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## EDITORIAL

Have you noticed the mushroom-shaped cloud that hangs over the School nowadays? Ever since the fear of a nuclear war exploded in our midst a few months ago, it has hung there, the evil testimony of the confusion wrought below.

The explosion has, unfortunately, claimed several victims, notably amongst the intellectually weaker and less stable of our comrades. They cry that they will struggle with work no more and, since their end could lie but a few short weeks away, they will abandon themselves to the sweeter pursuits of pleasure.

As for the rest of the community, they bear themselves with fortitude, though they cannot but feel the effects of the explosion. We are searching for truth, and, since truth is the essence of knowledge, we see with profound disquiet the corruption of the learning we are seeking to acquire. We are working and planning for the future, and ask, 'What of the future? Is there any future? We who drink at the fountain of knowledge may slake our thirst to the full but we must watch the iodine content of our milk!'

The shadow hanging over us is at once depressing, disheartening and terrifying, but it is upon the strength and wisdom of our generation that the future depends. Let us not forget that the end of Hiroshima and Nagasaki began in school laboratories, and in the fumbling experiments of scientists.

Let us remember that we who are young can change the world again; we can bring hope instead of despair, trust instead of suspicion, love and understanding instead of enmity, and peace instead of war.

With but the same amount of will, effort and investment that smashed the atom, we can build a world, an uncontaminated world, clean, free, and good to be alive in.

1961

There have been several staff changes this year. At Easter, Miss Sanderson, now Mrs. Wade, left to be married, in Summer Dr. and Mrs. Caffrey left for Gateshead, Mr. M. Taylor for Grimsby, and Mrs. Palmer to take up domestic duties, and at Christmas we lost Miss Henderson, who has served the School for thirty years, and also Mr. A. J. Taylor. We are grateful for their services and wish them all happiness in the years to come.

We extend a hearty welcome to Mrs. Jones, Miss Spark, Messrs Appleyard, Whittington, Buckley, Davies (D.C.), and to Mlle. Boggio and Herr Rottland. We hope they will enjoy their stay in the School. Mr. Parkin, who is unique in that he left us at Easter and returned in Summer, has a double claim on our good wishes. Mr. Mowbray has been appointed head of the Geography department, and Mr. Gilligan, of the Modern Languages department.

The Deeks Trophy competition, in its usual form of a mime, a concert and an art display, again reached a high standard. The theme was 'Our Heritage.' As competitors only were allowed to watch, there was probably an added incentive to take part. Some outstanding items were repeated at the Open Day. This new institution was so successful last year that two Open Evenings were held this year. They consisted of a gym display and musical items provided by the choir, soloists and orchestra. There was also an art exhibition. There have been two other art exhibitions this year, one for some works of Mr. Swift, and in October, some photographs taken by Mr. Leeson.

The two dramatic productions this year were the Staff Play, 'Thieves' Carnival', with background music composed by Mr. W. I. Davies, and the School Dramatic Society's presentation of 'The Queen and the Rebels' by Ugo Betti, in November. Both achieved a well-earned success, and maintained the high standard now expected. During the week of the School Play, the third successive, and successful, exhibition of Penguin, Puffin and Pelican books was held.

To house our ever-growing population, a new laboratory beyond the Science Block is under construction, and the Main Block is being reinforced by new windows in every room.

There have been several visits to the School this year. Members of many local schools visited us for the Student Christian Movement conference, which was held at Wath this year.

On the evening of March 10th, the senior pupils had the opportunity of consulting a large number of Youth Employment Advisers, representing many varied professions. In October, the Vth form saw a film of 'Julius Caesar.' The fact that the film broke down several times did not seem to detract from its entertainment value. In November, we were again visited by the Youth Theatre Company.

The most unexpected visitor this year was a dog who found himself in morning prayers, surveyed the assembled school, and with an air of recognition, plunged into the ranks of the junior boys!

School holidays this year included two trips to Italy, one to Spain and an exchange visit to France.

Our brief visits have been many and varied. There have been five trips to Sheffield:—to see 'As you Like It', 'Candida', 'The Mikado', Sadler's Wells Opera, and 'The Imaginary Invalid'; three trips to Leeds,—for 'Macbeth', 'Romeo and Juliet', and a lecture on

'Britannicus'. There have also been visits to Ecclesfield, for 'Le Malade Imaginaire', performed by 'La Troupe Francaise', to Stratford for 'As You Like It', to Birmingham, for 'Antony and Cleopatra', to Manchester to see 'Much Ado About Nothing', and to Rotherham, for 'Caesar and Cleopatra', and the South Yorkshire production of 'The Tempest', in which Janet Gillis appeared. There were also two excursions made by the juniors, to York and Malham.

Two prizes were awarded for the first time, this year: The Pratt Memorial Prize to Hammonds, for his essay on the theme 'Scientific Discovery and its effect on everyday life in the next century', and the Black Memorial Prize to Cooper of Sparta, the best conductor of House Choirs in the Deeks Trophy Competition. The School is also indebted to Mr. Black in another way; for his bequest of £50 to the library.

We extend our congratulations to Janet Roebuck and Hammonds on gaining State Scholarships, and to Sandra Peace on her Miners' Welfare Scholarship. Congratulations also to Knight and Sheila Cooper, who won the Cullen Cups for Athletics, Anne Webster, who won the Forster Tennis Cup, Walker, Cousins, Newton and Cowan, who played for the South Yorkshire under fifteen rugby team versus Leicestershire in March, to Bailey and Dodson on playing for the South Yorkshire under fifteen XV this season, to Dodson on being selected for the North of England trial game, to Burgin, Crane, Dearden, Harris, Hedges, Humble, Knight and Ratcliffe on being chosen for the senior South Yorkshire trial, to Hinchliffe, Eileen Hall, Green, Betty Littlewood and Margaret Robinson on their commendable performance in the Hispanic Council's Spanish Competition, and to Smith (U6A), Iva Hyde and Janet Phillips on their successes in the Herbert Hughes Spanish Competition.

### MISS HENDERSON

The news of the resignation of Miss Henderson, after being a member of staff for thirty years, has been received with deep regret.

Since she came to Wath in January 1932, Miss Henderson has given her services as Spartan Housemistress and as Head of the Geography Department. The VI Form Discussion Group owed much of its success to the enthusiastic and unflinching support of Miss Henderson and Miss Killoch. The efficient manner in which she dealt with Ordinary Level Examination entries and organisation is indicative of Miss Henderson's strong sense of responsibility which spurred her to undertake the often routine affairs which rarely come to the public eye.

Miss Henderson set high standards for herself and for her pupils. As a teacher, she was devoted, inspiring, never easily pleased, but always sympathetic when the occasion demanded. One had the impression that she was happiest with her VI Form. She was a guide and friend to members of the Upper VI Literary, not only in school

but also in her own home. As a colleague, Miss Henderson set an example which was hard to equal. She was always willing to give advice and always tolerant of the opinions of others.

The Geography Department and the School have suffered an irreparable loss. The greatest testimony to Miss Henderson's work lies in the long line of successful students who have passed through her hands, among whom the writer is proud to be numbered.

Her friends, colleagues and pupils past and present join in hoping that she will be very happy and find congenial conditions in Oxford.



MISS HENDERSON

## HOUSE NOTES

### ATHENS



*House Captains* : Jennifer Rudge, Sykes J.

*Games Captains* :

*Senior*—Christine Swift, Storey, R.

*Junior*—Pat Waller, Biram.

*Magazine Representatives* :

Anne Jones, Smith, H.

This year, history has been made by Athens, especially in the academic field, since we have won the Work Cup twice in one year though none can remember our winning it before.

In the games sphere we have done quite well. In the cross-country the first man home was an Athenian, but unfortunately in the final of placing we were further down the field. Summer games were rather poor, but the senior boys have helped to redeem us this term, for they have won all their rugby matches. Unfortunately, in the Swimming Gala we almost literally went 'down the drain'. However, we hope to do better in the future.

We accepted reluctantly the loss of Miss Hague, and extend a hearty welcome to Miss Spark, and we hope that both the staff and the new members of the House will have a happy stay among us.

### CARTHAGE



*House Captains* : Barbara Richardson,  
Knight, K.

*Games Captains* :

*Senior*—Diane Kay, Harper, G.

*Junior*—Linda Stamper, Carle, P.

*Magazine Representatives* :

Janice Topham, Burgin, A.

This year has been one of mediocre success for Carthage. Our prowess has been shown more on the games field than in our academic achievement.

We were first in the sports, which was due reward for the hard work done by the House. We also won the Summer games. In the Swimming Gala we were narrowly beaten into second place.

Our Deeks Trophy contribution was rather like the curate's egg, for our choir and art were highly praised, whilst we managed to secure only third place.

Carthage achievements in the Work Cup and the Cross-Country were both undistinguished.

Our Christmas Party was its usual success, thanks to the efforts of the House staff and the sixth form.

## ROME



*House Captains* : Ivy Conner, Hallam, P.

*Games Captains* :

*Senior*—Maja Macrae, Crane, M.

*Junior*—Betty Uttley, Colbourne, R.

*Magazine Representatives* :

Janet Brown, Ragsdale, C.

1961 has been a somewhat disappointing year for Romans. Harder effort must be put into work and play if we are to improve our positions this year.

At hockey the girls did well; the seniors won all their matches and the juniors won three and drew two. Unfortunately the boys lost all their rugger matches.

We did not improve our Deeks Trophy position as we had hoped, but one outstanding feature was four senior boys singing "Excelsior"; they gained maximum marks, and as a result were chosen to represent Rome on the open evenings.

During the Summer term we tried hard in all sports. In spite of all our efforts we came fourth in the Swimming Gala and third on Sports Day. The girls did well at rounders, the juniors winning four of their matches and drawing one, but again the boys' cricket results were disappointing, as they won only one of their matches.

We failed to get first place in the Work Cup only by four points in the Summer term, so with a little more all round effort, we might very well be successful this year.

We congratulate Janet Roebuck, last year's head girl, on gaining her state scholarship.

We were sorry to lose Miss Sanderson at Easter, and wish her every happiness; in her place we welcome Miss Hague, who has joined us from Athens, and hope that she will enjoy her stay with us.

## SPARTA



*House Captains* : Julia Cooper, Speight, H.

*Games Captains* :

*Seniors*—Jacqueline Athey, Smith, I.

*Juniors*—Christine Nunn, Rothery, D.

*Magazine Representatives* :

Sandra Teasdale, Prendergast, M.

Although Sparta has not had a year of resounding success, it has been one wherein all Spartans have made a willing and united effort and have achieved some very sound and promising results.



Thanks to a great deal of hard work we gave a fine show in the Deeks Trophy Competition, only one point behind the winners. Again by a spirit of determination, we managed to achieve second place in the Summer Games. Unfortunately we were less successful in the Swimming Gala and Cross-Country, being placed 3rd and 5th respectively in these events.

As to the House matches, the girls have so far lost the one match they have played. The senior boys have lost three and won only one of their matches, but since the juniors have not yet played theirs, we may hope that they will make up for this by obtaining sweeping victories.

We were once more disappointed in our hopes of winning the Work Cup, and hope that soon it will again be adorned by the blue ribbon with which it has had such a long association.

Preparations for the House party are already under way, and it promises to be an even greater success than before.

Finally, we wish to extend a sincere welcome to all newcomers to Sparta and hope that they will in the future contribute to the high standard of prowess in the House, and that the next year may be, for Sparta, crowned with success.



## THEBES

*House Captains* : Mavis Watson, Donoghue.

*Games Captains* : Felicity Owen, McMillan

*Magazine Representatives* :

Mavis Watson, Donoghue.

1961 was a year of achievement for Thebes, who entered in Middle sporting events for the first time. Although having only third forms until September, these Thebans gave a prominent display in all activities.

Staff changes in Thebes involved Mr. Buckley joining in September and Mrs. Palmer, one of the founder members of the new generation of Thebans, leaving in July. We wish her well in her new sphere of domestic duties.

In the junior rugger matches Thebes played five games, defeating Rome 9-0, and Athens 6-3. The team lost to Carthage, Sparta and Troy. In the cricket games, Thebes failed to win a match. The girls' hockey team drew with Carthage, the top team, but did not do so well in rounders. Both in the Swimming Gala and the Sports, Thebes entered all junior and middle events for the first time. In the Inter-school sports two Thebans, McMillan and Margaret Bramham, represented the School and Taylor ran in the School junior cross-country team.

In the Work Cup, Thebes sparkled, being runners up in Autumn and winning it in the Spring. Unfortunately in the Summer we dropped well down, owing mainly to detentions.

In the Deeks Trophy Competition our choir sang four songs representing the four nations of the United Kingdom. The mime group presented the English family at home, in the modern and Victorian eras. The choral-speaking section recited Rudyard Kipling's "Puck's Song", and Felicity Owen read part of "England, your England", by George Orwell, which was later repeated at the Parents' Open Evenings. Other Thebans active on the Open Evenings were Happs, in the French play, Hartley and Reed in the orchestra.

## TROY



*House Captains* : Rosemarie Burrows,  
Limb, M. I.

*Games Captains* :

*Senior*—Rita O'Brien, Whale, M.

*Junior*—Susan Wood, Mitchell, I.

*Magazine Representatives* :

Catherine Morley, Kirkham, A.

Last year was a successful one for Troy, ending in disappointment with the loss of our House Master and House Mistress, Dr. and Mrs. Caffrey. Both did a great deal towards Troy's recent successes and everyone is sorry to see them leave.

The members of the House welcome our two new members of Staff, Mrs. Jones and Mr. Appleyard, who, we hope, will have a long and happy association with Troy.

The year began with a successful house party and this success was followed by another later in the year, when we gained first place in the Deeks Trophy Competition. The result was close, but our mime, which was thought good enough to present at the Open Evening, just tipped the scale in our favour.

This victory was followed by two more, when Troy was first in both the Cross-Country, this for the second year in succession, and the Swimming Gala. Both these victories were achieved by team work rather than individual effort.

This year, with the aid of everyone in Troy, we hope not only to keep the three cups already decorated with the yellow ribbon but also to wrest from the other Houses the Games Cup and the Work Cup.

## SOCIETIES AND CLUBS

### THE SIXTH FORM DISCUSSION GROUP

Last year the Discussion Group was opened to the Lower Sixth, who took an active part in the meetings. When the Upper Sixth were busy with examinations, they ran the Group.

The programme during the year has been very varied, including papers given by guest speakers, staff of the School and members of the Group.

The guest speakers have covered a wide range of subjects including Quakerism, Forestry, The Congo, Guitars and the Coal Industry. We were very lucky to have two talks about Nigeria, one given by Mr. Udo, a Nigerian student, and the other by Dr. Powell, an Englishman who spent ten years there.

Papers from the staff have provoked much discussion about such topics as Youth Today, the Need for Change in Modern Education, Art, Western Canada, The Conference on Education for International Understanding and Teaching as a Career.

Visits to Rotherham Civic Theatre, Ackworth Quaker School and the Wentworth Forestry Estates were very much enjoyed.

Members of the Group presented papers on 'What I believe', 'The Daily Press', 'Jazz', and 'Bloodsports'. The Arts and Science Brains Trust both provoked heated discussions, and Critics Evenings proved very popular when a play, book or television programme was discussed.

Three very interesting evenings were spent in listening to a reading of Ionesco's play "The Lesson", followed by a talk about modern playwrights by Dr. Collier of Sheffield University and a paper by a member of the Group on 'The Contemporary Theatre'.

We wish to thank Miss Henderson and Mr. Smith for their leadership and all the members of staff who have supported us. We are very sorry to lose Miss Henderson and hope she will be very happy in her new life.

PATRICIA J. WALLIS, U6D.

### THE MODEL CLUB

Now in its second year of existence the Model Club continues to grow in strength. Early in the new year the topics discussed were "Racing Cars", by M. A. Wood, "Railways" by Johnson and "Motor Way Construction Units" by Mr. Leeson, who illustrated his remarks with models and photographs of the units used in the construction of the Doncaster by-pass. Mr. Leeson gave a second talk on "Sea-going Vessels" of various types, again illustrated by models and photographs.

With the beginning of Summer Time our activities moved outside to a regatta held on Wath Canal. After the Summer vacation we welcomed new members and the following committee were elected—Oliver, 1st form, Wood, 2nd form, Waterhouse, 3rd form, Hanson, 4th form, Hallows, 5th form, and all 6th form members.

A second regatta was held, the Scouts' boat being hired to rescue those unfortunate craft which stuck in the weeds.

M. A. WOOD, 4C.

## DRAMATIC SOCIETY



### 'THE QUEEN AND THE REBELS'

*Sargieson, G. M., Janet Gillis, Stott, J. A.*

In a school, the value and effort of its Dramatic Society is inevitably judged on the public production, in our case of 'The Queen and the Rebels' by an Italian playwright, Ugo Betti.

The play, however, which brings about bitter, human drama, through a series of what appear to be logical arguments, provided just as much pleasure to the actors as the audience; in fact, even after the last performance they were still discovering new aspects of the play and new interpretations of their own character parts.

Thus, it would appear that the play had succeeded in its aim, stimulating both thought and emotion on all sides.

This production also saw the return of the more conventional features of the theatre, for the flats and footlights were brought out of storage, and used in full.

Deserved praise and thanks are due to Mr. Hammond, the producer, who, whilst giving his actors a great deal of freedom in which to develop their parts, maintained complete control throughout.

Now, with another school play completed, I can only hope that somewhere lower down the School, there will be someone who will be prepared to work to maintain the high standard already set by the Dramatic Society, and to reap the same rewards.

JANET R. GILLIS, U6A.

## THE JUNIOR LITERARY AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

At Halloween the Society held a meeting in a room illuminated only by candles in hollowed out-turnips with faces carved on them. Ghost stories were told, and tape-recorded sound effects were used in an attempt to send a shiver up and down the backs of the audience.

In January members of the Society attended performances of 'Swan Lake' and 'The Snow Queen', both in Doncaster. One other theatre party during the year saw the opera 'The Barber of Seville' in Sheffield.

In School we have been very fortunate in persuading outside speakers to come to our Thursday meetings. In March, Mr. Peter Dornford-May, from the Swinton Day Training College, gave members a talk, and a practical demonstration of the application of stage make-up. A few weeks later he paid us another visit and this time all members themselves 'made-up'. That evening some very strange creatures, including one green-faced monster, returned home to confront their parents.

Soon after this Miss Ruth Wyn Owen, herself an actress appearing on television at that time in the serial 'Paul of Tarsus', came to talk to us about acting. Her visit was really memorable and inspiring, particularly as at the end members were allowed to try out some preliminary acting exercises for themselves.

In our normal weekly meetings the Society was busy most of the year with the working up of spontaneous, impromptu acting situations; but towards the end of the Summer Term we concentrated on the rehearsal of three one-act plays to be performed before a critical audience of society members and their friends.

R. VENABLES, 3D.

## CHOIR

The Choir again had a successful year, the Christmas Concert and Open Night being the most important events for the whole Choir, and Speech Day for the Senior Choir.

At the Christmas Concert the highlights of the evening were Bach's "Calm and tranquil lie the Sheepfolds", sung by the senior girls, and "Worthy is the Lamb" from Handel's "Messiah". The former was also well received on Speech Day. The other works

performed on Speech Day were repeated at the two Open Nights. Cooling accompanied the Choir at Christmas, but his role was ably taken over by Atkin for Speech Day and Open Night. Soloists throughout the year were Wendy Booth, Beryl Chafen, Ann Webster, Elizabeth Brough, Chetter, Burgin, Beighton, Hamilton and Smales. Instrumental solos were performed by Cooper, Dawson and Barbara Richardson. The orchestra also took part in the Christmas Concert and Open Nights, accompanied by Cooling and Sandra Barnes respectively. The orchestra is increasing in numbers, and proving popular with the audiences.

At the moment we are busily preparing for the next Christmas Concert, our numbers having vastly increased because of the eager support of the first and second forms. Our accompanist this year will be Barbara Richardson and, as always, we are under the expert guidance of Mr. Davies. We hope that this year's concerts will prove as rewarding as in previous years, and that the rest of the School will continue to give its full support as our audience.

### THE SCRIPTURE UNION

No one standing on the threshold of an academic career and professing to have an intelligent, enquiring mind, can afford to dismiss the claims of Christianity, without at least giving them serious consideration. We in the Scripture Union, who are in no doubt about the supreme relevance of the Christian way of life, hold meetings for the purpose of examining these matters.

This year to overcome the difficulty of a large age-range we have divided into seniors and juniors. The juniors under the leadership of Miss Buckley have Bible studies, quizzes and competitions. The senior group, run by the members themselves, meet to discuss the basic principles of the Bible and their application to our daily life. Holding the view that we cannot find out everything for ourselves, we have occasional visits from speakers of some standing, and following the modern trend of audio-visual aids we are hoping to have films and slides.

Here is an opportunity to discuss questions with people of similar age, intelligence and interests, yet varied denominations. Whatever your beliefs we invite you to attend our meetings. If you do not wish to associate with the Union, you will still be welcome to attend any of our activities attracting your attention.

RUTH SIMMS.

### GARDENING CLUB

During the year the Club has had more than its average share of eager first formers and many enthusiastic second and third formers, but not the fourth form. In consequence, most of the flower gardens have had a good show but the weeds occasionally have had the upper hand. We must thank the first and second form new members for their efforts in clearing up and re-making some of the small gardens which had been neglected.

We must also thank Miss Knowles who has, this year, judged the gardens twice, the first time in May and again in July. Both occasions encouraged the regular, as well as the irregular, attenders to put in a strenuous session of weeding, transplanting and general tidying up of the gardens, with the pleasant thought of a generous prize in mind.

This Summer we have had a fine show of lupins and hollihocks which have been noticed by all the School. Sweet peas too have been plentiful and many-coloured.

This term, the club has done much planting of bulbs, such as crocuses and daffodils, transplanting, taking cuttings from coleus and geraniums and removing weeds grown during the holidays. Again we have had many new members, who have taken over the smaller gardens by the P.S. Block and we hope they will continue keeping them neat and tidy.

## GUIDES

This year has been busy and successful for all guides. Many senior members have left our ranks owing to pressing school work, but they have been replaced by equally competent and perhaps more enthusiastic first formers. These recruits are working hard for their tenderfoot badge and are soon to be enrolled. The enrolled guides are working for a second class badge and those who have gained it are displaying their various skills by gaining a wide variety of proficiency badges. Several guides have also attained the high first-class standard.

Last term the guides had lessons in tent pitching from the senior scouts, in preparation for a challenge competition in which they took part and enjoyed a good deal of success.

The guides are now planning a collection of toys and books for a children's home and are hoping to have a large parcel for Christmas.

This term we have had invaluable help from Miss Spark and Miss Buckley, who have assisted Mrs. Hague in her good work. We have also seen the return of several sixth formers who have been willing to give any help they can.

JANICE R. TOPHAM, U6A.

## SCOUTS

The Scouts have had an active and enjoyable year, full of many interesting and widely varied activities.

The juniors, under the guidance of Mr. Hilton and senior helpers, have taken part in a variety of activities including outdoor cooking, weekend camping and pioneering.

Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Hill have kept the third and fourth formers at work in pioneering activities. This enabled them to gain their Pioneers' Badge, though some personal risk was encountered by testers of the revolutionary structures which had been built.

The seniors all enjoyed their long eventful trip to northern Scotland. In spite of some adverse weather conditions, mainly cold, some of the more hardy members of the party took to the cold grey waters at the mouth of Loch Broom, others more cautious took only a waterside wash.

The second Christmas Social was just as successful as the first and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

The school year was brought to a satisfactory close by the annual camp which was held at Levens in the Lake District. By a climatic freak the first half of the holiday was very hot and sun-tan cream was in great demand. Of course it was too good to last, our campers' luck ran out and we were showered almost incessantly for two days, but the sun came out again and conveniently dried our tents for packing them away.

We extend a warm welcome to any new scouts, particularly from the lower school.

### THE CYCLING CLUB

This year the Cycling Clubs' activities have been concentrated mostly to the eastern side of the Pennines. The steep gradients in the past have proved too much for most members.

The first run in the Autumn was to Derbyshire, but because of bad weather the members stayed in a cafe at Baslow. The lack of enthusiasm in the Winter months caused a temporary disbandment of the club.

The following Spring the Club covered a distance of one hundred miles by riding via Scunthorpe and Brigg along the lanes of North Lincolnshire to the Humber. At this stage Mr. Leeson gave us an excellent physical geography lesson, the topography being completely at his disposal. On the return journey certain members suffered mechanical trouble, but we managed to arrive home before lighting-up time.

Twice we rode to York, where members walked round the Minster and down The Shambles or spent the afternoon by the riverside. In May we had an outing to Sherwood Forest and visited the Major Oak at Edwinstowe.

Several new members joined the Club after the Summer holidays. The most popular ride is to Stockwith Basin on the River Trent, where members rest in the "El Toro" cafe and dine on the banks of the Trent. On one return journey three members rode five miles off course, later to find the signposts had all been turned in the wrong direction.

Next year we hope to venture to the coastal resorts, and also to plan to recruit many new members.

J. R. HODGSON, L6E.  
D. DAINTY, L6E



## THE LIBRARY

This year, in order that everyone may be given the opportunity to use the library, it is remaining open from four to four thirty every evening.

Many new books have been purchased, the most notable of which is a complete set of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, but we also have Cassell's Atlas and books ranging from English and Spanish Literature and History to Economics and Science. New periodicals include 'The Flying Review', 'Design', 'Die Weltwoche', 'Mundo Hispanico', 'The Critical Quarterly', 'The French Readers' Digest', 'Home and Gardens', 'Vogue' and 'Bulletin'.

Owing to the success of the 'Penguin Books' exhibitions, held over the last two years in conjunction with the School play, a third is to be held this year which we hope will have a similar success.

Finally, Miss Marks would like to take this opportunity of thanking Crossfield, Linda Firth and Janet Hardy, who have now left School, for their help in recent years and also those who still work to make the library the success it is.

R. TURNER.

## THE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The Natural History Society, which was formed at the beginning of this year, has already proved a great success.

The Society, which is open to everyone from first to sixth form, aims to make a detailed survey of a specific area in this district, and, in order to accomplish this we have arranged ourselves in five groups, concerned with plants, insects, birds, geology and photography respectively.

It is our intention, depending on Society funds, to make excursions and show relevant films and slides during the year.

Our first speaker was Mr. Leeson who showed slides and photographs of gulls taken with his new telephoto lens. The meeting proved to be most interesting and amusing.

On October 10th a visiting speaker, Mr. Barker, gave a lecture on 'Fungi', showing us specimens and photographs. He provided the inspiration for our first fungus foray to Woolley. About thirty members were willing to devote one day of their Autumn half-term to looking for fungi.

Everyone enjoyed themselves fungi-hunting. Some really large fungi, up to a foot high, were discovered and we have managed to identify about twenty species.

On October 31st Mr. Broadhead, Head Forester of the Wentworth Estate, came to speak on 'Trees and Nature' and showed many beautiful colour slides.

Society officials for this year are: P. Littlewood—President, D. Hanson—Treasurer and Helen Cooper—Secretary. Finally I would like to thank Miss Rawson for all her hard work in making the Society a possibility and a success.

HELEN M. COOPER.

## OCCASIONS

### SPEECH DAY

On Speech Day, the 22nd March, the chairman Councillor J. W. Bedford, J.P., in his opening remarks, said that the Governors had been disturbed in the last year by the number of premature leavers who not only wasted the nation's wealth but also deprived other children of the advantages of a Grammar School education.

The Headmaster opened his report by commenting on the two different reports made earlier in the year concerning G.C.E. 'O' level results. One report, based on the number of 1960 candidates, showed that the results were well superior to the national average, whilst the other, based on the entire intake of the School, revealed two disturbing factors: first, that this area is losing, by the migration of families, far more Grammar School children than it is gaining, and secondly, that of the 1955 intake 15% found Grammar School work too much for their ability. Nevertheless the proportion of passes per pupil of the 1955 intake was still superior to the national average.

Every year he has the same criticism to make. Pupils start the year well, but halfway through the year some begin to find the work not worthwhile and fall away. Furthermore they try to persuade others to do the same and many pupils have their work spoilt in this way. He also mentioned the successes in 'A' level results, saying that within five years the number of 'A' levels gained had doubled, even before the arrival of the 'bulge'.

He went on to discuss the meaning of discipline, saying that discipline is something which is active and not passive. It is a code with which one complies for the sake of the community and not through fear of punishment. He also discussed the problems of young people, saying that the conflict between the younger and the older generations has never been so acute as it is today. Nowadays 'teenagers expect to be treated as a separate unit which should run its own affairs. This is partly the legacy of the war and partly due to the wealth of employed 'teenagers who are encouraged by the commercial world to think of themselves as a race apart.

Dr. Saffell mentioned the acute shortage of teachers and the recruitment campaign being carried out by the Ministry of Education. He felt that his prime responsibility was towards the pupils and not towards the Ministry and he had no intention of advocating teaching as a career unless he thought that it was the best thing for the pupil.

He ended on an encouraging note: that it had been a good year for the School, with a decrease in anti-social behaviour and a total absence of bullying. He thanked the Head Boy and Head Girl and members of staff for their valuable assistance.

The awards and prizes were presented by Dr. Bowden, Principal of the Manchester College of Science and Technology, who stressed in his subsequent address the importance of education and particularly of scientific knowledge. He said that the reason this country which, a hundred years ago, was the workshop of the world and an example to other countries, had been badly outstripped in recent times was that other countries had developed their educational system whilst we had not. We have since made valiant attempts to catch up but we never really do so well as many other countries. The industries which are growing nowadays are the industries which are based on scientific development, whereas the older industries remain static. Dr. Bowden concluded by saying that this country is dependent upon its people's talents as there are very few raw materials, and therefore a great responsibility rests upon her students.

The assembly was entertained by the School choir, accompanied by David Atkin, and soloists Wendy Booth and Elizabeth Brough. A vote of thanks was proposed by County Councillor W. Cutts and seconded by the Head Girl, Janet Roebuck. The Head Boy, David Short, was successful in his request for the customary day's holiday.

## OPEN DAYS



This year's Open Days, which took place on the evenings of Tuesday and Wednesday, the 18th and 19th of July, were organised in order to present a picture to parents of School activities.

The show got off to a good start with the P.E. display. After the girls' very impressive performance of grace and agility, the senior boys sallied forth to give an even more spectacular display of vaulting. In the first interval, during which the Hall was transformed from a gymnasium into a concert room, the visitors were invited to look around the art exhibition and there was a general appraisal of the pictures.

The first half of the Concert began with the lilting tones of the School Choir singing "The Pedlar" and "Greensleeves". Following this were two vocal solos, a recitation and a mime. To begin the second half, the orchestra played three brisk numbers during which there was a tuneful trombone solo. The highlight of this part of the show was the rendering of "Upidec", a student song, by four senior boys.

However, the act that really stole the show was the perky performance of three short French plays by the Juniors. These plays were shown only on the Tuesday, as on Wednesday the Sixth Form had their turn with an extremely amusing extract from "Le Malade Imaginaire". The Open Day with its usual varied programme was brought to an end by the Choir singing "Rio Grande" and "Silent Worship".

## THE CAROL SERVICE

Normally the carol service goes unrecorded in the magazine because it is held after the magazine has gone to the printer. However, as this edition is appearing later than usual, we are able to report briefly one of the most enjoyable occasions of the School year. On December 18th, in spite of cold and fog, a large and appreciative audience soon forgot the gloom outside. After the Headmaster's opening prayers, they listened to a full and varied programme of traditional, modern, German and French carols. Conducted by Mr. Davies and with Barbara Richardson and D. Atkin as accompanists, the junior, senior, male voice and combined choirs sang in turn and—like all good choirs—as much for their own pleasure as ours. A pleasant feature was the marked progress of the orchestra, which accompanied some of the carols and the brass section of which rendered Hyden's 'St. Anthony Chorale.' Piano solos by Elaine Ormandy and Barbara Richardson and vocal solos by Margaret Darby, Lynne Turner, P. Hargate, Prudence Shaw contributed further to the rich variety. The last part of the programme, with solos from the 'Messiah' by A. Burgin and Elizabeth Brough, moved to the climax of the full choir's 'For unto us a child is born' and its encore.

During the first half of the evening the customary nine lessons were read by D. Lawrence, Susan Lancashire, Ann Cropper and J. B. Robson—all representing the School, Mrs. P. M. Jones and the Rev. F. Chappell—members of staff, Mr. M. D. Arnold—a former pupil, Mrs. Ibberson—a parent, and County Councillor W. Cutts—Chairman of the School Governors.

## THE FRENCH EXCHANGE VISIT—SUMMER 1961

Once again pupils of the Wath Grammar School took part in the Yorkshire—Lille exchange scheme, which is now in its sixteenth year. It was a tired gathering which greeted the French visitors at four o'clock one dull Wednesday morning at Sheffield Midland Station, and our visitors could not have been very excited at their first real glimpse of England.

During the French pupils' three weeks stay their English friends tried to show them something of our way of life. Members of the sixth form took this as an opportunity for arranging "mass outings", visiting such places of interest as York and Conisborough with its fair and castle. They also arranged a farewell party on the eve of their return to France.

Soon the roles were to be reversed. Our guests became our hosts as we made a calm crossing in a boat crowded with schoolchildren. At Lille the party split up, pupils of Wath going to districts around either Mauberge or Sedan.

From their respective lodgings individuals of the party and their hosts made many trips, some of them visiting Paris and Belgium.

The whole party, on reunion in Lille on the 29th August, commented on the peculiarities of French food and customs. Driving on the right, drinking wine at meals instead of tea or coffee, all seemed strange to us.

Eventually the party left Lille at five-thirty p.m. and after a long and arduous journey arrived home fifteen hours later, bringing with them many happy memories of their hosts in France.

TURNER, U6A.

EVERATT, U6B.

## SCHOOL TRIP TO SPAIN—AUGUST, 1961

In the early morning of Monday 31st July, a party of thirty-six members of the School under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Mason and Miss Rawson were conveyed by coach to Manchester Airport. There we boarded our plane and after a thrilling flight, lasting about seven hours, we landed at Perpignan in Southern France, but not before a detour to Italy had given us a spectacular view of the snow-capped Alps. From Perpignan we crossed the border in a coach under the influence of an apparently inebriated Spanish driver, arriving late that night at our destination, Blanes.

Blanes is a small fishing village on the Costa Brava, eternally bathed in the hot rays of a sun set in a cloudless, deep blue sky and possessing a long stretch of beach washed by the calm, refreshing waters of the Mediterranean. The majority of the party stayed in the annex of the Hotel Miramar in clean, adequately furnished rooms. The meals were taken in the main hotel, and, although strange to us, were found to be extremely palatable. Breakfast consisted only of a bowl of coffee and rolls of bread. However, lunch served at one

o'clock in the afternoon and dinner at eight o'clock were much more substantial. Served by the friendly and obliging waiters we often had bull meat, which is equivalent to the English roast beef, and such delicacies as squid and a form of 'paella'.

Most of the time was delightfully spent reclining on the beach and occasionally flopping into the sea to the tune of "O Carol" from a Spanish juke-box, and members of the party could easily be recognised with their white bodies smeared in sun oil and sporting large sombreros amongst the brown-bodied Spaniards, none of whom we ever saw wearing sombreros.

After the evening meal the night-life began. People walked along the sea-shore or crowded around tables set along the front so that the road in between these tables and the hotels to which they belonged used to be crossed by a never-ending stream of waiters carrying drinks to their impatient customers. Their visits were especially frequent to the tables occupied by members of the Wath party, who availed themselves of the opportunity to sample Spanish lemonade !!

It was especially at this time of the day that the female members of the party were harassed by their Spanish admirers, but watched over by the all-seeing eye of Mr. Mason and his ever-willing band of assistants they escaped the Spanish Romeos.

During our stay we made two excursions. On the Wednesday we went to Barcelona where we bought souvenirs, went sight-seeing and visited the "Pueblo Espanol". Afterwards we went to the "Plaza de Toros" to watch a bull-fight, a thrilling spectacle which, though not condoned, was enjoyed by most of us, and in which we also saw the Peralta brothers, the famous bull-fighters on horseback. And on the Friday we took a boat trip up the coast to Tossa, where the whole party witnessed Mr. Mason actually swimming in the sea !!

But the time for departure came all too soon. However, our sadness at leaving Blanes was offset by another exciting journey by plane, this time at night. At about midnight on the Monday we arrived home safe and sound.

Finally we should like to extend our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Mason, who made this enjoyable trip possible.

A. HOYLE, U6A.

## ITALY

During the summer holidays two parties from the School visited Italy. The first group spent the earlier part of their fortnight's holiday in Florence and Rome and afterwards moved to Massa Lubrense near Sorrento. The second party travelled straight to Meta di Sorrento, where they spent the greater part of their holiday before paying a two-day visit to Rome.

Both parties, on reaching their destination, had their first taste of Italian food. Needless to say this was greeted with mixed feelings and a certain amount of apprehension on the part of some who could



not acquire a taste for vegetables drenched in oil or for fried octopus. Although many enjoyed spaghetti it was, for some, a rather arduous task to eat a plateful.

The second party ate its meals on a verandah of the main hotel, the roof of which consisted of very sparse thatching and a grape-vine. This, they found later, was not waterproof and one stormy evening they ate a very wet dinner wearing mackintoshes, headscarves, and sun hats.

The first party spent one exciting morning in Florence, where phrase books were very much in use since this was their first encounter with the Italian people. Fortunately, however, many of the Italians could speak English.

The second party enjoyed visiting the beach at Meta, which was reached by many narrow streets, on either side of which were tall, old houses, modern flats, or high walls enclosing vine-yards or orange groves so that it was very easy to take the wrong turning. On the beach they sun-bathed, swam in the marvellous warm sea, and ate the many varieties of ice cream for which Italy is famous.

Both parties went on tours, the first of which was to Capri and the Blue Grotto. Some members of the party took the chair lift up Monte Solaro, from the top of which there is a two thousand feet drop into the sea.

The next tour was to Pompeii and Vesuvius. An extremely interesting time was spent viewing the excavations. On the same excursion the party visited Vesuvius, the last part of the journey being made by chair-lift to the edge of the crater. Some of the third party went on a third coach tour to Paestum, where there are the ruins of the finest Greek temples outside Greece itself. The coastal scenery around this area is said to be some of the most beautiful in Europe, with the land rising steeply from the sea, and olive, lemon and orange groves on the hillside. The second party also went on a tour to the southern side of the Sorrentine peninsula, where they visited the monastery of Trinita del Cava, Ravello and Amalfi.

Both parties also visited Rome where, on evening coach tours, they saw the famous buildings, ruins and fountains delightfully illuminated. In the Forum they saw the wonderful lighting and sound effects which are used after dark in an attempt to re-create the atmosphere of the Forum as it was two thousand years ago. They also visited and photographed many of the sights on foot, including the Coliseum, Pantheon, Forum, Trevi Fountain, Sistine Chapel and Catacombs.

On behalf of both our parties, we should like to thank most sincerely those members of staff who made possible such an exciting and truly memorable holiday.

PRUDENCE SHAW  
FELICITY OWEN

## ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

### THE CAT

A cat once unhappily sighed,  
And resolved to try suicide.  
He passed under the wheels  
Of eight automobiles,  
And under the ninth one he died.

JOYCE BROOKS, 1B.

### THE ELEPHANT

Far off, along the jungle way,  
A cry is heard, that drives away  
The stilly silence of the bush;  
A piercing, shrill and strident blare  
Bids lesser animals, "Beware!"  
And all for home and safety rush.

Onward and nearer comes the din  
From the wild bush depths within,  
Thudding, shaking,  
Ear-drum breaking,  
Noise on noise to rend the sky;  
The wild rogue elephant thunders by.

PETER D. ROBINSON, 3D.

### THE FOX

Over in the brushwood deep,  
A wily creature lies asleep;  
In the evening, he awakes  
And now his plans for supper makes.

With bushy tail he looks so fine,  
But when he stalks his prey  
He's cunning, sly and vicious  
In a sneaking crafty way.

But he will need his cunning ways  
And must be very sly,  
When odds are all against him  
And the hounds are in full cry.

J. ANDREWS, 2A.

### IN DEFENCE OF FOX-HUNTING

As soon as one mentions fox-hunting the general reaction is to reply "Oh! That's cruel".—Well, a definition of the word cruelty is 'an act causing unnecessary suffering', and what I want to try and prove is that hunting an animal in order to destroy it causes no more suffering than any other form of extermination.



Public opinion on this matter is mostly based upon sentiment, rather than a true knowledge of the problem, and this sentiment is largely directed at such animals as foxes, deer and rabbits which are attractive animals to look at, but nobody cares about rats, which are in fact more intelligent and sensitive than the other animals mentioned.

I will agree that fox-hunting is essentially a sport and it is not a particularly effective way of keeping down the numbers of foxes which do considerable damage to crops and fowls, but at least it is the least cruel way of doing it. You may ask "Why not shoot them?" but I maintain that too much shooting is done by people who are not experienced, and hence the foxes are generally only wounded and left to suffer. Trapping is another way of killing foxes, but I think that it is positively outrageous, because either the animal is left to suffer for a few days until the trapper comes along or he hobbles away on three legs, having gnawed the other off in order to get out of the trap. Gassing is quite effective but it is not often that foxes are underground and there is the danger that dogs or badgers may be killed instead.

Some important facts which people do not know about hunting are; firstly, four out of every five foxes hunted get away unhurt; secondly, it is a fight between fox and hounds but it is the fox who has the advantage because he is running about in country which he knows and is generally quite a distance in front of the hounds; the third and most important fact is that if the fox is killed at all he is killed instantaneously by a nip from the leading hound, which kills him as quickly and painlessly as a bolt from a humane-killer.

Well, do you still think fox-hunting is cruel?

## LINCOLNSHIRE

I'd like to walk where dykes are lined  
With kingcups' golden mass,  
And cuckoo flowers and cowslips find,  
Among the waving grass;  
To hear the church bells echo clear,  
O'er acres flat and wide;  
To see tall spires and towers appear,  
Across the countryside.

I'd walk your sandy shores once more,  
And smell the strong salt air;  
I'd hear the North Sea rage and roar.  
To you I can compare  
No other place, where'er I go,  
In countries far or near.  
Yes, I'll come home some day I know,  
To my dear Lincolnshire.

B. HAIG, 5D.

## THE POOR RELATIONS

It is obvious at long last, with the exception of the under fifteen team, the school has turned debonair in its new rugby shirts.

The under fifteen team, though well-blessed with talent, is unfortunately not well-blessed with shirts. The team come out to play in their "aertex" shirts—specially adapted for ventilation. There are no complaints except for a frequent sit-down strike behind the posts. Here, they tie up their shirts, ready for a fresh onslaught, knowing rugby, not, shirts, wins matches. Sentimental, as they are, the team acknowledge their attire as being relics from past battles when the first team wore them. Moreover it is an experience to try on one of these old shirts. Not every team can loosen up by deciding which holes suit the neck and the arms best. Mothers, too, probably agree that these shirts are handier than new ones, as there is less of them to iron.

No, the team is never known to grumble for they know that shirts do not score the points and also that if they practise hard they may play for the second fifteen next year. They will then inherit a shining white shirt of their own.

HARRISON, 4D.

## THE SUCCESS OF THE JUNIOR RUGBY TEAMS

Girls, staff and seniors,  
You do well to laugh and jeer  
At the rather poor results,  
That we've gained so far this year.

The girls agree we're hopeless,  
I suppose you think they're right;  
They're certain they'd do better—  
A fitter word is, "might".

The staff have just stopped hoping,  
The seniors just don't care,  
They've all the same opinion—  
That victory's far too rare.

It's not that we're too idle—  
In fact we play with zest;  
The trouble is—the other teams  
Play better than our best.

JOHN M. WILSON, 3D.

## MIST

Gloomy, dark and silent,  
Clinging, damp and cold,  
The mist, like nature's chiffon scarf,  
O'er the countryside takes hold.  
Stealthily it comes and goes,  
Seeping through one's very skin . . . .  
Hiding mysteries manifold.

L. THREADGOLD, 2E.

## WINTER SUNLIGHT

Winter sunlight is not heat and is hardly light.  
It is not the dancing Geisha of the Spring,  
The sweating giant of the Summer,  
Or Autumn's sunshine, sadly weeping  
Passing tears of fog.  
It is a carving in white marble  
By an angel or a devil, not a man.  
There is no comfort in a Winter sun,  
Its course too quickly over.  
It has no time for us, for now  
Its vague and worried eyes roam through the void,  
Searching for Spring.

C. A. MORLEY, U6B.

## MELIORA SPECTARE

Here the ill-favoured building stands,  
That crowns the vale of Dearne;  
Here tearful Knowledge wrings her hands  
At what we fail to learn.  
Should Knowledge from this asphalt brow  
Gaze on the vale below,  
No comfort meets her long survey,  
But fog and pits, whose smoke among  
Winds the sluggish Dearne, along  
His unimposing way.

J. KIRK, 5C.

## MY FIRST DAY

My face was clean, my hair was neat,  
New shoes were squeaking on my feet;  
With blazer bright and tie so smart  
With nervous tread I made a start.

The day had come so warm and bright,  
I must confess I felt some fright,  
This day my very first at school,  
Suppose, suppose I broke some rule?

Suppose I see no friendly face?  
Suppose it is a lonely place?  
Suppose I'm late when I arrive?  
Suppose they eat new girls alive?

The weeks have passed at cheerful pace,  
By now I feel I know the place  
And I have learned to like my school—  
But really was I such a fool?

SUSAN DONOGHUE, 1E.

## THE FIRST REHEARSAL

A staccato tap-tap on the rostrum and our first rehearsal for the School Christmas Carol service has begun.

Did I say begun? because it sounds like an off-beat, futuristic type of rhythm, instead of a melodious Christmas carol. We are pulled up sharp, and ponderously begin again. At this stage, I think we all wish we had not volunteered.

After many beginnings we stagger disastrously through the first piece, our effort best described as a cacophony of sound complete with discords, unintentional crescendos and diminuendos, with fiddles chasing trombones and the cellos making up a poor third.

At last it is over for today. Our conductor, with a studied expression on his face and the air of a martyr, mops his damp brow, and we, chastened and subdued, pack away our instruments, our dreams of the Halle or even the Palm Court being shattered, at least for today.

MARGARET BAXTER, 4D.

## MARBLES

Every morning at ten to nine  
The boys arrive at school;  
They rush to their appointed place—  
No time is there to fool.

They fling their satchels from their backs,  
All eager to begin;  
Sturdy courage no-one lacks,  
They'll dash through thick and thin.

Down upon their knees they go,  
Their body poised and hands spread out,  
Nimble of fingers and quick on toe,  
And never hearts so stout.

The school bells rings, the game is o'er,  
The boys must hurry now ;  
Within those portals dark and grim  
O'er sterner task they bow.

I. LOGAN, 2F.

## SCHOOLDAYS

Beside the door, for 'tis the rule,  
Beneath the bell they know,  
The pupils of the Grammar School  
Are lined up row by row.

All bring a 'sack' of homework books,  
And P.E. kit galore,  
The prefects give them dirty looks  
Whene'er they hurtle through the door.

From cloakrooms packed with blazers red  
Or black with badges fine,  
They hurry off, form rooms ahead,  
Assembly is at nine.

Then after prayers, the lessons start,  
O what a time to wait!  
Into first dinner see them dart—  
For this they're never late.

The afternoon just seems to fly  
With French and games to play—  
It's Friday, how the week's gone by,  
Hurrah for Saturday!

JENNIFER LORD, 1E.

### PONY TREKKING

I would recommend a pony trekking holiday to anyone who enjoys outdoor activities and can survive in any kind of weather. One advantage of such a holiday is that very little is spent on entertainment as one is too tired, stiff and sore to appreciate anything in the way of dancing, swimming and sailing.

The correct equipment includes a jacket, riding mac, jodhpurs, riding boots and hard hat, not old slacks and regulation school lace-ups as we discovered to our dismay.

There is a theory, which has, to my knowledge, been disproved on more than one occasion, that the largest horses are the most docile. In all probability therefore you will be placed on the largest horse in the stables.

Mounting a horse is a tedious business which really requires a step ladder, but this is hardly etiquette in the equestrian world. Consequently, after having placed your foot in a stirrup, level with your shoulder, you spring lightly from the ground, throwing one leg over the horse's back and so land gracefully in the saddle. Unfortunately, this is not always successful and a slight push from behind is advisable.

There is no need to have any previous experience of riding, although no doubt everyone else will have been riding before they could walk. If this is the case you will be expected to canter straight away. This is a nerve-racking experience but if you let go of the reins the result could be disastrous. The motto 'All good things come an end' may give you courage during this ordeal; failing this, just pull the reins to stop your steed, though there is now an added risk of losing the rest of your party.

The sensation next morning is even less pleasant, for walking is difficult and sitting almost impossible. In a few days, after many hot baths, the stiffness and soreness partly wear off and the pain of jolting up and down in a saddle is not quite so agonising.

But, apart from these one or two slight discomforts, I am sure that there is no better way to spend a summer holiday.

HELEN M. COOPER, U6E.

## MY BICYCLE

My bike is shiny, bright and new,  
A really lovely shade of blue;  
I keep it spotless, for I must,  
Be careful not to let it rust.

I clean it proudly once a week,  
And gadgets new I always seek;  
The saddle and the saddle bag,  
I polish with a clean soft rag.

I blow the tyres up, clean the chain,  
And turn the pedals round again.  
I ring the bell to be quite sure  
The sound is still as loud and pure.

And when I go to bed each night,  
I think about it with delight  
And, as I go to sleep decide,  
One day I'll have to learn to ride.

JOAN GLEDHILL, 1C.

## NIGHT ON THE MOTORWAY

When the narrow English lanes are left behind for the long, straight, metallic road which is one of our motorways, one can hardly fail to get a certain sense of awe at its symmetry and size, and a little thrill of excitement as the speedometer hand leaps past 60 m.p.h.

As night falls over the surrounding country, however, the motorway ceases to be the gleaming strip of the daytime. The road ahead turns to an inky blackness, broken only by the headlights shining on the broken white lines on its surface, and the winking red and white lights of the cars ahead.

The drowsy hum of the engine, with the occasional roar and swish as another vehicle overtakes, are the only sounds.

Flyovers and bankings are reduced to deeper blackness in the surrounding obscurity; distant towns are a mere gleam and twinkle on the horizon, while only when caught in the glare of the headlights is anything brought to a sort of ghostly life.

Now, however, fast approaching out of the gloom is a new sight. First an eerie blue glow, eventually distinguishable as one of the huge direction-indicators now illuminated by a row of floodlights, it warns of an approaching slip-road.

Here, we turn aside, rapidly reducing speed until we arrive, at a mere 30 m.p.h. on an ordinary 'A' class road, with normal street-lighting, and bottle-necks, while on the motorway, the never-ending stream of fast-cruising traffic speeds on into the darkness.

ALISON JARVIS, 4A.

### THE MYSTERY OF THE LOCH

Along the surface of the loch  
Moves the monster's rippling wake:  
A mystery he in this still place,  
For none will know the path he'll take.

Many have watched there hour by hour,  
Hoping to see the waters part,  
Many have journeyed to this spot,  
Only to leave it sad at heart.

And still the mystery monster weaves  
His way beneath the waters deep,  
But none can know the way he'll take—  
The waters still his secret keep.

SHIRLEY BURNS, 3F.

### THE INN THAT WAS NOT

I was on my way to Hambleneep  
Which lay across the moor;  
The snow was fast becoming deep;  
The visibility was poor.

I came upon a quaint old inn  
And knocked upon the portal,  
Wondering who there was within  
And hoping for some friendly mortal.

The door was quickly opened wide  
By a kindly-looking wight,  
Who gently ushered me inside,  
When I had told him of my plight.

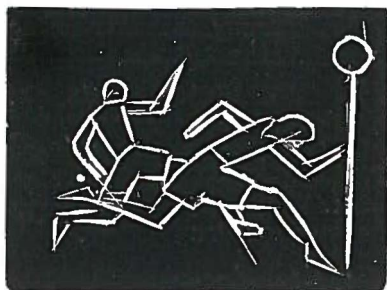
He brought me food, he brought me drink  
And placed them on the board.  
He told me tales and made me think  
That he was once a lord.

I slept upon a feather bed  
That night, and cosier could not be.  
I rose to find my host had fled  
And trace of him I could not see.

Next day I brought to pay mine host  
His lawful right, a sterling pound;  
Then realised I'd seen a ghost—  
No inn stood on that ground.

J. R. GOMERSALL, 4B.

## GAMES



### THE SCHOOL SPORTS

The School Sports were held on a fine day in June. Carthage (259 points) were victors, followed by Sparta (255 points), Rome (222 points), Troy and Athens. Thebes competed in all junior and some middle events, gaining seventy points. The only new event was the Middle Boys Mile. Nine new records were set up as follows:—

#### Boys.

Senior:	100 yards	..	Knight (Carthage)	..	10.2 secs.
	Shot	..	Lacey (Carthage)	..	40 ft. 4½ ins.
	Relay	..	Carthage	..	1 min. 45 secs.
Middle:	440 yards	..	Walker (Carthage)	..	60 secs.
Junior:	220 yards	..	Hockey (Troy)	..	28.0 secs.

#### Girls.

Senior:	100 yards	..	S. Cooper (Sparta)	..	11.5 secs.
	220 yards	..	M. Rawson (Troy)	..	28.0 secs.
Form One	80 yards	..	S. Adams (Troy)	..	10.8 secs.
	Mixed Relay	..	Sparta	..	62.4 secs.

### THE INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS

The Inter-School Sports, postponed for one day, were held on July 14th at Thorne. Only competitors were able to attend, because of the wet condition of the ground.

In the senior events, Wath were second to Thorne, with Maltby third, due mainly to good work in the boys' field events. Two records were broken by Wathonians, the girls' 100 yards, by Sheila Cooper, in 11.9 seconds, and the girls' relay in 53.6 seconds.

In the middles, we were third, behind Maltby and Thorne. Again our boys excelled in the field events, but the girls failed to produce a victrix.

In the junior events, no winner was produced, and Wath, in front of Goole only, were fourth.

We were third in the final placings, behind Thorne and Maltby, with Mexborough and Goole being fourth and fifth respectively.

H. SPEIGHT, U6B.

### CROSS COUNTRY

Once more Troy, by close packing, won the Inter-House Competition on Tuesday, March 7th. Sykes (Athens) was the winner in 24.45 minutes. Atkinson (Carthage) finished second, followed by McNally (Troy) third, Beazley (Rome) fourth and Oxer (Athens) fifth. Just over a fortnight later, on Wednesday, 22nd March in the Inter-School meeting over the Thorne course, Wath again came third to Mexborough, last year's victors. Results:— Mexborough 63, Thorne 68, Wath 90, Maltby 101 and Goole 167. Atkinson (9), McNally (10), Sykes (15), Beazley (17), Richardson (18) and Edwards (21) represented Wath.



## THE SWIMMING GALA

The annual School Swimming Gala was held this year on Tuesday, 11th July, at the Wath baths, and lived up to its reputation of being the keenest struggle in the calendar.

Carthage and Sparta were quickly off the mark and, after the junior competition, held first and second places respectively from Thebes, Troy, Rome and Athens.

At the end of the middles contest it seemed that nothing could stop one of these two houses from winning the competition, although Troy had now moved to third place, nine points behind. However, in the senior, competition, a hard three-cornered battle ensued with the final result: Troy 107 points, Carthage 103 points, Sparta 99 points, Rome 57 points, Athens 47½.

Thebes, who competed in all junior and most of the middle events, scored 35½ points.

J. L. SHERBURN.

## TENNIS

### 1st Team.

- 1st Couple: Anne Webster (*v. capt.*), Janet Roebuck.  
 2nd Couple: Anne Cropper, Beryl Chafen (*capt.*).  
 3rd Couple: Jean Wilcock, Judith Fletcher.

Unfortunately this season we were able to play only first team matches but a second team practised with us to form a nucleus for next year's team. Owing to the bad weather most of the matches were cancelled. However, we won two out of three matches played and lost against the Old Wathonians, although the match was left unfinished because of rain. The climax of the season was the staff match. Unfortunately, while playing, most of us were either blinded or choked by the fire which had been lit between the two courts. To add to our discomfort the staff won the match. We hope that next year we will have more successes and that the weather will be more favourable.

### RESULTS:—

Wath v. Barnsley .. .. .	..	..	..	Won 6—3
Wath v. Percy Jackson .. .. .	..	..	..	Lost 5—1
Wath v. Barnsley .. .. .	..	..	..	Won 6—0
Wath v. Old Wathonians .. .. .	..	..	..	Lost 6—0
Wath v. Staff .. .. .	..	..	..	Lost 4—5

JUDITH M. FLETCHER, U6B.

## ROUNDERS

First Team—S. Pears, J. Cooper (*Captain*), M. Wood, J. Young, A. Hall, C. Swift, D. Kay, J. Oscroft, J. Athey.

Second Team—A. Teasdale, G. Parrish, J. Nelson, A. Chambers, M. Matthews, A. Foster, J. Finney, L. Farmer, J. Forbes.

The senior rounders teams did not meet with great success this season. Our fielding gradually improved as the season progressed but our batting was weak and failed to give us the edge over our opponents. Our enthusiasm, however, was never dampened by defeat.

Fortunately the junior teams met with more success and their keenness bodes well for the future.

Results: School score first.	1st	2nd	1U15	2U15
v. Don Valley High School .. .. .	—	—	3½—2	3—3
v. Percy Jackson .. .. .	2—3	2½—3	—	—
v. Broadway Technical Grammar School .. .. .	2—2½	11—7½	—	—
V. Doncaster Convent .. .. .	10—3	—	5—4½	—
v. Barnsley High School .. .. .	7—12	9—10	—	—
v. Mexborough Grammar School .. .. .	7—8	—	5—9½	9—3

JULIA COOPER.



## CRICKET

### FIRST XI.

The First XI had a variable season. Harris was an able captain, his batting being consistently good throughout the season. The rest of the team confirmed their promise on only a few occasions during the season. Only three matches were won, though two good games were narrowly lost.

The team was chosen from:—

\*Harris, \*Wood, †Scroggins, Hedges, †Rothery, Harrison, †Caunt, Hoyle, Cooper, Hedges, Brown, Stocks, Shepherd, †Randerson.  
\*Colours. †half-colours.

### Matches:

v. Mexboro', Home. Mexboro' 98 (Harris 5—18, Wood 4—43) Wath 59.  
v. Woodlands, Away. Wath 28 (Hoyle 11) Woodlands 30—5. (Harris 3—8)  
v. Oakwood, Away. Oakwood 31 (Wood 6—14) Wath 32—1  
(Harrison 13).  
v. Bakewell, Away. Wath 30, Bakewell 32—0.  
v. Pontefract, Away. Wath 98 (Caunt 30, Shepherd 26) Pontefract,  
100—5.  
v. Bakewell, Home. Wath 126 (Harris 26, Caunt 21) Bakewell 127—3.  
v. Swinton Tech, Home. Swinton 110 (Atkinson 4—22) Wath 109,  
(Harris 51).  
v. Broadway tech, Home. Broadway 64 (Harris 4—18) Wath 66—3,  
(Rothery 27 n.o.).  
v. Ecclesfield, Home. Wath 68 (Harris 41 n.o.) Ecclesfield 64 (Wood  
5—28, Stocks 4—30).

### SECOND XI.

The Second XI had a good season, winning three out of four games played. Atkinson bowled well, taking 9 for 11 against Woodhouse.

### Junior Cricket.

The junior teams had a good season. The under 15 XI won 5 and lost 3 of their 8 matches.

The under 14 XI won three and drew one of their six games, best performances being 7 wickets for 4 runs by Bailey against Mexborough and 8 wickets for 17 runs by Crowther against De La Salle.

J. ROTHERY.

### U 15 Results.

Wath 63 (Home), Mexborough 61 (Wright 7 for 18).  
Wath 31 (Wiles 14) Away, Bakewell 33 for 9 (Wilmott 5 for 11).  
Wath 51 (Away), Pontefract 45  
Wath 25 (Home), Bakewell 26 for 3.  
Wath 92 for 9 (Cooper 18) (Home), Brampton 49 (Wright 6 for 16).  
Wath 134 for 4 (Caunt 80 n.o.) (Away), Darfield 68.  
Wath 122 for 6 (Wilks 24 n.o.), Wath Park Road 34 (Wright 6 for 17).  
Wath 35 (Home), Ecclesfield 36 for 2.

### U 14 Results.

Wath 50 for 7 (Away), Mexborough 48 (Bailey 7 for 4).  
Wath 44 (Home), Oakwood 80.  
Wath 70 for 9 (Home), Pontefract 38 (Crowther 5 for 19).  
Wath 20 for 0 (Home), Woodhouse 19 (Crowther 5 for 13, Peat 18)

Wath 31 for 8 (Home), Broadway 81 for 7.



## HOCKEY

First Team: R. O'Brien, J. Young (*Capt.*), J. Forbes, J. Athey, I. Connor, D. Kay, J. Barnett, J. Cooper, M. Macrae, A. Cropper, R. Simms.

Last season was one of unparalleled success for the School teams. Out of all the matches played by the first XI, we lost only one.

We made our debut in the Hemsworth tournament and were successful in reaching the semi-final. We even scored an unheard of victory over the staff.

This season we have been moderately successful, the second team, as yet not having lost a match. However, we are still as enthusiastic as ever and practices have been regular and well attended.

We hope that we shall have as good a record at the end of this season as we had at the end of last.

JENNIFER YOUNG.

Results: School score first.

	1st Team	2nd Team	Under 15
Maltby Grammar School .. .. .	4-1	2-1	0-1
Broadway Tech. .. .. .	10-0	11-0	—
Doncaster Tech. .. .. .	2-1	2-1	3-1
Mexborough Tech. .. .. .	5-0	2-1	1-0
Doncaster Convent .. .. .	2-3	2-0	—
Woodhouse Grammar School .. .. .	0-2	2-2	2-0
Rotherham High School .. .. .	1-0	3-3	—
Barnsley High School .. .. .	3-0	3-3	1-0
Barnsley High School .. .. .			<i>Abandoned because of fog</i>



## RUGBY

Despite the fact that the first XV have been hampered by new shirts several sizes too small for them, their success has been apparent. They have carried on where they left off last season. The policy of fast open play has so far paid good dividends.

The second XV have not had a very successful time, although the results have so far all been very close.

The under 15 have a strong side on paper but results do not justify the hopes we had of them at the beginning of the season. They were unfortunate, however, to be defeated by a penalty goal in extra time in the final of the Sheffield and district annual "9's" tournament.

Our thanks are due to the girls who give up their Saturdays to provide us with refreshments.

This year's 1st XV is chosen from:—Walker, Chappell, Knight, Humble, West, Ratcliffe, Harris (*Capt.*), Hedges, Whale, Dearden, Crane, Newton, Stone, Cousins, Burgin, Butler.

Colours were awarded last year to:—Baldwin, Sergeant, Short, Taylor, Parkin, Harris, Dearden, Broadbent, Beazley, Knight, Humble, Burgin, Hammonds; and half-colours to:—Ratcliffe and Watkin.

Results: School scores first.

Date					1st XV		2nd XV
Sept. 23	Ex. Capt. XV.	..	..	..	..H.	13-0	H. 11-3
30	Pontefract Grammar School	..	..	..	..H.	20-3	—
Oct. 7	Spurley Old Boys	..	..	..	..H.	20-8	—
14	Bakewell Grammar School	..	..	..	..A.	3-9	—
21	Hemsworth Grammar School	..	..	..	..A.	3-11	A. 0-9
Nov. 4	Rotherham R. U.F.C.	..	..	..	..A.	19-3	H. 8-3
11	Doncaster Grammar School	..	..	..	..A.	30-5	A. 6-9
18	Goole Grammar School	..	..	..	..A.	6-13	A. 0-26
25	Pontefract	..	..	..	..A.	6-6	A. 11-9
Dec. 2	'A' XV v. Mexborough	..	..	..	..H.	49-8	—
16	Doncaster Technical High School	..	..	..	..H.	26-0	—
					Under 15	Under 14	Under 13
Sept. 23	Broadway Tech.	..	..	..	H. 23-3	H. 6-8	H. 9-6
30	Pontefract	..	..	..	A. 3-14	—	A. 3-36
Oct. 7	Spurley Hey	..	..	..	—	A. 0-3	A. 17-0
16	Bakewell	..	..	..	A. 0-16	—	—
16	Normanton G.S.	..	..	..	—	H. 3-6	H. 0-37
21	Hemsworth	..	..	..	A. 3-13	H. 0-19	H. 0-36
Nov. 11	Doncaster	..	..	..	H. 43-0	A. 24-0	—
18	Goole	..	..	..	H. 27-8	H. 8-9	—
25	Pontefract	..	..	..	H. 8-9	—	H. 3-48
Dec. 2	Broadway	..	..	..	A. 15-0	A. 9-3	—

### TROPHY SUCCESSES

SPORTS	..	..	..	..	..	CARTHAGE
CROSS-COUNTRY	..	..	..	..	..	TROY
WINTER GAMES	..	..	..	..	..	CARTHAGE
SUMMER GAMES	..	..	..	..	..	SPARTA
SWIMMING GALA	..	..	..	..	..	TROY
DEEKS TROPHY	..	..	..	..	..	TROY
WORK CUP—EASTER	..	..	..	..	..	THEBES
SUMMER	..	..	..	..	..	ATHENS
CHRISTMAS	..	..	..	..	..	ATHENS

# Old Wathonians' Association

The 1961 Re-Union was held on Saturday, March 25th, when the Guest Speaker was Charles John Curran, an old Scholar, who is now Head of the B.B.C.'s External Broadcasting Administration. Once again old friends enjoyed meeting each other and spent a very happy evening together.

The next Re-Union will be held at the School on Saturday, April 14th, 1962. The Guest Speaker will be Dr. Colin Booth, an old Scholar, who has recently returned from a five year stay in Los Angeles.

Subscriptions are payable at the Re-Union or may be sent to the Secretary. (Annual Subscription 1/6, or 3/6 to include the following year's Magazine. Life Membership 30/-, or 25/- if paid by the first Re-Union after leaving school.

The first Pratt Memorial Prize has been awarded. This takes the form of an annual award for an essay with a scientific bias.

The Black Memorial Fund is still open. The Committee have contacted as many as possible of the Old Scholars who knew Mr. Black. This has been a tremendous task as so many have left the district. Perhaps this will reach some whom we have not been able to contact. If so, we would welcome any further contributions. The Fund will remain open until February. The first Black Memorial Prize has already been presented. It was a gramophone Record Token awarded to the best conductor in the choral section of the Deeks' Trophy Competition.

We are always pleased to hear from or of Old Scholars. News should be sent to Miss Swift at School, or to the Secretary, Miss K. Clark, 19 Claypit Lane, Rawmarsh, Rotherham.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate the following Old Scholars:—

Ann Young, on gaining an Honours Degree in Mathematics (1960) and a Diploma in Statistics (1961) at Cambridge and on her present post as Statistician in the Department of Human Ecology at the University.

Ralph Mann, on his promotion to Police Sergeant in Doncaster Borough Police Force.

Albert Lythgoe, on his promotion to the C.I.O.

Dr. C. A. Burden, on his appointment as Medical Officer at the R.C.A.F. Station, Gander.

Kenneth Wallis, on being awarded an M.Sc. (Tech.) Degree in Industrial Administration at Manchester University, and on obtaining a post with the Department of Management Studies at the Polytechnic, London.

Cyril Leach, who has won a Trade Union Congress Scholarship entitling him to a year at the London School of Economics.

Margaret Holmes, who has been appointed P.E. Lecturer at Dudley Training College.

Audrey Platt, who is the first W.G.S. girl to qualify as a Doctor (Liverpool University), and who has taken up a Missionary Post in India.

Christine Grammer, B.A. Honours Degree in Geography (Nottingham).

John S. Butterworth, B.Sc. Honours Degree (1st class) in Physics (Manchester).

Leslie Watkin, B.Sc. Honours Degree (1st class) in Applied Chemistry (Manchester).

John Spencer, B.Sc. Honours Degree in Chemistry (London).

Alwyn Barker, B.Sc. Honours Degree in Chemistry (Leeds).

Marjorie Sells, B.A. Honours Degree in French, with Latin (Nottingham).

Geoffrey Knaggs, B.Sc. Honours Degree in Zoology.

Keith Tomlinson, Honours Degree in Civil Engineering (Manchester).

Pauline Godfrey, B.A. Honours Degree (Southampton).

Christine Jones, Qualified State Registered Nurse.

Charles K. Phillips, on his election to a Junior Research Fellowship at Churchill College, Cambridge.

### OTHER NEWS OF OLD WATHONIANS

Mrs. Barbara Dhillon (nee Mansbridge) is in India with her husband, Dr. B. S. Dhillon.

Michael McCaughey, after passing out of Hull Nautical Training College, obtained a position with the Silver Line and has travelled round the world.

Winifred R. Short is in Peru doing Missionary Work.

Terence Ladlow has taken up a teaching post at St. Paul's Primary School, Winchmore Hill, London.

William Stables has been appointed organist and choirmaster at Brampton Parish Church in place of Terence Ladlow.

George Kay, home from research work in Rhodesia, is returning to University for a further research course.

Corporal Malcolm Hinchcliffe is in Adelaide, engaged on work concerning guided missiles.

Janet E. Gray is teaching children of R.A.F. personnel in Singapore.

Dr. Roy Barker M.B., Ch.B., has gone to take up a private practice in Saskatchewan, with his wife and year old daughter.

The Rev. and Mrs. Erickson (Joan Parkin) have left their Church in America for the Mission Field in Formosa.

David Kirk, Ph.D., is Senior Lecturer in Metallurgy at Lancaster College, Coventry.

Harry Mack has a two years contract as Seismologist with Shell Mex Co., in Nigeria.

Eileen Garfitt is teaching at Heanor Grammar School.

Colin Booth has returned with his wife (Pat Winch) and their three children from California, and has a Lectureship at Manchester University.

Jill Bedford has a teaching post with the British Forces in Germany.

Donald Barnes is Senior French Master at the Acklam Hall Grammar School, Middlesborough.

Christopher Smith is taking up a teaching post at Bishops Stortford.

Marjorie Carr is Manageress of the Co-operative Pharmacy at Maltby.

## MARRIAGES

A. H. Briggs to Doreen Wood (W.G.S.).  
Christopher J. C. Petrie to Ann Young (W.G.S.).  
Donald H. Wade (W.G.S.) to Ann B. Sanderson (Staff W.G.S.).  
Barry Hooper (W.G.S.) to Janet Wood (W.G.S.).  
John D. Potts to Judith Fowler (W.G.S.).  
Jack A. Good to Janet Jenkinson (W.G.S.).  
Michael Warren (W.G.S.) to Sheila Cutts (W.G.S.).  
Barry Atkinson to Shirley A. Hallatt (W.G.S.).  
Gerard Murphy to Vilma Bailey (W.G.S.).  
Geoffrey Scherdel (W.G.S.) to Patricia Carby (W.G.S.).  
Peter Silcock (W.G.S.) to Pauline Turner (W.G.S.).  
Alan J. Mount to Thelma Fellows (W.G.S.).  
David Coster (W.G.S.) to Barbara Hutchinson.  
Anthony Uttley to Vera Coster (W.G.S.).  
Michael C. Shelton to Jean Atkin (W.G.S.).  
John B. Fennell (W.G.S.) to Patricia Ashmore.  
David Watson to Pamela Jenkinson (W.G.S.).  
Ronald Lee to Doreen Poulton (W.G.S.).

## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. B. Oldfield—a son.  
Dr. and Mrs. Dhillon (Barbara Mansbridge)—a second son.  
Mr. and Mrs. Beale (Miss Cornish)—a second daughter.  
Dr. and Mrs. D. Lightley—a daughter.  
Mr. and Mrs. Taylor (Margaret Richards)—a daughter.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. Gosling (Pauline Gregory)—a son.  
Mr. and Mrs. Mattock (June Hill)—a second son.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. Hooper (Mary Wilkinson)—a son.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. Hooper—a son.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith—a son.  
Mr. and Mrs. Thorpe (Mary Swift)—a daughter.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. Higgs (Miss Baldwin)—a son.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gledhall (Mavis Hickling)—a daughter.  
Mr. and Mrs. P. Birkhead—a second son.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walker (Alice Wood)—a daughter.  
Mr. and Mrs. D. Palmer (Staff)—a daughter.  
Mr. and Mrs. Downes (M. Bailey)—a daughter.

## DEATHS

We record with regret the death of the following Old Wathonians.  
George Guest (W.G.S. 1923—26).  
Frederick M. Scholey (W.G.S. 1925—28).  
Hilda A. Picton (nee Rhodes) (W.G.S. 1928—35).

## OLD WATHONIANS' RUGBY CLUB

This summer the Old Boys have been running two XV's with extremely full fixture lists for both sides. Although a 2nd team was in being last season, a lot of the fixtures were cancelled at the last moment. Indeed for a long period the team were without a fixture at all, and it says much for the keenness of the players, that they turned up Saturday after Saturday and still did not enjoy a game of football.

This season, however, the picture is entirely different with a game every Saturday (weather permitting) for two sides. A glance at the playing records will show with what success the teams are meeting:—

### 1st XV.

Played 13, Won 9, Drawn 1, Lost 3, Points For 168, Against 73.

### 2nd XV.

Played 13, Won 11, Drawn 0, Lost 2, Points For 209, Against 47.

The club were unfortunately knocked out of the Yorkshire Cup in the 3rd round, when Selby were the winners of a close game by 3 points to nil. Therefore, since to enter the Shield competition one must win the 5th round Cup competition, retention of the Yorkshire Shield, which the club won last season, is no longer possible. However, the season is going well, and new and stronger fixtures are beginning to appear on the fixture cards.

Many new players have come along this season, and some older faces have come back to take up the game where they left off.

Derek Jackson is rapidly finding his place in the 1st XV at centre, whilst in the 2nd XV two other players straight from school, Kevin Taylor and David Lomax, are among its brightest prospects.

We were pleased to re-welcome Barry Wood, Harry Royston, Phil Ulyyott and Brian Law into our ranks.

I would like to end with an appeal to all the players still at School (and those who think they have retired) to come along and join us. A growing club needs an abundant supply of players, and we are if nothing else attempting to grow.

G. G. ROBINSON.

## G.C.E. RESULTS

### Passes at Advanced Level:

U.6A—Beazley, H. (4), Hamilton, J. (4), Hinchliffe, J. (4), Jones, H. (1), Lomax, D. (1), Martin, C. (3), Pears, C. (3), Robertson, D. (2), Smith, R. (4), Taylor, K. (3), Chrith Andrews (2), Ann Cropper (3), Catherine Fletcher (4), Rita Grewcock (4), Iva Hyde (4), Margaret Kirkham (2), Diana Marvin (2), Janet Phillips (4), Jill Richardson (2), Christine Shillito (2), Gail Smith (2), Leonie Smith (3), Jean Wilcock (4).

U.6B—Gill, I. (3), Short, J. (4), Irene Birkinshaw (2), Wendy Booth (2), Katherine Crossfield (2), Carol Dove (2), Annette Hall (2), Catherine Morley (3), Susan Pears (1), Ann Rawsthorne (3) Janet Roebuck (3).

U.6C—Ford, R. (2), Grainger, J. (1), Watkin, G. (2), Betty Allott (1), Patricia Burrows (2), Beryl Chafen (2), Marie Clarke (1), Rita Hollingworth (2), Patricia Palmer (2), Noreen Salmon (1), Diane White (3), Lesley Whitfield (1).

U.6D—Baldwin, A. (3), Broadbent, B. (2), Guest, L. (2), Harris, J. (2), Hedges, H. (3), Hunsley, P. (2), Littlewood, L. (3), Marriott, I. (1), Mellor, R. (4), Payne, D. (3), Robson, J. B. (2), Sergeant, D. (2), West, A. (3), Williamson, R. (3), Winder, K. (1), Wood, B. (4), Patricia Bassindale (1), Jennifer Young (3).

U.6E—Clegg, D. (2), Clegg, J. (3), Hammonds, J. C. (4), Harlow, E. (3), Marshall, E. (3), Pearce, J. (3), Wiles, R. (1), Monica Holden (3), Sandra Peace (3).

U.6F—Adams, K. (1), Atkinson, M. (1), Crane, M. (1), Deakin, K. (2), Dearden, I. (1), Dunbar, J. (1), Goodwin, P. (1), Hallows, G. (2), Harper, G. (3), Harrison, G. (3), Johnson, I. (3), McNally, J. (3), Parkin, B. (3), Power, S. (3), Trickett, B. (2) Walford, R. (2).

**State Scholarships**—Janet Roebuck, Hammonds, J. C.

**Miners' Welfare Scholarships**—Sandra Peace, Harrison, G.

**Deeks Memorial Prize for English Literature**—Janet Roebuck.



**John Ritchie Memorial Prize for Science**—Hammonds, J. C.

**Passes at Ordinary Level** (Successes last year in Form 4 are indicated thus—  
+1, +2 etc.)

- 5A—Carter, J. (4), Humble, B. (2+3), Ibberson, D. (6+1), Mellard, K. (4+3), Mitchell, D. (4+1), Patrick, D. (5+2), Randerson, I. (4+3), Ratcliffe, J. (5+1), Smith, I. (4+2), C. Abrams (5+1), S. Anstess (4+1), M. Barker (5+2), S. Colclough (5+1), M. Collier (5+2), E. Cunningham (6), P. Davidson (4+1), E. Foster (4), S. Gladstone (4), J. Glover (5+3), B. Hillery (6+1), A. Little (5+2), J. Lowther (5+2), R. O'Brien (4+2), J. Pattison (6+1), S. Payling (5+2), P. Shaw (5+1), L. Smith (5+2), K. Taylor (4+2), K. Vickers (4+1), M. Williams (4+1), P. Willoughby (5+3).
- 5B—Burgin, A. (3), Duke (1+1), Edwards, J. (3+2), Johnson, D. R. (4+2), Lacey, J. (2+1), Shepherd, B. (5+1), Scroggins, P. (2+4), C. Callaghan (1+1), M. Callear (3+1), A. Chambers (2), C. Clark (2), V. Crow (2), M. Dawson (1), G. Daykin (5), S. Denton (4), M. Farrow (2+1), J. Graham (2), J. Gyte (1+1), J. Harrison (6+1), B. Hill (3+1), J. Hoult (1+1), M. Hurrell (4+1), S. Jackson (3+2), C. Jessop (6+1), P. Lockyer (2+1), M. Mellor (6+1), M. Muirhead (3+2), S. Newell (4+3), I. Robinson (1+2).
- 5C—Ainscough, D. (5), Atkin, D. (4), Chadwick, D. (4), Hays, D. (5), Haywood, M. (2+1), Sykes, B. (6), J. Athey (3), L. Ball (6+1), C. Brown (7+1), G. Deakin (7), J. Eyre (2), J. Finney (3), P. George (2), J. Griffiths (4+1), J. Hill (3), P. Hunsley (4), C. Ingman (1), H. Jones (4), J. Milthorpe (1), W. Norman (4), B. Oliver (2), J. Ocroft (1), M. Rowson (2), J. Upton (4), E. Varney (3), L. Vaughan (6), M. Wood (5), J. Young (2).
- 5D—Baldwin, C. (5), Barass, J. (5), Beaver, W. (6), Chambers, J. (5+1), Chappell, M. (4), Chetter, A. (6+1), Cowles, J. (5), Dainty, D. (4+1), Dams, B. (4+1), Fairley, J. (3+1), French, E. (5), Goodwin, D. (4), Hammonds, R. (7), Hayes, J. (8), Hodgson, J. (5+1), Lakin, P. (4), Maxwell, R. (7), Moralee, J. (4+1), Skeldon, N. (6+1), Story, L. (4+1), Whale, M. (7+1), Whiteley, J. (4), Wicks, F. (1+1), E. Dunkley (5+1), A. Fretwell (5+1), C. Hambleton (3), J. Happs (4), P. Ladlow (5), A. Ryder (4), R. Simms (7+1), P. Steel (3).
- 5E—Auckland, P. (5), Bailey, G. (5), Beighton, H. (3), Calvert, C. (6), Greaves, B. (2), Gregory, J. (6), Morton, W. (2), Nadin, K. (3), Pearson, G. (3), Richardson, A. (4), Sloss, D. (5), Stott, D. (4), Wainwright, J. (4), Walker, P. (6), Yates, G. (6), S. Brett (6), P. Logan (2), C. Parkin (4), J. Roebeck (5), P. Spooner (5), W. Vickers (1), C. Woolley (2).
- 5F—Bluff, D. (2+1), Brown, C. (2), Proctor, D. (1), Wilcock, E. (2), N. Calvert (2), J. Davies (1), J. Dowd (2), B. Evans (4), V. Goodall (1), C. Hellewell (1), P. Hipwell (4), D. Kay (1), S. Lowe (5+1), M. Matthews (4+1), J. Rodwell (1), J. Rowley (2), J. Shaw (4), J. Unstead (2+1), T. Walford (3), I. Wall (3), J. Williams (5).
- 4A—Green, J. (8), Grimshaw, T. (4), Littlewood, B. (4), C. Cartledge (3), J. Forbes (3), J. Lakin (3), S. McCue (3), J. Mellor (3), L. Morton (3), B. Woodyatt (4).
- 4D—Crampton, C. (7), Lloyd, J. (5), Walton, A. (4), B. Maxwell (6).  
Also 80 passes were obtained by pupils of the 4th Form.

**Best Result at 'O' Level:—**

Boys—J. Green (4A)

Girls—L. Smith (5A)

Members of the 6th Form going to University or Training College (T.C.).

- U.6A—Beazley, H. (Sandhurst), Hinchliffe, J. (Nottingham), Hamilton, J. (Leeds), Martin, C. (Exeter), Smith, R. (King's College, Newcastle), C. Andrews (Stockwell 1.C.), C. Fletcher (Sheffield College of Commerce), R. Grewcock (Birmingham), I. Hyde (Nottingham), D. Marvin (Nonington T. C.), V. Oughton (Hereford T.C.), J. Phillips (Birmingham), J. Richardson (Nottingham), L. Smith (Sheffield College of Commerce), J. Willcock (Nottingham 1962).

- U.6B—Short, J. (Bradford College of Technology). I. Birkinshaw (Retford T.C.), W. Booth (Scarborough T.C.) P. Childs (Stockwell T.C.), K. Crossfield (St. Catherine's T.C. London), C. Dove (Ormskirk T.C.), A. Hall (Shenstone T.C.) S. Pears (Sheffield College of Commerce), A. Rawsthorne (Didsbury T.C.), J. Roebuck (Cardiff).
- U.6C—Ford, R. (Dudley T.C.), Grainger, J. (Bath T.C.), Watkin, G. (St. Paul's T.C. Cheltenham), B. Allott (Kesteven T.C.), M. Brooks (Hereford T.C.). P. Burrows (Bletchley T.C.), B. Chafen (Southlands T.C.), M. Clarke (Whitelands T.C.), Rita Hollingsworth (Alsager T.C.), P. Palmer (Leicester T.C.), N. Salmon (Kesteven T.C.), A. Webster (Belfast T.C.), D. White (Sheffield College of Commerce), B. Woodhouse (Bingley T.C.).
- U.6D—Baldwin, A. (Sheffield), Broadbent, B. (Manchester), Guest, L. Bradford College of Technology), Littlewood, L. (Northampton College of Technology), Mellar, R. (Nottingham), Payne, D. (Manchester). Sergeant, D. (Sheffield College of Technology), Williamson, R. (Northampton College of Technology), Wood, B. (Bristol).
- U.6E—Hammonds, J. C. (Cambridge), Harlow, E. (University College, London) Pearce, J. (Liverpool), M. Holden (Liverpool), S. Peace (Liverpool).
- U.6F—Adams, K. (Avery Hill T.C.), Hallows, G. (York T.C.), Harrison, G. (Leicester), Johnson, I. (York T.C.), Trickett, B. (City of Birmingham T.C.). Clegg, J. (Leeds), McNally, J. (Leicester), Parkin, B. (Manchester), Power, S. (Alsager T.C.), Waltord, R. A. (Sheffield).
- L.6C—L. Firth (Norwich T.C.).

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