			Ranby House
Ross, R. C. G.			Oak Mount School, Southampton

PELHAM

Harvey, G. M.	H.		Cresbrook School, Kirby Lonsdale
Wilson, P. G.			Woodleigh School, Langton Hall, Malton
Barrett, N. J.			Westbourne Preparatory School, Sheffield
Carrick, D. N.			Woodleigh School, Langton Hall, Malton
Dale, C. R			
Goodhall, J. C.	H.		
Towler, G. C.			Malsis Hall, Keighley
Wood, W			All Saints' Choir School, London
Field, T. J.			
Martin, J. M.	4		Holt School, Lockerbie, Dumfriesshire

Moorhouse, M.

MOUNTGARRET

Huddersfield College School

TALBOT

Fielden, J. R. . . Lindisfarne College, Ruabon Ockwell, M. . . . Longrood, Bilton, Rugby Navaraj, B. . . . Normansal, Seaford, Sussex Absalom, M. . . The Grammar School, Wisbech Malton, S. H. . . The Sanctuary School, Walsingham Richardson-White, N. R. . Bedstone School, Shropshire

SCHOOL HOUSE

Jones, I. C. . Ranby House Grieve, I. B. A. Ranby House Prince, B. N. Oak Mount School, Southampton Dugdale, I. R. North Cestrean Grammar School, Altrincham Dutton, G. A. Hampton House School, Tarporley Smith, M. A. Papplewick School, Ascot Harris, A. P. R. Oak Mount School, Southampton Malik, P. Aitchison, Chief's College, Lahore Isles, J. B. . Moorlands School, Leeds

SHIRLEY

McDowell, W. W. Hackley School, Terry Town, New York Boughton-Leigh, H. L. F. W. Dunchurch, Winton Hall, Rugby Buchanan, R. E. B. . Great Ballard, Camberleigh Ranby House Rayner, J. S. . The Čraig, Windermere Newcastle Preparatory School Willbourn, P. M. . Swinney, P. R. . Longrood School, Bilton, Nr. Rugby Duff, P. J. . . Kirk, T. A. . . . Gilchrist, M. W. . Luanshya School, Northern Rhodesia Malsis Hall, Keighley

PORTLAND

Borrett, D. M. . . Glencot, Wooky Hole, Somerset
Duke, P. A. . . Wadham House, Hale, Cheshire
Greayer, G. D. . . The Hall School, Hampstead, London
Kenworthy, J. M. . . Rectory School, Tadcaster, Yorks
Kamal Pasha . . Bishop Cotton School, Bangalore

Valete

CHRISTMAS TERM, 1954

- INESON, D. A.: Came 19493 (Junior School 19473); School House; House Prefect 19523, School Prefect 19533, Captain of School House 19542, Prefect of Hall and Vice-Captain of School 19543; Upper History VIth; "O" (4), "A" (2); Colts' XV 1951, 1st XV 1953, 1954, Colours 1953, Vice-Captain 1954; Band; School Play; School Librarian; VIth Form Society Committee; Games Committee; Senior Under-Officer in C.C.F.; To H.M. Forces.
- FROST, D. E. H.: Came 1949³; Mason; House Prefect 1953²; General Subjects Form; Colts' Hockey XI 1952; Sgt. in C.C.F.; To H.M. Forces.
- RUBIN, M: Came 19503 (Junior School 19462); School House; House Prefect 19543; General Subjects Form; "O" (8); Colts' XV 1952; Cross-Country Running Team 1954; School Athletics Team 1954, Colours 1954; Band; Assistant Librarian; Sgt. in C.C.F.; To Chartered Accountancy.
- WARNER, J. G.: Came 19503 (Junior School 19453); Mountgarret; House Prefect 19543; Modern Languages VIth; "O" (7), "A" (3), County Major Scholarship; Choir; Corporal in C.C.F. (R.A.F. Section); To H.M. Forces.
- BLYTH, S. A.: Came 1951³; Mountgarret; General Subjects Form; Colts' XV 1953; L/Cpl. in C.C.F.; To Business.
- DOVE, P. N.: Came 1951³; Pelham; General Subjects Form; "O" (1); Shooting VIII 1952, 1953, 1954, Colours 1954; Choir; To Business.
- KNOWLES, J. K.: Came 1951²; Mason; General Subjects Form; "O" (2); Corporal in C.C.F.; To Retail Sales.
- LOBLEY, P. F. C.: Came 1951³ (Junior School 1949³); Shirley; General Subjects Form; "O"(3); Colts' Hockey XI 1953, Colours 1953; Colts' Cricket XI 1953, Colours 1953; Piscatorial Society Committee; L/Cpl. in C.C.F.; To Lloyd's Bank.
- MARSHALLSAY, M. J.: Came 1951³; School House; General Subjects Form; "O"(1); L/Cpl. in C.C.F.; To Business.
- MILLER, J. N.: Came 1951¹; School House; General Subjects Form; "O"(3); L/Cpl. in C.C.F.; To Business.
- STOUT, C.: Came 1951³; School House and Portland; Upper Maths VIth; "O"(5); Choir; Corporal in C.C.F. (R.A.F. Section); To Accountancy.
- TANNER, A. C.: Came 1950³ (Junior School 1948³); Shirley; General Subjects Form; "O"(1); Corporal in C.C.F.; To H.M. Forces.
- WILSON, J. C.: Came 1950³ (Junior School 1947³); Mountgarret and Portland; Upper Science VIth; "O" (5).
- WILKINSON, R. C.: Came 1951³ (Junior School 1949³); Pelham; General Subjects Form; "O"(2); Choir; To Accountancy

Diamond Jubilee Appeal Fund

As all those who have received a copy of our second appeal will know the original target of £25,000 for the Swimming Pool has had to be lowered.

A new design, less elaborate than the first, but elegant and practical, has been prepared and, owing to the generosity of many kind friends, the cost has been reduced to £15,000.

The second appeal has already had considerable success and we now have well over £10,000 paid or covenanted. The Old Worksopian Society has been of enormous help and, in addition to the contributions of individuals, has given us more than £2,000 from its funds. We are very grateful indeed.

Surely the last £5,000 will be forthcoming. If you have not already done so please make a contribution soon. When you do so remember that a covenant for £1 per year for seven years actually brings in to the fund more than a £10 gift as a lump sum, and, if you sign a banker's order, it will greatly help the Hon. Treasurer.

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Editorial Note

The Editor and Committee would like to thank all those who commented so favourably on the last edition of the magazine—which was the largest, most comprehensive (and most expensive!) that we have ever produced. Though this edition is as restricted as the Lent Term number will be, we hope to cover the Diamond Jubilee Celebration fully in the Summer Term 1955 edition.

The Editor would like to thank the author of the Editorial in this number for accepting the invitation to write it.

Letters to the Editor and Contributions are still difficult to encourage but are still needed and should be sent of handed in to any member or the Editorial Committee any time during the term, not later than Sunday, March 27th, 1955,