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was learning to make use of small bushes and trees. And I was enjoying myself now, because I felt a part of the gang; I had company, yet I wasn't getting in their way.

And so I followed them, for an hour or more. I didn't know where I was now, but I had no fears of being lost, so long as I kept the gang in sight. But then they came to the stream again, and it was wider here, and deeper. It was bridged at this point, by an old fallen tree. I watched as the gang crossed by it.

For the first time, I felt a shadow of uncertainty. I had to keep following them, or else I might never get back home, and yet I could see no other way of crossing the stream. They had all taken it quite calmly, the gang that was, not a single slip amongst them. But, as I stood there, finding my balance at one end of the great trunk, I knew I had to hurry if I was to catch up with them at all.

The banks of the stream were steep and high and one was, in fact, higher than the other, causing the tree trunk to lie at a slant, so that in crossing it from my side, I was going uphill. And in the middle, the tree was all of fifteen feet or more from the slow, grey water below. And I was very conscious of it all, as I wobbled forward along the rough surface, holding my breath, twenty yards to go, and the trunk getting narrower towards the other end. And I had to hurry, I knew, and I tried to quicken my step, but I swayed terribly, and I was almost in the middle.

I tried to calm myself, but I knew I had yards still to go and it was fifteen feet down. My gaze drifted from my boots to the ocean beneath me, which I now believed was a mile deep. I spotted a bit of paper going under the tree, and I was unable to lift my eyes from it, and as it drifted away downstream, I knew I had leaned too far, also.

Fear seized me, and it was the zeal fear, overriding my fear of Bob, and I knew he was the only one who could help me.

"Bob!" I shrieked his name as I clutched at the air, like a diver who had changed his mind too late, then I felt the air rushing past my cheeks, and then it was not air, it was water. And it was not a mile deep, it was three feet.

My last sensation was one of being hit by a solid wall of pebbles, flung at me with an almighty force. Then my whole body gave up the struggle to escape from the paralysis of shock, and I gulped in the cold, muddy water . . .

Far away, deep in the woods, "Ssh, did you hear that?" asked Bob.

"Hear what?" asked another of the gang, carelessly.

"Yes, I did", another said, definitely. "Sounded a bit like your brother Nick."

"Come on", said Bob, getting up, "if we catch him, we'll teach him what he can do in our woods."

J. S. FELGATE, 4A.

THE DEFEATED RULER

The old elephant squelched slowly through the swamp,
Washing blood from his legs.
He had in better days been ruler of the herd
But now he was too old.

The fight for his position had been great:
Youth, virility versus age and experience
A fearsome sight, these creatures fighting
Each charging at the other for his life.

Youth had won but age had left its mark:
The young, although victorious in the fight had lost
a tusk;

His side a mass of blood
But youth can make amends and age cannot.

Now he stood more broken down,
Defenceless, waiting for death:
The vultures soaring overhead, watching,
Waiting for him to die so they could pick his bones.

The thing that hurt him so was not his wounds,
But the shame of defeat.
This first time in his life that he had lost,
And now he had lost all.

R. T. BELL, 2A.

MY DOG

My dog he is a funny pet
A dachshund black and ginger,
He hates to go out in the wet
And so indoors he'll linger.
When someone calls he makes a row
To blankets he is partial,
If he were in the army now
He'd be facing a court martial.
He wears a coat when it is cold
His fourth, as three he's eaten,
He chews on carpets till they're old
He really should be beaten.

R. SAINT, 1B.

SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL OFFICE BEARERS

Prefects: N. M. Causebrook (*Captain*), M. J. Whitaker (*Lieutenant*), R. M. Edrupt, M. F. Taylor*.

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METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

NOVEMBER 1966 — JANUARY 1967

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Total rainfall (ins.)	1.42	3.00	1.73

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The acetating department has been working extremely well this term and credit must go to Bradley who has built himself a considerable reputation. Credit is also due to Godfrey who has raised the standard of material in the display cabinets to a high level. The number of books in stock has now passed 12,200 and for donations we are indebted to:—

The Librarian, Mr. Pinnock, Mr. N. O. Eckert, Mr. D. R. Wills, Mr. K. L. Woodland, W. C. Fillmore (O.E.), J. S. Jones (O.E.), G. E. Lane (O.E.), J. T. C. Little (O.E.), B. J. Roberts, and J. M. Rowland.

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dreadful hurdle to leap, and it would be idle to pretend that it was surmounted. Sound support to the principals was given by Blinder, Malcolm, and Walsh, and the performance of Heatherington must be given especial praise; but it is a pity that Rhodes was allowed to fool about. The hardest technical problem of all, however, that of the induction of *Argan* into the medical profession, was triumphantly solved and brilliantly led up to his famous last line.

No notice of the play would be complete without a reference to the small army that operated off-stage. The set was well designed and painted, although it might

with advantage have been more brightly lit. (Do the fine distinctions between scenery design, scenery construction, and scenery construction design lead to demarcation disputes?) The costumes were good and the make-up excellent. No doubt all those concerned on or off the stage took the credit to themselves and laid the blame for any deficiencies on to Mr. Evans; but we trust that he knows how much was due to his own unwearying efforts and that he shared the pleasure experienced by the audiences.

R.M.C.

FOOTBALL

RETROSPECT 1966

Anybody consulting the record printed below would probably think that the School had suffered yet another miserable season. In some ways this was true; but the games and the spirit displayed were not nearly as gloomy as in the previous season. The results of many of the games might well have been reversed had the School been favoured with a little more fortune which tends never to support the underdog or those lacking in confidence. It must be admitted that in its one and only victory against St. Dunstan's, the School enjoyed more than its fair share of luck, but after that cheerful start to the season, fortune forsook the side.

It was a relatively young side which would have prospered far better had there been an experienced player behind the pack. The School attack spent many of the games probing somewhat delicately and gentlemanly to pierce the opponents' defence on occasions when resolute, thrustful, and determined running for the line would have been far more effective. Tackling too suffered from the same benign, gentle approach, and this was the most distressing part of the game. Palpably ineffective tackling lost the School many games.

The forwards in the main contributed some honest efforts, but these were too individual and the pack never learned to play as a unit nor managed to attain the mobility required in the modern game.

Place-kicking, too, was a weakness. Last year, Edrupt's boot proved most reliable but this year, apart from a couple of games, he seemed to lose confidence. The sad part about it was that there seemed nobody capable of acting as a reliable deputy. How often has it been said that practice and practice at the art of place-kicking reaps dividends! In many games an early score, whether by try or penalty, and the side would have gained the confidence it so desperately needed.

It is to be hoped that the experience gained by the younger members of the side will form a nucleus for a more confident and successful side next season. Certainly with their enthusiasm and the will to learn the prospect looks more favourable.

Our thanks are due to M. F. Taylor for acting as regular touch-judge and to all parents and supporters for their encouragement.

First XV matches: Played 12; Won 1; Drawn 2; Lost 9; Points for 47; Points against 128.

FIRST XV MATCHES

v. ST. NICHOLAS' SCHOOL. On Stapylton. November 9th. Lost 5-9.

The School made an encouraging start in this game, played on a heavy ground in blustery conditions. An aggressive attack resulted in the School being awarded a penalty way out, only for Edrupt to see his kick rebound off the post. Soon after this Malcolm, in his

début, limped off the field. This weakened the School's covering in defence and his absence, together with casual marking and poor tackling enabled the speedy St. Nicholas' backs to score two unconverted tries. The School pack, previously sluggish, then provided a quick heel for the backs to show that if given "good ball" they had some attacking flair. A good try followed, with the ball being passed quickly to the winger who passed inside for Langley to score between the posts. Mackay converted.

After half-time the School relapsed into a period of inexcusable slackness, enabling the visitors to score another try. In the last quarter of the game play was confined to the St. Nicholas' half, as the forwards revealed more attack. If only clean possession had been obtained, the backs could surely have scored... if only...

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v. O.E.R.F.C. At Gipsy Corner. November 16th. Drawn 9-9.

Playing uphill in the first half and against a strong wind the School kept the O.E.'s score down to two unconverted tries, both the result of the usual criticism, slack marking and poor tackling. Play by both sides was unimpressive, though K. S. Johnstone and G. Golland made their mark on the game with some solid tackling for the O.E.'s. The standard improved in the second half, though there were traces of unnecessary and purposeless "spirit". Against the run of the play, P. J. Allen converted a penalty for the O.E.'s but this had the effect of rousing the School. After a period of sustained pressure, Edrupt boosted the School's confidence by kicking two towering penalties. Soon after Hallewell, breaking on the open side, cross-kicked beautifully for the blind side wing, where Knight picked up the rolling ball with casual ease to score in the corner. As was so often the case, more concentrated determination would certainly have resulted in a victory, but all that was to be obtained from this game was a draw and, for Harris, a broken wrist.

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v. HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S. At Aldenham. November 26th. Lost 0-3.

After heavy rain the pitch was a mixture of mud and sand and it very soon became apparent that the game was going to be a hard forward battle. Considering the conditions, however, both sides tried hard to play attrac-

tive football, the Haberdashers' three-quarter line coping particularly well. The School's defence in this game was first-class and the lethargic and nebulous attempts of the previous game was replaced by aggressive tackling. Ayers covered acres of ground and Langley and Farrer blocked the midfield splendidly. After a pointless first half, Haberdashers' engineered a good blind-side try to score the only points of the match and give them a deserved victory. However in the last ten minutes the School players redoubled their efforts and, encouraged vociferously by the 3rd XV, restricted play to their opponents' twenty-five and all but scored.

Team: R. H. Croft; S. I. Cowan, M. G. Langley, C. A. Farrer, C. W. Gervais; R. A. Hallewell, R. I. Mackay; D. G. Morgan, E. G. Hudson, S. M. Blinder, B. J. Roberts, M. J. Snazell, D. J. Belford, A. J. Ayers, R. M. Edrupt.

v. ST. ALBANS. On Stapylton. November 30th.
Lost 3 - 19.

Rumour informed us that St. Albans had a solid side, so having kept them down to 11 points with a strong wind in St. Albans favour, the School's optimism ran high. The School pack did well to hold the opposition, but in the second half it was a different story. The opponents' pack exerted pressure and showed cohesion, the like of which we could not match; but their backs, in spite of getting plenty of the ball, were only allowed to score twice. By way of consolation for his efforts, Belford, pursuing a loose ball and well up with play as usual, snatched a try.

Team: R. H. Croft; S. I. Cowan, M. G. Langley, C. A. Farrer, C. A. Knight; R. A. Hudson, M. A. Bruin; D. G. Morgan, E. G. Hudson, S. M. Blinder, B. J. Roberts, M. J. Snazell, D. J. Belford, A. J. Ayers, R. M. Edrupt (*Capt.*).

PAST v. PRESENT. On Stapylton. December 10th.
Lost 0 - 15.

There was a very poor turn-out from the School to see this annual match and although there was heavy rain in the morning making the ground very wet, the weather cleared satisfactorily for the game. Both sides were intent on making it an entertaining game and indeed the spectators were pleasantly surprised at the movement of the ball.

The first half was evenly fought, with the School concentrating on ensuring that the Past's very competent back division was denied possession of the ball. The Past took the lead through a penalty by Holloway and increased it a little later on with a try by Edmonds, after a powerful run. Play was quite even, nevertheless, with the forwards having a hard game and the School's backs, particularly Cowan, showing up well in the tackle.

Against an obviously heavier pack, the School began to concede more of the ball in the second half and the attacking flair and experience of Holloway played a dominant role on the game. He scored one try himself, made another and a little later Johnstone clove through the centre for another unconverted try for the Past. The School strove valiantly and their efforts were hampered by the loss of Mackay with a broken wrist. The final whistle went, however, with both sides quite exhausted but having enjoyed a hard and relatively open game. We were grateful to the referee, Mr. N. H. T. Bennett, who administered his duties in a friendly but firm fashion.

Past: D. A. B. Harris; B. A. Edmonds, J. D. Holloway, K. S. Johnstone, M. J. Lavington; J. C. Wright, J. H. Caplin; R. D. Packer, A. Solomon, P. Parrish, D. S. Ridler (*Capt.*), G. W. Davies, T. O. R. J. Herbert, A. J. Bell, S. J. Matthews.

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CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

RETROSPECT 1966-67

This season, despite the rigorous training of six cross-country groups, the School has had little obvious success. M. G. Robeson's leg injury was highly inconvenient, although we were glad of his services as team recorder.

I. J. Stevens had a good season, especially towards the end of this term, but G. C. Wardlaw, J. D. Tabraham, and D. J. Sterling all worked hard to achieve increasingly better results. Among the younger runners R. L. Aubrey and J. S. Griggs showed considerable promise. Thirteen fixtures, an unusually large number, were arranged this season. Possibly it was a fraction too many for two basic reasons. Primarily, performance in competition are bound to fall off due to fatigue after a certain time. This was evident immediately after the Southern Counties Championships. The second point is this, the main object of Cross-country in School, is to encourage as many boys as possible to take part to the best of their ability. A team of six boys is indeed important, but it should never be allowed to overshadow the efforts of the others, who train just as regularly and have as much determination.

I.J.S.

ANNUAL PRIORY RELAYS

November 5th

Redhill and Reigate Athletic Club were hosts to 28 teams, mostly Clubs from south of the river. Queen

Elizabeth's was the only school to take part, nevertheless we put up a good performance in view of the opposition.

There were four legs of 1½ miles each over a varied course including muddy woods, rolling fields and hazards not the least being the shallow end of a lake! M. G. Robeson ran a fine first leg and was lying fifth at the takeover but we only managed twelfth position in the end.

RESULTS:

Team Positions:

1st	Windsor and Eton "A"	33m. 17s.
2nd	Thames Valley "A"	34m. 18s.
3rd	Dorking St. Paul's A.C.	35m. 25s.
12th	Queen Elizabeth's, Barnet	36m. 45s.

Individual Times:

1st leg M. G. Robeson 8m. 38s.; 2nd leg J. S. Jones 9m. 19s.; 3rd leg G. C. Wardlaw 9m. 55s.; 4th leg I. J. Stevens 8m. 53s.

v. HERTFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL
November 19th

This home fixture was for an 'A' and a 'B' team of nine each, the first six scoring. M. G. Robeson ran strongly to lead the field home. The School's 'A' team won but our inexperienced 'B' team were narrowly defeated.

RESULTS:

'A' team: 1st Queen Elizabeth's
Scoring places 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 12 =35 pts.
2nd Hertford Grammar School
Scoring places 3, 4, 7, 10, 14, 17 =55 pts.

'B' team: 1st Hertford Grammar School
Scoring places 8, 15, 16, 19, 27, 28=113 pts.
2nd Queen Elizabeth's
Scoring places 11, 18, 21, 22, 25, 26 =123 pts.

HIGHGATE HARRIERS ANNUAL SCHOOLS RACE
December 3rd

A field of a hundred tackled the gruelling course at Parliament Hill. Rain had made the going extremely soft, and so good positions in the first half mile were vital. Britten, Griggs and Aubrey (the three youngest members of the team) bunched together gave creditable performances despite the fierce opposition.

RESULTS:*Team Positions:*

1st Millfield School "A"	50 pts.
2nd Haberdashers' Aske's School	79 pts.
3rd Junior Leaders Regt.	95 pts.
6th Queen Elizabeth's	129 pts.

Individual Positions:

8th M. G. Robeson 17m. 14s.; 10th I. J. Stevens 17m. 15s.; 48th G. C. Wardlaw 18m. 42s.; 63rd J. D. Tabraham 19m. 13s.; 69th A. J. Britten 19m. 24s.; 74th J. S. Griggs 19m. 34s.; 77th R. L. Aubrey 19m. 48s.; 84th D. J. Sterling 20m. 11s.

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

January 14th

Welwyn Athletic Club won the Championship, held at Stevenage, with incredible ease by gaining first four places and therefore minimum points.

The overall entry, however, was very poor, the complete field being no more than forty runners. I. J. Stevens was our first man home in 8th position. Despite general unfitness after the Christmas holidays the School was badly beaten into third position.

RESULTS:*Team Positions:*

1st Welwyn Athletic Club, 1, 2, 3, 4	=10 pts.
2nd St. Albans School, 15, 19, 20, 23	=77 pts.
3rd Queen Elizabeth's, 8, 22, 26, 29	=85 pts.

Individual Positions:

1st Angus (Welwyn A.C.) 18m. 4s.; 2nd Ross (Welwyn A.C.) 18m. 18s.; 3rd Phipps (Welwyn A.C.) 18m. 39s.; 8th Stevens (Q.E.) 19m. 37s.; 22nd Wardlaw (Q.E.) 21m. 22s.; 26th Sterling (Q.E.) 22m. 26s.; 29th Tabraham (Q.E.) 22m. 30s.; 36th Bell (Q.E.) 24m. 40s.

v. HERTFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Hertford.
January 25th

The School was entertained at Hertford. The course, although long, provided much variation. As in last term's fixture, "A" and "B" teams of nine each were provided.

The absence of M. G. Robeson made our "A" team more vulnerable and it was defeated by a fraction.

In the "B" race, Hertford filled the first four places, gaining a decisive victory. R. B. Harbord ran well to finish in 6th position, only five seconds behind C. J. Bell.

RESULTS:*Team Positions:*

"A" Team: Hertford G.S.	— 39 pts.
Queen Elizabeth's	— 41 pts.
"B" Team: Hertford G.S.	— 28 pts.
Queen Elizabeth's	— 53 pts.

Individual Positions:

"A" Race—1st Langley (Hertford) 19m. 44s.; 2nd Stevens (Q.E.) 20m. 4s.; 3rd Pyatt (Hertford) 21m. 15s.; 4th Gibson (Hertford) 21m. 43s.; 5th Aubrey (Q.E.) 21m. 47s.

"B" Race—1st Palmer (Hertford) 22m. 11s.; 2nd Phillips (Hertford) 22m. 11s.; 3rd Surridge (Hertford) 22m. 49s.; 4th Bradley (Hertford) 22m. 57s.; 5th Bell (Q.E.) 23m. 9s.

v. ALLEYNE'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Home.
February 1st

Alleynes Grammar School were entertained by the School this year. "A" and "B" teams of nine each tackled the course. All runners set off together, but the results were scored as two separate events. The School's "A" team was obviously outclassed, although G. C. Wardlaw and J. S. Griggs showed good form.

Led home by A. J. Britten, the "B" team did little to support him, and allowed the visitors to bunch closely together. However the match was lost by a relatively small margin.

RESULTS:

"A" Team: 1st Morton (A.G.S.) 18m. 54s.; 2nd Angus (Min) (A.G.S.) 18m. 54s.; 3rd Evans (A.G.S.) 19m. 5s.; 4th Wardlaw (Q.E.) 19m. 9s.; 5th Hawkins (A.G.S.) 19m. 13s.; 6th Griggs (Q.E.) 19m. 32s.; 7th Aubrey (Q.E.) 19m. 35s.; 8th McHugh (A.G.S.) 19m. 42s.; 9th Davis (A.G.S.) 19m. 46s.; 10th Sterling (Q.E.) 19m. 53s.; 11th Dodd (A.G.S.) 20m. 2s.; 12th Cheeseman (Q.E.) 20m. 30s.; 13th Gustine (Q.E.) 20m. 50s.; 14th Harbord (Q.E.) 20m. 51s.; 15th Tabraham (Q.E.) 20m. 54s.

Lost 52 - 28

"B" Team: 1st Britten (Q.E.) 20m. 16s.; 2nd Turner (A.G.S.) 20m. 17s.; 3rd McFarlane (A.G.S.) 20m. 24s.; 4th Bell (Q.E.) 20m. 27s.; 5th Wilson (A.G.S.) 20m. 37s.; 6th Baugh (Q.E.) 20m. 40s.; 7th Thorne (A.G.S.) 21s. 27s.; 8th Hart (A.G.S.) 21m. 36s.; 9th Brookes (A.G.S.) 21m. 41s.; 10th Burlisom (A.G.S.) 21m. 44s.; 11th Redmond (Q.E.) 21m. 44s.; 12th Snape (A.G.S.) 21m. 51s.; 13th Chance (Q.E.) 22m. 1s.; 14th Griffith (A.G.S.) 22m. 9s.; 15th Butcher (Q.E.) 22m. 52s.; 16th McNab (A.G.S.) 23m. 9s.; 17th Turner (Q.E.) 24m. 17s.; 18th Smith (Q.E.) 25m. 42s.

Lost 50 - 34

RANELAGH HARRIERS ANNUAL SCHOOLS' RACE

February 4th

A team of only five competed over the usual course at Richmond.

I. J. Stevens was absent, injured. As expected, our results were not as good as last year, although the whole team gave their best, bunching well lower down the field. Used to the slower, muddy course in Hadley Woods our runners found difficulty in adapting themselves to the fast grassy stretches in Richmond Park.

Team Result:

1st Wimbledon College 1, 7, 10, 12	=30 pts.
2nd Haberdashers' Aske's 6, 14, 22, 32	=74 pts.
3rd St. Albans Grammar 4, 5, 16, 61	=86 pts.
17th Queen Elizabeth's 68, 78, 84, 93	=323 pts.

N.B. 20 schools competed.

Individual Positions:

1st Morrish (Wimbledon College); 2nd Bennet (Purley County); 3rd France (Purley County).

Q.E. Positions:

68th Wardlaw; 78th Tabraham; 84th Sterling; 93rd Aubrey; 101st Britten.

FOURTH ANNUAL RELAY FOR THE B. GOATER TROPHY. At Haberdashers' Aske's School, Aldenham.
February 8th.

Due to the recent mild weather the course was a little faster than last year, although throughout the afternoon there was intermittent rain. Careful thought is essential in planning the order, since a lead lost is seldom regained. However, as in last year's relay we placed our strongest runners first, and left a good anchor leg.

I. J. Stevens ran strongly to win the first leg, and handed over a marginal lead to G. C. Wardlaw. A. J. Britten and R. L. Aubrey both put in exceptional performances, well under the average leg time. R. B. Harbord and J. D. Tabraham, running 5th and 6th legs respectively gave their best, and the School eventually finished in the 15th position.

Team Result:

1st	Orange Hill School	78m. 12s.
2nd	Haberdasher's Aske's	79m. 36s.
3rd	Dr. Challoners G.S.	79m. 47s.
4th	Merchant Taylors	80m. 58s.
5th	K.C.S. Wimbledon	81m. 18s.
6th	R.G.S. High Wycombe	81m. 34s.
15th	Queen Elizabeth's, Barnet	84m. 31s.

N.B. 22 schools competed.

Q.E. Positions & Times:

1st Stevens 12m. 48s.; 4th Wardlaw 14m. 3s.; 7th Britten 14m. 8s.; 8th Aubrey 14m. 6s.; 13th Harbord 15m. 12s.; 15th Tabraham 14m. 14s.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 11th

Queen Elizabeth's was one of only three schools amongst forty teams to compete in the Southern Counties Championships at Parliament Hill. Age restrictions barred some of our younger and better runners, but the team showed great determination and managed to secure the most respectable position of 35th.

Team Result:

1st	Shaftesbury	56 pts.
2nd	Verlea A.C.	95 pts.
3rd	Cambridge H.	120 pts.
4th	Southend A.C.	132 pts.
5th	Mitcham A.C.	197 pts.
35th	Queen Elizabeth's	644 pts.

Individual Positions:

70th Stevens; 152nd Wardlaw; 203rd Tabraham; 219th Cheeseman 234th Butcher; 235th Bell.

HERTS. COUNTY SCHOOLS' TWENTIETH ANNUAL CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

February 15th

The Hertfordshire Schools' Cross-Country Race was held at St. Albans School this year. The 4½-mile course was flat and uninteresting, a sharp contrast with what we were accustomed to.

Haberdashers' Aske's won the day, showing what can be gained by a fighting team spirit. The school came ninth, one place lower than last year. This was an encouraging overall performance, since three of our best runners were either injured or too young to compete.

Team Result:

1st	Haberdashers' Aske's	28 pts.
2nd	Merchant Taylors	38 pts.
3rd	St. Albans Grammar School	54 pts.
9th	Queen Elizabeth's	126 pts.

N.B. 15 teams competed.

Individual Positions:

1st McKean (M. Taylors); 2nd Wragg (St. Albans G.S.); 3rd Johns (Haberdashers).

Q.E. Positions:

5th Stevens; 22nd Wardlaw; 49th Cheeseman; 50th Tabraham; 56th Sterling; 69th Bell.

SOUTHGATE HARRIERS SCHOOLS' CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

February 18th

The Cross-country group had an energetic half-term. Two teams of six were despatched: one to take part at Clay Hill in Enfield, and the other to compete in Barnet and District Athletic Club's annual under-17 School's Race.

At Enfield, M. G. Robeson ran incredibly well to finish 11th, after a seven weeks break. The rest of the team performed with zeal enabling it to come 3rd out of nine teams.

Team Result:

1st	Orange Hill	3, 4, 5, 12	=24 pts.
2nd	Haberdashers' Aske's	1, 9, 10, 14	=34 pts.
3rd	Queen Elizabeth's	6, 11, 19, 21	=57 pts.

Q.E. Positions:

6th Stevens 18m. 55s.; 11th Robeson 19m. 16s.; 19th Wardlaw 19m. 57s.; 21st Tabraham 20m. 12s.; 28th Sterling; 34th Bell.

BARNET & DISTRICT A.C.'s ANNUAL SCHOOLS' RACE

Similarly the under-17 team had a successful afternoon. Running on home ground, R. L. Aubrey was our first runner home with J. S. Griggs immediately behind.

Queen Elizabeth's finished in third position for the third year in succession.

Team Result:

1st	Minchenden School	22 pts.
2nd	Orange Hill School	24 pts.
3rd	Queen Elizabeth's	52 pts.

N.B. 5 schools competed.

Q.E. Positions:

8th R. L. Aubrey 21m. 16s.; 9th J. S. Griggs 21m. 44s.; 18th H. Gustine 23m. 19s.; 19th R. B. Harbord 23m. 26s.; 24th S. P. Chance 25m. 19s.

v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL

February 22nd

Despite the obvious advantage of running on our home course, the School lost the 30-a-side mob race for the second year in succession.

I. J. Stevens gained a comfortable win, but M. G. Robeson was just beaten into third place. Among the "non-professionals" R. A. Hallewell and M. J. Wells both gave good performances.

Although punctuated by light drizzle, we all enjoyed a pleasant afternoon's sport, and our loss by only 88 points was a marked improvement on last year's result.

Result:

St. Albans 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 18, 19, 22
25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38 =401 pts.

Q.E. 1, 3, 5, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 29, 21
25, 26, 32, 34, 41, 46, 47, 49 =489 pts.

Individual Positions:

1st Stevens 18m. 43s.; 2nd Craighead (St. Albans) 19m. 30s.; 3rd Robeson 19m. 33s.; 5th Wardlaw 19m. 47s.; 11th Hallewell 20m. 44s.; 12th Griggs 20m. 47s.; 14th Tabraham 20m. 47s.; 15th Cheeseman 20m. 53s.; 16th Wells 20m. 56s.; 17th Aubrey 20m. 58s.; 20th Sterling 21m. 25s.; 21st Baugh 21m. 32s.; 25th Harbord 22m. 4s.; 26th Bell 22m. 8s.; 28th Gustine 22m. 40s.; 29th Chance 22m. 41s.; 32nd Belford 23m. 0s.; 34th Butcher 23m. 6s.; 41st Lisney 23m. 32s.; 44th Redmond 24m. 0s.; 46th Turner 24m. 32s.

Also ran: Worrell, Featherstone, C. A. Knight, I. C. Mitchell, A. R. Taylor, Hudson, Robinson, A. H. Smith, Bennett, Batistoni.

HOUSE CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

February 24th

This year the Inter-House Cross Country Race was staged on a Friday evening, in order to avoid a clash with the England v. France Rugby International, for which many had tickets.

The forty-eight competitors found the course wet and heavy; especially coming up through the woods where the path had become a quagmire. I. J. Stevens, well supported by M. G. Robeson led from the start to be the eventual winner by 38 seconds.

The team result was close, but Stapylton having six of their eight scorers in the first twenty, won by fourteen points from Broughton. Harrisons, under-strength from the start, were unable to close in.

Result:

1st	Stapylton	1, 2, 6, 8, 11, 18, 26, 38	=110 pts.
2nd	Broughton	3, 5, 7, 10, 23, 24, 25, 27	=124 pts.
3rd	Leicester	13, 14, 15, 17, 20, 21, 22, 30	=152 pts.
4th	Underne	4, 9, 12, 16, 28, 32, 34, 39	=164 pts.

Harrisons did not close in. Scoring places: 19, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45.

Individual Positions:

1st	Stevens	S	18m. 30s.
2nd	Robeson	S	19m. 8s.
3rd	Wardlaw	B	19m. 41s.
4th	Tabraham	U	20m. 16s.
5th	Griggs	B	20m. 23s.
6th	Aubrey	S	20m. 26s.
7th	Hallewell	B	20m. 31s.
8th	Wells	S	20m. 35s.
9th	Sterling	U	20m. 40s.
10th	Cheeseman	B	20m. 46s.

FIVES

The term has so far been a busy one. At the moment of going to press, the House Final has not yet been played, but it is clear that the two strongest Houses, Broughton and Underne, have come through. The School Team has done reasonably well at this point, despite the pessimism at the beginning of the term. To add to the difficulties then, R. I. Mackay still had his arm in plaster. However, just in time to get ready for the first match, Mackay reported fit; and we made an encouraging start by repeating last year's defeat of Emanuel School 2-1. R. H. Croft and R. I. Mackay won with some ease; R. A. Hallewell and J. Worroll had a long struggle before winning 12-7, 8-12, 7-12, 12-9, 12-6, which was a very good effort; G. Taylor and R. M. Edrupt never quite recovered from a bad start. We were then brought back to realities by losing 3-0 to Highgate 2nd VI. Our opponents' facilities and present standards are such that we expected to lose: but the margin in all three matches was disappointing. This is the first time we have played the school, and we took too long to adjust our play to the pace of the courts.

Over half-term, we went across to play the Old Chigwellians and restored morale by winning 3-0 on the slower Chigwell courts; and on Tuesday 21st February the first two pairs had another enjoyable lesson from the Old Citizens at Blackfriars in losing 2-0. On the 28th February four pairs visited City of London School. For the last three years in this fixture we have avoided defeat, and even on one occasion won; perhaps for this very reason our opponents played their normal school first pair against Croft and Mackay, who did in fact give a good account of themselves before losing 7-12, 7-12, 2-12. The second pair, and also the fourth pair, S. R. Smith and I. Johnson, lost in straight sets, but the third pair lasted out in an even struggle and finally prevailed 12-2, 7-12, 12-7, 7-12, 12-9. We therefore lost our enjoyable game 3-1.

At the moment of going to press, we have three matches to play. Croft and Mackay, Hallewell and Taylor have entered the Public Schools Championship to be held at Eton from April 3rd.

CHESS

This term has, as usual, produced mixed results; as expected, our First Team in the *Sunday Times* Competition was knocked out by Haberdashers' School, now the zonal winners. Nevertheless, we gave a good performance as they sustained greater victories over all other opponents.

Our Senior Team has won only one of the three Coronation Trophy matches played this term, but if we win our remaining match we should be eligible for the final.

In the Intermediate Trophy, only five entries were submitted and consequently there will be no final play-off. Our Intermediate Team, captained by M. F. Solosy, has given an excellent performance, winning three of its four matches and drawing the other, and is thus the outright winner of the Competition.

In the Association Clock our Junior Team, captained by B. S. Bowie, has played four matches, of which two have been won, one drawn, and the other lost. We are, therefore, quite likely to reach the final.

Perhaps our worst performance this year has been that in the Finchley League. The strength of the oppo-

sition was, in most cases, underestimated, and as we have used this Competition as a chance to give practice to the more inexperienced player, our most recent results have been very disappointing.

Of the three internal events only one, Senior House Chess, has reached completion: this resulted in a draw between Harrisons House and Leicester, both having a total of 9½ out of a possible 12. (The other House results were: Broughton 4, Stapylton 3, and Underne 4). After much debate it was decided that there would not be a final play-off between the two winning Houses, but that they should be considered joint winners of the Competition.

Junior House Chess has not yet been finished, although Leicester House is in a very favourable position.

The E. C. Davies is far from completion as the quarter-finals have not yet been reached.

"SUNDAY TIMES"

NATIONAL SCHOOLS CHESS COMPETITION

v. HABERDASHERS' ASKE'S SCHOOL (First Team)
Lost 2-4

CORONATION TROPHY (SENIOR TEAM)

v. HATFIELD SCHOOL	Lost 1½ - 4½
v. ST. ALBANS	Won 3½ - 2½
v. CHESHUNT G.S.	Lost 1½ - 4½

INTERMEDIATE TROPHY (INTERMEDIATE TEAM)

v. ST. ALBANS	Won 3½ - 2½
v. BRANBOURNE	Drew 3 - 3
v. ST. ALBANS SCHOOL	Won 4½ - 1½
v. HITCHIN G.S.	Won 5 - 1

ASSOCIATION CLOCK (JUNIOR TEAM)

v. HATFIELD SCHOOL	Won 5½ - ½
v. ST. ALBANS	Won 4 - 2
v. CHESHUNT G.S.	Drew 3 - 3
v. ST. AUDREY'S SCHOOL	Lost 2 - 4

FINCHLEY LEAGUE

v. ORANGE HILL SCHOOL	Lost 0 - 6
v. HIGHGATE SCHOOL	Lost ½ - 5½

FRIENDLY MATCH

v. OLD ELIZABETHANS	Lost 5½ - 6½
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SCHOOL SOCIETIES

MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: THE HEADMASTER

MUSICAL APPRECIATION SOCIETY

President: MR. FINNETT

Secretary: D. J. Sterling

With the emphasis on encouraging Concert-going outside the sphere of school activity, a party of boys attended a Concert at the B.B.C., where a selection of Schubert songs was sung, together with two unusual creations of the contemporary John Cage, which perhaps for some were the highlight of the evening; the programme concluded with the Brahms Sextet.

Generally speaking, it has been difficult to obtain price concessions and so a visit to Sadlers Wells has had to be postponed. However, at the time of writing it is hoped that a party will be able to attend a Concert towards the end of the term at the Royal Festival Hall, where a programme of some of Stravinsky's works will be given.

The Music Library meantime continues to flourish, and we would like to thank Mr. Evans and Mr. D. M. Driver for their generous donations.

D.J.S.

SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

Conductor: MR. FAIRBAIRN

The Spring term is usually a period of little activity for the orchestra, an interval of relaxation before preparation for the next concert. This term, however, the orchestra combined with musicians from other local schools to form the Borough of Barnet Schools' Orchestra. This involved the orchestra in weekly practices at the Girl's School for concerts to be held on the 8th and 9th of March.

Individual members of the orchestra have also been busy preparing for the House Music Competition, held on March 17th.

A second orchestra, consisting of musicians lower down the school with less technical ability, has been meeting after school on Fridays.

The orchestra has also continued to accompany the hymns in Assembly each morning.

C.T.K.

THE CHOIR

During this term the House Music Competition has tended to take priority over the Choir's activities, but on Ash Wednesday the Anthem, "Let Thy Merciful Ears" by Weelkes was sung at assembly. Practices for Tenors and Basses have been held among a group of senior boys, for the School's contribution to the London Borough of Barnet Schools' Music Association Concert, at which a selection of songs and Benjamin Britten's setting to Psalm 150 will be sung.

D.J.S.

Christmas Concert 1966

The Musical Society would like to thank Mrs. E. Sterling for her donation, and Mr. P. G. Rowlands for the very kind loan of his harpsichord.

JAZZ SOCIETY

President: MR. WRIGHT

Committee: G. S. Bruce, A. K. Gray,

G. W. Davies (*Secretary*)

The Jazz Society this term has been virtually non-existent due to the general lack of support. It is hoped, however, that there will be a performance by some musicians at the Hobbies Exhibition. A. K. Gray together with Mr. Crofts and the secretary will be playing some Bach, while other members will play some modern jazz.

It is hoped that next term there will be more support, for this Society must hold greater appeal for more pupils than at present.

G.W.D.

CHRISTIAN UNION

President: MR. PEARCE

Chairman: MR. PINNOCK

Secretary: A. K. Gray

Committee: R. S. Treby, K. H. Turner

This term a committee has been formed so that the responsibilities of the Union do not fall upon the Secretary alone. This senior branch has met regularly every Monday lunchtime, and attendance has been consistently high, due mainly to a keen interest in the middle school. It is hoped that sixth and seventh formers will show more interest in the activities of the Union, and their views and opinions would be very welcome and helpful. Subjects this term have covered such topics as "Christian witness at home and at school", a discussion on Billy Graham, and close study of the realities of temptation.

A grand effort has been made by the two members of the committee to restart the junior branch but as yet it has been without success.

It is hoped, however, that next term will see an influx of interested juniors, especially those who already have contacts with Church Youth Clubs, or the Crusader movement.

A.K.G.

ELIZABETHAN UNION

President: MR. COVINGTON

Chairman: MR. FINNETT

Committee: MR. FARRER, MR. MORRIS, J. E. Blishen, V. Donovan, C. A. Farrer, D. J. Sterling, T. N. R. Billing, S. B. Russell (*Secretary*)

Before proceeding to this term's activities a report must be made of the Final of the House Debating Com-

petition. The motion "That this House would abolish Speech Day" was proposed on behalf of Underne House by Messrs. V. Donovan and D. J. Sterling and opposed on behalf of Stapylton House by Messrs. S. B. Russell and J. E. Blishen. Underne repeated their success of last year, the adjudicators being unanimous in their decision.

So far this term the activities of the Union have been mainly concerned with the Herts Schools' Debating Competition. The team of Messrs. V. Donovan and D. J. Sterling has now reached the final. In the second round, at Merchant Taylor's School, the Union proposed the motion "That this House believes that Freedom is not a Right but a Privilege" and in the semi-final against Hertford Grammar School the motion "That this House is glad to be living in the Twentieth Century" was opposed by the Union. The School will now meet Alleyne's School in the Final.

The only other meeting of the term at the time of going to press has been the debate with the New Barnet Literary and Debating Society held at East Barnet Library. Messrs. S. B. Russell and J. E. Blishen successfully opposed the motion "That this House favours National Insularity".

The other major event of the term is the Annual Dinner Debate, held on March 17th, too late to be reported in this issue. S.B.R.

THE SYMPOSIUM

Chairman: MR. FINNETT
Secretary: V. Donovan

At the beginning of term, on January 27th, J. A. Rhodes gave a paper to the Symposium posing the question "Are there any human rights?" There followed a useful discussion concerning various points arising from a valuable (and controversial) paper.

It has not been possible so far to arrange for a second meeting to be held, though it is hoped that another paper may be given before the end of term. V.Do.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

President: MR. PEARCE
Treasurer: MR. ALFORD
Secretary: S. M. Blinder

If the Dramatic Society is to become a worthwhile and dominant part of the School community it cannot hope to exist solely on the merits of this term's play. The Society, therefore, has expanded and become a more sociable and adventurous group. Despite the pressures and unavoidable haste in the school production, we have managed to introduce a greater interest in modern drama which has initiated visits to some of the more interesting and controversial, if that is not too cliché a word, of present productions. Frisch's "Chinese Wall" provoked much discussion and "The Caretaker" by Pinter was thought by all to be a most entertaining and rewarding play, despite Mr. Bannerman's untimely arrival at the theatre. I hope that this vital part of the Society will continue to expand and take on a major rôle in our activities.

Nevertheless this term, as usual, has been overwhelmed by the forthcoming production of Molière's "Imaginary Invalid". The play at first sight met with some scepticism but Mr. Evans' handling of this period comedy has induced much wit and sparkle, and thoroughly rejuvenated a cast whose reactions still bore the effects of last year's "Mystery Plays". We have been handicapped by not having the customary time in which to rehearse and this has caused some anxious moments. Encouraged by last year, we are looking ahead and making plans for another Summer Term play, possibly Chekhov, with ideas of making it a joint production with the Girls' School. S.M.B.

SCHOOL SOCIETY

President: MR. GOULD
Secretary: P. J. Duncan

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

President: MR. GOULD
Committee: C. J. Bell, J. F. Buszard, D. G. Morgan,
R. S. Nolan, P. D. Theaker (*Treasurer*),
K. R. Pugh (*Secretary*)

This term the society has held a series of "Portrait Sessions" which have been well attended. I should like to take this opportunity of thanking the various members of the Common Room who have posed for us. The series of competitions has been continued, the "Landscapes, Seascapes and Riverside" competition was won by Cavell with a slide reminiscent of a Constable; the runners up were Bell, Buszard, and Pugh. We are indebted to Messrs. Gerrard, Gould, Postle, and Williams for judging the competition.

The lectures under the generic title "Photography is Easy" continue, the most notable this term being that by Mr. Gould who managed to take a series of photographs, and develop and print the film during a lunch break, without melting the gelatine in the process. It is regrettable that the dark room facilities are not used by more members of the lower school.

The general standard of photography by school members appears to be rising each year, and it is hoped that next term's Hockett Cup entries will be of a higher standard than ever, and that the usual last-minute rush will not occur. K.R.P.

ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

President: MR. GERRARD
Secretary: P. M. Eckert
Committee: D. V. Butcher, N. M. Causebrook,
S. R. Haygreen

Because of the shortness of the term, the advent of the School Play, in which all the committee took part (behind the scenes), and the absence of the secretary on various occasions, no meetings of the Society have taken place. However, some preparations for the Hobbies Exhibition are in progress and, on the day, the School's 10-inch Newtonian telescope was displayed, partly stripped down in order to demonstrate its method of working.

The secretary regrets the loss of R. Hayter, who left the committee and school at half-term, since he was a useful, independent-minded influence on our thinking for four and a half terms. A replacement for him will be appointed at a later date. P.M.E.

PHILATELIC SOCIETY

President: MR. CARTER
Secretary: M. F. Taylor
Treasurer: R. H. Croft
Committee: D. G. Morgan, R. L. Kent, D. Treby

This term the activities of the Society have again been curtailed by the infrequent supply of stamps from the Association of School Stamp Clubs. It is noticeable also that the quality of the stamps received has declined and we are thus obtaining a fortnightly "lot" of stamps from Antony Wright to make good this deficiency.

At the Hobbies Exhibition we will again be holding our annual Senior and Junior Stamp Competitions. The subjects for the competitions are: (i) Sport; (ii) Plants; and (iii) British Commemorative Stamps.

At the time of going to press only a few entries have been received, but it is hoped that the competition will be as successful as in previous years. M.F.T.

TRANSPORT SOCIETY

President: MR. FRY
Committee: A. Dare, J. Reeds,
P. G. Cheeseman (*Secretary*)

The society has undergone one of its poorest terms since its inception and at the time of writing there has been no external activity at all. However there are hopes that, after the confusion caused by the unannounced departure of last term's secretary, Jones, has been cleared up, a visit will be arranged towards the end of the term. Unfortunately this depends largely on greater cooperation by British Railways.

A group of boys under A. J. Witchalls has started work on repairing the school's model railway and Mr. Fry has very generously offered us the use of his room during lunch-breaks if and when the layout is complete. It is hoped to have this and other displays ready for the Hobbies Exhibition, although interest here and in the society in general seems to concern only the railways' side of transport. Next term it is hoped that a few lunch-time lectures will be delivered.

P.G.C.

SENIOR ART SOCIETY

President: MR. PURCHAS
Secretary: A. G. Poupart
Committee: I. D. Cook, A. Davenall, J. Tabraham,
A. Taylor

The Society's activities have been curtailed this term by the numerous other school events and therefore no lectures have yet been held. The practical section of the Society accepted the invitation of the Girl's School to meet on Tuesday evenings for figure drawing in their art-rooms, and encouraging drawings have resulted.

A visit to the Sir John Millais Exhibition at the Royal Academy proved an extremely interesting one; the President however, unsatisfied by the Pre-Raphaelite school took the party round the corner to the Roland Browne Gallery to see several of Bernard Dunstan's recent works and Keith Grant's "The North Lands" paintings. Future trips are planned, including one to Apsley House, which I hope will prove as interesting.

A.G.P.

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

President: MR. COCKS
Vice-President: MR. WILLIAMS
Committee: D. Gaylard, V. Donovan (*Secretary*)

Unfortunately no meetings have been held so far this term, partly because a proposed talk by a member of the school failed to materialize, and partly because the ubiquitous presence of the School Play has exercised its customary stranglehold on other school activities. There is, however, a meeting planned to take place after "The Elizabethan" has gone to press; and arrangements have been made for the Michaelmas Term to see a lecture by the Chairman of the Governors (Councillor P. G. H. Woodruff) on his recent world trip.

In the near future boys from the school will be attending Geographical Association lectures on Regional Planning; the meteorological observations have been continuing as usual, and the Society is indebted to N. J. Thorne for his contributions in this sphere; and it is planned to have an exhibition of geographical items at the annual Hobbies Exhibition on March 15th.

V.Do.

PLAY-READING SOCIETY

President: MR. BANNERMAN
Committee: A. J. Ayers, J. E. Blishen, S. B. Russell
Despite the proud claims of the Secretary of the Dramatic Society it is in fact under the banner of this,

the Play-Reading Society, that the visits this term to the theatre and cinema have been made. The idea came from S. B. Russell and it was decided not to form a new Society but to house his brain-child under the care of Mr. Bannerman. So far four visits have been made, each being followed by a discussion amongst those who participated. The gallery of the Garrick Theatre was twice taken by storm — once for the N.U.S. winning production by Leeds University of Max Frisch's "The Chinese Wall", after which several members were heard to say that a conducted tour of the actual edifice could not have been more arduous. "Volpone" was the next production to fall under scrutiny and feelings were again mixed, which is all very healthy. The third visit was to Enfield Grammar School to see the famous French film "Les Enfants du Paradis", made during the last war. This had been highly praised by our President who claimed to have seen it five times, explaining, perhaps, his subsequent absence. Nevertheless it was generally considered to be well worth seeing. The most recent visit was to the Watford Civic Theatre to see Pinter's "The Caretaker". Further trips have been arranged and this looks like being a very successful and stimulating enterprise.

J.E.B.

RECORDS SOCIETY

President: MR. MORRIS
Secretary: J. A. Rhodes

An increase in membership has made the society rather more successful this term than last, and despite the pressure of other activities there has so far been only one Wednesday without a visit of some kind. So far expeditions have been made to the parish churches of North Mymms, South Mymms, Hendon, and Totteridge, and also to an exhibition of Historic Houses in the Borough of Barnet at Hendon, and Keats House Hampstead. Later this term we hope to go to the Royal Academy Winter Exhibition in conjunction with the Art Club. However, it is becoming increasingly clear that there is a limit to the number of places of historic interest and the society will have to broaden the scope of its activities, perhaps by taking more interest in local history, if it is to survive. Finally my thanks to A. K. Gray for arranging visits when I have been unable to attend.

J.A.R.

ELECTRONICS SOCIETY

President: MR. HAYES
Committee: D. V. Butcher (*Secretary*), N. M. Causebrook

The School Play has as usual affected attendance at Society meetings so that no project has yet been started. In spite of this we have welcomed one or two new members to assist in the steady flow of servicing jobs. Preparations are going ahead for the Hobbies Exhibition when we hope to display a shifting register with read-out unit and a transistorised closed-circuit television camera (which should be fully working after a few initial difficulties).

The Society's design service is maintaining its popularity; of particular interest among the circuits supplied is a design for a transistorised vibrato for use with a bass guitar.

The Society would like to thank R. Hayter, who left at half-term, for all the invaluable work he has done in his one and a half years as secretary, and wish him all the best when he goes to Durham University in October.

D.V.B.

BRIDGE CLUB

President: MR. ALFORD

Committee: P. J. Duncan, G. P. A. Mullin, J. D. Tabraham, K. Tricker, J. F. Buszard (*Secretary*)

This term has been a good one. With regular meetings on Thursdays attendances have improved, although there is still a disappointing lack of support from the lower sixth. Several duplicate matches have been arranged, the first the bridge club has played; and two have already taken place. The first, against the masters, we lost by 31 I.M.P's; the second — an away match with Cheshunt Grammar School — we won by 26 I.M.P's. We have the first round of the "Daily Mail" Inter-schools championship to be played at Eton College, and a return match with Cheshunt, later this term.

J.F.B.

SOCIAL SERVICES GROUP

President: MR. GERRARD

Secretary: J. L. Bintliff

Committee: C. Denerley, P. Kay, P. J. O. Skelton, S. F. Thorpe, B. S. Weston

We have had great success this term, our membership rising to eighteen despite other new sports activities. Since the only jobs we had been offered were gardening jobs, and the weather and short days prohibited this work, we were forced to find some other social activity. This we found in the appeal for money to help build a new Multiple-Sclerosis home in Barnet, and nearly all our work this term has been in collecting for this over practically all Barnet. We hope that the eventual total will not be far off £100. In connection with this may I express grateful thanks to our President, Mr. Gerrard, for devoting so much of his time to helping us organize the collecting and even coming "door-to-door" collecting himself. Other work includes a weekly shopping job for an invalid in Potters Bar and taking a multiple-sclerosis victim for walks around Barnet. Our book service and firewood service for old people has also continued regularly.

J.L.B.

JUNIOR SCIENCE SOCIETY

President: MR. LOWE

Committee: W. D. B. Dick, R. C. Aylard, A. D. Rymer, S. N. Hyman, J. A. Barton, I. Holloway, R. A. Lines, P. S. H. Eggleton, G. Toole, R. J. Aylard, A. J. Minty (*Secretary*)

Due to the shortness of the term and the enforced cancellation of one film, the society has had only two meetings at the time of writing. At these, two interesting films, on chromatography and refrigeration, were shown. Another film on London's water supply is proposed for later this term.

We hope to have a number of exhibits at the Hobbies Exhibition and both the Chemistry and Electronics groups, which meet on Thursdays after school, are working hard for this.

A.J.M.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

President: MR. CROFTS

Secretary: C. P. Morrice

Committee: A. M. Underwood, S. Druce, S. Chance

So far this term the society has little to report except for the three films shown just before half-term, which were seen by a record audience of eighty boys. The following Monday (half-term) a few gallant anglers, inspired by the films on fishing, braved the wind and rain to go fishing at Stanstead Abbots, determined to catch more than a cold; but due either to the lack of fish or fishermen, the total catch was not outstanding.

Like a 1968 penny found recently, the society's plans for the future are forging ahead, with a census of the grey squirrels in the school grounds, being prepared for the forthcoming Hobbies Exhibition and a trip to Minsmere Nature Reserve in Suffolk being arranged for the Easter Holidays.

Finally, the society is grateful to S. Chance for the new notice board donated to it, the former having been given a prominent position in the Biology lab. corridor.

C.P.M.

JUNIOR ART CLUB

President: MR. PURCHAS

Secretary: A. G. Poupert

This term, as always, the Club has been very well attended. The majority of boys were eager to tackle painting in oils with several promising results. It is hoped to give a commendable exhibition in the art room at this year's Hobbies Exhibition and Founder's Day of a higher standard than previous years.

A.G.P.

HOUSE NOTES

BROUGHTON

Housemaster: MR. TIMSON

Prefects: N. M. Causebrook, M. F. Taylor

Sub-prefects: C. G. Baker, P. G. Cheeseman

In the many House Competitions of this term, Broughton House has acquitted itself as a very consistent near winner, the final success always evading us. The Junior House Rugby team, ably captained by R. W. Thompson, beat Harrisons in the preliminary round, but was beaten in the Final by a Leicester House team which contained a large number of Colts' players. The cross-country team, captained by M. F. Taylor, ran a splendid race in the competition but were pushed down to second place, with a margin of fourteen points, by Stapylton House. The chess and fives teams have not

done any better, so we must pin our hopes on the competitions to come. C. T. King, our house music captain, is making successful efforts at stirring members of the house towards the joys of singing; and we expect to have a strong House Relay team — perhaps they will redeem us.

R. Hayter left, with very little ceremony, at half-term, to start research work before going to Durham University. We wish him well.

In view of this present depletion of the top table, we would like to extend an invitation for all former members of the house to follow the example of C. R. Healey, our only visitor so far this term, and join us for lunch.

N.M.C.

HARRISONS

Housemaster: MR. PINNOCK
Assistant Housemaster: MR. FRY
Sub-Prefects: K. S. Tricker, J. Worroll

Although this has been a short term, a good deal of the House competitions are already under way. At the end of last term the House rugby team, led by S. I. Cowan lost to Underne in an exciting House Final but we hope for better luck next year.

As for this term a considerable number of competitions have already been played, including House Fives (Captain: J. Worroll) in which we were narrowly beaten by Leicester. Junior House Rugby (Captain: M. Robinson) where we lost to Broughton, and the Senior Chess (Captain: J. W. Whiting) which, at the time of going to press, had not finished but in which we have a very good chance of success.

One of the most recent events of this term, the House Cross-Country deserves, I think, special mention. For our team, led by B. N. Tibbetts, put up a very good show despite the fact that, owing to injuries, a full strength team could not be fielded. Our congratulations and thanks to those who took part.

K. H. Turner, P. J. Kay, and A. P. Curtis have been working hard during the term, training the House Choir for the House Music Competition, which is fast approaching. We wish them luck in their ambitious enterprise. Also we would like to wish well all those who are helping or appearing in the school play this year, including P. J. Skelton as Cléante, S. M. Blinder as Béralde and V. Malcolm as Dr. Diaforus.

Finally we were pleased to see R. D. C. Welch, who came to see us just after half-term, and we would like to see more former members of the House joining us for lunch during the summer term.

K.S.T.

LEICESTER

Housemaster: MR. SMITH
Assistant Housemaster: MR. CARTER
Sub-Prefect: D. J. Belford

At the end of the Michaelmas Term we were beaten by Underne in the semi-final of the Senior House Rugby after a replay. Those who represented the House were: D. A. Davies, S. M. Goldenberg, J. T. C. Little, M. A. Bruin, T. P. W. Timson, D. F. Parker, N. D. Baillie, M. R. Spatz, R. J. Humphreys, R. C. Hawkins, C. W. Gervais, C. L. G. Taylor, P. H. Kemp, M. F. Bleeze, J. R. Brady, G. A. Conner, G. B. Plowman, and D. J. Belford.

The Junior House Rugby XV, led by P. N. Hawkins, had better success. They beat Stapylton in the semi-final and Broughton in the Final very convincingly.

At the time of writing rehearsals for the School Play are well under way. Leicester is represented on stage by only one actor, D. K. Heatherington, but behind the scenes many Leicester boys are taking an active part in the production.

The Senior House Chess team, under their captain D. A. Davies, tied with Harrisons and the adjudicator declared that the cup would be shared by the two Houses. The Cross-Country team came third overall after a very commendable effort by all the members but special mention should be made of H. Gustine, M. R. Spatz, and C. J. Bell.

Congratulations are due to S. M. Goldenberg and D. A. Davies on gaining places at Oxford.

This term we have had no guests at the lunch table but we again extend an invitation to all past members of the House to join us.

D.J.B.

STAPYLTON

Housemaster: MR. COVINGTON
Assistant Housemaster: MR. THOMAS
Prefects: R. M. Edrupt, M. J. Whitaker
Sub-Prefects: P. J. Duncan, C. A. Knight, G. P. A. Mullin, S. B. Russell, I. J. Stevens

Since the last edition of the "Elizabethan" the only victory which the House has secured was in the House Cross-Country Competition, when I. J. Stevens, the captain, and H. G. Robeson, took first and second places respectively. It has been a period of narrow defeats for the House in many of the competitions. S. B. Russell and J. E. Blisken were the main speakers in the Debating Team which reached the Final of the House Debating Competition, when they were beaten in an excellent debate by Underne. The Senior Rugby team, captained by R. M. Edrupt, played well but lacked some of the necessary qualities to make the team's performance look good "on paper". The Junior Rugby team, captained by R. S. Senior, lost to Leicester in the semi-final of the competition, but they played with great determination and enthusiasm and, as it was a young team, we hold high hopes of securing a victory next season.

Congratulations go to P. J. Duncan on being the only scientist to obtain a university place at Oxford this year; he is to read Engineering Science at Wadham College. Our congratulations also go to I. J. Stevens on his promotion to sub-prefect, and captain of School Cross-Country.

Finally, we were pleased to welcome D. F. Briers to the lunch table this term and take the opportunity to extend an invitation to all past members of the House.

M.J.W.

UNDERNE

Housemaster: MR. PEARCE
Assistant Housemaster: MR. CURRY
Sub-Prefects: R. L. Kent, R. H. Croft, D. J. Sterling, A. S. Davenall, J. A. Rhodes

Before considering this term's activities we must record some events which took place last term, too late for inclusion in the "Elizabethan". In the Senior Rugby the House had a good success. After a hard semi-final against Leicester (which we won only after extra-time in the replay) we had a convincing win over Harrisons in the Final. The whole team deserves congratulations for a very fine display.

In the House Debating we had another excellent win — this time over Stapylton.

Unfortunately, this term we have not had so much success. In the Senior Chess we could manage only fourth place with four points out of a possible twelve. The Junior Chess team did not do any better. They made fourth place also with four points. It is hoped that in future years we will have more luck with our chess.

The Cross-Country team could come no higher than fourth, but congratulations go to the captain, J. Tabraham, for his very good performance.

The Junior Rugby XV was knocked out of the competition in the preliminary round by Stapylton — but only after a hard fight.

For the remainder of the House events this term we hold out more hope. We have reached the final of the House Fives and stand a good chance of regaining the cup we lost last year.

The House choir has been practising almost every day of this term and there is every probability that we will keep the cup we have won for the past two years.

Congratulations go to V. Donovan, M. G. Langley and S. A. Rhodes on obtaining places at Oxford and to A. S. Davenall and J. A. Rhodes on their promotion to sub-prefect.

We were pleased to welcome Messrs. J. Blaxall and P. J. Rhodes to the lunch-table and take this oppor-

tunity to extend an invitation to all other O.U.'s to do likewise.

Finally it is hoped to hold the twenty-first House Social on Tuesday July 25th at 5 p.m. and we look forward to seeing as many Old Undernians as possible.

R.L.K.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following contemporaries: *The Albanian*, *The Berkhamstedian*, *The Eagle*, *The East Barnet Grammar School Magazine*, *The Fullerian News*, *The Georgian*, *The Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School Magazine*, *The St. Dunstan's College Chronicle*, *The Tiffinian*, and *The Wycombiensian*.

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MARRIAGE

Jan. 28th—At St. Peter's Church, Bexleyheath, G. R. LOCK (1950-57), to Irene Wells of Bexleyheath. M. F. Lock (1953-61) was best man.

OBITUARY

We regret to record the deaths of the following Old Elizabethans.

W. BODDINGTON (1948-55).
G. HENDERSON (1895-1900), a Vice-President of the Association.
E. M. MILLER (1955-62).
A. F. WOODGATE (1893-1903)

FOR YOUR DIARY

Apr. 15th—*Social.
Apr. 26th— Rugby Club Annual Dinner at the Salisbury Hotel, Barnet.
May 1st— O.E. Masonic Lodge meeting.
May 20th—*Social.
June 17th— Founders Day, 394th Anniversary.
July 22nd—*Social.
Aug. 19th—*Social.

* indicates that function will be held at the Pavilion, Gipsy Corner.

CORRESPONDENCE

2nd January, 1967.

Dear Editor,

May I, yet again, use your valuable space to thank the many O.E.'s who sent me Christmas cards. The far-flung ones get rather fewer than formerly, but included Peter Ambidge (A.M. 1956-65) from Canada, R. E. Beacham (1950-57) from South Africa, L. Fielding (1943-51) presumably on a spot of so-called "local" leave in Tahiti, and H. C. Griffiths (1930-36) from Hong Kong. Some of the home ones, too, are a fair way off, such as K. J. Miles (1934-41) in Glasgow. A. J. Sherrard (1952-59) working happily for Glaxo in Ulverston (with a recently taken Ph.D.), R. C. Harrison (1951-59) playing the viola and building a road at Preston, and Doctors J. M. H. Heard (1931-39) and B. M. Hibbard (1938-44) at Sherbourne and Liverpool respectively. Dr. J. S. Dodge (1939-47) is now back from tropical Africa, apparently for good, and R. B. E. Bell (1943-51) has just taken over H. M. S. Lewiston — his first command, I think. It was most kind of these, and of the many others who remembered their "old man", and he was delighted to hear from them.

Yours truly,
(signed) E. H. Jenkins

UNIVERSITY NEWS

Sir,

In this, the first letter from the university of Leeds, your correspondent would like to attempt to convey some of the more outstanding features of life in a northern university town.

To many southerners, especially those as ignorant as the writer, the north begins somewhere after Hatfield, is a land far from being where the sun never sets but where it never stops raining, and where the inhabitants speak a complicated form of English. He further expected on his journey north to be waylaid by northerners taking part in the much publicised north-south migration, exhorting him to turn back. Needless to say, none of these impressions were proved wholly correct by events, although it would only be fair to say that it does rain, and that sometimes the Yorkshire dialect can lead to embarrassing misunderstandings.

Apart from the university with its population of seven thousand, there are numerous other educational establishments in Leeds, which has meant that the recreational facilities provided by the local authority are probably as good as any other university town has to offer. This is just as well because if there is a criticism of the university it is that its population expansion has out-paced the growth in the provision of facilities it is able to offer, although the Union has over one hundred societies. Leeds could justly be called the sports centre of the north, for it is the headquarters of the Yorkshire County Cricket Club, it has leading rugby union and league sides, and a first division football team. The city also boasts the largest single story bowling alley in Europe, two theatres and an Opera House, and the famous, or infamous, City Varieties, which provides entertainment other than the "Good Old Days". Furthermore Leeds has pioneered important housing and transport developments which led the Minister of Transport on a recent visit to call it "The city of all our futures".

As yet there are only four O.E. undergraduates at the university. The senior member, P. J. Lockerman is in his second year and is taking a well earned rest from the exertions of his first year which, I believe, were not altogether academic. A. R. Grant, after finding on his arrival that there are supposedly more Marxists in Leeds than in Budapest, has dedicated himself to halting the advance of the "Red Peril", and may often be seen in the university grounds engrossed in "The thoughts of Edward Heath". D. A. Anthony is often to be seen in an ancient Ford hot in pursuit of a car rally held the week before, whilst T. M. Thorpe is regularly in the cricket nets airily waving his bat outside the off stump. Two more senior O.E.'s are also at Leeds, Doctor J. A. Woods is a member of the staff in the School of History, and R. A. Hibbert is doing a year's research in the Department of Chinese (I think—ed.) studies. By the kind invitation of R. A. Hibbert it is hoped that all six O.E.'s will have an opportunity of meeting informally over dinner one evening.

The writer hopes that even throughout such a short letter as this more prospective university entrants will consider Leeds university as a likely centre for a degree course, and thereby possibly increase O.E. representation here.

your Leeds contributor

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE 1966/67

The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held on 26th April, 1966 and the Committee there elected submits the following report covering the period 24th February, 1966 to 14th February, 1967:

Administration

At its first meeting the committee elected K. W. Carter (1937-45) as Acting Chairman, and J. S. Chapman to fill the one vacancy on the committee left at the Annual General Meeting. There have been eight meetings of the Committee at which the attendances of elected members have been as follows:

K. W. Carter 7; P. J. Roethenbaugh 8; F. J. Parsley Nil; D. S. Ridler 6; L. O. W. Herbert 6; R. E. Orton 7; A. G. Salisbury 7; A. E. Solomon 7; N. G. S. Watling 7; J. E. Winchester 3; and J. S. Chapman 6.

Membership

At 31st December, 1966 the total membership of the Association was 828 as compared with 843 at 31st December, 1965. We record with regret the deaths of W. ("Bill") Boddington (1948-55), D. P. Coulton (Assistant Master 1910-16 and 1921-41), G. Henderson (1895-1900, a Vice-President of the Association), W. B. F. Lowry (1945-51), E. M. Miller, B.A., D.I.C. (1955-62), J. H. Oates (1906-10), G. W. Tripp (1895-99) and A. F. Woodgate, M.M. (1893-1903).

Finance

The Accounts for the year to 31st December, 1965 which were not available at the Annual General Meeting were completed early in July 1966 and published in the "Elizabethan". After years of untiring service, the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. J. Parsley has found it necessary to resign as from 31st December, 1966. The Social Club accounts have been taken over by Mr. J. S. Chapman as from 1st January, 1967 while Mr. A. G. Salisbury is nominated by the Committee for the post of Hon. Treasurer. The Committee wishes to record the high esteem in which the retiring Hon. Treasurer is held in the Association both personally and for his invaluable services over so many years.

Remembrance Day

On Remembrance Day wreaths were placed on the War Memorials at the School and at the Pavilion.

Q.E. Endowment Fund

The Committee approved as drawn the draft scheme submitted by the Ministry of Education and Science, but expressed the opinion that at least two of the Trustees nominated by the Barnet Borough Council should be School Governors. The draft Scheme provided for the 14 trustees to include 2 nominated by the Association and 2 by the Old Girls' Guild. The Committee made it known in the appropriate quarters that it opposed the Barnet Borough Council's proposed 100% control of the Fund and is awaiting the Minister's decision.

Comprehensive Education

The Committee has kept itself informed of the local education committee's proposals and understands these will be considered by the Borough Council at their meeting on 21st February, 1967.

Subsidiary Sections

Accounts of the activities of the subsidiary sections will be found in the "Elizabethan".

Social Events

The 70th Annual Dinner was held at the House of Commons on 16th December, 1966 by the invitation of

the Rt. Hon. Reginald Maudling, M.P. Speakers included A. T. Cheek (1922-28), Senior Official Receiver in Companies Winding-up, High Court. The Dinner-Debate with the Elizabethan Union was held on 1st April, 1966 while the Annual Dinner and Dance is to be held on 3rd March, 1967.

On Founders Day the Second Lesson was read by D. A. B. Harris (1958-65). The Association XI captained by J. E. Winchester (1943-51) lost to the School by 92 runs to 108. This was followed by a well attended Social Evening with entertainment organised by D. Walsh and B. T. Hewitt.

On 10th December, 1966 the Association XV captained by D. S. Ridler (1956-64) defeated the School in the Past v. Present match by 15 points to 0.

Signed K. W. CARTER (*Acting Chairman*).
P. J. ROETHENBAUGH (*Hon. Secretary*).

ANNUAL DINNER

The 70th annual dinner of the Old Elizabethan's (Barnet) Association at the House of Commons on Friday, 16th December, 1966 was attended by Mr. Reginald Maudling, M.P., and over 80 Old Elizabethans and their guests. Cty. Ald. H. E. Fern, president of the association, presided and the vice-chairman was Mr. K. W. Carter.

Mr. N. M. Causebrook, the school captain, proposed a toast to the association, and Mr. A. T. Cheek responded.

A toast to the school was proposed by Mr. A. Poupard and in reply, the headmaster, Mr. T. B. Edwards, reviewed the past year. He reminded members of the project to cover in the school swimming pool, the fund for which stands at over £1,600.

Some of the achievements mentioned by Mr. Edwards as giving him great satisfaction were the varied travels of boys outside school, and the originality of the school play. He thanked his teaching staff for their devotion and loyalty, and congratulated Mr. J. Covington on being chairman of the Assistant Master's Association.

Mr. K. W. Carter proposed a toast to the president and Ald. Fern responded.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE — 3rd MARCH

George (L. R.) Heard said "Cheers" to Cyril Winchester (in the chair) — Cyril said "Cheers" to everybody else in about seven minutes of after dinner sincere nonsense which was certainly my idea on instant repartee. Then everybody said "Cheers" and honoured a wedding anniversary and a birthday.

The evening went like a bomb — and incidentally what better value can you get; an excellent four-course dinner — dancing to the Nitehawks until 1 a.m. at the Salisbury — 5½ hours for 30/- — some members are missing a bargain. — This included a vision of George Heard and John Fuller performing the Elephant dance with Heard hanging on to Fuller's "trunk" between his own legs — or was it the other way about. (Who says the circus is dead?) and our ladies did the Can-Can (Offenbach would have been delighted) but I've seen better Cossack dancing this side of the Iron Curtain — and as if this wasn't enough Mrs. Howard Rogers had to go home with a basket of fruit which she had honestly won.

It certainly was a "NITE".

O.E.R.

MASONIC LODGE

Secretary: P. W. Powell

On Friday, 10th March, the Ladies Festival was held at the Salisbury Hotel, Barnet, when a representative gathering of Brethren with their friends and ladies en-

joyed a convivial evening under the Presidency of W. Bro. Dennis Gordon Cheeseman. Music during the banquet and afterwards for dancing was under the direction of Mr. Eddy Wilsdon.

At the banquet, the toast of the "President" was proposed by W. Bro. P. W. Powell in the unavoidable and regrettable absence of the Immediate Past Master, W. Bro. Basil H. Marriott. The toast of the "Ladies" was proposed by W. Bro. L. O. W. Herbert, whose anecdotes and witticisms were a delight to listen to. During the evening Miss Ann Seaborn and Mr. Alan Pirie delighted the company with their choice of cabaret items.

The next Lodge meeting will be on Monday, 1st May, 1967.

P.W.P.

ASSOCIATION COLOURS

For those new and not so new members who would like to obtain Association colours, terylene ties (price 17/6d.) can be obtained by members from Messrs. J. F. Baker (New Barnet) Ltd.

The Association blazer badge is obtainable to order from D. F. Abbott

the present price being £2 7s. 6d. The Honorary Treasurer holds a stock of ties and badges, the latter on both navy and black material. If ordering by post, please add 1/- for postage and packing.

Blazer buttons with embossed portcullis are available from the Honorary Treasurer, A. G. Salisbury

Small buttons 2/- each, large buttons 2/6d.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Hon. Secretary: J. S. Chapman

The playing record is as follows:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
1st XV	20	5	2	13	127	192
'A' XV	22	9	2	11	190	235
Ex. 'A' XV	19	4	2	13	105	192
'B' XV	17	5	1	11	127	199

At this time last year, the club secretary felt inspired to write at length on the training manual which had just been published by the Rugby Union.

In spite of the good resolve, those words have hardly been translated to deeds, and it is necessary to write that the club's playing record differs little from the record at this time last year. Except perhaps for the 'A' XV victory has been depressingly infrequent, nevertheless there have been a number of closely fought and enjoyable games, and the weather has looked favourably upon us this year with only one game cancelled.

The Annual Dinner will be held this year on Wednesday, 26th April, at the Salisbury Hotel, Barnet. Mr. Peter Yarranton the former Wasps and England player will be the Guest of Honour.

Easter tour headquarters have been found in Solihull, with three interesting matches in Birmingham. Seven-a-sides will start with the House Sevens on Sunday, 19th March.

J.S.C.

CRICKET

Hon. Secretary: D. F. Smedley, 60, Wroxham Gardens, Potters Bar, Herts. (PR 55732)

At the Annual General Meeting held before Christmas the following officers were elected to serve for the 1967 season:

- 1st XI Captains: C. A. Winchester; J. E. Winchester
- 1st XI Vice-Captain: R. Jones
- 2nd XI Captains: M. Harrison; A. Morris
- 2nd XI Vice-Captain: A. Lane

Hon. Secretary: D. F. Smedley
 Hon. Treasurer: E. Shearly
 Hon. Match Secretary: A. Salisbury
 Hon. Team Secretary: E. Shearly
 Social Committee Representative: C. Shirley
 Representative to

Association Committee: C. Gibbens

Two members to complete

the committee: R. Elderfield; J. H. Wickes

Fixtures have again been arranged for three eevens, and the club will be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to join the cricket section.

D.F.S.

CHESS

Hon. Secretary: J. S. McLeish

We have so far this year played fourteen matches, of which we have won six, drawn one, and lost six. The fourteenth is not yet decided as one game has been submitted for adjudication, the result of the match will be either a win or a draw. The matches in which a decision has been reached are set out below, BL indicates a Barnet League match, and PC a Puller Cup match. That the club is in a happier position than last year is, perhaps, better indicated by the fact that apart from the friendly match against the School, when, reprehensibly, we had three defaulters, we have had the maximum complement of six on all but two occasions.

At the School match, R. M. Kent played his first game for the club, and he has played in every match since. The match captain is naturally delighted, there are now eight members, including C. A. Knight of the School, who have played in five or more matches, and this obviously makes the raising of a team a much easier task. We can even begin to contemplate the possibility of increasing the number of boards in our matches.

Results to date:

O.E.C.C. 4½;	Potters Bar 1½	BL
O.E.C.C. 4;	Southgate 2	BL
O.E.C.C. 1½;	Enfield 4½	BL
O.E.C.C. 3½;	Barnet 2½	BL
O.E.C.C. 1½;	Finchley 4½	BL
O.E.C.C. 1½;	Welwyn Gdn. City 4½	PC
O.E.C.C. 1;	Palmer's Green 5	BL
O.E.C.C. 6½;	School 5½	Friendly
O.E.C.C. 4;	Potters Bar 2	BL
O.E.C.C. 3;	Watford 3	PC
O.E.C.C. ½;	Southgate 5½	BL
O.E.C.C. 2;	Barnet 4	BL
O.E.C.C. 3;	Enfield 2	BL
(one match to be adjudicated)		
O.E.C.C. 5½;	Hilltop ½	PC

J.S.M.

TENNIS

Secretary: G. Barnes

The 1966 tournament is still in progress due to a mixture of bad weather, holidays, illness, and gamesmanship. Nevertheless, the finalist is shortly to be declared from D. Walsh, K. Hazlewood, or G. Barnes, the last named having defeated G. Fox (Dunstable and Whitbread) in the semi-final.

Looking ahead to the 1967 knock-out championship, entries will close on May 20th, and applicants should contact Davil Walsh

It hardly seems worthwhile reminding O.E's that the standard is at a level that can be enjoyed by all, i.e. low. In the past two years, most participants have been rugby or cricket players where stamina (!) has contri-

buted to some exciting matches. Granted, there have been the few who have come out of retirement to demonstrate that a delicate golf shot can also win points on the tennis court.

It would be pleasing to receive more entries from potential players who have left school recently, although their predecessors may consider them to have the unfair advantage of having played tennis before. Ravenscroft L.T.C. (the club borders Stapylton field) continues to welcome O.E.'s and their friends to become members, and each Monday and Wednesday evening there is a cordial invitation for O.E.'s to play as a visitor, particularly if they would like to practice before a tournament.

G.B.

SWIMMING

Secretary: P. V. Douglas

VARIA

One O.E. coming rather nearer home is L. FIELDING (1943-51), who has for some time past been working at the British Embassy in Pnom Penh, Cambodia. He has now moved to be first Secretary in Chancery at the embassy in Paris, and in between appointments he took two months leave travelling largely in the South Pacific, he says the South Seas are still lovely and Tahiti has a lot of charm still. He was met at one airport by an immaculate aide-de-camp, a native band, two girls in grass skirts, three garlands of flowers and the title of Excellence. No doubt even Paris will seem tame after those happenings.

In the December issue the editor managed to credit Wing Commander W. C. DALE with being the father of two sets of twins, this was incorrect as the paragraph was meant to refer to P. H. DRAKE (1935-43). As Mr. Drake rightly points out, a pupil born in 1895 still at school in 1943 had a remarkable career, perhaps it would be best to reprint part of the original article, with the editor's apologies for the confusion.

After working in Nigeria and Ibadan, he (Mr. Drake) returned to the U.K. in 1958, and became a Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist to the Royal Air Force, at present at Nocton Hall in Lincs. He is the father of two sets of twins and says he and his wife, a midwife, are frequently accused of advertising. He recently came across a photo of the Upper 6th Science taken in 1943 in the lecture theatre, which brought back many memories.

H. C. GRIFFITHS (1930-36) writes from Hong Kong that he is looking forward to his next leave, in a little over a year, with mixed feelings, as it will mean splitting his family for he will leave his daughter (grown-up and in a job) and his son (at a boarding school). He says that social life "is getting quieter, as the cost of living goes up, as always, faster than salaries."

One O.E. leaving Oxford in September is RODNEY COCKS (1943-53), he says that what with training col-

leges, technical places, and so on, Oxford now contains as many non-university students as undergraduates. He says that PETER SANDERS (1947-56) is back from Basutoland, having "done something to a 19th century Basuto king who was much influenced by new missionaries".

Many congratulations to our President, County Alderman H. E. Fern, and his wife, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on the 7th of March. He has also been a School governor for 46 of those 60 years, and we hope he will continue to be a governor for many years to come.

Finally, the outgoing editor would like to thank all those O.E.'s who have supplied him with information on their current activities during the last three years, and hopes that you will continue to do so for the next editor. Most O.E.'s say they like to read the "Varia" column most of all, so plenty of news please.

P.F.R.

AMENDMENTS TO LIST OF MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members:

W. J. Garland (1959-66)

J. F. Lambert (1960-66)

M. R. Wills (1959-66)

Changes of Address

C. L. Ablewhite

J. K. Creasley

H. G. Griffiths

R. C. P. Hatton

C. G. King

P. L. Noble

S. H. Outram

J. W. Pack
G. B. Cole

E. A. England

Rev. J. E. Ingham

Rev. G. R. Lock

R. Pye

J. H. Price

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