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## EDITORIAL

In our seat of learning, we are, as is well-known and is becoming increasingly obvious, an extremely large and constantly expanding community. Yet being a relatively closely knit group we are a strong body with our own opinions and ideas. We are not just another product off an assembly line, but an ever-changing collection of individualists. Observing and respecting our traditions official and unofficial, we have also no doubt developed our idiosyncrasies and oddities. However, we are not without our successes. That our predecessors have demonstrated the truth of this in many far-flung places and in a variety of professions may be learnt from the Old Wathonian notes in this issue. Our School then is one of character and personality; even the less enthusiastic amongst our number cannot help but feel pride in our achievements and standing. We claim this in no boastful spirit and with no intention of resting on our laurels.

This attitude is not the prerogative of the Grammar School but is also found in Technical and Secondary Modern Schools. Their system is different from ours but nevertheless is complex and rich in ideals and traditions. They have their successes in their fields as we in ours, and play an integral part in our country today.

Apart, these systems thrive and are as ships in full sail.

Neither we nor these our sister schools would face the prospect of closure without the acutest regret and frustration at the loss of our identity and traditions. By imagining how we should feel, we realise something of what must be felt in Woodhouse Grammar School and the neighbouring Secondary Schools now that they are to lose their identity. What we feel about our School applies equally well to them. Woodhouse Grammar School, known to us chiefly through their magazine, is our honoured friend and rival. We express our sympathy and mourn their loss.

Unfortunately the year has been clouded by the death of Mr. W. L. C. Pratt in March after a long illness. Mr. Pratt was a well-loved member of the staff and the crowded service held in Wath Parish Church on Saturday 26th March showed something of the high esteem in which he was held by former pupils and friends.

The death occurred in Lancaster in July of a former member of the staff, Mr. J. Black, who taught at Wath Grammar School for over twenty years, and was for twelve years Roman House Master.

We extend our best wishes to the four members of staff who left us this year; to Miss Jaques now married and living in Batley, to Mr. Bainbridge, now teaching in Aden and to Mrs. Robson and Mr. Hudson.

Owing to a shortage of staff the school had the temporary assistance of Messrs. Gittins, Robinson and Rudnic, to whom we send our best wishes.

We welcome to the school Miss Buckley, Mrs. Goulding, our first matron, and Miss Wrennall, Messrs. Lawson, Parkin, Swift and Taylor, A. J. and hope that their stay in the school will be a happy one.

Mr. Wilkinson has now become senior master in succession to Mr. Pratt.

This year saw the innovation, in July, of a School Open Day, which was probably a result of the widespread interest and support which was given to the School Carol Service. A gym display, concert and art exhibition revealed to parents the standard which is reached in some of the more practical of our activities.

The Deeks Trophy competition this year once again took the form of a mime, an art display, and musical items by each house. The subject of the mime was "A Family at the Seaside" and the musical items had as their theme "The Sea." For the art display each house chose its own subject.

Three separate exhibitions of art by former pupils have been held in the foyer of the hall and each has aroused a great deal of interest. They were the work of Margaret Sanderson, T. Atkinson and A. Dunn.

Once again a display of Puffin, Penguin and Pelican books was held during the week of the school play. Judging by the large number of purchases, this second venture, in surpassing last year's, proves that the experiment should become an established part of the School's annual programme.

The two Dramatic Society plays this year were the School's contribution to the West Riding International Theatre Month. The first, "The Farce of the Worthy Master Pierre Patelin," an adaptation by Mr. Hammond from a French mediaeval play, provided a light-hearted contrast to the second play, Anouilh's "Antigone." In

both plays the actors caught the spirit of the piece extremely well—but it was "Antigone" which provided the most exacting test of their skill, and which produced the most spirited acting. The imagination and understanding with which the actors played their parts, aided by their good diction created, especially during the emotional scenes, an atmosphere which was almost electric. All who took part in the plays deserve the warmest congratulations on their really first class performance.

Earlier in the year, the staff performed two Shaw plays: "Androcles and the Lion" and "Poison, Passion and Petrification." The high standard set by previous productions was fully maintained and the performances were enjoyed by large and appreciative audiences.

Throughout the year, several visits have been paid to the theatre. In January a party visited Sheffield Playhouse to see "Twelfth Night," in February Leeds to see "The Merchant of Venice" and in October Doncaster to see Moliere's "Imaginary Invalid" and Oakwood Technical School to see two French plays.

In February a party attended a lecture in Leeds given by Signor Danilo Dolci whose aim was to gain financial and moral support for his work amongst the poor of Sicily.

Several members of the sixth form took part in a Spanish competition at Sheffield, in which Janet Phillips and A. Dobson won prizes last year. Another visit was to the S.C.M. conference in Mexborough Grammar School where Mr. C. M. Jones of Leeds University spoke impressively on "Science and Religion."

In July, when the School was entertaining a number of German and French guests, excursions into Derbyshire, to York, to Knaresborough and to local industries were organised.

During the summer holidays a party from School visited the Riviera.

Throughout the year the School has been busy with its own contribution towards the World Refugee Year. A refugee fund was opened into which each pupil paid one penny a week. With the money we have undertaken to maintain a thirteen year old boy, Stanislav Senczak, in England for a year, and to pay for his education. The girls also are making a further contribution by kitting squares which are sewn together to make blankets.

We would like to offer our most hearty congratulations to Peggy Sanderson and to Ian Walker on their award of research fellowships in the U.S.A., to Ratcliffe, who in January was selected to play for the North of England Under Fifteen XV against the Midlands XV, and to Blythe, Ibbotson and Short who played for South Yorkshire Schoolboys.

Walker, Cowan, Cousins and Newton were chosen to play in the South Yorkshire Under Fifteen XV against Merseyside, and Newton was recommended for a North of England trial.

This year we had little success in athletics. After two years of holding the Inter Schools Sports shield we were forced, despite many worthy performances, to relinquish it and to fill a modest fourth place.

In July we again enjoyed a concert by the West Riding Orchestra. In November a Careers Convention, arranged by the Mexborough Youth Employment Officers, was held. Nearly sixty professional people gave their valuable advice on careers to fifth and sixth form pupils and their parents. A visit of the Youth Theatre which performed "The Story of Elizabeth Fry" in the round was thoroughly enjoyed by the junior school—especially those who played a small part in it.

The editors are grateful for the large number of useful magazine contributions sent in this year and are only sorry they cannot include more of them.

Those who only knew Mr. Pratt at School and in recent years will fail to appreciate the fulness and richness of his life. He was essentially a practical man, finding his fulfilment in action, and attaining the wisdom peculiar to craftsmen.

He was the first member of Staff to run a car, largely because he had the patience and skill to master the idiosyncrasies of a machine that would now be a museum-piece. In those early, happy, impecunious days he was for ever making things for his home, or using his skill in the homes of others. At the house in Burman Road there was always a cheerful welcome, exuberant from Mrs. Pratt, less articulate but none the less genuine from him, for his young colleagues, who borrowed extensively from that remarkable library of thrillers that occupied so large a part of the living room walls. It was in character too, that one might, on calling, find him making jam or pickle.

His skills were used unstintingly at School. Under his guidance the School Choir came into existence and gave many successful concerts, including such ambitious pieces as "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast." There was also the formation of a Staff Madrigal Group, no mean achievement with our comparatively small numbers.

One remembers meeting him, with Mrs. Pratt of course, on the Penistone Moors with a horde of Spartans. In those days the Houses were small enough to enjoy outings. Before the School was converted to Rugby we were all (yes, "all") in the Staff Soccer Team, but Mr. Pratt's skill was used to better advantage on the cricket field where his wicket-keeping was respected and his steady bowling an asset to his side.

During the war he was naturally the moving force in the formation of the School Air Training Corps,—"naturally" because in the First World War he had trained with the early Air Force and he had brought back to civilian life a savour of the dash of what was then a new and romantic venture which had not yet become just another Service. In the A.T.C. he was the officer who really looked the part.



W. L. C. PRATT

Later there came his activities with the National Savings Movement, in Wartime a series of hectic "weeks" entailing long preparation and in peace the thankless plugging of a routine service which had lost its urgent appeal but was none the less a National necessity. There came too the development of his interest in photography. Besides running a successful School Photographic Society, he was a keen practitioner himself, becoming President of the Rotherham Photographic Society. As might be expected his work here was noteworthy for the soundness of its craftsmanship.

Perhaps I may be permitted a last personal recollection. It is of the pleasure of many explorations in that remarkable little first car. Here was quiet, cheerful and wise fellowship, and here too one enjoyed the skill of the craftsman which inspired confidence.

## HOUSE NOTES

### ATHENS



*House Captains* : Susan Pears, D. Payne.

*Games Captains* :

*Senior*—Carol Dove, P. Littlewood.

*Junior*—Patricia Waller, R. Burgin.

*Magazine Representatives* : Marie Clarke,  
H. Jones.

Co-operation! This is to be the Athenian theme from now on. Led by a new House Master and Mistress, we are spurred on to much more vigorous effort and teamwork.

We have made a slight improvement, being placed an encouraging third in the Work Cup. We even gained second place in the Cross-Country. Despite the enthusiasm of the teams we came only fourth in the Sports and Summer Games Cups. We reverted, however, to our time-honoured position of fifth in the Winter Games Cup—no doubt because of the customary hibernation of certain Athenians. We also achieved this modest position in the Swimming Gala and, after a struggle, in the Deeks Trophy. However, this term the senior boys have astounded themselves by two victories on the rugby field.

We were very sorry to lose Miss Jaques, who had proved a tireless worker for the house, and Mr. Smith, who resigned his position as house-master after twenty years splendid service to the house. We would like to extend a welcome to their successors, Miss Rawson and Mr. White and thank them for the valuable work they have already done. To Miss Jaques we send our most cordial good wishes for her success and happiness in her new sphere.

A welcome is also extended to Miss Haguc, Mr. Parkin and Mr. Taylor, and all other new Athenians. We sincerely hope they will be happy as members of Athens.

### CARTHAGE



*House Captains* : Pat Palmer, Hinchliffe, J.

*Games Captains* :

*Senior*—Barbara Richardson, Knight, K.

*Junior*—Valerie Johnson, Ingamells, C.

*Magazine Representatives* :

Wendy Booth, Watkin, G. P.

This year Carthage again revealed their prowess on the games field by their success in the Winter Games Cup and the Sports Cup which was won with a margin of over 100 points.

This term we have not yet lost any matches and so perhaps Carthage will again be victorious in the Winter Games.



It would seem that last year's success in the Work Cup placed too much strain on some Carthaginians as this year success has once again eluded us.

In the Decks Trophy Competition, the Swimming Gala and the Summer Games our endeavours were not so successful. Maybe next year with a little extra effort we shall triumph and prove the might of Carthage.

In welcoming new members to the house we hope that they will happily and readily give all possible help to our very able and hard-working House Staff, to whom we extend our sincere thanks.

We were sorry to lose Mr. Bainbridge who has taken a teaching post in Aden. We would like to take this opportunity of expressing our gratitude to him for all his help and guidance in the past.

Miss Edge has been succeeded by Miss Oates as our Senior House Mistress. We welcome Miss Wrennall and Mr. Greig and hope that their stay with us will be a long and happy one.

Finally, Carthaginians, work hard, play hard, and help to sustain and extend the ancient glories of Carthage.

W.B.

## ROME

*House Captains:* Annette Hall, Beazley, H.G.

*Games Captains:*

*Senior*—Vivienne Oscroft, Richards, P.

*Junior*—Eileen Brierly, Hamby, P.

*Magazine Representatives:*

Ann Rawsthorne, Hamilton, J.

Despite the lack of fifth formers at the House Party, it proved an exceptional success, and the new system, whereby the party ended at 9.0 p.m. met with general approval.

However, in the Winter Games, Romans did not continue their success, for once more the cup escaped our grasp, albeit that effort on the part of the team members was certainly not lacking. Rome did achieve third place in the Decks Trophy Competition, yet a little more effort in the attendance of practices would raise the position.

Unfortunately, owing to the fondness of the boys for working at School on Saturday mornings, Rome was placed an ignominious fourth in the Work Cup. Fuller membership of School Societies would help if Romans are to redeem their former position. Despite a full team in the Swimming Gala, Rome failed to achieve her former triumph, obtaining only fourth position.

Finally, we thank Miss Searle and Miss Sanderson for their excellent service for the House and also Mr. Gilligan, and wish them every success in their new term of office.

Let us hope that in the coming year Rome can strive to maintain her position in both academic and sporting pursuits.



## SPARTA



*House Captains:* Beryl Chafen, Dearden, I. A.

*Games Captains :*

*Seniors*—Anne Webster, Clegg, D. M.

*Juniors*—Jacqueline Dawson,  
Dodson, M.

*Magazine Representatives :*

Morva Hartley, Ford, R. A.

On the whole this has been a very successful year for Sparta, for we have won not only the Swimming Gala and the Summer Games Cup, but the Work Cup is, once again, adorned with the Spartan ribbon. We were second in the Winter Games and only in the Cross Country were we placed below the first or second position. The house matches this term too, have on the whole been a success, the junior girls winning all their matches, the seniors losing their second match to Troy. Although the senior boys lost both their matches, the juniors made up for these defeats by gaining two resounding victories over Troy and Thebes.

Owing to a rallying of many Spartans, we again won the Deeks Trophy, a fitting result for all our hard work.

We are now preparing for our next house party and hope it will be as successful as the last.

Finally to those Spartans who have left, we wish every success and happiness. To all newcomers we extend a sincere welcome, and hope that they will maintain the high level of ability that we have come to expect from Spartans.

## THEBES



*House Captains :* Carol King, P. Snowdon.

*Games Captains :*

*Girls*—Susan Blackburn.

*Boys*—P. Wroc.

*Magazine Representatives :*

Alison Jarvis, C. Taylor.

All Thebans give a warm welcome to Miss. Buckley.

In the Autumn Term the Christmas Party went very well and in Summer we also enjoyed a trip into Derbyshire.

We took part in the Deeks Trophy Competition and, although the adjudicators did not place us, our contributions were commended. In fact our Mime was one of the two chosen for public performance in the Open Evening in July when several Theban girls also appeared in the Gym Display.

At the School Sports and Swimming Gala we entered for the junior and middle events, winning several of them. Although we are a small house, we have now raised rounders, hockey and rugby teams. Altogether this has been a very successful and eventful year for Thebes owing to the determination and enthusiasm of so many individual members of the house.

## TROY



*House Captains :* Jennifer Young, West, A.

*Vice Captains :* Pat Bassindale, Hedges, H.

*Games Captains :*

*Seniors*—Rita Hollingworth, Lomax, D.

*Juniors*—Hazel Simpson, Adams, D.

*Magazine Representatives :*

Pat Bassindale, Mellor, R.

The last few years have seen a better spirit arise in Troy. The Seniors have given an excellent lead to the Juniors and have been active in the running of the house. Despite this enthusiasm, however, we failed to get our hands on the Work Cup.

In the Winter Games, the Senior boys were knocked out of the rugby competition in the first round, whereas the girls did rather better in their hockey matches and gained second position. This place was held in the Summer Games, whilst in the Swimming Gala, Troy once more came a very close second. Even though our efforts in the Sports were top class, we had to be content with winning third place.

In the cross-country Troy really excelled. The first Trojan runner in was seventh in the whole field but the rest of the Trojan contingent came in so close-packed that we were able to show a clean pair of heels to the other houses and win the cup.

An even more marked spirit of team effort showed in the Deeks Trophy Competition, especially in the Arts section where the chosen theme was "Spiders," the judges having no choice but to make Troy the winner. Despite our magnificent efforts in this section, another house managed to rob us of first place by a negligible margin.

For the year 1960/61, a Trojan, namely Short, has been elected Head Boy.

Let us hope that Troy will continue to produce members worthy of their house and once again will become successful and united.

## SOCIETIES AND CLUBS

### DISCUSSION GROUP

This year, our meetings have taken more varied forms than ever before. In fact very few papers have been given by pupils—but we hope that this fault will soon be remedied.

Most of the talks have been given by guest-speakers who spoke on topics as varied as "Local Government" and "Crime and Punishment."

Mr. Flux came along to tell us of his experiences in America, and, at a later meeting, Mr. Mowbray recounted his experiences in Russia. Both these talks were illustrated by colour-slides which the speakers kindly brought along.

At one meeting, we had the privilege of hearing the views of two headmasters—Mr. G. Gunner of Rotherham Grammar School and Dr. Saffell—on Co-education.

Many members of the staff have contributed to our group, with talks on such topics as "Poverty in the Modern World" by Mr. Palmer, and "Bird-watching" by Mr. Leeson, who illustrated his talk by his own excellent paintings.

During the year we have been more than a "Discussion Group," since we have had a formal debate on the motion that "The Age of Chivalry is dead," and a "Brains Trust."

This term, attendances at the meetings have been high but because of other school activities we have had fewer meetings.

R. SMITH (U6a).

### DRAMATIC SOCIETY



This year the Dramatic Society presented two plays for their annual entertainment. The first was "The Farce of the Worthy

Master Pierre Patelin" a medieval French comedy. This was followed by a new venture, "Antigone," a tragedy by Jean Anouilh. Although the younger members of the audience did not appreciate the latter, both plays were outstanding successes.

The farce proved to be very enjoyable at every rehearsal as well as at the performances. I am very sure that both actors and audience found "Antigone" well worth the weeks of arduous rehearsals.

It is remarkable how during the performances everyone proves to be a source of laughter. Many members of the cast as yet unscathed find the antics of someone else struggling into tights very amusing, and believe me they are. However, their charmed life does not last long and soon they are either sweating in tight, thick, heavy costumes or being made-up. The most amusing form of make-up is the beard. This consists of being plastered with some foul-smelling potion and then having a lump of very artificial hair stuck on to you. This combination dries as hard as concrete and is equally difficult to remove. Even after the last performance there are the photographs to provide amusement. These photographs show us as the audience saw us. No wonder they laughed.

I should like to end by expressing our utmost thanks to Mr. Hammond, to a new recruit Miss Wrennall, and Miss Searle, Mr. Readman, Mr. Needham and Miss Rawson who all helped to make this production a memorable one.

### THE CHOIR

There are now three occasions in the School year when the Choir makes its public appearances; they are on Speech Day, the Open Evening and the Carol Service.

On Speech Day the Choir sang two groups of songs, including "Bobby Shaftoe" arranged by J. Horton, "O, No John" arranged by E. H. Thiman, "Old Mother Hubbard" arranged by H. S. Robertson. We concluded with Mendelssohn's choral "Let All Men Praise the Lord." In addition "Blow the Wind Southerly" arranged as a quartet, was rendered by Ann Cropper, Beryl Chafen, Iva Hyde and Anne Webster.

In July, at the first "Open Evening" ever held in the School, a further and more varied programme included the items already performed on Speech Day, "Country Gardens" arranged by Henry Geehl and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach, as well as vocal duets and solos, piano duets and piano solos, performed by members drawn from the choir. We in turn were entertained by the School Orchestra, a trombone solo and by readings and verse-speaking both choral and solo.

Unfortunately our greatest moment does not strictly belong to this year's survey. Each year the Carol Service is held too late in December to be reported in the current edition of the Magazine. However, we must refer to the crowded and enthusiastic audience, who at the previous year's service showed its appreciation of our final item. "The Heavens are telling" from Haydn's "Creation" was so vigorously applauded that we responded with an encore.

By the time this report is published, another Carol Service will have come and gone. We eagerly await it with the knowledge that if it is as successful as last year's, our visitors, we ourselves and our outstanding conductor Mr. Davies will be amply rewarded.

BERYL CHAFEN (U6c)

### THE SCRIPTURE UNION

Perhaps as you have walked round school you have noticed various people wearing a badge with a lamp rather like Aladdin's on it. It is the badge of the Scripture Union. Why is the lamp on the badge? In Psalm 119 it says, "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my paths." The Lord Jesus Christ himself said. "I am the Light of the World," and it is in the Bible that we learn of Him.

In January we welcomed the support of Miss Hague and, more recently, in September, that of Miss Buckley also. Whilst we welcome new members, we would like to point out that really we have no members as all are welcome at our meetings and there are no special rules to be obeyed. The object in our meeting together is to find out more of what the Bible can teach us today.

It is not the aim of these meetings to replace church activities but to supplement them. Here you have the opportunity to ask and discuss questions with people of your own age who have many of your own interests, whereas it is often not possible to do this at Church or Chapel.

Finally, we would like to repeat our invitation to you to come to our meetings and to stress the fact that EVERYONE is welcome.

### THE GARDENING CLUB

The Gardening Club has flourished through the year despite a smaller membership at the beginning.

Our aim to supply the school with flowers was carried out on Speech Day when the hall was decorated with our own daffodils and other spring flowers from our bulb gardens.

In early Spring a low rose hedge was planted in the end garden to protect it in the coming winter.

The main event of the year was the garden competition, which was judged by Miss Knowles. We were glad that Mr. Williams was in school that day to renew his interest in the Club that he himself founded. Prizes of African violets were awarded to Lynn Noble and Barbara Maxwell (Science Block Gardens) and June Oscroft and Christine Heal (P.S. Block Gardens). In our gratitude we presented Miss Knowles with a bouquet of red carnations picked from our own garden.

The fruit garden produced a good crop of blackcurrants, but not as good a crop of strawberries as in previous years.

Now the membership has increased and we hope to have another good year.

J. OSCROFT.

## GUIDES

The year began again with the enrolment of enthusiastic guides. This spirit does not seem to have been lost for more badges than ever have been worked for and won. For the first time seven guides received their all-round cords, and Janet Harrison became our second Queen's Guide.

In October two of our guides were chosen to take part in a patrol leaders' training week-end at Thrybergh.

Several guides have enjoyed camping this year on the east coast. The majority of them were very disappointed when, at the last moment, we were informed that our camp in Wales was cancelled as our licenced guider was too ill to attend.

The guides this year have taken a keen interest in the Jubilee celebrations. We began by taking part in a large parade at Barnsley. We were all very proud when Wendy Booth was chosen to go to St. Paul's Cathedral as the Queen's Guide representative for this area in July. The highlights for us all was the South Yorkshire Division Jubilee Rally held on Doncaster Racecourse on July 9th. We took part in Displays showing the Guiding Movement and in the demonstrations of first aid.

On behalf of all guides I must thank Miss Jones and Mrs. Hague, who is also Captain of another company, for their valuable help during the past year.

JANET HARRISON.

## SCOUTS

During the past twelve months, the Scouts have done a great amount of work under the supervision of Messrs. Wilkinson, Lund, Hilton and Hill.

To start the year, the fourth form visited Parkgate steel foundry. However, back at school, more serious work was under way and mangled survivors of various accidents were being transported to the Maths II Infirmary.

The first and second forms under the guidance of Mr. Hilton and Harlow, have been exceptionally active this year and the seniors were delighted to see their enthusiasm in taking part in various projects.

The old men of the troop with Mr. "How-does-he-stand-'em" Lund, went to Netherside Hall near Pateley Bridge last Easter to prove that they could still maintain their old standard. Needless to say—they did.

Work has been done by both juniors and seniors at the Lady Mabel College, Wentworth, in repairing the boat house and making a rustic bridge.

At last the time came when we went to our annual camp, held this year at Whitbourne. Almost as soon as we arrived, various bridges were constructed and a contraption, intended to make the former obsolete, was abandoned when Mr. Lund took it for a diving stage. To end the camp, the troop was given various clues and asked to make a journey from them, taking note of any interesting landmarks. This, although nobody finished, was great fun.

Just before school started again, the troop was represented at Hesley Wood, when the Deputy Chief Scout, Sir Rob Lockhart,

visited the area. Here the patrol leaders entered a first-aid competition and, although we did not win, ours was by far the best method, since the patient suddenly jumped off the stretcher and walked half the distance.

Finally, on behalf of all the Scouts, I would like to thank all who have helped us in the past, including those who helped to make the Christmas social such a success.

A. CHETTER, 5D.

### MODEL CLUB

Earlier this term a school Model Club was formed under the supervision of Mr. Leeson and Mr. Lund. At one of our early meetings a committee was elected, one member representing each of the first four forms, and two for the fifth.

Our programme so far has consisted of a series of short talks on various forms of modelling, but aero-modelling appears to be the most popular.

Membership was thought to be dwindling until two competitions were proposed, one for plastic construction kits, the other for small gliders—a standard kit being proposed. Messrs. Leeson, Lund and Broadbent have accepted a challenge to construct such a glider. The competition should have taken place by the time the Magazine is printed.

The committee is Wood (first forms), Waterhouse (second forms), Wood (third forms), Hallows (fourth forms), Hammonds and French (fifth forms).

### CYCLING CLUB

The cycling club came into being in May of this year under the leadership of Mr. Leeson.

The first run was to Laneham Ferry on the River Trent. On the day of the run twenty enthusiastic cyclists assembled in Mexborough on machines of varying age and mechanical soundness. When, however, we reached the lanes to the south of Conisborough about ten members had either turned back or got lost. On the return journey a certain member of the club took us along a cart track and with a bunch of cycles close together, something was bound to go wrong. It did. One member suffered a buckled wheel but this was eventually straightened in a field gate.

The second run was rained off, but six particularly hardy members met at the rendezvous and decided to go on a run. They went north, covering about sixty-five miles in the rain.

Next came a run west to Derbyshire, taking in Castleton and the Ladybower reservoir.

At this point the summer holidays interrupted club activities.

The first run after the holiday went east to Keadby and then south by the side of the River Trent to Gainsboro.

The next outing included Knaresborough, Harrogate and Wetherby and with a distance of a hundred miles was our longest run.

The last run this term was through the Goole and Selby areas.

We would welcome any new members and would like to leave you with this thought—"BIKE IT, YOU'LL LIKE IT."

K. ADAMS, U6F.

J. PEARCE, U6E



## THE LIBRARY

This term the library has gladly welcomed the return of Miss Marks whose help and advice is invaluable in its successful administration.

Many new books have been obtained providing for all interests and tastes. These include, most of Hardy's novels, and important works by Graham Greene, Somerset Maugham, Kafka and Evelyn Waugh. For more serious study there are Macmillan's general "Science" book, and works by Bertrand Russell, including "History of Western Philosophy." Others on current affairs, as well as selections of Spanish and economics books, are now included in the library.

However, if full use is to be made of the library books, pupils must realize that they also have a part to play. The returning and correct method of taking books from the library must be remembered, if everyone is to benefit.

Our grateful thanks are also extended to Mr. Trueman and Miss Gray for the assistance they give and to other sixth formers who devote valuable time to ensure the successful running of the library.

LINDA FIRTH.  
JANET HARDY.

## NOTEWORTHY OCCASIONS

### SPEECH DAY

Speech Day was held on the 6th of April with Mrs. Mellor in the chair. The assembly was entertained by the newly-formed, smaller school choir, accompanied by L. Cooling, and a quartet consisting of Anne Cropper, Beryl Chafen, Iva Hyde and Anne Webster.

Dr. Saffell welcomed the guest speaker, the Rt. Rev. G. V. Gerard, assistant Bishop of Sheffield, saying that the Bishop's varied activities supported his belief that academic success was usually accompanied by a vigorous interest in activities in non-academic fields. Surveying the past year the Headmaster referred to the sad loss of Mr. Pratt's greatly valued services.

The increased difficulty in staffing the school was due to the large number of plans produced for the reorganising of secondary education in the area. The current and more pleasant problem, however, was to find room for all the pupils wishing to stay on in the sixth form. A sixth form course was now the rule rather than the exception and many of the pupils were now taking advantage of the fact that there was a wide range of careers open to them, with smaller numbers leaving to train as teachers. It was becoming more difficult to obtain places in Universities, especially for Arts students, as the demand had increased throughout the country, but the decline in applications for Training College was purely a local phenomenon.

Dr. Saffell then dealt with the improved examination results and said that, although the school was developing the abilities of the average pupil very well, he hoped to see the abler pupils attempting to gain higher awards. They were to be assisted in this by the introduction of a new course, taking 'O' level examinations in the fourth form, thus gaining a third year in the sixth form during which, having taken 'A' level, they could aim at an Open Scholarship to the Universities.

Warning the school against stagnation, Dr. Saffell asked for enthusiasm, the essential quality of the right kind of pupil. The pupil he wanted to produce was alert, interested, ambitious, self-reliant and had a sense of his social responsibilities. The anti-social body was, fortunately, small but supported by parents who condoned their children's shortcomings and refused to co-operate with the school. On the matter of discipline he said that it was easy to contact the parents of successful pupils but difficult to contact those from whom the most co-operation was required.

The Headmaster noted the contribution made by the School to the World Refugee Year Fund and praised its initiative in undertaking to sponsor the education of a refugee child. He concluded with his thanks to the Staff, the Head Boy and Girl, and the Governors for their help.

In a speech seasoned with amusing anecdotes and illustrations Bishop Gerard dealt with the lessons to be learnt in schools. Pupils should develop the talents which would help them overcome the obstacles of life but should refuse to tolerate injustice. Judgement and discernment must also be developed so that they could face the new tests of their times and distinguish right from wrong. He defended modern youth, saying that recent television portraits were a libellous distortion of the truth and in his opinion young people had changed very little. In conclusion he urged pupils to exercise their judgement in religion, which gave life cohesion, design and purpose.

Christine Willetts presented the speaker with a painting of a Wath scene. The vote of thanks, proposed by the Vicar of Wath, The Rev. J. H. Oxe, was seconded by Anne Dunkley, The Head Boy, Robert Straw, successfully requested the customary holiday and the proceedings closed with the singing of Blake's "Jerusalem."

JANET ROEBUCK.

#### OPEN DAY

On Tuesday, July 19th, 1960, we held our first "Open Day" in school, to give parents and friends some idea of the less academic side of school life.

There was an art exhibition featuring work from all sections of the school.

The school choir sang two groups of songs:—"Old Mother Hubbard," "O No John," and "Country Gardens" at their first appearance and "Jesu, joy of man's desiring," "The Old Woman," and "Let all men praise the Lord" at their second.

The school orchestra made a brief appearance, and there were several excellent solo items, including a trombone solo, a vocal duet and piano duet.

Two mimes, the best house entries selected from the Deeks Trophy competition were performed. These were produced by Sparta and Thebes, and proved very enjoyable. Their theme was "The family at the seaside."

Finally, there were the physical training displays. The boys' display consisted of a series of vaults, first individually and then in stream formation. An amusing highlight was the thief vault in which the legs preceded the body over the box. This raised amused

laughter from the audience. In the girls' display, each participant made her own modern gym sequence. Then they grouped themselves together and made another sequence, which included all the group. They finished their display with a flourish, with some excellent apparatus work.

Altogether the Open Day was a great success, which I hope will be repeated in the years to come.

### RIVIERA HOLIDAY

On Monday, August 22nd a party of excited and eager travellers set out for Newhaven via London. The cold dampness of the Channel soon froze our liveliness into a dumb response, but French soil excited our earlier interest in the scenery around us. Between sandwiches and chocolate bars we gaped through the dirty windows of the train at the country outside. We noticed the greatest differences between continental houses and scenery and their English counterparts.

Boulouris, three kilometres from St. Raphael, could not be judged until next morning after a night's deep sleep. "Le Manoir," our home for a week, accommodated University Students from various European countries. We slept in two-storeyed dormitories and ate, washed and showered (cold) out of doors.

The hot days were spent in swimming and for the less active members, who wished to impress families and friends at home, sunbathing was a popular occupation.

On other days we went on long excursions into the Alps, through magnificent gorges and round hairpin bends, to visit picturesque villages such as Gourdon, Eze, and St. Paul de Vence. We also made a visit to the world-famous perfumery at Grasse and to Vallauris, the workshop of Picasso, which was the target of fervent present-buyers for unsuspecting parents.

The most awe-inspiring parts of our holiday were the visits to Monaco, Nice and Cannes, where the wealthy yacht-owners were no doubt more than a little surprised to see a 'bus-load of people singing "I do like to be beside the seaside."

To further already-friendly international relationships a fancy-dress ball entitled "Around the World in Eighty minutes" was held, at which two strange figures from outer space arrived (later discovered as Mr. and Mrs. Palmer !) The various countries revealed their natural talents in entertaining but were overawed by our proficient rendering of "Ilkley Moor baht 'at."

Our consolation for leaving was a short stay in Paris, where we paid visits to the Sacre Coeur, Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe and the Louvre.

Montmartre, the home of world-famous night clubs such as the Moulin Rouge, is exactly as Toulouse-Lautrec interpreted it in his paintings.

Sadness invaded the party when we had to leave the narrow streets, wide boulevards and side-walk cafes that spell Paris. But then there is the consolation of the towering slag heaps, the clear canal and the illustrious School of Wath!

## THE FRENCH EXCHANGE VISIT—SUMMER 1960

Once again this year a party of pupils from Wath Grammar School took part in the Yorkshire-Lille French Exchange scheme. It proved yet again to be a great success and we all brought back many happy memories of the people and places we had grown to love so much.

The party left Sheffield at eleven-o'clock on 4th August with a long but enjoyable journey before it. The early-morning Channel-crossing was a romantic beginning to the three-week holiday with our correspondents.

Among the places visited were Paris, Reims, Mons and the Belgian capital, Brussels, where many permanent features of the 1958 exhibition can still be seen. One lucky member of the party visited not only France and Belgium but also Germany and Switzerland ; we islanders found it pleasing to visit other countries from one central point with considerably less difficulty.

We returned home with many varied impressions of the French and their way of life. The people seemed easy-going, friendly and talkative—a great help to those wishing to improve their grammar and accent. For the more hungry amongst us the food made a pleasant change from English recipes but to some the semi-raw meat was most distasteful.

Driving speedily along on the right-hand side of the narrow roads was rather alarming at first but the obvious remedy was to sit back and enjoy the scenery.

Three weeks of enjoyment passed very quickly but nevertheless we were happy to see England again although the rain greeted us !

MARGARET ROLLETT.

## THE GERMAN EXCHANGE—EASTER 1960

The German Exchange was the first we have ever participated in, and all who went feel that it was a tremendous success.

On Wednesday, April 13th we set off for Dortmund, where at about 6.0 the next morning we were met by our German hosts, and taken home.

Dortmund, an industrial city of about 600,000 inhabitants, is famous for its steelworks, and also its beer, which appeared very popular with some members of our party.

We found the German way of life very different from ours. Many of us lived in flats and indeed Dortmund consists largely of flats. The food, too, proved different, and usually quite enjoyable. Sausage, in a variety of shades and flavours, appears a firm favourite. The meals were very assorted and ample. We found our hosts very hospitable, and extremely interested in our way of life.

The day after our arrival we visited the Westfalenhalle and the Fernsehturm. Large scale exhibitions are held at the Westfalenhalle. When we visited it there was a flower exhibition taking place. From the top of the Fernsehturm we obtained a magnificent panorama of Dortmund.

We spent Easter with our German hosts, whose hospitality was conspicuous in the gifts they showered upon us. In some German homes, the old custom of searching for the eggs still prevails. The

parents hide the eggs in the house or garden, and after breakfast the younger members of the family search for them. Sometimes also, the Germans have "Easterfires" on Easter Saturday night.

On Easter Tuesday we set off for the school hostel near the tiny village of Tiefendorf. The hostel is very striking, set against dark pine woods and rolling hills. During our most enjoyable two days there we went for long, hilarious tramps in the surrounding countryside. We were very sorry to leave Tiefendorf, and who knows, if we had stayed longer we might even have acquired a taste for peppermint tea.

During the last week of the holiday we attended the German school, the very modern Aufbaugymnasium. We found the pupils of the school very helpful, as we were rather bewildered at first. The German pupils later observed that their teachers are much less familiar with them than ours. School begins at 7.45 and ends at 1.30. There are short breaks after each lesson, with a longer break after the fourth lesson. School is attended on Saturdays. The school has no uniform, and the pupils were rather surprised at ours.

We all enjoyed our holiday tremendously and extend our thanks to Mr. Smith and Miss Jones who made it all possible and who, we hope, enjoyed it as much as we did.

LINDA SMITH.  
CAROL ABRAMS.

### ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

CURFEW (With apologies to Gray)

The school bell tolls the end of parting day,  
The noisy crowd rush quickly out with glee,  
The master homeward plods his weary way,  
With thoughts upon a welcome cup of tea.

Beneath that tiled roof, that great hall's shade,  
The busy students plied their daily chores ;  
And for a brief respite oft have they prayed,  
From struggle with noun and adverb clause.

Now fade the big red buses from the sight,  
And all the school a sudden silence holds,  
Save where the cleaners strive with main and might,  
To rid the school of germs of coughs and colds.

HAZEL SIMPSON 3a.

"OUR FRIENDS" (with apologies to them all)

Misses S——n and O——

"Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these."

Mr. M——

"A man so various that he seemed to be  
Not one, but all mankind's epitome."

Mr. D——e

"His face was as the heavens, and therein stuck  
A sun and moon, which kept their course and lighted  
This little O, the earth."

Mr. S——

"Sagacious, bold and turbulent of wit,  
Restless, unfix'd in principles and place."

Mr. W——n

"I am not only witty in myself, but the cause that  
wit is in other men."

Dr. S——

"This was the noblest Roman of them all."

Mr. A——n

"Not old, but mellow like good wine."

Mr. G——n

"But when he meant to quail and shake the orb,  
He was as rattling thunder."

Mr. T——r

"——— I would make you shine  
Like your own trumpet. By the way, my own  
Has more of brass in it, and is as well blown."

#### AUTUMN UNDERFOOT

I could not buy a carpet rich as leaves,  
So thick and fine ;  
Wherein each colour surely weaves,  
Its own design.  
A thousand years have made this carpet rich,  
Yet one would say,  
To see the new gold spread on mound and ditch,  
'Twas laid today.

Trees in Autumn drop their leaves like tears,  
Upon the mound ;  
Till they lie deep and deeper through the years,  
As all grows old.  
We cannot change what nature made,  
Nor alter her design,  
But can in mind her treasure keep,  
Laid thick the earth to line.

ANN BUTTON 2f.

#### AUTUMN TIME

The dreary Autumn's here at last ;  
The children's playing nights are past ;  
No more rambling round the lanes—  
Only homework tasks, and indoor games.

Not much time to watch T.V.,  
But English, French, and Chemistry ;  
Hardly time to munch a bun,  
With Friday's art still to be done.

Just time to snatch a cup of tea,  
Then pack for lessons and P.T.  
Oh ! for Summer Time with sun,  
With light to play when homework's done.

ANNE SPURR, 2a.

## LAMENT ON THE FIFTH

Rocket, squibs, and golden-rain,  
Roman candle once again,  
In shop-windows through the glass,  
Lie to tempt us as we pass.

Shillings, pennies, ha'pennies, too,  
How we've saved to purchase you ;  
Saving them has been no joke,  
All tonight go up in smoke.

PETER REYNOLDS, *Id.*

## WHO ?

One day it might happen ;  
It might be quite soon ;  
A man from this planet  
Will go to the moon.  
Someone will launch him  
With three-two-one-zero,  
And he'll be the hero.  
His name or country ?  
I haven't a clue—  
He's growing up somewhere—  
It might be you.

P. HAGUE, *Id.*

## JOURNEY OF THE MAGI, 1960

The compass turned, the dials revolved,  
The wheels went round like turning days.  
We knew the place.  
We stopped and entered the council house,  
Our gifts with us—  
Uranium, Diana Dors, a mutilated dog—  
Most precious we could give.

Outside the house, our transport gone, we stood amazed.  
A hole gaped in the street by the concrete arc-lamp.  
It grew and widened.  
The strontium fell upon our heads.  
The cries of the dying assailed our ears.  
Ships came, liners steaming on dry land,  
Cars and tractors, machines and men.  
They entered.

The child said,  
"Cover them—cover—cover—  
I will create a clean world."  
And from the gaping sore of earth,  
A cornucopia of bloom.

C. A. MORLEY, U6b.

## THE VILLAGE UNDER THE CROSS

Everyone has heard of Oberammergau, a small Bavarian village nestling among the mountains, and of its unique Passion Play in which everyone in the village helps in some way towards the success of the production.

On the morning we had booked to see the play, we were awakened by the various tones of jangling cowbells as the cows went down the street to be milked. We dressed quickly, and after a breakfast of rolls and coffee set off for the theatre. As our house was at the end of the village farthest away from the theatre, we were able to see much of the straggling village on our way. We noticed two very attractive houses, one decorated with pictures of the story of Hansel and Gretel and the other of Red Riding Hood. We also passed the old church, which inside is most beautiful. There were many shops full of wood-carving and religious pictures. Almost all the men of the village had grown long hair and beards, and because boys also wore their hair long it was often hard to distinguish between boys and girls. After hiring cushions because the theatre seats are very hard, we hurried to our entrance of the enormous theatre, which seats over five thousand people, and were in our places by eight o'clock.

For the play no lighting, make-up, or stage trickery was used—only the minimum of stage properties and the obvious sincerity of the actors. The stage is open to the sky and so the players hope for fine weather. Before each scene came the Prologue and some superb singing, as well as a tableau from the Old Testament. The acting was excellent and the costumes harmoniously colourful. In the crowd scenes there were as many as five hundred people on the stage at once—men, women and children besides real animals and birds.

The play lasted about seven hours, with a break for lunch. The whole performance, especially towards the end, was very moving, and even at the end of such a long day the audience remained spellbound.

Later in the evening when we were going back to our lodgings, we looked up and saw a simple silver cross, suspended as if from nowhere, in the darkness. The next morning we were quite content to go quietly from Oberammergau to make room for another five thousand to see this unforgettable performance.

JANET BROWN, L6a.

## THE GUIDE DOG

Better than the best of friends  
He gives a love that never ends.  
Even while he sleeps, he dreams  
Of wooded walks and flowing streams,  
Where, on the morrow, he will guide  
The trusting blind man at his side.



He asks no pay for work well done,  
For him there is the love of one  
Whose life, he knows, lies in his care ;  
Whose joy and sorrow, both he'll share.  
Happy the man, for rich is he,  
Who has a dog to help him see.

MARGARET FORSTER, 4b.

### MY AMBITION

When school and college days are done  
A vet. I want to be :  
To deal with horses, cats and dogs  
Means all the world to me.

Each Saturday that comes along  
I get up straight away.  
No school clothes do I have to wear  
But riding-kit to-day.

In jacket, jodhpurs, boots and hat  
I saddle up my steed.  
We trot and walk to our content  
A happy pair indeed.

But some days, as a special treat,  
To Doncaster I go,  
And work among the dogs I love  
At a dogs' home that I know.

Large loaves of bread and meat to mince,  
Long walks for all the strays,  
Their kennels to be made quite clean  
Where they spend happy days.

But I'm only in the Second Form ;  
My dream's far off as yet,  
So in the meantime I must work  
That I may be a vet.

ANNE HARGREAVES, 2a.

### CHIMNEY POTS

What I really would prefer to see,  
When I look from my window are a tree  
And a river that's full and deep and wide,  
And meadows outstretched on the other side.

But if chimney pots are all I can see  
And I have to wait for the river and tree,  
I hope I shall have the sense to try  
To look around with a friendly eye

And remember that cities grimed and grey  
Were planned for beauty—but lost their way—  
And that under these roofs there are folks like me  
Who'd prefer a river, a field and a tree.

MARY MACHIN, 2c.

## THE MENACE

When tea is cleared, and homework done,  
And thoughts turn more to play and fun,  
With good intent we start to mount  
Those stamps, or p'raps begin to count  
The things we really *have* to do ;  
Our unfed pet, the dirty shoe . . .  
But if we're weak—and aren't we all ?  
That cursed box holds us in thrall.  
And so we sit each programme past,  
Hoping that we shall see at last  
Something much better than we've seen  
Upon that hypnotizing screen,  
Till bedtime comes and off we're shot.  
What satisfaction have we got  
Except this firm resolve I'd say  
To keep it switched off all next day ?

JUDITH LEESON, 2e.

## BULBS

Bulbs are in the shops again,  
Brown and dry and bare,  
Who'd believe that such delight  
Could be sleeping there ?

Hyacinths for fragrance,  
Daffodils for gold,  
Crocuses for colours  
Lovely to behold.

What a store of pleasure,  
Peace for tired eyes,  
Joy beyond all measure,  
In their sleeping beauty lies.

ANNE LITTLE, 5a.

## A HUMAN CORK

As the waves pound higher against the projecting rocks and the warning flag goes up, the beach becomes more crowded and the life-guard's job more precarious.

Surf-board upon surf-board is dragged into the sea and everyone wants to try it, each person remembering the instructions put forward by interfering friends who have "been doing it for years," or so they say.

The children's screams of delight and the teenagers' desperate attempt to overcome this difficult art all form a chaotic hubbub.

The art of surf-riding, practised at most resorts on the south west coast, is a great attraction but not many people return to their homes knowing that they can do it. Therefore, nowadays, the addition of planking, cushions (waterproof), chin pads, and oxygen tanks is advisable, if you want to return home with the knowledge that you have overcome the art of surf-riding and have been a human cork.

MARGARET BRAMHAM, 3b.

## OUT FOR THE DAY

Away for the day from the city smells,  
Out and away to the hills and the dells,  
The lofty crags and the windswept moors ;  
The towering cliffs and the rocky shores,  
Deserted beaches and the ebbing tide ;  
Out and away with a bike to ride  
Through the silent lanes and tracks,  
Up hard-won hills with the free-wheel back  
Down past the farms as they sleep at noon ;  
The sun rises high but we still press on.  
Out and away through the mud and the dust  
Spin our wheels. With "Get there or bust,"  
As a motto before us, we go on our way,  
Contented and happy, just out for the day.

J. I. ROBINSON, 3f.

## AROUND THE WORLD

From reading-books and radio  
And watching our T.V.  
We see new folk and places  
In lands across the sea :  
How Chinamen with yellow faces  
And sampan of bamboo  
Go floating down the Yangtse-Kiang  
From Nanking to Chentu :  
The gaucho of the Argentine,  
Next the books may show,  
Who drives his cattle miles and miles  
From ranch to Frigorifico ;  
And then we might see Europe  
With lands both fine and old,  
From Italy's warmth and pleasure  
To Norway's ice and cold ;  
We're told of beer in Germany  
And snow-games of the Swiss ;  
A tour around Europe offers  
Sights we must not miss.  
At last we may see Britain  
Full of hills and dales,  
From the purple moors of Scotland  
To the valleys deep in Wales,  
From the grim steel-works of Sheffield  
To the Rhondda valley's coal.  
All these we see in Britain—  
The land that's won my heart and soul.

S. BROOKES, 3b.

## GLIDING

What does the word "gliding" bring to mind for you ? The wind whistling by as you float gently, endlessly among the clouds ? No, it is not like that. Though perhaps, I don't know. I had no time to notice the wind or the clouds.

On my first flight, the instructor flew, and the flight passed easily as I watched him. But when I flew, what a difference!

"Watch the horizon."

"Your left wing is down."

"Turn here."

"Your airspeed is too high!"

"Line her up."

"Watch your speed."

Bump, and it's over.

Of course, you improve until flying is automatic, but then it's time to "solo."

Panic!

The winch pulls you up, you release the cable and suddenly, it's very quiet and you are alone. You have wild thoughts about heading for the horizon. No. "Turn at 600 ft., fly parallel to the runway," said the instructor, and so you do, and almost before your breath is back you have landed. No emotions. First solo—nothing to it!

D. WARDLE, L6f.

#### WHAT GRANDAD HEARD

Does tha know what I've just heerd?"

Old Grandad mumbled in his beard.

"I've heerd some fellows just remark,

They're going to dig up t'Welfare Park,

To build new Council Offices

Round about wheer t'Bandstand is."

"They're going to call it Dearn Town Hall,

Wi' more than thirty rooms an' all.

And space in front, so deep and wide,

To store a score of cars outside."

"If a Town Hall is needed here,

They'll have to build the thing somewheer.

But anybody would a'throwt

There's room on land stood doing nowt—

Doing nowt but growing weeds—

For one as big as that at Leeds."

"I think they're talking Tommy Rot

To say they'll spoil that beauty spot,

Wheer such as me and thee spend hours,

Among them trees and pretty flowers.

When I heerd it, I could 'a laughed,

I've never heerd a' owt so daft."

CHRISTINE EVANS, 2b.

## SUPA-CREAMED RICE

We switch on the "tele" and what do we see?  
There's only commercials on I.T.V.  
And what are they plugging, so rare and so nice,  
But wonderful, marvellous "SUPA-CREAMED RICE"

The new T.V. quiz, with questions so "tough,"  
Gives for prizes, not money but useful foodstuff  
And what do you think is tonight's beyond price?  
Why! 200 tins of "SUPA-CREAMED RICE."

It's nearly 12.30, I'm yearning for food,  
I sit in the corner and over dinner I brood.  
For firsts it is beef which is chilly as ice,  
And for seconds—oh, no! It's "SUPA-CREAMED RICE."

My favourite detective's on a small desert isle,  
Around him the seas stretch for mile after mile,  
And what is that he can espy,  
That crate with its label, now floating by?  
Not whisky, champagne, ginger beer would suffice,  
But welcome, it is—yes, it's "SUPA-CREAMED RICE."

A. POWELL, 4d.

## A FISHY TALE

Timothy James was a normal boy  
Until he developed a taste for fish;  
Then it became his greatest joy  
To eat it from paper, plate or dish.

He ate it at any time or place—  
Even at elevenses indulged his failing  
For crab, dab, plaice and dace,  
Whiting, brisling, cod and grayling,

Till one morning he arose  
And looked into the shining glass,  
Saw gaping mouth where once was nose,  
And slippery body of a bass.

His once-bright eyes were dull and glazed,  
Scales replaced his smooth pink skin,  
And, as he looked again amazed,  
Saw arms transformed into a fin.

There is a moral to this tale;  
If normal to remain you wish  
And not become sardine or whale,  
Beware of eating too much fish.

J. R. GOMERSALL, 3b.

## THE DELUGE

The rain came down in torrents,  
And soaked the little town,  
The river kept on rising,  
And still the rain came down.

At last the river brimmed its banks,  
And swept on through the town.  
Taking with it sludge and slime,  
And still the rain came down.

The fields were under water,  
And so was half the town.  
The river boats were in the street,  
And still the rain came down.

At length the town was covered,  
Each chimney pot was topped  
With grimy river water;  
At last the rain had stopped.

A. BUTTERWORTH, 3d.

## STUDIES IN CLASS

One thing which never fails to amuse me is watching bored pupils whiling away the time until the end of a lesson. There are several distinct types :—

Firstly there is the boy who starts the lesson by leaning against the wall, with his chair on two legs. Half way through the lesson he tilts a little further on his chair as he begins to get bored. He then begins to lean back, then forward on to his desk, alternately, (this behaviour is more common in the older part of the school as the desks, being older, will creak much better). He probably will do this a dozen or so times.

The second type is the "clock-watcher." He starts his act half way through the lesson. He looks at his watch and finds the lesson is only half over. He thinks that his watch must be slow and finds out the time from the boy next to him, attracting his attention with a quiet "Psst !" then pointing to his wrist. But this other boy merely confirms the fact that the lesson is only half over. The boy then looks at his watch every thirty seconds or so, thinking that the time passes quicker in this way. However, the "clock-watcher" often annoys masters, and so this habit is not so widespread as the first.

Then there is the "self-torturer." He starts by rapping himself on the knuckles with his ruler or other similar weapon. This gives way to such activities as kicking his ankles and generally "wounding" himself. His act usually ends by his placing his toe under the leg of his chair and pressing gently. If the boy behind happens to give his chair a kick, the performer's foot receives enough punishment to last until the end of the lesson.

These three are the three main performances of the day but there are other minor ones. It is really fortunate that there are not too many of these performances, otherwise half the form would be involved in acting, while the other half would constitute the audience.

J. S. ANDREWS, 2a.

## THE SCIENCE BLOCK

To the right of Sand'gate lie  
Wath's towers of learning, red and high,  
That shake the heart and dim the eye.  
And by canteens the path runs by  
To our beloved Science Block.  
And up and down the pupils go  
Round the trodden verge below—  
"Single file there ! Not so slow !"  
In our beloved Science Block.  
Juniors whiten, seniors quiver,  
Work piles up for dull and clever,  
In the task that lasts for ever  
By the benches of that never,  
    Never peaceful Science Block.  
Four gray walls but no gray towers  
Overlook the space of flowers  
In our beloved Science Block.  
Only t'groundsman, rather seedy,  
Cutting grass on gamesfield weedy,  
Hears a boom that echoes clearly—  
Experiments that worked—or nearly—  
    In our shattered Science Block.  
And by the noon the scholar grateful,  
Cramming books in satchel brimful,  
Hears the bell, says "Am I thankful !  
    Farewell—beloved ?—Science Block.

(With apologies to Alfred Lord Tennyson)  
P. HALLAM, L6.

## THE FUTURE ?

At length we reach the place,  
Oh, what a smell of meths !  
Before a white-clad form erect,  
We hold our bated breaths.

We enter that small room  
With one sleeve rolled up high,  
And slowly walk, with knocking knees,  
For now is torture nigh.

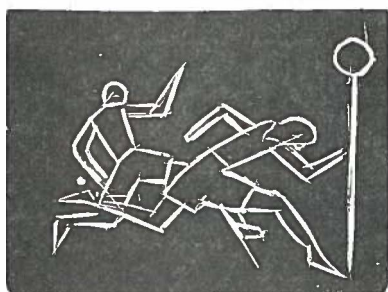
"Come on, child, it doesn't hurt,  
Just like the prick of pin."  
Outstretched arm now is tense,  
As needle enters in.

Needle out, we heave a sigh,  
What, indeed, will this prevent ?  
Diphtheria, measles or the mumps ?  
No, there's quite a new intent.

Against something other than diseases  
This is a new invention.  
'Tis to keep our minds alert,  
A forgetfulness prevention.

BARBARA HILLERY, 5a

## GAMES



### SCHOOL SPORTS

The sports were held on a very warm and humid May day. This year the trophy was too easily won by Carthage with 314½ points. Sparta 209½ points were second, Troy 201 points third, then came Rome with Athens bringing up the rear. However, competition was keen and all the competitors gave of their best.

The 220 yards races were run on a curved track, and new events included the Middle boys 440 yards, the Junior boys 100 yards and 220 yards, the Middle girls 220 yards and discus, and the Junior girls 100 yards. Thebes, who are now beginning to show what they can do, won three events; Junior boys long jump, Junior girls 100 yards and relay. The following records were set up or equaled:

#### Boys.

Senior	440 yards	Walker (Sparta)	53.6 secs.
	880 yards	Walker (Sparta)	2 mins. 9.3 secs.
	Relay	Troy	1 min. 45.8 secs.
Middle	Shot	Smith, H. (Athens)	42 ft. 8 ins.
	High jump	Smith, H. (Athens)	5 ft. 5¾ ins.
Junior	Relay	Troy	55.6 secs.

#### Girls.

Senior	100 yards	Marvin, D. (Troy)	12.0 secs.
	200 yards	Marvin, D. (Troy)	29.8 secs.
	High jump	Barnett, J. (Sparta)	4 ft. 11¾ ins.
Middle	100 yards	Cooper, S. (Sparta)	12.0 secs.
	Long jump	Beasley, J. (Sparta)	15 ft. 8 ins.

### THE INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS

This year the Inter-School Sports were held on the Mexborough Grammar School playing fields on the 31st May.

Maltby were the winners with 91 points, second were Thorne (86) and third Goole (82). The fourth and fifth positions were taken by Wath (70) and Mexborough (64) respectively.

Our weakest performance was in the Junior shield where we were fifth. The Middles put up our best performance by coming second. The Seniors were third. Although Wath competitors did not set up any new records there were several distinguished performances particularly in the Middles group.

H. JONES

### CROSS COUNTRY

The Cross Country Team had only a moderate season. As well as the Inter-School and the Inter-House Cross Country races, there were only two additional fixtures.

The season began with a match against Mexborough Grammar School. The weather was cool and the rain had made the course heavy. The Mexborough team, who had a full fixture list through the season, proved to be more experienced and won comfortably, the individual winner being Adams of Mexborough.

The School Cross Country was disappointing owing to heavy rain throughout the day. The individual winner was Atkinson of Carthage, closely followed by Wroe and Oxer of Athens. Although the Trojan team did not have a runner in the first six, their team effort enabled them to take the cup. The houses finished in the following order: Troy 118 points, Athens 144 points, Rome 145 points, Sparta 214 points and Carthage 216 points.



Prior to the Inter-Schools Cross Country there was the return fixture against Mexborough which Mexborough won easily.

The Inter-Schools Cross Country was held on a specially-prepared course at Mexborough. Pouring rain turned the course into a quagmire which made the going extremely difficult. The individual winner, as expected, was Palmer of Maltby followed by Adams of Mexborough. The first Wath runner was Atkinson, who finished sixth. The team trophy was won with 55 points by Mexborough, who had three runners in the first six. Maltby 68 points were second and Wath third 92 points, Thorne fourth 126 points and Goole fifth 140 points.

### SWIMMING GALA

This year, the annual swimming gala held in the local baths, provided one of the most exciting events of the school year. The outcome of the gala depended entirely on the last event, the senior boys' squadron, and the two houses concerned, Troy and Sparta, eagerly awaited the start, but, unfortunately for Troy, the Spartan team held off the Trojan challenge and the gala ended with Sparta being victors over Troy by two points, and so winning the gala. The gala this year also had special significance for the Thebans, as it was the first gala in which they had competed since they had been re-formed and they very rightly received their share of success. Another unusual feature of the occasion was the performance of Jurgen Rode, one of the German students visiting the school at the time of the Gala. Much to the delight of the spectators, Jurgen swam in three, almost consecutive, events winning one and coming second in one and third in the other. The final scores and placings were:—

Sparta 99, Troy 97, Carthage 72½, Rome 58, Athens 51½ points.

Thebes, who competed only in Junior events, scored 17 points.

K. D. TAYLOR, U6a.

### TENNIS

Without appearing to boast too much, the first team has had an excellent season. It has repelled every assault made upon it and has emerged victorious from every match with such scores as:—

Wath v. Hemsworth .. .. .	9—0
Wath v. Woodlands .. .. .	8—1
Wath v. Mexborough .. .. .	9—0
Wath v. Doncaster Convent .. .. .	9—0

Thorne and the Old Girls proffered the most competition but were both narrowly beaten by five games to four.

The second team has done quite well this season, beating Hemsworth and Barnsley, but just losing to Thorne.

First Team—Anne Dunkley, Rose Latham, Anne Webster, Stephame Clayton (*Captain*), Margaret Hurrell, Ann Cropper.

Second Team—Janet Roebuck, Beryl Chafen, Judith Fletcher, Jean Willcock, Hazel Sagar, Diana Marvin.

Colours were awarded to:—

Stephanie Clayton and Anne Dunkley, and half-colours to Margaret Hurrell and Rose Latham.

### ROUNDERS

First IX. Janet Hill, Julia Cooper, Maureen Wood, Jenniker Young, Annette Hall, Susan Pears (*Captain*), Christine Swift, Jean Ocroft, Jacqueline Athey.

Despite unsatisfactory summer weather last season, we were able to play all our fixtures. The results were quite pleasing and there was no lack of enthusiasm. An outstanding win over Thorne Grammar School completed the season.

Results (School score first)	1st Team	2nd Team	Under 15
v. Hemsworth (Away)	4-5½	—	—
v. Mexborough (Home)	2-½	1-0	—
v. Barnsley (Home)	3-3½	1-3	—
v. Thorne (Home)	5-3	—	2-1
v. Doncaster Convent (Home)	7-0	—	3-1
v. Mexborough (Away)	4-2	2-3	4-2
v. Woodlands (Away)	2-4	2-1	0-11
v. Barnsley (Away)	1-4	0-8	—
v. Thorne (Away)	13½-3	—	3½-3

At the end of the season full colours were awarded to :—

*Seniors*—Susan Pears, Jean Ocroft, Janet Hill.

*Juniors*—Anne Foster, Lynn Noble, Denise Clark.



## CRICKET

### FIRST XI.

The Team was chosen from the following :—

1Wallis (*Captain*), 1Wood (*Vice-Captain*), 0Harris, Blyth, Winstanley, 1Clow, Whiteley, Wilcox, Scroggins, Watkinson, 1Binns, Maxwell and Rolfe.

0colours.

1half-colours.

**Record :** Won 2 Lost 5 Drawn 2.

v. Bakewell (Away). Lost. Bakewell 103—9 declared. Wath 63.

v. Thorne (Home). Drawn. Thorne 107—7 declared. Wath 63—9 (Blythe 15 not out).

v. Thorne (Away) Drawn. Wath 97—8 declared. (Whiteley 28), Thorne 83—3.

v. Hemsworth (Away). Lost. Hemsworth 116—6 declared Wath 52.

v. De la Salle (Away). Lost. Wath 114 (Harris 39, Winstanley 28), De la Salle 118—8 (Watkinson 6—36).

v. Bakewell (Home). Lost. Wath 68 (Binns 17), Bakewell 70—6.

v. Mexborough Tech. (Home). Won. Wath 83, Mexborough 26 (Wood 5—6, Binns 5—14).

v. Old Boys (Home). Lost. Old Boys 102 (Clow 5—22), Wath 72 (Wood 17, Clow not out 15).

v. Hemsworth (Home). Won. Hemsworth 96 (Binns 4—26), Wath 98—5 (Harris 41, Whiteley 19).

Last season's first team was a very young one, lacking in experience and this led to inconsistency. Harris batted well, his innings at De la Salle being a gem. Out of a total of 39 he hit 32 in boundaries in less than ten minutes.

### 'Under 15' XI.

The Under Fifteen played nine games, winning four, losing three and drawing two. The team was ably captained by Randerson who also batted quite well. Caunt was both a successful wicket-keeper and batsman, Hawkins bowled well and Greaves proved to be a useful all-rounder.

Best Performances :—

Caunt 68 (v. Darfield Colts).

Cooper 28 not out (v. Hemsworth).

Greaves 25 (v. Don Valley High School).

Randerson 21 (v. Mexborough Tech.).

Greaves 8—7 (v. Hemsworth).

Hawkins 7—8 (v. Mexborough Tech.).

## HOCKEY FIRST XI, 1959-60



Jean Willcock, Diana Marvin, Janet Roebuck, Julie Barnett, Iva Hyde, Rita Hollingworth, Susan Pears, Jennifer Young (*Captain*), Rita O'Brien, Ann Cropper, Julia Cooper.



### HOCKEY

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This season has so far been one of the best ever for all three School teams. The first and second XI's have not conceded a game and the juniors have lost only one. We hope that we shall be able to maintain this standard throughout the remainder of the season.

Although the weather and the state of the pitches have not been favourable for hockey, our enthusiasm has prevailed, practices have been well attended and only two matches have been cancelled.

**Results :** (School score first).

		1st Team	2nd Team	Under 15
Maltby G.S.	.. A		cancelled	—
Mexborough Tech.	.. H	11-0	2-1	6-0
Hemsworth G.S.	.. H	1-1	—	5-1
Thorne G.S.	.. A	1-1	4-1	7-2
Woodhouse G.S.	.. H	4-1	2-2	3-0
Ecclesfield G.S.	.. H	7-4	3-2	2-3
Woodhouse G.S.	.. A	3-1	3-1	2-0
Doncaster Tech.	.. H		cancelled	—
Barnsley High S.	.. A	3-2	2-1	—

JENNIFER YOUNG.

## RUGBY FIRST XV, 1959-60



Knight, Watkin, Sergeant, Hammonds, Harris, Burgin, Short, Baldwin, Humble, Ratcliffe, Parkin, Trickett, Hinchliffe, Taylor, Beazley, Mr. Fisher.



### RUGBY

The two senior teams have had considerable success this season so far. The first team started well, beating the Ex-Captain's XV and holding the Old Boys to a draw. (This result might have been more favourable if the Old Boys had not had substitutes). As a contrast to last year's hard grounds, most games have been fought out in mud and rain. Several members of the first XV have been selected for a South Yorkshire trial at Christmas. The juniors have not been at all successful as the results show.

First Team is chosen from :—Baldwin, Knight, Humble, Sergeant, Ratcliffe, West, Richards, Harris, Burgin, Dearden, Parkin, Beazley, Hinchliffe, Short, Hammonds, Taylor, Broadbent, Watkin.

Full colours were awarded last year to :—Ibbotson, Kelly, Short, Davies, Burgin, Blythe, Baldwin, and half-colours to :—Law, Wallis, Beazley, Pickerill, Hinchliffe, Sergeant, Grummett.

A. J. BALDWIN.

## Results (School scores first)

First XV.			Second XV.			
Ex-Captain's XV	.. H.	16-10	Pontefract	.. .. H.	6-11	
Old Boys	.. .. H.	16-16	High Storrs	.. .. H.	6-6	
Pontefract	.. .. H.	16-11	Barnsley	.. .. H.	14-0	
Rotherham R.U.F.C.	H.	3-3	Goole	.. .. A.	3-3	
Barnsley	.. .. A.	9-11	Ecclesfield	.. .. A.	33-6	
Goole	.. .. A.	9-3	Pontefract	.. .. A.	5-13	
Mexborough	.. .. H.	5-0	Thorne	.. .. H.	8-6	
Huddersfield Tech.	.. .. H.	3-0	Leeds T.M.	.. .. A.	<i>cancelled</i>	
Pontefract	.. .. A.	5-12	Hemsworth	.. .. A.	3-14	
Thorne	.. .. A.	3-3				
Barnsley	.. .. H.	11-8				
Old Boys	.. ..	<i>cancelled</i>				
Hemsworth	.. .. A.	3-11				
		<i>Under 15</i>		<i>Under 14</i>	<i>Under 13</i>	
Hemsworth	.. ..		H.	0-39	H.	0-15
Broadway Tech.	.. .. H.		H.	6-0	H.	0-6
Barnsley	.. .. H.	14-5	A.	3-11		
Goole	.. .. H.	3-11	H.	6-5		
Scawthorpe	.. .. H.	0-19	H.	21-11	H.	10-23
Thorne	.. ..		H.	8-12		
Spurley Hey	.. .. A.	3-3	H.	8-11	H.	18-0
Leeds T.M.	.. .. A.	<i>cancelled</i>		<i>cancelled</i>		<i>cancelled</i>

# OLD WATHONIANS ASSOCIATION

We look back on the last year with great happiness and great sorrow. The Re-Union on April 9th was a very happy occasion. We were all delighted to have the Rev. A. T. L. Gear as our guest speaker. It was a pleasure to meet Mrs. Gear again, too. We were very glad to see them looking so well.

Mr. Gear addressed a large company of 'Boys and Girls.' So many Old Scholars came to the dinner that it was held in the Old Hall, a very fitting place, as we have so often heard him talk to us there in the past. As we listened to Mr. Gear telling us of his work as the rector of a village, we heard again the ideals and aims which he always tried to give us when we were at School.

We are able to look back on a most enjoyable evening.

We now look forward to the next Re-Union on Saturday, March 25th, 1961, when Charles Curran will be the guest speaker. Many of those who were at School just before the War will remember him.

Subscriptions are payable at the Re-Union or may be sent to the Secretary in March (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.

During the year we have lost two of our very great friends. Mr. Pratt died on March 22nd, and Mr. Black on July 8th. Both were great shocks, particularly as, although they had been seriously ill for some time, they seemed to be so much better. Mr. Pratt was always very interested in the Association, and Mr. Black was on the Committee until he left the district. We shall miss them both very much indeed. Our thoughts and sympathy were with Mrs. Pratt in her great loss. At the time of going to press, the Committee are concerned with setting up a worthy memorial to each master.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate the following Old Scholars :—

Douglas Cutler, B.Sc., on his Ph.D. (London) and on his appointment as Research Assistant in the Dept. of Physics, St. Mary's College, London.

Robert M. Cox, on his appointment as Education Officer in Uganda.

Kenneth S. Wallis, on his election as President of the Faculty of Technology Union, Manchester University.

Dr. Brian Bailey, on being appointed manager of the technical department of a new plant at Windscale Atomic Energy Station.

Tony Gibbons, B.Sc., on being appointed assistant lecturer in Mathematics in Manchester University.

Wing Commander John Miller, D.F.C., A.F.C., on being awarded a new Bomber Command efficiency trophy.

George W. Selwood, on qualifying as a Dental Surgeon.

Eric S. Garbett, on gaining a State Scholarship to study for a degree in electrical engineering at Cardiff University.

Harry Mack, on gaining a second class Honours Degree in Physics at Manchester University and being appointed seismologist with Seismologist Service Ltd., Kent.

Michael Ford, on his B.Sc.

Jose Shaw, on being chosen to accompany four children on a tour of Australia. She is to take up a post as Lecturer in English at the Swinton Day Training College.

John T. Weston, B.A., with Honours (Geography) at Hull University.

John Fennell, B.Sc. (Pharmacy) at Manchester University.

Margaret Sanderson } on having paintings on show in an  
Ernest A. Dunn } exhibition.

R. D. Ridyard, Assistant Editor of the 'South Yorkshire Times,' on being one of two members of the 'Times' Editorial Staff invited to attend a Press Reception for journalists of the Commonwealth, honoured by the presence of H. M. the Queen and H. R. H. Prince Philip.

Mrs. Gwennie Weldon (nee England), on being presented to the Queen Mother in Nyasaland.

Cecil Burkinshaw, on his new appointment with Llanelly Steel Co. Ltd., to the Managerial Staff of the Open Hearth Steelmoulding Dept.

Derek Gibbons who has been in Copenhagen, as British Science Secretary representing the U.K. at a conference on the use of radio isotopes in industrial science.

Gordon Wilkinson, on his appointment as Deputy Surveyor to Hoyland U.D.C.

Eileen Garfitt, Joan Senior and Thelma Fellows, on their B.A. degrees, and Terence Gladman on his Ph.D. in Metallurgy.

## NEWS OF OLD WATHONIANS

Jill Bedford is teaching in Germany (children of members of the British Forces).

Peggy Sanderson has accepted a year's Research Course at the University of Illinois, U.S.A.

Allen Dobson, his wife and two sons have gone to Australia.

Edward Petts is on the staff of an army school at Lornaca, Cyprus.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Buchanan (Lois Hewitt)—both Old Wathonians are in Canada.

Terence Ladlow has made a colour film of Primary School Life.

Ian M. Walker has won a Research Scholarship to study American Literature in Virginia, U.S.A.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Jones (Geraldine Meyers) are teaching in Gulu, Uganda.

Dr. C. Kidson is attached to the Coastal Physiographic Unit.

Kenneth Sykes, A. Hickling, A. Buckley and R. Hickling are all working at the Royal Radar Establishment, Great Malvern.

### MARRIAGES

Graham Moflatt (W.G.S.) to Lorraine A. Carter (W.G.S.).

Derrick John Swales to Mavis Siddall (W.G.S.)—in Umtali.

Ernest A. Dunn (W.G.S.) to Janet Turner (W.G.S.).

Roy Jackson (W.G.S.) to Anne Perryman (W.G.S.).

Patrick Barker (W.G.S.) to Rosemary Hyde.

David Taylor to Margaret Richards (W.G.S.).

Leslie W. Pownall (W.G.S.) to Maurcen A. Holman.

Stanley Simmons to Patricia Mainon (W.G.S.).

Stanley H. Platt (W.G.S.) to Jillian Donaldson.

Peter R. Rymer to Elizabeth Buncall (W.G.S.).

Kenneth Hill (W.G.S.) to Christine Vickers (W.G.S.).

Robin Gosling to Pauline Gregory (W.G.S.).

Walter Lindley to Margaret B. Gledhill (W.G.S.).

Arthur Martin to Margaret Jacob (W.G.S.).

### BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Callan (Pat Kilner)—a daughter (in Germany).

Mr. and Mrs. T. Turner—a son.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Flavell—a son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mulhern (Rosemary Mack)—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Booth (Pat Winch)—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Hellewell (Irene Grainger)—a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnshaw (Betty Phillips)—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Meadham (Elaine Temple)—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Longden—a second daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Buchanan (Lois Hewitt)—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Richards (Cedra Shuttleworth)—a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendes (Sheila Robson)—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Robson—a son.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Taylor (Brenda Sharpe)—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Fisher—a son.

### DEATHS

We record with regret the death of Robert Smith (W.G.S. 1952—1958).

## OLD WATHONIANS R.U.F.C.

Last year from January to April, we were mainly concerned with our endeavours to keep a Second team together and achieve moderate success with the First. We ended the season by relinquishing the Barnsley 7s trophy and started this season by failing to retain the Rotherham trophy.

However, without tempting providence, I can say that the Club is enjoying the most successful run I can remember.

The outstanding feature of this season has been the success of the Second team. Under the guidance of the 'Old Brigade' it is proving an admirable training ground for the newcomers and already there are some who are ready to take their place in the First team. It could be that only the old maxim 'Never change a winning team' is keeping them out.

The First team have reached the sixth round of the Yorkshire Cup and there is a chance again of the Shield. Any glory will be theirs but it is the chap in the Second team who stands down every few weeks so that all members may have a game who is the backbone of the Club.

Without them the First team would not be a First team and the Club would not enjoy the success it does.

B. LIDSTER.

### RESULTS

First XV.	For/Against	Second XV.	For/Against
E. S. C. . . . . A.	won 36-12	Sheffield Tigers . . . . . A.	won 18-3
O. Othliensians . . . . . H.	won 22-3	Sheffield Univ. 'B' . . . . . A.	lost 3-42
Rotherham (abandoned)		Barnsley . . . . . A.	drawn 3-3
Heath O.B. . . . . H.	won 45-0	Doncaster . . . . . H.	won 9-0
Dronfield . . . . . A.	won 29-0	Spurley Hey . . . . . H.	won 6-5
Barnsley . . . . . H.	won 27-3	Rotherham . . . . . H.	won 42-8
3rd. r'nd Yorks. Cup H.		Sheffield Univ. 'B' . . . . . H.	won 14-6
Huddersfiels Y.M.C.A. . . . .	won 6-5		
O. Dronfeldians . . . . . H.	won 42-0		
4th round Yorks. Cup			
Yarnbury . . . . . H.	won 6-0		
Yorks. Copper W. . . . . H.	won 12-8		
5th round Yorks Cup.			
Malton & Norton . . . . . H.	won 6-3		

### G.C.E. RESULTS

#### Passes at Advanced Level :

U.VI.A—Short, J. D., (1) Stocks, A. D. (3), Betty Cowdell (3), Straw, R. (4), Jacqueline Walton (3), Walker, A. (3), Dobson, A. (4), Rita Berry (3), Firth, M. H. (1), Anthea Bradley (2), Graveson, M. (4), Stephanie Clayton, (2) Gyte, G. (3), Colinette Harrower, (2) Hamilton, J. (3), Susan Jow (2), Martin, C. (3), Janet Phillips (3), Maxwell, B. W. (3), Hazel Sagar (1), Smith, R. (3), Marion Shawcroft (4), Speight, G. (4), Elizabeth Spencer (2),

U.VI.C—Gordon, J. (1), Hewitt, P. (3), Cooling, L. J. (1), Rose Latham (1), Crossfield, M. J. (2), Christine Willetts (3),

U.VI.D—Blythe, N. (3), Kelly, A. K. (3), Hurrell, G. (2), Law, D. (3), Anne Dunkley (3), Lockwood, C. L. (2), Jeannette Swift (4), Moulson, D. J. (3), Jane Wilkinson (3), Payne, D. (2), Baldwin, A. J. (2), Pugh, R. (3), Ibbotson, M. (3), Sergeant, D. R. (1), Scott, J. (3).

U.VI.E—Jones, J. (2) Davis, W. G. (2), Littlewood, L. A. (1), Harvey, D. (2), Walford, R. A. E. (3), Wallis, T. E. (3), Bailey, M. (1), Wroc, M. G. (3), Bedford, P. (2), Christine Hague (3), Clegg, D. M. (1), Monica Holden (3), Sheila Wainwright (2), Susan Warren (2).

L.VI.B—Gillian Garner (1).

In addition sixty-two 'O' Level passes were gained by members of the VIth Form.



### Passes at Ordinary Level (Totals do not include passes obtained in 1959).

- 5A—Clow, R. (4), Everatt, C. H. (4), Humble, B. (3), Ragsdale, C. I. (6), Sherburn, J. (5), Smith, H. (3), Speight, H. (7), Sandra Barnes (5), Jean Beasley (1), Pauline Blewitt (5), Janet Brown (4), Rosemarie Burrows (4), Ivy Connor (6), Freda Crookes (3), Janet Friel (5), Eileen Hall (7), Morva Hartley (4), Ann Jones (5), Pat Logan (3), Maja Macrae (6), Barbara Newsome (5), Dorothy Nicholls (7), Margaret Rollett (6), Sandra Teasdale (5), Janice Topham (4), Jennifer Wright (6).
- 5B—Binns, R. M. (3), Ellis, P. (4), Grummett, J. (1), Holroyd, P. (4), Race, B. E. (5), Scroggins, P. R. (3), Skidmore, B. T. (2), Smith, G. P. (5), Stringer, B. J. (5), Thompson, R. (5), Turner, R. (5), Wolfenden, R. (2), Margaret Anstess (2), Janet Atkinson (2), Margaret Cooper (3), Judith Cousins (5), Christine Evans (6), Linda Firth (1), Ann Greenfield (4), Janet Hardy (2), Barbara Lettin (5), Josephine Miles (3), Carole Pell (6), Margaret Schofield (3), Eleanor Smith (5), Christine Swift (6), Christine Walton (5).
- 5C—Anderson, W. K. (3), Burgin, A. (1), Lund, P. (1), Roper, G. W. (3), Smith, I. (6), Pauline Barrass (4), Marjorie Cliffe (5), Shelagh Dawson (5), Ann Dixon (2), Pat Doherty (6), Gillian Firth (2), Sheila Frith (5), Janet Gillis (6), Irene Graham (3), Veronica Groves (3), Pat Holman (6), Margaret Jow (5), Margaret Lochrie (6), Doreen Reynolds (5), Barbara Richardson (8), Pat Scanlon (1), Eileen Scothern (3), Lynda Smith (5).
- 5D—Chappell, M. (2), Frudd, C. (5), Hanson, D. (7), Knight, K. W. (4), Lakin, P. J. (3), Lawson, W. (4), Limb, M. J. (7), Littlewood, P. B. (7), Lloyd, H. R. (7), Marsden, D. (7), Prendergast, M. J. (8), Robinson, E. R. (8), Rothery, J. (7), Sargieson, G. M. (7), Smith, D. (4), Smith, W. (5), Stott, J. A. (6), Taylor, D. A. (4), Whitaker, B. (4), Winstanley, B. (2), Wood, C. (6), Veronica Bedson (6), Elizabeth Brough (7), Helen Cooper (7), Julia Cooper (5), Janet Rodgers (6), Jennifer Roebuck (6), Joyce Rylett (1), Jennifer Rudge (8), Christine Stuart (4), Pat Wallis, (6).
- 5E—Auckland, J. (1), Beaumont, P. W. (2), Beighton, H. (3), Bruce, J. C. R. (1), Chester, S. A. (3), Crossley, P. A. (1), Dodsworth, C. H. (5), Guest, G. (6), Hallam, P. (9), Hartley, P. L. (3), Jackson, J. (6), Lunn, M. (5), Marsden, G. (3), Morton, W. E. (2), Sharp, D. W. (6), Short, C. A. (1), Vaughan, S. A. (4), Ward, A. B. (3), Wardle, D. (4), Watkinson, D. A. (2), Wilcox, A. (3), Julie Barnett (8), Vivienne Oscrift (5), Susan Wilson (1).
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SWIMMING GALA	..	..	..	..	..	Sparta
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