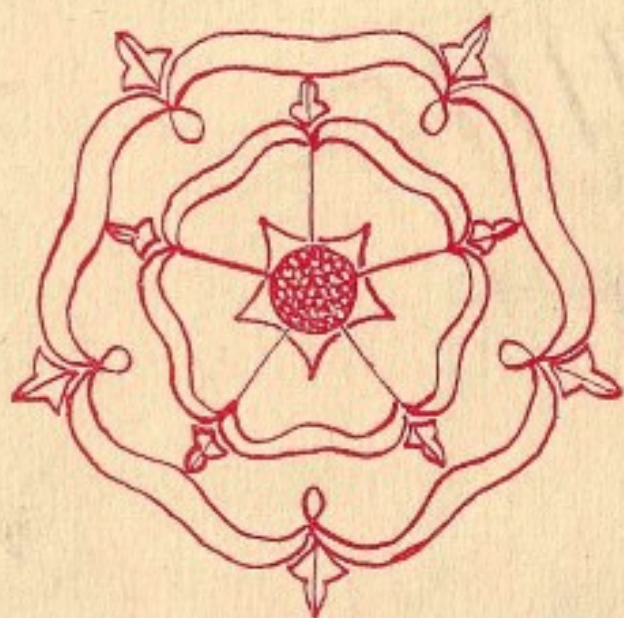


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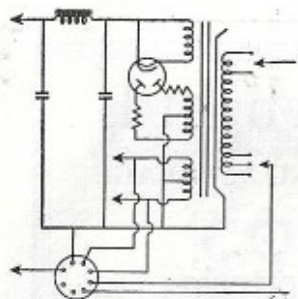
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**SCIENTIFIC.** If you are interested in Science, there are absorbing and rewarding possibilities at the Board's Research Establishments, and in the coalfields on operational work.

**OTHER CAREERS.** There are, from time to time, training posts for boys of a good educational standard who want to make a career in architecture, civil engineering and accountancy, as well as openings in administrative, personnel and marketing work.

\* **PROSPECTS.** After qualifying, there are excellent prospects of promotion to responsible posts at an early age. Many of those who have already successfully completed training are now, at the age of thirty or less, earning four-figure salaries.

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Divisional Chief Staff Officer (A),  
Staff Department,  
National Coal Board,  
East Midlands Division,  
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Arnold,  
Near Nottingham.

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## EDITORIAL.

Since our last issue, Peace has shuffled timidly through three more crises, and more and more Sputniks and Lunchicks have blazed their daring trails through the indifference of space. With pathetic and persistent hopefulness, the human race has continued to reproduce itself and there are now some twenty millions more of us on this planet than when last year's pages went to the press. Those who fear a diminution in their elbow-room may take comfort from the fact that our methods of destroying ourselves have been greatly improved. America and Russia are each remodelling their education systems so as to become like the other ; and both are spending fantastic sums of hard earned money in exploring the intricacies of the atom and the immensities of space.

In this world of millions upon millions of dollars and roubles, it is comforting to learn that a few thousands of pounds are to be spent by the National Gallery on buying paintings. Those of us who are tired of thinking about missiles and megatons may now be able to go and gaze upon Botticelli's "Venus Arising From the Sea", or upon some exquisite picture of the Madonna in a walled garden, and thereby perhaps to think how the creation of beauty does more good to mankind than the extension of our grim dominance over nature.

On our pedestrian level here, it is hard to believe that we either add beauty or extend dominion ; that is reserved for the great spirits—we "only stand and wait"; but at least we can reflect that yet another Magazine has been added to the chronicle of this School.

In the Spring Term of 1958, an eighteen year-old German boy, Jan Odermann, attended the school under arrangements made by the Educational Interchange Council. He came from near Cologne where he is at the Gymnasium Kreuzgasse, which corresponds in status to our Grammar School.

He worked with the Sixth forms and lived with two families of boys in the school, half of the term at East Carlton and half at Corby.

In the Spring Term of this year, we again welcomed a German visitor staying with a Kettering family for the whole term. He was Diether Dammann, from Frankfurt, and was also eighteen years of age.

When the school moved to its present buildings in 1913, the name of its magazine was changed from "The Grammarian" to "The Cytringanian". We are now fortunate in having a complete set of every issue of "The Cytringanian" from 1914; we should like to have a similar set of "The Grammarian" up to 1913, if this is still possible. If any boy or Old Boy knows anyone who has any copies of this magazine that he could spare, we should be most grateful to receive them and have them bound into a volume.

The School is now paired with a similar school in the Montabour district of Germany, as are all the County Schools in which German is taught. Correspondence between pupils has begun, and it is hoped that reciprocal visits will be made, in which German boys stay in Kettering homes, and our boys stay with the corresponding German families at Oberlahnstein, where the German School, Das Neusprachliche Gymnasium, is situated. This type of exchange leads to a greater knowledge of both people and language than can normally be obtained from foreign travel, and new opportunities for fostering international friendship are presented.

#### A GLANCE AT THE FUTURE.

Two important schemes affecting the future of the School were made known during 1958. The first was that the Ministry of Education had approved the inclusion in the County's reserve building plan for the financial year 1959 to 1960 of the completion of our new buildings. The Science Laboratories in Windmill Avenue opened in 1955, and were the first instalment of an entirely new Grammar School building. We now know that the complete new School should be ready within a few years' time.

Later in the year a plan was produced to make the new School a four-stream instead of a three-stream establishment, as part of a scheme to amend the pattern of some of the secondary education

in the Kettering area. Under this scheme the two forms entering the Central School each year, one of boys, one of girls, will enter instead the Grammar School and High School respectively. Facilities for technical subjects will be provided. This new arrangement has been approved by the School Governors, the Kettering Divisional Executive, and the County Education Committee, and now goes to the Ministry of Education for ratification.

#### MR. BARRETT.

During February 1959, Mr. H. Barrett, the School groundsman since 1926, reached retiring age, and ended his lengthy period of service to the School at the end of the month.

Known to generations of boys and old boys as "Harry", he was one of the characters among the non-teaching staff, widely famed for the pride of craftsmanship evident in his maintenance of the field and its surrounds, as much for the individuality of his opinions about how it should be used and the treatment of it.

He was known, too, by many people outside the School, who saw him working at the field early in the morning, or late in the afternoon, and there is no doubt that his devotion to his work caused him to spend long hours of preparation at certain times of the year, so that all would both be well and look well for one of the many events that occur in the games life of the Grammar School and the High School. Mrs. Barrett too had given a great deal of her time and support, particularly on these important occasions.

Presentations were made on behalf of the School and the Old Cytringanians, and we wish Mr. and Mrs. Barrett many happy years of retirement.

#### CHARITY, 1958.

The amounts collected were :

	£	s.	d.
Spring Term	39	13	4
Summer Term	32	3	2
Autumn Term	51	2	10
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	£122	19	4

Both the amount collected in the Autumn Term and the total for the year were records.

The following allocations were made :—

	£	s.	d.
Kettering T.B. Fund ...	20	0	0
Diocesan Social Welfare Fund ...	18	0	0
St. Dunstan's ...	15	0	0
Dr. Barnardo's ...	15	0	0
Kettering Samaritan Fund ...	12	10	0
National Spastics Society ...	10	0	0
Royal National Lifeboat Institution ...	10	0	0
British Empire Cancer Campaign ...	5	0	0
League of Pity ...	5	0	0
B.L.E.S.M.A. ...	5	0	0
National Fund for Poliomyelitis Research ...	5	0	0
Marie Curie Memorial Foundation ...	1	0	0
British Diabetics Association ...	1	0	0
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	£122	10	0

The balance, together with a small balance brought forward from 1957, was carried forward to 1959.

G.F.P.

#### HOUSE WORK TOTALS, 1957-58.

1. North, 1908.
2. West, 1809.
3. South, 1695.
4. East, 1551.

#### GAMES TOTALS.

1. West, 147.
2. North, 95.
3. East, 84½.
4. South, 83½.

#### EXAMINATION SUCCESSES, 1958.

##### State Scholarships.

- R. J. Coles—to Jesus College, Cambridge.  
 J. V. Panter—to Bristol University.  
 S. H. Perry—to University College, London.  
 N. C. Sharman.  
 I. J. Trotter—to Queens' College, Cambridge.  
 R. A. York—to Emmanuel College, Cambridge.



OTHELLO—THE SENATE SCENE.



WINNERS OF THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BASKETBALL LEAGUE, 1957-58.

Standing (L. to R.): R. J. Coles, Mr. G. S. Brown, K. J. Woolmer.  
Seated (L. to R.): J. Chapman, R. L. Hill (Capt.), J. F. Newing.

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J. V. Panter.



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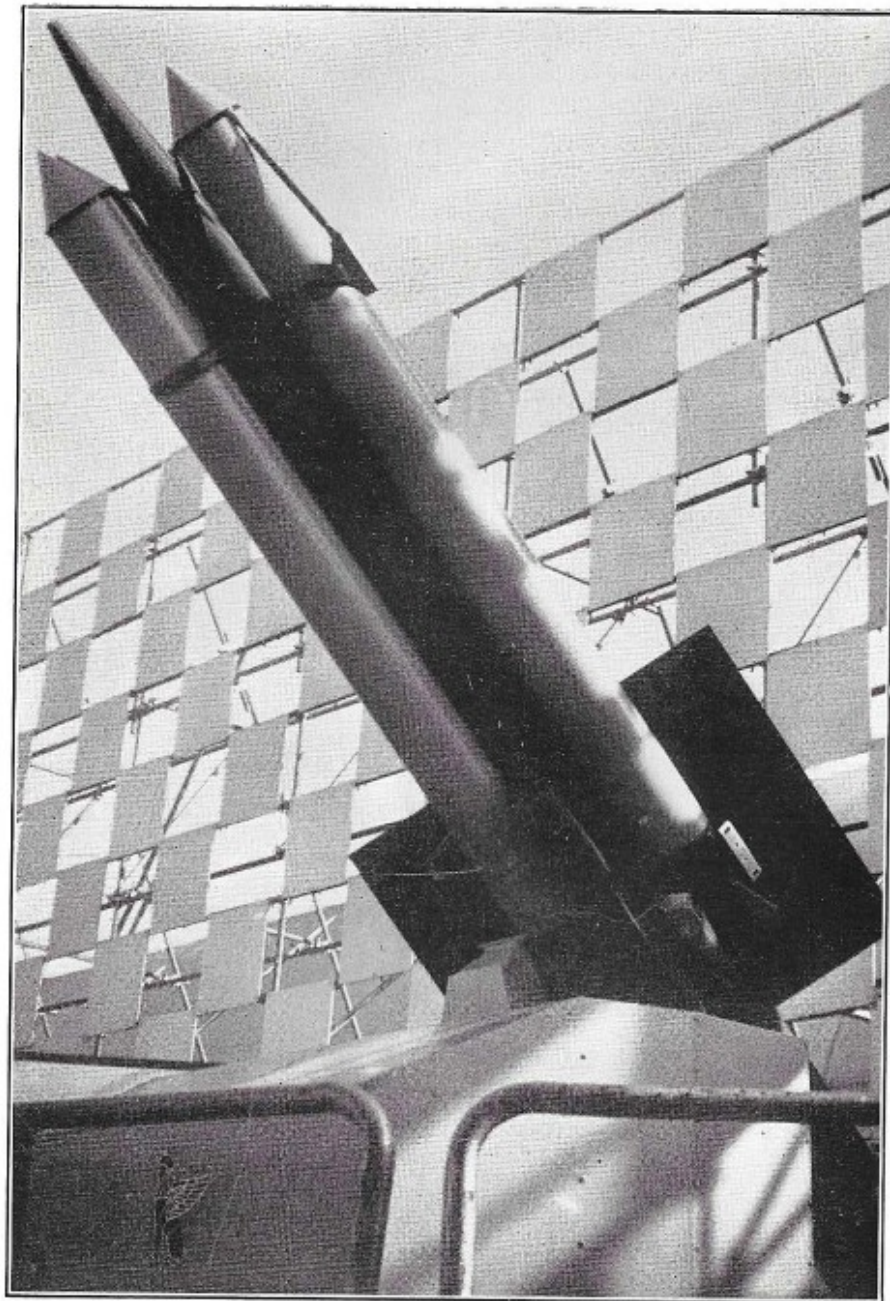


R. J. Coles.



S. H. Perry.

STATE SCHOLARS, 1958.



"SEA-SLUG" (Farnborough, 1958).

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#### County Major Scholarships.

- R. J. Abbott—Birmingham University.  
 A. Brookes—Liverpool University.  
 W. B. Chambers—Leeds University.  
 J. H. Chapman—St. Andrew's University.  
 P. R. Cooke—Liverpool University.  
 K. D. Cooper—Nottingham University.  
 L. F. Corvesor—Leeds University.  
 E. T. Flowers—University College, Durham University.  
 B. K. Freeborn—Chelsea Polytechnic.  
 M. J. Guy.  
 M. Haines—Leeds University.  
 J. S. Hawkins—Birmingham University.  
 R. L. Hill—Manchester University.  
 M. E. Jones—Liverpool University.  
 A. G. MacCormick—University College, London.  
 J. F. Newing.  
 K. S. Pentlow—King's College, London.  
 R. N. Vandrill—Glasgow College of Technology.  
 J. Woolley—Nottingham University.  
 K. J. Woolmer—Leeds University.

#### Other Successes.

- W. A. Collyer—Entrance to Leicester University.  
 B. M. Greasley—Entrance to Sheffield University.  
 C. P. Mellor—Entrance to Leeds University.

#### General Certificate of Education, Advanced Level, 1958.

- S. M. Bowyer—English, French.  
 A. Brookes—Art (Distinction), Applied Mathematics, Physics.  
 W. B. Chambers—English, History, Geography.  
 J. H. Chapman—English, French, German.  
 R. J. Coles—Latin (Distinction), French, German.  
 P. R. Cooke—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.  
 K. D. Cooper—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.  
 L. F. Corvesor—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.  
 P. Feakin—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics.  
 E. T. Flowers—English, History, Religious Knowledge.  
 B. K. Freeborn—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics.  
 J. J. Goode—Applied Mathematics, Physics.  
 C. J. Groome—Latin, French (Distinction), German.  
 M. J. Guy—English, History.  
 M. Haines—Chemistry, Botany, Zoology.  
 J. S. Hawkins—English, History, Religious Knowledge.  
 R. L. Hill—English, French, History.  
 J. G. Hughes—Geography.  
 J. D. Isherwood—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics.  
 M. E. Jones—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.  
 A. G. MacCormick—French, German, History.  
 C. P. Mellor—Physics, Zoology.  
 J. F. Newing—English, History, Geography.  
 J. V. Panter—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics (Distinction), Chemistry.

- S. H. Perry—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics (Distinction), Physics, Chemistry (Distinction).  
 N. C. Sharman—English, French (Distinction), German (Distinction).  
 B. J. Slough—English, History, Religious Knowledge.  
 I. J. Trotter—Latin, French (Distinction), German (Distinction).  
 R. N. Vandrill—Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics.  
 J. Woolley—French, Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics.  
 K. J. Woolmer—English, History, Religious Knowledge.  
 R. A. York—Latin (Distinction), French (Distinction), German (Distinction).

#### General Certificate of Education, Ordinary Level, 1958.

- Form V.G.—I. V. Abbott (7), D. J. Anderson (5), C. T. Breakspear (4), G. A. Ghaut (6), D. R. Hedges (6), D. C. Howard (7), C. A. Jordan (4), J. F. McCourt (5), J. I. Mitchell (5), L. P. Munton (5), D. Newman (6), A. A. Scarratt (3), J. W. Thompson (3), B. M. Walton (2).  
 Form V.M.—I. D. Addis (7), M. J. D. Bell (7), M. F. Berridge (5), C. R. Bloomfield (2), M. A. Coleman (4), J. B. Dexter (5), P. G. Dunkley (2), B. J. Elvin (5), I. A. Gathercole (5), D. K. Goodliffe (7), R. F. Haddon (8), W. G. Hall (9), R. E. Harris (5), J. A. Holden (7), B. A. Muttlow (6), D. G. Parrott (3), R. W. Rawlinson (8), R. L. Sharman (8), R. J. Slater (8), J. G. Smith (7), I. C. Starmer (7), P. L. Wignell (7), M. A. York (5).  
 Form V.S.—M. H. Alderman (8), M. J. Allsopp (6), I. G. Berridge (8), N. D. Boyd (8), R. E. Brading (3), N. Brooks (5), G. A. Butlin (11), K. M. Clarke (6), J. Cochrane (8), D. W. Coles (8), J. A. Cook (5), I. D. Currie (8), P. J. Curtis (9), B. Davenport (5), A. C. Davidson (8), S. Dellet (9), J. E. Dornan (5), D. J. Douglas (6), T. J. W. Gray (8), P. J. Hale (5), I. Handley (7), G. N. Hickman (7), P. A. Hughes (10), D. Knight (6), K. Marlow (4), R. J. Patrick (8), D. Porch (11), A. J. Reader (3), P. F. J. Roberts (4), P. W. Timpson (7), S. J. Yorston (9).

#### OLD BOYS' SUCCESSES.

- J. G. H. Bates—B.A., First Class Honours, Law Tripos, Part II. St. Catharine's College, Cambridge.  
 A. W. G. Carlyle—Fellowship of the Spectacle Makers' Company.  
 R. J. Chapman—B.A., Second Class Honours, Division II, English Tripos, Part II. St. Catharine's College, Cambridge.  
 M. E. Cotton—B.A., Second Class Honours, Division II, English Tripos, Part II. Peterhouse, Cambridge.  
 J. S. Edmondson—M.B., Ch.B., Bristol University.  
 A. J. Gold—L.R.A.M.  
 G. F. Gold—Boulter Exhibition for Modern History, and Field Travel Scholarship. Christ Church, Oxford.  
 D. J. Higham—Second Class Honours, Division II, Natural Sciences Tripos, Part I. Peterhouse, Cambridge.  
 F. B. Howard—B.Sc. (Engineering). London University.  
 R. G. Laverick—Entrance to Sheffield University. County Major Scholarship.  
 B. E. Mason—Ph.C., Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain.

- H. D. Moore—B.A., Second Class Honours, English. St. Catherine's Society, Oxford.  
 R. F. Moore—B.A., Second Class Honours, History. Wadham College, Oxford.  
 M. W. Oram—B.A., Second Class Honours, History. Hull University.  
 D. J. Palmer—Charles Oldham Scholarship for English Literature. B.A., Second Class Honours, English. New College, Oxford.  
 R. J. Palmer—Premier Award, Moulton Institute of Agriculture.  
 J. Panter—B.A., Second Class Honours, Division I, French. Nottingham University.  
 M. J. Parkinson—B.Sc., Class I Pass, Physics and Mathematics. Liverpool University.  
 I. G. Runciman—Second Class Honours, Division II, Metallurgy. Sheffield University.  
 M. J. Taylor—B.A., Second Class Honours, Division I, French. Hatfield College, Durham University.  
 R. J. Toseland—B.A., Third Class Honours, History. St. Catherine's Society, Oxford.  
 D. W. Wells—B.Sc. (Engineering). London University (External).

#### SIXTH FORM LEAVERS, 1958.

##### Spring Term.

- Grensley, B. M.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1955, (A) 1957. Monitor. House Vice-Captain, County Major Scholarship. Teaching practice, then to Sheffield University.  
 Pentlow, K. S.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1955, (A) 1957. Monitor. Deputy Senior Prefect 1957-8. House Vice-Captain, County Major Scholarship. Teaching practice, then to King's College, London University (Physics).

##### Summer Term.

- Abbott, R. J.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1955, (A) 1957. Monitor. Prefect. Senior Prefect 1957-58. House Captain. County Major Scholarship. To Birmingham University (History).  
 Bowyer, S. M.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. To St. John's Training College, York.  
 Brookes, A.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To Liverpool University (Architecture).  
 Chambers, W. B.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To Leeds University (General Course).  
 Chapman, J. H.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship.  
 Collyer, W. A.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1955, (A) 1957. Monitor. Prefect. To Leicester University.  
 Cooke, P. R.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To Liverpool University (Physics).  
 Cooper, K. D.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To Armstrong-Siddeley, then to Nottingham University.

- Corvesor, L. F.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. County Major Scholarship. To Leeds University (Chemical Engineering).
- Feakin, P.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. To Stewarts and Lloyds.
- Ferris, R. P.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1957. To Technical College.
- Flowers, E. T.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. County Major Scholarship. To Durham University (History).
- Freeborn, B. K.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. County Major Scholarship. To Chelsea Polytechnic.
- Guy, M. J.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To Civil Service.
- Haines, M.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. Prefect. County Major Scholarship. To Leeds University (Agriculture).
- Hawkins, J. S.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To Birmingham University (History).
- Hill, R. L.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. Prefect. House Captain. Captain of Tennis and of Basketball. County Major Scholarship. To Manchester University (Modern History).
- Hughes, J. G.—VI.M., G.C.E.(A) 1958.
- Jones, M. E.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To Liverpool University (Physics).
- MacCormick, A. G.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1955, (A) 1957 and 1958. Monitor. County Major Scholarship. To University College, London (Archaeology).
- Mellor, C. P.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1957, (A) 1958. Monitor. To Leeds University (Dentistry).
- Newing, J. F.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. House Captain. Captain of Rugby 1957-58. County Major Scholarship. To Barclay's Bank.
- Panter, J. V.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. Prefect. House Vice-Captain. State Scholarship. To Bristol University (Physics).
- Tomlinson, T. G.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. To Loughborough Training College (Woodwork).
- Vandrill, R. N.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. County Scholarship. Student Apprenticeship, Stewart and Lloyds. Then to Glasgow University.
- Woolley, J.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. County Major Scholarship. To Nottingham University (Mathematics).
- Woolmer, K. J.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Prefect. Vice-Captain of Rugby. County Major Scholarship. To Leeds University (General Course).

#### Autumn Term.

- Coles, R. J.—VI.M., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Monitor. Prefect. Deputy Senior Prefect, 1958. House Captain. Captain of Squash and of Basketball. State Scholarship, 1958. To Jesus College, Cambridge (Modern Languages).
- Howard, D. C.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1958. Transferred to Northampton G.S.
- Isherwood, J. D.—VI.Sc., G.C.E.(O) 1956, (A) 1958. Stewarts and Lloyds.

#### HOWLERS.

A plant is a living mater which makes a flower to produce seeds for a former generation.—2.R.

Then Abraham gathered together all his ancestors and set out for Haran.—1.R.

Jairus was the owner of a synagogue.—1.Q.

Bovine means coming from oxygen.—1.S.

Bovine means assembling oxen.—1.S.

A retort is a ship with a long neck for distilling things.—1.S.

Astrology is the study of the stars in order to find out their influence on the density of men.—3.Q.

#### RETROSPECT.

For our Retrospect this year, we print the Editorial and the Admissions from our issue of December 1915.

#### EDITORIAL.

It is with much pleasure that we are able to publish this the second number of our School record. A time such as the present is not the most favourable for new institutions, but we feel that no apology is needed for once more sending forth a Magazine which will we hope, assist in strengthening the corporate life of the School and serve as a link between old and present boys.

There has been nothing of outstanding importance in this year's school-life, except the inconveniences arising from the present struggle. Several changes have taken place in the Staff. Two of our number (Mr. Jones and Mr. Grimes) joined the Forces last term. At the end of last session, we were all sorry to learn that Mr. Thomas was to be no longer with us. We can assure him of our best wishes for his success in his new sphere of work. Such losses are hard to replace, but we were glad to welcome, last term, Mr. Humphrey and Mr. Ensor and, this term, Miss Fletcher, Mr. Whitney and Mr. Williams. What further changes the near future will bring we dare not hazard.

Since the last issue of this Magazine, we have witnessed two Speech Days. In December, 1914, we were greatly indebted to Colonel Stopford Sackville for presenting the prizes and for his address. This year Speech Day took a different form; (our account of the proceedings will be found on another page).

The School may again be congratulated on the results obtained in examinations (a list of which is given elsewhere). We hope to do still better this year.

Our Sports Day, held at the beginning of last term, was an unqualified success. The prizes, it is true, were not of great pecuniary value, for, like others, we feel the pressing need of economy;

but the athletics were quite up to the standard of previous years and they are our only concern. We owe a debt of gratitude to our friends who kindly subscribed to the prize fund—and to the perfect weather with which we were favoured.

In our games, we have not been as successful in winning matches as we had hoped, but we had good games both in cricket and in football; and, as we have promising talent in the lower forms, our hopes for the future are high. We still labour under the disadvantage of having for our grounds only part of a field, and that sub-let to us. It will be a great step forward when we possess a more suitable field of our own.

An important addition has been made to our out-door activities this term in the formation of a Cadet Corps. Up to the present, about sixty boys have joined, but we are hoping that this number will in a very short time be considerably augmented. It is no part of our aim to imbue the boys with the spirit of militarism, but we do hope by this training so to prepare them that, if necessity arises, they may worthily take their places in the defence of their country. This, we are sure, they will be fitted to do by such instruction as will be given by Sergt.-Maj. Rogers, whose services we have been fortunate in securing.

Our Old Boys have, as our Roll of Honour shows, given nobly of their numbers. It is a roll which we gladly print and one of which we have just cause to be proud. As yet, too, it is not yet complete. Additions are constantly being made, both by the enlistment of other Old Boys and by the discovery of some who are already in the Forces but whose names have not so far been made known to us. The Headmaster will be pleased to receive particulars from parents or friends of Old Boys serving whose names are not included in the list. As will be seen from the Roll, two have made the great sacrifice. We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved parents. To us who may only stand and wait, such lives will be an ever-present example calling us to fulfil as best we can our own part, however humble, in the great cause.

#### ADMISSIONS TO SCHOOL.

##### September, 1915.

Abbott, H., Atkins, W. R., Beacham, C. H. S., Bicheno, J. C. G., Billson, T. G., Bone, P. A., Botterill, H., Bradshaw, A. R., Collins, A. J., Cooper, P. S., Evers, C. C., Ferguson, S. H., Fifield, H. L., Gotch, E. A., Haigh, G. G. D., Hoyles, C. S., Jones, E. L., Knight, J. E., Loake, G. A., Lock, H. A., Margetts, F. W. C., Miller, B. L., Neale, F. A., Panter, J. V., Payne, W. A., Pettit, J. T., Read, L. S., Searle, W. E., Tailby, H. W., Thompson, R. G., Warren, J. F., Wilkes, B. L. G., Wood, E. E. (33).

## OLD CYTRINGANIANS' SECTION

### Secretaries' Report for 1958.

Once again the committee organized a dance on New Year's Eve which was both a social and financial success. All the tickets were sold, and it was gratifying to note that out of the 180 guests present a large proportion were younger members of the Association.

With the aid of Mr. Dudley and the secretary of the School Debating Society, the Association was able to hold the second debate with the school. The attendance was, however, rather disappointing, but the committee feel that the function is well worth repeating.

The committee was pleased to approve an alteration to the rules of the Hygram Players. This permits the husbands and wives of existing members, not themselves members of the parent associations, to join the Hygrams. In the past some possible recruits have been deterred from joining owing to this restriction. It is hoped that its removal will encourage more people to participate in the activities of the Hygrams.

Over the years considerable revenue has been lost owing to the lapse of annual members. The committee felt that steps should be taken to ensure the renewal of annual subscriptions, or to encourage transference to life membership. Letters have been sent to the members concerned, with the result that 13 subscriptions were renewed. At present there are 584 members in the Association, including 10 life and 9 annual subscriptions received this year. Although these figures show a fall as compared with last year, the Association has certainly grown since 1932, when the total membership amounted to 175.

The school service on Armistice Day was again attended by the President, who read the lesson and laid a wreath on the war memorial on behalf of the Association.

This year the senior and junior Old Boys Prizes, which are awarded to boys who have contributed highly to the general progress and spirit of the school, went to R. J. Abbott and J. R. Terry respectively.

The Secretaries.

### THE HYGRAM PLAYERS, 1958.

Hon. Secretary—D. Gray, 292 Bath Road, Kettering.

1958 has, for the Hygrams, been a further year of normal activities. Two full-length plays were produced and a one-act entry made for the Drama League Festival.

In March there was an 'arena' production by David Bishop of "Ring round the Moon" by Anouilh, translated by Christopher Fry. This delightful play proved an admirable vehicle for the society's second venture 'in the round,' and this novel form of presentation attracted much interest and praise. The Hygrams are the only adult group in the county to have given public performances 'in the round'. The play itself was carefully and thoroughly produced, and David Bishop's enthusiasm brought out the best from the cast who all did well; special mention must be made of Stewart Horrocks who excellently sustained a long and arduous dual role.

For the British Drama League Festival the society produced Scene 1 of 'Noah', by André Obey. The scene was produced by Mr. Godfrey, who also played the title part. This is a role that he has made his own locally, and older members will still recall his memorable performance in 1938, when the late Mr. John Tynan produced the play in its entirety. Inspired by Mr. Godfrey's sterling performance, the large cast gave a convincing performance. Each year, competition in the Festival grows keener and the average standard higher. Even so, the Hygram team was highly praised by the adjudicator and failed by only one mark to be selected to go forward to the next stage of the competition.

Mr. Godfrey was also the producer of the Autumn production 'A Hundred Years Old', the famous Spanish play by the brothers Quintero. This play took place in the school hall in October, and was successfully repeated at Rothwell. It was also given as the first production at the new Arts Theatre at Harpole. It is a play of which Mr. Godfrey is very fond, and this affection is evident in his colourful and gentle production. B. A. E. Brading added to his many brilliant performances for the Hygrams with a fine and convincing portrayal of Papa Juan, the centenarian. A feature of the production was the excellent setting built by Noel Henson, Stewart Horrocks and John Tilley from a design by Ted Ward.

In July the society bade farewell to two stalwart members, Sonia and David Bishop. Sonia had, throughout the post-war period, been not only one of the society's best actresses, but a member whose keenness and willingness to undertake varied tasks inspired enthusiasm in others. David Bishop was seen only rarely, but always effectively, as an actor; but it was for his productions, especially 'in the round' that he will be long remembered. The Hygrams wish them every success in the future.

The year also included the popular annual visit to Stratford-on-Avon, play readings and visits to other societies' productions. As an experiment the Spring production for 1959 will be later, and Evan Roberts will produce the American drama 'The Big Knife' by Clifford Odets in the school hall on May 12th-14th. The Hygrams hope for the support of all members for the production.

New members are always very welcome. All Old Cytringanians in any way interested in the theatre, front or back stage, are most warmly invited to join; the secretary will always be pleased to answer any enquiries.

Derek Gray.

### THE HYGRAM TABLE TENNIS CLUB, 1958.

The club continues to meet in the school hall on most Monday and certain Wednesday evenings during the winter term.

In 1957-58 a team was entered in Division I of the Desborough and District League, also the Club knock-out competition. In all, 18 matches were played, of which 6 were won and 12 lost, and the team was placed 6th out of 9 teams in the league. During last season the club again had the assistance of I. T. Freeman, who has been their most consistent player since the war. He has, however, had to resign on leaving the town and his loss is sorely felt. It was decided to enter Division II of the league for 1958-59, and up to Christmas 8 matches had been played, of which 7 were won and 1 lost. It is hoped that a high position may be achieved, but there's 'many a slip!'

New members are urgently needed. While table tennis, probably because it is not a spectacular sport, attracts little publicity, it nevertheless can inspire an intense and long-lived interest in its devotees. All Old Cytringanians in any way interested, whether experienced players or not, are urged to come along.

The Club again expresses its sincerest thanks to Miss Woodrow and Mr. Dudley for the continued use of the school hall for play.

Derek Gray, Hon. Secretary.

### OLD CYTRINGANIANS' CRICKET CLUB.

The club, after two moderately successful seasons, once again became a pretty good all-round team, with the result that many more matches were won than lost.

It would be unfair to single out any one personality as the team comprised a good reserve strength in all positions and was once again most ably led by T. H. Holmes. For the first time

for more than two years we had sufficient members to fulfil all our fixtures without having 'guest' players.

It was most encouraging to find new younger players joining the club, and it is hoped that this trend will continue in the forthcoming season. A most attractive fixture list has already been arranged.

One result which the club feels very proud of was their defeat of the Old Wyggestonians' 1st XI at Leicester—a new fixture and a game really worth winning.

The President's XI versus The Club took place on the school ground and a most enjoyable match was played; it is indeed a great pity that there is not a better attendance of Old Boys at this annual fixture.

The season ended with a 'Chicken Barbecue' supper, where over 50 players and friends were present. During the evening presentations were made to Noel Henson and Wally Kelland on their entrance into the matrimonial XI of the club.

In conclusion may I report that the club is now in a very healthy state, both financially and in playing strength, so much so that the annual playing subscription is now only 10/- and all playing kit is provided free.

We still hope that ever more young Old Boys will join us in the forthcoming season.

J. Miller.

#### OLD CYTRINGANIANS' DINNER, 1959.

Outside it was cold and dismal enough, but the warmth and good fellowship of a genial occasion was ample reward for the 70 Old Cytringanians who attended the annual dinner held at the George Hotel, Kettering, on January 10th. To those who had travelled some distance the re-unions and the welcome extended to such "exiles" were renewed proof of the good work of the Association and—as was remarked during the evening—a reminder of how much is owed to those who are able to, and do, take an active part in the Old Cytringanians' affairs.

The Association and the new president, J. P. T. Eady, were ably toasted by J. R. Stanley who rightly said that the Old Cytringanians' activities were the keystone of association with the School for those who were away from Kettering.

An excellent reply included a deserved tribute to the out-going president, Malcolm Jackson, and an expression of pleasure at the presence of members of the staff, the president laying stress on the value of a close link between the Common Room and the Association.

After several years absence from the toast list it was indeed a pleasure to have E.E.K. to propose "The School," and as he knocked out his pipe and tucked his coloured handkerchief more

firmly into his jacket sleeve all settled into their chairs for some all-too-few minutes of unalloyed pleasure. It is superfluous to say that he received the warmest of receptions and spoke with that happy ease which has for years been the despair and envy of so many Old Boys who from time to time have to try and speak in public.

In toasting the "increasing and enduring prosperity of the School," Mr. Kirby referred to its growth in size and achievement and to the community of shared experience which it provided. In happy manner he took the older among his hearers back to the remote days of the train boys and their less than snail-pace up Station Road towards school, and looking to the future noted the prospect of a new Grammar School on the playing fields, a thought which (knowing what modern school buildings are apt to look like) fills with horror those who have a feeling for tradition.

A kindly mention of "Reveille", the Association's war-time journal which for more than five years kept Old Cytringanians in touch with the School and with each other, and copies of which found their way to every theatre of war, was much appreciated by those who had some part in the enterprise which was launched in Mr. Kirby's own dining room almost 20 years ago.

The Head Boy, Brian Slough, made the first response which included an impressive account of the School's sporting successes and an expression of thanks to the Headmaster and members of the staff for their interest and help.

The Headmaster (Mr. J. K. Dudley), also replying, emphasised the importance of the Association in the life of the School and of the presence of the president at School functions. Their aim was that the good name of the School should carry weight; that it should be an asset to those who could say they came from K.G.S., and that they could hold their heads high when the School was mentioned.

During the evening Malcolm Jackson was presented with a plaque to mark his presidential year, and in turn presented an "Oxford World Atlas" for the School library and a copy of "Songs of Praise" for daily use by the pianist at School Assembly.

It remains only to add that Mr. C. W. Godfrey acted as toastmaster with that geniality which has remained unchanged for so many years, and that Kettering's own Archie Tear—and president of the Magic Circle—had the company more baffled than even the most expert and distinguished members of the staff have been able to do over many generations.

So ended a very memorable evening; one only hopes that next year there will be a larger attendance.

(Thanks for this report are due to L. J. Bartley, who, as editor of the Bexhill "Observer", maintains the best traditions of provincial journalism).

## IN MEMORIAM.

A. E. Sherwin. Died 15th September, 1958.

A. C. Earl. Died 12th December, 1958.

Apart from David Barlow, whose musical compositions have again made the news at the St. Bees Festival and at a recent recital at Rushton, few of our university lecturers have so far produced original works. A shining exception is Norman Marlow's "A. E. Housman, Scholar and Poet" (Routledge and Kegan Paul, 1958, 21/-).

This mature and scholarly survey is a valuable addition to the study of a poet on whom Marlow has already published slighter papers. It opens with an admirable short biography, traces the literary influences on Housman in exhaustive fashion, handles dexterously the thorny subject of the biographical element in the poems, and considers, without fear or favour and with a pretty wit, most of Housman's critics. Altogether, convincing evidence that the laurels have **not** been all cut in this particular wood.

The Rev. D. H. Palmer is now serving in the parish of St. John the Evangelist, East Dulwich, while his close friend, the Rev. Graham Palmer, works in the adjoining parish of St. Giles, Camberwell. The Rev. Eric Colville has been appointed chaplain at Oakham School, and the Rev. Peter Bellamy is in Madagascar on behalf of the London Missionary Society. Christopher Hebron really has no place in this paragraph, since he is not in orders, but there is a temptation to include him although he is teaching at Government College, Western Nigeria, since this list would then recall four out of the five editors of "Modern Times", the brightest Six Form miscellany to date.

H. E. Bates achieved the honour of inclusion in the "Sunday Times" Portrait Gallery on the publication of his forty-sixth book. This was "The Darling Buds of May," a high-spirited romp now to be filmed in Hollywood. The prose appreciation, which was a good deal more complimentary than the accompanying photograph, speaks of the 'effortless opulence' of his work, which 'springs, like Lawrence's, from boyhood and youth in a Midland countryside'. (Since writing this your contributor has seen the announcement of a new collection of short stories, "The Watercress Girl").

The distinctions won by J. P. T. Eady, new President of the Old Cytringanians, must be among the infrequent mentions of farming in these pages. It is a pleasure to record that R. J. Palmer, farm student—and angler in his off-moments—was placed at

the head of the list in the general farming course at Moulton, collecting enough prizes to fill a wheelbarrow.

The annual joint debate held by School and Old Boys took place on January 8th and brought a perceptible increase in attendance to consider whether the connection between politics and the class-system should be deplored or commended. The university speakers, D. Dale-Jones and D. J. Palmer, hardly generated enough friction to offset the wintry weather, in spite of much polish and wit. The school seconders, J. A. Skillman and C. J. Groome, spoke with vigour and directness, undeterred by academic honours. Nobody minded very much which way the voting went, and it only remains to add that N. C. Sharman acted as chairman with a pleasing blend of diffidence and competence.

Gerald Walker has been awarded the Silver Medal by the Town Planning Institute for a thesis on "The Swedish Contribution to Town Planning". He has been doing post-graduate research at the Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm.

Wing-Commander R. D. I. Scott has retired from the Royal Air Force and now lives at Hereford. J. M. I. Scott, next President of the Old Cytringanians, has had already a busy year as President of the Round Table.

Rex Moore, who normally deals more with glossy new cars than with models considerably older than himself, set a new note in local weddings by arriving at the church in the beautifully kept—but draughty—veteran owned by Mr. Norman Manby.

A. L. Hadden, with his drawings of the orangery at Barton Hall, has won a fortnight in Rome under the terms of a competition organized by an association of Midland architects. This leads to a mention of Frederick Burgess, winner of a similar distinction in art many years ago, who recently notified your contributor of the birth of his second child. And in architecture T. Swales has recently taken a post in Ghana, where his first job is reputed to be the design of a new stadium.

The Old Boys' successes given on the Speech Day programme did not include the name of George Furnell, who recently followed the example of F. J. Lawrence in gaining the external B.A. degree of London University. For a married man with a family this means a remarkable effort and deserves warm congratulations.

Your contributor's contacts with members overseas, either by visit or Christmas card, cover quite a range—Donald Cross from Canada, Denis Lakin from Rhodesia, Eric Sharpe (who returned from leave with a German wife) from Sinoia, Michael Hillyer (later joined by wife and infant son) from West Africa, and C. C. Hebron, mentioned earlier.

More than a century ago the Rev. Rowland Hill, regretting that 'the devil should have all the good tunes', adopted the best of them for hymns. Similarly, the Rev. David Loake, Minister of St. Chad's, Sutton Coldfield, is trying—in company with other Birmingham incumbents—to combat the dullness of orthodox parish magazines by borrowing the familiar format of the popular picture paper, together with many of its features. His chief concern is to be read, and to judge from the January issue, he seems likely to achieve this end in a big industrial parish. He has the good wishes of "The Cytringanian". (Incidentally, David's father, who serves a different flock in Aberdeenshire, last summer revisited his friends in Kettering).

## ORIGINAL ARTICLES

### TRIESTE.

Coming into Trieste by road from Italy, the first thing we see is a pine-covered headland, with a picturesque nineteenth-century castle at its tip. This is the "Castello di Miramare," American Army headquarters from 1946-1956, and home of Archduke Maximilian, Napoleon III's Mexican emperor. Beyond this headland, a long, gently-curving "autostrada" stretches before us for about five miles. On one side of this is the sea, and this is the main bathing resort; on the other side are the wooded lower slopes of some limestone cliffs, at the top of which is a road which Napoleon himself had ordered to be made; these cliffs are about 500 feet in height.

At the end of the "autostrada" is another, steeper headland on the crown of which stands the "Faro di Vittoria" (Lighthouse of Victory). This was built after the First World War, and is one of the highest in Europe (there are 621 steps to the top). The "autostrada" bends sharply round the headland and then Trieste proper lies before us.

The cliffs have now become steeply-sloping hills, crowned by a dark pine forest; they form a great basin, in which Trieste lies. The dark green of these slopes is sharply contrasted by the cream and grey of the houses, the red of a multitude of roofs. Most of the houses are really blocks of flats and on the outskirts, private villas bask in the sun; ultra-modern flats lie like upturned shoe-boxes on the hill slopes.

In the centre of the foreground, is the hill of Saint Justine, Trieste's patron saint. This hill has always been the centre of local civilisation; there were some settlers here as far back as 1000 B.C., before the Romans ever started. They were then a barbaric people, and some modern "naghane" ("teddy-boys") seem to be a living proof of them. On this historic hill are the remains of an old Roman temple, once dedicated to Jupiter, Juno and Minerva; the massive, thirteenth-century castle, containing a museum of political history, (i.e. a collection of arms), a gigantic open-air theatre and dance-floor. From the battlements on the landward side, one looks down into a green hill, which is one of the most curious of war memorials—all citizens who died in the two wars have here a separate white headstone with their name and rank on it. It is truly unique.

Next to the castle is the Cathedral, again thirteenth-century, where the remains of Saint Justine lie. He was a victim of the Christian persecution under Diocletian's reign in 299 A.D. His particular death was due to a flogging and a mid-night bath in the sea, with lead weights around his ankles, wrists and neck. His



THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JUSTINE, TRIESTE.

body was recovered, and then lost track of, until it was discovered in a crypt in the Cathedral in 1627.

At the southern foot of the hill are two cynosures of interest : a Roman amphitheatre, pocket-size, still being excavated ; and the "citta vecchia" (old town) picturesque to any visitors, but just a slum to those who have to live in it. Walking through the old town, you see only one colour—a dirty grey—as far as buildings go ; the roofs just cannot be seen from street level, indeed some of the houses have none. Yet the transition from the old town to the new is immediate. You turn a corner and you are in the "Piazza dell' Unita"; the main square. And there, right in front of you, is the port. A wide, busy road lies between you and it ; it is indeed quite hazardous to cross, especially as here you do not need a driving licence as we know it to venture forth on the roads. What a chaotic, unholy mess the roads are ! The trams (single-deck, crazily driven) think they have the right of way, car and lorry drivers are certain they have, and the scooter mob just don't care. The traffic policemen often give up in desperation. It's enough to send anyone to "San Giovanni," where the local lunatic asylum is.

Museums there are in plenty : natural history, art, maritime, and the Civic Museum. The Churches are naturally multitudinous and resplendent inside : outside they are just churches ; there is even one Anglican church, and one green-domed Synagogue, exclusively for the very rich who are not Roman Catholics. There is also a canal, which runs for three or four hundred yards into the town, always chock-full of boats which never move. On the sides, the most delicious water melons can be had, from one shilling upwards.

The streets themselves are, speaking as a pedestrian, slightly crowded, the shops less so. Prices are quite high ; but whereas meat costs about nine shillings a pound, butter six shillings, and the bread is dear, all other food is quite cheap. Again, clothes, rents, furniture are high, but then entertainment is comparatively cheap. The lot of the common man is hard then, by our standards, but he is always cheerful, at least when there are visitors around. In fact, all over Italy, Trieste is famous for three things : its beautifully fair sex, its medicinal brandy, and the general cheerfulness of the inhabitants.

After wandering around some more, you must get to the park. It is a favourite area for young and old ; there is not much to it really, except that it is a peaceful retreat from the busy streets. People just like to come in, sleep awhile, and go off again.

The main industry of the town is brewing : Dreher Beer, Stock Brandy in the main ; there are also gas and electricity works, light engineering, jute packing, and the port, with its shipbuilding. There are also a variety of businesses, such as the cemetery and

the football club. The transport system is both public (trams and electric buses) and private (ordinary buses). This list has only missed one important item:—the "trattoria", open-air or otherwise. The ingredients for these are: a room or rooms, tables, chairs, juke-box, pin-table, counter and drinks. This is where the people spend their evenings; not surprising, as wine is cheaper and stronger than beer; either they stay here all night, watching the not-so-good television programmes or playing a variety of barred games, or they go to the pictures, open-air or otherwise. Prices are the same as ours, but only one feature film is shown. The pictures, or the fair then, if you've got some money. If not, a walk around town, dancing to a juke-box, and a midnight swim. (I am referring to the summer of course, in the winter it is too cold.)

For sixpence you can get on to a blue tram and go to "Opicina" on top of the hills. The tram becomes a cable-tram for part of the journey. Up here you can wander among cool pine forests, limestone caves, and rough land, till eventually you reach the "Vedetta d'Italia", a specially built look-out tower on the brink of the cliffs, overlooking Barcola, the bathing resort. You can clearly see Venice from here, and other towns in Italy proper, on the right; and on the left is Yugoslavia with its already mountainous coast, and there, right below, is the marvellously blue Adriatic, with sailing boats here and there. You can even hear a juke-box from the promenade.

The road is flanked by trees on one side, gigantic rocks forming break-waters on the other and by open-air bars and parked vehicles on both sides. As it is the only place where you can bathe without paying, it is, needless to say, very popular. You can swim in dirt-free water, hire skiffs out cheaply, drink cold beers, etc., listen to the latest records, or just do nothing, and sleep, and get a lovely golden tan by the marvellous sun. What a glorious life!

From the look-out post the Napoleonic road can be better seen. Indeed, you can work your way down to it, not straight down the sheer rock face, for the graves of the last persons who attempted it are a clear warning. Walking along the road we suddenly notice carved out of a rock face, the Napoleonic emblem.

Whoever rules Trieste, it will still be a very nice place to pay a prolonged holiday to. The friends you make will still come with you to the station, toast you off, at their expense—an extreme mark of approval—and give you this farewell: "Trieste e noi si ricordera di te. Arrivederci a presto. (Trieste, and we, will remember you. Goodbye, till we meet you again.)" That greeting comes from the true heart of a truly magnificent city of 290,000 jolly inhabitants.

J. Frank Holmes, Up.VI.Mod.

## IF.

If I were Lord of Tartary  
There'd be no work for me;  
I'd laze upon the golden sands  
Beside the silver sea.  
I'd gaze up to the cloudless sky,  
And feast on cream and apple pie,  
I'd always laugh and never cry:  
There'd be no work for me!

N. Lampard, 2.R.

If I could win the football pool,  
Two hundred thousand pounds,  
I wouldn't go to dreary school  
Or run a paper round.  
I'd have a hut to keep my snakes;  
For tea, I'd have a feast of cakes;  
I'd bath each night in soapy flakes;  
And keep a pack of hounds! P. J. Warren, 2.P.

If I were Lord of Tartary,  
I'd travel far and wide,  
To see so many countries  
And for a while abide.  
The sights I'd see, so new to me,  
In Austria and Italy,  
America and Germany;  
Nowhere I'd be denied. L. Freestone, 2.Q.

If I could win a lot of money  
I'd buy a lot of land,  
A palace that was bright and sunny  
With courtyard large and grand,  
And all my pals I'd ask to share  
The fun and games, the parties there,  
With feasts and banquets, rich fine fare,  
And in the hall, a band! D. F. Grantham, 1.S.

If I were granted just one boon,  
Then this is what I'd do:—  
I'd take a trip up to the Moon  
—Before the Russians do!  
My rocket ship would be quite tall  
And safety-belts would break our fall;  
We'd plant the flag, and, one and all,  
Back to the Earth come soon! P. Blissett, 1.S.

## KETTERING.

Oh ! Kettering is a famous town  
 With boots and shoes galore.  
 We make them here, with all good cheer,  
 And people ask for more.

The people come from near and far,  
 To see our park so fine  
 And, when they go, they make a vow  
 To come another time.

On Friday it is market day.  
 Oh ! What a busy place,  
 Where shopkeepers set out their stalls,  
 Of pots and pans and lace.

If you pass through at Christmas time,  
 Lights hang from every tree ;  
 You cannot help but stop and look—  
 It fills your heart with glee.

C. Aldwinckle, r.Q.

## A CROSS COUNTRY RACE.

Out in the cold and driving rain,  
 Leaving the judges sheltered,  
 Huddled in coats to keep out the cold,  
 While mud-bespattered, we sweltered.

Covered in mud, we breathless ran,  
 Over the brow of a hill,  
 Over a brook by means of a plank,  
 And past a water-mill.

We longed to linger there awhile,  
 To watch the bubbling stream,  
 And see the mill's great churning wheel,  
 But couldn't stop to dream.

Some cattle sheltered 'gainst a barn,  
 Gulls swooped over a dyke,  
 And in the distance undisturbed,  
 A heron fished for pike.

The rain had passed, the sun broke through,  
 And in the brilliant light,  
 Three planes flew high up in the sky,  
 Appearing silvery white.

Suddenly with thunderous roar,  
 A bull appeared in sight.  
 We didn't see the bull was chained,  
 It gave me quite a fright.

My goal was in the distant view,  
 And with a quickened pace,  
 As if a bull were close behind,  
 I ran—and won the race.

J. Knight, r.Q.

## A SONNET TO THE LIBRARY CLOCK NOW UNHAPPILY STOPPED.

(With no apologies to W. Shakespeare, Esq).

Being your slave, what could I do but tend  
 Upon the hours and times of your desire ?  
 I have no busy time at all to spend  
 Nor periods to work till you require :  
 Nor dare I chide the world-without-end hour  
 Whilst I, impatient, watch thy face anew,  
 Nor think the bitterness of absence sour  
 When you have bid your servant once adieu ;  
 Nor dare I question with my jealous thought  
 The periodic limits you should rule,  
 But like a sad slave stay and think of nought  
 But lifeless wheels misregulating school.  
 Yet in nostalgia shall my verse still stand  
 Praising thy worth, despite thy moveless hand.

R. H. Wallace, VI.Mod.A.

## BRUSSELS WORLD EXHIBITION, 1958.

After many weeks of preparation, we were at last on our way to the Brussels World Exhibition of 1958. The time was 4.30 a.m., the day Saturday, 24th of May. We alighted from the train at 7 a.m. at St. Pancras Station, claimed our cycles and began our eighty miles of cycling through the hills of Kent to Dover.

Arriving at Ostend by ferry, we spent the night in a Youth Hostel. The following morning we rose early and commenced a

long and uninteresting journey to Brussels, punctuated only by the picturesque towns of Brugge and Ghent. The latter part of our journey was in pouring rain, but we were thrilled by a fleeting glimpse of the Atomium.

On Monday morning, after breakfast and a journey on a rattling tram so typical of Brussels, we arrived at the 'Expo'; our first impression of it was the huge scale on which the exhibition was built.

We first made our way to the base of the Atomium, passing the magnificent fountains and waterfalls of the Rue de Belgique, where the opening ceremonies had been performed by the King of Belgium a few weeks earlier.

Being of a patriotic nature, we walked briskly towards the United Kingdom pavilion. This striking structure was immediately recognisable by its three unusual prism-shaped towers. We entered the Hall of Tradition, passing on to the model Nuclear Reactor and the Technological and Scientific sections. After looking at the model of Zeta, we entered the Courtyard of Commonwealth.

We spent some time in the British Industries pavilion which contained representations of the major industries and of the famous companies of this island, (including at least one from Northamptonshire), before passing to the cinema in the City of London Pavilion, where we saw a short film on the manufacture of hardboard. From the cinema, we went on to a typically English, but apparently very popular pub, the 'Fox and Hounds'.

We then visited the three Latin-American pavilions, those of Brazil, Mexico and Venezuela; despite their externally imposing design, the interiors were disappointing, though they did suggest some visions of South America.

On our way to the German pavilion we were nearly run over by one of the trailer-buses. This building was of ultra-modern construction in glass and steel; it was built on a hillside and seemed in places to be suspended in mid-air. On entering this pavilion we were impressed by the array of modern machinery directed to the betterment of man's existence.

The French version of the ultra-modern trends was a large hall on an almost rectangular base, constructed of steel and glass with a large spar projecting over the main entrance, supporting a carillon of bells and a huge French Tricolour. It was a great architectural and engineering feat, with exhibits on two, three or four storeys according to their size. Its immense extent made it impossible for us to see everything but what we did see showed that the French could be a first-rate nation.

Leaving this pavilion, we decided to make our way back to the hostel, as it was 5.30 p.m. Once on the tram we realized we

had not eaten or rested since early that morning and were hungry and tired. The twenty-minute tram ride seemed to take hours, but we reached a point near the hospital at 6 p.m. and satisfied our hunger with chips and fried rissoles from one of the numerous Brussels chip kiosks.

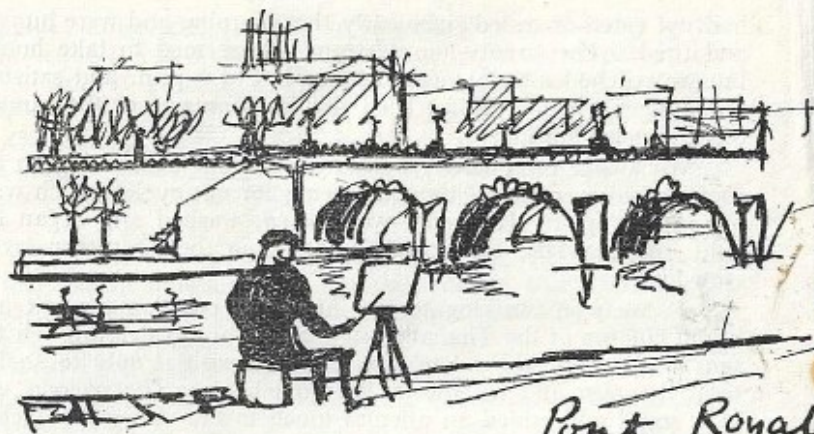
We awoke on Tuesday morning with rain hammering on the roof above us, our first thoughts being for our cycles which were out in the open. Hurriedly we dressed, washed and began the fight for breakfast, the hostel dining room being rather overcrowded!

As we were walking to the American pavilion the gilt and bright colours of the Thailand pagoda caught our eye through the rain and we felt obliged to pay it a brief visit if only to shelter from the rain and to consult the guidebook. The pagoda was very small and added an oriental touch to the valley in which it was situated. When the rain had eased off a little, we made a dash for the American pavilion. This building was in the shape of a doughnut corresponding in size to the Coliseum at Rome. We wandered for about two hours around the exhibits which included a complete hospital operating-theatre, a self-service-store, a model town, a wall covered with a U.S. Sunday newspaper (mainly adverts), a huge cross section of a giant redwood tree, a coloured television studio, and sections on atomic research, culture and American literature. Some of the outstanding features were the panoramic photographs of various cities, which transported us momentarily to the scene itself.

In the Canadian pavilion we learned something of timber, wheat growing, fishing, mineral mining and processing, and building. We also dined rather frugally in the presence of a gentleman in the magnificent uniform of the Canadian Mounted Police.

After lunch, we visited the Philips's pavilion which contained the new 'son et lumière' projection apparatus. This consists of several cinema projectors throwing pictures on the roof and working in conjunction with stereophonic sound. The result was a very eerie experience which we were very pleased to have seen and heard. The building was 1984 type design looking like nothing on this earth, but had been built with as near perfect acoustics as it is possible to obtain.

When the show was over we made for the (much discussed) Russian pavilion. This pavilion was in the shape of a parallelogram made of the usual materials, glass and steel. The building was of such construction that down each of the sides there were two storeys, at the far end one storey and the rest being ground floor only. The whole pavilion inside was dominated by an immense statue of Lenin, the central hall displaying models of the now famous Russian sputniks and rockets, together with their tracking

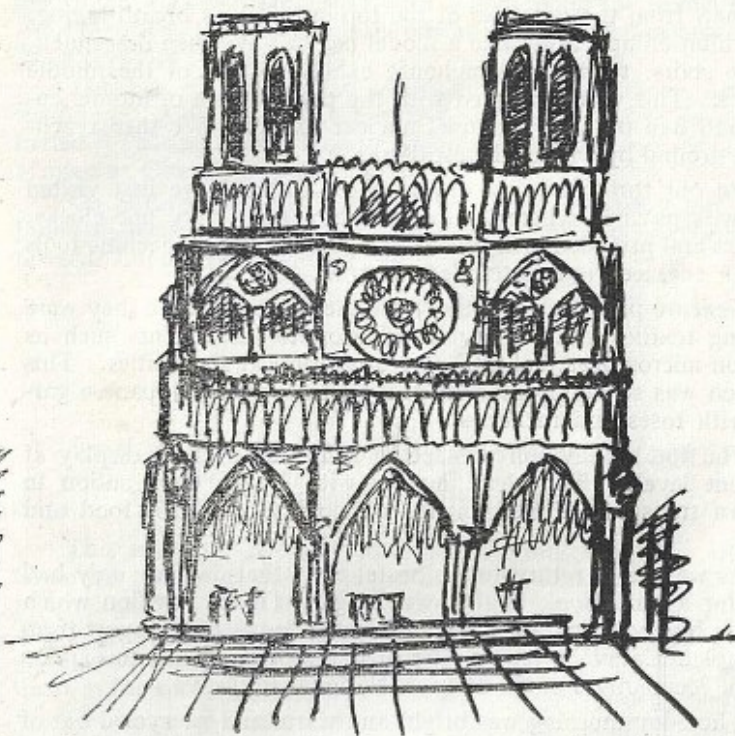


Pont Royal—  
River Seine



Montmartre—  
Early Morning

Impressions of ———  
Paris April '58



Notre Dame—  
West Front.

*R. Paulson III*

instruments. Other sections included industrial machinery, transport vehicles of all kinds, as well as a brief outline of the Russian way of life or what the Russians want us to believe it to be like. There were photographs of principal cities and the armed forces and also a bookstall where English and other translations of books by eminent Russian authors could be purchased. Colour television was also being relayed by receivers at various points in the pavilion.

As we had a little time left and the weather was now bright and clear, we went up the Atomium. The lift there was the fastest in Europe, taking only 23 seconds to rise approximately 335 feet. The view from the windows of the top sphere was breath-taking, the exhibition appearing like a model below. We then descended, by the stairs, to the Westinghouse exhibit in one of the middle spheres. This was concerned with the peaceful use of atomic energy and had on show a model nuclear reactor. We then reached the ground by way of the escalators.

On our third and last day at the Exhibition we first visited the Swiss pavilion where we saw on show some very fine clocks, watches and precision instruments in contrast to large machine tools used in engineering and textile industries.

Next we paid a visit to the Japanese pavilion where they were showing textiles and pottery in addition to instruments such as electron-microscopes, cameras and other optical specialities. This pavilion was strikingly modern and set in a typical Japanese garden with roses and rockeries.

The Italian pavilion was set on a hillside with its display at different levels. This dealt mainly with Italy's contribution to modern transport as well as her national products of food and wines.

As we had to return to the hostel early that day, we only had time for a quick look at the vast Belgian Travel Pavilion which was a schoolboys' paradise. Here were all types of transport from a complete Caravelle jet air-liner of the Sabena air-line to express electric locomotives of the Belgian National Railways.

Thursday morning was bright and warm and we cycled out of Brussels almost francoless in bright sunshine. We had been advised to visit Mechelen Cathedral as it is possible to see the Atomium at a distance of 17 miles from the top of its tower. This we found to be correct and we were also fortunate to hear the huge bell ringing for Mass. We were about to descend the tower when a church official invited us into the belfry as the bell was to be sounded. The noise was absolutely deafening and the tower seemed to tremble. It was indeed an experience, as we were standing very close to the bell.

We cycled on to Antwerp having to walk part of the way owing to the very poor condition of the cobbled road between Mechelen and Boom. The afternoon we spent resting in the sun in the hostel grounds. After a wonderful supper we went sight-seeing in Antwerp and round part of the huge docks. In one of the streets we were surprised to see a typical continental fair complete with a carousel. Unfortunately, we were almost out of money so we had to be content with looking and listening.

Friday morning brought light showers and a long ride to Ostend. The first part of the journey was under the river Scheldt via a tunnel constructed for pedestrians. We first had to carry our cycles down as escalator, walk half a mile along the tunnel pushing our cycles, then up again by means of a second escalator on to the west bank of the river.

The ride to Ostend was very uninteresting, except for the town of St. Nickolas, where Father Christmas is said to have originated. Passing again through Ghent and Brugge, we eventually arrived at Ostend.

On Saturday morning, the Dover Ferry left late, but 3.30 found us back on the left-hand side of the road cycling furiously towards London, our holiday nearly over.

P. Holland, A. Perry, VI.Sc.B.

## MR. PEPYS VISITS THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

A SYMPOSIUM BY 3.P.

This morning, I to Kettering where I did visit the ancient Grammar School at the invitation of the Headmaster. Did arrive just before dinner, so I down to the eating house or tavern called The Canteen with a most rare group of persons who have charge of a great and unruly multitude of boys, and did partake with them in the aforesaid place.

Did lunch on mince and on peas which were as hard as grape-shot. Mine hosts did tell me that oft-time they do have cabbage and that on fast days they do have a dish of strange black objects lying in a mass of yellow which is called "prunes-and-custard".

After lunch, I, uneasy in the stomach, back to the Grammar School, a mightily impressive building in Bowling Green Road (which is a truly strange name as no bowling green could I see). First to the masters' common room, which did stink most unhealthily of pipe tobacco and Woodbine smoke, where I did watch the brewing of tea.

Then did come the Headmaster who walked with me round the school and explained to me many of the wondrous strange sights I saw there, and led me across a space called the Yard and along a noisesome ditch known as the Moat. Then into a hovel where we saw a mighty press of youths in a mighty small room learning the Latin. Lord! it did bring back days when I learned this tongue, but it did grieve me much to listen and hear such barbarous sounds as are taught and heard now. The pedagogue did explain how the pronunciation had been changed by decree and that these boys were R,—but this I did not understand. We to the next hovel where I did watch boys conversing in German—a most barbarous tongue and one which since the return of his blessed Majesty I verily hope we shall not need. Then across the yard to an out-house where the mathematics were taught, especially one called Algebra, which is above me, and which I should learn but ill.

Then did we go to other parts of this building which were called High but I would no wise discover why this should be. The Headmaster did show me the maidens, some of whom were beautiful, at their lessons. Lord, it did divert me mightily to observe that some were fair and some were not, and that the fair maids knew not their lessons.

At length, the Headmaster did earnestly persuade me to go to a block, and so we did walk along the streets of this ancient town to the games field where we did espy one strange and decrepit machine which made a great noise. Upon enquiring the nature of this machine, I was told that it was for the cutting of the grass and that it was conducted by a person specially chosen for his skill in such matters. I did notice that there were many youths in white dresses playing the game of "cri-ket"; others did labour to throw metal plates mighty fine distances, and some did pass their time in watching the pretty virgins in the next field.

The Headmaster did point out to me the block, a mighty fine new building with many great windows. In it, he said, was the Science which was being taught by the special command of his most blessed Majesty. When I did go inside, Lord, what things did I not see! It being lesson time, I did observe boys at the Chemistry, at the Physics and yet others at the Biology, and they all intent upon their studies. But it was too strange to me, and I did come out mightily impressed.

So away by four of the clock and home to dine on cold mutton, it being wash-day.

## REPORTS

### SPEECH DAY.

Savoy Theatre, Dec. 17th, 1958, 2.15 p.m.

This year's Speech Day, held rather later than usual, was a most successful event. The proceedings were opened as usual by the Chairman of the Governors, Mrs. F. E. Clarke, who welcomed all new pupils and their parents to Speech Day in her introductory remarks.

In an admirable summing-up of the School Year, the Headmaster drew particular attention to difficulties of administration resulting from Staff illnesses, the excellent academic results, particularly the winning of six State Scholarships, the very well received School Play production of Shakespeare's "Othello", and not least some interesting and diverting 'vital' statistics relating to the Kettering Grammar School of former times. The 16 pupils of 1865 have risen to the 554 of 1958-59; how peaceful it must once have been!

The Headmaster went on to discuss various aspects of discipline in a school so overcrowded as ours, and pointed out that even if some twenty boys per week were in detention, there were well over five hundred who were not. He stressed the vital need for discipline—in the individual, in the school, and in the nation at large—and made it clear that discipline can arise within the individual only if it is assisted by an organised system of discipline outside him. In this connection he referred to the problem—unfortunately not a rare phenomenon these days—of the boy who refused to make a reasonable use of his abilities, thus failing to justify his place in a Grammar School and possibly keeping out a more worthy boy.

Prizes and Certificates were presented by the chief guest for the day, Mr. Talbot Griffith, M.A., who had many a cheery word for the recipients. This event was followed by the School Choir, under the capable leadership of Mr. Smith, singing four songs of contrasting style. Perhaps here may be mentioned the delightful singing of the small group of Second Formers in Handel's "Silent Worship", which was received with great enthusiasm by the audience.

Following the singing, Mr. Griffith, Warden of Missenden Abbey and former Headmaster of Oakham School, proceeded to give a very well delivered, humorous speech, full of wisdom gleaned from his experience after many years teaching. He took as his theme the question "What is a School?", and then proceeded to explain what is expected of a School, and more particularly how it may be achieved. He said that the School can be thought

of as a building, as a place of learning, and as a community, and he went on to discuss each of these in its bearing on education.

Mr. Griffith maintained that a School stands or falls by the standards it sets, and these standards depend entirely upon the people, pupils and teachers, who work within the School. "The best teacher can only get what he wants if the people in front give what they can give . . . ." said the speaker, placing the onus of responsibility for creating and maintaining a good standard of work on the pupils themselves. Without the co-operation of the pupils, the diligence and hard work of the Staff, the two prime functions of a School—as a teaching establishment and a place where one learns how to live properly in a community—put forward by Mr. Griffith cannot be achieved. Hence the pupil must set himself a standard, as must the teacher, and every effort must be made to maintain and improve these standards if the school is to be a successful one.

In conclusion, Mr. Griffith commented on the importance of the Grammar Schools at the present time in their job of providing the bulk of people who will hold positions of importance in the future world, and giving everyone an opportunity to advance himself. He emphasised that we must beware, in this age of equal opportunity, of falling standards, and to avoid these we must realise the part that the Grammar School can play to ensure that there is a general 'levelling-up' (i.e. raising) of standards and not the reverse.

The speaker managed to put across his material in a most acceptable manner and must have caused many people in the audience to think more seriously and appreciate more fully the significance of the term "School". It is not merely the name given to a building but a living organism, the flourishing of which is essential for the future success of the world.

The afternoon ended with Votes of Thanks given by the Mayor, Councillor B. Huggett, Mr. C. W. Godfrey, and the Head Prefect, B. J. Slough.

D.H.G.

#### AFTER EVERY TEMPEST.

"Othello" was last year's school play and was performed in the school hall during the last week of November.

Some doubts may have been felt as to the wisdom of such a choice, the length and complexity of the principal parts being perhaps held to render it unsuitable for schools. But the performance itself dispelled any such doubts. The play is swift and concentrated and marched irresistibly to its conclusion, the principal actors sustained their parts with a maturity and a competence not

often found in schools, and the passion and infidelity in a military garrison in a sun-drenched island seemed the most natural things in the world.

Full honours for the leading parts must go to J. A. Skillman as Iago and to R. J. Coles as Othello. Iago's part involves over eight hundred lines and Othello's well over six hundred and both characters are on the stage almost continuously; on the purely physical level, this represents no mean feat of endurance and memory after the day's work in school. But more than this; the two parts were interpreted with understanding and subtlety and were wholly convincing. We forgot Skillman in Iago; we forgot that Othello was in the third-year sixth. Skillman kept up throughout the performance an intensity of deliberate evil and played his cards so cunningly and smoothly that we watched with fascinated horror as the diabolical plot unfolded itself. Coles well brought out the reactions to this unrecognised villainy—at first the majestic soldier, then the blissful commander-in-chief with his bride, then the agonised, doubting husband, and finally the resolute instrument of revenge. Skillman in his black uniform, flickered lightly round the dignified Coles, persuading, soothing, planting the virile seeds of jealousy; Coles underplayed the earlier scenes in order to have reserves for the last act, and when he did reach his full stature in the dreadful bedroom scene, he was impressive indeed.

Next come Anita McGlone as Desdemona and Janet Styles as Emilia. The former well conveyed the fundamental innocence and beauty of the supersubtle Venetian and her dignified simplicity was particularly moving in the scene where she indicated her choice between father and husband; she undertook with modesty the defence of Cassio and was pardonably bewildered at Othello's roughness. During the last scene, Anita McGlone indicated all the emotions of the tragic heroine—grief, loyalty, indignation, acquiescence and fear. Janet Styles as the coarser Emilia contrived to give subtlety to her worldiness and played with conviction the part of the sensible, not-too-honest, not-too-wicked companion. In the last scene she acted with great vigour and skill.

Slough gave a convincing portrayal of Cassio, and his stocky, cheerful figure and natty beard seemed just right for this simple-souled officer who could not take his liquor. The drinking scene was in fact one of the most spontaneous (and certainly the most noisy) in the play. Lamont as Lodovico gave a polished and almost faultless performance in the small part of a Venetian aristocrat; the necessary refinement and style were well conveyed. Groome as the foolish Roderigo brought out clearly the clumsy stupidity and the irresolute petulance of this ignominious spendthrift. Sharman as Brabantio looked really anxious and bewildered when he learned that his daughter had eloped, and his appearance before the Senate was not without its dignity. Rosemary

Mustin, as the beautiful Bianca, represented the indigenous inhabitants of the island with grace and charm.

Mr. Ward designed one setting for the three basic locations of the play. A simple arrangement of four pillars indicated now the Senate-house in Venice, now the platform of the fortress in Cyprus and finally Othello's bedroom. The lighting was much brighter, especially in the open-air scenes where much of the sunshine of the Mediterranean was recaptured. It was a notably effective set, and Mr. D. H. Greenwood, who directed its construction is especially to be commended. Many difficulties are involved—a creaky stage set upon ancient trestles and held together by bits of wire, the absence of firm supports at the top of the stage causing everything to be suspended from wires and secured with selotape, pillars that rock dangerously when an actor rushes past—all these and many more difficulties were overcome by stage-manager and producer in order to give us a good performance.

Mr. Ward and his associate producer, Mr. Roberts, are both to be congratulated on a very satisfactory production. During the last few years, the standard of the school productions has gradually risen and this one marked a further advance. It was smooth, well-planned and competent, its big scenes were well-grouped and powerful in their emotional appeal, and the dramatic illusion was always fully created. The two producers have set themselves a very high standard indeed.

Acknowledgements and thanks are willingly given to those actors and actresses of minor parts whose names, for reasons of space have found no mention above; to Messrs. Mandale and Ashby for their assistance with staging and lighting; to Messrs. Cowell and Perrett for the business side of art; and to that army of boys and girls from both schools who laboured so conscientiously at stage-managing, at tape-recorders and lighting manuals, at costumes and at prompting, and at all the other things that were done unobtrusively but competently to make this production a success.

#### FRENCH TRIP—EASTER, 1958.

"Bonjour!"—This was the word with which Mr. Lindley and Mr. Wilson greeted twenty sleepy boys at 4.30 a.m. on a typical English Spring morning. Three hours later we were all sitting in the Strand Corner House eagerly awaiting breakfast. Having sustained ourselves, we proceeded to Victoria Station, where we caught the Boat Train to Newhaven. As is now customary for Kettering Grammar School holidays travelling abroad, our party met a rough sea. The boat rolled from side to side and needless to say many boys did not feel too well. Nevertheless we did eventually reach Dieppe whereupon a few of us with some luck tried our French on Frenchmen. To everybody's astonishment we were understood and we boarded the train to Paris with a re-

newed confidence in our French masters. At 6.30 p.m. we arrived in Paris to find a highly efficient Continental bus awaiting. We were then taken to the "Cit  Club" for our first French meal. Throughout the holiday we all tried to appreciate French cooking, but unfortunately few of us managed it. On reaching our hotel in "Montmartre" several of the party just dropped their luggage and then sprinted for the "M tro" (underground) and spent a happy hour joy-riding, paying a visit to the floodlit "Arc de Triomphe" during this.

Early the next morning we were awakened by cries of "Bonjour" and "Ouvrez la porte", which we did, whereupon the maid entered with our breakfast—one huge roll and a cup of coffee. Soon we were walking to the "Sacré-Coeur" which I thought was one of the most beautiful churches I had ever seen. We were next conducted on a tour of old "Montmartre" and visited a waxworks museum illustrating life through the centuries in this quaint quarter of Paris. The afternoon was free and so some boys explored Paris while others spent one and a half hours writing post-cards at the top of the Eiffel Tower, something which only seems to serve one purpose, that of giving the French Government 500 francs a time. However at the time the French Government did not exist, for M. Gaillard had resigned office in the morning. On the Tower the prices definitely rose with the height.

The whole of the following day was spent on a coach tour of Paris, except in the evening when we visited the "Op ra" to see two delightful ballets. On the trip around Paris we stopped at many points to see the "Notre Dame" cathedral, "Les Invalides," where Napoleon's heart is treasured and the great and impressive "Arc de Triomphe", from the top of which one looked along the romantic "Champs Elys es" stretching to the "Place de la Concorde", the largest square in Paris and thus most suitable for the political riots.

On the Thursday of our week's holiday we travelled by a suburban train to the Palace at Versailles. After being taken through endless rooms, all of which seemed alike, except for the famous Hall of Mirrors, we explored the palace garden. Incidentally, in the Hall of Mirrors there is a table with a notice upon it and this inscription informs everyone that the table is the one on which the 1919 peace treaty was signed. However, underneath the table is an extremely small notice stating that it is not the actual table, for Hitler burned it in 1941, but in fact a copy of the original. The afternoon was spent in the Palace surroundings, where there were two main items of interest: firstly Marie Antoinette's private residence and secondly the endless souvenir stalls which obtained much of our custom and francs.

After such an interesting and enlightening visit to Versailles, we went on the Friday to the Louvre Museum, and those boys who

were interested in art or sculpture were soon at home among the "Venus de Milo" and the "Mona Lisa". On the occasion of this visit and of others during the week we were again very grateful to our guide, since she always knew where and where not to go. The afternoon was free and those boys who had not yet enjoyed the heights, ascended the Eiffel Tower. The remainder of the party was panicking slightly since it had not completed its shopping and therefore several of us joined the members of numerous other nationalities on the famous South Bank of the Seine, where the illustrations in our First-Form French text books sprang to life. The evening was spent as the others were either exploring various quarters of Paris or going to the rather expensive cinemas.

The Natural History Museum was visited on the Saturday and we were able to trace the story of man. One man in there was the attendant, on whom we practised our French—not talking about the contents of the Museum but saying "oui" and "non" to his recollections of the first World War, when he apparently fought alongside British soldiers, a fact of which he seemed proud.

In the afternoon came the climax of the holiday. Well, if not the climax we were certainly the centre of attraction at the France versus Ireland Rugby match. The home spectators were not too favourable to our support for Ireland. A rather pensive Mr. Lindley warned us during the interval not to be too enthusiastic for Ireland and not too critical of France. Ireland was leading comfortably with only five minutes playing time remaining, but with a superb drop-goal and a wonderful try the French snatched victory from defeat. All of us left the ground alive and in a few minutes we were all aboard the train speeding back to Paris from "Le Stade Colombes" where the game had taken place.

Sunday, our last day in Paris, came around all too soon and our holiday was concluded at Vincennes Zoo on a day such as we never see in England. Everyone was reduced to shirt-sleeves. The next morning we caught the train for the coast, our enjoyable and interesting holiday in Paris finished. But very luckily the sea-crossing to Newhaven was extremely calm and all of us stayed on our feet. The British Railways, showing their usual efficiency, arrived with our train for London just one and a half hours after we had passed through the customs, where none of us had been arrested, which was strange since we were so suspicious of one another. At 10.30 p.m. we arrived in Kettering, which for the next few days felt so quiet.

Nevertheless the memories of Paris, France and the amiable French people whom we met, will remain in our minds for years to come, as will the thanks which should be given to Mr. Lindley and Mr. Wilson for arranging everything. We hope that the next Grammar School party to visit France will bring back just as happy memories.

Brian A. York, VI.Mod.A.

## SCHOOL SOCIETIES

### THE ANGLING CLUB.

In the Autumn Term of 1957, three outdoor meetings were held—a match at Denford Backwater, and two general meetings, the first at Wicksteed Park and the second at Wellingborough Gravel Pits.

To give the younger boys a chance, two prizes were awarded for the first match of the School Year, one for the first, second and third forms, the other for the senior boys. The junior prize went to J. Groom of III.P., and the senior prize to G. A. Butlin of V.Sc.

The meeting at Wicksteed Park was a great success. Several young pike were caught, Butlin landing the heaviest which weighed 4 lbs.

In the Autumn Term of 1958, a new system was introduced, whereby a record is kept of individual catches. The prizes will be awarded on the results of the whole year.

Three matches have been held to date. The first, at Denford Backwater on October 4th, was won by Butlin with 1 lb. 7½ ozs., second was G. N. Hickman with 11½ ozs., and third W. Meredith with 7½ ozs. The second at Thrapston Gravel Pits on November 8th, brought good catches despite the bad weather. Butlin was once again the winner, with 1 lb. 11½ ozs., I. R. Chamberlain of I.R coming second with 1 lb. 2½ ozs., and Meredith third with 9½ ozs. The third match was held on the Nene at Woodford, Hickman came first with 1 lb. 1½ ozs., Butlin second with 1 lb. 1 oz., and F. J. J. Allinson third with 5 ozs.

Our thanks are due to Kettering and Wellingborough Fishing Clubs, and to those fathers who provided us with transport.

G. N. Hickman, VI.S.B.

### THE CAMERA CLUB.

Meeting Place : Physics Department Darkroom, Science Laboratories.

Club Nights :

Monday—for beginners in particular.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday—for advanced workers by arrangement.

Friday—for beginners in particular.

The Camera Club has had a successful two years since the last magazine report, with about fifty boys attending at some time or other.

During this period, however, the Club suffered its greatest loss in the death of its founder, Mr. F. Lawson, who for so long had been a patient friend and adviser to all members, young and old, and who devoted so much time, in and out of school, to the smooth running of the Club. We are deeply indebted to Mrs. Lawson for the photographic apparatus she has given us. It has proved extremely useful.

We are again very grateful to Mr. Perry for the use of the darkroom, and to both Mr. Perry and Mr. Mules for the time and assistance they give us.

The quality of the work done has been, on the whole, fairly good. There is, nevertheless, room for much improvement in both the technical and the artistic aspects. Unfortunately, we were forced about two years ago to raise the cost of prints, due to the rising cost of materials. However, we were favoured by the last budget, and the 30% reduction in the purchase tax on photographic equipment, coupled with our converting to single-weight paper for smaller prints, has enabled us to return to our original prices. These are:

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Full Plate (6½ins. x 8½ins.)—10d.

10 ins. x 8 ins.—1/-.

We have quite a considerable quantity of new equipment. The developing tank given to us by Mrs. Lawson has enabled us to undertake film development, and even more recently we have purchased a mains-operated contact printer. This enables some boys to enlarge, some to make contact prints and others to develop films at the same time. We have also purchased a more efficient safelight, a new flashgun, and since December, 1958, we have received the "Amateur Photographer" weekly for loan to members.

We have taken advantage of a scheme whereby slides dealing with some of the many aspects of photography are loaned to us by the Kodak Lecture Service. The first of these shows, in March, 1957, was on "Aerial Photography," and the second, in January, 1958, was on "Photography in Industry". In addition, we possess a considerable collection of film-strips, given by the Kodak Lecture Service, and recently we have been holding a show once a month during term time. These have been "Bottled Sunshine" (February, 1958), "Photographing Buildings" (March, 1958),

"The Face of Britain" (October, 1958), "Composition" (November, 1958), "Approach to Flash" (December, 1958), "Ultra-high-speed Photography" (January, 1959), "Making Exhibition Pictures" (February, 1959) and "Milestones of Photography" (March, 1959). The average attendance at these shows has been about twenty boys and members of the staff. We have been very pleased to see Mr. and Mrs. Slater at some of our recent shows. An innovation, begun last October, has been the serving of refreshments before each show.

At the end of the last school year, in July, 1958, the Camera Club held an outing to Oxford. The party of forty, composed of fourth, fifth and sixth formers, together with Mr. Perry, Mr. Mules and one first former, arrived at 11 a.m. Worcester College and Christ Church were seen before we took a picnic lunch in Broad Walk, Christ Church. In the afternoon the sixth form boys toured on their own, while the remainder continued with Mr. Perry and Mr. Mules.

Two outings are proposed this year. The first, early in the Summer Term, will be to Whipsnade Zoo, and the second, in late July, will be to Peterborough, Ely and Cambridge.

What used to be one of the highlights of the Club's year—the erstwhile annual exhibition—has not been held since we moved to our new premises nearly four years ago. However, it is hoped to re-establish this, and plans are going ahead for an exhibition before the end of the present school year.

For a long time membership was composed of only fifth and sixth formers, and it is very encouraging to see an increasing number of first and second formers attending meetings. Nevertheless, we still hope to see many more boys of all ages. Newcomers may receive instruction at the Monday and Friday meetings if they wish. Any boy in the school who is interested in joining us is welcome to attend any meeting and see us at work.

S. H. Perry, VI.Sc.A.

#### THE CHESS CLUB.

The Chess Club still flourishes strongly under the guiding hand of Mr. Hopkins. As the star players of the Upper Sixth had left, there was a fall in numbers at the beginning of last year; but they are now building up to an appreciable size again, support coming mainly from the first, second and lower sixth forms. The 'rungs' of the 'ladder' are becoming strained, as the positions are in a continual state of flux, especially near the top. Non-players

can always find somebody to teach them the fundamentals of the game, and there is a small library from which books can be borrowed, which are of interest even to the more advanced players.

New members will be welcomed in Room 3 on Mondays when they are sure to find an opponent.

J. Hurst, V.S.

### THE JAZZ MUSIC CLUB.

With the help of a sound committee it has been the aim of the Jazz Music Club to bring help to the unenlightened and to bring hope to those who are unfortunate enough to like Jazz, giving to both a selection of Jazz which we think is neither nonsensical nor spreading disease.

In this we have had a fair amount of success, with an average attendance in 1957-58 of 22, but this year attendances have dropped owing to the fact that the founder members have gone up to university.

A. J. Brooks (formerly VI.Sc.A) and  
C. A. Throver, VI.Sc.A.

### THE LIBRARY.

It had long been the aim of Mr. Bishop, when he was Librarian, to lessen the overcrowded state of the English and History sections of the Library by adding new shelves and by transferring the Science section to the New Building. Before Mr. Bishop left, arrangements for a new door and two new shelves had been almost completed, but it had been decided that the Science section should remain "in situ". Even so there was now plenty of room to allow for both re-arrangement and expansion, and it was at this time of potential development that Mr. Horton took over the direction of this hitherto rather retiring and little-known department of the school. For many years the Library had been the almost exclusive domain of members of the sixth form, at least as far as borrowing books was concerned; though during the cold winter months first, second, and even fifth-formers were sometimes to be seen there in the dinner-hour break. Mr. Horton had already, of course, introduced a section of interest to those of school-leaving age in the shape of a corner devoted to careers. At the present moment a large proportion of the money allocated to the Library for new purchases is being spent on books of special interest to members of the lower forms. In this way it is hoped that eventually younger boys will make use of the facilities of the Library as

freely as senior boys do at present. The response so far has been quite encouraging, aided no doubt by advertisement on the notice-boards of junior class-rooms.

With the prospect of the separation of the Grammar and High Schools appearing a little nearer after the County's new building-plans, it was decided last September that the time was now opportune for the separation of the libraries of the two schools, until now intermingled and indistinguishable except by a different stamp inside the books. This decision resulted in the unaccustomed scenes of activity in the Library last term. One half of the room was allotted to the Grammar and the other to the High School, and the task was begun of sorting all the books according to their ownership. The operation was made more complicated by the fact that the ownership of all volumes acquired before 1952 was doubtful, and the staff of both schools had to come to agreement upon these so-called "dead books" before the physical division of the Library could be completed. This has now been done and so that there can be no confusion between Grammar and High School possessions, the latter have been marked with a distinguishing red and yellow label. Borrowers may still, however, take out books from either library, provided that note of them is made in the appropriate register.

Work after the re-organisation is not yet ended, as the pre-1952 stock has to be re-catalogued and the card-index system brought up to date. Librarians are at present engaged upon this necessarily lengthy task, and it is hoped to have it completed by the end of this Spring Term.

Meanwhile the intake of new books continues at a steady rate, particular attention being paid to the acquisition of scientific publications and illustrated editions of the works of artists. In addition the sections of Philosophy, Sociology, Economics, Psychology and kindred subjects are being considerably enlarged. German, Russian and Geography are other departments whose shelves have received notable additions during the past months.

Since the last Library report appeared, generous gifts have been presented by the Presidents of the Old Cytringanians' Society for the past two years. Mr. Brading donated a large volume entitled, "The Oxford Companion to the Theatre", and Mr. Jackson, "The Oxford Atlas", the latter in addition to a much-needed new copy of the school hymn book for use in morning assembly. The gift of the book "Midland England" by W. G. Hoskins, was made to the Library by Mr. and Mrs. Leigh in memory of their son, John, the second-former, who died last year.

I have already mentioned that the lower forms are encouraged to make more use of the Library (which is open daily for the issue and return of books in the dinner-hour and at four o'clock). In

conclusion I might mention that members of the Sixth Form could well try to restrain their apparently deep-rooted instinct to hoard, and keep the number of books they have out at one time a little nearer to the quota of four allowed by the regulations.

N. C. Sharman, VI.Mod.A.

#### THE LITERARY, DRAMATIC AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

President : Mr. J. K. Dudley.

Vice-President : Mr. A. W. H. Woodward.

Chairman : N. C. Sharman.

Vice-Chairman : B. J. Slough.

Secretary-Treasurer : C. J. Groome.

A School Literary, Dramatic and Debating Society is not only desirable but absolutely necessary from an educational point of view. It is generally recognised that a child should learn more than the mere expression of his thoughts in writing. He should also be able to express those ideas orally. A boy's career at university and his ultimate employment may depend upon this ability to think clearly and speak coherently while standing before an employer or committee. Yet a vast number of young people become strangely tongue-tied in such circumstances, thus creating an embarrassing situation which is not entirely due to nervousness. It is because they have never learnt to speak and think as accurately when standing before their fellow beings as when sitting at a desk. This is particularly true of the day-school pupil. In a boarding-school pupils are compelled to mingle freely with one another. A boy must learn to express himself, to conduct himself in a passable manner as a speaking member of society. The day-school lacks this advantage and many of its pupils never learn how to speak properly. They pass their G.C.E. examinations as successfully as pupils from the old-established Public Schools, but they never learn to express vividly in speech the thoughts which they can and do express in writing. A few of them go up each year to the older universities. Their origin is known as soon as they open their mouths to speak. A Debating Society can help to eliminate this disadvantage, for disadvantage it certainly is. It seems a pity, therefore, that so few boys avail themselves of this great opportunity for their own advancement. Average attendance at the more serious functions of the Society has been about twenty-five, and in a school of 550 boys there appears plenty of room for improvement!

The lighter side of the Society's activity, however, has been well supported. The Mock Trial, held at the end of the Spring Term, 1957, was a great success. After a lively and entertaining couple of hours, during which the tempo rarely flagged, the audience of some two hundred pupils from both the Grammar School and the High School often joining in the fun, the Judge (A. D. Morrison) declared *Oliver Twist* (K. S. Pentlow) guilty of "obtaining school dinners under false pretences" in spite of the Jury. Everybody played his part well, but especial mention must be made of the Judge and the two Counsels (R. J. Abbott and W. B. Chambers) for their mammoth achievement in gripping the audience's attention for so long, and also of Mr. Bishop and Mr. Woodward for piloting an unwieldy ship through some stormy rehearsals.

The poor attendance at the A.G.M. in September, 1957, prompted the committee to sponsor a new departure in the form of a knock-out competition. The brain-child of W. B. Chambers, it brought many younger members to the front of the House for the first time, mixing truth and wisdom with sarcasm and wit. In the final, the motion "That the hardening of tradition is the first sign of decay" was lost by a narrow majority, but Abbott's resounding bombast and Trotter's high-flying poetic aspirations definitely found favour with the Judges, for the proposers were victorious.

At a rather poorly attended political debate, the House decided, somewhat hesitantly, that it had "no faith in either of the two major political parties," supporting the idyllic vision of Anarchy created (with illustrations) by Groome and Newing. The motion that "The Prefectorial System should be abolished" aroused more than usual interest. It was ably opposed by the Senior Prefect (R. J. Abbott) in the face of some bitter sarcasm from York. Needless to say, the motion was heavily defeated.

The Spring Term of 1958 had an auspicious beginning in the memorable debate with the Old Boys. York was outstanding in his opposition to the motion that "The present educational system fosters class distinction". His searching analysis was only matched on the other side by Mr. Carr's entertaining approach. The high standard of speaking at this debate somewhat overshadowed the first debate held with Wellingborough Grammar School. Nevertheless, after a useful exchange of ideas it was decided that sportsmanship was still an essential part of any game after all, although school loyalties may have coloured the vote to a certain extent. A most enjoyable Novelty Evening concluded a very rewarding term.

In the Autumn Term the motion that "This house doubts the value of a constitutional monarchy", marked the début of Holmes from the front of the House. But his hesitant support of Republicanism and Dictatorship, despite its vehemence, proved no match for the ample arguments of Thompson and Groome, and the predominantly conservative outlook of the House. Perhaps the highlight of the term, however, was the Balloon Debate held jointly with the High School. A large audience witnessed a photo finish between Brigitte Bardot (Anita Patrick) and Florence Nightingale (Jill Burchell). No doubt the decision in favour of the latter would have been reversed, had the K.G.S. representation been higher.

The debate with the Old Boys at the beginning of this year once again showed its worth. The more sophisticated speakers from university, Mr. D. J. Palmer and Mr. D. F. Dale-Jones, by no means put the School's speakers in an unfavourable light. Eventually the motion that "This house regrets the connection of our political parties with the class system" was rejected, although a considerable majority, under the leadership of Mr. D. S. Williams, abstained.

A second competition has excited considerable interest, and Trotter is once more in the running, together with his partner, J. N. R. Harker, a promising young speaker. We are planning a Mock Trial for the end of term and another debate is to be held with Wellingborough Grammar School. Altogether quite a successful two years.

The Secretary.

#### THE MUSIC SOCIETY.

The past two years have again been quite successful for the Music Society, three visits to the De Montfort Hall, Leicester being the outstanding features. Two of these outings were to see operas—Bizet's "Carmen" and Puccini's "Madam Butterfly"—and the third was to see the London Festival Ballet Group.

In March, 1957, we began a series of Desert Island Disc programmes. So far our guests have been Mr. Bishop, Miss Woodrow and Dr. David. Each gave us a very interesting and well balanced choice. Mr. Wilson talked to us about Bach's Choral Preludes, and Mr. Thorne gave an illustrated lecture entitled "An hour with Elgar". A new topic was brought into the Music Society last Autumn, when Mr. Dilkes of Corby Grammar School explained to us some of the problems of conducting. Two more programmes were provided by Michael Haines, who gave a talk on pre-Renaissance music, and by David and Michael Bridge, who gave a piano and clarinet recital.

A Staff Concert was held early in 1957. This was enjoyed by a very large audience who appreciated especially Mr. Godfrey's lively rendering of Gilbert and Sullivan songs. Thanks are also due to Messrs. Smith, Lindley and Wilson for their assistance and keen interest in this function. Last Autumn we held a first-form concert, most contributions coming from the High School, as there unfortunately appeared to be a lack either of talent or of confidence in our present Grammar School first-form. Each End-of-Term Concert, however, has been a successful and well attended event. In particular last year's "Christmas Concert" displayed a very varied programme consisting of items on the piano, clarinet, cornet, piano accordion and violin, together with some songs and, of course, some pieces by the School Orchestra.

We have already made a good start in the New Year by organising two outings. One was to see Corby Grammar School's production of "The Mikado" and the other to hear a concert given by the Hallé Orchestra at Leicester. It seems, therefore, that 1959 will prove just as rewarding as the past two years.

M. J. Bridge, VI.Sc.A.

#### THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRAL GROUP.

The School Orchestra has now been in existence for two and a half years, and although its members are continually changing, some progress has definitely been made under the guidance of Mr. Smith, whose help is greatly appreciated. At the first meeting in 1956 we had ten members, which number was increased (by the arrival of more violinists) to fifteen in March last year. So far we have managed to contribute towards each Music Society End-of-Term Concert, and an improvement in playing is noticeable.

We should welcome any more orchestral instrumentalists who wish to join us, and we hope that the orchestra will expand more rapidly in the future and will maintain its tradition at the Music Society concerts.

M. J. Bridge, VI.Sc.A.

#### THE RAILWAY CLUB.

1957 was another busy year for the Railway Club. In the Spring Term activities included a pictorial quiz, readings from railway books, "Members' Experiences", and a Brains Trust. The main item of the year, however, was staged in the Summer Term. Although perhaps a little ambitious, the trip to seven sheds in the Birmingham area was highly successful, and all the party came back satisfied. At the beginning of the Autumn Term, subscriptions were re-introduced as funds were getting low. During the

term the films "This is York" and "Farmer moves South", were shown, and at another meeting members' photographs were projected with the Epidiascope.

1958 was not quite such a busy year. In the Spring Term, a Hat Debate, a Pictorial Quiz and a Brains Trust were held. Unfortunately no summer outing was able to take place due to the sudden illness of the President, Mr. Woodward. All the members were sorry about this, but we hope that we shall be able to have a trip in 1959.

The first meeting of the new School Year did not take place until rather late in the Autumn Term. Nevertheless many more meetings are planned for 1959.

In conclusion I should like to express the club's gratitude to Mr. Woodward for his invaluable help and guidance.

A. R. Deans, V.M.

### RELIGIOUS DISCUSSION GROUP.

When the Religious Discussion Group was originally formed in 1954, it was thought that its meetings would attract a very limited number of boys, and membership was restricted to fifth and sixth form boys. The average attendance of 30 over the past two years is therefore something of which we can be proud, especially in view of the fact that many more boys from the Science and General forms are attending regularly.

Perhaps the key to this success lies in the variety of subjects, and the capable way in which our visiting speakers have dealt with them. These have come from all denominations, and have included Mr. G. C. Lamont, Rev. A. L. Sutton, Rev. E. E. Kingsley-Smith of Toller Congregational Church, Rev. P. M. Duplock of St. Andrew's Parish Church, Rev. V. G. Lewis of Rockingham Road Baptist Church, Canon Turner from Rothwell, and Herr Otto Arnecke from Germany.

In November, 1957, a Brains Trust was held in which Messrs. Perry, Thompson and Woodward took part. During the past year, however, the Group's programme has included more theological topics. "The Incarnation," "Congregationalism," and "Quakerism" are examples of intellectual talks which have proved to be both popular and extremely enjoyable.

In the Spring Term we have already held a Brains Trust, which was highly successful, and with such an auspicious beginning to the New Year we can look forward to the appearance of new speakers, new problems, and new members.

Finally our sincerest thanks are due to Mr. Young for his indefatigable work on the Group's behalf.

B. A. York, VI.Mod.A.

## SPORT

### RUGBY, 1958-9.

#### 1st XV Team.

The 1958-59 season found only six of the previous 1st XV still available. The absence of a 2nd XV added to the problem of discovering a settled team and much guesswork was inevitable before the team's final composition. The major problem concerns the three-quarter line. Already eight players have been tried in various positions. Only Daniel in the centre has not changed his position.

The team suffers from inexperience. Six 5th formers and four 1st Year 6th formers have played for the team at various stages of the season. The old problem of heeling in the loose is still present. Forwards persist in kicking the ball at the opposing scrum-half instead of heeling it to their own. Recently, however, this fault has started to disappear. Perhaps the team's most outstanding need is a line-out forward. Wright, nearly the smallest forward, has also been the best in the line-outs. A little more thought by the forwards for the scrum-half's well-being would not only benefit the scrum-half but also the team. In spite of these obvious faults, the pack, mostly outweighed in the set-scrams, has never been outpushed. Furthermore, the forwards continue to improve as the season progresses. Smith, particularly, has shown rapid advancement as a hooker and has tackled his job with determination. Prentice and Ridgway have been the best 'loose' forwards. The latter, though not an ideal pack-leader, has shown intelligence and exceptional keenness.

The three-quarter line has never settled down due to unavoidable positional changes and lack of practice together. If a three-quarter line is to play well it must have endless practice. Daniel has been the outstanding player in this department. He has shown imagination and has developed a beautiful body-swing. Besides these qualities, he possesses the ideal Rugby temperament. L. Berridge has shown the most positional versatility. He is an excellent tackler, a strong runner and a more than useful kicker. Coles' handling has been outstanding but he has frequently cramped the line by holding the ball too long. He has kicked well, however, and his tackling has been much improved.

If the team could remain together for next season, it could have an excellent playing record. Its obvious needs of physical development and practice together would then be supplied. It is pleasing to report that the close co-operation between the School and the Kettering Rugby Club has continued to thrive.

B. J. Slough (Captain).

#### 1st XV Match Results, 1958-59.

- v. Daventry Grammar School. Won 10-11.
- v. Northampton Grammar School. Lost 3-17.
- v. Alderman Newton's. Drew 3-3.
- v. Stowe School 2nd XV. Lost 3-16.
- v. Wellingborough Grammar School. Lost 0-16.
- v. Wyggeston Grammar School. Drew 6-6.
- v. Deacon's School. Lost 6-17.
- v. Corby Grammar School. Won 9-0.
- v. Towcester Grammar School. Won 15-6.

## "A" XV.

v. Bedford Modern 2nd XV. Lost 3—6.

## Under 15 Team.

So far the team has won only three of its nine matches, but even so has a better record than the Under 15's in recent years.

The pack has performed creditably in most games with Mole, Mellor and Braines, P. A. outstanding, but there is still a certain lack of cohesion and rarely have the forwards hunted as a pack.

The backs have done reasonably well but must pay more attention to fundamentals, proper passing of the ball, straight-running, etc.

The general standard of the tackling is poor with two notable exceptions, one of whom happens to be the smallest boy on the side!

The following have represented the team:—Goss, M. J. (Capt.), Mole, B. F. (Vice-Captain), Terry, J. R., Heeley, B. E., Gasson, J. H., Burt, J. R., Andrew, R. J., Rowland, B. F., Bristow, D. W., Beeby, E. J. F., Hornsby, R. L., Harker, T. N. R., Tilley, J. E., Mellor, N. W. W., Braines, P. A., Hopkins, V. S., Boyce, M. A., Myrick, M. S., Farr, R., Evans, R. K., Crouch, R. J.

## Under 15 Results.

- v. Rushden Secondary Modern. Away. Lost 15—19.
- v. Northampton Grammar School. Home. Lost 3—23.
- v. Wellingborough G.S. Home. Lost 0—55.
- v. Wyggeston G.S. Home. Lost 12—17.
- v. Rushden Secondary Modern. Home. Won 18—0.
- v. Deacon's School. Home. Won 24—5.
- v. Corby G.S. Home. Lost 3—8.
- v. Deacon's School. Away. Won 14—0.
- v. Northampton G.S. Away. Lost 8—34.
- v. Corby G.S. Away.

## Under 14 XV.

The Under 14 XV has played very well indeed, now not having lost a match since September 1957. These wins have been accomplished not only by playing good Rugby but by each member displaying a very high and commendable degree of team-spirit. Even though the team has had only one change all season the reserves have turned up at each match, and Haylock our touch-judge has performed his duties admirably.

The team had two very good victories over Northampton Grammar School and a runaway victory over Rushden. The forwards have played together, always hunting as a well-knit pack and feeding the three-quarters with a liberal supply of the ball. Wright, J. W., must be mentioned for his outstanding forward play and Tilley, R. J., for his praiseworthy pack leadership, a most vital part of forward play. The three-quarters, too, have combined well to produce some fine rugby, most noteworthy being wing three-quarter Rigby, T. D., and full back Blount, D. J., has played very well indeed.

The following have represented the School:—Wealthall, R. W. (Captain), Tilley, R. J. (Vice-Capt.), Blount, D. J., Rigby, T. D., Cook, M., Wright, J. R., Rogers, M., Rippin, G. J., Smallman, M., Warren, N. B., Osborne, N. I., Hunt, J., Stockham, R. F., Wright, J. W., Bosworth, M., McGuin, J.

Touch Judge: Haylock, J. E.

## Results:—

- v. Northampton G.S. Home. Won 16—5.
- v. Northampton G.S. Away. Won 9—0.
- v. Rushden. Home. Won 37—0.
- v. Rushden. Away. Won 73—3.
- v. Deacon's School. Home. Won 50—0.
- v. Deacon's School. Away. Won 17—0.
- v. Towcester G.S. Home. Won 48—0.
- v. Wellingborough G.S. Home. Won 36—8.
- v. Corby G.S. Away. Won 6—0.
- v. Alderman Newton's. Away. Won 17—12.
- v. Corby G.S. Home.

## Under 13 XV.

The team began by losing to Northampton G.S.—an old and powerful rival. Since then, however, apart from a heavy defeat by Wellingborough who fielded a much larger and heavier team, we have enjoyed some comfortable victories.

Some internal rearrangement in the team positions after the Corby match has resulted in a much improved all round performance culminating in our avenging the defeat against Northampton earlier.

Parker and Johnson, A. W. A., have combined strongly as centres and the wings have a useful turn of speed. The forwards now work well together as a unit with Bland prominent in the loose, and Pitts has tackled effectively as full-back.

The following have played for the Under 13 XV:—Hawthorn, D. T. (Capt.), Underwood, R. A. (Vice-Capt.), Staley, M. J., Smith, M. J., McDowell, R. J., Longhurst, N., Lampard, N. A., Johnson, C. A., Bale, D. G., Andrews, S., Bland, M. F., Ward, R. W., Whyman, D., Whyman, G., Woodward, B. J., Johnson, A. W. A., Parker, K. B., Phillips, E. H., Pitts, B. A., Vernon, M. D.

Played 8, Won 4, Cancelled 2, Lost 3, Drawn 1.

Points For 70, Points Against 88.

## Results

- v. Northampton G.S. Away. Lost 6—18.
- v. Alderman Newton's G.S. Home. Drew 3—3.
- v. Wellingborough G.S. Away. Lost 0—47.
- v. Deacon's School. Home. Won 20—3.
- v. Bedford Modern School. Away. Lost 11—9.
- v. Deacon's School. Home. Won 18—0.
- v. Corby G.S. Away. Won 3—5.
- v. Alderman Newton's G.S. Away. Cancelled.
- v. Wellingborough G.S. Home. Cancelled.
- v. Northampton G.S. Home. Won 9—3.

## RUGBY COLOURS.

Colours have been awarded to the following :—

**1st XV.**—Berridge, L. G., Cochrane, J., Daniel, P. J., Jenkinson, M., Ridgway, M. W., Slough, B. J., Wright, D. M. G.

**Under 15 XV.**—Burt, J. R., Heeley, B. E., Hopkins, V. J., Mellorf, N. W. W., Mole, B. F.

**Under 14 XV.**—Blount, D. J., Bosworth, M., Cook, M., Hunt, J., McGinn, J., Osborne, N. I., Rigby, T. D., Ripplin, G. J., Rogers, M., Smallman, M. P. T., Stockham, R. F., Tilley, R. J., Warren, N. B., Wealthall, R. W., Wright, J. R., Wright, J. W.

**Under 13 XV.**—Andrews, S., Bland, M. F., Hawthorn, D. T., Johnson, A. W. A., McDowell, R. J., Parker, K. B., Underwood, R. A.

## CRICKET, 1958.

**1st XI Team.**

The 1st XI again had a successful, happy, unbeaten season. It defeated both Northampton and Wellingborough, scoring 118 against the latter in an hour, to win by 6 wickets. A favourable draw was also recorded against Oundle School 2nd XI. This new fixture proved pleasurable in every respect and greatly strengthened the fixture list.

The team was perhaps not so strong as the 1957 one. The previous opening bowlers were no longer available. N. McMaster's steadiness was the chief loss. R. Coles was inclined to pitch too short, and would have benefitted himself by bowling at a slower pace. He did, however, move the ball in the air and always bowled with hostility. K. Woolmer, the other opening bowler, lacked consistency, yet overflowed with enthusiasm. J. Sykes showed promise for future seasons and J. Newing was a more than useful change-bowler.

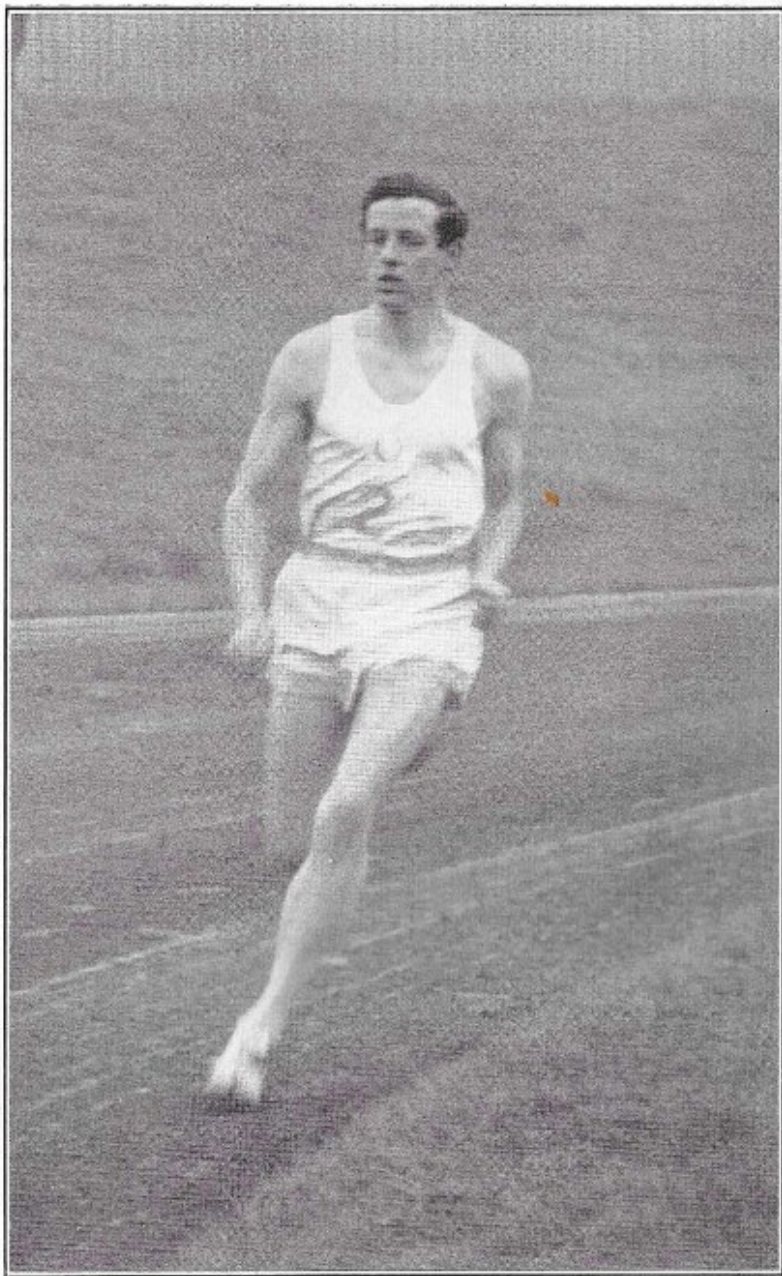
The batting was frequently given a good start by Coles and Newing. Coles displayed confidence, a wide-range of strokes and always provided "entertaining" cricket. Newing was carefree in his approach, and although he had some high scores, there were too many loose shots for him to be consistently successful. C. Mellor was disappointing after his first season's results, yet he showed his usual determination and deserved a few more of fortune's favours. R. Elliott was a notable success. He was quietly confident and possessed a supply of fluent strokes. M. York was a reliable wicket-keeper and a useful middle-order batsman.

The standard of the fielding even surpassed the high level of previous years. An excellent addition to the fielding ranks was L. Berridge, who with Newing and Coles, constituted a remarkably fine close-in trio. An excellent spirit helped towards the team's success. It is inevitable that in a strong batting side some players will only bat occasionally. J. Smith batted three times, K. Woolmer and M. Guy only once more—yet these three were recognised batsmen. In spite of this, at no time during the season did the high level of keenness drop. This general enthusiasm was a major contribution in the make-up of a first-rate School XI.

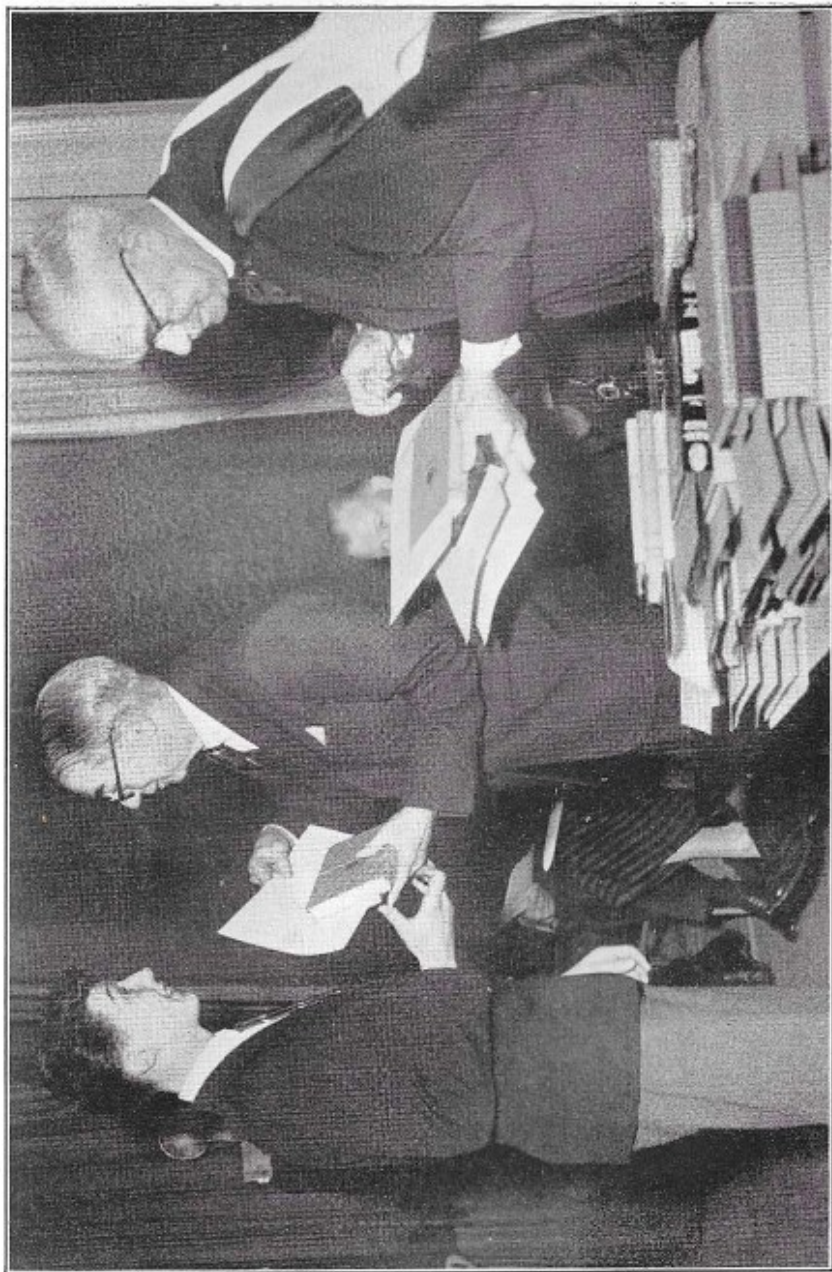


THE ATOMIUM (Brussels, 1958).

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R. J. CHAPMAN  
(Cambridge University Athletics Blue 1958).



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**1st XI Match Scores, 1958.**

Kibworth Grammar School 50. K.G.S. 53 for 0 wickets.  
K.G.S. won by 10 wickets.

K.G.S. 108 for 5 wickets dec. East Carlton C.C. 64 for 9 wickets. Draw.

K.G.S. 136 for 4 wickets dec. Wyggeston School 2nd XI. 56 for 7 wickets.  
Draw.

Oundle School 2nd XI 86. K.G.S. 62 for 6 wickets. Draw.

Northampton Grammar School 59. K.G.S. 61 for 5 wickets.  
K.G.S. won by 5 wickets.

K.G.S. 128 for 3 wickets dec. Market Harboro' Grammar School 53.  
K.G.S. won by 75 runs.

Bedford Modern 2nd XI. 57. K.G.S. 45 for 7 wickets. Draw.

Wellingborough Grammar School 117 for 9 wickets dec. K.G.S. 118 for  
4 wickets. K.G.S. won by 6 wickets.

K.G.S. 105 for 6 wickets. Old Cytringanians C.C. 76 for 7 wickets. Draw.

Market Harborough Grammar School 54. K.G.S. 52 for 8 wickets.  
Draw.

Kettering Thursday XI C.C. 91. K.G.S. 92 for 4 wickets.  
K.G.S. won by 6 wickets.

**Averages, 1958 :****Batting :**

	Inns.	Not outs	Runs	H. score	Ave.
R. J. Coles	12	4	277	58	34.62
B. J. Slough	11	1	215	48	21.50
K. J. Woolmer	4	3	21	7*	21.00
J. F. Newing	12	1	209	55	19.00
R. Elliott	9	2	88	42*	12.57
C. P. Mellor	9	2	55	26*	7.86
L. G. Berridge	8	3	34	10	6.80
M. A. York	8	2	29	12*	4.66
J. G. Smith	3	1	6	6	3.00
I. D. Addis	1	1	0	0	1.00
M. J. Guy	4	2	2	1*	1.00
J. F. Sykes	1	0	0	0	0.00

**Bowling :**

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Ave.
J. F. Sykes	11	3	30	6	5.00
R. J. Coles	143	53	224	41	5.46
B. J. Slough	90.4	25	188	24	7.83
K. J. Woolmer	128.1	46	216	24	9.00
J. F. Newing	28	9	70	6	11.66

B. J. Slough (Captain).



OTHELLO—THE DRINKING SCENE.

Photo: Courtesy "Northants Evening Telegraph".

## 2nd XI.

Out of five matches played the team won two, lost one and drew two, which is a record as good as any of the past few seasons. The first victory, over Corby G.S. 1st XI at home, was due largely to the confident batting of Coe, who scored 43 not out, and the second, over Wellingborough G.S. 2nd XI away, can be attributed mainly to the fine bowling of Thompson, who took 6 wickets for 2. But the most enjoyable match was the return against Northampton G.S. 2nd XI, where the opponents narrowly avoided defeat after at one time seeming certain of winning.

The following boys represented the school: N. C. Sharman (Capt.), J. J. Goode (Vice-Captain), I. D. Addis, M. J. Bell, A. K. Buckby, M. R. Coe, G. J. Court, M. E. Davies, P. G. Dunkley, D. K. Goodliffe, R. F. Hadden, R. E. Harris, C. R. Pollard, A. A. Scarratt, I. F. Sykes, J. W. Thompson.

## Under 15 XI.

Although there was an unaccountable failure of the team against local Grammar Schools, we rose to the occasion and remained unbeaten in the Kettering and District League, and were joint winners of the Clarke Cup, although our last match of the league was never played.

R. Terry impressed with his batting and bowling and was selected to play for both the Kettering and District team and the County U.15 team, gaining his "cap". R. Pitts also represented the Kettering and District team, and both were awarded their colours.

During the season we played 11, won 4, lost 5, drew 2.

## Under 14 XI.

The season was not a very successful one but the team improved towards the end and several boys showed good qualities and these should form a nucleus for the Under 15 team.

Two matches produced very thrilling finishes; the first, against Wellingborough G.S. was lost, but the second, the annual match against Brackley, was won.

Regular members of the XI were:—Terry, Gasson, Tilley, McGinn, Ellis, Cook, Ainsworth, Wealthall, White, Wells.

## 1st and 2nd Year Knockout XI.

In the first game against Stamford Road Secondary Modern School, the whole team played well and had a comfortable win. The School scored 56 in their overs, and then dismissed Stamford Road for 29.

The School then had a bye into the next round, which in fact was the final. In this game against Henry Gotch, which was played in poor conditions, the School did very well. After a poor start the team picked up and in 18 overs scored a very good total of 117 runs, Tilley scoring 35. Henry Gotch then batted and got 54 all out. Throughout Henry Gotch's innings Cook bowled well.

Those who represented the School were: Allinson, F. J. J., Ainsworth, S., Cook, M., Craddock, P. L., Ellis, J. R., McDowell, R. J., McGinn, J. D. T., Staley, M. J., Tilley, R. J. (Captain), Underwood, R. A., Wealthall, R. W., Wright, J. W., Young, P.

## CRICKET COLOURS.

Colours have been awarded to the following:—

1st XI.—Re-awarded: B. J. Slough, R. J. Coles, C. P. Mellor, J. F. Newing. New Colours: R. B. Elliott, L. G. Berridge, K. J. Woolmer.

2nd XI.—N. C. Sharman (Capt.), J. J. Goode, J. W. Thompson, D. K. Goodliffe, M. R. Coe.

Under 15 XI.—Terry, J. R., Pitts, R.

Under 14 XI.—J. Gasson, R. J. Tilley, M. Cook.

## ATHLETICS—SEASON, 1958.

## THE ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Thursday, May 22nd, 1958.

Though the weather this year was warm and sunny, and favourable to the competitors, there were no outstanding performances. It is to be regretted that there is a noticeable lack of interest and ability in middle-distance running. However, in spite of this drawback, several members of the School put up good performances in the field events.

Events decided before Sports Day:—

## Senior (Over 17).

Hop, Step and Jump—1, Vandrill, R. (N); Panter, J. (W); 3, Cooper, K. (S); 4, Coles, R. J. (W). Distance: 35ft. 8ins.

Mile Cycle—1, Cooper, K. (S); 2, Freeborn, B. (N); 3, Feakin, P. (W); Time: 2 mins. 24.2 secs.

880 Yards—1, Lamont, P. (E); Cooper, K. (S); Beaver, R. (E); 4, Freeborn, B. (N). Time: 2 mins. 8.9 secs.

Shot—1, Newing, J. (S); 2, Panter, J. V. (W); Lamont, P. (E); 4, Brombergs, K. (E). Distance: 33ft. 4ins.

Javelin—1, Lamont, P. (E); Newing, J. (S); Coles, R. J. (W); Panter, J. V. (W). Distance: 136ft. 7ins.

## Middle (15-17):

Long Jump—1, Daniel, P. (W); Kilborn, R. (W); Dellet, S. (E); 4, Newbold, R. (E). Distance: 17ft. 4ins.

High Jump—1, Sykes, J. (W); 2, Scarratt, A. (N); 3, Brooks, N. (W); 4, Jordan, C. (S). Height: 5ft. 2ins.

Mile Cycle—1, Coe, R. S. (W). Time: 2 mins. 45.2 secs.

440 Yards—1, Ridgway, M. (S); Daniel, P. (W); 3, Shortland, R. (W); 4, York, B. (E). Time: 61.5 secs.

1 Mile—1, Thompson, J. (W); 2, Shortland, R. (W); 3, York, B. (E); 4, Taylor, D. (W). Time: 5 mins. 24.4 secs.

Discus—1, Ferris, R. (W); 2, Dellet, S. (E); 3, Allsopp, J. (S); 4, Buckby, A. (N). Distance: 12ft. 8ins.

## Junior (13-15).

Long Jump—1, Heeley, B. (W); Rigby, T. (N); 3, Goss, M. (S); 4, Davenport, J. (W). Distance: 15ft. 10ins.

High Jump—1, Terry, J. (W); Hurst, J. (S); 3, Martin, B. (E); 4, Thompson, R. (S). Height: 4ft. 7ins.

Mile Cycle—1, Litchfield, M. (S); 2, Mickley, R. (S); 3, Tilley, R. J. (N); Walker, B. (W). Time: 2 mins. 51.0 secs.  
 Discus—1, Foster, A. (W); 2, Osborne, N. (S); 3, Hopkins, V. (W); 4, Tilley, R. (N). Distance: 83ft. 6ins.  
 Hammer—1, Hopkins, V. (W); 2, Litchfield, M. (S); 3, Osborne, N. (S); 4, Wright, J. (W). Distance: 85ft. 10ins.

#### Colts (Under 13).

Mile Cycle—1, Holt, A. J. (E); 2, Furnell, S. G. (E); 3, Buckby, R. J. (E). Time: 3 mins. 50.3 secs.  
 Shot—1, Lee, A. B. C. (W); 2, Bates, C. (W); 3, McGinn, J. (N); 4, Clifton, A. (S). Distance: 26ft. 6ins.  
 Javelin—1, Marlow, L. (W); 2, Underwood, R. (N); 3, James, D. (E); 4, Andrews, S. (W). Distance: 60ft. 0ins.

#### Events decided on Sports Day:—

100 Yards (Under 13)—1, Hall, R. (W); 2, Longhurst, N. (E); 3, Underwood, R. (W). Time: 12.8 secs.  
 Long Jump (Over 17)—1, Newing, J. (S); 2, Panter, J. (W); 3, Coles, R. J. (W). Distance: 17ft. 7ins.  
 High Jump (Under 13)—1, Judd, S. (S); 2, Gunstone, C. (N); 3, Clifton, A. (S); 4, Freestone, L. (W). Height: 4ft. 1ins.  
 Shot (13-15)—1, Hopkins, V. (W); 2, Litchfield, M. (S); 3, Foster, A. (W); 4, Heeley, B. (W). Distance: 32ft. 9ins.  
 Hammer (15-17)—1, Yorston, S. J. (E); 2, Dellet, S. (E); 3, Austin, H. (E); 4, Clarke, K. (N). Distance: 114ft. 6ins.  
 100 Yards (13-15)—1, Heeley, B. (W); 2, Hopkins, V. (W); 3, Wells, J. (W); 4, Cook, M. (S). Time: 11.6 secs.  
 100 Yards (15-17)—1, Newbold, R. (E); 2, Ridgway, M. (S); 3, Brooks, N. (W); 4, Sykes, J. (W). Time: 10.8 secs.  
 100 Yards (Over 17th)—1, Mellor, C. (N); 2, Panter, J. (S); 3, Newing, J. (S); 4, Coles, R. J. (W). Time: 10.8 secs.  
 Hurdles (Over 17)—1, Panter, J. (W); 2, Coles, R. J. (W). Time: 16.4 secs.  
 Hurdles (15-17)—1, Daniel, P. (W); 2, Ridgway, M. (S); 3, Brooks, N. (W); 4, Smith, D. (E). Time: 16.0 secs.  
 Long Jump (Under 13)—1, Robinson, I. (E); 2, Longhurst, N. (E); 3, Underwood, R. (N); 4, Miller, R. (N). Distance: 12ft. 8½ins.  
 Shot (15-17)—1, Brooks, N. (W); 2, Ferris, R. (W); 3, Timpson, P. (W); 4, Berridge, L. (E). Distance: 39ft. 7½ins.  
 Discus (Over 17)—1, Panter, J. (W); 2, Cooper, K. (S); 3, Lamont, P. (E); 4, Woolmer, K. (W). Distance: 91ft.  
 Javelin (13-15)—1, Hopkins, V. (W); 2, Baker, N. (E); 3, Tilley, R. (N); 4, Foster, A. (W). Distance: 102ft.  
 440 Yards (Over 17)—1, Lamont, P. (E); 2, Woolmer, K. (W); 3, Freeborn, B. (N); 4, Coles, R. J. (W). Time: 57.0 secs.  
 High Jump (Over 17)—1, Woolmer, K. (W); 2, Panter, J. (W); 3, Newing, J. (S); 4, Coles, R. J. (W). Height: 5ft. 1in.  
 80 Yards Hurdles (13-15)—1, Goss, M. (S); 2, Harker, J. (N); 3, Rippin, G. (N); 4, Gasson, J. (S). Time: 13.2 secs.  
 880 Yards (15-17)—1, Shortland, R. (W); 2, Sykes, J. (W); 3, Thompson, J. (W); 4, Thurland, R. (E). Time: 2 min. 15.8 secs.  
 220 Yards (Over 17)—1, Mellor, C. (N); 2, Panter, J. (W); 3, Newing, J. (S). Time: 25.4 secs.  
 Hop, Step and Jump (13-15)—1, Gasson, J. (S); 2, Tite, W. (E); 3, Davenport, J. (W); 4, Foster, A. (W). Distance: 31ft. 5½ins.

Discus (Under 13)—1, McGinn, J. (N); 2, Wright, J. R. (E); 3, Rabjohn, A. (S); 4, Kingston, N. (N). Distance: 61ft.  
 Hammer (Over 17)—1, Panter, J. (W); 2, Coles, R. J. (W); 3, Newing, J. (S); 4, Cooper, K. (S). Distance: 101ft. 9ins.  
 Javelin (15-17)—1, Thompson, B. (S); 2, Willey, M. (E); 3, Buckby, A. (N); 4, Chapman, M. (E). Distance: 110ft. 0½ins.  
 220 Yards (15-17)—1, Newbold, R. (E); 2, Ridgway, M. (S); 3, Sykes, J. (W); 4, Brooks, N. (W). Time: 25.6 secs.  
 220 Yards (13-15)—1, Hopkins, V. (W); 2, Heeley, B. (W); 3, Goss, M. (S); 4, Cook, M. (S). Time: 28.0 secs.  
 220 Yards (Under 13)—1, Hall, R. (W); 2, Longhurst, N. (E); 3, Underwood, R. (N); 4, Parker, K. (S). Time: 31.0 secs.  
 Hop, Step and Jump (15-17)—1, Dellet, S. (E); 2, Daniel, P. (W); 3, Newbold, R. (E); 4, Thurland, R. (E). Distance: 36ft. 2ins.  
 880 Yards (13-15)—1, Goss, M. (S); 2, Tite, W. (E); 3, Clarke, R. (E); 4, Rippin, G. (N). Time: 2 mins. 34.6 secs.  
 1 Mile (Over 17)—1, Lamont, P. (E); 2, Cooper, K. (S); 3, Beaver, R. (E); 4, Goode, J. (E). Time: 4 min. 43.4 secs.  
 Relay (Under 13)—1, N.; 2, E.; 3, W. Time: 61.4 secs.  
 Relay (13-15)—1, W.; 2, S.; 3, E. Time: 55.6 secs.  
 Relay (15-17)—1, E.; 2, W.; 3, S. Time: 51.4 secs.  
 Relay (Over 17)—1, W.; 2, N.; 3, E. Time: 51.8 secs.

#### House Championships:

Senior—1, W (74 pts.); 2, S (49 pts.); 3, E (41 pts.); 4, N (27 pts.).  
 Middle—1, W (103 pts.); 2, E (68 2/3rd pts.); 3, S (28 1/3th pts.); 4, N (10 pts.).  
 Junior—1, W (104½ pts.); 2, S (72 pts.); 3, E (58½ pts.); 4, N (47 pts.).

#### Victor Ludorum:

Senior—1, Panter, J. (W) (34 pts.); 2, Lamont, P. (E) (24 pts.).  
 Middle—1, Daniel, P. (W) (15½ pts.); 2, Ridgway, M. (S) (14 pts.).  
 Junior—1, Hopkins, V. (W) (25 pts.); 2, Heeley, B. (W) (14 pts.).  
 Colts—1, Longhurst, N. (E) (10 pts.); 2, Underwood, R. (N) (9 pts.).

#### FIVE SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC MEETING.

(Tuesday, June 3rd, 1958).

The School team competed against Watford, Luton, Cedars and Dunstable, and took fourth place.

100 Yards—2, Vandrill, R.  
 440 Yards—4, Lamont, P.  
 1 Mile—2, Lamont, P.  
 High Jump—2, Sykes, J.  
 Long Jump—4, Dellet, S.  
 Discus—3, Ferris, P.  
 Hammer—4, Panter, J.  
 Javelin—4, Lamont, P.  
 Relay—4, Kettering.

## COUNTY SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIPS.

(Duston, 21st June, 1958).

The following recorded a first:—

Hop, Step and Jump (15-17)—Dellet, S.—36ft. 10½ins.  
 Long Jump (15-17)—Daniel, P.—18ft. 2½ins.

The following recorded a second:—

(17-19) 1 Mile—Lamont, P.—4 mins. 35.8 secs.  
 (15-17) High Jump—Sykes, J. 5ft. 2ins.  
 (15-17) Shot—Timpson, P.  
 (15-17) 100 Yards—Newbold, R.  
 (15-17) N. Brooks came third in the shot.

R. Newbold and P. Lamont represented the County in the 100 yards and the Mile respectively in the All-England Schools' Championships at Durham, in July. P. Lamont recorded 4 mins. 32.5 secs. in his heat.

## TRIANGULAR SPORTS AT KETTERING.

(Monday, 21st July, 1958).

Northampton clearly had the strongest team, but the School team's final place of third was rather disappointing.

100 Yards (Senior)—4, Newbold, 5, Mellor.  
 100 Yards (Middle)—5, Heeley; 6, Hopkins.  
 100 Yards (Junior)—5, Hall; 6, Longhurst.  
 880 Yards (Senior)—3, Shortland; 6, Thompson.  
 High Jump (Senior)—1, Sykes; 3, Woolmer.  
 Long Jump (Junior)—5, Longhurst; 6, Underwood.  
 440 Yards (Middle)—5, Rogers; 6, Heeley.  
 220 Yards (Senior)—2, Newbold; 6, Mellor.  
 220 Yards (Middle)—5, Hopkins; 6, Wells.  
 220 Yards (Junior)—5, Longhurst; 6, Hall.  
 Long Jump (Senior)—3, Daniel; 5, Dellet.  
 High Jump (Middle)—5, Terry; 6, Martin.  
 880 Yards (Middle)—5, Tite; 6, Clarke.  
 440 Yards (Senior)—5, Panter; 6, Goode.  
 1 Mile (Senior)—2, Lamont; 4, Cooper.  
 High Jump (Junior)—5, Judd; 6, Clifton.  
 Long Jump (Middle)—5, Heeley; 6, Rigby.  
 Relay (Junior)—3rd.  
 Relay (Middle)—3rd.  
 Relay (Senior)—3rd.

## K.G.S. v. Parish Church School.

In this fixture K.G.S. under fifteen team won by 72 points to 57 points.

We are indebted to Mr. Brown for his interest and helpful coaching during our games periods and after 4 o'clock.

P. Lamont (Captain).

## CROSS COUNTRY, 1958.

## Junior Cross-Country.

Result—1, North (24); 2, East (90); 3, South (105); 4, West (106).

## Individual Performances:

1. Rogers (North). Time: 14.06.
2. Whymant (North). Time: 14.12.
3. Toyne (North). Time: 14.15.

## Middle Cross-Country.

Result—1, West (34); 2, East (67); 3, South (105½); 4, North (109).

## Individual Placings:

1. Shortland (West). Time: 19 mins. 33 secs.
2. Sykes (West). Time: 19 mins. 57 secs.
3. Barrett (West). Time: 20 mins. 13 secs.
4. McGuire (North). Time: 20 mins. 14 secs.
5. Williams (West). Time: 20 mins. 27 secs.
6. Clarke (East). Time: 20 mins. 32 secs.

## Senior Cross-Country.

Though the weather this year was cold and wet the spirits of the thirty-two competitors representing the four houses were certainly not dampened. After a fast start out of the games field, Greasley, Thompson and Lamont went into the lead several yards in front of the rest of the field. Owing to the recent rains the going was very heavy across the fields, and considerably thinned out the runners. Lamont rapidly drew away from Greasley, followed by Thompson, and by the time he reached Windmill Avenue he had established a lead of about two hundred yards, which he continued to increase up to the finish. The time of 17 mins. 40 secs. equalled his own last year's record performance. Greasley came in a tired second, with a mud-spattered Thompson about a hundred yards behind him.

After a good hot shower many of the runners could say that it had been quite an enjoyable race.

In the final placings West House came first, North second, East third, and South fourth.

## Individual Results:

1. Lamont (East). Time: 17 mins. 40 secs.
2. Greasley (South). Time: 18 mins. 22 secs.
3. Thompson (West). Time: 18 min. 42 secs.
4. Beaver (East). Time: 19 min. 9 secs.
5. Prentice (North). Time: 19 mins. 23 secs.
6. Cooper (South). Time: 19 mins. 35 secs.

## BASKETBALL.

## "A" Team.

The results this season have been fairly good. The main faults come through lack of experience; now Coles has left, only Mr. Brown remains from last year's league winning team. The excellent shooting of Coles is sadly missed but the team is now beginning to combine well and we should have a very useful team next year.

The following have represented the "A" team this season: Berridge, L. G. (Capt.), Slough, B. J., Holmes, F. J., Cochrane, J., Davenport, B., Mr. D. C. Allen and Mr. G. S. Brown.

## Results (to date):—

- v. Corby Old Boys "B". Won 28—18.
- v. R.A.F. Wittering. Lost 27—37.
- v. Corby Old Boys "A". Won 35—32.
- v. Kettering Rockets. Lost 21—26.
- v. Kettering Juniors. Won 30—12.
- v. Kettering Cardinals. Won 24—22.
- v. Kettering Cardinals. Lost 13—22.
- v. Corby Old Boys "A". Lost 29—39.
- v. Kettering Rockets. Lost 14—22.

L. G. Berridge, L.6.Mod.

## "B" Team.

Our record so far this season has not been very good, as far as scores are concerned, but we have enjoyed some good games against teams who have on the whole greater experience and better facilities.

There is, however, no lack of enthusiasm amongst the members of the team and this, with experience, should produce better results next season.

## Results :

- v. Uppingham "B". Away. Won 32—14.
- v. Uppingham "B". Home. Won 16—13.
- v. Corby Grammar School. Away. Lost 21—68.
- v. U/Corby Boys' Club "A". Home. Lost 6—24.
- v. U/Corby Boys' Club "B". Home. Lost 31—32.
- v. U/Corby Boys' Club "A". Away. Lost 9—32.
- v. Corby Grammar School. Home. Lost 25—34.

The following have represented the team : Brooks, N. (Capt.), Thompson, J. W., Berridge, M. F., Dellet, S., Sykes, J. F., Newbold, R. I., Brading, R. E.

## SWIMMING.

Swimming is not one of the major sports of the school. However, we do have an annual match against Northampton Grammar School and there is a possibility of a further match or two in the future. The 1958 match was held at Northampton in the outdoor pool, and the school was represented by a team composed of boys in three age-groups, over 15, 13-15, and under 13. The two senior teams were unluckily hit by illness and injury and this involved two of the School's representatives in the Northamptonshire swimming team. This necessitated everyone swimming two individual events as well as relays. Although our senior swimmers put up a good show they were unable to win either match, but the under 13 team managed to do better and did in fact win.

The only other event in the School's swimming calendar is the Annual Gala held at the Public Swimming Baths at the end of the summer term. The House Championship was once again won by North House despite strong opposition from both East and West Houses.

## Results :—

## Breast Stroke—

- U.13.—1, Whyment, G. (N); 2, Pitts, B. A. (N).
- U.14.—1, Rippin, G. J. (N); 2, Wealthall, R. W. (E).
- U.15.—1, Towns, P. J. (N); 2, Baker, N. (S).
- U.16.—1, Brown, R. W. (W); 2, Thurland, R. E. (E).
- O.16.—1, Brooks, N. (W); 2, Patrick, R. J. (E).

## Back Stroke—

- U.14.—1, Rippin, G. J. (N); 2, Wright, J. W. (E).
- O.14.—1, Brown, R. W. (W); 2, Clarke, R. (N).

## Free Style—

- U.13.—1, Bale (E); 2, Lampard, C. M. (S).
- U.14.—1, Rippin, G. J. (N); 2, Braines, L. M. (N).
- U.15.—1, Mole, B. F. (N); 2, Drage, M. (W).
- U.16.—1, Brown, R. W. (W); 2, Kilborn, R. W. (W).
- O.16.—1, Brooks, N. (W); 2, Mellor, C. (N).

Beginners' Race—1, Lampard, N. A. (S); 2, Dovkants, K. D. (E).

Life Saving Race—1, Mellor, C. (N); 2, Rippin, G. J. (N).

## Long Plunge—

- U.14.—1, Wealthall, R. W. (E); 2, Kingston, N. G. (N).
- O.14.—1, Flowers (S); 2, Brooks, N. (W).

## Breast Stroke (Style)—

- U.14.—1, Granger, N. W. (N); 2, Pitts, B. A. (N).
- O.14.—1, Clarke (N); 2, Bridge, M. J. (E).

## Neat Dive—

- U.14.—1, Pitts, B. A. (N); 2, McDowell, R. J. (E).
- O.14.—1, Brown, R. W. (W); 2, Clarke (N).

## Relay—

- U.14.—1, North; 2, East.
- O.14.—1, West; 2, North.

Result—1, North (85½ pts.); 2, East (53½ pts.); 3, West (50 pts.); 4, South (23 pts.).

R. J. Patrick, 6.Sc.B.

## THE BADMINTON CLUB.

Unlike most of the sporting activities reported in the pages of this magazine, the Badminton Club does not exist solely for the purpose of playing matches, but rather to provide an introduction to the game for members of the sixth form. Consequently, we rarely have a specialist in the Club—such as B. M. Greasley who left last year—round whom to build a team, and inevitably the majority of players are inexperienced. This was just as noticeable at the beginning of the present season as in former years, and, in fact, only the captain and the secretary had previously played for the school. A team was found, however, and a match arranged against Spinney Badminton Club, who sent a team quite as good as any we could expect to meet. Not surprisingly the school lost but not without putting up a creditable performance in what was a very enjoyable game. The result was sufficiently encouraging for us to think of a return match, and only a misunderstanding about dates prevented the fixture taking place. The match against the staff, which has become an annual event, provided the usual keen struggle, and this year the game ended with the staff in a decidedly advantageous position, although two rubbers remained unfinished.

The driving force behind the club is M. Ashworth, who not infrequently reminds members how to play the game by joining in during the Monday evening session. New members from the lower sixth are always welcome.

The following have represented the school in matches played so far : M. H. Alderman, L. G. Berridge, R. J. Coles, J. J. Goode, D. K. Goodliffe, P. Lamont, N. C. Sharman, B. A. York, S. J. Yorston.

N. C. Sharman, VI.Mod.A.

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An attempt was made to increase the number of fixtures last year, but owing either to the lack of home courts on the part of the opposition or, inevitably, to the weather, only three matches were in fact played, apart from the first round of the Glanville Cup. Of these the School won two, convincingly in the game with Wellingborough G.S., and very narrowly against Wyggeston G.S. At Northampton the team was almost as narrowly defeated. In the Glanville Cup our opponents were once again King Edward's School, Birmingham, and Radcliffe College, the match being played at Birmingham. With a little more luck, or effort, the team might have succeeded; as it was we had to be content with second place. The departure of Hill and Ferris, who could always be relied upon to win, will leave a gap in the team which it may not be easy to fill, but the new season will nevertheless be approached with optimism.

Those who represented the School were R. L. Hill, R. P. Ferris, P. Lamont, N. C. Sharman, R. E. Brading, N. J. Foster, W. B. Chambers and B. Thompson.

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