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EDITORIAL

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“Turmoil” is the word usually applied to the summer term, and 1959 has proved to be no exception. In addition to the normal clash of sport and examinations there have been further disruptions in the form of building operations, a heatwave, and worst of all, to the Magazine Committee at any rate, a printing strike. However, despite the cessation of the local linotypes, we hope that the “Frestonian” will not arrive too late for its avid readers to enjoy.

The period of undiluted sunshine that we are enjoying naturally warrants inclusion in these pages. In previous years, the amount of rain has been the dominant feature; this year, however, the reverse has occurred, and the Prefects are strolling around like bronzed Apollos amongst lesser mortals.

When boys are not sunbathing on the grass they seem to spend most of their leisure hours gazing at the maze of steel and bricks which is at present arising from the wreckage of the main drive. Although the preliminary excavation and destruction was regarded with unholy glee by the lower forms, it is now evident that the School is not under a clearance order, but is acquiring a new hall and more room-space. Unfortunately, the masters' dream of a car park is as yet unrealised.

To conclude on a more serious note, we would like to welcome Mr. Hamilton to the School, and we hope that his Headmastership will be a long and happy one.

THE STAFF

This term we welcomed Mr. F. A. G. Price, of the London School of Economics, to take charge of the Economics Teaching, and Mr D. Moy, of University College, Dublin, who teaches English and Latin. Mr. Price has already shown himself to be a powerful reinforcement of staff teams; Mr. May has represented his University at Association Football. On 1st July, Mr. A. Jubb joined us, after completing a course at Carnegie College; he is taking over the Physical Education department from Mr. Malpass. We hope that they will all enjoy their stay with us.

We have been grateful for help this term from Mr. J. D. Ford, in Mathematics, and Mr. C. Leach, in History; Mr. Ford is going to Alleyn's School, London, and Mr. Leach to the Malayan Teachers' Training College, near Wolverhampton.

Of the permanent staff members, Mr. J. Malpass is going to Carnegie College of Physical Education, to a post labelled officially as "temporary": but we doubt whether they will part with him easily. An old Frestonian, Mr. Malpass has in his time here enjoyed remarkable success in raising the standards of his department, not only in actual performance, but by improving the equipment, finding ways to circumvent limitations of space both inside and outside, and smartening the turnout. All this has called for efficiency as well as effort, and he has provided both, seasoned with cheerfulness, to our benefit.

Mr. A. P. Cooke goes to the Allerton Grange School, Leeds. He has stood up manfully to the overcrowding in the Woodwork Room for three years and produced good results despite the difficulties; he has also made a very useful contribution to our sports and other activities.

However, the biggest gap will be left by the departure of Mr. H. White to the post of Senior Physics, also at Allerton Grange School. Another old Frestonian, of a family well represented in Normanton, and the outgoing President of the O.F.A., Mr. White has in his time played many parts. Besides his work as Senior Physics Master, for which he has a long string of excellent results to show, he has run the swimming, including life-saving classes, and tennis for boys, staff, and Old Boys. He has also applied physics to our stage productions, to our ancient and temperamental projector, and, until we re-wired, to our unreliable electrical system. Besides all this, he has been House Master of Bennett for the past year.

To all of those leaving us we offer our thanks in return for what they have done, and our sincere good wishes for success and content in their new posts.

SALVETE

IIIC — J. T. Hall.

IIC — J. A. Smith.

VALETE

U. VI Science — P. J. Arscott, E. Binns, P. Crawshaw, M. D. Hill, R. Parkin.

U. VI Arts — C. I. Hunter, R. Ward.

L. VI Science — I. Clark.

VI Modern — D. A. Swallow.

IIIA J. A. Roberts.

IIIB R. Lord.

IIIC R. M. McInnes.

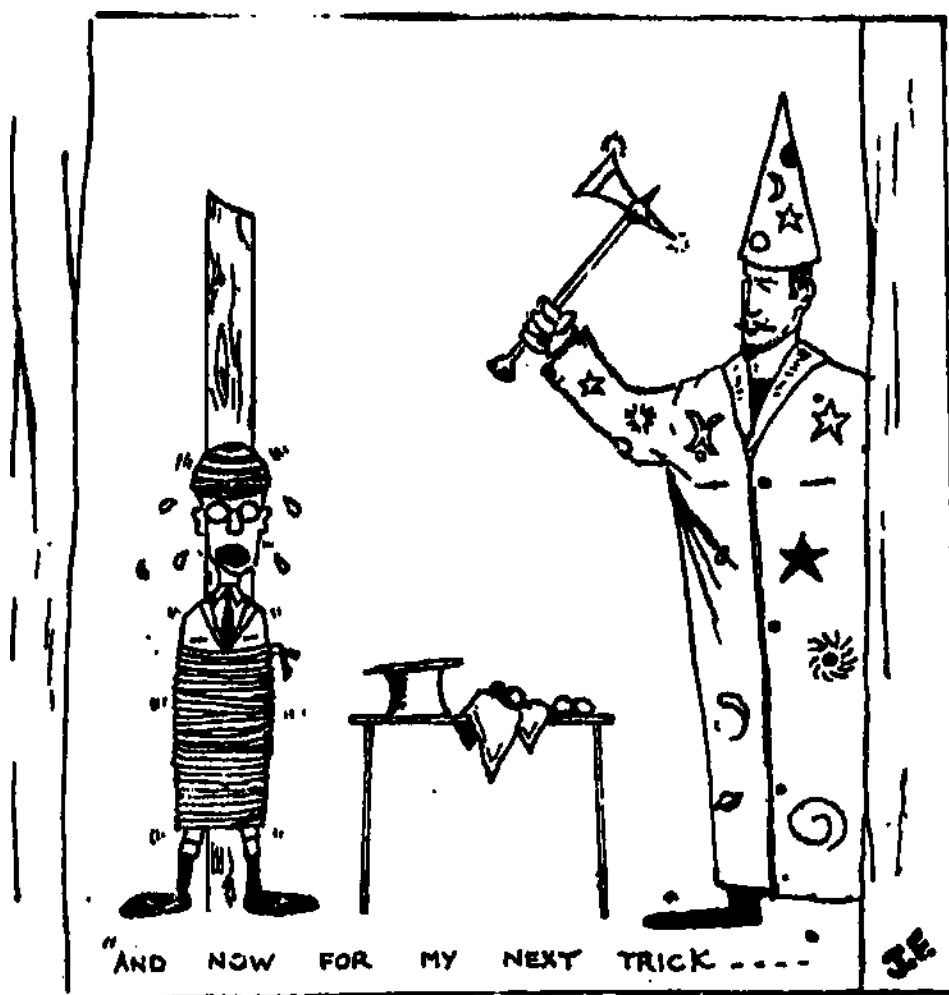
IIB D. Lord.

DE OMNIBUS

New prefects announced at the end of last term were D. K. Benton, D. Cliff, C. R. Guidici and M. Munton. K. Hutchinson is the new Senior Prefect, taking the place of J. Brennan, who left at the beginning of the term. We congratulate them.

On Friday, the 20th of March, a party of VIth formers attended an S.C.M. Conference at Castleford Grammar School. The theme of the conference was "Britain — an un-Christian country?" and the assembly was addressed by the Rev. Canon P. N. Pare, the Wakefield Diocesan Missioner, and the Rev. R. P. Marshall, of Pontefract Central Methodist Church.

The West Riding String Quartet, under the direction of Mr W. Applevard, visited the school on Friday, the 17th of April, and gave a most interesting and entertaining performance. Their programme, which included selections from Haydn, Block, Offenbach and Ravel, lasted for an hour and each artist was given an opportunity to play a solo.



At the invitation of the Parents' Association, the Leeds Magic Circle paid a visit to the school on the 22nd of April, to provide an evening's entertainment for both parents and boys. Presented in the School Hall, the entertainment included card tricks, mind reading and other feats of prestidigitation. Needless to say, the audience left the show baffled by the dexterity and skill of the magicians.

"Shakespeare's use of the soliloquy" was the title of a lecture-recital given by Mr. Roger Trafford in the School Hall on the afternoon of May the 15th. His address, interspersed with short dramatic performances, was both informative and entertaining. Especially diverting were those soliloquies he selected from Shakespeare's comedies.

Lieut.-Commander P. J. Lynn, R.N., came to the school on the afternoon of May the 12th to give a lecture on "Prospects in the Navy." The Lieut.-Commander, being liaison officer at the Royal Naval School Nottingham, was well able to provide a great deal of interesting information and his talk was very well received by the audience.

Throughout this term various unfortunates have been selected to receive the first of their "jabs"—polio vaccination is with us. Pale-faced, trembling and apprehensive, the victims were led into the abattoir, "jabbed" and carried out in a semi-conscious state.

This term, dramatic changes have been seen in the appearance of the school. Where used to lie the gardens outside the gymnasium, there is now a gigantic framework of steel scaffolding covering a hole of surprising dimensions. The numerous labourers, with rich, tea-lubricated voices, serenade the school daily to the gentle accompaniment of steel drills, heavyweight hammers and an off-key concrete mixer. A hole appeared overnight in the stockroom of the chemistry "lab." and the studio, renowned for its warmth in winter, received similar treatment. The lower gate has been permanently closed and a temporary exit has been affected by knocking a hole in the wall. It will be interesting to watch the gradual completion of the new extension and it is hoped that the buildings will be completed by the end of Summer Term 1960.

It has been noted that barbed wire has appeared on the fence at the back of the school. There is much speculation among the inmates whether the wire is to keep them in—or others out! We leave it to our readers to decide the answer for themselves.

Since the end of the advanced G.C.E. examinations many of the Upper Sixth have been engaged in helping to re-classify the library under the guidance of the Senior English Master, Mr. Croft. The library is to be re-classified in accordance with the Dewey Decimal Classification and there has been much work involved for all concerned. This term over three hundred new books have been added to the library.

The Parents' Association held a flannel dance on the evening of Friday, July the 10th. Many members of the Vth and VIth formers attended and the evening proved to be a great success.

The Annual Founder's Day Service was held in Normanton Parish Church on the evening of July 13th. Members of both the High School and the Grammar School attended and the service was conducted by the Rev. C. A. O. Warman, Vicar of Normanton. The address was given by the Rev. Canon R. G. Clarke, Vicar of Pontefract, and a choir from the High School gave a rendering of Psalm CL, "Praise God in His Holiness." The lesson was read by an old boy, J. Bind. Although the service was rather late in starting, owing to a breakdown in the electrical mechanism of the organ, the willing labour of two Grammar School prefects, who prefer to remain anonymous, enabled the service to commence without too much delay.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of magazines from Batley Grammar School and Silcoates School.

On Tuesday, July 21st, the finals of the Reading Competition were held in the School Hall. Competitors were asked to read two pieces; one, a prose unseen, the other, a prepared piece of verse. The adjudicator was Rev. C. A. O. Warman, M.A., Vicar of Normanton. The results were:—

JUNIOR:

- 1st—D. Harrison, IA.
- 2nd—J. Cadman, IIA.
- 3rd—J. R. Law, IIA, and S. D. Webster, IB.

MIDDLE:

- 1st—P. Moore, IIIB.
- 2nd—J. H. Shaw, IVA, and A. S. Oldroyd, IVB.

SENIOR

- 1st—R. Cooper, U.VIA.
 - 2nd—K. W. Parker, L.VIA, and D. Senior, VA.
- The winner in each section will receive a prize on Speech Day.

Cricket Colours awarded for 1959:

First XI—D. Brown and M. Fox.

Second XI—R. R. Carr, S. L. J. Jackson, J. Senior, E. M. Ellis, J. Mitchell, D. M. Ritson and D. A. Swallow.

Under-14—I. Dews, G. S. Dobson, A. Symonds, W. S. Harris, L. Sykes and R. M. McInnes.

SOCIETY JOTTINGS

Photographic Society

The intervention of the examinations in the middle of the term gave the members of the society little time to do what they had intended. Consequently they staged only one practical discussion and the remaining meetings were devoted to the explanation of the elementary principles of photography to our new members.

Unfortunately some boys persisted in slipping away before the beginning of meetings and so ruined many of the Society arrangements.

The Society would welcome any third or fourth form boys who are interested in photography.

Locospotters' Club

Owing to the increasing pressure of the examinations the activities during the Summer Term have been temporarily halted. However, a visit to the Motive Power Depots at Darlington and Thornaby-on-Tees has been arranged for Thursday, 23rd of July. Mr. Robinson will be in charge of a party of twenty-one boys, which will leave Normanton at 8.8 a.m. and return at 7.45 p.m. It is hoped to arrive at Thornaby at 11.30 a.m., and at Darlington Motive Power Depot at 2 p.m.

Stamp Society

With the light evenings stamp-collecting always seems to be less absorbing and there are fewer boys attending meetings. During this term there have been no displays, but a number of meetings enabled stamps to be exchanged or bought.

The displays will be resumed monthly next term, when it is hoped that all stamp collectors will make it their business to attend the meetings which can be very much to their benefit and enjoyment.

Club Francais

The club has held three meetings this term. At the first, on May 5th, after the customary cup of "cafe au lait" the members sang 'L'Alouette,' spurred on by Mr. Young. P. Rhodes then read a La Fontaine fable, and G. P. Smith read two extracts, one about the Hundred Years' War and the other about Joan of Arc. The meeting finished with a word game in French.

At the next "re-union" on June 16th, the meeting began with a lusty rendering of "La Marseillaise." Mr Young then showed various French commemorative stamps to the members.

The final meeting of the term took place on the anniversary of the fall of the Bastille, July 14th. Mr. Murray played a record of the "Four Bearded Ones" who put ridiculous lyrics and new arrangements to classical music, and Mr. Ford gave an enlightening talk upon the French educational system.

Table Tennis Club

Although the club has been functioning regularly for almost three years, there has been little keenness shown by boys other than the three or four original members.

Boys have shown enthusiasm for a few weeks, then have left the club for some other activity.

During the last term, however, there has been a marked interest shown by the sixth form and healthy competition has been raised. Playing during the lunch break on the one table which the School possesses, each boy has had at least one game.

Masters occasionally have a "knock ' and some are worthy opponents showing considerable skill with a table-tennis bat. Names will not be mentioned for I am sure they are all modest men.

Quite a few of the members have played in inter-youth club matches and have done well, but we regret that no school matches have yet been played. Perhaps in the future some will be arranged, for table tennis is becoming a very popular sport.

THE FRESTONIAN SOCIETY

This term, the Society has been more active than before. The number of committee meetings has so far only managed to equal the number of general meetings, which is quite the reverse of previous terms. However, despite the variety offered, there still remains a general air of apathy over the Society. Although there are over fifty financially-clear members on the rolls, the average attendance is usually a score below this figure. This is not through lack of variety. The first meeting was an "Any Questions" panel game on April 29th; the six members of the panel aroused much interest with their comments upon such subjects as capital punishment, fox-hunting, and snobbery, but it is saddening to note that only half a dozen Grammar School members attended.

A record evening was held on May 13th at the Grammar School; this proved to be more encouraging for about forty members were present. The different choices of the panel provoked a great deal of discussion and it appeared that the number of "squares" is steadily decreasing.

An outside visitor, the Rev. W. H. R. Mathews, was the speaker at the third meeting of the term, held in the Grammar School on July 15th. He gave a lecture, illustrated by a short film, on the work of the Mission in East Africa; questions were asked by members of the

audience, and Rev. Mathews concluded by demonstrating the need for teachers in the backward areas.

Scarborough was the venue for the Society's annual trip, which took place on the following day. Despite an unpromising start in pouring rain, the party, numbering forty-two, and including Mr. and Mrs. Lowndes, Miss Temple, and Miss Archer, was not disappointed, for the sun shone brightly most of the time at Scarborough. The group stopped at York for a visit to the Treasurer's House, a 16th century residence containing many old and valuable objects. After the Society had re-embarked upon the bus, the rain eventually ceased and the weather had improved considerably by the time the destination was reached. The party then sub-divided itself; some members went for a swim; several went on "sea cruises"; and an unlucky few went on the beach and lost their shoes. When Scarborough fare, which included egg, chips and oysters, had been sampled, the group left just as the rain began to fall again. However, this did not dampen any spirits, and the Annual Trip wound up with a hilarious journey home.

Still, the next school year promises to be much better for the Society. At the A.G.M., held at the High School on 23rd July, over seventy members, present and future, attended, and a thorough renovation looks like taking place. We trust, therefore, that the Society will take on a new lease of life and exercise itself as it promises in the charter.

A DAY AT THE ZOO

After I crossed the bustling centre of London for nearly three-quarters of an hour, the large, spacious green expanses of Regents Park hove into view. I passed fountains sending tiny droplets of water high above, and immobile statues situated at every turn, to the clamour of the Zoo, with its myriad forms of life, ranging from large cantankerous humans to almost invisible insects.

Having paid the admission fee, I was first attracted by a row of striking birds, who hissed and shrieked as inquisitive faces peered intently at them through the protecting wire mesh.

From birds, with their cold, calculating stares, I passed to the wierd occupants of the Reptile House. The largest reptile on show was an immense estuarine crocodile from India; this great saurian was sharing his pool with three

smaller alligators and a cayman from the torrid banks of the Amazon. Lizards abounded in great variety, and as they looked through the glass with unmoving basilisk eyes, I somehow became embarrassed with their impersonal stare. From the heat of the Reptile House I walked into the cool morning air, across to an inviting London Corporation seat, only to find that it had been freshly painted!

I sat down on the foot-worn grass verge and ate my lunch wondering what my programme would be for the afternoon. Making up my mind, I headed for the small Mammal House and opened the door. Immediately I retreated to the "fresh" air of London. The stench of these small creatures was so putrid that it must have taken me quite five minutes to recover my courage and go in. Once inside, however, I forgot the smell and marvelled at the wonderful variety of these small animals, so different from the aloof birds and the "removed" gaze of the reptiles. They were "alive" and scampered about, playing, fighting and arguing amongst themselves. Ponderous porcupines, dainty marmosets—no larger than rats, but oh, so different, hedgehogs and other rodents of innumerable varieties, as well as small members of the cat and dog families, waited patiently at the netting for buns and other morsels to be thrown to them by their keeper.

Leaving these, I stepped into the warmth again, as the doors of the Snake House closed behind me. Here lay some of the most beautiful yet fearsome snakes; sinuously their shining coils wound round rocks and branches in their glass cages. Their sibilant hisses could not penetrate through the half-inch glass, but even so, fear crept over me; inherent fear of snakes, sending cold shivers down my spine.

Having left the Snake House, I visited the Big Cat House. The rank, musty odour of these fearsome felines and their low snarling and growling made me more than a little apprehensive upon entering the glass doors. A huge black-maned lion attracted my attention. Moving over, I was surprised to hear him purring throatily to the large lioness sharing the cage with him. Leaving this amorous couple, I inspected the long row of leopards, tigers, pumas, and other beautiful members of the same family. So, with a last look at a magnificent cheetah, lounging elegantly in his spotted coat, I left the Big Cat House.

After passing open-air buildings containing such varied life as baboons, bears, elephants and hogs, I came to the Fish House.

This imposing building at once attracted my attention, so, being a fairly keen fisherman myself, I walked inside. The large tanks house many different kinds, ranging from brightly coloured jewels from tropics seas, to molluscs such as octopus and squid. After wandering about the labrynth of rooms and corridors for some considerable time, my empty stomach finally convinced me that it was teatime, so, crossing the Mappin Terraces and bear pits, and passing the flamingo pond, I came to the exit.

After wearily bidding farewell to the dumb inmates of this gigantic showground-cum-prison, I boarded the wrong bus, eventually finding my “digs” at eight o’clock.

D. R. Warburton.

MY HAPPINESS

Some people like opera and some like to bop,
But my passion’s something that I wouldn’t swop.
You may think I’m barmy or bit off my rocker
But the game that I love is sometimes called soccer.

I go on the terrace and I go when I can;
I’d follow them anywhere—even Japan.
And if ever they manage to be “Up fer t’ Cup,”
I’ll buy them all caviare with champagne to sup.

I always go early, I’ve done it for years,
I like to be ready with catcalls and jeers,
And I shout at the ref. when he’s not suiting me,
“Swallow thi whistle and spit out the pea.”

I go when it’s raining, I go when it’s fine,
I sometimes go hungry to save one and nine;
But when our inside man whips one in the net,
I think it’s all worth it and have no regret.

When life forsakes me, and I go up above,
St. Peter will say to me, “Hey there, don’t shove.
Put all thi programmes and things in thi locker,
And pick up thi harp: tha’s no time for soccer.”

S. Hutchinson.

“BREAK”

If anyone is standing on the “Middle School” corridor at ten-forty in the morning, that person had better be on his toes when he hears the vibrating rasp of a bell. This signifies the beginning of the mid-morning break, and the sight, to any new observer, would be something like the tube train stations during the London rush hour. Everyone seems to be rushing here, there, and everywhere, all trying to go in opposite directions at once. If you wish to observe this spectacle you need to be attired in suitable dress for the occasion, a suit of steel armour. Even this would be dented.

I have not only seen this pandemonium but, indeed, I have competed in it. The corridor is just one large mass of tall, short, thin and plump males, all bustling and milling around; and, caught in the middle of this ant-hill, doing their utmost to reach the security of the staff-room, are the masters.

Prefects dare not interfere, because they are too busy struggling for their own lives. To make things more difficult, there are four steps just above the crucial spot of the “jam,” and when any person trips on the bottom step, my goodness! Disaster!

Frequently there arises an anguished cry of “Ow, my foot!” or “I say Fred, do you mind moving your big feet from the back of my neck!” Many of the “vivid” words and “figurative expressions” exchanged in this brawl were not taught to the English master at University.

There is a break for a few minutes, when by comparison the corridor is clear. Then the stampede starts again; it is time for the next lesson. It is not quite so frenzied this time, as boys are not quite so eager to go to a lesson as to retreat from it. Nevertheless, it must be done so—“Heads down, cha-a-arge!”

Eleven o’clock approaches; the tension mounts; the volume rises, the speed increases, and at last, after what seems an eternity of madness, the bell rings once . . . twice . . . three times. It is the end of Break. In a few minutes everything is back to normal, and these quiet, well-beloved little boys are concentrating.

Studying lessons? Not likely! They are working out a plan of campaign for the Dinner Break!

A. S. Oldroyd.

THE MASTER-MIND

Summer Term, with its examinations, is here at last: time for relaxing, watching television, listening to test matches on the wireless, basking in the sun, and going for long walks on the light nights. There is so little work to do.

On the first morning, I arrive at school feeling confident and relaxed, having been to 'the cinema on the previous evening. The majority of boys are arriving with satchels crammed with books and minds with facts.

After morning assembly I stroll casually down to the examination room. Most of the boys are in a hurried fluster, racking their brains to remember laws and theorems which have suddenly strayed out of mind, while their stomachs are pestered by butterflies. The boys lower down in the form send visual messages to their friends across the room and try to laugh nonchalantly; the more intelligent boys are much more worried.

Someone is appointed to give out the papers and after reading through the questions, I discover, as I exptfted, that I am able to answer all of them. Knowing I have plenty of time, I gaze around smiling to myself, unlike most of the boys who have also read through the paper and stare at each other with sympathising "phews." The examination has begun; boys are looking downwards in thought; upwards in desperation; or peeping sideways for collaboration.

I, however, can relax, thinking of the days when I had to do those horrible examinations. Thank goodness I am now a master!

K. M. Berridge.

REPORT OF THE MATCH PLAYED BETWEEN N.G.S. 12th XI AND NARKOVER

Contrary to general expectation and the vice-captain's horoscope School won the toss, and after careful deliberation, which held up play for twenty-five minutes, decided to bat.

School were greatly strengthened by the absence of their regular opening batsmen, and the new opening pair

faced up to the bowling well, until, with the score at three, one of them snicked the ball which was caught by the stumper. The batsman was given out l.b.w. and returned to the pavilion. After this opening stand, the highest of the season, School strove hard to keep the initiative, and adopted a defensive policy which ensured that the batsmen stayed at the wicket until they were out. However, wickets fell steadily, owing to some lucky catches, a few l.b.w. decisions which were doubtful, to say the least, and one case of handled ball, where the umpire mistook the batsman for the groundsman. Only one player showed any aggression, and as he hit his own wicket first ball, the score did not mount very rapidly. The last man was caught by the square-leg umpire when the School total had reached twenty-one, thanks to our scorer who did his usual competent and efficient piece of manipulation. Apart from the scorer, School's best knock came from our most consistent batsman, Extras, who accounted for fifteen of the runs.

Although their score seemed sufficient to beat their opponents, School decided to employ shock tactics, and, therefore, took the field with only twelve men. The bowling was opened by a newcomer to the team, an ambidextrous, double-jointed top-spinner. His first full toss struck the batsman between the eyes, and he was carried from the field, having been given out "stumped." With the opening partnership and the Narkover batsman's skull both broken, School experienced no difficulty in turning the innings into a procession. They were aided in their task by the fact that one umpire was asleep on his shooting-stick, and the vision of the other was obscured by a thick cloud of smoke from the ancient pipe which was almost choking him. With the help of several no-balls and one or two good hard throws, the School's fast bowler quickly dismissed, or rendered insensible, the rest of the side. The last wicket fell with the score at eight, the batsman hitting the ball over the fence, and being caught by a passing sales representative.

School can be satisfied with this victory (as if they would be content with anything else!). Both batting and bowling were of a high and dangerous quality, and the fielding in a school match is always very good (except when N.G.S. are fielding). School are getting nearer to the standard of play expected at Twickenham with each match, and the football season can be looked forward to with dismay by opposing teams.

Result: School 21; Narkover 8.

School won by a lucky thirteen runs.

A.F.C.

Captain: M. Frost

Vice-Captain: C. Tucker

Secretary: D. K. Watts

With the 1958-59 season completed, the School Soccer Club can look back with satisfaction on a most successful year. During the course of the season it has been able to field six teams, varying in age from the First Eleven down to the Under-Twelves, and out of a total of fifty-two matches only nine have been lost.

Since the printing of the last magazine the First and Second Elevens have finished the season on a good note, and as most of the boys will be remaining at school, things look extremely promising for next season.

The First team, after having a comfortable win over Leeds Modern School, were a little wary about their next match against the Staff. There had been much speculation about the result of this game, for even though School ran out easy winners last year, the Staff were fielding a much younger eleven this year, and were expected to improve on previous performances. However, it was the First Eleven who dominated play in the first half, and only desperate tackles by the Staff defence, particularly Mr. Beddows, kept out School's forwards. It was not surprising when School went into the lead midway through the first half when Strutt scored with a low shot from the edge of the penalty area.

In the second half Mr. Smith, the Staff's newly-signed goalkeeper, whose ability had hardly been tested in the first half, played exceptionally well to keep the eager School forwards out. It was inevitable that School should increase their lead, however, and the second goal came when Frost scored with a rising drive from a Barnes pass.

This goal gave the boys their second successive victory over the masters, but it is hoped that in the future the Staff will pay much more attention to vigorous training, with a view to regaining the supremacy they enjoyed three or four years ago.

In their remaining two games, the First eleven, playing attractive football, avenged their earlier 8-3 defeat by the Yorks, and Lancaster Regiment, by winning an exciting game by 4-2, and then gave a very creditable performance in sharing four goals with the Old Frestonians.

The leading goal scorer for the 1st XI was appropriately Frost, who netted twenty-six goals and who has proved

himself to be a worthy captain in every respect, both on and off the field.

The Second Eleven, in beating Leeds Modern School 3-1 finished the season with an unbeaten record against Yorkshire grammar schools. This is a remarkable feat when it is remembered that this side is chosen only after the first team has been picked. Munton has led the team admirably and it was a fitting reward when he scored the last goal against Leeds Modern School.

The Junior sides — Under fifteens, fourteens, thirteens and twelves — have all met with success during the past season, as can be seen by their results — only three out of seventeen games lost, and with many good players progressing through the various teams they promise well for the future.

On Saturday, 21st March, the first and under-fifteen teams represented the school in the seven-a-side competition at Cockburn. The rules of the competition award four points for a goal and one point for a corner. However, neither side progressed far, the first team being knocked out in the first round, and the under-fifteens being beaten in the second round after an exciting struggle with St. Mary's College, Middlesbrough, who have accepted fixtures for next season.

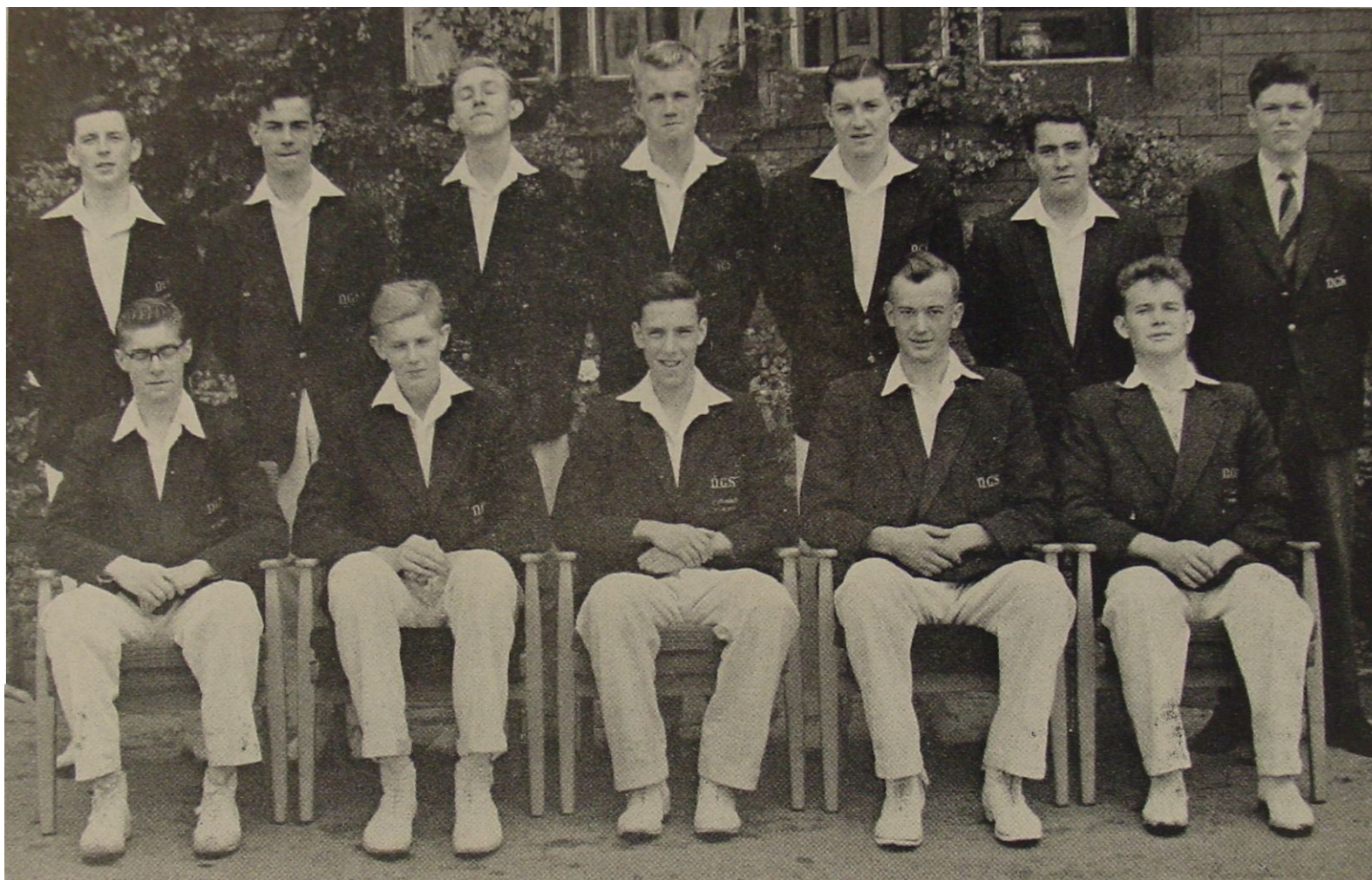
The first team went into the first round with confidence, having been drawn against two teams whom they had beaten easily earlier in the season. However, after being forced to a goalless draw by Leeds Modern School they went down 5-2 against Huddersfield New College.

The Juniors met with better success in their first-round game with Elland. It was evident from the start that School were the better footballing side, and it was only the Elland players' enthusiasm that kept the teams on level terms at half-time. In the second half after a number of missed chances T. Shaw snapped up a quick Watson throw-in to make the final score 8-4 in School's favour. As the other team in School's group, Temple Moor, failed to turn up, School automatically went into the second round.

The second round game proved to be a marathon, with School losing by the odd point. At full time, although the Juniors' opponents, St. Mary's College, had proved to be the better side, the juniors had done well to hold them to a draw. Extra time followed much the same pattern, defences on top and neither side being able to force a point. When extra time had been played, the two teams had still failed to score, and so it was decided to play until one of the teams scored a point. After ten minutes St. Mary's forced



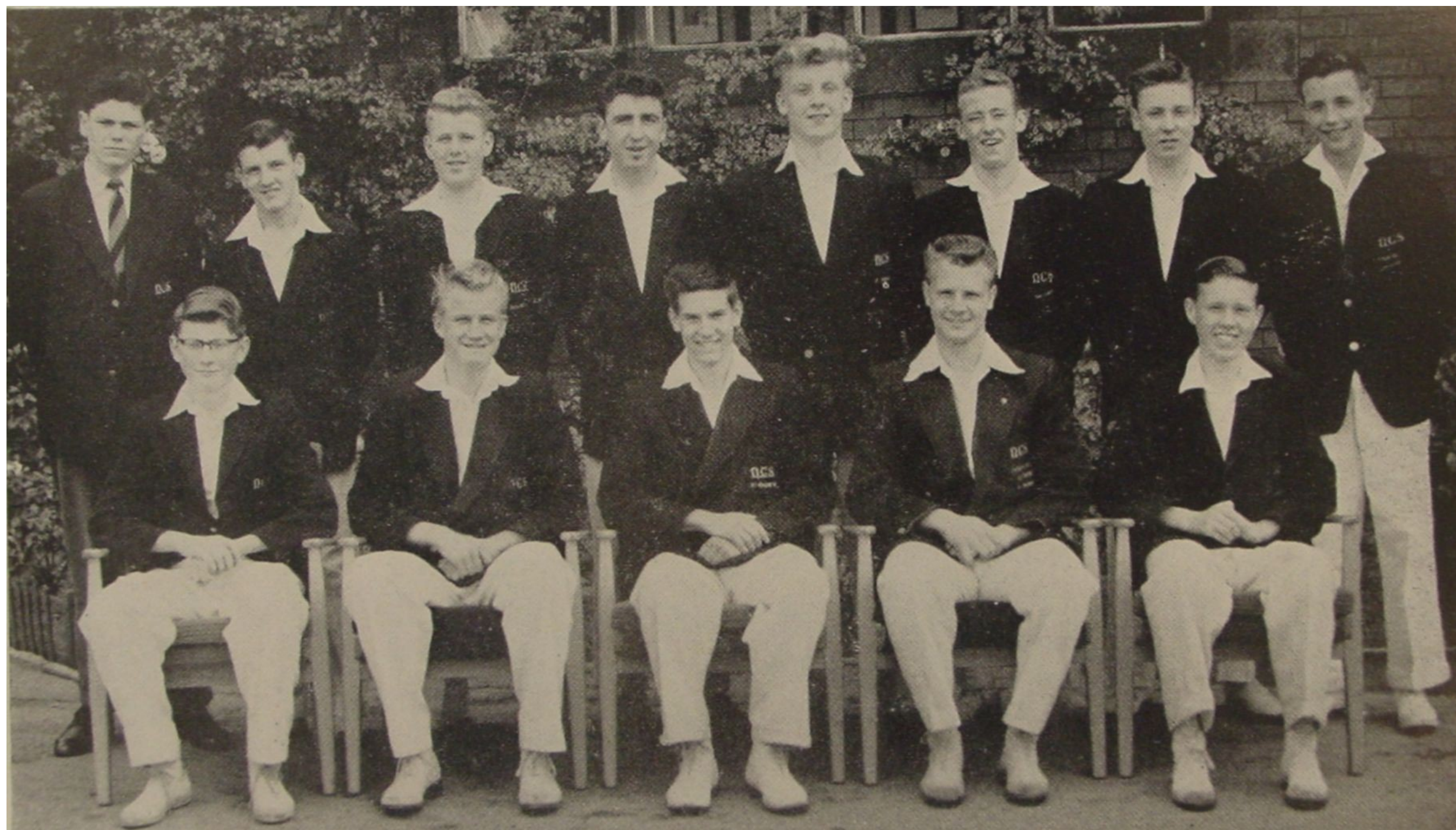
E. M. Ellis winning the Senior javelin event.



1st XI

Front row: P. Rhodes, M. Fox, C. Rummings (captain), D. S. Atkinson, K. Barnes.

Back row: D. Brown, S. L. J. Jackson, R. R. Carr, K. Wilson, J. Senior, J. F. Sabey, D. Hoyle (scorer).



2nd XI

Front row: R. C. Gayton, K. Wilson, M. Munt on (captain), E. M. Ellis, M. Marsh.

Back row: D. Hoyle (scorer), J. E. Ritson, J. Mitchell, B. Williams, P. Williams, R. A. Hadley, D. Lumb, W. R. Watson.



Senior 220 yards. Winner E.M. Ellis (right).

the corner they always looked like getting, thus allowing them to enter into the third round. The games against St. Mary's College next season should prove very attractive.

School have thus completed a successful season and it must be remembered that much of this was due to the interest shown by Mr. Malpass and Mr. Foster, who have spent many hours after school helping to train the teams.

D. K. Watts.

INTER-HOUSE SOCCER

JUNIORS

FIRST ROUND:

Freeston 2 v. Frobisher 1
Hanson 4 v. Bennett 0

SECOND ROUND:

Hanson 2 v. Freeston 1
Frobisher 2 v. Bennett 2

1st Hanson (3 points); 2nd Freeston (2 points); 3rd Frobisher/Bennett (½ point each).

INTERMEDIATES

FIRST ROUND:

Freeston 5 v. Hanson 2
Frobisher 3 v. Bennett 1

SECOND ROUND:

Freeston 6 v. Frobisher 1
Bennett 6 v. Hanson 2

1st Freeston (3 points); 2nd Frobisher (2 points); 3rd Bennett (1 point); 4th Hanson.

SENIORS

FIRST ROUND:

Frobisher 5 v. Bennett 0
Hanson 3 v. Freeston 0

SECOND ROUND:

Freeston 1 v. Bennett 0
Frobisher 5 v. Hanson 1

1st Frobisher (3 points); 2nd Hanson (2 points); 3rd Freeston (1 point); 4th Bennett.

FINAL POSITIONS

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| 1. Freeston | 6 |
| 2. Frobisher | 5½ |
| 3. Hanson | 5 |
| 4. Bennett | 1½ |

R.U.F.C.

SCHOOL v. THE OLD BOYS

For their annual match with the School, the Old Boys fielded a strong and experienced side. It was obvious from the start that their forwards would dominate the scrummages and line-outs. However, School's backs were

faster, and as they handled the ball better than their opponents, quickly took the lead. The score at the interval was 8 points to 3 points, thanks to a penalty goal and a conversion by J. F. Sabey and a try by R. Hunter.

In the second half, School rapidly built their lead up to 17-3, through tries by D. M. Trigg and R. Hunter, and a further conversion by Sabey. Surprisingly, however, School quickly tired, and the Old Boys fought back with vigour, indeed looking as though they would overwhelm their opponents. Still, School managed to hold out and finally won by 17 points to 14 points.

SCHOOL CRICKET

It has certainly been a wonderful Summer for cricket and we have made the most of it. The "square" itself has received a real battering, but thanks to the hard work of the groundsmen enough pitches have been found to accommodate a large number of fixtures.

It cannot be said that the First XI has had a very successful season; nevertheless, three players, Rummings, the captain, Atkinson and Rhodes have proved themselves to be batsmen of good quality and there are many promising young players. By the way, Rhodes has been invited to play at Harrogate during the "Public Schoolboys' Cricket Week."

Enthusiasm for the game continues to grow and it is very encouraging to know that we can turn out five representative teams. Indeed it would seem impossible to dampen the spirits of one young eleven, popularly known as the "fanatics"; they are prepared to play in a thunderstorm. So long as this spirit prevails our cricket will always be satisfactory.

CRICKET

FIRST XI, 1959

9th May, 1959 At home to Hemsworth G.S.

School began the season with a home fixture and registered a convincing win against the Hemsworth side. School lost the toss and took the field to bowl at the Hemsworth side on a very easy paced wicket. Owing to the late withdrawal of Nicholson, Carr took his place in the first eleven and it was a debut which he will not forget in a hurry. Bowling with sustained accuracy, he quickly had the Hemsworth side in trouble and finished with the splendid analysis of seven wickets for seven runs. The other School bowlers were not as successful and Hemsworth managed to reach a score of 62.

School's innings began disastrously and due to some fine pace bowling by the Hemsworth opening bowlers School had three wickets down for eight runs. Fox retrieved the position and scored 24 runs and School finally passed the Hemsworth total for the loss of five wickets.

30th May, 1959 At home to Castleford G.S.

The fixture against Castleford has always been one of the hardest of our fixtures and this occasion proved to be no exception. School batted first and reached a score of 113 with the last four wickets falling at this score.

Castleford soon showed that 113 was not a large total, one of their opening batsmen, Roberts, scoring a very fine 62 not out and School's total was passed for the loss of only three wickets. In this match, the Castleford batsmen showed the limitations of School's bowlers, a fact which was to become more apparent as the season progressed.

6th June, 1959 At home to Woodhouse Grove School.

School batted first on a wicket which was extremely lively after the overnight rain. However, the early batsmen pushed the score along steadily and reached 61 for the loss of only one wicket. At this total, School were unlucky in losing their captain, Rummings, who was forced to retire with a badly bruised wrist and from then on, despite stubborn resistance from Rhodes, Binns and Barnes, who made 25, 17 and 21 respectively, the innings slowly degenerated and School were all out for 84.

The Woodhouse Grove batsmen seemed untroubled by the lively wicket, showing all too clearly School's lack of a really outstanding opening bowler, and the total was passed for the loss of four wickets.

13th June, 1959 At home to King's School, Pontefract.

This game proved to be a continuation of the defeats of School and the narrowness of the result showed the inability of the tail-end batsmen to make runs.

Pontefract won the toss and decided to bat. After some early shocks, Pontefract, largely due to a fourth wicket stand, took their score to 71 for five wickets. At this stage of the game, School's bowlers began to gain the upper hand and Jackson, four for 22, and Rhodes, three for 20, routed the remaining batsmen and Pontefract were all out for 88.

School opened their innings well, Atkinson and Sabey taking the score to 54 for three, when Atkinson was out for 30 runs. The game seemed to be in School's grasp but the remaining batsmen, with the exception of Brown, failed to take advantage of the position and School were all out for 81 runs, seven runs behind the Pontefract total.

20th June, 1959 Away to Percy Jackson G.S.

Conditions were ideal for this match and School went into bat first. Atkinson was in fine form and scored 48. Another encouraging feature of this innings was the form of Senior, playing in his first 1st XI match and, although his score of 16 was not very large, it promised well for the future. The last school wicket fell at 104.

School began well in the field claiming two wickets for only nine runs. The score mounted steadily, however, and the score reached 102 for eight wickets with the excitement at fever heat. Carr fielding at square leg then ran out the Percy Jackson number ten batsman

when a misunderstanding occurred between the two batsmen. Percy Jackson thus needed two runs with one wicket left and after a sequence of maiden overs, Nicholson took a very good catch at short fine leg off the bowling of Carr to win the match for the School by two runs.

In this match, School's catching was the worst of the season and if the chances offered had been taken, School would have won by a very convincing margin.

27th June, 1959 At home to St. Michael's College.

Previously the weather had been most favourable to School's fixtures and every match had been played until a decision had been reached or time had run out. On this occasion, however, the weather was not so kind and the match had to be abandoned before a result was obtained. School batted first and scored 67 runs for nine wickets, with one of, School's batsmen retiring hurt.

The St. Michael's innings was curtailed owing to rain, but at the close of play they had taken their score to nine runs for two wickets.

1st July, 1959 Away to Rishworth School.

One hour of this game was lost due to the late arrival of the special bus at School, an hour which would, possibly, have given School victory.

Atkinson, acting as captain in the absence of Rummings, won the toss and opened the batting with Rhodes. These two, for the second time this season, shared an opening partnership of 70, before Atkinson was out, after scoring 41 runs. Fox joined Rhodes and the hundred was reached without the loss of another wicket. The second wicket fell at 109, when Fox was out for seventeen runs. Rhodes, playing a careful, splendid innings, completed his second fifty of the season and his partner, Barnes, brought School's score to 136 for five. Atkinson then declared, giving Rishworth two hours in which to reach the score necessary for victory.

However, some fast and accurate bowling by Barnes kept the opening batsmen at bay and he deserved his three wickets for 21 runs. The score crawled to eleven runs for three and from here on, Rishworth resigned themselves to trying to save the match. Atkinson, with some magnificent spin bowling took a further four wickets for only 16 runs. School, however, were thwarted by some stubborn resistance from one of the Rishworth batsmen, Haigh, who scored 42 before being dismissed and the match ended in a draw, the Rishworth score standing at 65 for eight wickets.

4th July, 1959 Away to Silcoates School.

This game was undoubtedly one of the most tense and thrilling ever played by School. The four-and-half hours of play realised 336 runs and, with the very last balls of the match, Silcoates passed School's total. It was a game which, even in its closing stages, could have given victory to either side and School have no need to be disgruntled at losing such a game.

School won the toss and decided to bat on a docile wicket which gave very little help to the bowlers. The first wicket stand realised 71 runs before Atkinson was out for 22. Binns joined Rhodes, who almost immediately brought his score up to 50. After Rhodes' dismissal for 56, Binns, Fox and later Barnes with scores of 12, 20 and 24, respectively, took the score to 167 for 8. At this point Atkinson declared.

Silcoates were left two hours to score the 168 runs needed for victory and, encouraged by an excited crowd, they set about their task

rigorously. Helped a great deal by a 50 from their opening batsman, Silcoates passed School's total with three minutes to spare.

15th July, 1959 At home to Scarborough College.

School batted first on an easy wicket. Rhodes and Atkinson started well, but, just before lunch, Atkinson pulled a leg muscle and had to come off. Rhodes was soon out after scoring 20 runs and in the next over Rummings was bowled for a duck. School went to lunch with the score at 66 for two wickets. Sabey and Atkinson continued the good scoring rate when Atkinson was caught and bowled for 42. Fox, the next batsman was uncertain in his first overs, but gradually began to master the bowling and when School declared at 146 runs for nine, Fox was undefeated for 35.

Scarborough now had two-and-a-quarter hours in which to pass School's total but they had no intention of going for the runs at all. School's opening bowlers, Barnes and Carr, maintained a hostile attack, but after an hour Rummings switched his attack to his spinners. Atkinson and Jackson. After three overs, Jackson went on at the "top end" and had immediate success, dismissing two batsmen in one over. At the close of play Scarborough were holding their own against the bowling of Rhodes and Barnes.

18th July, 1959 Away to Holme Valley G.S.

School opened and made a reasonable total of 122 runs. Rummings scored a "whirlwind" 25 runs which included six fours. Sabey batted well for a good 26 runs and Brown and Williams added 26 runs for the last wicket.

From the beginning Holme Valley wickets began to fall with startling rapidity and their batsmen made a great effort to play the time out. However, Barnes bowled the last man with the first ball of the last over of the match.

School 1st XI v. The Staff, played at Dalefield on Tuesday, July 21st, 1959.

School won the toss and elected to field. When the first wicket fell at 22, Atkinson had scored 20. Fox joined Atkinson and the Staff made a bowling change, Mr. White being brought on. In his first over he had Atkinson well caught by Mr. Speakman in the slips. School's batting then collapsed and after scoring 22 runs for no wicket, School were now 27 for three. Senior then joined Fox and runs began to come more easily. After lunch the Staff opened the bowling with Mr. Hallas and Mr. Price but Senior and Fox managed to hold off the two masters' vigorous attacks. When Mr. Jubb was brought on to bowl he immediately had Fox l.b.w. with his score at 26. School's later batsmen put on 45 runs and batted well, especially Barnes and Brown; Barnes hit a ball from Mr. White for a six. School finally declared at 125 for 8 wickets.

Mr. Malpass and Mr. Jubb opened the Staff's innings but the Staff were two for one wicket when Ellis, in his second over, had Mr. Jubb caught behind the wicket. Mr. Beddows joined Mr. Malpass and the score increased slowly until Mr. Malpass, who was batting well at this time, was bowled by Barnes. Ellis, E. M., then struck another blow when he had Mr. Beddows caught by Rhodes for 9. Mr. Hallas joined Mr. Price and batted well, especially when he hit Rhodes for a towering six over long on, but he was out the last ball before tea. After tea. Staff wickets fell steadily although Mr. Price and Mr. Hamley hit out very well, Mr. Hamley hitting three fours in one over. Staff's last wicket fell with their total at 77.

SECOND ELEVEN, 1959

This season has been one of the most successful of recent years. After meeting defeat at the hands of Hemsworth in the opening match of the season, the side improved considerably, with the result that, with one match remaining unplayed—a stiff fixture against Q.E.G.S.—the Second XI has since been undefeated. On the whole the side has done well with both bat and ball, although the early batting has tended to be rather brittle. The fielding, however, particularly the slip-fielding, has not been of a high standard. E. M. Ellis and K. Wilson have borne the brunt of the bowling and have, by their fitness, enabled School to mount a sustained pace attack. R. A. Hadley's 64 at Doncaster was the highest score by a Second XI player for many seasons.

In the first match of the season, at Hemsworth, School did not perform at all well. An unaccountable collapse saw School dismissed for only 53, a total that was easily passed for the loss of four wickets. The total before the bowlers was small, true, but the performance of both batsmen and bowlers was far from impressive.

At Castleford it appeared as though this state of affairs was going to continue, as, with four early batsmen gone, the score stood at a meagre 21. A fine innings of 32 by M. Munton, however, and a useful knock of 29 by opener J. Mitchell steadied the side and a solid total of 128 was reached. K. Wilson took eight of the Castleford wickets in helping School to a good victory.

Woodhouse Grove provided School with sterner opposition. Of the early batsmen, only R. A. Hadley (19) reached double figures, and it was left to the last two wickets to add twenty invaluable runs, and bring School's total to 54. K. Wilson and E. M. Ellis, heroes with both bat and ball, bowled with great accuracy, speed and fire and the opposition was bundled out for 39.

After this hard game, the fixture against King's School, Pontefract, proved an anti-climax. After his hard work of the preceding weeks, E. M. Ellis gained some reward when he obtained five very cheap wickets. With the close boundary, J. Senior found it not difficult to score 30 runs in quick style, and the Pontefract total of 48 was soon reached, to give School a seven-wicket victory.

The match against St. Michael's College, Leeds, however, proved to be no easy encounter. The Leeds side was dismissed for 62, but School soon found themselves in difficulties, and it was not until number ten batsman, S. L. Jackson, with last man K. Wilson as his partner, cracked

the four that clinched the game that the side could breathe a sigh of relief. The one-wicket victory was, however, on the whole a fair result.

With this run of successes behind them, the Second XI took on Doncaster Technical High School's First XI without the trepidation that might have been expected. Fortunately, batting first in the blistering heat, School caned the toiling Doncaster attack. R. A. Hadley hit a fine 64 and with M. Marsh (39 not out) added 85 for the sixth wicket. Confidently chasing the big total they had been set, the Doncaster side merrily—and dangerously—pushed the score along. When the opposing captain was caught off a skier, however, for a chanceless 57, all opposition collapsed, and School were left with an excellent 36 runs victory.

1st XI Results

School 65 for 5 (M. Fox 24, P. Rhodes 15).
Hemsworth Grammar School 62 (R. Carr 7 for 7, S. Jackson 2 for 23).
School 113 (C. Rummings 33, M. Fox 19, P. Rhodes 16, J. F. Sabey 12).
Castleford Grammar School 115 for 3.
School 84 (P. Rhodes 25, K. Barnes 21, E. Binns 17).
Woodhouse Grove School 86 for 4.
School 81 (D. S. Atkinson 30).
King's School, Pontefract, 88 (S. Jackson 4 for 22, P. Rhodes 3 for 20).
Percy Jackson Grammar School 102 (R. Carr 4 for 24).
School 104 (D. S. Atkinson 48).
School 67 (C. Rummings 13 retired hurt).
St. Michael's College 9 for 2 (R. Carr 2 for 3). Match abandoned.
Silcoates School 169 for 5.
School 167 for 8, dec. (P. Rhodes 56, K. Barnes 24, D. S. Atkinson 22, M. Fox 20).
Rishworth School 71 for 8 (D. S. Atkinson 4 for 16, K. Barnes 3 for 21).
School 136 for 5, dec. (P. Rhodes 54, D. S. Atkinson 41).
Holme Valley Grammar School 85 (R. Carr 4 for 30, K. Barnes 3 for 24).
School 125 (J. F. Sabey 26, C. Rummings 25, D. Brown 20, P. Williams 8 not out).
School 146 for 9, dec. (D. S. Atkinson 42, P. Rhodes 20, M. Fox 35).
Scarborough College 99 for 6 (R. Carr 2 for 15, S. Jackson 2 for 15).

2nd XI Results

Hemsworth Grammar School 54 for 4 (P. Williams 2 for 26).
School 53 (R. A. Hadley 19, D. Brown 11).
Castleford Grammar School 85 (K. Wilson 8 for 31, P. Williams 1 for 19).
School 128 (M. Munton 32, J. Mitchell 29, D. Swallow 22, E. M. Ellis 11).
Woodhouse Grove School 39 (K. Wilson 4 for 15, E. M. Ellis 3 for 8, W. H. Watson 3 for 12).
School 54 (R. A. Hadley 19).
King's School, Pontefract, 48 (E. M. Ellis 5 for 14, M. Marsh 2 for 6, P. Williams 2 for 22).
School 49 for 3 (J. Senior 30 not out).
St. Michael's College 62 (K. Wilson 4 for 10, M. Marsh 4 for 17, M. Munton 2 for 13).
School 63 for 9 (M. Munton 14).
Doncaster Technical High School 106 (A. Nicholson 6 for 28).

School 142 for 6. dec. (R. A. Hadley 64, M. Marsh 37 not out, A. Nicholson 14 not out).
School 54 (M. Munton 11, J. E. Ritson, E. M. Ellis 10).
Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield, 129 for 8, dec. (K. Wilson 7 for 44).

JUNIOR CRICKET

Junior elevens this season have had twenty matches and won thirteen of them, with one game being drawn. These figures point to a highly satisfactory season but do not reveal the talent, enthusiasm and willingness to learn which exist among the cricketers of the lower school and which augur so well for the future. Neither do they indicate the keenness of players on the fringe of teams: many boys have practised regularly and shown promise but have been unable to command regular places in school sides.

It is difficult to comment on individual teams because the age-groups vary (there are two under-fifteen and two under-fourteen elevens). The "senior" Under-15 (on 1 September, 1958) team has had five games and won all except one, which was a high-scoring, drawn game at Rishworth. The side has fielded keenly and several players, including the captain, R. A. Hadley, M. Marsh, J. Mitchell, W. R. Watson (all of whom have played for the School 2nd XI), P. Davies and D. M. Ritson have made good runs. W. R. Watson has bowled his off-spinners cleverly and J. S. Warner has had some good analyses but the rest of the bowling, although on occasions hostile, has too often been inaccurate.

The "senior" Under-14 (on 1 September, 1958) eleven has also had a good season, losing the first match very narrowly to a strong Leeds G.S. side but winning the remaining four games easily, including a convincing victory over a hitherto undefeated Scarborough College. The side has been very ably led by I. Dews, and has always fielded well and at times magnificently. L. Sykes has developed into a reliable opening batsman, A. Symonds has batted attractively and also kept wicket well, while A. Close, W. S. Harris, G. S. Dobson and I. Dews have played some sound innings. It is as a bowling side that the Under-14 XI has been especially powerful, however. G. S. Dobson in particular has had a fine season, bowling fast, accurately and intelligently and in ten games has taken thirty-eight wickets at four runs apiece. He has had able support from I. Dews, R. M. McInnes and W. S. Harris (medium paced), R. Jukes (off-spinner) and M. A. Morley (slow left arm).

Of the second year boys playing for the "junior" Under-14 eleven, well captained by W. S. Harris, and Under-13 eleven, the most promising are undoubtedly I. A. Howson, a talented left hand batsman and right arm bowler who has proved a thoughtful and reliable captain; and J. A. Smith, who in his first term at school quickly showed his ability as an opening bowler and in six games took twenty-six wickets at an average of three runs each. J. R. Law, I. Robinson, J. D. M. Gunn, D. Kellett and A. R. Golding have batted with skill and determination while G. M. Teal and J. K. Jarvis, although primarily bowling prospects, showed admirable coolness and ability with the bat in a crisis at Wakefield.

All in all, therefore, one can look back on the 1959 season with pleasure and satisfaction, remembering many excellent matches played in ideal cricket weather; and forward to future seasons in the knowledge that in every age group there are young cricketers who will surely prove successful.

U-15 XI Results

Cudworth School 41 (M. Marsh 5 for 17, R. A. Hadley 2 for 8, W. R. Watson 2 for 8).
 School 71 (W. R. Watson 34).
 School 51 (Brown 23).
 Cudworth School 45 (D. Lumb 4 for 5, R. A. Hadley 4 for 9, M. Marsh 2 for 14).
 School 49 (P. Davis 17, M. Marsh 10).
 Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield, 102 (G. S. Dobson 4 for 21, M. Marsh 2 for 18).
 School 80 for 6 (R. A. Hadley 17, J. Mitchell 32).
 Percy Jackson Grammar School 76 (J. S. Warner 3 for 13, D. Lumb 3 for 7).
 King's School, Pontefract, 37 for 3 (R. M. McInnes 3 for 9).
 School 35 (P. Davis 14).
 Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield, 72 for 5.
 School 71 (M. Marsh 27, J. E. Ritson 12, A. Symonds 10).
 Rishworth School 115 for 5, dec. (W. R. Watson 3 for 37).
 School 86 for 7 (M. Marsh 29, P. Brown 14, J. Evans 11).
 School 153 (J. E. Ritson 35, M. Marsh 28, B. Nettleton 26, J. Mitchell 22).
 Huddersfield New College 143 (G. S. Dobson 8 for 40, J. S. Warner 2 for 14).

U-14 XI Results

Leeds Grammar School 64 (R. Jukes 4 for 13, G. S. Dobson 3 for 16, I. Dews 2 for 12).
 School 58 (A. Symonds 18).
 Woodhouse Grove School 35 (G. S. Dobson 5 for 3, R. Jukes 2 for 10).
 School 36 for 4 (W. S. Harris 11).
 King's School, Pontefract, 54 (J. A. Smith 6 for 23, I. A. Howson 2 for 0).
 School 56 for 7 (I. A. Howson 17, A. R. Golding 15 not out).

Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield, 60 for 7 (G. M. Teal 2 for 5, I. A. Howson 2 for 13, J. A. Smith 2 for 10).
 School 56 (W. S. Harris 17, I. A. Howson 12, A. R. Golding 10).
 St. Michael's College 26 (R. M. McInnes 2 for 6, G. S. Dobson 5 for 9, I. Dews 3 for 4).
 School 74 (G. S. Dobson 26 not out, W. S. Harris 22).
 Doncaster Technical High School 43 (G. S. Dobson 6 for 6, R. M. McInnes 3 for 13).
 School 85 (A. Close 22 not out, A. Symonds 16, S. E. Webster 12).
 Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield, 95 (J. A. Smith 3 for 12, I. A. Howson 4 for 8).
 School 122 (W. S. Harris 25, I. A. Howson 20, A. R. Golding 24 not out, D. Kellett 19).
 Scarborough College 62 (G. S. Dobson 6 for 25, R. M. McInnes 3 for 12).
 School 116 (I. Dews 25 not out, W. S. Harris 20, A. Symonds 20, L. Sykes 19).

U-13 XI Results

School 66 (J. R. Law 20, I. Robinson 11, J. D. M. Gunn 10).
 King's School, Pontefract, 54 (J. A. Smith 6 for 17, I. A. Howson 2 for 7, J. K. Jarvis 2 for 2).
 King's School, Pontefract, 41 (J. A. Smith 5 for 12, I. A. Howson 5 for 18).
 School 42 (J. D. Gunn 14).
 Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield, 41 (J. A. Smith 4 for 5, I. A. Howson 5 for 17).
 School 42 for 3 (I. A. Howson 20, J. D. M. Gunn 10).
 Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield, 50 for 4.
 School 47 (J. K. Jarvis 12 not out, G. M. Teal 10).

Inter-House Cricket

JUNIOR

1st Round:

Hanson 38 for 8, Freeston 58 for 6.
 Frobisher 49 all out, Bennett 48 all out.

Game for 3rd place:

Bennett 16 for 1, Hanson 15 all out.

Final:

Frobisher 83 for 7, Freeston 28 all out.

Final placing:

1, Frobisher; 2, Freeston; 3, Bennett; 4, Hanson.

SENIOR

1st Round:

Frobisher 38 for 1, Bennett 36 all out.
 Freeston 83 for 1, Hanson 47 all out.

Game for 3rd place:

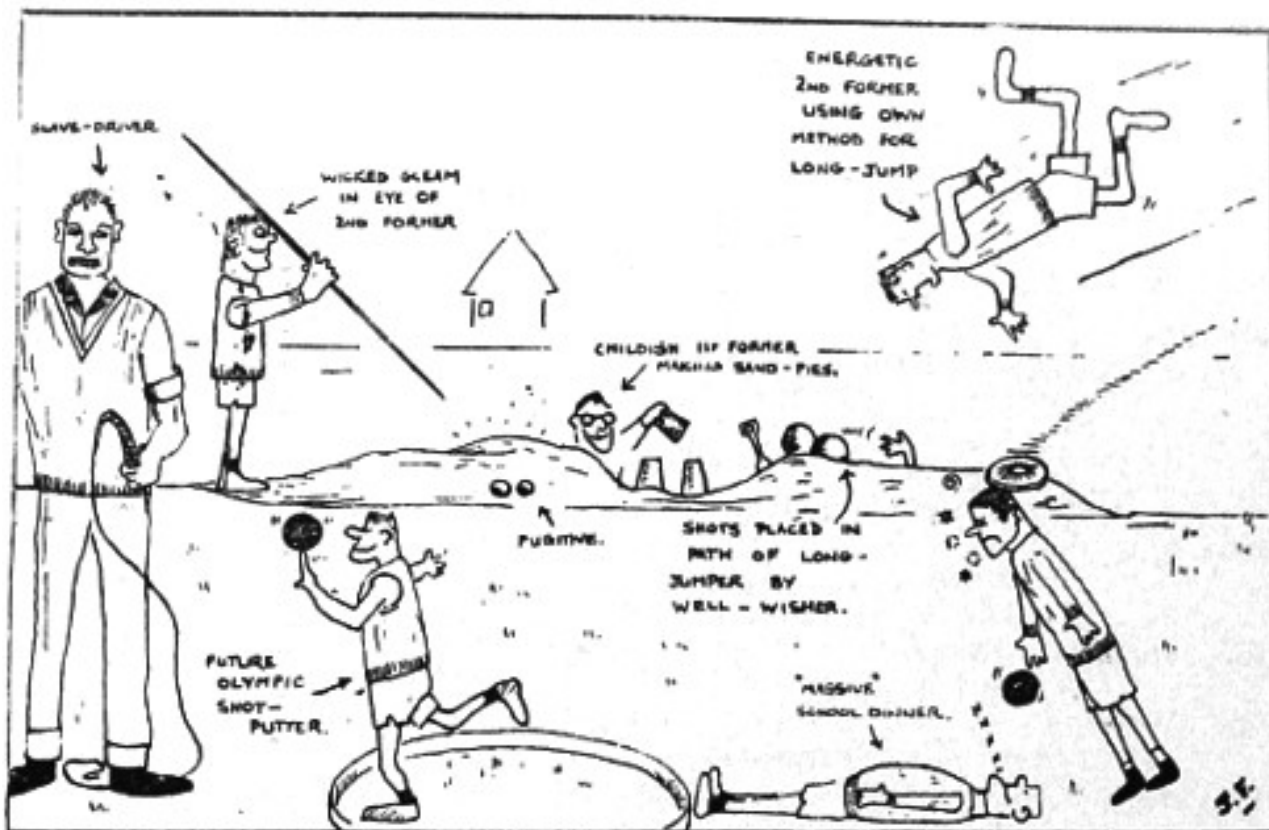
Bennett 104 for 9, Hanson 89 all out.

Final:

Frobisher 34 for 2, Freeston 31 for 9.

Final placing:

1, Frobisher; 2, Freeston; 3, Bennett; 4, Hanson.



THE FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL INTER-HOUSE ATHLETIC SPORTS

The sports were held on the afternoon of Wednesday, 3rd June, and having had a prolonged spell of dry weather, conditions were perfect for athletics.

Some exciting events were seen, but, although the competition was keen, only two records were set up. N. Ellis won the Hop, Step and Jump with a distance of 39ft. 5ins. and L. R. Brannon raised his own Pole Vault record to 9ft. 3ins.

Bennett House, having previously won the Inter-House Cross-Country, went on to record its first overall championship for many years. However, the rise of Bennett was accompanied by the decline of Frobisher who finished third, the first time since 1954 that they have not occupied the first position.

E. M. Ellis again won the Pentathlon Cup and emerged as Victor Ludorum; C. S. Hampson won the Intermediate title; and D. Kellett was the Junior Champion.

The trophies were presented by Miss D. Eaton.

Results

High Jump:

Junior: L. G. Westwood.
Intermediate: B. V. Ellis.
Senior: N. Ellis.

Long Jump:

Junior: A. R. Golding.
Intermediate: C. S. Hampson.
Senior: N. Ellis.

Discus:

Intermediate: J. Dawson.
Senior: E. M. Ellis.

Javelin:

Intermediate: J. Dawson.
Senior: E. M. Ellis.

Shot:

Intermediate: J. Dawson.
Senior: E. M. Ellis.

Hop, Step and Jump:

Senior: N. Ellis.

Pole Vault:

Open: L. R. Brannon.

100 yards:

Junior: K. Wood.
Intermediate: C. S. Hampson.
Senior: E. M. Ellis.

440 yards:

Junior: D. Kellett.
Intermediate: D. Lumb.
Senior: D. Bradley.

880 yards:

Intermediate: I. Dews.
Senior: K. I. Johnson.

220 yards:

Junior: D. Kellett.
Intermediate: C. S. Hampson.
Senior: E. M. Ellis.

Hurdles:

Junior: I. Robinson.
Intermediate: C. S. Hampson.
Senior: A. Jenkins.

1 mile:

Senior: J. Strutt.

Relay:

Junior: Bennett.
Intermediate: Bennett.
Senior : Hanson.

TROPHIES

Junior Trophy	Hanson
Intermediate Trophy	Bennett
Senior Trophy	Hanson/Frobisher
Champion House	Bennett

THE TRIANGULAR ATHLETICS MATCH AT THE KING'S SCHOOL, PONTEFRACT

The contest, this year, took place in the spacious grounds adjoining the King's School, Pontefract. The day

was fine and expectation was high. However, this was not School's year, and we came away disappointed. Nevertheless, we are determined to triumph next time.

School's athletes certainly did not lack spirit and, in the face of stiff opposition, they gave good performances. Particularly worthy of mention were:—

J. Dawson, who won the Intermediate shot with a distance of 39 feet 6 inches; and

K. Lindley, who won the Intermediate 880 yards in a time of 2 minutes, 16 seconds.

The Intermediates were the chief point scorers; they obtained 48½ points, whilst the Juniors and Seniors gained 34 and 35 points, respectively.

Results

1. King's School, Pontefract 179½
2. Percy Jackson G. S. 159
3. Normanton G. S. 117½

YORKSHIRE SCHOOLS A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year the championships were held at Redcar on the 27th of June and three boys from the School were entered. In the Senior 100 yards E. M. Ellis was narrowly beaten into third place in the last ten yards of the race. L. R. Brannon came second in the Intermediate Pole Vault with an excellent vault of 9ft. 6ins.

In the Intermediate High Jump, N. Ellis reached 5ft. 2ins., several inches below his practice best, and failed to arrive in the first ten.

Nevertheless, the three competitors must not, in any way, be disheartened for they achieved much against serious opposition.

HOUSE CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 10th, 1959

The Cross-Country was run in a slightly modified form this year. Owing to a recently-completed levelling programme, the Pingle House field was still devoid of grass, and so the event was started at the School. Although the competitors failed to appreciate the value of the extra mile, the finish on the drive provided many thrills for the watching School. Conditions were not as favourable as expected and recent rains made the going sticky and especially around the outer triangle.

The junior event was won by H. Beckett, of Bennett House, with a time of 12 mins. 42 secs. I. Dews, of

Frobisher, had a good victory in taking the Middles title whilst recording 17 mins. 44 secs. As was expected, the strong Frobisher team dominated the senior event, and although J. Strutt, of Bennett, won in 22 mins. 42 secs., the Frobisher runners packed well to gain six places out of the first ten.

The final positions were:—

Juniors—Bennett 6, Hanson 4, Frobisher 2.

Middles—Bennett 6, Freeston 4, Frobisher 2.

Seniors—Frobisher 6, Hanson 4, Freeston 2.

The overall positions were:—

1st Bennett; 2nd Frobisher; 3rd Hanson.

D. K. Benton.

HOCKEY

N.G.S. v. The High School

On a rather cold and windy afternoon, School kicked off, but were brought back and told to use their sticks. It was obvious that the wind affected School's ball control, for the majority of their passes reached either an opponent or non-one in particular.

The boys, however, soon settled down to play their own brand of hockey, which entailed hitting the ball as far down the field as possible, and following up at a suitable gallop: a method employed more often in Rugby, and certainly with a greater degree of success. Nevertheless, this policy brought results: The girls grew noticeably more timid and School began to score at irregular intervals. Ellis slammed in three goals for the boys, and the High School managed to squeeze in a consolation.

The match was enjoyed by spectators and players alike, as the annual battle between the sexes usually arouses interest. However, may it be suggested that the girls also take up Rugby, and then next year's match will surely be far more even.

K. W. Parker.

THE SWIMMING SPORTS

On Monday, 20th July, the Annual Swimming Sports were held in Normanton Baths. There was a fine exhibition of swimming and diving, and the afternoon ended with Bennett House leading with a margin of ten points from Frobisher House. The C. E. Brittain Memorial Cup for Senior Champion was won by V. Carter, of Frobisher House. L. Sykes, of Bennett House, was winner of the Walley Cup for the Junior Champion for the second consecutive year.

A water polo match between the masters and the boys

followed the sports. Although the masters fought fiercely to keep the match—and themselves— alive, too often they seemed more intent on catching their opponents and not the ball and eventually they lost, dampened in body but not in spirits, by four goals to two.

Open Events

4 lengths free style—1, V. Carter (Fb.); 2, L. Sykes (B.); 3, R. A. Hadley (F.). Time: 82.1 secs.
Novices' race—1, L. M. Pierce; 2, K. Amery; 3, C. Hollis. Time: 9.4 secs.

Senior Events

Plunge—1, J. C. Ackroyd (Fb.); 2, F. H. Pugh (B.); 3, B. V. Ellis (B.). Distance 43 ft. 11 ins.
Length breast stroke—1, A. Jenkins (Fb.); 2, C. Tucker (H.); 3, D. K. Benton (Fb.). Time: 18.8 secs.
2 lengths free style—1, V. Carter (Fb.); 2, B. V. Ellis (B.); 3, R. A. Hadley (F.). Time: 34.8 secs.
1 length back stroke—1, R. A. Hadley (Fb.); 2, J. C. Ackroyd (Fb.); 3, D. K. Benton (Fb.). Time: 20.4 secs.
1 length breast stroke (best style)—1, J. Strutt (B.); 2, C. Tucker (H.); 3, A. Jenkins (Fb.).
Neat dive—1, C. Bell (B.); 2, D. K. Benton (Fb.); 3, B. Greatorex.
3 length medley—1, Frobisher; 2, Bennett; 3, Freeston. Time: 50.7 secs.
4 length House squadron—1, Bennett; 2, Freeston; 3, Frobisher. Time: 65.1 secs.

Junior Events

Plunge—1, R. Dawson (F.); 2, A. P. Richardson (Fb.); 3, L. Sykes (B.). Distance: 40 ft. 11 ins.
1 length breast stroke—1, A. P. Richardson (Fb.); 2, L. Sykes (B.); 3, J. M. Haywood (F.). Time: 19.3 secs.
1 length free style—1, L. Sykes (B.); 2, A. P. Richardson (Fb.); 3, L. G. Westwood (Fb.). Time: 15.4 secs.
2 lengths free style—1, L. Sykes (B.); 2, M. Nettleship (B.); 3, A. P. Richardson (Fb.). Time: 37.1 secs, (a new record).
1 length back stroke—1, L. Sykes (B.); 2, A. P. Richardson (Fb.); 3, P. Pickard (H.). Time: 18.8 secs, (equalling record).
1 length breast stroke (best style)—1, L. Sykes (B.); 2, A. P. Richardson (Fb.); 3, J. M. Haywood (F.).
Neat dive—1, I. Watkins (B.); 2, S. Hodgson (F.); 3, L. Sykes (B.).
3 lengths medley—1, Bennett; 2, Frobisher; 3, Freeston. Time: 56.2 secs. (a new record).
4 lengths House squadron—1, Bennett; 2, Frobisher; other two disqualified. Time: 70.4 secs.
House points: Bennett 56, Frobisher 46, Freeston 20, Hanson 9.
B.—Bennett; Fb.—Frobisher; F.—Freeston; H.—Hanson.

ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY AWARDS

The following boys were successful in examinations held on 7th and 14th July, 1959:—

Instructor's Certificate—J. C. Ackroyd, C. Bell.

Award of merit—C. Bell, R. A. Hadley, M. Powell, J. Strutt.

Bronze Cross D. Bindley, V. L. Carter, R. Dainton, H. Leyshon, A. Macdonald, A. S. Oldroyd, D. Powers, S. P. Shaw, J. H. Thompson, E. J. Webster.

Bar to Bronze Medallion—P. Brown, R. Dainton, A. S. Oldroyd, D. Powers, S. F. Shaw, J. H. Thompson, E. J. Webster.

Bronze Medallion—J. A. Bennett, J. T. Hall, J. S. Harrison, L. Hoyland, A. P. Richardson, A. Scholes, L. Sykes.

Intermediate Certificate—D. T. Cook, R. Dawson, R. L. Fox, M. Frankland, B. Greatorex, J. M. Heywood, S. Hodgson, K. Lindley, B. Lockett, M. Smith. D. A. B. Wikeley.

TENNIS CLUB

This term, for the first time, the School has fielded a tennis team; three away matches have been played under the captaincy of C. R. Guidici. Unfortunately, because the School does not have any courts of its own, home fixtures proved rather difficult to arrange.

On June 20th the School travelled to Doncaster to play against Sir Percy Jackson's Grammar School. This proved to be a very enjoyable afternoon with the home team playing much better tennis. School's No. 1 pair, Guidici and Arscott, although starting badly, soon settled down to play solid tennis. The No. 2 pair, Pyrah and Cooper, were sadly out of luck, while the No. 3 pair, Hill and Street, somewhat surprisingly played well and saved the side from overwhelming defeat. The score, however, was convincing, School losing by 2 points to 7.

The second match, played a week later against Hemsworth Grammar School, showed that School had begun to play tournament tennis. Ward, who entered the team in place of Pyrah, played well. On the whole, the team showed consistency throughout; however, the experienced Hemsworth side managed to inflict a second defeat on School, the score being 6½ points to 2½.

The third fixture was against Doncaster Technical High School. The match was played in sweltering heat which made the play of both teams rather erratic, but it was evident that the School side was now becoming used to match tennis. Unfortunately, a third defeat was recorded, the score being 6 points to 3.

School need not be dismayed by these defeats. This was their first season and they were playing against experienced tennis schools. However, if the School team were to receive the necessary backing and recognition, Normanton Grammar School might be able in a short time to produce a tennis side equal in reputation to the cricket club or football club.

OLD FRESTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

“For we were nursed upon the self-same hill”

Officers for 1958-9 are:—

President: H. White (1937).

Vice-President: J. H. Short (1942).

Chairman: A. Westerman (1946).

Treasurer: G. W. Fieldhouse (1939), 6, Newland
View Altofts.

Hon. Secretary: J. Bird (1936), Newfield Farm,
Normanton.

Hon. Secretary, A.F.C.: J. Richardson (1939).

This term, the activities of the Association have been as vigorous as ever. Although a tennis match between a team of Old Boys and a School tennis team, due to be played on the 14th of July, was cancelled the succeeding events on the calendar enjoyed remarkable success.

Saturday, the 18th of July, saw the cricket match between the School First XI and an Old Boys' XI played. The School managed to knock up 85 runs and when the Old Boys came in to bat, captained by Mr. Malpass, there was promise of an exciting game. However, in the words of the immortal bard, “rain stopped play” with the Old Boys' score at 56 for 5.

In the evening a dance was held by the Association and there was a very good attendance. The younger Old Boys were well represented and the dance was a great success. As this was only the second dance to be held by the Old Boys, its success seems to indicate its popularity and it will certainly be added to next year's calendar.

Once again, the captain of Pontefract Golf Club was kind enough to assign the Association a date on which to hold the annual Golf tournament for the Holden Cup. Some twenty Old Boys competed and eight non-golfers were enthusiastic enough to “walk round” the course and offer encouragement. A very good supper followed the tournament and the Cup was presented by the Headmaster, Mr. J. A. L. Hamilton, to the winner, Mr. A. E. Cartwright, with a net score of 65.

This event seems to become more popular each year and we should like all Old Boys interested in golf to join us next year.

- A. H. Warburton (1952) has gained a B.A. at Manchester University and has been studying philosophy and psychology at Oxford University. He was Cox for Hertford College and “steered” the team to the Head of the River title in 1957. He is now in the Birmingham Town Hall Treasury Department in an administrative post.
- G. N. F. Wildey (1946) is now Assistant Manager in a universal stores at Seaton in Devon.
- R. H. Benson (1952) is in accountancy at Normanton Town Hall.
- H. Sykes (1950) is a Staff Sergeant in the Regular Army and has served two years in Cyprus.
- C. A. Sayles (1956) has obtained a post at Penistone Grammar School.
- J. A. Rowley (1955) has obtained a post at Royston Junior Boys’ School.
- T. K. Paley—2nd Class Hons., B.Sc.—Mining—Leeds.
- G. M. Fryer—3rd Class Hons., B.Comm.—Accountancy—Leeds.
- D. Ball—1st Class Hons., B.Sc.—Chem. Engineering—Leeds.
- R. K. Dunham—1st Class Hons., B.Sc.—Mining—Leeds.
- R. Miles—2nd Class Hons., B.Sc. Colour Chemistry—Leeds.
- D. S. Barnett qualified in Dentistry.
- A. V. Brookman—2nd Class Hons., Theology—Nottingham.
- T. E. Turner—3rd Class Hons., B.Sc.—Chem. Engineering—Manchester.
- J. L. Akers—3rd Class Hons , B.Sc.—Electrical Engineering—Manchester.
- J. Beddows—2nd Class Hons., Chem. Engineering—Cambridge.

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