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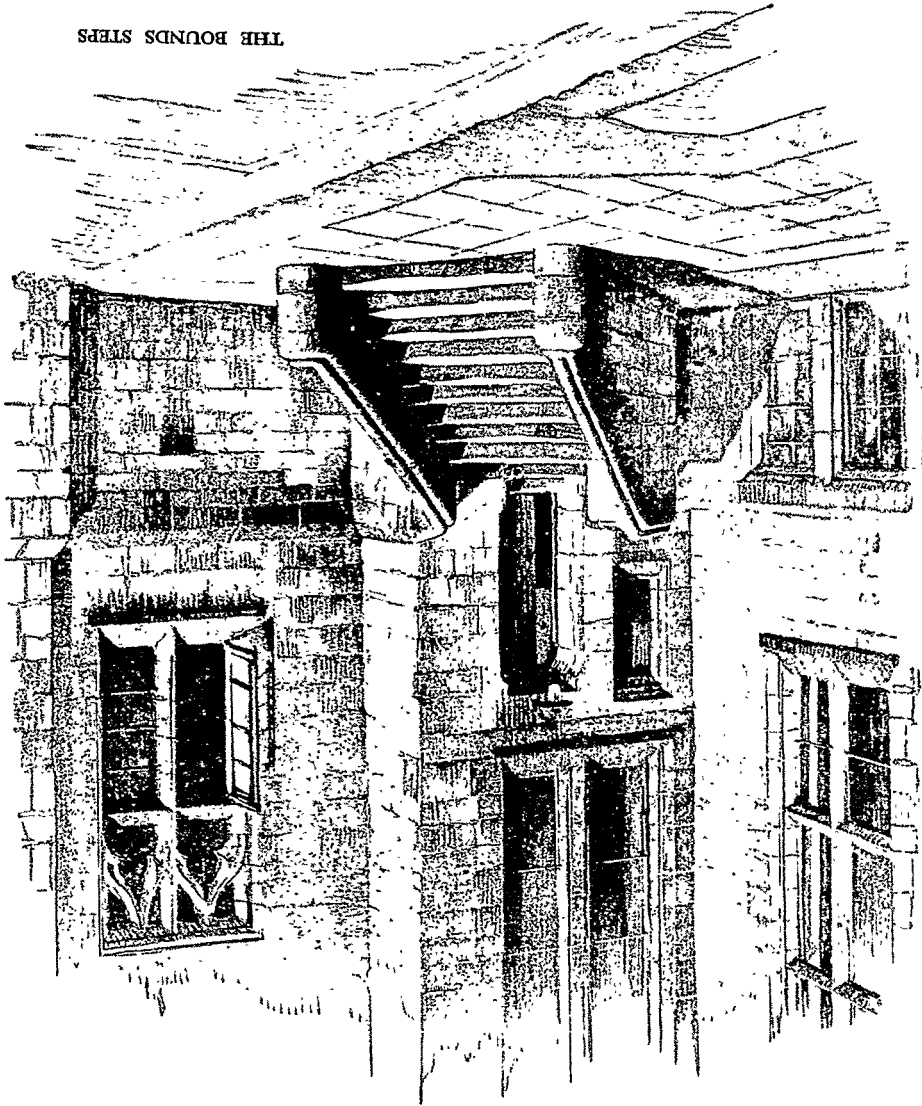
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EDITORIAL

It is customary in the editorial to note changes of Staff but only rarely do we have to record the death of a member of the Staff. The death of Mr I. J. Neilson is a great loss to the School and to past and present members of the Staff who knew him so well. A gifted and skilled musician himself, an equally skilled and devoted teacher of music, a great colleague, a gentleman: in the course of twenty-eight years on the staff 'Jim' Neilson had become an institution. *May he rest in peace.*

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We extend a warm welcome to Mr Neilson's successor, Mr Optenberg, and to Mr Nigel Keates who has taken over the teaching of woodwind instruments.

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We acknowledge with thanks the following exchange magazines: *The Penryn Review, The Beaumont Review, The Raven, The Ampleforth Journal, The Ratcliffian, Beulahland, The Staffordian, The Firefly, The Ushaw Magazine, The Mountaineer, The Belmont Abbey School Magazine, The Priorian, St Bede's (Bradford) Magazine, King's School (Macclesfield) Magazine, The Venerable, Stonyhurst Magazine.*

OBITUARY

MR IAN NEILSON

MR NEILSON died on 30th January after an illness lasting several weeks. In 1958 he completed twenty-five years of teaching at the School and in all that time his enthusiasm remained at its highest pitch and the visits to Cotton at the week-end were the highlights of his life. Many of his pupils over those years will remember him with gratitude. He produced some very competent orchestras which played some ambitious compositions. With his experience as a former member of the Hallé Orchestra, he was able to give invaluable help in orchestral playing and his zest and enthusiasm always brought the best out of his players.

Apart from his function of teaching in the School, he loved the School itself and was always present for the Old Boys' meetings or any other School function. Many of the Old Boys who did not enjoy the benefits of his teaching will miss in him a most lovable friend. His life has not been easy with more than an average man's share of ill-health and other trials. However, he felt that the last two years made up for all that went before when he was received into the Church at Cotton.

It was a tremendous source of happiness to him to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Penance and Confirmation at Cotton. How much his Faith meant to him was patent to all

and in his last illness he admitted that it was his Faith which gave him the strength and courage to bear his illness. Surely it was by a special dispensation of God that four members of the Staff were present and reciting the Prayers for the Dying when he gave up his soul to God. He will rest in the grounds of the School where he worked so untiringly and which he loved so much. He is assured of the prayers of countless Cottonians who knew and loved him.

FATHER PATRICK MOORE

(1908-14)

Father Patrick Moore was born on 26th February 1894. After leaving Cotton he went to Oscott, where he was ordained on 10th July 1921. For a short time he was curate at Hanley, but somewhat to his disappointment, for his activities there were just beginning to bear fruit, he was asked to come to Cotton as Prefect of Discipline in September 1922. But he readily responded to the Archbishop's request. Big things were happening at that time at Cotton—Dr Upton, Fathers Lockett, Hughes and Twiney had gone, and Canon Hymers was to leave soon after Father Pat's arrival. A new headmaster was due, one who would make himself unpopular (not that he cared) in some quarters by his forthright new brooming, not only in the school but also in circles where the cobwebs were even more thickly encrusted. To a Headmaster of this stamp, anyone who was a man could give unquestioning loyalty. And whatever else was said about Father Pat, nobody ever denied that he had the true qualities of a man.

He was already well known at Cotton: he had been unquestionably the best soccer player the School had ever produced and had even played in the Port Vale league side as an amateur. But Cotton had just changed over to rugby. Whatever Father Pat thought

about the change, he never showed his feelings to the boys and applied himself vigorously to learning the new game. Such was his ability that within a very short time he was coaching and playing well enough to play for his county.

As boys in the School we were all prepared to hero-worship him, but it must be admitted that he was not entirely popular as a Prefect. Strong men sometimes have a shy streak in them, ridiculous as it sounds, and it is possible that his public relations were hampered by this. In any case, with all the changes that were going on, he had a hard row to hoe at the start; he lacked the co-operation that he was entitled to expect from some of the senior boys, and his handling of them was often lacking in tact. It was a pity that he so rarely unbent towards the boys: we didn't know of his happy and almost schoolboyish disposition in the staff common-room. But he pursued undeviatingly the course he had chosen and by the end of his term of office he had won over, or eliminated the opposition.

It was not until we met him after leaving school that we realized his real worth. His parishioners in the various missions which he served were quicker to appreciate him than we boys were. But he reached true greatness in the last years of his life. A serious throat operation, from which he made a good recovery, meant that he had to learn to speak again, a task to which he applied himself with heroic cheerfulness, and with complete success. But it must have taxed his strength too much, and he died suddenly of a heart attack on 26th October 1961.

May they rest in peace.

BETLEY 1962

On 9th January 1762, Charles Flinn arrived at the house of a Mr James Corne in the village of Betley, Staffordshire. For the next fourteen months, under the care of Father John Hurst and a Mr Hancock, this was to be his home and school in company with seventeen other boys. On 25th March 1763 they all moved to another house, Park Hall, at Sedgley, near Wolverhampton—a move to be celebrated as the official bicentenary of the School in 1963. Thus Cotton began, quietly but securely.

It seemed fitting that the arrival of the young Charles Flinn should be commemorated by his successors and on 9th January 1962 a dinner was held at the Black Horse Inn at Betley. Forty-four guests, all that the inn could hold, attended. The Headmaster presided, with Bishop Bright, Mgr Rees, Mgr Foster and Mr Cyril Hartley among the guests. The toast to 'Charles Flinn and all he stands for' was drunk. It was a memorably pleasant evening that the young gentleman would have been flattered to share. Perhaps he did.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SCHOOLS
EXAMINATION BOARD
DECEMBER 1961

J. DARLEY.—English Language, English Literature, History, General Classics, Elementary Mathematics.

J. DAVIES.—General Science.

M. C. DAVIES.—Elementary Mathematics.

B. S. FENN.—History, General Classics, French, Elementary Mathematics.

A. J. GALEA.—Elementary Mathematics.

C. MYATT.—Additional Mathematics.

M. TIERNEY.—Ancient History.

SCHOOL CHRONICLE

October 13th.—The members of the newly rejuvenated Literary and Debating Society showed that they would very much like to sit on pavements banning bombs.

October 15th.—A combined 1st XV and Sale R.U.F.C. showed us how rugby can be played. The Sixth Form presented their concert after supper.

October 16th.—Father Egan lost his golf brolley today.

October 20th.—The Deputy Prefect has held the fort for three days during the Prefect's attack of 'flu.

October 22nd.—A minor exodus took place when the parents of sixty or so boys took them to wherever they do take them on such occasions. Consequently the rugby teams played at half strength, or, in some cases, at no strength at all. Mr Brennan gave a piano recital in the evening. The Archbishop arrived to stay the night.

October 28th.—The members of St Thomas's went on a run round the Upper School course. The rest of the School laughed until they found that they were running to the copper mines.

October 29th.—*The Feast of Christ the King* and a holiday. Perhaps fortified by a lie-in of an hour and a half, the 1st XV inflicted defeat on the Old Boys by 20 pts to 17. After supper the Fifth Form gave a concert. Hayward managed to put even Charlie Drake in the shade with his performance in 'My boomerang won't come back'.

October 30th.—The Russians set off a fifty megaton bomb, but undeterred we had rugby, runs and walks.

October 31st.—The Headmaster and the Bursar attended the funeral at Chipping Norton of Fr Patrick Moore, a former Prefect of Discipline.

November 1st.—*All Saints.* After tea we were vastly entertained by Kenneth More

in *North West Frontier*. Later in the evening Fr Ryall showed slides of the school trip to Spain and Lourdes in the Sixth Form common-room.

November 2nd.—*All Souls*. High Mass at 9.30.

November 7th.—The Fifth and Sixth Form common-rooms have had their seats re-upholstered.

November 8th.—With their defeat of the Stafford XV, the 1st XV won their first school match for nearly three years.

November 12th.—Wolverhampton, fielding a strong side, were our visitors today, and in an entertaining and, at times, exciting, game, won 22—5. In the evening a film, *The Net*, was shown.

November 14th.—A holiday. In the evening Bowdon House presented their play, *Home at Seven* by R. C. Sherriff.

November 17th.—The Modern Language Society, restored by Fr Stewart, held its first meeting in the hall. Two films, one in German about country life in Germany, and the other in English about ski-ing, attracted almost the whole School.

November 19th.—Challoner House presented their concert after supper.

November 21st.—Nottingham High School brought two teams to play the 1st and Under 16 XVs. Perhaps to impress a reporter from the staff of the *Guardian*, who had come all the way from London, the 1st XV put on a terrific finish, and won 9—6. The vociferous support from the sidelines was well merited.

November 22nd.—*The Feast of St Cecilia* and a holiday. The members of the Sixth and Fifth Forms enjoyed tea privileges. Some others, including three members of the Staff, spent the afternoon chasing a round ball between two goalmouths. After supper, Fr Owen and the Choir provided us with a memorable concert.

November 25th.—The second meeting of the Modern Language Society was also well attended. The fact that there is no payment

demanding for attendance at these film shows may be a contributory factor towards their popularity.

November 26th.—Following this afternoon's game of rugby, Fr Stewart was seen limping heavily. After supper, *The Cone of Silence* was shown in the hall.

November 29th.—The Under 16 XV went to Abbotsholme and came away winners, 54 to nil.

December 1st.—The first snow of the season sprinkled the ground today.

December 3rd.—The Upper Fourth presented an excellent concert after supper. Script and production seemed to be the work of a professional.

December 5th.—The eyes of the young lit up at the sight of heavy snowstorms which continued throughout the day. The thoughts of the old are not recorded.

December 6th.—A desultory start to the tobogganing season.

December 7th.—Winter sports were enjoyed in earnest today.

December 8th.—*The Feast of the Immaculate Conception* and a holiday. The 1st XV's visit to Oscott unfortunately was cancelled because of poor ground conditions. However, sledges were in constant use all day, so no one minded too much. In the evening *Conspiracy of Hearts* was shown and received with mixed feelings.

December 11th.—A meeting of the Governors was held today. After supper Mr D. Salt gave a lantern lecture to the 54 Society.

December 13th.—Mr Salt returned this evening to give the Sixth Form a lecture on the Papal Encyclicals 'Rerum Novarum' and 'Quadragesimo Anno'.

December 14th.—Examinations started. The 1st XV and the Under 15 XV went to Birmingham to play K.E.S., a fixture restored to the calendar this year. The Under 15 won 14—8 and so retained their as yet unbeaten record.

December 15th.—After tea, Milner House presented *Without the Prince* by Philip King.

December 16th.—Ratcliffe brought two rugby teams and a cross-country team.

December 17th.—Gaudete Sunday and a holiday.

December 18th.—Examinations finished this morning. After tea, Fr Owen and the Choir joined us in a carol concert. Finn gave a fine rendering of Handel's 'I know that my Redeemer liveth'.

December 19th.—Benediction was at 1.45 and afterwards the exodus began.

December 20th.—G.H.

HILARY TERM

January 23rd.—The majority of the boys returned today. A few clearly thought that five weeks was not long enough and so stayed at home to enjoy a few more days—or weeks—as the case might be.

The top two storeys of the Faber Wing are now in use. The third floor contains a dormitory with eighteen beds and one master's room, whilst two large classrooms occupy the top floor.

January 28th.—After supper, Abbot and Costello met a mummy in the hall much to the delight of the junior members of the School.

January 29th.—The Prefect has organised several clubs which began their various activities this afternoon. However, he claims no responsibility for one of them, the Kremlin Club, which Fr Gavin has launched. One understands that its members have no particular political tendencies but merely study the language.

January 31st.—The School was shocked to hear of the death, last night, of Mr Ian J. Neilson. R.I.P.

February 3rd.—Solemn Requiem Mass for Mr Neilson was sung at 11 o'clock by Mgr Doran. After Mass, burial followed in the cemetery at the top of the valley. In the

afternoon three cross-country teams showed their prowess at St Joseph's.

February 7th.—Fr Clifford Howell, S.J., paid the school a short visit. Fr Gavin accompanied thirty boys on a visit to the Wonderloaf Bakery in Trent Vale.

February 10th.—England beat Ireland at Twickenham in spite of Fr Gavin's support.

February 12th.—A holiday in honour of the Pope. Bad weather prevailed and the promised film did not arrive.

February 14th.—A cross-country match with Stafford G.S. Study and supper were early so that the film *High Treason* could be shown.

February 15th.—Mr Optenberg, the new violin master, made his first visit today. Workmen arrived to put the fire escape up outside the Faber wing.

February 16th.—Extraordinarily high winds caused a great deal of damage all over the country. Cotton, too, suffered its share of trouble. Many trees were uprooted, and the pavilion roof, blown off four days ago and replaced on the next day, was removed once more. In the evening a party of masters and boys went to Hanley for an orchestral concert given by the Hallé.

February 17th.—Fr Pargeter made his first appearance as assistant to the Deputy Prefect. Three cross-country teams visited Newcastle and did well.

February 18th.—Bowdon House concert in the evening lasted twenty-five minutes—five minutes longer than last year's.

February 20th.—Commander Glenn went into orbit just before afternoon classes began, and came back to earth during supper, having made three trips round the world. The Jazz Club, under the benevolent patronage of Mr Batty, came into being after supper.

February 22nd.—The Headmaster's feast. Bowdon House beat Challoner House at hockey, 1—0. In the evening *The Baby and the Battleship* caused mild amusement.

February 24th.—Two hockey teams and the runners went to Ratcliffe.

February 26th.—Half-day for tobogganing.

March 3rd.—The cross-country team came fourth at Rugeley. Outram came fourth in the individual runners and earned yet another medal to add to his growing collection.

March 6th.—Shrove Tuesday. Bowdon drew with Milner, 1—1, in the House hockey final. Bowdon were, however, successful in carrying off the pancake. In the evening Challoner presented *Your Brother George*.

March 10th.—The cross-country team and their supporters had a very exciting and enjoyable afternoon at Lichfield, when, at the end of the relay race, Outram was literally pipped at the post. M. B. Hayes received his Athletic Colours.

March 11th.—Four masters helped the School team to draw 1—1 in a hockey match with Oakamoor. After supper Lower Fourth proved their undoubted ability to entertain the School.

March 14th.—At Ellesmere, the Under 16 XV lost 13—17, and the Under 14 XV drew 5—5.

March 17th.—Three cross-country teams went to Disley to take part in the Northern Schools Cross Country Championships. Although they did well, last year's success was not repeated.

March 18th.—The School defeated the Old Cottonian hockey team 5—3.

March 19th.—*Feast of St Joseph*. Replay of House Hockey Final between Bowdon and Milner ended in yet another draw. After tea *The 3.10 to Yuma* was caught by those enjoying such trips.

March 21st.—A cross-country match with Burton G.S. resulted in an overwhelming victory for all three school teams. B. Cooke and F. Shipman were awarded Athletics Colours.

March 24th.—Fr Robert Gibbons, newly ordained, said Community Mass and later gave his blessing to the boys. Two Junior rugby teams went to Loughborough. Summer

time began and necessitated a few changes in the time table.

March 25th.—Milner House concert included an entertaining study of Shakespeare's greatest tragedy.

March 26th.—The transferred Feast of the Annunciation. Advice on *How to Murder a Rich Uncle* evoked no enthusiasm.

March 27th.—Alderwasley Hall visited the school today and defeated the Under 13 XV 3—0.

March 31st.—The 1st cross-country team lost to St Philip's G.S.

April 1st.—Mid-Lent Sunday and a holiday. Mr Brennan gave a Piano Recital after supper. He played *Sonata in C* by Scarlatti, the *Golliwog's Cakewalk* by Debussy and other pieces by Mozart, Schumann and Chopin.

April 2nd.—The Higher and School Religious Certificate examinations were held this morning. A half-holiday was given so that the dress rehearsal of the school play could be held.

April 3rd.—In the Midland P.S. Sports in Birmingham, E. Murphy won the long jump event (20 ft. 7 in.); M. Outram was 2nd in the 880 yds (2 min. 5 sec.) and 4th in the mile (4 min. 38 sec.).

April 4th.—An epidemic of sickness put fifty people to bed and halted nearly all school activities.

April 5th.—A number of the Staff attended Solemn Requiem Mass at Alton for Sister Bertrand. After tea the School attended the first performance of *Twelfth Night*.

April 6th.—Commanded to hold ourselves in readiness for the school photograph at 1.30; we were, in fact, snapped at 2.25.

April 7th.—*Association Day*. Over two hundred and fifty people were present for an excellent performance of *Twelfth Night*, in which M. Weston and M. Tierney in particular acted magnificently.

April 8th.—Bowdon beat Challoner at rugby, 14—9. After supper, *Ten Tall Men* failed to entertain the majority of the School.

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

The following brief account is taken from the Secretary's minutes.

September 29th.

Inaugural meeting. The Chairman explained the new rules of membership and the rules governing attendance at meetings. These may be summarized very simply by saying that all members of the Sixth and Fifth have to attend unless confined to bed. He outlined the aims of the Society and made it clear that everyone would have an opportunity of speaking at least once during his time of membership. If the Secretary did find any difficulty in arranging for speakers the necessary steps would be taken.

October 13th.—Motion: 'The Ban-the-Bomb demonstrators are a group of irresponsible people'.

Mr McQuillen proposed the motion. After giving a brief history of such demonstrations to date he submitted that they must be irresponsible since they broke the law, law made by a government which they had elected. Apparently completely satisfied with this hard-headed piece of logic, the flaw in which appeared to go quite unnoticed, Mr McQuillen resumed his impressive seat.

For the Opposition, Mr Coleman, presenting his case in as mean and foxy a manner as one can remember for some considerable time, ripped off a piece of interesting and portentous stuff about the Hegelian dialectic, the cogency of which must have been quite apparent to himself and, continuing in similar vein proceeded to a denunciation of The Bomb on material, financial, common-sense and moral grounds. Mr Coleman was well satisfied with his performance.

Mr Long, seconding the motion, showed a highly original and almost heart-rending approach to the question. He had implicit

April 9th.—A half-holiday. Doctrine examinations in the evening.

April 10th.—Alan Loveday was the soloist in *Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto* at a Hallé concert in Hanley, which was attended by a party from the school.

April 11th.—Oscott visited us today. The visitors included the Rector, Mgr Foster, and seven newly-ordained priests. Cotton won the match 24—9.

April 12th.—Before Community Mass, Fr Gavin asked for prayers for Mgr Manion who is ill.

April 13th.—A half-holiday. Yet another final of the House hockey. This time, Milner emerged victorious by 2 goals to nil.

April 14th.—Final of House rugby. Bowdon beat Milner 9—6.

April 15th.—Palm Sunday. The palms were blessed and distributed in front of St Thomas's. The 1st XI lost to the Whynots. After tea, a film about the Cheshire Homes was shown.

April 16th.—The Middle and Lower School cross-country races provided one or two surprises. R. Owens showed everyone what he could have done if only he had been asked.

April 17th.—The Upper School cross country. Bowdon House made it clear that once more they had no intention of losing the cup which they have had in their possession since the competition started. One Housemaster discovered that the top of Green Lane is not the best place to urge his runners on.

April 18th.—Examinations finished and the afternoon was spent in packing. Frs V. Hawe, S.J., and R. Ezechiel, S.J., arrived to give the Retreat.

April 19th.—*Maundy Thursday.* Evening Mass began at 5.30.

April 20th.—*Good Friday.* The afternoon ceremonies began at 4.

April 22nd.—The Vigil ceremony heralded the end of the Retreat. The usual proceedings took place between noon and 3 o'clock.

April 23rd.—*Easter Monday.* G.H.

faith in the United Nations to see the world through the present crises, and far from being concerned with matters material, financial, common-sense and moral he seemed very much in sympathy with the hundreds of policemen who were losing their days off and their well-earned relaxation in coping with the demonstrations.

As befitted the Secretary, Mr Wilmot wound up for the opposition in a brilliant display of rhetoric, which had nothing whatever to do with the subject. Votes : For 10, Against 36.

October 27th.—Motion : 'The R.S.P.C.A. should be abolished'.

Proposing the motion, Mr Davies treated us to an interesting account of the habits of some of his acquaintances who kept pet dogs and throughout his impassioned denunciation of sentimentality with regard to animals he showed a fine disregard for the feelings of those acquaintances. It appeared that he had a profound dislike for all animals, and yet in spite of this his own finer feelings came to the surface when he suggested that perhaps it might be better to administer an anaesthetic to cows when they were milked — to save them any embarrassment.

Mr Outram sought to move the stony hearts of his audience by an equally passionate denunciation of shooters of defenceless crows and devotees of the bull-fight. He was in fact unsuccessful.

Mr Williams, seconding the motion, had the answer ready immediately ; he saw no good purpose in trying to prolong the lives of animals if they were going to die anyway and suggested, very realistically, that all stray dogs should be shot on sight.

Mr Sheils opened a debate of his own, the subject of which was a Society for the Care of Alcoholics. There were nine other members, besides himself, six of whom lived in a state of perpetual coma.

Later in the proceedings, Mr Smith came

out very strongly on the side of bull-fighting and suggested it would be a good and less painful substitute for cross-country running.

The motion was carried by 42 votes to 5.

November 10th.—Motion : 'Modern living is less comfortable than it was in the past'.

The meeting took place under the chairmanship of Fr Gavin in Fr Armishaw's unavoidable absence.

Mr McGough thought life these days was too fast and too complicated. The world had become materialistic and selfish. He himself preferred the simple things of life, the relaxations of music and cock-fighting.

Looking something like David facing Goliath, Mr Kane called attention to the discomforts and hazards of past ages ; cannibalism, highwaymen, no electricity, bad transport and sanitation, appendicitis and Al Capone.

Mr Tod, seconding the motion, compared a 'flabby Yank' with a caveman and concluded that the latter was more attractive. He lived happily in a cosy cave, which needed no decorating, and was ignorant of the modern curses of 'the telly' and Formula 21.

Mr Smith settled the fate of the motion in a few minutes. He expressed admiration for these cavemen and then conducted the house on a historical tour from the earliest times to the present day, through the ice age, medieval towns wiped out by plague, 'pure' Puritans, who consequently died out and the French Revolution. He convinced the House that the Past was 'a bad thing' and the motion was defeated by 45 to 2.

November 24th.—Motion : 'That advertising has little effect on the average person'.

Mr Glynn, proposing, was much disturbed by the despicable habit of influencing children, using 'Smarties' as bait ; he had more to say about cigarettes and little to say about anything else ; in fact he established the term's record for brevity.

With ponderous wisdom and verbosity in sharp contrast to his opponent, Mr Jordan argued that the companies who spent so much on advertising must think it had some influence. He went at some length into the technique of television and newspaper advertising and all for the fifteen second 'ad' being slipped in during a film.

Mr Champion made it clear that he was not deceived by the extravagant claims made for a certain washing powder, in fact he spent the advertising intervals trying to get his eyeballs back to their normal shape. He accused Mr Jordan of being in favour of brain-washing.

Mr Weston 'deemed' that advertisements indoctrinated the subconscious mind. He was prepared to show how this sort of thing took place and spent the next ten minutes indoctrinating the subconscious of the assembled house. Long before the performance was over the red light was on and he had to finish rather hurriedly with a very brief reference to his most interesting theory that Archimedes had foreseen the power of advertising.

The motion was defeated by 45 votes to nil, a silent tribute to the masterly performance of Mr Weston, one felt.

February 19th.—Motion: 'This House is not in favour of men settling on the moon'.

Mr Hawe, in a very unromantic and earthy proposal, appeared to have no time at all for the moon; if it was a question of food shortage a little more enquiry into the possibilities of our own half-explored planet would be more sensible; he suggested we try the sea bed and (perhaps he had a soul after all) leave the moon alone.

For the opposition, Mr Mangan threw out the highly intriguing couplet:

'There was a young lady from Clune
Who spent a week-end on the moon . . .'

He admitted to being thrilled at the prospect of the influence of 'lunar-wear' on general

fashions and went into some interesting detail on this point that the Secretary has not seen fit to record.

Mr Smith seconded the motion in his now familiar manner. It appeared that his main objection was to the prospect of dizziness, the moon was 'up there' and had been there for a long time: it was 'going round and round and round' and had been doing that for some time too. Further, one side was sizzling hot and the other side was freezing cold and the prospect of passing from one side to the other did not seem inviting. Finally the effect on the breweries of everyone going to live on the moon did not bear thinking about.

Mr Castille began by stating the precise distance between the moon and the earth and thought that it would be a fine site for future editions of Butlin's Holiday Camps. The far side of the moon would make a good place for the Reds and the Yanks to carry on their wars. He was definitely of the opinion that since the moon was created by God it might be put to good use.

The motion was carried: 22 to 17.

March 13th.—Motion: 'Juvenile delinquency is caused by an affluent society'.

Mr Mitchell thought that young people had more freedom these days than they had in the past and the majority of delinquents were what they were through being cut off from civilisation: the obvious example was the boarding school.

Mr Rawcliffe said that the cause was lack of morals in society. He thought that the sole object of plays these days was to make the audience uncomfortable. Standards in every sphere of art had fallen. He concluded in the same vein with some remark about cows' udders which caused considerable display of indignation on the part of Mr Weston.

Mr Murphy thought that there was no question that modern society *was* affluent

and went on to say that since there was now a fairer distribution of wealth, money had become almost a mania these days. The only effective answers to the problem were to be found in religion and parental control.

Mr Rogers, winding up for the opposition, spoke for about five minutes and then stated that he would get to the point, a statement that was received with much relief on the part of all members of the House. He agreed with Mr Murphy that boys came by money much more easily these days, but then he thought that they should have more money. He spent the remaining five minutes of his speech developing the theory that the trouble was that parents were getting too lenient.

Motion was carried by 27 votes to 7 with 5 abstentions.

54 SOCIETY

The usual complaint from societies is that of lack of numbers but the trouble with the 54 Society during the Michaelmas Term was that too many boys attended the meetings. With the growth of numbers in the school the 54 Society was attempting an impossible task in trying to provide a Debating Society for all boys up to and including the Upper Fourth. The boys in this Form found that the discussions were a little below their level and sought to treat the meetings as light entertainment. The Secretary of the Society threw in his hand with the comedians and lost his job. The Upper Fourth were told to stay away and the Society sailed into quieter waters. P. Singleton was appointed as the new Secretary and did a very good job in the difficult circumstances.

Mr B. Salt kindly showed the boys many photographic slides illustrating his travels in

America and the West Indies. Promises of similar lectures have already been received for next year.

Debates during the Lent Term :

February 5th.—'This House is in favour of fox-hunting being allowed in England.'

For the Motion : N. H. Brigden and P. C. Galea.

Against the Motion : D. A. Finn and R. Fallowell.

February 13th.—'This House is in favour of Rugby rather than Association Football in Schools.'

For the Motion : P. J. Drury and F. M. Lowe.

Against the Motion : G. C. Blakemore and P. J. King.

February 26th.—'This House is in favour of Decimal Coinage in this Country.'

For the Motion : P. D. Service and C. S. Applin.

Against the Motion : R. Y. Williams and N. Weston.

There were one or two more debates and the Society finished its meetings on a sombre note with the following debate.

March 27th.—'This House is in favour of Nuclear Disarmament for Britain.'

For the Motion : M. J. Thorpe and R. Macdonald.

Against the Motion : G. J. Downes and J. C. Kelly.

PLAYS

'HOME AT SEVEN'

BY R. C. SHERRIFF

Performed by Bowdon House

Tuesday, 14th November

Cast

Mrs Preston	.	B. A. GLYNN
Mr Preston	.	R. G. RAWCLIFFE
Dr Sparling	.	M. TIERNEY
Major Watson	.	C. J. MYATT
Inspector Hemmingway	.	P. G. MITCHELL
Mr Petherbridge	.	D. T. FRENCH
Peggy Dobson	.	R. F. WOOKEY

Home at Seven is one of Sherriff's best known plays and a favourite choice of Repertory Companies up and down the country. Yet, as a play, it is hard to see why it should be so popular.

The story is quite straightforward. Mr Preston arrives home as usual one Monday night from the bank where he works to find his wife almost out of her mind with worry. She informs him that it is in fact Tuesday and that he has been missing for twenty-four hours. The realisation that he had lost his memory during that period does not alarm him unduly, especially after he has had a reassuring talk with his doctor. The first doubts are sown in his mind by a neighbour, Major Watson, who informs him that he was seen at their local club, of which the Major is President, and Mr Preston Treasurer, removing club funds totalling £500. His fears are later increased when he discovers that the Club Secretary, whom he hated, has been murdered. During a visit from the police, Mr Preston panics and does not disclose anything about his loss of memory. Eventually, however, salvation comes in the guise of the barmaid of a nice little public house visited regularly by Mr Preston on his way home, unbeknown to his wife. It appears that Mr Preston became ill whilst

in the public house on the Monday night, spent the night there and left as usual for his home on Tuesday night not realising at all that he had lost his memory.

There is very little drama in the play, no bodies, no fights, no startling arrests—in fact the Police Inspector seems only too anxious to see that Mr Preston is not blamed. The only faintly nasty character in the play is Major Watson and even his nastiness takes no more violent form than thinking evil of his neighbour.

With such a mediocre play to perform the actors seemed convinced that the kindest thing would be to get it over as quickly as possible. So, although parts were known, lines were spoken far too quickly and for the most part in very quiet tones so that the audience had to strain in order to hear them.

Rawcliffe, as Mr Preston, and Glynn as his wife, had the main parts and neither showed much change in their reactions at any stage of the play. Rawcliffe was presumably intended to be bewildered and worried for the greater part of the play but he seemed to be bewildered even before he knew he had lost his memory and worried even when he knew that he had not murdered anyone nor robbed his club of £500. Glynn's reactions were lifeless and the deadness of the play was due in no small part to them. Both had an unfortunate tendency to move about the stage with their heads bowed and they rarely looked at the person they were talking to.

Dr Sparling's job was to reassure and comfort the Prestons, and this Tierney did well, though at times he spoke too quickly and too quietly. Major Watson's part demanded a blustery and forthright manner which Myatt was able to produce only rarely though last year he played a similar part with great conviction—occasionally, also, he was at a loss where his lines were concerned. Mitchell's Inspector Hemmingway was an efficient and convincing performance and he

moved about the stage with an air of natural authority that would have struck terror into the breast of the most hardened criminal. The part of Mr Petherbridge, the family solicitor, was to cast gloom and depression into Mr Preston's troubled mind. This French did well, though he was a little too concerned about speaking his part correctly. Only Peggy Dobson, the barmaid, brought any life or colour into the play and Wookey deserves praise for making a good start to his career on the stage.

'WITHOUT THE PRINCE'

BY PHILIP KING

Performed by Milner House

Cast

Mary Weatherhead	.	G. J. SHERIDAN
Robert Weatherhead	.	N. TASKER
Mr Weatherhead	.	M. T. WESTON
Mrs Weatherhead	.	B. HALL
Reverend Simon Peters	.	P. MANGAN
P.C. Hawkins	.	C. J. WILLIAMS
The Stranger	.	E. A. MURPHY
Wyndham	.	M. J. SMITH
Madeleine	.	P. HARWOOD
Mrs Peters	.	V. ROUND

Hall's look of outraged virtue on being addressed as 'Bloody, bawdy villain' is something that stands out in the memory. This play is full of such moments and the cast made the most of them. Here again, for the first time since Challoner did *Dry Rot* a couple of years ago was a well-rehearsed farce, and the audience loved every minute of it.

The Hall-Weston axis was again a huge success, and this time with Weston playing second fiddle. Hall's wholehearted plunge into the part, his inimitable accent and timing were a joy to listen to. Tasker showed good judgement in the intonation of his lines

and once again showed that very quiet speaking can come across with perfect clarity provided that the enunciation is beyond reproach. Sheridan, the fourth member of the Weatherhead family, performed more than creditably for his first appearance; the main fault here was a tendency to remain rooted to the spot—often the wrong spot—and a monotonous presentation of his profile to the audience.

Murphy is a seasoned campaigner, and looked it: he seemed as much at home with the Prince's lines as with the King's, perhaps more so. His highly theatrical fall to the stage at 'Foh! About my brain' and the propped-up-on-one-elbow delivery of the next few lines was as pretty a piece of burlesque as one can remember seeing on this stage.

Stage parsons are stage parsons—they have to be: Mangan was. He is developing a good stage sense and showed admirable presence of mind when his spectacles (no lenses) fell off the end of his nose; they were carefully polished before being returned to their point of vantage. Only a very slight trace of the awkwardness, which spoiled his appearance last year, was noticeable in Williams: again a conventional stage type—a country policeman, done almost to a turn.

Generally speaking there was little to be noticed in the way of dumb bystanders among the cast; most of them were in the play all the time with reactions admirably sustained—Weston, Tasker and Murphy were particularly good in this respect and Hall rang the changes between indignation, patience (on a monument), exasperation, sympathy and final repentance with enormous gusto.

Needless to say, the play fitted the end-of-term mood perfectly and we should like to see more like it.

'YOUR BROTHER GEORGE'

BY CONRAD CARTER

Presented by Challoner House

Shrove Tuesday, 6th March 1962

Cast

Mrs Smith	.	.	A. MCCARTHY
Gladys	.	.	C. SEDDON
Sheila Smith	.	.	J. CLISSOLD
Douglas Smith	.	.	B. TINNEY
Rev. Marcus Smith	.	.	P. MCQUILLEN
Phil Martyn	.	.	R. BRUMBY
George Smith	.	.	D. DE VILLE
Bishop of Sloane	.	.	B. SINGLETON
Mrs Babbacombe-Strongways	.	.	D. MCGOUGH
Jabez Borolescu	.	.	K. MIDDLETON

The choice of a House Play is always difficult as every Housemaster knows. Is something new to be tried or has an Old Faithful to be brought back from the past? This year, Challoner House tried something new, and it wasn't really their fault that the play did not come off. The play itself was a poor one—indeed it took the audience a long time to realise how thin the plot really was. A somewhat hackneyed story did not help matters—an ambitious vicar trying to create a good impression in his parish, receives word that his erring brother intends to visit him. The brother arrives, intending to bring a little goodness into the world about him, but only manages to upset the apple-cart and land the vicar in more trouble. The situations were for the most part unreal, the lines were often banal without being funny. Certainly not a play to be kept in store for further use.

The presentation, also, was not of the high standard reached by Challoner House two years ago with *Dry Rot*. There were a number of very noticeable slips, as for instance, when the vicar's wife was at the back of the stage listening to a conversation which soon made it clear that she shouldn't

be on the stage at all. So many people left the stage by the upstairs route that one wondered whether they kept the television up there. Many of the old faults were present too—actors talking too quickly or speaking whilst the audience was laughing.

Undoubtedly the success of the evening was McGough as Mrs Babbacombe-Strongways, the lady of the manor. His performance was impeccable, lively and enthusiastic. His timing was superb, his 'gushing' manner kept well under control. Unfortunately the same cannot be said of de Ville, the mysterious 'Brother George'—he tended to overact—perhaps to try and instil some life into a rather wooden cast. In his favour, however, it must be said that every word he spoke could be heard clearly. Seddon as Gladys the maid, played a very difficult part with restraint and great ability—certainly this was a different type of part from the one he normally plays. It was a pity though that his hair and dress clashed so horribly! The part of the Vicar could easily have degenerated into a caricature, but McQuillen seemed to be very much at home in his vicarage and conveyed well the note of solidity and reliability expected from a would-be Rural Dean. McCarthy, on the other hand, did not achieve success—he spoke too quickly and acted throughout as if he would much rather have been somewhere else. Clissold, as Sheila Smith, the Vicar's daughter, made a good impression but it was a pity that Tinney, who played the part of her brother, marred a lively performance with a regrettable accent. The part of Phil Martyn, Sheila's boy friend, was not very exacting, and it was adequately played by Brumby, though he appeared incredibly young to be thinking in terms of marriage! The Bishop had to appear once or twice, looking benevolent, and B. Singleton managed that quite comfortably. A sly picture dealer with the improbable name of Jabez Borolescu, tried to teach Brother George a trick or two in the art of making a dishonest penny—

K. Middleton looked every inch the part—indeed he looked as if he could have done a murder or two quite happily as well.

'TWELFTH NIGHT'

Cast

Orsino	P. G. MITCHELL
Curio	M. C. DAVIES
Valentine	N. J. TASKER
Viola	V. ROUND
Sea Captain	C. J. WILLIAMS
Sir Toby Belch	M. T. WESTON
Maria	P. E. GEORGHEGAN
Sir Andrew Aguecheek	R. G. RAWCLIFFE
Feste	D. DE VILLE
Olivia	R. F. WOOKEY
Malvolio	M. A. TIERNEY
Antonio	E. A. MURPHY
Sebastian	P. R. THORPE
Fabian	C. J. MYATT
Priest	D. C. MCGOUGH

Attendants, Sailors, Officers, etc.

J. J. Neenan, K. S. Middleton, P. J. Rogers, B. Hawe, J. A. Darley, C. J. Day, R. F. Brumby

Musical Effects :

R. F. Brumby, I. J. Tod

It was Chesterton who remarked that it is easy to be heavy, hard to be light and that Satan fell by the force of gravity. So it must surely be with presenting Shakespeare. The great and solemn issues of the tragedies, good and evil, innocence and guilt, life and death are timeless themes that will engage a modern audience as readily as they did the Elizabethan. But comedy is another matter. Social conventions change and comedy is largely bound up with them. Molière would not have appealed to the Grand Turk and *Pygmalion* is amusing only in a class-conscious society. Even in *Twelfth Night* itself, the callous amusement at madness, for instance, may strike us now as harsh. The aim of the producer, however, will be to get

beneath the incidental, temporary trappings of the comedy to the essential humour at its heart, for it is this which will appeal in any age. Even though we may not admit it to others, we shall be made to confess to ourselves that there is something of the self-importance of Malvolio in us, of Aguecheek's pretentiousness and Sir Toby's indiscipline. We smile tolerantly at the foolishness of the characters until we recall Feste's observation—'Those wits that think they have thee, do very oft prove fools'—and recognise ourselves. We may forgo all the profound assessments of the play that critics have made over the years. If we see it simply as a discerning, sympathetic satire on our own more foolish weaknesses, we shall have had sport enough.

There could be no doubt at all that the audience thoroughly enjoyed themselves on this occasion. There could be no better tribute to the quality of this production than the frequent laughter and applause that punctuated it. It was certainly one of the very best plays I have seen at Cotton and those who come to the Association Day productions will know that the standard is very high. There was a sense of command throughout. It was there, for example, in the judicious casting of the parts, the virtually flawless speaking of the lines, the excellent timing, the unobtrusive changes of scene and, above all, it showed itself in the actors' evident enjoyment of the whole thing.

Fr Armishaw and the whole company spent a great many hours in preparation for this entertainment. I am sure that they must agree that it was worth it for they could not have succeeded better.

P. Mitchell as Orsino sustained a difficult part very well. His speaking was always clear and well-modulated. At the beginning he was a little too studied and lacked the fine abandon that a Renaissance prince might show, but he quickly settled into a performance of real merit. His range is not extensive but within it, as here, he is an actor of

considerable ability. V. Round as Viola had a most delicately difficult task to face and apart from very occasional lines spoken too softly, he carried it off excellently. He missed, perhaps, the satire of some of the speeches addressed through him by Orsino to Olivia, but there was colour and imagination in his acting. Few boys could do better. P. Geoghegan's Maria was a gem. He conveyed the mischievous provoking young girl to perfection and altogether gave a charming performance. It was quite delightful. R. Wookey gave a fine performance and displayed quite exceptional potentialities. His Olivia was poised, beautifully spoken and sensitive. His movements of head and hands needed a shade more freedom, but this is to look for blemishes in what was unanimously praised as a splendid piece of acting. The producer was well served by the female characters upon whom so much depends, but he is to be congratulated on his direction of them.

M. Tierney made a thoroughly credible Malvolio, with his frigid hauteur and acid address. The self-esteem, the pettiness were there, expressed in affectedly punctilious speech. The portentousness of the mean man who gains a little authority was well characterized and the contrast with the robust disorder of Sir Toby was vivid. It was a pity that he did not make more of the 'Having been three months married to her' speech and a trifle more exaggeration in the scene where he confronts Olivia cross-gartered and smiling inanely would have completed a commendably good piece of work.

As opposed to the other characters in the play who, though seeming to be normal people, betray themselves into varying kinds of foolishness, the Clown, seeming to be foolish, yet remains more in possession of his wits than they. Viola comments on it in her remark: 'This fellow is wise enough to play the fool', and Feste himself observes that 'Foolery, sir, does walk about the orb like

the sun, it shines everywhere'—implying that it takes a clown to discern it. Feste's role, then, is that of the detached observer and time's remembrancer. 'Youth's a stuff will not endure.' D. de Ville, if he will forgive the ambiguity, was a 'natural' in the part. He is an actor of some experience now and there is a freshness and zest about his playing that is always convincing. There is no hesitation, no awkwardness. He moved about the stage very well and his speaking, timing and reactions were all excellent. His songs were pleasantly done, too. I liked the way in which the pathos and wistfulness of the professional clown were allowed to peep through his fooling. M. Weston's Sir Toby Belch was a joy. It was one of the best pieces of acting I have seen on the Cotton stage and there will be many, I'm sure, who will long remember it. Shakespeare himself would have loved it. He avoided what is so often the fault in the part of making Sir Toby appear merely gross. There is much more to him than that, an endearing roguery and a very shrewd eye to the main change. Weston gave a controlled, vivid and effortless performance of real artistry. Sir Andrew Aguecheek, that foolish knight, was well done by R. Rawcliffe. He was deliciously fatuous, a perfect foil for Sir Toby. The satire on the Court fop of the period, with his affected manners and dress, his dilettante accomplishments and utter lack of any truly knightly virtues was most divertingly achieved. The Sea Captain was played by C. Williams with just a nice touch of saltiness. He gave the impression of being an honest, dependable sort of chap, which was exactly right. He reminded me of the sailor in the famous picture of 'The Young Walter Raleigh'.

E. Murphy was Antonio, a part which offers little scope to the actor. It was well done, nevertheless, especially the righteous indignation when Viola, mistaken for Sebastian, professes ignorance of the borrowed

money. P. Thorpe as Sebastian wanted forcefulness to match Antonio's, though the part is colourless anyway. C. Myatt, who really made something of Fabian, M. Davies as Curio, N. Tasker as Valentine and D. McGough as the Priest all maintained in their smaller parts the high standards of the principals. Without exception, for example, they spoke their lines clearly and fluently.

If the sets were somewhat severe for the atmosphere of the Illyrian court, they served to set off the costumes of the actors to advantage. The costumes were well devised and in the case of the female characters in particular, were worn without the least trace of awkwardness. The simple setting, moreover had the great advantage of allowing quite remarkably rapid changes of scene. Here one could detect the masterly hand of the resourceful and indefatigable Fr Piercy.

All in all, a very fine piece of theatre.

THE BUILDINGS AT COTTON

IV.—THE SOUTER WING

CANON MOORE, the last President of Sedgley Park, died in May 1873 and Fr Joseph Henry Souter was appointed to succeed him. His main task was to effect the move from the Park to Cotton, which he did in time for the opening of the Christmas Term following. He found that he had to supply accommodation for three priests, five lay masters and a hundred and eight boys, with the prospect of more to come in the immediate future. The only dormitory accommodation he had was in what is now called Little Dormitory, which was slightly smaller than it is now as the narrow part leading from the present main entrance as far as the archway was not yet built. It is hard to imagine more than sixty beds in the available

space, and even that would have involved a very tight squeeze, so drastic improvisation was necessary. The Headmaster's room was converted into what became known as the Ten Bedded Dormitory: Fr Souter closed the village school and used it as an extra dormitory for a dozen or so boys. The remainder were put into what are now masters' rooms, presumably those on Creepers' Corridor, which is on the same level as Little Dormitory.

To make a refectory, a large wooden building was set up roughly on the site of the convent. This freed the masters' dining-room (Faber's first chapel) for a study and library for senior boys. The infirmary (Newman's room in Oratorian days) was used for the same purpose for the juniors. One imagines that the Reception Room must also have been used as a classroom at times, but apart from that and the two studies it is difficult to see what rooms could have been used as classrooms. Probably two classes used the same room simultaneously. Whatever expedient was arrived at, the result must have been rather chaotic.

In his first few months as President, Fr Souter was compelled to refuse forty applications for lack of room, so he naturally decided to press on with building. On 15th April 1874, the first stone was laid of the wing which was to be known as 'Moore Hall' in memory of Canon Moore. But, like the intended name of the school, 'New Sedgley Park', it did not catch on and it was no doubt called the 'New Wing' until 1887 when Canon Hawksford built another one and some distinction of names was necessary. Since that date it has been known as the Souter Wing.

The architect and builder was George Heveningham, an old Parker, of Wolverhampton. The building was modelled on Pugin's Guild Hall at Alton Castle, though on a much larger scale. In the only plan which has survived, presumably the first

one, the resemblance is more marked than in the final structure. The stone was quarried from the wood on the College side of Cotton Post Office.

Before building could begin, several trees had to be felled, and a timber sale took place. One of the lots consisted of two larch trees only, described in the catalogue as believed to be the biggest trees in Staffordshire. One of the old outbuildings of Cotton Hall which covered a small part of the site, also had to be demolished. A modern fairy tale to the effect that the 'Lavs' (washplaces to the uninitiated) are the original stables of the Hall can also be demolished once and for all, one hopes. The vaulted rooms in the basement were designed as washplaces and fitted with basins, and in the room farthest from the entrance hip baths were installed.

There must have been some sort of entrance from the Bounds in addition to the arched doorway which is now partly blocked, but to all intents and purposes the wall where the notice board now hangs was the outside wall.

On the ground floor, there was a large refectory and a playroom. Above this the Study Place ran the whole length and width of the building. Similarly, on the top floor a new dormitory with underdrawn roof occupied all the space. The dormitory, now known as Middle Dormitory, can scarcely have acquired that name until Top Dormitory was built in 1887. The end wall to the south was at the archway in the cloister. A window in the study place which now through its frosted glass gives misty and fleeting glimpses of the Chemistry Faculty flitting about on their lawful and unlawful occasions, and the end window in Middle Dormitory (now giving access to the fire escape), mark the southern extremity of the original building. Two massive buttresses, removed when the Williamsannexe was built, prevented the building from sliding into Hall Meadow.

Access to the upper floors was by the staircase in the Blue Tower, so called since

its narrow lancet windows were painted blue as a blackout precaution in World War II. Entrance to the Study Place was by the double doors which, since the latest partitioning of the Study Place a few years ago, have come once again into their own, while their supplanter, the Gothic doorway with the arms of St Wilfrid (though the number of points in the stars is not correct) is now disused in its turn. This door must have been inserted when the main staircase was built in 1887.

There was another staircase in the south-east corner of the new building. At the end of the cloisters, where there is now an arch, there were originally two doors. The one on the right led down to the Lavs, that on the left led up to the Study Place and Dormitory. The only trace of these stairs now remaining is a door on the left at the far end of the dormitory.

Middle Dormitory is much the same as when it was built. All the cubicle partitions, except the one occupied by the dormitory prefect, have been removed, and the present entrance was made in the end wall when the main staircase was built. The window at the south end was converted into a door and the fire escape added in Canon Manion's time.

The Study Place was originally also used as the school hall, a large wooden rostrum, easily transformable into a stage, occupying most of what is now VB classroom. The hooks in the beams are the only survivals of many theatrical performances. The winding staircase from the cloister was enclosed by a wall with a door inserted. This wall and staircase were removed when the door was made leading to the Chemistry laboratory. In 1902 the Study Place was divided by a partition to make two classrooms for daytime use, the partitions being drawn back for evening preparation. In the early 1930's Canon Manion had the room further sub-divided by two more screens, thus making four classrooms in the day time. The nuisance caused

by latecomers passing through one or more classrooms to reach their destination was finally eliminated when a corridor was made on the eastern side. The classrooms are smaller, the Study Place has lost some of its impressiveness, but the gain is incalculable. Wednesday mornings used to be the main bugbear, when boys were continually passing in and out on journeys to the doctor or the barber, so much so that a revered but testy member of the staff used to complain that he might as well be taking his classes in a market place.

The refectory on the ground floor did not remain for long as such. In 1880 a large corrugated iron building was erected on the site of the present Hawksford Wing, and the old refectory became in turn a library and now a gymnasium. (The iron building can still be seen by the lock-up at Alton, where it is the village hall, cinema and general purposes room.) Until recent times the old refectory was used once a year for its original purpose—when the boys had lunch in it while the new refectory in the Hawksford Wing was being prepared for the members of the St Wilfrid's and Parkers' Society. In 1902 it was divided by movable partitions into three classrooms, the one nearest the playroom being raised a foot or so to make a stage. This stage may have been there before the partitions were erected as this room was used for plays some time before 1902. The sliding doors which separate it from the playroom made possible an extension of the stage and a green room behind. But all, except the sliding doors were taken away when the room was converted into a gymnasium in 1952. In 1902 also, the playroom was divided by a lath and plaster wall to make two more classrooms, but this wall was removed when Canon Manion restored the old playroom as the Sixth Form Common-room. In 1961, it was temporarily subdivided again to make separate common-rooms for Sixth and Fifth Forms. The

billiards table was originally bought by Old Boys and masters for the use of the latter (in the Reception Room), but a later Headmaster, ignorant possibly of its history and purpose, and realising the temptation it offered to dissipation among the teaching staff, decided to let the boys be tempted instead, and it was removed to its present position in the Sixth Form Common Room.

The Souter Wing came into use in August 1875. The occupants of the village school and the Ten Bedded Dormitory were rehoused in Middle Dormitory. Fr Souter had bemoaned the fact that when he had no room he had had to refuse forty applications: now he had the room, but the applications had fallen off. There was still dormitory space for about 110 boys, and the school remained more or less full, but by use of the smaller rooms as in 1873 he could probably have fitted another twenty or so in had the occasion arisen. But it was not to arise again in his time as President.

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RUGBY 1961-62

FIRST FIFTEEN

SCHOOL MATCHES

Played 11. Won 2. Lost 9.
Points For 71. Against 151.

CLUB MATCHES

Played 5. Won 2. Lost 3.
Points For 66. Against 96.

WHEN the 1st XV was deservedly beaten in its first match by Adams' G.S. to the tune of 32 clear points, it looked very much as if the story of the two previous dismal seasons was about to be repeated, but within a week they were giving Ellesmere a hard fight for it and they normally made their opponents work hard for victory. In fact they were leading in nine of their matches at some period of the game only to lose that lead in five of them.

Under their Captain, E. Murphy, and their Vice-Captain, P. Mitchell, they were a

pleasant side to coach. Perhaps their long history of defeats as a junior side had made them conscious of their own weaknesses, but whatever the reason they generally tried to follow out the advice offered them. If there was a fault in their attitude to rugby during the year it was that they took practice games far too lightly. Unless a boy tries hard in practice games he cannot hope to improve in the way he should. Valuable experience is lost, physical fitness is neglected and the speed of one's reactions deteriorates. By a strange irony amongst those who did try hard in practice games were some Sixth Formers who had decided after years of gentle exercise that a place in the 1st XV would be most acceptable. What they failed to realise was that the crowded Michaelmas Term—which is now virtually our rugby season—is no time for learning basic skills in the First Club. Unless they can tackle, pass, kick, dribble and handle properly and are used to a good grind of thirty minutes each way, then their chance of getting into the 1st XV is very remote.

By his personal example Murphy rallied his side on many occasions. He was faster than any three-quarter we have had in recent years and at times he ran very well indeed. His kicking at goal brought many valuable points and his tackling was good. Indeed the tackling of all the three-quarters was very sound even if P. Rogers was rather too fond of a bear-like hug and M. Outram insisted on putting his head in front of the man he was tackling. R. Duffy was the heart of the defence once he had learnt to curb his over-exuberant dash at the opposition. With the speed that the next two years will bring he should prove a very awkward person for our opponents to tackle. I. Tod, who revived the forgotten art of dropping goals, also found that lack of real speed was a grave handicap. Marauding wing-forwards forced him either to turn inside or to run right across the field—with equally bad results.

It would have been better if he had let the ball out immediately when he received it from a scrum or line-out, and only tried his jinking and dummy after heels from the loose. But like Duffy he was a member of the Under 16 (and also the Captain) so that this year must have given him invaluable experience for the future. J. Darley, at scrum-half, gave him a good long service.

The forwards, with Mitchell leading them, were a strange mixture. In the tight they were always nicely together and B. Hawe at hooker gave us more than our fair share of the ball, but in the loose they were too slow, both in getting across to the ball and pouncing on the dropped pass. Line-out work was generally poor although M. Hayes as the chief catcher tried very hard. When the forwards were really roused, as in the last few minutes against Nottingham H.S. and in the first half against Ellesmere, they seemed a completely different unit. In the light of their results one can only conclude that at times they did play above themselves. This was due to their team spirit which was generally excellent. The only time they wilted was against Burton G.S. after an injury to M. Davies at full-back. Davies often played extremely well but was at other times strangely uncertain.

In view of the long report of the match against Nottingham H.S. which is reproduced by kind permission of Mr David Gray, Sports Editor of *The Guardian*, the usual summary of the school matches is omitted. Our thanks are due to the referees of the North Midlands Society who came long distances to referee some of our matches and especially to Mr F. Parker who referees our Club and mid-week matches: Those who have played in games under his control will be pleased to know that he is now one of the very few referees in Grade I in the Manchester Society.



RUGBY XV 1961-62

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P. D. McQuillen, B. Hawe, R. Duffy, M. J. Smith, M. B. Hayes, C. Farrell, P. A. Long, I. J. Tod
M. Outram, M. C. Davies, P. G. Mitchell, E. A. Murphy, D. C. McGough, J. A. Darley, P. J. Rogers

RESULTS

v. Adams' G.S. ....	.....	Lost	0—32
v. Moseley Schools XV	.....	Lost	0—35
v. Ellesmere .....	.....	Lost	3—9
v. Sale R.U.F.C. ....	.....	Lost	17—22
v. Mount St Mary's	.....	Lost	0—16
v. Old Cottonians	.....	Won	20—17
v. King's, Macclesfield	.....	Lost	6—12
v. K.E.S., Stafford	.....	Won	16—9
v. Wolverhampton R.U.F.C.	.....	Lost	5—22
v. Newcastle H.S.	.....	Lost	0—11
v. Burton G.S. ....	.....	Lost	8—21
v. Nottingham H.S.	.....	Won	9—6
v. Trent	Lost	5—9
v. K.E.S., Birmingham	Lost	9—11
v. Ratcliffe	Lost	5—15
v. Oscott	Won	24—9

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COTTON COLLEGE 9, NOTTINGHAM H.S. 6

A more exciting climax to a schools Rugby Union game could not be wished for than that in which Cotton College scored two tries in the last five minutes to snatch one of their rare victories over Nottingham H.S. by a penalty goal and two tries to a penalty goal and a try, at Cotton, in North Staffordshire.

But for those two tries and the stimulating ten minutes that preceded them, this game would have been a big disappointment. Much that had gone before lacked that necessary vital spark and was generally below the standard expected from North Midlands schools sides.

Cotton, without the ideas of Nottingham, but determined to keep the game open where and when possible, had consistently threatened to carry all before them in midfield. But some first-rate tackling and covering by

Nottingham repeatedly threw them back until it seemed that the visitors, with a psychological advantage of a 3 point lead, must ultimately cruise home to an unspectacular and not altogether satisfactory win.

But just at the moment when Cotton seemed ready to accept yet another defeat at the hands of their old rivals—who had earlier scored a try (by Davies) and a penalty (by Haywood)—Murphy, the most constructive of all four centres, found an extra yard of speed and cut majestically through Nottingham's defence for the first time. It was a fine try and when the same player was presented with two chances of converting because Nottingham charged too soon, it appeared that justice was being done. But ironically both kicks failed. Nottingham might have settled for that. But not Cotton.

Their tails were up now and no matter how Davies and his fine pack strove to prevent them getting possession, Darley and Tod soon got Cotton's line moving again. Tod, an adept stand-off half, found an unusually large gap in Nottingham's defence, fed Rogers and a searing run, under pressure, saw him home.

Nottingham were somewhat unfortunate in losing a game that should have been made safe in the first half when they ran Cotton's line very close on several occasions. Their passing was slipshod and hurried while their kicking—with the exception of Haywood's remarkable sixty yard penalty goal and full-back Dyer's accurate punts—was of a very ordinary standard.

Cotton were not a great deal better. However, their tight scrummaging and fine work in the loose were excellent and, of course, they produced that little extra when it mattered most.

Cotton: R. Duffy; M. Outram, P. Rogers, E. Murphy, D. de Ville; I. Tod, J. Darley; D. McGough, B. Hawe, P. McQuillen, M. Smith, B. Hayes, H. Champion, C. Farrell, P. Mitchell.

Nottingham: M. R. J. Dyer; I. McKay, D. Haywood, J. Scrimshaw, F. N. Lodge; D. G. Yandell, D. Barker; R. Maxwell, M. Stokes, B. Jonston, M. Cockburn, J. B. Sheffield, P. Kneen, P. Davies, A. C. Fletcher.

Referee: F. Parker (Manchester Society).

JUNIOR RUGBY

During the early part of the season our junior teams had considerable success. A record before Christmas of fourteen victories and one draw against two defeats meant that at every level the standard of rugby was high. For a variety of reasons, principally the inclement weather that prevented consistent practice, this standard was not quite maintained during the second half of the season yet still gave considerable cause for satisfaction.

The Under 16 have always enjoyed their rugby, tried hard to master the basic elements of the game, and been a pleasure to coach. This year they maintained their progress, despite the constant calls of the 1st XV, by paying particular attention to some of their forward weaknesses. I. Tod, K. Middleton, R. Duffy, N. Tasker, and D. de Ville, who all played as intelligently as ever behind the scrum, found C. Farrell, K. Wall, J. Boucher, D. Long, and the other forwards substituting a new dash and unity for their former tendency to use individual 'battering-ram' methods. Consequently the pack sent back such a rapid and constant supply of the ball that their backs found possession at times an embarrassment. In addition, co-operation between backs and forwards improved considerably; F. Shipman played a number of fine games at wing-forward, and the backs could always rely on the help of the whole back-row both in attack and defence. However, on the debit side, the inconsistency noticeable last year has not yet been eradicated. At Mount St Mary's and Abbotsholme the

whole team enjoyed for long periods the fast open type of rugby at which they had been aiming; against St Joseph's and Nottingham the side failed to take advantage of early success and, with admirable but dangerous generosity, gave away several foolish penalties that swung the matches back in favour of their opponents.

Pride of place in the list of results must, however, go to the Under 15 team. They alone have maintained a 100% record over a series of games.

At full-back P. Singleton was as reliable as ever; behind the scrum S. Levell and J. Appleton gave a fine service to their three-quarters amongst whom J. Godwin, J. Hayward and M. Fuller, showed skill and determination. But the real secret of the team's success was found among the forwards. P. Ridley and P. Lloyd were outstanding in a fine pack that thoroughly understood the value of speed and intelligence and, given the slightest opportunity, was only too willing to take control of a game and dictate the course of play. In addition, the whole side had that indefinable quality, the 'will to win', that often brought them out of trouble and to victory from an apparently losing position. The games at Newcastle and K.E.S., Birmingham, were a particular pleasure to watch, the first for the quality of the rugby that the team played and the second for the fact that, though off form and at one time 8 points behind their opponents, they still succeeded in winning.

The Under 14 team was the surprise of the season. In October it seemed that this group, talented though it was, would in fact face an insuperable handicap; the side would have to draw so heavily on the Under 13 section that it would sometimes include as many as nine or ten boys who were playing only their second season's rugby and consequently were very inexperienced. To make matters worse, injury prevented their captain, G. Blakemore, who with J. Naughton was

playing well in the backs, from taking part until December when the snows promptly forced us to abandon two matches. However, the whole team made such progress that it won convincingly three of its fixtures, losing heavily only to a strong Loughborough side. The three-quarters, though still needing much practice in the difficult but invaluable art of passing at speed, quickly learnt to position themselves for attack and defence; their tackling in particular was excellent. The forwards, among whom P. Drury, St G. Castille, and particularly R. Brumby were the most improved, also still have much to learn about the basic skills of the line-out and tight scrums, but they possess to a very high degree the priceless assets of tireless speed and mobility.

The Under 13, whose short season began in earnest in March, were a little disappointing. So many had been playing with the Under 14 team that we hoped for better performances than they actually gave us. The pack, both individually and as a whole, were usually more than a match for their opponents; the backs on occasions ran well and always, except at Alderwasley, tackled bravely; yet, deprived of the intelligent leadership to which they had been accustomed from the older boys, they failed as a team to combine into a fully effective force. If they wish, and they so easily could, to become a successful Under 14 side next year, the forwards must no longer make impetuous mistakes that undo their previous good work, the backs must improve their passing, and most of all the three-quarters as a whole must learn the art of moving at speed.

During the season Under 14 badges were awarded to: R. Brumby, St G. Castille and P. Drury.

P.R.

RESULTS

UNDER 16

Played 8. Won 5. Drawn 1. Lost 2.

Points For 138. Against 56.

v. Ellesmere	.....	H	Won	19—8
v. Newcastle H.S.	.....	H	Won	6—3
v. Mount St Mary's	.....	A	Won	16—0
v. St Joseph's	.....	A	Drawn	6—6
v. Nottingham H.S.	.....	H	Lost	8—11
v. Abbotsholme	.....	A	Won	54—0
v. Ellesmere	.....	A	Lost	13—17
v. Loughborough G.S.	.....	A	Won	16—11

UNDER 15

Played 6. Won 6. Points For 83, Against 37.

v. Adams' G.S.	.....	A	Won	14—8
v. K.E.S., Stafford	.....	A	Won	16—6
v. Newcastle H.S.	.....	A	Won	19—6
v. Burton G.S.	.....	A	Won	11—6
v. Trent	.....	H	Won	9—3
v. K.E.S., Birmingham	.....	A	Won	14—8

UNDER 14

Played 6. Won 3. Drawn 1. Lost 2.

Points For 59. Against 51.

v. Newcastle H.S.	.....	H	Won	14—3
v. K.S., Macclesfield	.....	H	Won	11—6
v. St Joseph's	.....	A	Lost	6—12
v. Abbotsholme	.....	A	Won	20—0
v. Ellesmere	.....	A	Drawn	5—5
v. Loughborough	.....	A	Lost	3—25

UNDER 13

Played 4. Won 1. Lost 3.

Points For 18. Against 39.

v. Ratcliffe U.14 B	.....	H	Won	12—3
v. Alderwasley Hall	.....	A	Lost	3—25
v. Alderwasley Hall	.....	H	Lost	0—3
v. Bishton Hall	.....	A	Lost	3—8

CROSS COUNTRY 1962

LAST year I was able to write of success in major competitions, first in the Northern Schools Championship, second in the Lichfield Relay and sixth at Rugeley, and also a very good record in school matches. This year if results are the criterion of success the Cross-Country team was not so successful. But this was the most successful season for individual performances. Four of the team, Outram, Long P., Shipman F. and Cooke, have run the Upper School course in better than thirty-three minutes, only three others have ever run it inside such a time. But the team was not without its achievements.

At Rugeley the team was fourth and Outram was fourth in the individual race. This is the best position a Cotton team or individual has ever gained in this race. In the Relay at Lichfield the team had to live up to last year's performance. Cooke ran a very good first leg to hand over eighth, Hayes now ran his best race of the season handing over to Long P. in second place, Long ran very well but Outram began the last leg some fifty yards behind the leader and twenty yards behind the second. Although he went into the lead about 200 yards from the finish he could not keep it and finished second by two yards. This was a very good performance. Although the team had done better in major competitions than their predecessors, it was too much to hope for them to retain the Silver Challenge Cup for the Northern Schools Championship. The team finished thirteenth even with all its ill luck, out of eighty-eight schools; Cooke ran very well as did Long P. considering that he had only recently recovered from influenza. Hayes, Weston and Jordan also ran well. Outram was forced to give up by a rebellious muscle which kept him from running any more cross-countries.

In matches against individual schools the

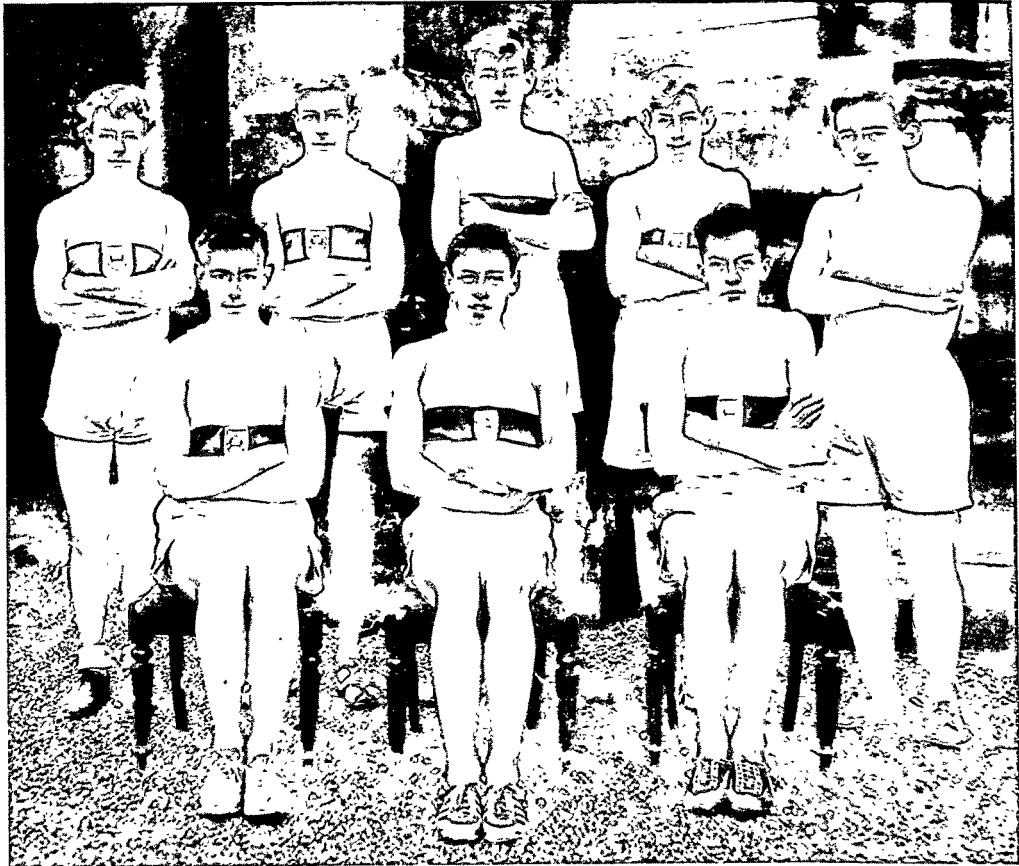
team had a good record, as the list of results shows. Before his 'retirement' Outram had broken the course record at St Joseph's and at Newcastle. The team at Newcastle held the High School to its narrowest win for many matches.

The Under 16 team had a good season, but without Shipman and Cooke, who often ran for the Senior team, it lacked that 'zip' and sparkle which would have made it a good team. Long, D. Farrell and Hickey ran well always. McGhee has yet to find that he can and ought to run faster with the easy style which he has.

The Under 14 team ran well and has the makings of a very good team. There are a number of talented runners in this division and have much success before them I think.

As usual Lower School massed at the start for their race on Monday of Holy Week. As usual the majority chattered shrilly in the rain, but there were a few who paced grim, determined and silent for this was the day of reckoning. Promptly at 2.30 the pistol failed, but they were off. Soon the hard grim silent ones were detached from the rest of the field. Long J. kept the lead from Applin and Calnan who were doing battle for second place. Dornan, not running too well was keeping station with Warren, Dunn and Duffy. Long won in the very good time of 16 minutes 45 secs, Applin was thirty yards behind second and Calnan third. At 3.15 Middle School ran their course. At the top of Green Lane Hickey had established a comfortable lead, as was expected, behind were Drury, Hayward, Trinham, Lowe and Owens. At the farm Owens had run into second place some fifty yards behind Hickey. Hickey's time was 23 mins 41 secs. A fine performance in such conditions.

At 3 o'clock on Tuesday Upper School set off; many on their yearly pilgrimage to Pompey's, one did not go so far and admitted cutting the course when he came in too soon. Long P., Cooke and Shipman F. were



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM 1962

McCann, Uttoxeter

M. T. Weston, F. J. Shipman, B. H. Cooke, D. Long, P. J. Jordan
P. A. Long, M. Outram, M. B. Hayes

soon in the lead and reached the top of Green Lane in 9 mins 30 secs (43 secs slower than D. Kelly's time last year). It is at this point that runners in earlier years give encouragement to strained and flagging youth. It was here that one such youthful runner in an un-Aguecheek tone uttered a heartfelt 'O shut up!' Across Pompey's, Shipman and Cooke drew away from Long, who by now was, no doubt, feeling the effects of the mist; their time at the Waterfall was only six seconds slower than Kelly's; they had run this middle section of the course extremely well. Cooke and Shipman ran in together in the very good time of 32 mins 25 secs. Long P. was third yet again.

Of course Bowdon had won the Cross-Country Cup.

Outram, the captain, through his quiet encouragement and example in hard training sessions formed a very good team.

RESULTS

Seniors

SCHOOL *v.* ST JOSEPH'S. At Stoke on 2nd February. Won, 38 points to 40.

(1 Outram [course record], 3 Cooke, 5 Shipman F., 7 Long P., 10 Hayes B., 14 Jordan).

SCHOOL *v.* K.E.S., STAFFORD. At Cotton on 14th February. Won, 31 points to 51.

(2 equal Outram and Long P., 4 Shipman E., 5 Hayes B., 7 Long D., 10 McGhee).

SCHOOL *v.* NEWCASTLE H.S. At Newcastle on 17th February. Lost, 35 points to 48.

(1 Outram [course record], 4 Long P., 5 Shipman F., 11 Long D., 13 Cooke, 14 Hayes B.)

INTER-SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY. At Rugeley on 3rd March. Forty-two schools competed :

1 K.E.S., Birmingham 215 points, 2 Newcastle H.S. 229, 3 Shrewsbury School 262, 4 Cotton 285.

(4 Outram, 21 Long P., 33 Shipman I., 40 Hayes I., 68 Cooke, 119 Long D.)

INTER-SCHOOLS 4 x 2 MILES CROSS-COUNTRY RELAY. At Lichfield on 10th March. Thirty-three schools competed :

1 Wolverhampton G.S. (Emery Cup),
2 Cotton (Headmaster's Cup), 3 Handsworth G.S.

NORTHERN SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP. At Disley on 17th March. Eighty-eight schools competed. Cotton 13th with 345 points.

(45 Cooke, 55 Long P., 122 Hayes B., 123 Weston M.)

SCHOOL *v.* BURTON G.S. At Cotton on 21st March. Won, 28 points to 50.

(Equal 1 Long P., Cooke and Shipman F., 5 Hayes B., 6 Jordan, 11 Smith M.)

SCHOOL *v.* ST PHILIP'S G.S. At Cotton on 31st March. Lost, 30 points to 54.

(2 Cooke, 5 Shipman F., 8 Long D., 12 Long P., 13 Smith M., 14 Statham.)

'A' Team

SCHOOL *v.* RATCLIFFE. At Cotton on Saturday, 16th December. Won, 27 points to 57.

(1 Long P., equal 2 Cooke and Shipman F., 6 Long D., equal 7 Jordan and McGhee.)

SCHOOL *v.* RATCLIFFE. At Ratcliffe, on 24th February. Won, 34 points to 48.

(2 Cooke, 3 Shipman F., 5 Hayes B., 7 Long D., equal 8 Long P. and Weston M.)

Under 16

SCHOOL *v.* ST JOSEPH'S. At Stoke on 2nd February. Lost, 39 points to 42.

(1 Long D., 4 McGhee, equal 5 Farrell and Hickey, 11 Tod, 15 Trinham.)

SCHOOL *v.* NEWCASTLE H.S. At Newcastle, 17th February. Lost 25 points to 55.

(5 McGhee, 6 Farrell, 9 Hickey, 10 Statham, 12 Tod, 13 Trinham.)

NORTHERN SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS. At Disley on 17th March. 105 Schools competed :

Cotton 16th with 422 points.

(11 Shipman F., 70 McGhee, 134 Long D., 207 Farrell.)

SCHOOL v. BURTON G.S. At Cotton on 21st
March. Won, 29 points to 51.
(1 Long D., equal 2 McGhee, Statham,
Farrell and Hickey, 14 Tod.)

Under 15

SCHOOL v. K.E.S., STAFFORD. At Cotton on
14th February. Lost, 40 points to 42.
(2 Hickey, 6 Dornan, 7 Finneran, 8 Long J.,
9 Lowe, 10 Drury.)

Under 14

SCHOOL v. ST JOSEPH'S. At Stoke on 3rd
February. Won, 37 points to 44.
(3 Lowe, 4 Dornan, 6 Long J., 7 Brumby,
8 Drury, 9 Warren.)

SCHOOL v. NEWCASTLE H.S. At Newcastle on
17th February. Won, 29 points to 51.
(2 Dornan, 3 Long J., equal 4 Drury,
Lowe and Applin, 9 Cooper.)

NORTHERN SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY
CHAMPIONSHIPS. At Disley on 17th
March. Ninety-four schools competed.
Cotton 45th with 810 points.
(114 Long J., 159 Dornan, 235 Lowe, 302
Warren.)

Upper School

(Record : 31 mins 58.8 secs, D. Kelly 1961.)
1. Equal B. Cooke and F. Shipman, 32 mins
25 secs.
3. P. Long, 32 mins 59 secs.

Middle School

(Record : 21 mins 57.5 secs, F. Shipman 1961.)
1. M. Hickey, 23 mins 41 secs.
2. R. Owens, 24 mins 22 secs.
3. F. Lowe, 24 mins 34 secs.

Lower School

(Record : 16 mins 25 secs, M. Hickey 1961.)
1. J. Long, 16 mins 52 secs.
2. C. Applin, 17 mins 2 secs.
3. S. Calnan, 17 mins 32 secs.

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Bowdon, 289 $\frac{3}{4}$ points.
2. Milner, 211 $\frac{3}{4}$ points.
3. Challoner, 152 $\frac{1}{2}$ points.

SCHOOL LIST 1868-1928

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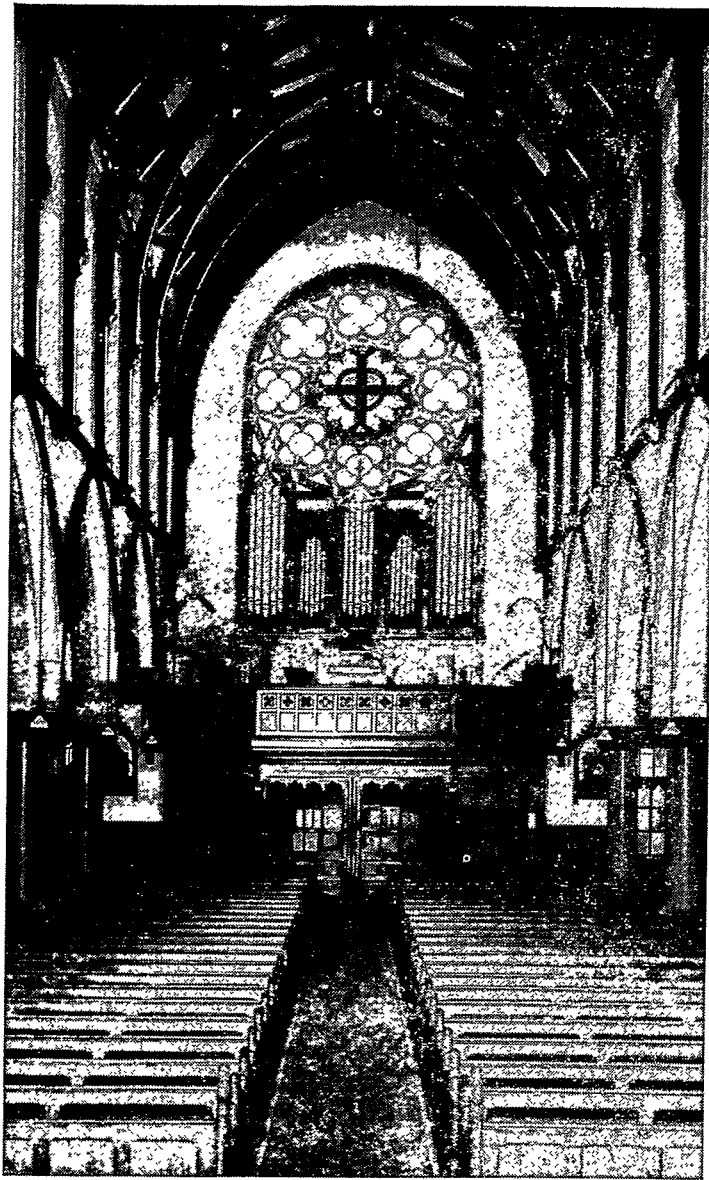
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Iles, Richard, Apr. 1904-07.
Ireson, Cyril, 1916-22.
Irving, Roger, 1920-21.
Irwin, Robert, 1896-98.
Ives, Reginald, 1913-Mar. 1917.
Jackson, Clement, 1873-76.
Jackson, George, 1876-77.
Jakober, Gaspard, Apr. 1896-Dec. 1898.
James, Charles, 1890-94.
James, Edmund, Nov. 1889-92.
James, George F., 1876-77.
James, Henry, 1876-79.
James, John B., 1919-27.
James, V. R., 1912-14.
James, Walter, 1876-78.
Jameson, John F., 1918-22.
Janssens de Varebeke, Louis, Mar. 1915-16.
Jeffreys, Gerard, Apr. 1896-98.
Jeffries, George, Apr. 1915-20.
Jeffries, John, Apr. 1915-19.
Jeffs, Charles, Jan. 1891-96.
Jeffs, Francis J., 1886-89.
Jeffs, Frederick, Jan. 1894-95.
Jeffs, William A., Apr. 1888-91.
Jennings, John H., 1880-82.
Johnson, Francis, Oct. 1896-99.
Johnson, James C., Jan. 1921-25.
Johnson, John, 1876-79.
Johnson, John, 1892.
Johnson, John W., 1921-25.
Johnson, Joseph H., 1916-18.
Johnson, Joseph P., 1915-Dec. 1918.
Johnson, Sydney, 1908-10.
Johnson, William, 1890-92.
Johnston, James, 1913-16.
Johnston, John, 1892-93.
Jones, Benjamin, 1875-76.
Jones, Clement, Jan. 1882-83.
Jones, David, 1910-Easter 1914.
Jones, Edward, 1876-77.
Jones, Edwin, 1894-99. } may be the
Jones, Edwin, Jan. 1900-01 } same.
Jones, George A., 1881-Dec. 1883.
Jones, James A., 1881-83.
Jones, John G., 1891-93.
sp Jones, Joseph, 1871-74.
Jones, Kevin N., 1927-32.
Jones, Laurence Wallace, Apr. 1915-20.
Jones, Ralph G., Apr. 1920-26.
Jones, Robert, 1886-92.
Jones, William E., 1882-87.
Joyau, Andre, 1879-81.
Joyau, Raoul, May 1878-81.
Joyce, Oswald, Jan. 1905-10.
Kaine, John, 1893-94; 1896-Dec. 1897.
Kavanagh, Andrew, 1920-22.

- Kay, Francis, 1874-76.
 Kean, Michael J., 1917-18.
 Kearney, Patrick, 1893-95.
 Kearns, Francis, Feb. 1902-04.
 sr Keating, Fredk Wm., 1872-74.
 Keating, Vincent, 1878-81.
 Keegan, J., Oct. 1912-Dec. 1912.
 Keeney, Lawrence, Oct. 1906-Easter 1907.
 Kelly, Albert L., 1906-13.
 Kelly, Bernard, 1915-22.
 Kelly, Charles S., 1919-21.
 Kelly, Henry L. P., 1877-81.
 Kelly, James, 1874-75.
 Kelly, John, 1888.
 Kelly, John, 1883-84.
 Kelly, Leo T. B., 1901-08.
 Kelly, Norbert, 1886-90.
 Kelly, Stewart P., 1924-Easter 1931.
 ps Kelly, Walter, Apr. 1872-Dec. 1874.
 sr Kelly, William, 1872-74.
 Kendall, A. C., 1911-13.
 Kennedy, Patrick J., 1876-78.
 Kenny, Bertie, 1907-08.
 Kenny, Frederick, Feb. 1907-08.
 Kenny, Matthew, 1874-75.
 Kenny, Thomas, 1910-11.
 Kenrick, Charles, Oct. 1884-87.
 Kent, Bernard, Mar. 1894-Mar. 1897.
 Kent, Charles, Jan. 1898-99.
 Kent, Vincent, May 1905-Dec. 1906.
 sr Keogh, Alfred, 1870-74.
 Keogh, Frederick, 1881-82.
 Keogh, Henry S., 1876-79.
 Keogh, William, 1876-79.
 Keyte, Frederick, 1874-77.
 Kilgallon, Edward A., 1919-25.
 Kilpatrick, Archibald, 1873-74.
 King, Eugene, Apr. 1879-Dec. 1883.
 King, James, 1904-07.
 King, Joseph P., Apr. 1879-Dec. 1883.
 King, Peter Paul, 1907-09.
 Kinnear, Cecil, 1891-93.
 Kinoulty, Michael J., 1925-31.
 Kinoulty, Thomas F., 1927-30.
 Kinsella, Francis G., 1903-Nov. 1906.
 Kinsella, Patrick, 1920-Feb. 1921.
 Kinsella, William, 1896-1901.
 Kirby, Reginald, Jan. 1918-19.
 Kirby, Vincent, Jan. 1874-76.
 Kirk, Charles, 1900-02.
 Kitson, John, 1918-Mar. 1920.
 Kitson, Stanley, 1918-Mar. 1920.
 Knights, Ronald A., 1927-30.
 Knowles, Thomas, 1895-99.
 Krauth, Basil, 1922-24.
 Krauth, Bernard, May 1888-Nov. 1890.
 Krauth, Clement, 1896-1902.
 Krauth, Frederick, Jan. 1898-1900.
 Krauth, Leonard, 1885-88.
 Labram, William, 1915-Jan. 1916.
 Lacey, James, Jan. 1898-1901.
 Lacy, Herbert, 1873-77.
 Lambert, G., 1907-09.
 sr Lamburn, Albert, 1870-75.
 Lancaster, Robert, 1895-Dec. 1897.
 Lane, John, Mar. 1904-05.
 Lange, Andrew, 1879-Dec. 1879.
 Latham, John, Jan. 1888-Dec. 1888.
 Latham, Oscar, 1905-08.
 Law, Arthur, 1895-96.
 Law, Ernest, 1907-08.
 Lawrence, Herbert, Easter 1884-92.
 Lawrence, Hugh, 1892-93.
 Lawson, R., Apr. 1913-Dec. 1914.
 Lea, Charles, 1874-76.
 Lea, Henry W., 1879-Dec. 1880.
 Lea, John, 1874-76.
 Leah, Leslie, 1915-17.
 Leary, Henry, Jan. 1885-Dec. 1888.
 Lechat, Jean, Oct. 1911-12.
 Ledwith, Denis, 1900-Dec. 1902.
 Lee, F., 1911-12.
 Leeke, Denis B., 1925-31.
 Lees, Bernard, Jan. 1887-88.
 Lees, Charles, 1880-Dec. 1882.
 Lees, Francis, Jan. 1892-93.
 Lees, William B., 1883-84.
 Le Fevre, Raymond, see Feaver, R.
 LeFevre, Henry W., 1927-Apr. 1934.
 Leigh, Carlos A., Oct. 1919-Dec. 1920.
 Leighton, Francis, 1890-95.
 Le Maire, Frederic, Jan.-Jul. 1915.
 Lenton, John F., 1910-12.
 Leonardt, Louis A., 1893-1900.
 Lewis, James, 1911-15.
 Lewis, John, 1900-03 : Apr. 1904-05.
 Lewis, Thomas, Feb.-Apr. 1898.
 Liae, —, Jan.-Apr. 1902.
 Lickorish, Bernard, 1922-23.
 Lickorish, Paul, Feb. 1921-23.
 Lillis, John, 1876-78.
 Lillis, Joseph M., 1874-77.
 ps Lima, Charles, Jan. 1872-74.
 ps Lima, Frederick, Nov. 1869-Apr. 1874.
 Lines, Philip F., 1901-Dec. 1903.
 Lister, Herbert, 1897-98.
 Little, John, Jan. 1902-08.
 Llewellyn, J., 1914-15.
 Lloyd, Aloysius, 1875-76.
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 Lloyd, Francis, 1880-Oct. 1885.
 Lloyd, Francis, Apr. 1918-20.
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 Luby, Thomas W. 1910-12 (=T. W. Cox).
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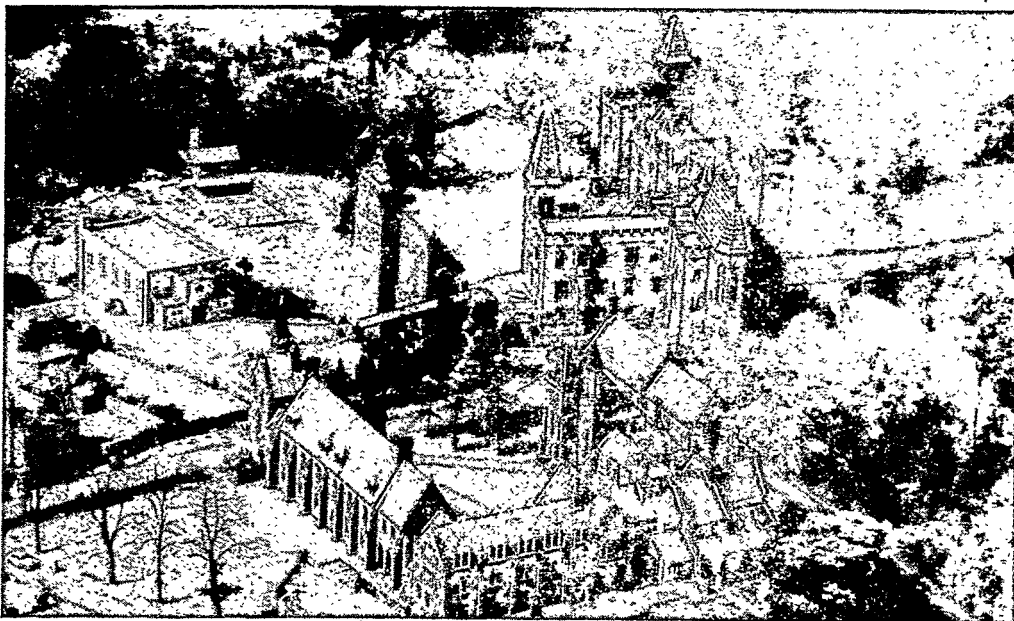
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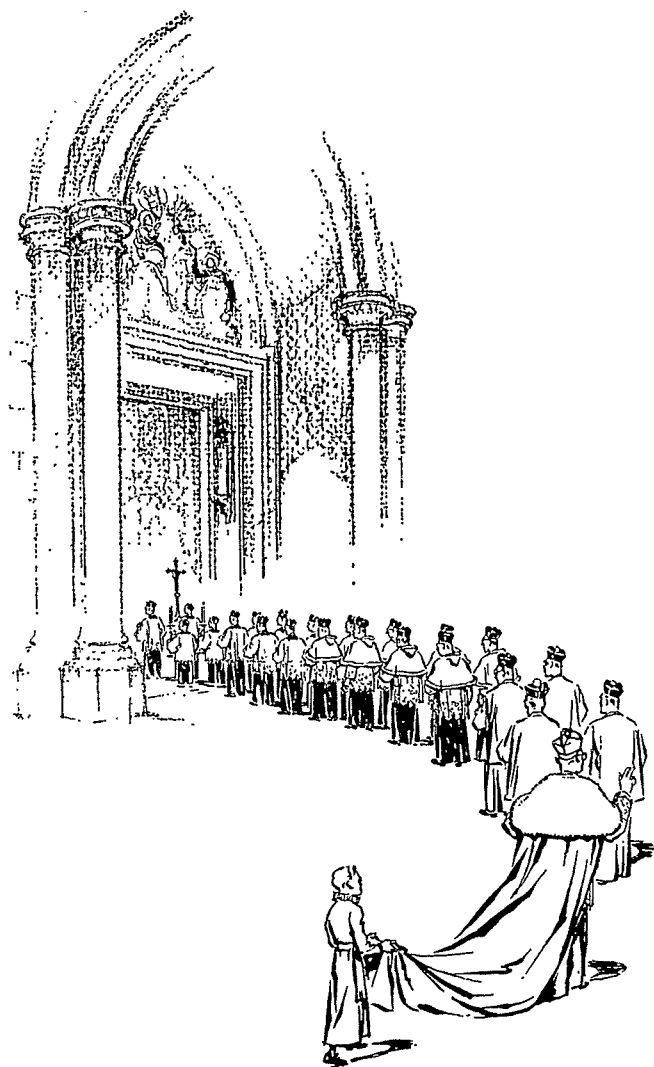
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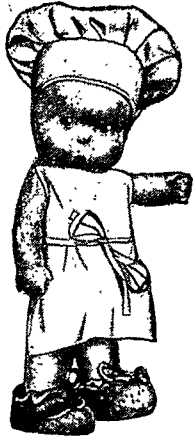
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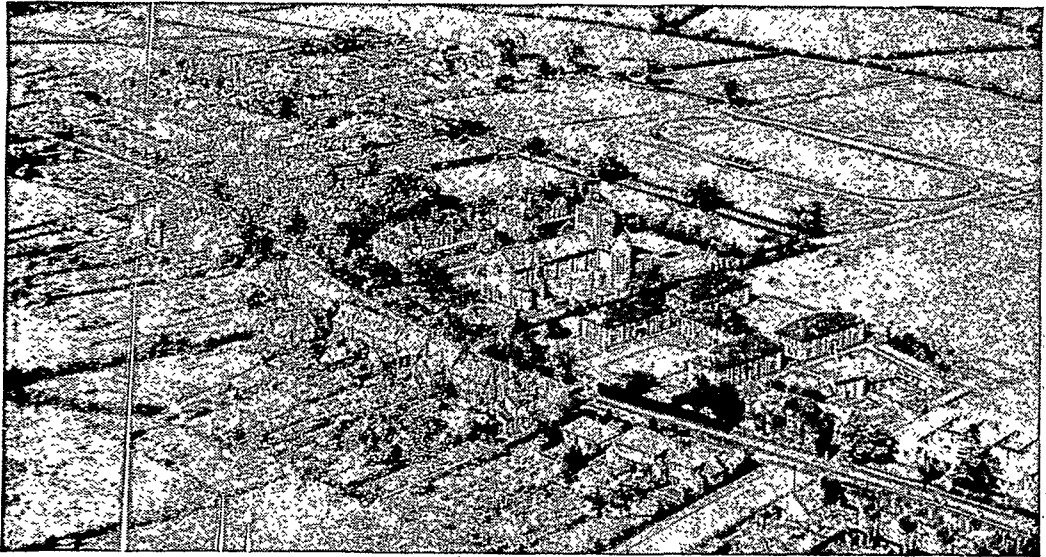
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