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#### RANDOM NOTES

The term began with a flu epidemic on the grand scale. A hundred and twenty-seven boys succumbed in one day and practically every member of the school, apart from the masters, was disabled at one time or another. The epidemic played havoc with most games and society meetings arranged for the first part of the term, and that doubtless explains why this issue of the *Barrovian* appears not only in a new dress but also to have lost a bit of weight.

We congratulate P. R. Cretney (Walters), who has been accepted as a Naval Cadet in the Executive Branch of the Royal Navy.

At the end of this issue, as usual, you will find the latest G.K.P. Some readers of the *Barrovian* may not yet have heard that Mr. Denis Thompson has compiled an omnibus edition of past G.K.P.'s, which was published last December by the Cresset Press; it is interesting to follow the development of 'this most famous of such papers' through the years. That it is famous there can be no doubt. 'The Times,' who now print a comparatively character-less quiz each Christmas, are evidently haunted by their rival. Among this year's questions they ask: 'What is the title of the headmaster of King William's College, Isle of Man?'

There was a half holiday on December 3rd—Sir Joseph Qualtrough's half.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Whittaker on the birth of a son, Timothy Harry.

Mr. Herbert Milton, a conjurer, paid college a visit on Monday, 7th February, and entertained the whole school and many visitors in the evening.

We must once again thank Mr. Pritchard for projecting our Saturday night film shows. This term we have seen 'Meet Mr. Lucifer,' a minor Ealing comedy making one or two rather unsure hits at TV, the classic 'Great Expectations' and 'Genevieve.' The cartoons have not perhaps been up to their usual high standard, but there was an excellent one with Popeye eating a tin of onions in mistake for spinach.

Members of the VIth forms attended lectures and a discussion on the problems of Africa at Ballakermeen School, Douglas, on Friday, January 28th. The lectures, which were arranged by the new Government Secretary, were most interesting and enjoyable.

On Tuesday, 8th February, the school saw a film which dealt with the life of an Army cadet at Sandhurst, and the prospects of a career in the Regular Army. Pamphlets were issued to those who were interested in such a career.

#### SCHOOL OFFICERS

Head of School: S. G. S. Scott.

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Senior Scout : G. K. Maddrell

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Captain of Athletics : D. M. Taggart.

Captain of Hockey: B. K. Colvin.

Captain of Swimming: D. M. Taggart.

Captain of Shooting: E. Q. Bashforth,

Captain of Fives: B. K. Colvin.

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#### MR. C. W. JACKSON

C. W. Jackson came to College in 1942 from Roundhay School, Leeds, to take charge of the mathematics department and be housemaster of Dickson House. He had a fine record as an athlete and games player, for he was a Cumberland county wing-threequarter, a Lancashire county hockey player and a Yorkshire Council cricketer, and not only did he represent Manchester University in all these games but he gained his University athletics colours for four years also. With this background it was not to be wondered at that he gave invaluable assistance in coaching College games at a time when many masters were absent on war service. One of his greatest services was his outstanding ability as a Rugby referee, and he refereed almost all College home matches until the last two years. Nor did his interests stop here, for he won the Isle of Man golf championship in 1949 and was runner-up on another occasion. Many boys will be grateful to him for all the help he gave to the boys' golf club at College. We are sorry indeed to lose him for he will be greatly missed both in the class-room and on the playing fields, and our good wishes go with him to his new sphere at Leicester, where he is joining the mathematics department at the Technical College.

#### MR. J. J. F. WATKINS

When six years ago Mr. Thompson announced his forthcoming (and premature!) retirement, it was clear that there was no likelihood of another devoted D.T. being available to take charge of Chapel and concert music, while music lessons were dealt with by a special teacher. The time had come for the appointment of a "Director of Music," a delightful title which had developed in the schools during recent or comparatively recent years. The Director would organise all music and would himself give his whole time to music teaching of one sort or another.

So Mr. Watkins was an experiment, and a very successful one.

The transition stage was almost imperceptible, and the new arrangements have proved an undoubted success. Moreover, Mr. Watkins is no temperamental musician, living in a world of his own. He has been on the best of terms with his colleagues and with the boys, whom he has got to know through the many school activities in which he has participated. In particular he will be missed by the C.C.F., having commanded the R.A.F. section for some years.

He leaves now to become director of music at a large school in Leeds, and will be organist and choirmaster at the local church. He takes with him our sincere gratitude for all he has done for College music, and we hope that he and Mrs. Watkins and their three daughters will be very happy in their new environment.

S.E.W.

#### SALVETE

#### JANUARY, 1955

SCHOOL HOUSE: Archibald, R. B. G. (III); Lowe, C. (UIVb).

DICKSON HOUSE: Marsden, H. R. (MIVb). WALTERS HOUSE: Hyde, M. J. (III). JUNIOR HOUSE: Wood, G. T. (II)

#### LIBRARY NOTES

Mr. Tucker and Newbold D. spent several hours re-organising the English Section at the end of last term and the beginning of this term. To allow for expansion of this section in the future, the music and art sections have been moved to the glass cupboard. Honey P. J. has carved the names of the various sections on blocks of wood, and we thank him for taking so much trouble. The following books have been bought by the Library Fund:

Harold Nicolson: Tennyson.

A. C. Ward: The Illustrated History of English Literature. Vol. 2

Derek Traversi: Shakespeare—The Last Phase.
W. Shakespeare: King Lear, ed. K. Muir.
John Dover Wilson: The Fortunes of Falstaff.
Ernest Hemingway: The Old Man and the Sea.
John Betjeman: A Few Late Chrysanthemums.

Dylan Thomas: Quite Early One Morning.

Harold Nicolson: The Development of English Biography.

George Orwell: Homage to Catalonia.

Lawrence Brander: George Orwell.
Wilfrid Noyce: South Col.
Virginia Cowles: Winston Churchill.
J. A. Williamson: The Tudor Age.
Leslie Paul: Sir Thomas More
Guy Boas: Essays and Studies, 1954.

J. Corbett:
E. Agar Beet:
G. W. Tyrell:
F. G. Hardy:
H. J. Rose:
The Temple Tiger.
The Sky and Its Mysteries.
The Earth and Its Mysteries.
Some Problems in Roman History.
A Handbook of Greek Mythology.

M. N. Tod: Green Historical Inscriptions, Vol II.
G. Highet: Juvenal, the Satirist.

J. D. W. Vitta . The Creeks

H. D. F. Kitto: The Greeks.

We thank D. A. Hitch, Esq., O.K.W. (1919-1921), who has presented the library with four volumes of 'Who Was Who.'

#### CHAPEL NOTES

#### CAROL SERVICE

As he strives to recollect in the tranquillity of Quinquagesima the emotions of Advent, the writer recalls vividly the "jolly singing

weather '' with which College was blessed for its 1954 Carol Service, for it was easy to feel with the poetess of "Bleak Midwinter," when she wrote elsewhere of a more mundane birthday "My heart is like a singing bird."

To one who previously had followed somewhat slavishly the King's College, Cambridge, form of the Service, and who came new both to College and to its Carol Service, there was much in it which was different, but the surprises it held were more than ordinarily pleasant. In the choice of the Lessons, which are, of course, as integral a part as the more popular Carols, there was a salutary stress upon the preparation for the Coming of Christ in the Old Testament, with four readings (including verses from the Messianic Psalm 72), as against three from the New Testament. In the actual delivery of the Lessons, especially where the readers differed at the two Services a greater effectiveness seemed to be obtained in the afternoon. The avoidance of a series of processions to a central Lectern greatly assisted the continuity of the Service. There was also the feeling of a "togetherness" as each reader made his offering from his seat among the congregation.

Turning to the more appealing aspect of the Service, that of the Carols, there is very little to be said which does not reflect great credit upon the Choir in general, and upon Mr. Watkins in particular as their choirmaster and accompanist. Honourable mention must also be made of the congregation as a whole who joined in the "Choir and Congregation" portions most manfully,—and also on this occasion, "womanfully." An exception to this excellent rule proved to be the "traditional" Somerset Carol, which was obviously not part of the tradition of the majority of us.

The attack of the Choir was very good, and the quality of tone excellent. Very occasionally, however, the balance between the voices tended to become "bottom heavy." Underpart "leads-in" also were once or twice indistinct. These minor defects occurred in the "modern' carols, and were more than atoned for by the over-all exceptionally good impression which the Choir created. Of the more modern items, it was interesting to compare the respective merits of Martin Shaw as an arranger and composer. His arrangement of "Three Ships" was a joy to listen to, while his "Rosebud" carol suffered in at least one opinion from its Ivor Novello-type construction. In contrast to this, Rubbra's "Virgin's Cradle Hymn" struck the authentic mediæval note.

Mr. Watkins, for whom this was, regrettably for us, his last College Carol Service, himself contributed a very effective and well-harmonised arrangement of the "London Waits." The most distinguished members of what it is needless to say were crowded congregations at the afternoon and evening Services were respectively the Archdeacon and His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, each of whom read the last Lesson. As we all made our way out of Chapel into the gloom of a winter's evening, we took with us recollections to remember for years of an act of worship inspired by and significant of the Love which still comes down to us at every Christmastide.

#### Special Preachers

Dec. 5-Rev. F. M. Cubbon.

Feb. 13-Rev. G. G. Greswell, Vicar of Rushen.

#### Special Collections

Dec. 12-Dr. Barnardo's Homes (£43 16s. 5d.)

#### THE ORGAN

Since our last notes the tangle of pipes, tubing, keys, pedal-boards and wires has disappeared from the chancel and now interest in the organ is centred round the sounds emanating from it rather than in the parts which we felt could never be put back into such a small hole in the wall. The design and layout of the instrument are unchanged, but we have virtually a new instrument, as now we can hear many tone-colours which have been impossible to produce for years owing to the number of pipes which were not speaking. In particular the reed ranks, which went to the factory for remodelling, are transformed from a state in which they resembled motor horns, or members of an aquatic farmyard, rather than the instruments named on the stop-heads, into fine examples of a craftsman's art. Some people have expressed disappointment that there were no sweeping changes in the size and layout, but this would have meant the spending of large sums of money. We have to be content with what we can justifiably afford to spend, and within the limits of the contract the builders, Messrs. Rushworth and Dreaper, of Liverpool, have done a first-class piece of work, and are to be congratulated on transforming an organist's nightmare into an efficient "kist o' whistles."

J.J.F.W.

#### Organ Recital

The first recital on the restored organ was given by Mr. Watkins on January 22nd, Epiphany III, when he played Clarke's Trumpet Voluntary; Largo, Allegro and Variations by Festing; Organ Concerto XIII in B flat (The Cuckoo and the Nightingale) by Handel; Andante from the Sonata in C sharp minor by Harwood; and the Allegro from the Plymouth Suite by Whitlock.

#### RECITALS

#### MR. KENDALL TAYLOR

The name Kendall Taylor, often heard in connection with recitals and concerts on the BBC, has hitherto been impersonal to us, but since we have seen him at College and heard him play his name means a great deal more. To the majority it signifies a pianist of great talent and dynamic energy, but to those of us who were privileged to meet him and to hear him play in private, the name revives memories of a charming personality, a first-rate musician and a kindly, sympathetic teacher possessed of a delightfully subtle sense of humour.

The recital he gave consisted of items outside the acquaintance of most of the audience, but it was obvious from the reception he received that his musicianship and virtuosity were making a deep impression. Such applause has not been heard at College for some years. The items themselves, as music, may have been above the heads of many of us; in fact it is doubtful whether there was anyone present who could say he understood all the works played or even that he enjoyed them all as music. Personal perferences naturally vary and it is inevitable that opinions differ on the choice of items, but the actual performance, its presentation, and the obvious artistry of the pianist were sufficient to merit a great deal of applause even when, as in the case of the new Fulton piece, the music was most unfamiliar and difficult to follow.

In a place which, by its geographical position, is deficient in first-rank music making, a recital of this nature gives those who profess not to be interested an insight into what is expected in a first-rate performance, and to those who are openly and genuinely interested it gives added stimulus to their musical standards. Such a performance is part of one's education and makes an impression on all, whether it be the realisation for the first time of what a piano can really sound like, or whether it be a memory of one of many great musical occasions; but to all it serves to set a standard by which we can measure our own achievements, as a result of which we can realise how important it is not to feel musically complacent. (In this case it made some of us feel how little we had achieved.)

#### PROGRAMME

Prelude and Fugue in A minor	•••		•••	•••	Bach-List
Sonata in F minor (Appassionata)			•••		Beethoven
Sonata in B Flat minor	•••	•••	•••		Chopin
Prelude in C					Prokoflev
L'Alouette		•••			Glinka
Study in F Sharp	•••				Arensky
Prelude, Elegy and Toccata		•••			Fulton
Intermezzo in E Flat minor					Brahms
Rhapsody in E Flat	•••			•••	Brahms

#### MISS PEGGY STACK

The murmurs of approval when Miss Peggy Stack announced her intention of singing an encore at the end of her recital on March 3rd were indicative of the mood of the audience, which had been charmed and delighted by a programme as varied in style as it had been entertaining (in the best sense) in nature. It was obvious from the outset of the programme that the audience was in the power of the performer, for her charming manner and obvious delight in her art were infectious.

Apart from its intrinsic merit, this recital proved more than any other that the writer can recall at College, that good music is definitely not a business to be miserable about; it proved that one can be serious and yet gay; it proved just how much a good performance demands a happy and carefree approach, on the part of both the audience and the performer, and on this occasion the

audience certainly was not frightening. The characterisation which Miss Stack drew from her songs was charmingly performed, and the actions, kept to a minimum, made the songs live, and gave fine meaning to them, even though some were in French. It was obvious that she had taken great pains in the preparation of what was a difficult programme, in view of the wide age-range of an establishment like College. The whole programme had rhythm, and the audience was kept in a state of eager anticipation by the introduction of wellknown items in which they were invited to join. By means of these songs Miss Stack proved herself to be a student of human nature, which every performer should be; she skilfully avoided the pitfalls that a school audience presents, namely that interest has to be stimulated by the introduction of well-known items with the new ones sandwiched between them, and that some items which to an adult are well known to the point of being hackneyed and therefore somewhat "infra dig," are not necessarily well-known to boys, and are therefore well worth performing. Rather she showed that the well known should be treated with even more care than the lesser known by the very virtue of their familiarity. It is difficult, on reflection, to single out any special item in this excellent programme, but mention must be made of the characterisation in The Frog and the Mouse, the graceful rhythm and eurythmics of Sur le Pont d'Avignon, the simple charm and perfect phrasing of L'Amour de moi, the delightful humour of The Fair One, and the real drama contained in The False Knight on the Road and Le Petit Gregoire.

A word of praise must go to Miss Margot Bor, the accompanist. Of all musicians, the accompanist is the most neglected. A name in small type on the bottom of a programme very often hides a vast amount of artistry, musicianship and hard work. On this occasion the accompaniments sounded easy, the hall-mark of a good accompaniment, and yet they were obviously tricky, if not downright difficult. The brilliant liaison between singer and pianist was a proof of the hours of rehearsal which had been put into the programme, and Miss Bor is to be congratulated on a fine performance, the more so as she has been working with Miss Stack for only a short time, and has had to learn her highly specialised art very quickly.

J.J.F.W.

#### HOUSE PLAYS

#### DICKSON, SCHOOL and HUNT

Thursday, 4th November

" In the Library "

Dickson presented two plays, and the first, "In the Library" (produced by Mr. Kelly) was a poor choice and started the evening on a flat note. The fault lay chiefly in the play, for the ingenuous plot went straight to the point without subtlety. The arrest was carried out by the sergeant (P. J. Watson) perhaps the only convincing actor because he had the only credible part in the play. It was a simple, unimaginative murder and not up to the standard of the "Monkey's Paw" by the same author, of which many of us have happy memories.

#### " The Liar "

The School House presentation of L. du Garde Peach's "The Liar" (produced by the Rev. D. Keyte) was a much happier affair and benefitting from Mr. Keyte's experience, went down very well. Cullen swept gaily through the long part of the village "tall story" teller, who enthralled the visitors by his tales of world-wide adventure, with just the right degree of confidence and mock modesty. When adventure hit the little inn, in the form of Princess Olga Petrovna and her pursuing Russian thugs, his fright was most amusing. What I liked about the cast in general was their very clear speech, while in particular, Padfield as Doris—the sensible, cheerful and down-to-earth barmaid, who contrasted so delightfully with Olga (Appleby)—is to be recommended for an excellent performance. The only thing that prevented this production from being even more successful was that for the last ten to fifteen minutes the action dragged, because cues were not picked up smartly enough. Throughout the piece, everyone, except Cullen, forgot to pause to allow laughter to finish—a common fault at College. The set was bright and attractive and thanks to the Guinness and Worthington Companies gave just the right atmosphere.

#### "The Rose and Crown"

The second Dickson play, Priestley's "The Rose and Crown" (produced by Mr. Kelly), was by far the best of this first set. It had the advantage of being an unusually good one-act play, for Priestley has managed to portray interesting characters instead of relying completely on the plot to entertain—the main defect of "In the Library." But also the casting was perfect and everyone acted with gusto. The set was difficult—a public house bar seen from the landlord's side—and the illusion of a host to whom the drinkers chat when they come in has to be put over right from the beginning. All the actors managed this well, and in addition were most successful at projecting their own characters over the footlights. Galbraith played a bluff and jovial Harry with great spirit, while Callow portraying a gorgeously maudlin and malicious Ma Peck was the best of 'les miserables.' Hartley and Dolan as Percy and Ivy Randle were the stars, and their performance was one of the funniest things I have seen at K.W.C.. The special effects of turning back the clock—a Priestley favourite—and the spotlight illumination of Harry at the end were particularly good.

#### "The Man in the Bowler Hat"

Mr. Tucker's Hunt House production "The Man in the Bowler Hat," by A. A. Milne, was a good farce in the best Hunt tradition. But coming at the end of an evening whose length was beginning to tell on the audience owing to the notorious discomfort of College chairs, it was not fully appreciated. In spite of an able supporting cast, Honey dominated the play, and it is only to be regretted that the part he played was so similar to several of his previous roles, for

in spite of his lively wit, he is in danger of being sterotyped. Some of the jokes were only funny if taken very lightly:

- "What can you hear?"
- " Nothing."
- "That's what I heard too."

and only one or two were cracked with spirit, the rest seeming to tumble out of an eight-year-old's recitation. The main humour came from the fact that the ticket for the hat-box containing the Rajah's Ruby in the cloakroom at Paddington was in a box in the cloakroom at Euston, and the ticket for the box at Euston was in a hat-box at St. Pancras, and so on . . . all round London. If taken seriously this only exasperated, but if taken in the spirit A. A. Milne intended, it was good fun.

D. Newbold

#### UNDERSTUDIES, COLBOURNE and WALTERS

Thursday, November 25th

#### " The Little Man"

The understudies' play (produced by Mr. Kelly) was simply a means of giving the maximum number of people a practice in dramatic art, and apart from this the play had no conspicuous merits. My first impression of "The Little Man" was of surprise that so many people could take so long to do so little. The story may have been basically sound but its point was so soon put over that there was little left to express in three scenes. In the first part of the play the action was slow and the prompter efficient, though Shackleton, Wood D., and Fachiri maintained the interest. In the last scene the story seemed to get out of hand and one was left to believe that Mr. Teare, of School House, in a statuesque pose and under fire from a disinfectant spray, was in the process of being transformed into a saint! The long gaps between the scenes disrupted the theme of the play which the efforts of Maddrell—as the over-typical loquacious American tourist—and Teare as the insignificant little man round whom the story is centred—could do little to reunite. Teare acted well and his matchless vocal effort in the second scene was the pièce de resistance of the light humour of the evening.

#### "The Ghost of Jerry Bundler"

The play, which was produced by Mr. Tucker, was well-staged, the atmosphere being just what was required to give the impression of vagueness and uncertainty without obscuring the actors or the plot. The story was ingenuous and one could forecast the end of the play with considerable accuracy as soon as it became known that the doctor was armed. The play was perhaps too short for the tension to build up very high, but the excitement was damped by the lack of terror shown by most of the cast. James was in his element as the country doctor who had everything under control, and Lightfoot made a convincing ghost though he did not give the impression of being mad on amateur theatricals. Some speakers and part of the set were obscured from some points of view, by the curtain which had not been fully drawn aside. But for the most part the speakers were reasonably fluent and convincing.

#### "The Winslow Boy" Act I

It is apparent that most of the decent one-act plays in existence have been performed in the last two seasons, and if this popular arrangement is to be continued, acts, scenes or excerpts from other plays will have to be used. They may be incomplete but they have much greater literary merit, a quality which has been conspicuously lacking to date. 'The Winslow Boy' Act I (produced by Mr. Mogg) was an ambitious venture and it went down very well. The setting and costumes were effective and most of the cast were well selected though by no stretch of the imagination could I reconcile Skidmore's raucous voice with the soft tones of the young lady whose part he was playing—however radical she may have been. His gait, too, was singularly inelegant and his accent often had more than a trace of Liverpool about it. Scott was ideal with his convincing ailments, sarcasm and fear-arousing personality, while Maddrell acted well as the typical pleasure-loving undergraduate. Newbold played the difficult part of Mrs. Winslow excellently; although possessing an elephantine body, he had grace and some dignity. The letter with its disturbing contents was read with well-balanced emotion, and the act ended leaving a very favourable impression of the acting ability of Walters House. It was, without any "probable, possible shadow of doubt" the best play of the evening—and perhaps of the whole series.

P. Newbold

#### CAREERS NOTES

There have recently been certain changes in the Public Schools Appointments Bureau. Not only has Mr. Richardson departed from the Northern office at Stafford, his place being taken by Mr. Anderson, whom we enjoyed seeing last term, but the Stafford office is now known as the Midland, and a new district has been opened up as the Northern. We shall remain under Stafford, for though we can hardly consider ourselves Midlanders, our communications with Stafford both from here and from the homes of most of us, are easier than with a more northern base.

Apart from this there is not a great deal of news. The Careers Master failed to get a place on the Christmas flying visit to South Africa, and will have to console himself with a trip to Liverpool in April, which probably, to face facts, will be more use to us: those gaining Regular Commissions in the Army will in future go straight to the R.M.A. Sandhurst and do their ten weeks' basic training there instead of in the ranks at an Infantry depot, and as this term's Bulletin has not yet arrived, that is really all there is to say.

It is pleasing when one's prophecies show signs of accuracy: the announcement in the Press of the coming development of atomic power stations and the possibility of electricity at very low prices means a great expansion in the electricity industry, which was already clamouring for trainces. The Coal Board, too, is talking about the need for young blood on its managerial side, and the necessity for high salaries to attract the right type . . . and when the Coal Board

says "high" that means something! One thing, however, must be faced. In Coal and Electricity you must begin by five years or more hard and often dirty work, and this is true in almost everything. If one dare play with a famous motto, 'Per Ardua ad Austin Sheerline."

W.K.S.

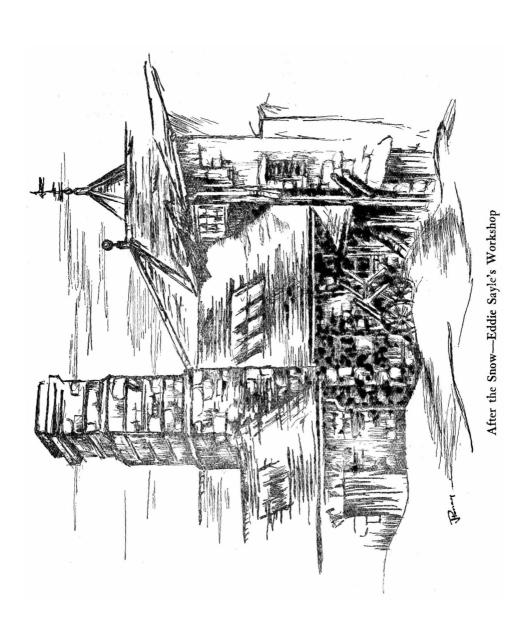
#### THE OPEN AIR

#### Goldfinches

Each year about Christmas time my garden is visited by a small party of goldfinches about half a dozen in number. To ensure this welcome visit, it is advisable to grow a number of teasels and leave the tall stalks standing with their seed heads. Throughout the summer not a goldfinch is seen, but from the middle of December until the early days of January this annual visit may be expected. A century ago the goldfinch would appear to have been one of the commonest finches in some parts of the country. Writing in 1826 concerning a ride through Wiltshire, William Cobbett said "between Somerford and Ocksey I saw more goldfinches than I had ever seen in my life. Their favourite food is the seed of the thistle which grows alongside the road in great quantities. Flocks of goldfinches flew before me for half a mile and I believe there were at least ten thousand of these birds flying before me." Later in the 19th century the charm of these birds led to their undoing, since they made popular cage birds and were netted wholesale by bird catchers. In the present century, however, as a result of Wild Bird Protection Acts, the trade in wild caught birds practically ceased, greatly to the benefit of the goldfinch, which is now appearing in numbers in places where it had not been seen for many years. Some weeks ago I heard of a "charm" of a hundred goldfinches in a weeded potato field by the side of a country lane in the Midlands. Since goldfinches feed largely upon the seeds of such plants as thistles, groundsel, knapweed and other agricultural pests, their presence is usually a sign of bad farming and a "dirty" field full of weeds is sure to attract them. Similarly when weeds sprang up on the bombed sites in the large cities during and after the last war, goldfinches invaded the towns and even nested in London parks.

#### More Winter Birds

This term and its accompanying cold weather have provided much interesting ornithological study. Ducks, especially, have been very much in evidence; large numbers of Widgeon and Mallard appear to find both Castletown and Derbyhaven Bays admirable winter resorts. The Red-breasted Merganser has occurred frequently in most sheltered bays around the South of the Island, whilst a Pintail has put in a single appearance amongst a flock of Widgeon off Langness. Another interesting duck, the Goldeneye, has been present in Derbyhaven Bay for the whole of February. We have occasionally had the pleasure of seeing that beautiful bird, the Great Northern



Diver, and such none-too-plentiful species as the Redwing, Bar-tailed Godwit, Slavonian Grebe, Dabchick and Turnstone. Perhaps the most remarkable sight of the term was a flock of Brent Geese feeding in a field near Billown.

#### "The Great Adventure"

While in London last Christmas I was lucky enough to see a most unusual and exciting film, "The Great Adventure." The adventure is a Scandinavian spring-time, and the heroes a fox-cub and "Ottie," a vigorous young otter. Here Nature speaks for herself. Sucksdorff, the director, unlike Disney in his nature films, does not attempt to make a story for his actors; they go their own way while he follows with his camera. Every shot is a picture of beauty; all combine to show the adventure of wood life in its dramatic reality. Cruelty and death are as much part of this beautiful film as the picture of bewildered owlets gazing in wonder at a sky scarred with jet trails. The vicious mating of the woodcock, the little fox stealing nylons from a farmer's washing-line, or Ottie gleefully sliding down a snowy slope are sights that, once seen, cannot be forgotten.

#### THE HOUSES

#### SCHOOL HOUSE

Housemaster: R. W. H. Boyns, Esq. Head of House: R. Q. Cannell. Sub-Praepositor: D. B. George

House Praepositors: K. Lang, S. R. Donaldson, J. T. Arthur, J. P. Cullen.

Last term the Junior Rugger team, after being narrowly beaten by Dickson, did not live up to expectations as they lost three out of their four matches, beating only Hunt House.

All Hallow's E'en was, as usual, extremely popular and as the waves created by hair were not permanent, apples were obtained without difficulty. We are grateful to Mr. Boyns for continuing this excellent tradition. The House Concert was a success and the prep. room was, as usual, colourfully and tastefully decorated.

Owing to the 'flu epidemic, we still have the Open Rugger Shield on our walls—for once fortune has favoured us. We commiserate with those Houses who had designs upon this the most important Shield at College. We were well represented in the unofficial cross country race and provided two of the three winners. We hope to have a better chance to reveal our athletic ability later in the term.

S. R. Donaldson was awarded his 1st XV Colours and J. T. Arthur, R. Q. Cannell, J. P. Cullen, D. B. George and M. D. Robinson their 2nd XV Colours. N. J. Q. Howarth, the captain of Colts, was reawarded his Colts' colours, while J. D. B. Watson and R. H. Corran were awarded theirs for the first time.

The problem of house transport has been solved this term by the arrival of the "house car." We hope it travels many trouble-free miles and that it does not suffer a fate similar to that of its predecessor.

#### WALTERS HOUSE

Housemaster: S. Boulter, Esq. Head of House: S. G. S. Scott. Praepositors: J. A. Wallis, G. K. Maddrell.

House Praepositors: A. J. C. Chantler, D. P. Newbold, P. R. Cretney

In the list of Rugger colours, Scott, Manning Johnson, Cringle and Osbaldeston are in Walters. Wallis J., Thompson and O'Neill were in their respective final teams.

Our Junior XV won three of its four games but since it only drew with Colbourne, we now share the shield with that house. Our Senior XV was robbed of any chance of producing a surprise result in the match with Dickson.

In the series of house plays Walters staged the first scene of " The Winslow Boy." Everyone in it acted well and enjoyed it, and we thank Mr. Mogg, our producer, for its success.

The Inter-house Steeplechase run was cancelled but many hardy members of the house ran in the sadly depleted field on the day fixed for that event. The results were very encouraging and much latent talent was revealed. We were third in the Kicking Cup—the only other activity not affected by the 'flu.

We are still a happy house and our house spirit is strong. Since most of our members are very young we can hope for some of the rewards that now never seem to come our way, in the near future. We send our best wishes to all our Old Boys.

#### **DICKSON HOUSE**

Housemaster: G. C. Kelly, Esq. Head of House: W R. Kneen. Praepositors: S. Quirk, D. M. Taggart Sub-Praepositors: M. Faruque, J. E. Goldsmith. House Praepositors: J. C. Taylor, P. J. Watson

For scientists who struggle termly with House notes the influenza outbreak is a blessing; this term's outdoor activities have been confined to the quarter-mile between College and Bay House.

Of chief interest last term was the Junior Rugby competition. Our first game ended in a meritorious, but not entirely deserved, victory over the School House side. After this, however, many of the team dispassionately decided they had done their share, and this lack of spirit—temporary we feel sure—did much to bring about three successive defeats in the remaining matches.

Finally, the House would like to thank all the nursing staff and matrons, especially Miss Dennis, Miss Eccles, Miss Jelfs, and Drs. Scott-Forrest and Stephens, for the patient and competent treatment given to the "puir wee laddies" who succumbed to influenza.

#### COLBOURNE HOUSE.

Housemaster: A. J. Bailey, Esq. Head of House: B. K. Colvin. Sub-Pracpositor: J. D. Wightman.

House Fraepositors: I. M. Walker, J. D. Breadner, W. R. Lightfoot, D. J. Barr-Hamilton, W. N. Crowe.

The surprise of last term was the performance of the Junior Rugby side, who surpassed all expectation in achieving an honourable draw with Walters, the favourites, and then gaining a half-share in the shield.

Owing to an epidemic of gastric influenza, the Senior house matches had to be abandoned after we had beaten the holders in the first round and seemed set for the final once again.

It was for the same reason that the Steeplechase had also to be cancelled when we had high hopes of taking the shield from Dickson.

The occupation of the new Senior dormitory has brought a welcome change of environment, the house is now much more accessible and self-contained.

The house play was again a great success, owing to the efforts of Mr. Tucker, the talented cast, and his willing and able assistants, the hardworking stagehands.

The following have played regularly for the XV's: 1st XV—Colvin, Wightman, Crowe; 2nd XV—Walker, Barr-Hamilton D.J., James J., Froggatt. Colts XV—Higgins, Nunnington.

Vaughan was awarded an XL.

#### HUNT HOUSE

Housemaster: J. B. Nelson, Esq. Head of House: E. Q. Bashforth.

House Praepositors: T. A. J. E. Connor, P. J. Honey, L. P. Kelly.

School ended last December after a fairly quiet term with no outstanding achievements. The House was only sparsely represented in School teams; Kelly L.P. again playing for the 1st XV, Bashforth E. Q. in the 2nd XV, and Burgess A in the Colts XV, the three being duly awarded their respective colours.

The Junior XV disappointed us by being beaten in all but one match—with Dickson House—in the Junior house matches. The XV was captained by Burgess, who, together with Price R., Bashforth A.,

Brennan T. and Woolnough, played quite well, but they lacked substantial support from the majority of the remainder. The former two were awarded their XL's.

The epidemic of influenza, which put a large proportion of the School in bed, hit the House very hard, leaving at one time, only thirty members still attending out of the usual number of seventy-three.

The steeplechase team, which at its best would only just come up to the numerical requirements, was seriously depleted; indeed, it almost ceased to exist! Nobody was fit in Classes II and III and only two members of Class I ran in the race.

Among those leaving College last term were Grimshaw M. F., who left early in the term, and Foster R. G., to whom we offer our best wishes. We welcome back into the House Casement E. B., formerly of Walters.

#### JUNIOR HOUSE

Junior House news since last half-term divides itself into two contrasting parts. The latter part of last term was concerned largely with Rugger and the beginning of this term with the 'flu.

Our Rugger proved to be the best for a long time, though the first match gave little indication of this, for though superior strength won the game, tackling was limited to one player, only one or two forwards showed any real vigour, and no one ever fell on the ball. Fortunately lessons were learnt, and the team developed rapidly in both vigour and skill, the standard attained by the majority of the team being unusually high, a feature that was reflected in the large number of Junior colours awarded. It is difficult to single out individuals, so we record the team in full: Jackson M.; Faucitt, Cheetham, Slack, Corlett A.; Webb, Maddrell R.; Dye, Cannell M. C., Solly, Weale A., Parker, Okell, Huntley G, Edwards J.

Still better was the fact that we had a 2nd XV that played a surprisingly good game. Of these Hanson R, was the best forward, and was a sturdy reserve for the 1st XV. Cullen did well at half, Jeffreys J, at centre and Parkes was a fast and elusive wing. It is six years since we could last raise a 2nd XV worth the watching. Our thanks and congratulations are due to Mr. Glover for the unflagging enthusiasm that has brought these results.

At the end of the term we again entertained ourselves (and also, we hope, Mrs. Wilson and the Principal) with another varied evening party, organised by Miss Clague. Great fun was had by all, but undoubtedly Brer Rabbit (Wilson N.) will be remembered the best.

Coming to the present term, the 'flu has taken charge. Rugger, desired by many, and cross-country, desired by few, were swept aside. Instead, the survivors, too few in number, took rather desultory exercise, while the victims revelled in lemonade and jellies. Matron and Miss Shindler were in their element and toiled long hours, for

the Sanatorium was full by the time the Juniors thought of catching it. It was in 1941 that we last had such a visitation—or was it a holiday?

We are now all on our legs again, facing belated exams, on unfamiliar subjects, and are quite unprepared for the sports, with our big squares un-run, our training undone and the ground frozen solid.

B. C. A. H.

#### THE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

President: R. H. Tucker, Esq. Vice-President: C. R. Whittaker, Esq. Hon. Secretary: J. C. Chantler. Hon. Sergeant-at-Arms: S. G. S. Scott.

All the meetings since our last report have been debates; the first, held last term, was "That a Dictatorship is preferable to a Democracy." The proposer, Mr. W. R. Kneen, opened with a long and well-constructed speech pointing out the flaws in the democratic system and the instability of universal suffrage. Democracies could not cope in a crisis, and look how prosperous were the majority of states under dictators—Yugoslavia under Tito for example. In reply Mr. J. C. Chantler, speaking at similar length, claimed that the prosperity of the state does not necessarily mean the contentment the the individual. After a lengthy discourse on Human Rights leading to the statement that Democracy is the only justifiable form of government, he ended by saying that a democratic state is quite capable of electing a temporary dictator to deal with a crisis—cp. Churchill in the last war. The two principal speakers took so long that by the time the seconders (Mr. P. R. Cretney and the Hon. Sergeant-at-Arms) had spoken, there was no time to open the debate to the house, and a vote had to be taken immediately. The motion was lost by II votes to 6 with several abstentions.

Our second debate was with Castle Rushen High School, with Mr. Cretney from the High School in the chair. The motion, "That Guy Fawkes ought to be forgotten" was soon exhausted, but gave P. R. Cretney the opportunity of expressing his opinion that anyone, Guy Fawkes included, who provides an excuse for festivity should be remembered honourably. We should like to offer Mr. Cretney of the High School, who is leaving the school shortly, our very best wishes.

This term's debate with the Manx Dilettanti Society, "That it is preferable to be a Jack-of-all-trades than a master of one," was proposed for the Society by the Hon, Sergeant-at-Arms. A slow and dignified speech it was, mainly pointing out the serious dangers of specialisation and its resultant biases. But a Jack-of-all-trades does not imply any incapability in his various jobs, he is an extremely interesting, interested, experienced and capable member of society. Mr. P. Farrant (O.K.W.) was convinced that the name Jack was one

of disparagement. His idea of a Jack-of-all-trades was a no-good, the shoddy half-expert who continually causes accidents. The debate was keenly continued by the house, and it was suggested by more than one speaker that the best masters of trades had all at one time or another been thorough-going jacks. When the motion was put to the vote it was won by a convinced majority of 37 to 12. All in all, we think we can safely say that our standard of debating has improved during the last year.

Lastly and regretfully, we must say good-bye to our ever-efficient secretary, M. Faruque. He has looked after us for nearly two years, and it was mainly due to his initiative that we owe our connection with the Manx Dilettanti. We will miss him both in his efficiency and in his definite, matter-of-fact way of debating, but hope he will visit us again some week-end when Pakistan gets too hot for him.

#### MANX SOCIETY

President: The Principal Chairman: S. Boulter, Esq. Hon. Secretary: S. G. S. Scott

The last Barrovian recorded our first two meetings of last term. At the third Mr. Wallis gave us a history of the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company, and Mr. Quirk spoke about the Island's Folklore. Mr. Wallis read us accounts of early voyages in the Steam Packet Company's boats, and almost convinced us that it was more uncomfortable to cross the Irish Sea in 1850 than it is to cross it now. He also included in his talk the histories of rival companies, who were all unable to halt the dashing progress of the flourishing Steam Packet. In the discussion following, the chairman talked very knowledgably about the services rendered by the company's ships in the wars.

The second speaker described such macabre associations between human and supernatural beings that we began to appreciate the comparatively sheltered life of college that guarded us from such intimacies. It seems that the "Little People" and their friends were very quick tempered and even a perfectly innocent tailor was threatened by a Bugane (giant, approximately), when he dared to sew his shirt in a certain church. We learnt that for a woman to practise veterinary surgery meant her certain death, for, being suspected as a witch, she was rolled down a hill in a spiked barrel. Witches naturally survived this ordeal, though only to be drowned in the village pond; the innocents died!

Both talks were well prepared and given in the light-hearted manner that is the desired method of speaking in the society. The first meeting of this term was cancelled but a trip to Douglas to visit the Manx Trades Fair gave the society a chance of meeting together.

#### THE DRAMATIC SOCIETY

President: The Principal Chairman: G. C. Kelly, Esq. Hon. Secretary: S. G. S. Scott.

Committee: J. A. Wallis, G. K. Maddrell, R. Q. Cannell, J. E. Goldsmith.

Towards the end of last term the second group of House plays was produced. Colbourne staged "The Ghost of Jerry Bundler" and Walters the First Act of "The Winslow Boy." The Understudies' play was "The Little Man." The merits and demerits of these productions are discussed on another page, so be it sufficient to say here that the evening was very entertaining. This is an opportune point to express the Society's thanks to those who helped to stage these plays. I mention especially the ladies, Mrs. Mogg and Mrs. Watkins and Miss Heaslett, who all helped in their different ways. Also to be included are our producers, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Keyte, Mr. Tucker and Mr. Mogg, who also managed the stage, and Mr. Honey for his work with the lights. There were others and we thank them also though their names are not recorded.

After the House Plays, readings were held to cast 'The Tempest,' this term's play. Practices, which began this term, have suffered much interference from the epidemic, but are now becoming more and more frequent and successful.

#### MUSIC CLUB

President: The Principal

Vice-President: J. J. F. Watkins, Esq.

Hon Secretary: J. A. Wallis

Hon Secretary: J. A. Wallis Hon. Treasurer: S. G. S. Scott.

Committee: D. B. George, J. C. Chantler, D. Newbold, P. Newbold, P. Zatz.

No one knew quite what was going to happen when the Music Club's first carol concert began. There had been one rehearsal and that not a very adequate one. However, the curtains wre drawn back to reveal Mr. Tucker and two friends reading in a gaily decorated sitting room before the fire. The set was very festive and cosy. Soon a small choir could be heard singing the cherry tree carol, 'As Joseph was a-walking.' When the choir had finished, there were three loud knocks. Choir and choirmaster were invited in to sing some carols and Mr. Tucker and friends prepared for boredom, trusting it would only be a five minutes' affair. However, their spirits dropped as the party made itself really at home and got down to what looked like a long performance. But soon the reverse was happening; when Mr.

Tucker urged the choir to stay, the choirmaster was thinking of the time, and not so sure whether it was right to prolong the intrusion. The choir stayed. Before long everyone had got the festive spirit, and there were mince pies and cocoa all round, and all the old favourites between bites. The cowboy carol, the only modern carol that was sung, was encored many times. "Just look at that clock, Master Ronny," someone seemed to say and heavy yet happy hearts went home.

That was many weeks ago, and since then the Club has not met, because when the first meeting was to be held there was no Club.

After five years of valuable service Mr. J. J. F. Watkins is leaving College to take up a new post in Leeds. Perhaps one of the smaller duties he performed, but nevertheless important, was the direction of the Music Club. I can remember, as a junior member of the Club, looking forward to evenings when the vice-president was to talk, for it always meant an educational evening enjoyed in a light-hearted atmosphere. But at most meetings the vice-president appeared to 'sit-out.' However, these evenings entailed more work for him than his own programmes, for he could talk on most musical topics himself and supply his own illustrations with little preparation, but if others spoke he had to teach them what to say and play—no mean job in most cases! (To the average member of the club this work passed unseen). I should like to take this opportunity of thanking him on behalf of the Club, for all he has done to make the meetings successful.

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

President: C. Pritchard, Esq. Chairman: J. J. F. Watkins, Esq. Hon. Secretary: J. C. Taylor. Hon. Treasurer: W. R. Kneen.

Photographically, this term is always spent in hibernation; but preparation has started for the better weather of the summer when we have our Expedition, Competition and Exhibition. In the competition there will be four classes, the first three open and the last one for Society members only.

Snapshots.

- 2. Trick Photography (only genuine flying saucers allowed).
- 3. Interiors Flash and Night Photography.
- 4. "Sweet Content."

We hope for an improvement in both quantity and quality of the members' entries. They should feel it is a duty to set the standard.

Unfortunately we are losing our chairman this term, who has guided the society for the last three years. We wish him all the best at his next appointment. In his place we welcome Mr. Beveridge and hope he will have a happy time with us.

#### GRAMOPHONE SOCIETY

President: The Principal. Chairman: R. H. Tucker, Esq. Hon. Secretary: J. A. Wallis.

Records ranging from Peter Ustinov's 'Mock Mozart' to Mozart's Piano Concerto in A major were presented to Mr. J. J. F. Watkins. He again made the evening most interesting by showing how the records fitted into the history of music. Mr. G. K. Maddrell presented 'Records at Random,' which produced Glenn Miller, and Ljuba Welitsch 'Clair de Lune' and the popular Grand March from Aida. The effect was soothing, emotional and satisfying. The Christmas term was concluded by a popular evening of carols and extracts from Handel's "Messiah."

At the first meeting this term the chairman hoped to demonstrate his new gramophone, but unfortunately his technicians were just as mystified as he was by the working orders. All that could be produced were rude noises. Mr. P. Newbold lent the society his machine for the evening and the chairman played over some of last term's favourites. A fortnight later the chairman's gramophone had been working perfectly for over a week, with some delightful results. Mr. P. Newbold gave the first programme on the gramophone and the Overture to Tannhäuser nearly cost the Society the expense of re-plastering an honorary member's study. Mr. Newbold had taken great care to read up details about the records he played, which gave added interest to his programme. There were many members present on February 23rd when the Chairman invited all members to come along and guess the titles of the records he played. The competition was won by J. C. Chantler and D. J. Shackleton had the best score for those under sixteen. The chairman presented both winners with a box of chocolates. It was a popular evening.

Sunday morning concerts have again been held in the Chairman's study. A few members have small L.P. collections of their own, and from these we have been able to arrange some attractive programmes. Among the comparatively unfamiliar pieces, perhaps the most enjoyed have been Bach's double violin concerto played by Yehudi Menuhin and Gioconda da Vito, and the violin concerto in G minor by Max Bruck, played by Jascha Heifetz.

#### THE KNIGHTS

President: C. R. Whittaker, Esq. Chairman: J. C. Chantler. Hon. Secretary: P. S. J. Zatz.

Of the four meetings to record, the first was a reading of "The Frogs" by Aristophanes. The chorus was composed of three eminent members of the choir, ably accompanied by Mr. Keyte at the piano, who rendered tunes varying from the Magnificat to Offenbach's Barcarolle.

Two meetings have been devoted to Goethe's "Faust." The first was a talk by Mr. Beveridge, to whom we are very grateful. He also introduced a reading of the Gretchen scenes from Part I at the first meeting this term. It was most interesting to compare "Faust" with Marlowe's "Dr. Faustus" which we have also read.

Most recently we have had an amusing reading of Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest," introduced by D. Newbold. Mr. Keyte's Lady Bracknell was hilarious.

Later this term we hope to have talks by Mr. Keyte and P. Zatz, an evening contrasting poetry and music, and some filmstrips of classical subjects.

We hope that anyone who feels he could give us a talk will have no hesitation in coming forward.

#### SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

President: S. Boulter, Esq. Chairman: C. Attwood, Esq. Hon. Secretary: I. M. Walker. Hon. Treasurer: D. B. George.

Committee: J. D. Wightman, E. E. Wood, K. Lang, P. Newbold

The last meeting of the Autumn term took the form of a film show. The films were lent by the Air Ministry and dealt, in detail, with the elementary principles of meteorology.

The first meeting of 1955 was devoted to a subject which has been much in the news since August 6th, 1945—Atomic Energy. The speaker was Mr. P. Newbold, a member of the Society. He explained that since 1896, atomic physics made continuous progress. The various peaceful applications of Atomic Energy were described; firstly the methods of producing heat and thus power with atomic piles; secondly the medical uses of radio-active isotopes and thirdly the industrial uses of the radio-active properties connected with atomic energy. Naturally, the atom bomb, with its lethal and destructive qualities, and the geiger counter, with its geological and archeological uses, were explained in some detail.

#### JAZZ CLUB

Chairman: R. H. Tucker, Esq. Secretary: J. C. Chantler.

We continue to meet and enjoy ourselves weekly, and, most important, more of us are enjoying jazz as a music and not a mere metronome for foot-tappers. So—and thank goodness—the danger of falling into the strictly Dixie rut has lessened considerably.

Celebrating the sixth birthday of Humphrey Lyttleton's band, J. E. Maddrell gave us a programme of Humph's work (his "Snag it"

and "Shake it and break it" were last term's favourites). Sad to relate, D. Wood's Lionel Hampton bill seemed to leave members somewhat bewildered; a shame, for the Hamp is undoubtedly one of the most interesting and musically inventive figures ever to enter the jazz scene.

Then we had programmes of blues—Bessie Smith to Billie Holiday's "Loverman," and Jazz from Harlem—the Louis' "You rascal you" and Don Redman's "Shakin' the African" type. Neither of these jazz types is exciting at first hearing, but both are extremely interesting—musically and otherwise; they are twentieth-century folk music from the negro and the machine.

Last term's poll showed varied and colourful taste: close behind the two Humph titles came discs like Bix's "Old Man River," Hamp's "Hot Mallets" and Django Reinhardt's "Swing 42"—all solid and righteous.

We have not yet held our threatened evening for moderns. There is a great deal going on under the formidable title of the "West Coast Movement" that should not be missed. And who can resist names like Shelly Manne, Bud Shank, Barney Kersell and John Graas? Though this term's poll is still a thing of the future, there is little doubt that the favourite is Louis Armstrong's 1929 recording of "St. Louis Blues"—jazz at its very best.

#### CHESS CLUB

President: Rev. G. R. Parkinson Vice-President: G. C. Kelly, Esq.

Hon, Secretary: W. R. Kneen. Hon, Treasurer: S. R. Donaldson.

Since the last issue of the Barrovian we have played five league matches.

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v. Bishops (away, December	1st). Lost 3½-4½
G. Ratcliffe 0 B. Cannell 0 G. Gray 1 R.L. Lamming 1 A.V. Hughes 1 W. Higgins 1 R.E. Quiggin 1 J. Teggins 1	G.C. Kelly, Esq 1 Rev. G.R. Parkinson 1 M.S. Oddsson 1 W.R. Kneen 0 S.R. Donaldson 0 C.N. Frost 1 J.E. Crowe 1 E.E. Wood 0
v. R.A.F. (away, December	
J. Eastwood 1 R.T. Duncan 1 R.C. Phillips 1 A.J. Galloway 0 M.D. Smith 0 M. Charles 0 F.D. Clark 1 G. Lindemann 0	Rev. G.R. Parkinson       1/2         M.S. Oddsson       0         W.R. Kneen       0         C.N. Frost       1         J. Crowe       1         E.E. Wood       1         H.A. Galbraith       0         J.C. Taylor       1
v. Southern (home, January	28th). Lost 21-51
G.C. Kelly, Esq \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ W.R. Kneen \\ 0 \\ Rev. G.R. Parkinson 1 \\ C.N. Frost \\ 0 \\ J. Crowe \\ 0 \\ S.R. Donaldson \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\	J. Pearson          N. Mudie          W. Hoggatt          J. McArd          I. C. Roberts          I. Tyson          H. Pealing          J.B. Ware
v. Knights (away, February	16th). Won 5-3
G.C. Kelly, Esq 1 Rev. G.R. Parkinson 1 M.S. Oddsson 1 W.R. Kneen 1 S.R. Donaldson 2 J. Crowe 1	R.J. Kermeen

Again it must be stressed that the aim of the Chess Club is not to provide a team for the I.o.M. Championship, but to encourage people at College to play chess. The above results show that the senior section of the club is flourishing, but very little is being done in the junior half. An under-sixteen match, if possible with Douglas High School, and a competition for Club nights must be arranged.

The Club was very lucky to win the first of a series of three matches for the British Chess Federation Schools' Shield, on February 3rd, v. Douglas High School (home), won 3-1.

M.S. Oddsson	•••	1	J. Teggins 0
W.R. Kneen	•••	1	G. Garrett 0
S.R. Donaldson	•••	1	R. Wilson 0
C. Nunnington		0	T. Deighan 1

A postal game on five boards is being played against Ellesmere College, but we fear it will be a very long time before any result will be reached.

#### SHOOTING

The final statistics of last term's matches were not very impressive, but we had some very good individual shooting at times, especially by B. Barwell. On several occasions he gained scores of above 96/100 on the N.S.R.A. target, together with similarly high scores for the Country Life Conditions.

The new members to the VIII, although more familiar with the match rifles, still have room for improvement, but we are looking forward to better team scores this term. Recently a score of 590 for the Country Life (less landscape) Conditions was recorded, which is only three points below last summer term's best.

Illness caused the cancellation of School matches at the beginning of term. The North-West District Competition Shoot took place with only three regular members of the VIII among the ten cadets who shot, which accounts for the abnormally low score recorded. Autumn Term

			For	Again	st
Nov. 6	th King's Col	lege, Taunton	575	643	Lost
,, 13	th Elizabeth (N.S.	College, Guernsey R.A.)	694	775	Lost
Dec. 4t	h Rydal Scho (N.S.	ool, Colwyn Bay R.A.)	689	732	Lost
,, 11t	h King's Col	lege, Taunton	564	664	Lost
Sı	ımmary of term	's shooting:			
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Le	eading Averages:				
	Country Life	N.	S.R.A.		
	rwell 82	2.3 B. Barwel	l	9	6.3
I. M.	Walker 75		varth	9	1.3
E. Q.	Bashforth 74	1.6 C. N. Fros	st	8	9.ŏ
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#### RUGBY FOOTBALL

#### K.W.C. v R.A.F. (Jurby) 1st XV (Lost 6-17)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, 5th November in good weather conditions. This was to prove one of the most entertaining games of the season as both sides strived successfully to play open football at every conceivable opportunity—indeed the quick, accurate handling of the R.A.F. backs was a feature of the match. The game was an even one territorially but the faster R.A.F. three-quarters scored four tries as a result of first-class passing of the ball beating the defence and thus enabling the wing to round the opposition and score in the corner. Scott led his pack well and they were equal to the R.A.F. eight in everything but heeling from the tight scrummage; they lasted out a gruelling game and actually handled the ball for over half the length before Kelly crossed for a try in the dying minutes of the game. Penalties were a rare occurrence

but Colvin did kick a beautiful goal early in the game while the R.A.F. place kicker converted one try and kicked an easy penalty. The College backs learnt a lot from their cleverer and more mature opponents and the tries scored against us were the result of better all-round skill and not poor tackling. Once more the lack of real speed behind the pack was College's "bette noir" as several promising movements came to nought as a direct result of this deficiency.

Final Score-K.W.C. 1 penalty goal, 1 try - 6 points.

R.A.F. (Jurby) 1st XV 3 tries, 1 goal, 1 penalty goal — 17 points. Referee: V. B. Pennell, Esq.

Team: W.R. Kneen, D.A. Allen, B.K. Colvin, W.N. Ward, L.P. Kelly, S. Quirk, W.N. Crowe, D.M. Taggart, H.A. Galbraith, J.D. Wightman, S.G.S. Scott, C.T.M, Hartley, W.J. Caveen, M.H. Cannell, S.R. Donaldson. A.G.R.

#### K.W.C. v WALLASEY G.S. (Won 3-0)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, 13th November in good conditions. College pressed hard and gained a fair amount of the ball, but play soon evened itself out and the game developed into a hard-fought struggle with first one side and then the other pressing strongly. Wallasey used their feet well and this, with some vigorous forward play, often served them well. The College heeling from the loose was better than in previous matches and the serum helf gave his backs. some vigorous forward play, often served them well. The College heeling from the loose was better than in previous matches and the scrum-half gave his backs a good service, only to find the centres too well marked, or too slow, to take advantage; when the ball did reach the wings, however, they made the most of things. Just before half-time, when College were pressing, there was an infringement by Wallasey and Colvin kicked a penalty from about thirty yards. The second half saw Wallasey pressing hard and College defending with some plucky tackling and falling. There was some intelligent kicking into touch from both sides and the advantage again went backwards and forwards. The pace was fort and there were some dengerous movements from College resulting mainly fast and there were some dangerous movements from College, resulting mainly from good backing up; they were unlucky not to score. To sum up it was an even game, with no quarter asked or given, but College looked slightly the better side because of their more concerted movements.

Final Score—K.W.C. 1 penalty goal — 3 points.

Wallasey G.S. — 0.

Referee: C. Attwood, Esq.

Team: W.R. Kneen, D.A. Allen, B.K. Colvin, W.N. Ward, J.A. Wallis, S. Quirk, W.N. Crowe, J.D. Wightman, H.A. Galbraith, D.M. Taggart, S.G.S. Scott, C.T.M. Hartley, W.J. Caveen, M.H. Cannell, S.R. Donaldson.

After the game Scott re-awarded caps to the following players: W.R. Kneen, D.M. Taggart and J.D. Wightman. D.R.C.

#### K.W.C. v ELLESMERE (Won 28-0)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, 20th November. College started the game with a strong wind behind them. They attacked straight away and a good movement developed, but the final pass to Kelly went astray, and a chance was lost. Play continued near the Ellesmere 25 line, and after 5 minutes a penalty was awarded to College and Colvin kicked a good goal. College continued to keep up the pressure, getting possession from the set scrums and lines-out more frequently than Ellesmere. After going near to scoring on one or two occasions College increased their lead with a try by Ward, after a good break through by Colvin supported by Kelly; the kick at goal failed. Ellesmere were playing with plenty of spirit and a smart interception by one of their backs almost brought about a try. About this time play was mostly between Ellesmere 25 and the half-way line, with College attacking hard and their opponents defending stubbornly. However, the continued pressure succeeded at last and tries were scored by Allen, after one of his characteristic bursts. Wightman and Taggart: all the kicks at goal failed. Half time came with College leading by 15 points to 0. In kicks at goal failed. Half time came with College leading by 15 points to 0. In the second half, in spite of having to face a stiff wind, College began to play well. Their passing became accurate, and the backs and forwards ran with dash and determination. Possession from the set scrums was very ably exploited by Crowe, who frequently set going the College backs with long and accurate passes to Quirk. From good movements in mid-field in which the forwards took their share, tries were scored by Kelly and Ward, and Taggart finished off one of these passing bouts by a final run of 25 yards or more; two of these tries were converted by Donaldson. This ended the scoring. Ellesmere played pluckily and were unlucky not to score on more than one occasion. Good work was done by Hooney, Barnett and Taylor both in attack and defence. Of their forwards Johnson. Nash and Hanson played well as individuals but their pack as a whole lacked the cohesion of the College forwards. For College Crowe was outstanding among the backs, amongst whom Quirk and Kneen also did well. The forwards gave a good display, and gained more than an equal share of the ball from the scrums. Scott, Wightman and Donaldson were prominent in the loose and Taggart did good work in the lines-out. The College team, particularly in the second half, played attractive rugger.

Final Score: K.W.C. 2 goals, 1 penalty goal, 5 tries - 28 points.

Ellesmere — 0. Referee: A. J. Bailey, Esq.

Team: W.R. Kneen, D.A. Allen, B.K. Colvin, W.N. Ward, L.P. Kelly, S. Quirk. W.N. Crowe, D.M. Taggart, H A. Galbraith, J.D. Wightman, S.G.S. Scott, C.T.M, Hartley, W.J. Caveen, M H. Cannell, S.R. Donaldson.

After the game Scott re-awarded caps to the following players: B.K. Colvin, L.P. Kelly and S. Quirk while caps were awarded to the following players: W.N. Crowe and S.R. Donaldson.

C.W.J.

#### K.W.C. v LIVERPOOL COLLEGE (Won 20-0)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, 27th November in atrocious weather. A southerly gale blew diagonally across the field and heavy rain fell in the second half. Despite the fact that they kicked off with the wind at their backs College were slow in getting warmed up, gaining possession in only 2 of the first 8 set scrums. Liverpool looked dangerous early on but did not finish through faulty handling in the backs. Quirk attempted a drop-goal but failed. After quarter of an hour College began to take command and develop attacks which kept the visitors well in their own half. Colvin had two penalty kicks in quick succession but could not score Ward made a good run but was stopped near the line; the forwards heeled, Quirk gave a good pass to Kelly who ran in at the corner. Colvin narrowly failed to convert. Two minutes later College kicked ahead after a Liverpool 25 drop-out and Taggart made the touch-down in the corner. Donaldson could not convert. College were jumping well in the line-out and gaining possession regularly. Liverpool attacked but were penalised in the College 25 for over-eagerness. After 30 minutes Colvin made a good run and scored half-way in. Donaldson again failed with the kick. College were now heeling well but Crowe could not get the ball away quickly under the bad conditions. At half time the score was 9-0 with College backs showing a marked superiority. In the second half Liverpool surprisingly failed to use the wind, particularly as they were hard-pressed. Quirk was regularly splitting the defence with disgraph rives and effect one of these he gave an excellent ness defence superiority. In the second half Liverpool surprisingly failed to use the wind, particularly as they were hard-pressed. Quirk was regularly splitting the defence with diagonal runs and after one of these he gave an excellent pass to Kelly who finished strongly with a try in the corner. Colvin just failed with the kick. Donaldson was prominent in this half with good breaksways and Allen was only just stopped on more than one occasion. After 15 minutes Quirk again ran through and scored under the posts. Donaldson converted. Allen twice got into the 25 and from one of these efforts College heeled the ball; Colvin made ground and gave to Taggart who went through powerfully to score an unconverted try under the posts. College played with great resolution and even with the gale in their teeth penned the visitors in their own half for long periods. periods.

Final Score—K.W.C. 1 goal and 5 tries — 20 points. Liverpool College, 0. Referee: V.B. Pennel, Esq.

Team: E.Q. Bashforth, D.A. Allen, B.K. Colvin, W.N. Ward, L.P. Kelly, S. Quirk, W.N. Crowe, D.M. Taggart, H.A. Galbraith, J.D. Wightman, S.G.S. Scott, C.T.M Hartley, W.J. Caveen, M.H. Cannell, S.R. Donaldson.

After the game Scott awarded caps to the following players: D.A. Allen, M.H. Cannell, W.J. Caveen and H.A. Galbraith.

G.R.P.

#### K.W.C. v OLD BOYS (Won 6-3)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, 4th December in a strong, bitterly cold westerly gale — fortunately little rain fell. The Old Boys went into the lead almost immediately when J. Harrison received a quick return pass from a short line-out near the Collège line and scored in the corner. While both packs gradually warmed-up to their task the backs were getting correspondingly colder and we saw little open play. College gained possession of most set scrummages but could not utilise this to any advantage until Quirk punted ahead for Kelly to pick up at speed and score a good opportunist try in the corner. The Old Boys were a match for College in the lines-out where the former used their height and weight to advantage but the College eight did well in the loose and most of our raids came via the forwards where Wightman was outstanding, but an extremely lively ball in the high wind caused understandable handling errors and no score materialised. Crowe gave out a good service from the base of the scrum but Quirk was constantly harassed by J. Lace, the Old Boys wing-forward, and the three quarter line failed to work smoothly; as a result both wings in fact received a couple of passes apiece throughout the whole of the game. R.N. Waters was outstanding in a surprisingly virile Old Boys pack but their backs lacked even the limited cohesion of the College backs, hence we saw a lively forward battle with College just deserving their win by virtue of their being quicker on the ball in the loose. Late in the game Quirk gave College victory with a penalty goal.

Final Score—K.W.C. 1 try, 1 penalty goal — 6 points. Old Boys 1 try — 3 points.

Once again we thank Stuart Adcock for all his good work in raising this year's Old Boys side which came close to gaining a much coveted victory. The players too warrant our thanks — we enjoyed their visit and the hard way in which they played.

Old Boys' XV-R. Crellin, M.W. Machin (Captain), J.M. Connall, A.M. Watterson, J.A. Harrison, J. Marle, P. Dracup, A. Acton, T. Dutton, J.L. Moulton, B. Wilson, B. Corrin, W. Furness, R.N. Waters, J.H. Lace.

K.W.C.—E.Q. Bashforth, J.A. Wallis, D.A. Allen, W.N. Ward, L.P. Kelly, S. Quirk, W.N. Crowe, D.M. Taggart, H.A. Galbraith, J.D. Wightman, S.G.S. Scott, C.T.M. Hartley, W.J. Caveen, I.M. Walker, M.H. Cannell.

After the game Scott awarded a cap to C.T.M. Hartley.

A.G.R.

#### CHRISTMAS TOUR

Progress across the Irish Sea to Liverpool was only moderately comfortable but most of the team ate and digested lunch during the sea journey. The Birkenhead game was played on the morning of Saturday 18th December, so that we were able to witness the second English trial held at Waterloo that afternoon. The team, which had three reserves, played the best football of the season during the first half of the Birkenhead game but seemed to lack fire in the game against Merchant Taylors' on Monday, 20th December. The Birkenhead match was won comfortably 17-6 while a draw would have been a fairer result for the Merchant Taylors' game as it was lost 10-11, by a penalty goal kicked in the closing minutes. The Tour was once again a happy one and for some a unique experience; we were received with kindness and consideration wherever we went, particularly at the Schools where we played. Mr. Rimmer-Wright and his staff at The Hightown Hotel were excellent value while The Hightown R.F.C. once again put their ground and changing facilities at our disposal for training purposes. Apart from our one defeat the only disappointment was on the Tuesday morning when we bid au revoir to each other and realised that all good things must come to an end.

#### K.W.C. v BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL (Won 17-6)

Played at Noctorum Lane, the Old Birkonian ground, on Saturday, 18th December, at 10.45 a.m. Conditions were ideal although the ground was a little on the heavy side after the recent chronic wet weather. Exchanges were even in the forwards for quite some time, then it became apparent that the College pack was better in the loose and lines-out, while Birkenhead had the advantage in the tight scrummages. The College backs handled well before Kelly scored a good try in the corner and then almost immediately after some good play in the loose by our forwards, Quirk dropped a goal. Within the minute Galbraith loose by our forwards, Tan through the opposition and Ward scored under the posts for Quirk to make an easy conversion. At this stage in the game

College were playing delightful football, although Cullen was guilty of some wild passes from the base of the scrum; the backs ran hard and on the whole timed their passes well. In the pack Taggart and Wightman were outstanding in the loose and only over-eagerness robbed the forwards of a couple of tries. They were rewarded just before half time when kelly scored in the corner after a bout of handling among the forwards had taken the ball to the Birkenhead line. With handling among the forwards had taken the ball to the Birkenhead line. With the score 14-0 at the interval, College looked set for a comfortable win, but although they continued to play good football the Birkenhead defence improved and several scoring chances were thwarted by sound tackling, while their superiority in the tight scrummages brought their backs more into the game as an attacking force. Donaldson's covering and tackling were invaluable while Kelly was a constant danger to the opposition with his controlled running. Colvin concluded our scoring with a try — the kick being disallowed. Late in the game Birkenhead kicked two penalty goals.

Final Score-K.W.C. 1 goal, 1 dropped goal, 3 tries - 17 points. Birkenhead 2 penalties - 6 points.

Referee: W. Thompson, Esq., (Cheshire County).

Team—C.T.M. Hartley, J.A. Wallis, B.K. Colvin, W.N. Ward, L.P. Kelly, S. Quirk, J.P. Cullen, J.D. Wightman, H.A. Galbraith, D.M. Taggart, S.G.S. Scott, I.M. Walker, W.J. Caveen, M.H. Cannell, S.R. Donaldson.

A.G.R.

#### K.W.C. v MERCHANT TAYLORS' SCHOOL (lost 10-11)

Played at Crosby on Monday, 20th December, in fine weather, although the ground was heavy and the wind rose later in the game. College won the toss and made use of the wind. They took a little time to settle down and Merchant Taylors' had the better of the early exchanges. Then College went on the attack, and after Colvin had failed with two long penalties, Quirk ran through the opposition to score a lovely try under the posts, which he converted. College in their kicking made good use of the wind and often pegged back the Merchant Taylors' attacks. After one of these long kicks to touch, near the home side's line, Donaldson forced himself over for a try which Quirk converted with an excellent kick. Both packs of forwards had done well but College had appeared more imaginative and dangerous behind the scrum and deserved their 10 points lead at half time. The sides continued to be evenly matched in the second half and soon it was the home side's turn to score. Following a knock-on they nail and soon it was the nome side's turn to score. Following a knock-on they worked their way to the College line, and Treeby went over for a try which Alty converted from a difficult position. After a spell of rather scrappy play, in which College might have scored more points, Merchant Taylors' scored an unconverted try, following a knock-on by the College full-back. The game continued to be a ding-dong struggle until very near the end when a very easy penalty goal gave Merchant Taylors' victory by a single point. College were unlucky to lose this hard-fought game, but chances went a-begging early in the second half which would have won them the match had they been accepted. Caveen and Donaldson did well in a hard-working pack, and Quirk's clever running and sound kicking, especially in the first half, made him a potential match winner.

Final Score—K.W.C. 2 goals — 10 points, Merchant Taylors' 1 goal, 1 try, 1 dropped goal — 11 points.

Referee: D.R. Morgan, Esq. (Merchant Taylors' School)

Team: C.T.M. Hartley, J.A. Wallis, B.K. Colvin, W.N. Ward, L.P. Kelly, S. Quirk, J.P. Cullen, J.D. Wightman, H.A. Galbraith, D.M. Taggart, S.G.S. Scott, I.M. Walker, W.J. Caveen, M.H. Cannell, S.R. Donaldson. A.J.B.

#### REVIEW OF SEASON

Played 12; won 8; lost 3; drawn 1. Points for, 144, against 87.

#### SCHOOL GAMES

Saturday, 9th October-Rossall (away)	Won 9-6
Wednesday, 20th October-St. Bees (home)	Lost 11-24
Saturday, 18th November-Wallasey G.S. (home)	Won 3-0
Saturday, 20th November-Ellesmere College (home)	Won 28- 0
Saturday, 27th November-Liverpool College (home)	Won 20-0

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The Stonyhurst game which was to have been played at Waterloo on 1st December, 1954 was postponed because of an influenza epidemic at Stonyhurst — the game was finally cancelled because of a similar outbreak at College during late January of this year.

The 1st XV was a well-balanced side which only lacked speed to make it an above average one. A victory over Rossall (the first in ten years!) in early October showed that the side possessed a sound defence which only deserted them in the game against St. Bees. Deprived of real pace behind the scrum, the forwards also became an effective scoring machine, and many tries came from good handling amongst a pack who were lively in the loose and who held their own in the lines-out against most schools and clubs. Once again, as in past years, the tight scrummaging was often ragged but it later improved. The team played well after half-term and registered clear-cut wins over Liverpool College, Ellesmere College and Birkenhead School — in the Liverpool College, Ellesmere College and Birkenhead School — in the Liverpool College game the side first of all conquered the atrocious playing conditions before playing the best football of the season to win handsomely. This season the club games were much harder and gave good match practice; College are indebted to those clubs concerned for visiting us and in particular the surprisingly fit and determined Old Boys' XV that came perilously near to defeating College. Kneen, at full back, radiated confidence and was sorely missed when an injury brought a premature end to his football for the season. The blending together of the best available mid-field combination of fly-half and centres often causes the odd moment of concern to those people involved in a team's welfare and this year proved no exception although after some perserverance and early fluctuations in standards of play the players concerned did well enough. Quirk had a good season at fly-half and was the instigator of most tries scored outside the pack; he struck an effective partnership with the agile Crowe who proved a useful scrum-half having a quick, accurate service and an eye for an opening. Colvin and Ward took some time to settle down in the centre but eventually improved—both played well on tour — the former lack

#### FIRST XV CHARACTERS

- 8. G. S. SCOTT, Captain (1952-8-4) (5ft. 11\frac{1}{4}in.; 11st. 7lb.). Second row forward. The team responded readily to his leadership and his attitude of never accepting defeat infiltrated into the rest of the side. He now possesses a sound knowledge of the game and proved himself a good utility player in emergency while solid tackling and good positional sense saved tries on more than one occasion.
- W. R. KNEEN (1953-54) (5ft. 6½in.; 10st. 2lb). Full-back. An adventurous player who nevertheless did his main tasks admirably. Confident yet cautious, his positioning, fielding and tackling were sound although his kicking, while usually safe, lacked length. Injury kept him out of the side after half-term and he was sorely missed.

- J. D. WIGHTMAN (1953-4) (5ft. 11\(\frac{1}{4}\)in.; 12st.). Prop-forward. A much improved forward whose forté is line-out play. He has a fine turn of speed and plays a vigorous, bustling game in the loose, although over-keenness has sometimes spoilt the finishing touch. His work in the tight improved as the season progressed but he still has a lot to learn in this department of forward play.
- D. M. TAGGART (1953-4) (5ft. 10in.; 12st. 7lb.) Prop-forward. His fine physique and speed enabled him to be a power in the pack, especially in lines-out and the loose where he did excellent work, as was shown by his scoring four tries. In the front row of the tight scrums, however, his inexperience showed a necessity to concentrate on this aspect of forward play in the future.
- B. K. COLVIN. Hon. Sec. (1953-54) (5ft. 11\frac{1}{2}\text{ins.}; 12\text{st.} 5\text{lb.}). Right centre. He did not come into form until late in the season—then suddenly, after the Wallasey game, he brought more punch into his attacking play and tightened up his defence to produce the type of football we know him capable of playing. His goal-kicking was not up to last season's standard yet he was top scorer with thirty-seven points and he did well in closely-fought games. He was an efficient Hon. Sec.
- S. QUIRK (1953-54) (5ft. 8½in; 11st. 3lb.). Fly-half. A much better balanced player this season. His punting, both as a means of attack and defence, was above average and can be compared favourably with the best in recent years. He manœuvred openings cleverly and to good effect by his quickness off the mark. His defensive covering, although improved, was still suspect when under constant pressure.
- L. P. KELLY (1953-4) (5ft. 6½in.; 12st. 1lb.). Left wing. Although not speedy he scored eleven tries (some were really thrilling ones) by clever and determined running. He kicked well and was quick on the ball after the tackle while his tackling was sound.
- 8. R. DONALDSON (1954) (5ft .9½in.; 11st. 2lb.). Wing-forward. A useful open side wing-forward who played with tremendous dash and determination. He did stalwart work, always being up in attack yet often at hand to save an awkward situation in defence. Handled and run cleverly for a forward but often failed to time his passes correctly.
- W. N. CROWE (1954) (5ft. 5½in.; 8st. 13lb). Scrum-half. He was quick-thinking and filled this important position admirably. Knowing what his main job was he did it satisfactorily by sending out steady passes yet was ever ready to steal away on his own. His falling was good but he would do well to support his backs conscientiously after getting rid of the ball.
- D. A. ALLEN (1954) (5ft. 7½in.; 11st. 6lb.). Right wing. A strong wing who had an effective hand-off and a sound defence. He lacked real speed but always ran with great determination and usually kept the ball in play by cross-kicking. His handling was suspect but, on the whole, he had a good season.
- W. J. CAVEEN (1954) (5ft. 9in.; 10st. 8lb.). Wing forward. He developed into an effective blind-side wing-forward and was dangerous with the ball at his feet; the weather was his ally throughout the season as he revelled in bad playing conditions. His tackling and falling on the ball were beyond reproach but his line-out work was only mediocre while his handling was suspect.
- H. A. GALBRAITH (1954) (5ft. 10½in.; 11st. 10lb.). Hooker. The lack of experienced prop-forwards made his task an unenviable one. He improved steadily in this specialist department but still has a lot to learn. He was one of the best forwards in the loose and was rarely anything but first up to a line-out.

- M. H. CANNELL (1954) (5ft. 10\(\frac{2}{3}\)in.; 11st. 10lb.). Lock-forward. He was rather phlegmatic at the beginning of the season but improved steadily and became a sound defender with a knack of smothering the opposing scrum-half when the latter gained possession from lines-out. Tight scrummaging was only mediocre but he handled well and ran strongly when in possession.
- W. N. WARD (1954) (5ft. 7½in.; 11st. 3lb.). Left centre. He settled down after a shaky start and struck an effective combination with his wing. His defence was of the highest calibre, falling on the ball being a feature of his play, but his positioning in attack was often too flat and resulted in over-running before taking a pass. He has a cheeky "dummy" but would do well to improve the timing of his passes and strive to get more speed from somewhere!
- C. T. M. HARTLEY (1954) (5ft. 10\frac{1}{2}in.; 10st. 12lb.). Second row forward. He improved as the season progressed and developed into an intelligent forward with above average handling ability. In the tight scrummaging, however, he must learn to pack lower and to push his full weight.
- I. M. WALKER can be deemed unlucky for not commanding a regular place in the 1st XV. He was a good line-out forward but lacked devil in the loose and would do well to pack lower in the tight scrummage. A.G.R.

#### SECOND XV

Matches played 9; won 3, lost 5, drawn 1. Total points for, 53; against 70.

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	For	Against
October 9th-v. R.A.F. Jurby 2nd XV (Home)	0	5
October 16th-v. R.A.F. Jurby 2nd XV (Home)	8	0
October 23rd-v. I.o.M. (Douglas) 1st XV (Home)	6	0
October 30th-v. R.A.F. Jurby 2nd XV (Away)	11	17
November 18th—v. I.o.M. (Douglas) 1st XV (Away)	6	12
November 20th-v. R.A.F Jurby 2nd XV (Home)	16	9
November 27th—v. I.o.M. (Douglas) 1st XV (Home)	0	
December 4th-v. R.A.F. Jurby 2nd XV (Away))	3	8
December 11th-v. I.o.M. (Douglas) 1st XV (Home)	8	21

In a season of games played in rain and mud the second XV produced some good forward football against their regular opponents, R.A.F. Jurby and the Lo.M. (Douglas) club. The games were even, there being no wide margin in the scores, except in the last game when the fifteen, weakened by providing four players to the First XV, were beaten by a strong I.o.M. XV. An innovation this term, much welcomed by the players, was the travelling away to Jurby. The R.A.F. were most hospitable, and gave us good games. The match at Jurby on December 4th however was abandoned at half time, with the score a try each, as the gale made further play difficult. Since the majority of the games were played with a wet ball, difficult to handle, the play was largely confined to the forwards. George led the pack well and good scrummaging in the tight belped him to get a good share if the ball when hooking. The loose scrummaging was not so effective for a few of the forwards would behave as extra scrum halves and not get their heads in. Walker was the outstanding member of the pack both in the tight and loose scrummages and in the line out. Barr-Hamilton also played well, particularly in the loose, when he was always up with the ball. Despite the wet ball the backs also had a good season. In attack passes did not often go astray and some good movements resulted. Both James and Bull scored more than once from good runs after the ball had been all along the line. Cullen and Froggatt worked well together although Cullen's pass is not as regular as it should be. Both the half-backs, together with Wallis, were ready to break through when the opportunity offered and most of the tries scored this season resulted from these efforts. In defence too, the backs played well, Wallis and James always tackling low and hard and Wallis and Cannell were always ready to fail on the ball during forward rushes by opponents. Cannell's tackling was safe and he came up well in

support of the three quarters during attack. His kicks were unspectacular but safe but delay in kicking too often resulted in him being caught in possession and getting the pack back on their own twenty-five. The following, besides the final team, also played J. D. Breadner, T. A. G. E. Connor, G. K. Maddrell, M. B. Higgins and B. B. Vick.

#### **COLTS XV**

Played 4; Won 2; Lost 2. Points For 52, Against 36.

Sat., Oct. 28rd—Wallasey Grammar School Colts (H) ... Lost 5-6
Wed., Nov. 24th—Merchant Taylors' Colts (A) ........ Won 8-3

#### CHRISTMAS TOUR

With only one colour from last year's side and one other member of the ground, there were obviously players to be found. The search was not entirely successful and the team had a moderate season. Howarth N. was undoubtedly the outstanding player and some of his running was as delightful to College supporters as it was perplexing to the opposition. The final match against Wallasey, however, showed that once marked attention was paid to Howarth there was little effective attacking from the rest of the backs. At fullback Burgess improved throughout the season and his touch-kicking was good. Reevey and Shillinglaw had good moments on the wings, while Corran made up for some lack of speed by useful covering and falling and passing.

Apart from the Merchant Taylors' game the pack was not consistently together and the loose scrummaging was often a weakness. Watson J D. gained confidence as a leader and always played a solid game. Manning, Johnson D. and Higgins M. C. were lively in the loose and the pick of the rest of the pack. Howarth captained the side with spirit and intelligence and his enthusiasm deserved a more successful season.

# v. WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL COLTS XV (Home) Saturday, October 23rd

The season opened inauspiciously with vile weather conditions: steady rain attacked horizontally throughout the game. The Wallasey forwards were dominant in the early stages and on the rare occasions when College gained the ball, slowness at half prevented any con-tructive movements in the backs. Wallasey opened the scoring when some careless marking allowed the wing to go over for an unconverted try. Howarth then broke through from his own half, was well tackled by a covering forward but managed to get the ball to Johnson D, who appeared from nowhere to score between the posts. Manning converted. The second half saw a series of untidy rushes with conditions generally mastering the players. During these slitherings Wallasey were awarded a penalty for a scrum offence and dealt successfully with it. As on previous occasions, College failed both to make adequate use of a strong wind and to change their own game when it proved unprofitable.

K.W.C. 5 points, Wallasey Grammar School 6 points.

### v. MERCHANT TAYLORS' COLTS XV (Away) Wednesday, November 24th

After a fortnight's postponement, the Colts flew to Liverpool to play their best game of the season. The forwards held their own against a stronger and heavier pack while the backs, with a new link in Corran at fly-half, took the ball at speed. The whole side tackled and fell with the spirit that one likes to associate with a team representing College. In the opening minutes Howarth made a characteristic break which carried him to the corner flag—unfortunately into touch. After an overlong period in our own half Wilson took the ball, moving well in the centre and Howarth continued the movement to score a try which Manning converted. A good solo effort from Reevey completed the first half scoring; he dribbled clear and resisting all temptations to handle the

ball proceeded goalwards Soccerwise. His try was between the posts but the attempted conversion was not. The remainder of the game saw a number of spirited rushes from the opposition forwards, intelligent covering by Corran, threatening bursts by Shillinglaw and a try by Merchant Taylors' after a maul near the line.

K.W.C. 8 points, Merchant Taylors' 3 points.

#### CHRISTMAS TOUR

## v. BIRKENHEAD COLTS XV (Away) Saturday, December 18th

The first match of the tour was not a real test of strength as a sluggishness and hesitancy in the opposing threequarters gave Howarth a field day. The forwards took time to settle down but when they had gained confidence supplied the ball with commendable dispatch. Eighteen points were scored in each half from Howarth (five tries). Nunnington and Higgins M.C. (one each). Burgess had a good game at full-back and converted six tries as well as kicking a penalty goal. Birkenhead replied with tries after a forward dribble and a short penalty kick.

K.W.C. 36 points, Birkenhead 8 points.

### v. WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL COLTS XV

(Away) Monday, December 20th

The return game with Wallasey was approached with a confidence which turned out to be misplaced. The team appeared jaded and lethargic after Saturday's performance and were guilty of a number of errors in technique and breaches of the rules—both proved costly. Wallasey were able to secure control of the ball in the scrums and it quickly became clear that the potentialities of Howarth had not escaped them on the five previous occasions he had played against them. First half scoring was restricted to three penalty goals, one of them to College via Burgess. Wallasey were attacking for most of the second half and further scores came from another penalty goal and two converted tries. Burgess had another good game but Watson and Manning were the only others to play near form. This was a disappointing result in view of the previous game which had appeared to confirm signs of improvement during the term.

K.W.C. 3 points, Wallasey 19 points.

R.W.H.B.

### HOUSE MATCHES

### JUNIOR

The standard rose noticeably as the tournament progressed and it was encouraging to note the high degree of team spirit which prevailed throughout. It was perhaps a pity that the two strongest houses, namely Cobourne and Walters, were destined to meet in the first round but the game did end in a draw and emphasised how intelligently both these houses utilised their available resources. Walters had a good pack of forwards who scored most of their tries by clever passing, backing up and determined running while Colbourne had a good pair of half-backs and some fast outsides who were brought into the game at every opportunity. Tackling, falling on the ball and kicking were generally up to standard but the most encouraging thing of all was the determination of players to handle the ball and thus make each move an attacking one—this automatically led to fast, entertaining football. It is duly recorded, too, that, in the writer's opinion, players were mortally afraid of getting off-side in lines-out to such an extent that referees sometimes found it necessary to tell forwards to stand closer together while the seemingly increasing inability of wing threeequarters to throw the ball in straight caused unnecessary scrumnaging which was usually ragged:

1st Round, Monday, 8th November School v. Dickson (12-14) Colbourne

Colbourne v. Walters (12-12)

2nd Round, Monday, 15th November Colbourne v. Hunt (30-0)

School v. Walters (0-17)

Srd Round, Monday, 22nd November Hunt v. Walters (0-32) Colbourne v. Dickson (37-6)

4th Round, Monday, 29th November

School v. Colbourne (0-12) Hunt v. Dickson (17-11)

5th Round, Monday, 6th December

Walters v. Dickson (28-6) School v. Hunt (42-14)

Final placings: 1st (tie Colbourne and Walters, 7 points; 3rd Dickson, Hunt and School, 3 points.

#### SENIOR

Unfortunately an outbreak of influenza in January made it necessary to cancel the tournament.

### KNOWLES KICKING COMPETITION

Bitterly cold northerly winds kept the scoring low; nevertheless the shandard was not as high as last year. Several recognised kickers did nothing to enhance their reputations.

	SENIOR						
	Place	Drop	Punt	Place	Drop	Punt	Total
Colbourne	2	0	8	1	0	3	14
Hunt	4	1	4	1	1	0	11
Walters	6	0	3	1	0	0	10
Dickson	2	1	0	3	3	0	9
School	4	0	2	0	1	2	9

Once again the Rugby Authorities wish to thank all those people who have helped the game in so many different ways throughout the season. The Principal continued to show a great interest in the game and kindly refereed in house matches and Big Side practice games while Mr. Boyns, as usual, ran Colts and had the satisfaction of producing a reasonable XV from what appeared, at first, to be a poorish lot. Mr. Cash roved between Big Side and Colts and did much to improve the forwards while Mr. Attwood looked after the 2nd XV and kept 2nd ground fairly happy. Copley and his groundsmen had a constant battle against the weather yet despite this not one school or club game was cancelled—they did an excellent job of work. We thank also the College catering, medical and domestic staffs for looking after visiting teams so well. Finally we thank all those masters and boys who coached and refereed at all levels from Big Side and 1st XV matches down to the babes in Junior House—one last mention—Old Boys do take a great interest in our games and this year J. Taylor conscientiously reported all home games to the press; if the results did not appear it certainly was not his fault.

#### LONDON SEVENS, April 6th, 7th and 8th, 1955

Our entry for the Public Schools Sevens, at Richmond, was accepted and was are confidently looking forward to taking part in the tournament. Once again the trip has been made possible by the generosity of the Trustees, the London and Liverpool O.K.W. Societies.

### FINAL TEAMS, 1954

1st XV	2nd XV	Colts XV
W.R. Kneen	*R.Q. Cannell	§A. Burgess
D.A. Allen (R.W.) B.K. Colvin W.N. Ward L.P. Kelly	*R.D. Bull †*J.A. Wallis †*E.Q. Bashforth †*J.M. James	§D.C. Shillinglaw §N.J.Q. Howarth (Capt.) G.D. Wilson §D. Reevey
S. Quirk (Fly) W.N. Crowe	*J.D. Froggatt †*J.P. Cullen	§R.H. Corran C. Nunnington
J.D. Wightman H.A. Galbraith (Hooker) D.M. Taggart S.G.S. Scott (Capt.) C.T.M. Hartley W.J. Caveen M.H. Cannell S.R. Donaldson	*P.J. Watson *D.B. George (Capt.) *D.J. Barr-Hamilton P.R. Kissack *J.T. Arthur *M.D. Robinson *I.M. Walker J.R. Kinley	§J.D.B. Watson §D.M. Johnson §M.H. Manning S.P.B. O'Neill M.F. Thompson G.B. James R.S. Caladine §M.C. Higgins

#### XL Colours

A.Q. Bashforth
P.K. Cringle
M.T. Killip
A. Midgley
G. Osbaldeston
R. Price
M.J.S. Vaughan

### Junior Colours

R.O. Slack (Re-award)
R. Babb
M.C. Cannell
C.D. Cheetham
G.M. Dye
G.E. Huntley
T.M.C. Moore
J.D. Okell
M. Solly
A. Weale
D.A. Webb

Indicates 2nd XV Colour award
 Indicates having played for 1st XV
 Indicates Colts Colour award

### **CROSS-COUNTRY**

The influenza epidemic appeared to have timed itself so as to immobilize the maximum number of people on the very day of the event. As a result the races were run on an individual basis for those who had not been infected and were capable of movement. Ironically, the weather was tolerant and the hardy few were entertained by a still warm day, the best for years.

The winners in the three classes were:

Class I—R. Q. Cannell (School). Time: 47min. 47sec. Class II—C. S. Holroyd (Dickson) Time: 37 min. 11sec. Class III—A. P. Midgley (School). Time: 26min. 5 sec.

The Inter-Schools event was cancelled as the other Island schools were similarly affected by the epidemic, R.W.H.B.

### COMBINED CADET FORCE NOTES

O.C.: Major C. Attwood S.S.I.: Mr. S. W. Fenton C.S.M.: Wallis J.

R.N. Section: Lieut. A. J. Bailey, S/Lieut. J. M. Beveridge P.O. Cretney P.R.

Army Section: Lieut. G. C. Kelly, Lieut. D. R. Cash Lieut. R. H. Tucker

Sgts. Kneen W., Connor T.A., Quirk S., Donaldson S.R.

R.A.F. Section: Flt. Lt. J. J. F. Watkins Cpls. Cannell R., Taylor J.C.

### R.N. SECTION

We would like to take this opportunity of welcoming Sub. Lieut. Beveridge, whose cheerful readiness to lend a hand anywhere at any time should prove a valuable asset. Secondly, we extend warm congratulations to our Petty Officer, P. Cretney, on winning an executive cadetship to the R.N. College, Dartmouth. He takes our best wishes, and our thanks for his fine efforts on behalf of the Section. Our numbers have received a welcome fillip since the last report was written, and we now have reached the respectable total of eighteen cadets. We are busy at present preparing our cutter for removal to its future owners, Bridlington School. Hopes are that it will be replaced by a whaler. Lastly, the experiment is being made of going to Annual Training at the end of the Spring Term. At this time of the year there should be more ships available for use by cadets.

A.I.B.

### ARMY AND BASIC SECTION

Since last term our numbers have decreased, for many of those successful in last term's Certificate "A" Examination elected to join the R.N. and R.A.F. Sections. The proportion of passes was less than in previous years for the examination was held on the new syllabus. Those who obtained their Certificate are to be congratulated on reaching the higher standard now required. The higher standard, and the fact that the syllabus is now uniform, mean that the possession of a certificate will be of more value when going to National Service.

There is now an Artillery Section once more, and the members of this section travel to the I.o.M. Regiment weekly for training with L.A.A. weapons. As the future of A.A. Command is being reviewed, the continuance of this section is a matter of some doubt. In future cadets in the Army Section who hold Certificate "A" Part II will be trained as future N.C.O.'s, the training to include Signals training and other specialist training as available.

Next term our programme includes Cadet Sunday on May 15th; this year Cadet Sunday will be held at Castletown; and Annual

Inspection on May 31st. Camp will be held at Kinmel Park, near Rhyl, from 26th July to 3rd August. Mr. Fenton, who served with the Royal Leicestershire Regiment and the Royal Engineers, has been with us for such a time now and is so familiar a sight about College that it seems strange to welcome him. However, the last notes were written just before he joined us and we give him our best wishes for a long and happy time with us. Mr. Fenton's family is joining him in Castletown this term and we hope they will enjoy their life on the Isle of Man.

### R.A.F. SECTION

Since our last set of notes there has been little to report in the section. Some of us have had flu, of course, but this has not materially detracted from the usual run of Tuesday afternoons. The strength of the section is now nineteen, and we offer our consolations to Paul-Jones, James G., O'Neill, Kinley J., Arthur A. and Kissack P. on joining us. Congratulations to Bashforth and Taylor on gaining their Advanced certificates, and to Ward, Shimmin, Butterworth R. and Newbold P. on their Proficiency.

Camp is to be held, by way of change, at Easter instead of in the summer, and the location is to be Lichfield. Originally it should have been Northern Ireland, which would have been a pleasant diversion, but we cannot help feeling that the long and tedious journey would not have been compensated even by the proximity of the border with its duty free goods at the other side.

There are the last notes to be written under the present regime. The writer wishes the section well, both as a unit and as individuals, and he hopes to see a long list of Cranwell successes and other distinctions (maybe a D.F.C. or two) when he is reading orders on the other side of the Pennines.

J.J.F.W.

This term Flt. Lt. Watkins is leaving us after five and a half years' service with the R.A.F. Section. Our thanks for his work here and our best wishes for the future go with him. Many cadets, past and present, are grateful for the efforts Flt. Lt. Watkins made in helping them work for their Proficiency and Advanced Certificates. He may be persuaded to join the R.A.F. Section at his new school, so we will look forward to meeting him at future summer camps.

C.A.

### 1st K.W.C. SCOUT GROUP

### SENIOR TROOP NOTES

S.M. (S): J. P. Honey, Esq. T.L. (S): J. D. Wightman

Activities towards the end of last term ranged from instruction on the new method of artificial respiration to getting fires across the Silverburn, when provided with only sisal and a small dixie. This term bridgework has been the main occupation and several badge courses are being held. Ideas for field day and summer camp are still rather varied, but the latter will probably be held in Western Scotland. We are hoping for a repeat of last year's Senior Scout competition (held each Easter), when College gained the cup after a most memorable week-end's camping.

Finally, congratulations to Jeffreys on being chosen as one of the two Island representatives for the World Jamboree in Canada, this summer, and our thanks to all those responsible for the smooth running of the troop.

### SCOUT TROOP NOTES

G.S.M.: H. T. N. Christal, Esq. S.M.: J. H. Mogg, Esq.

A.S.M.'s: D. B. George, K. Lang, G. K. Maddrell, S. G. S. Scott, D. M. Taggart, P. J. Watson.

At the end of last term we had a campfire, which was one of the best we have ever had. The events were too numerous to mention, but the most outstanding was the Senior's band, which showed that there was adventure somewhere in the troop. So far this term we have been blessed with fine days, but as the weather gets warmer, we hope the sections will go out in the countryside and enjoy Scouting the way B.P. would have liked.

We have decided to hold a Jumble Sale at Janet's Corner on March 4th in order to obtain some money for the two Island representatives going to Canada. The G.S.M. has taken on the organisation of it, and everything is of course running smoothly.

### Blue Section

A.S.M.'s: K. Lang and D. B. George

It takes some time for a troop to take shape and for the patrol spirit to mature. This troop is the noisest, as demonstrated at last term's camp-fire, but in spite of this there is a keen interest in badgework, and already one can sense a happy atmosphere. Programmes have consisted largely of badge-training interspersed with wide-games and unusual stunts. Cooking seems to be the most popular activity. Also, recently, the troop enjoyed watching the antics of an A.S.M. demonstrating the use of a raft on the Silverburn. Once again Field Day will be amongst the mountains. We are grateful to S.M. Mogg for often helping us out with our programmes.

### Green Section

A.S.M.'s: P. J. Watson and D. M. Taggart

This term we were joined by A.S.M. Taggart, who has been promoted from Red Section. He takes the place of A.S.M. Caveen, whose familiar figure, we regret, is no longer with us; we congratulate

him on his past achievements and offer him our grateful thanks and best wishes for many happy Tuesday afternoons without having to conjure up fiendish ideas.

The programmes in the majority of cases have been of the outdoor variety, leaving little time for badgework. This has to a certain extent proved to be a successful venture; the more enthusiastic members of the troop coming through quite succesfully, while the rest remain in ignorance of the better opportunities which lie ahead. We are now looking towards the summer and camp. It is to be hoped that all the members of the troop will attend summer camp and at least one or two training camps. Camp will, we hope, be held in the New Forest not far from Horndean.

### Red Section

### A.S.M.'s: G. K. Maddrell, S. G. Scott

It only seems like yesterday that the troop was formed yet I can safely say that we have found our feet and are becoming more like Scouts every day. The troop is young and yet happy and willing. Last term our aim was to become proficient and to help the young tenderfeet as much as possible. This term we are trying to be more adventurous and learn the real truths of Scouting. We are sorry to say good-bye to A.S.M. Taggart who has been a great help to us but we know he will be equally useful in Green Section. Hanson M. has been promoted to a P.L. and together with the other P.L.'s is successfully developing the art of leadership. We are very grateful to the G.S.M. and S.M. Mogg for helping and advising us in our programmes,

Our programmes have varied between badgework and outdoor scouting. Morse has become a regular feature, while useful widegames have added variety to our Tuesday afternoons. The younger Scouts are slowly realizing that it is better to be able to find cover than be a good runner and have a loud voice. Real skill in the art of finding cover was shown last Wholeday Exercise in Barrule plantation, when the only noise to be heard was the cracking of twigs under awkward feet—but even this was unnecessary.

### O.K.W. SECTION

### **NEW YEAR'S HONOURS**

Rear Admiral (E) J. G. C. GIVEN (1911-15)—Companion of the Order of the Bath.

Squadron Leader K. L. HUGHES (1934-40)—the Air Force Cross.

### **ENGAGEMENTS**

HOROWITZ—M. Horowitz (1938-44) to Miss Carole Powell of Warrington.

BEALBY-WRIGHT—W. Bealby-Wright (1939-47) to Miss Margaret Owen of Godalming.

- WHYMAN—P. J. M. Whyman (1940-45) to Miss Margaret Patricia Blakeley of Hamilton, Lanarkshire.
- CLAY—D. Clay (1939-44) to Miss Pamela Joy Ellis of Upton, Wirral.
- HYMAN—G. M. Hyman (1942-44) to Miss Valerie Edith Cohen, of Bebington.
- STONER—W. W. B. Stoner (1944-1949) to Miss Dorothy Patricia Wilson, of Wallasey.

### MARRIAGES

- HIGGINBOTHAM—J. Higginbotham (1941-47) on December 28th, 1954, to Miss Masie Quilliam of Douglas.
- CAINE—J. W. Caine (1941-47) on January 15th, 1955 to Miss Ella O'Mara of Onchan.
- UNDERHILL—C. G. W. Underhill (1944-48) on February 5th, 1955, to Miss Doreen Marion Corris of Douglas.
- RATCLIFFE—J. A. Ratcliffe (1941-47) on December 18th, 1954 to Miss Joyce Timson of Birstall, Leicester.
- WALLIS—S. E. Wallis (1919-27), on November 8th, 1954, to Mrs. Vera Pauline Pinnington (née Dwight) of Wallasey.
- WILSON-C. A. R. Wilson (1935-47) on February 25th, 1954, to Miss Mary Denton of Barnsley.

### BIRTHS

- SPITTALL—P. A. Spittall (1925-34) on February 5th, 1955, a daughter.
- BLACK-P. G. Black (1938-47) on January 23rd, 1955, a son.
- HODSON-T. A. H. Hodson (1935-43) on October 26th, 1954, a daughter.

### O.K.W. NEWS

- P. WORSLEY (1938-43) has gained a degree in Engineering, B.A. Sc., at Toronto University.
- Group Captain D. LUMGAIR (1920-23) is now Deputy Director of Manning at the Air Ministry. He has also been appointed Head-quarters Commissioner for Rover Scouts by the Chief Scout of the British Empire and Commonwealth.
- Lieut. (E) W. C. HOLMES, R.N., has been appointed to H.M.S. Triumph. Among his duties is the responsibility of teaching engineering to cadets.
- O. W. MITCHELL, a former College master and now Headmaster of the Royal Grammar School, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, writes to say that he has seen Canon G. H. HARRIS (Principal of College from

- 1930 to 1935) in hospital. Canon Harris is now stone deaf and is suffering from dizziness caused by his ears. Unfortunately, Mrs. Harris, too, is semi-immobilised. Canon Harris' curate, who is young, has suddenly gone almost completely blind, and so the Church duties of the parish are in rather a precarious position. Mitchell says that G.H.H. still 'preserves his unconcerned serenity' and was glad to have some recent news of College.
- K. G. STEPHENSON (1916-20) sends us a long article from the Islander, the newspaper of Victoria, British Columbia, which gives a lively profile of Colonel M. E. DOPPING-HEPENSTAL, C.B.E., D.S.O., Croix de Guerre (1884-1890). Extracts from the article read: "After thirty years as a soldier, Colonel Dopping-Hepenstal, late commanding officer of a battalion of Gurkhas, retired to Quamichan Lake. He might have spent his time fishing, strolling in the garden, and trading memories with other veterans. Instead he began another career as a scoutmaster, and followed it for another twenty-five years . . . Col. Hepenstal never joined a Scout Troop in his boyhood. He was sixty years old before he had anything to do with scouting. Then he was asked to take charge of South Cowichan troop at camp in place of the regular scout-master, who had been called away. The work appealed to him. Next, he revived the dormant Quamichan troop, and helped it become a troop of outstanding merit. He learnt scouting as he went along, as he says, but in fact he also drew on the lessons of He learnt scouting as he self reliance absorbed in the army years. This gently spoken, sundried man inspired deep loyalty. His rows of medal ribbons and skin tanned walnut brown told of wars and distant places. His manner was calm and easy. He was used to being in charge and he knew the way. The boys followed him. They could tell a leader when they saw one . . . . Scoutmaster Hepenstal became district commissioner. From the hands of the lieutenant-governor, he received the Silver Wolf, the highest award in scouting . . . . Now, at the age of 82, the Colonel has retired from active scouting, but he is still honorary commissioner—a sort of commissioner emeritus. He appears at certain parades, and is always available to give tactful advice, on request . . . Troubled somewhat by arthritis and failing eyesight, the colonel is less active than he was. It bothers him to feel he sometimes passes people on the street without recognising them. One of his chief pleasures these days it to sit in his easy chair and listen to the recordings of books provided by the CNIB."
- R. R. A. COLES (1939-46) has a permanent commission in the medical branch of the Royal Navy. He is now Surgeon Lieutenant R. R. A. Coles, M.B., B.Ch., R.N., and is stationed at H.M.S. Osprey, Portland. He is specialising in 'Ear, Nose and Throat' and as a sideline is doing some research on the subject of seasickness. He has had to give up Rugger owing to a knee injury, but has taken up refereeing.
- C. A. R. WILSON (1935-47) was married on February 25th at St. Mary's Church, Kuala Lumpur. Peter Black (1938-47) was best man, and among the guests was G. C. Madoc (1922-30) who is head of the Special Branch, F.M. Police.

### **ERRATUM**

Owing to an editorial aberration, the engagement of J. S. CHESTER (1942-49) was announced in the last *Barrovian* in the Marriages column. We apologise sincerely for this mistake, and for any inconvenience or embarrassment it may have caused Mr. Chester and Miss Crampton.

### LIVERPOOL AND DISTRICT O.K.W. SOCIETY

This year for the thirty-third Annual Dinner of the Liverpool Society we changed the venue and held it at the Lyceum Club, Bold Street, on Friday, 17th December, with the President, G. F. Harnden, presiding. Our guests were the Principal and the following masters from College: S. Boulter, J. B. Nelson, A. S. Roche, A. J. Bailey and D. R. Cash. Also present as guests were: Canon E. H. Stenning, A. J. Grant and Major K. S. S. Henderson, President of the King William's College Society. Representing the Manchester Society we had J. G. Brown (1917-22) and R. H. Woods (1923-28). Representing the London Society, A. W. Kerruish (1929-30). As Guest of Honour this year we had the pleasure of meeting A. T. Cutter (1919-22), very well known in sporting circles, and an international hockey cap for Wales. Other members of the society present were as follows: J. L. Moulton (1940-48), K. H. Porter (1922-24), W. G. Petty (1933-37), E. T. Wilson (1916-19), P. B. Jones (1944-47), W. S. Wicks (1920-25), D. C. Parsons (1930-33), G. C. Humphreys (1918-24), J. de H. Erricks (1921-24), D. M. Kent (1937-40), J. S. Skeaping (1922-29), G. D. Kinley (1946-54), A. E. Christian (1938-45), J. V. Meadows (1945-53), C. D. Munro (1922-24), S. M. Caldwell (1922-24), R. Dixon-Phillip (1941-45), C. A. Strange (1929-32), D. Clay (1939-44), C. A. Manning (1919-22), T. G. Dodd (1925-28), M. E. C. Bemrose (1938-44), P. H. Ford (1930-34), G. F. Harnden (1928-31), J. M. Miller (1927-29), J. M. Kniveton (1946-49), J. C. Halsall (1919-27), A. J. Schofield (1927-34), R. Dutton (1918-21), E. B. Smith (1929-32), T. N. McDonald (1950-54), D. Paul-Jones (1947-54), W. A. Gillberry (1943-50), D. B. (1930-54), D. Faul-Jones (1947-54), W. A. Gillberry (1943-50), D. B. Wallis (1927-32), B. Dagnall (1945-53), A. Jerrett (1901-04), M. M. Cochrane (1920-26), K. J. Meadows (1938-45), R. T. G. Dutton (1942-48), D. Dixon-Phillip (1940-44), C. E. Leatham-Locke (1896-1903), F. S. Adcock (1922-30), L. E. Gadd (1920-26), A. A. Clague (1924-33), H. W. Corkill (1926-31), P. E. Wallis (1919-22), J. R. Walker (1924-30), R. B. Mellor (1921-23), G. G. Foulds (1920-24), W. E. Fraser (1929-30), F. Griffiths (1923-27), W. H. Davidson (1935-38), M. H. Turner (1948-54), A. H. Hack (1936-44), M. I. Graham (1944-50), D. W. Coates (1947-51), W. I. Graham (1944-40), I. C. D. (1944-50), D. W. Coates (1947-51), W. I. Graham (1944-49), J. C. D. Dixon (1928-33), R. H. Richardson (1901-05), T. A. N. Jones (1912-15).

The toast of College was given by the President and the reply was given by the Principal, Mr. S. E. Wilson. The toast of our guests was proposed by Derek Clay and replied to by our guest of honour, A. T. Cutter, and also by Mr. J. B. Nelson. As usual, Canon E. H. Stenning was prevailed upon to give a few words and by this time it was nearly 11 p.m. However the President and the Committee of the Lyceum Club had put the premises at the disposal of the Liverpool

Society for the evening, and those members who wished to remain behind played impromptu games of billiards and snooker until the early hours of the morning.

It was the unanimous opinion that the Society return to the Lyceum Club next year for their Annual Dinner.

### London Seven-a-Side Team

At a committee meeting of the Liverpool Society it was unanimously decided that once again a cheque for fiz ios, od. be sent to the Secretary of the London Society as Liverpool's contribution to help in financing the College seven-a-side.

### MANCHESTER O.K.W. SOCIETY

The Annual Dinner of the Society was held at the Old Rectory Club, Deansgate, Manchester, on Friday, 7th January, 1955. A. Aplin, President of the Society, officiated. After an excellent meal the Loyal Toast was proposed by the President. Following this, the Toast of "College" was proposed by H. C. Easton; the response being given by Mr. A. J. Bailey, housemaster of Colbourne House. The Toast "Our Guests" was proposed by D. C. Bardsley and the response given by Mr. Henry Kelly, President of the Barrovian Society. In addition to those mentioned above, the following guests were also present: Mr. S. E. Wilson, Principal; Mr. S. Boulter, housemaster of Walters House; Canon E. H. Stenning; Mr. G. F. Harnden, President of the Liverpool Society; Mr. R. L. Thomson, Hon. Secretary of the K.W.C. Society and Mr. G. P. Alder, Hon. Secretary of the Barrovian Society. After the speeches, Old Boys congregated with their contemporaries and everybody appeared to have thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

The following Old Boys were present: A. Aplin (1924-27), G. Aplin (1928-30), A. B. Acton (1943-49), J. G. Bird (1923-28), D. P. Brown (1947-52), J. G. Brown (1917-22), W. A. M. Brown (1949-53), C. R. Buck (1944-51), G. S. Barlow (1942-47), P. D. Burton (1924-31), R. Burton (1937-41), D. H. Barker (1924-32), H. C. N. Brown (1925-34), D. C. Bardsley (1943-49), R. Crellin (1944-46), R. E. Cooper (1944-52), D. W. H. Coates (1947-51), J. M. Cowan (1922-27), J. M. Clivery (1948-53), E. N. Cookson (1924-31), E. Craven (1908-18), R. K. Clough (1923-27), D. Clay (1939-44), A. N. Donaldson (1932-38), A. N. Dewhurst (1919-22), K. Darwent (1912-19), J. L. Darwent (1939-47), R. T. G. Dutton (1942-48), H. C. Easton (1917-22), R. L. Ellis (1928-30), R. W. Esson (1948-52), W. M. Furness (1945-51), W. A. Gillberry (1943-50), J. F. Hyde (1923-27), J. K. Hill (1935-43), A. H. Jones (1925-28), R. D. Johnson (1917-21), R. Kirkpatrick (1919-21), D. C. W. Lee (1946-52), M. W. Machin (1939-43), J. Marle (1942-49), J. H. S. Marris (1951-54), D. F. Mackay (1919-25), F. C. L. Noar (1923-24), J. L. Osbaldeston (1921-26), J. C. A. Ormrod (1928-31), D. M. Pownall (1945-53), J. H. Preston (193-17), P. Padfield (1926-29), R. Quine (1938-44), M. D. Ratcliffe

(1941-50), W. H. Stonex (1908-10), H. Stonex (1909-11), R. Shilling-law (1913-17), A. B. Stewart (1926-34), R. Sugden (1919-23), J. J. Shepherd (1943-46), R. C. Shepherd (1918-21), N. S. Smith (1913-18), C. H. W. Taylor (1927-34), J. R. Tweedale (1925-26), N. A. Thompson (1926-29,), R. H. Woods (1923-28), S. L. Williams (1910-17), R. O. White (1946-53), J. M. Wood (1945-50), N. C.Woodhead (1918-26), A. Woodhead (1921-27), C. Weston (1946-53), A. E. White (1935-41), V. N. White (1935-39), N. S. Worthington (1917-20), F. Withnall (1909-15), J. Whitehead (1926-30), W. Young (1945-52).

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The fund will not be closed for some time and it is hoped that O.K.W.'s who have not yet donated will do so in the near future.

### CRICKET

The Old Boys' match against K.W.C. will take place on Saturday and Monday, July 23rd and 25th. Will any Old Boy who would like to play in this match please send his name to A. J. Bailey, Esq., c/o College.

### **Obituaries**

JOHN COLIN CAMPBELL MACHUTCHIN (1875-78) Died April 3rd, 1954, aged 92

Born in November, 1862, J. C. C. MacHutchin was at the time of his death the second oldest of our Old Boys. He was the son of Colonel T. M. MacHutchin (1833-1841), one of the original pupils of College, so that the two lives covered over 120 years of College history. His grandfather, Clerk of the Rolls of the Island, had been mainly instrumental in steering College through its stormy start, for he had to reply to all the Island critics of the scheme as well as to the Home Secretary, and it was he with the Archdeacon of the time (Benjamin Philpot), who selected the exact site of the College.

J.C.C. entered College in August 1875 (Scotts-Traffords) and left at Christmas 1878. He entered the Madras Survey Department and helped to make the original Ordnance Survey of India. He was a keen cricketer, and in India played for the Madras Presidency, and for Southern India. He stayed in the Survey and became its Deputy Director General before his retirement in 1917, since when he lived quietly in Chester.

(Incidentally, it is interesting to know that we still have two Old Boys sons of original pupils of College). E.H.S.

FRANK JAMES TURNBULL (1920-22). Died December 13th, 1954 It is always a sad duty to have to record the death of one of one's own old pupils, specially when that pupil was such a sincere and pleasant boy as F. J. Turnbull. He entered College in 1920 (Walter's) and from his arrival took a prominent place in College life, alike as a good influence and a grand sportsman. He was in the 1922 XV and in the XI in 1821-22, a very sound fast bowler. He was a house praepositor in 1922. After leaving College for a number of years he worked in the Shell-Mex Company in Manchester and then he transferred to an agency representing a London and a Manchester firm, trading in road materials in the Midlands, and he lived near Newark-on-Trent.

During World War II he served in East Africa, and took part in the Abyssinian campaign. Later as a major he served in the East Asia Command and towards the end of his service returned to Britain and was posted to a command in the Orkneys. He had a very great interest in village and rural life. He was a churchwarden, for some time Chairman of the Parish Council, and Secretary of the Village Hall. Everywhere, his Christian character, his good nature and upright outlook on life brought him many friends, and the approbation and affection of all with whom he came in contact. He died suddenly, of pneumonia, just before his 50th birthday. To his widow and two children we offer our very sincere sympathy in their tragic loss.

E.H.S.

# THE REVEREND NICHOLAS ALLEYNE LASH (1883-88) Died January 16th, 1955

N. A. Lash, born February, 1872, entered College in September, 1883 (Trafford's). He was the son of Rev. A. H Lash, of Mount Park, Road, Ealing, London. He left in 1888. He took Holy Orders by way of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, and Ridley Hall and was ordained in 1893. He was curate of Hyson Green, Nottingham, from 1895 to 1899, when he went as River Chaplain (The Hoogli) in Calcutta. He stayed there six years and his cheery disposition and sincerity made him a very popular and useful worker. He returned as a chaplain in the Missions to Seamen in the Port of London. (1906-22). During this period he several times returned to College to see his old schoolmasters, and show his general interest in his old school, but after the death of the "old trio" did not come again. In fact, he had returned to India to the Seamen's Mission in Bombay from 1922-25. He returned for a few months as Port Chaplain at Southampton and he was given the Rectory of St. John's, Hackney, where he stayed for ten years; then for a further ten years (1935-45) to Lensford, St. Alban's. He retired to Bexhill in 1945 where he lived till the time of his death, in his 83rd year. To the writer he remains a very happy memory of the brightest and best type of cheery parson always delighted to mix with all types of his fellow men.

E.H.S.

Enquiries for the new Register have brought to light the following deaths not previously announced:

•	Died
General Roger Pine-Coffin, Royal Marines (1859-62)	25/3/21
Frank Faulder White, Medical Specialist (1872-78)	15/12/39
Capt. Louis James MacHutchin, R.N. (1876-78)	1911
Reginald Godfrey Peckitt, Railway Engineer (1883-85)	23/9/37
Edward Kissack, Cleric (1887-89)	circa 1948
Frederick James Daniels (1890-91)	-/8/54
Percy Rumming Daniels (1890-91)	circa 1914
LtCol. Ashley Ernest Jewett, Indian Army (1890-93)	13/5/41
Charles Hartland Bretland, Surveyor (1891-92)	2/11/48
Major Rupert Edward Holden Lockley, Gordon High-	
landers (1891-92), Died on active service	21/10/15
2/Lt. Alick Chisholm, 15th Hussars (1892-95), Died on	
service in India	24/7/05
Thomas Lancaster Hodgson, Gold Mining Engineer	
(1893-95)	-/9/52
William Ormsby Pooley, Insurance Official (1895-99)	circa 1941
Major Charles Pulley, R.A. (1895-96), Died of wounds	26/7/15
Major Harry Cuthbert Pulley, Indian Army (1895-96)	8/3/25
Major Ian Hamilton Mackay Scobie, Seaforth High-	
landers (1896-1900), F.S.A. (Scot), Curator of	
Scottish National Naval and Military Museum	18/7/47
Frederic Thorpe Linell, Solicitor (1898-1900)	22/3/52
Thomas James Whalley Holt (1898-1900)	20/2/51
Arthur Vere Rolleston Woods, Bank Official (1898-1900)	4/2/52
John Wood Massey, M.B.E., British Consul and	
Shipping Manager (1900-04)	1947

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	Died
John Hawksworth Gregson (1901-03)	1930
George Patrick Maguire (1902-04)	circa 1934
Thomas Gregson (1905-11)	-/2/54
Edmund Wood Massey, Farmer in Manitoba (1906-07)	1947
Burwin Benjamin Whitaker (1907-09)	
Henry Douglas Beaty (1910-12)	23/2/46
Reginald Higgins (1913-15)	8/11/53
John Leonard Travis (1914-15)	26/11/53
William Stewart Donaldson (1931-32), On active	
service at Arnhem	1944

### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PAPER

### JUBILEE EDITION, 1954-1955

"Scire ubi aliquid invenire possis, ea demum maxima pars eruditionis est."

- What March brought the Jubilee.
   What Jubilee has recalled the King of Paris.
   Under what alias did Bytown celebrate its Jubilee.
   What Jubilee entailed 30 visits to St. Peter's.
   From what Jubilee did the Captains and Kings depart.
   Whose death from exhaustion would Miss Nipper have considered a Jubilee.

  - 7. What Jubilee celebrated "a very ordinary fellow."
    8. Who celebrated his Jubilee "low on his funeral couch."
    9. What Romanic Jubilee will St. Martin's Lane celebrate this Christmas Eve.
  - 10. In what 'Jubile' year were sowing and reaping forbidden.
- Through Georgia.
   The Entente Cordiale.
   Ottawa.
   Jubilee instituted by Pope Boniface in 1300.
   Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee.
   Mrs. Pipchin (Dombey and Son).
   George V's Silver Jubilee.
   Edward III.
   Opening of Coliseum 1904.
   Israelites 'Jubile' after their Sabbatical vear.
- 2. On the Royal Tour :
  - Where was new dining room etiquette observed. Where was the cadet Parliament opened.

  - What natural phenomenon afforded a timely exhibition.
  - Where was the Kava mixed.
  - Where was simian entertainment provided,
  - What vice-regal handshake was inadmissable.
  - Where was the red carpet ragged.
  - Where was advantage taken of Queen Victoria's perpetual lease. What other ranks became Royal guardians.
  - Who tried to steal a kiss.
- Tonga. 2. Colombo. 3. Geyser at Whakarewarewa. 4.Fiji. 5. Gibraltar.
   Lt.Governor of W.Australia (precaution against poliomyelitis) 7. University rag at Melbourne. 8. Cocos Islands. 9. Two leading stokers at Gibraltar.
   Narelle Dick at Brisbane.
- 3.
- What scent is like to the damask rose.
   What did the Cardinal's scent bearers carry.
   Where do the spicy breezes blow.
   Whose garments smelt of myrrh, aloes and cassia.
   What spice does Marvell give as Cromwell's highest ambition.
   What floral tribute smelt of the recipient.
   What perfumes did Lady Macbeth reject.
   What was Maud invited to inhale.
   What intoxicates the hot and quivering air.
   With what did Jorrocks perfume his cupboard.

- Otto of roses.
   Lavender water and Eau de Cologne.
   O'er Ceylon's Isle.
   The King in Psalm 45.
   The Bergamot.
   A rosy wreath.
   Perfumes of Arabia.
   Woodbines.
   The Moghra Tree.
   Cheese.
- 4. What street connotes

1. Stocks. 2. Shares. 3. Insolvency. Aristocracy. Aristocrac,
 Rectitude.

Peace. Diagnosis. Somerset. Wroxeter. 10. Delft.

- 1. Throgmorton Street.
   2. Threadneedle Street.
   3. Queer Street.
   4. Quality Street.
   5. The Street called Straight.
   6. Rue de la Paix.
   7. Harley Street.
   8. Street a village in Somerset.
   9. Watling Street.
   10. Vermeer's "Little Street" in Delft. (Several possible alternatives)
- 5. Who ate what with a runcible spoon.

2. Who drank from a small brass pipkin.

Who mended the watch with bread-knife and best butter. Who served butter in a lordly dish. 3.

Who sat on his wine glass.

- Who sat on his wine grays.
   Who ate peas with two-pronged, black-handled forks.
   Where were broken tea cups wisely kept for show.
   Who might have seized the grapes with lazy tongs.
   To what attacks were the cooks own ladies subject.
   With what host is elongated cutlery advisable.
- Owl and Pussy-cat. Mince and Quince.
   Bob Sawyer.
   March Hare.
   Jael.
   Sir Walter Scott.
   Mr. Holbrook (Cranford) or Miss Matty
   The Inn in the Deserted Village.
   Tantalus.
   The rats at Hamelin. 10. The Devil.
- 6. Who were thus designated:

1. Malleus Scotorum. 2. Malleus Monachorum.

- Longimanus.
   Nec puella nec bella.
   Parvissima puella.
- 6. Cunctator.
- 7. Angeli. 8. Stupor mundi.
- 9. Desiderius. 10. Semper Eadem.
- Edward I. 2. Thomas Cromwell. 3. Artaxerxes. 4. Sir Thomas More's wife.
   Katherine Howard.
   Fabius Maximus.
   English Slaves at Rome.
   Hugo Grotius.
   Erasmus.
   Elizabeth I.
- 7. What Ambassador claimed to lie abroad for his country.

Who presented his Ambassadors pictorially.
What Ambassador does Shakespeare introduce as Capucius.
What Ambassador helped Congress to dance.
What Ambassador caused Elizabeth to "scour up her old Latin."
What Ambassador was "Soveral überall."

- Who called for stools for what Ambassadors.
  Whose Ambassador comes "A latere."
  What Ambassador's mission failed.
  What did Agatha Christie entrust to the Ambassadors.
- 1. Sir Henry Wotton.
   2. Holbein.
   3. Chapuis (in "Henry VIII").
   4. Metternich.
   5. Pauline Janine (Poland).
   6. Portuguese Minister to Edward VII.
   7. James I for Commons' deputation.
   8. Papal Envoy.
   9. Sir Neville Henderson.
   10. Her play "The Mousetrap."
- 8. What singer(s)

- 1. was Roman.
  2. was infirm and old.
  3. had an exquisite face.
  4. dwelt in the vale of Tawasentha.
  5. purposed living merrily.
  6. was the first warbler.
  7. was all alone.
  8. were something-ean.
  9. dealt with shreds and patches.
  10. deals with shreds and patches.

- Nino (Marion Crawford's novel) or Virgil.
   Scott's Minstrel.
   Maud
   Nawadaha (Hiawatha).
   Ariel.
   Dan Chaucer.
   Jill (Merrie England).
   Singers at Mrs. Leo Hunter's party.
   Wandering Minstrel. Naukl-Poo (Mikado). 10. Sewing Machine.

- 9. In what duel
  - was a principal called "Good king of cats."
     was the challenge "Gauntlet or Gospel."
     did a principal cry "That's not the man."
     did War Minister challenge Foreign Secretary.

  - did embryo President and Premier meet.

  - and emoryo Frestein and Fremer meet.
     were swords smiled at and weapons laughed to scorn.
     did the last great Englishman borrow the Doctor's pistols.
     was an exchange of arms the courteous result.
     was the height of one principal 6 cubits and a span.
     was the height of one principal 2 leagues or more.
- Tybalt and Mercutio.
   Thor and Olaf.
   Winkle and Slammer.
   Castlereagh and Canning.
   Deschanel and Clemenceau.
   Macbeth and Siward.
   Wellington and Winchelsea.
   Ajax and Hector.
   David and Goliath.
   Don Quixote and Windmill.
- 10. Amplify and translate

1.	ca.	6.	ob.
2.	cf.	7.	orse.
3.	del.	8.	SC.
4.	fcp.	9.	ro.
5.	a	10.	no.

- 10. 1. Circa, About.
   2. Confer, Compare.
   3. Delineavit, He drew it.
   4. Foolscap,
   5. Floruit, Flourished.
   6. Obiit, Died.
   7. Otherwise (legal).
   8. Scilicet,
   Namely.
   9. Recto, On right hand page.
   10. Numero, Number.
- 11. Whose warnings earned the reproach "foolish dreaming super-stitious girl."
  - What Warner had coals of fire heaped on his head.
  - Concerning what manxome foe was a warning delivered. What gerundival warning was applied to Dido's domain. What coppersmith was the subject of whose warning.

  - 5. What coppersmith was the subject of whose warning was answered far up the height.
    7. What Warner was drupaceous.

  - 8. Who had been repeatedly warned to cling to his nanny.
    9. Whose warning had as its refrain "Ride your ways Ellangowan."
    10. Who was warned from the cerulean penetralia.
- 1. Cassandra. 2. Soloman Eagle. 3. The Jabberwock. 4. Carthage delenda est. 5. Alexander. St. Paul. 6. The Peasant in "Excelsior." 7. 'Plum' Warner-cricketer. 8. Jim. 9. Meg Merrilies (Gny Mannering). 10. Fatima (Blue-11. 1. Cassandra. cricketer. 8. beard's wife).
- Who whispered to his arrow "Swerve not." 12.
  - Who shot an arrow beyond the stone Ezal.
  - Whence did the Swan-neck retrieve the arrow.
  - Where did my arrow fall.

  - What toxophilites have scored a chiliad.
    Who was the Archer of Uri,
    What arrow was seized by a mandarin.
    Where was the shaft cut.
    What Archer was borne on a Tittlemouse.
    What is the arrow's Masonic Lodge.
- Hiawatha.
   Jonathan.
   From Harold's eye.
   To earth I know not where.
   The B.B.C. Archers 1000th appearance.
   William Tell.
   Ship of the "Arrow Incident" 1856.
   In England (Song of the Bow).
   Frederick Archer (Jockey).
   House of the Arrow (Mason).
- 13. What railways (before amalgamation) would have taken you
  - 1. from Bath to Templecombe.
  - within sound of the Bells of Aberdovey.
     through the Potteries.
     from Strond to Canterbury.

  - 4. from Stroom to Conversa.
    5. through Sussex (by the sea).

- 6. to John o'Groats neighbourhood.
- 7. from Drumble to Cranford.
- 8. to Tipperary.
  9. to Stratford atte Bow.
- 10. from Waterfall to Tynwald.
- 13. 1. Somerset and Dorset. 2. Cambrian. 3. North Staffordshire. 4. London, Chatham and Dover. 5. London, Brighton and South Coast. 6. Sutherland and Caithness. 7. Cheshire Lines. 8. Great Southern and Western. 9. Great Eastern. 10. Foxdale Railway Company.
- 14.
- Who visit Trafalgar Square on January 30th.
  What action for Breach was held on February 14th.
  Who admitted the arrival but not the departure of March 15th.
  What September escape is celebrated on May 29th.
  Who celebrate whom on June 4th.
  What is Tunwald on Luly 5th.

  - Why is Tynwald on July 5th.
  - 7. What Saint is commemorated on August 12th.

  - What will survivors say yearly on October 24th.
    What School should not wholeheartedly celebrate November 5th.
    How much shrapnel was used on the 13th Vendémiaire.
- 14. 1. Commemoration of Charles I's execution. 2. Bardell v. Pickwick. Scothsayer (Julius Caesar). 4. Charles II after Worcester. 5. Etonians. George III. 6. St. John's Day (Old Style). 7. Saint Grouse or St. Claire. 8. "To-morrow is Saint Crispian." 9. St. Peter's, York. (Guy Fawkes' Alma Mater). 10. A Whiff of Grapeshot.
- 15. 1. whose cheek was worm-eaten.

  - whose nose was sharp as a pen.
    whose eyes were as big as mill-wheels.
    whose beard was like the pard's.
    whose brow was like the snaw-drift.
  - 6. whose breath was rude.
  - 8. whose lips were from cherry-isle.

    8. whose grin was canine

    9. whose face was like tan.

  - 10. whose head might have earned him the nickname "Chunks."
- 15. 1. Viola's.
   2. Falstaff's.
   3. The third dog summoned by the magic tinderbox.
   4. Shakespeare's Soldier's.
   5. Annie Laurie's.
   6. The Winter Wind's.
   7. Julia's.
   8. The Psalmist's ungodly men.
   9. The Village Blacksmith's.
   10. William IV's (Pincapple).
- 16.
- whose imprisonment preceded trial and crime.
   at what prison was what hangman hanged.
   from what prison did Madame Veto make her exit.
   what prison was its county's heart.
   whose mother wrote from her doleful prison in the Tower.
   whose daughter sat on her prison's wet threshold.
   at what prison was aerial dancing deprecated.
   where did the prisoner dissuade the keeper from suicide.
   from what prison was the prisoner sacked.
   where do iron bars apparently make a cage.
- 16. 1. Hatta's. (Looking Glass).
   Newgate (Dennis in Gordon Riots).
   The Conciergerie.
   The Tolbooth.
   Elizabeth I's.
   Anne Boleyn's (or Henry VIII's).
   Reading Gaol.
   Phillippi. (St. Paul).
   Chateau d'If. 10. Sing Sing.
- 17. What Royal journeys are referred to by whom in the following lines
  - Suppose that you have seen.
     The well appointed king at Hampton Pier.
     Embark his royalty.
  - 2. Came the youthful - home Through the midnight sailing, sailing. Listening to the wild wind's wailing.

- 3. Such were the sounds that o'er the crested pride -scattered wild dismay, As down the steep of Snowdon's shaggy side He wound.
- Her gallant navy through the main Now cleaves its liquid way There to their queen a chosen train Of nymphs due reverence pay.
- The barge she sat in, like a burnished throne, Burned on the water; the poop was beaten gold.
- Yet soft! nay stay—what vision have we here? Bright paragon, pass on in joy and bliss.
- To Noroway, to Noroway To Noroway o'er the fæm The King's daughter o' Noroway, Tis' thou must bring her hame.
- 8. His bonnet an' feather he's wavin' high, His prancin' steed just seems to fly.
- Welcome her, thunders of fort and of fleet! Welcome her, thundering cheer of the street! Welcome her, all things youthful and sweet!
- 17. 1. Embarkation of Henry V. Shakespeare.
   2. King Olaf's return home. Long fellow.
   3. Edward 1 in Wales. Gray.
   4. Arrival of Queen Charlotte. Auerbach.
   5. Cleopatra on the Cydnus. Shakespeare.
   6. Elizabeth's arrival at Kenilworth.
   Scott.
   7. Margaret of Denmark's journey to Scotland.
   Old Ballad.
   8. Prince Charlie's progress South. Lady Nairne.
   9. Landing of Mary Queen of Scots.
   Wordsworth.
   10. Arrival of Princess (Queen) Alexandra. Tennyson.
- 18. In 1954
  - 1. what perfumed selection has been made.
  - what perfuned selection has been made.
     what ceraceous head has been attacked.
     who became a Knight on wheels.
     who has had his last ride.

  - 5. what device has not warked weel.
  - 6. what man has recovered from the bite.7. how has decanal gloom been bransferred to other shades.

  - what God of the Morning has shone again.
     who has shuffled off in Grimaldi's wake.
     whose strength has not been labour and sorrow. 10.
- President Coty of France.
   Prime Minister's head at Mme. Tussaud's.
   George Robey.
   Tschiffely or Richards.
   Wick's Town motto.
   Sentry bitten by royal corgi.
   Death of Dean Inge.
   Discovery of the Temple of Mithras in London.
   Grock.
   The Prime Minister.

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