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EDITORIAL

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The Summer term represents for most of the Lower School the culmination of a year's work; for the G.C.E. candidates, it is the hour of reckoning, when the experience and knowledge of examination technique acquired throughout five, six, or, in some cases, even seven summers is put to the test. But for the older members of the editorial staff it represents something more, the parting of the ways, when we leave the School for the last time and venture out into other spheres of life. We wish, therefore, to use this editorial to pass on a few words of advice to the younger members of the School.

It is only when one loses an object that one realises its full value. This applies as strongly to School life as it does to a concrete object. School life abounds in interest, enjoyment, companionship and last, but certainly not least, work; and we advise all members of the School to grasp every chance of living School life to the full. An old saying tells us that the years we spend at School are the happiest of our lives. The young schoolboy is not usually impressed by these words and looks forward to the day when he can shake off what he considers to be his shackles and advance into the freer outside world. We, now in our last days at the School, realise too late that the School has a great deal to offer of which we never took advantage when we could. So it is with absolute sincerity that we advise all members of the School to take every advantage of the opportunities the School offers them to benefit and enjoy themselves.

Finally, we offer our thanks to those faithful but, alas, few contributors and to the masters who have been in charge of the Magazine while we were on the editorial staff.

A CORRECTION AND AN APOLOGY

In our Autumn term edition we reported that Mrs. Sylvester opened the Autumn Fair. It was, in fact, Mrs. D. Heseltine, J.P., who performed this ceremony and we wish to apologise both for our mistake and our delay in apologising. Mrs. Sylvester, of course, also spent a considerable time with us on the same day.

STAFF NOTES

This term we say goodbye to three masters. As already reported in our last issue Mr. D. B. Moy is going as Senior English Master to Acomb Secondary Modern School, York. Mr. Pate has been appointed Senior Biology master at Prince Henry's Grammar School, Otley, after five years with us. The first Biology master that the school has had, he has developed a strong and successful department from scratch, and leaves his successor a very well-equipped laboratory. He has always been very willing to help with other duties, and leaves behind him a young, but flourishing Science Society. Mr. R. D. Hollands, Senior Mathematics master since 1957, is to take over the Mathematics Department at Firth Park Grammar School, Sheffield, a very much larger school. Despite difficulties of staffing, his department has done very well in his time, and he personally did a great deal to help the School to win, in 1958, open awards both at Oxford and Cambridge in the same year, the first time it had ever done so. He has also developed a strong and enthusiastic Chess Club; the best tribute to his work is that the club is already strong enough to continue under the momentum he has imparted to it. For most of his time he has brought a chess master's skill to the compilation of the timetable, and without his aid the chaos of the last two years would certainly have been much worse.

We thank them all for their work with us, congratulate them on well-earned promotion, and wish them and their families success and happiness in their new appointments.

We offer our thanks to Mr. G. Taylor; for the second time in two years he came in at short notice when the Handicraft Department was left without a master, through the illness of Mr. Wandless (now happily recovered), and kept the G.C.E. sets in Woodwork going.

At the beginning of term we welcomed Mr. R. H. T. Ellicott, formerly of Oriel College, Oxford, to teach Modern Languages; Mr. M. Beezer of the University College of North Staffordshire to take Mr. Beddows' place in the teaching of Chemistry and Physics and also, we hope, to strengthen the School's Association Football; and Mr. D. H. Jones, of Manchester University, who comes as Director of Music in place of Mr. Hallas. We hope they will enjoy their time here.

UNIVERSITY HONOURS

We are pleased to report the following successes gained by Old Frestonians in this summer's degree and diploma examinations:

- C. P. Couch (Leeds University)—2nd B.Ch.D., L.D.S., Parts II and III;
K. Holroyd (Nottingham University) — Theology, Final Honours—First Class;
D. J. Hopwood (Loughborough College of Advanced Technology)—Aeronautical Engineering, Final (Diploma)—First Class;
K. Hutchinson (Keble, Oxford)—Honour Moderations in Natural Science—Second Class;
N. H. Lee (Emmanuel, Cambridge)—Mathematics Tripos, Part II—Junior Optime;
J. D. Newton (Bristol University)—History, Final Honours—Second Class;
C. W. Nuttall (Manchester University)—Chemical Engineering, Final Honours—Second Class, Division One;
A. Shaw (Keble, Oxford) — Mathematics, Final Honour School—Second Class;
W. R. Dyson (Leeds University)—Colour Chemistry, Final Honours—Second Class, Division One.

VALETE

Form 6.M: R. A. Hadley
Form 5.A.2: A. Close
Form 4.A: J. Lyman
Form 4.C: D. Barber
Form 1.B: K. Hunter
Form 1.C: R. Jones

DE OMNIBUS

The 3rd April was an extremely important date in the life of one of the members of the staff. Mr. "Doug" Wood was married.

On Friday, 21st April, form photographs were taken. Some of us have yet to receive copies.

On Wednesday, 3rd May, a party of Vth and VIth formers visited Leeds Civic Theatre for a performance of Shakespear's "Macbeth."

Friday, 5th May, saw this year's meeting of the Students' Christian Movement at King's School, Pontefract. The speakers were the Rev. John Banks, M.A., Minister of the Brunswick Methodist Church, Leeds, and the Right Rev. G. W. Clarkson, M.A., the Lord Bishop of Pontefract.

The Ascension Day Service was held on Thursday, 11th May, in All Saints' Parish Church. The Rev. C. A. O. Warman, M.A., conducted the service. The Headmaster read the lesson.

Mrs. C. E. Brittain paid a visit to the School on Wednesday, 31st May.

G.C.E. "A" Level examinations began on Thursday, 8th June, and the "O" Level examinations on Monday, 19th June. Both ended on 7th July.

On Wednesday, 19th July, there was a Parents' Evening at the School for the parents of boys in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th forms.

Owing to increasing numbers we shall hold our annual Founder's Day Service separately from the High School this year, and probably in succeeding years, on the anniversary of our Founder's signing the Trust Deed, 17th September, 1592, or the nearest school day to it (this year, Friday, 15th September). The preacher this year will be the Rev. S. Fell, Rector of Castleford.

Still more new sports keep appearing: the only one which we can safely mention in print is volley ball. More seriously, we thank the Foundation Governors for providing the School with an excellent set of outdoor basketball equipment, which can also be used indoors until we get permanent fittings for basketball in the Gym, which we hope to do before too long from official sources. We have also been provided with a pole vault pit—a somewhat Irish term for a pile of sand raised two feet above the ground.

The lower field at Pingle House is developing a series of cracks, due to subsidence, which will render it unusable for a time.

At long last an official date for handing over the new buildings has been announced—10th June last. A few small maintenance jobs remain to be done, probably in the summer holidays, and then the work can be said to be completed. Most of the drives, too, should be resurfaced soon; it is rumoured that the Y.E.B. are going to dig up the front drive a second time.

We congratulate G. Sleight on playing for the All-England F.A. Schools XI against Scotland at Celtic Park at the end of the Easter holidays. In all he played seven games for the Yorkshire Schools XI last season as outside left and scored seven goals.

J. M. D. Gunn has played regularly for the Yorkshire Schools' Under 15 side, including matches against Essex, Middlesex, Lancashire and Warwickshire.

Speech Day:—The date has yet to be fixed, but the Guest of Honour will be Professor K. J. Dover, Professor of Greek in the University of St. Andrews, formerly Fellow and Senior Tutor of Balliol College, Oxford. It will probably be held in the School Hall, as in earlier days, though with present numbers this will mean a separate ceremony for the lower part of the school.

THE ORGAN FUND

This term we have had installed an electronic organ. It is a Miller Classic II, the largest of its range, and before it came here was in use for over two years at Bradford Cathedral during the rebuilding of part of the cathedral and the main cathedral organ. It is a very fine instrument and looks well in the new hall. We confidently look forward to a grant from the Education Authority towards the purchase of this organ, which will cost £1,500 (a considerable saving, of almost £1,000, on the new cost of the same instrument). It is possible, too, that the Foundation will help us, but it is up to us in the first place to help ourselves. I, therefore, appeal once again to boys, to parents, to Old Frestonians and to all friends of the School to subscribe to the Organ Fund and help us to buy this instrument, which I am confident will be of lasting use and value in the daily life of the School. Our immediate target is £180 a year for three years, and I am confident that we can reach and, indeed, pass that figure. I give below a further list of subscribers to the Fund since the Summer term, 1960, when the last list was published:—

	£	s.	d.
34 Mr. E. Nettleton	1	0	0
35 Mr. and Mrs. Bradley		10	0
36 Mr. H. Lightfoot	1	0	0
37 Mr. N. Hinchliffe (O.F.)	1	0	0
38 Mr. L. Hainsworth	2	2	0
39 Miss O. A. Parry (Governor)	1	1	0
40 Mrs. S. P. Hill		5	0
Previously acknowledged	82	13	6
	£89	11	6

In addition to these direct subscriptions to the Fund we have also money in hand from the proceeds of the last Autumn Fair available for the same purpose. This year's Autumn Fair will be held in aid of the Organ Fund, and I hope also to arrange recitals by distinguished organists for the benefit of the Fund.

J.A.L.H.

SOCIETY JOTTINGS

LE CLUB FRANCAIS

Pendant les vacances de Pâques, Monsieur Guin, qui est rentré chez lui en France, a acheté pour nous plusieurs disques de chansons populaires, tout à fait modernes. A chaque réunion de ce trimestre nous avons écouté quelques-uns de ces disques et nous les avons trouvés tout agréables.

A la première réunion nous avons entendu quatre chansons chantées par Georges Brassens qui s'accompagne à la guitare. Son français est très bon et il est facile à comprendre. François Deguelt l'a suivi et celui-ci a chanté: "Comme au premier jour," "L'Arlequin de Tolède," "Verte Campagne" et "Les Voiles." Quoique François Deguelt soit bien aimé en France nous aimons mieux les chansons de Georges Brassens qui étaient: "La Légende de la honne"; "Philistins"; "Colombine" et "Ballade des Dames du temps jadis."

A la dernière reunion on a fait tourner les disques de Charles Trenet: "La Mer," "La Romance de Paris," "L'Ame des Poètes," "La Jolie Sardane," et ceux des Compagnons de la Chanson qui étaient "Le Bleu de l'Eté," "Notre Concerto," "La Semaine" et "Si tous les oiseaux."

Il nous reste encore deux disques que nous n'avons pas écoutés. En sus de ces disques nous avons eu nos activités ordinaires dont les jeux de mot en français sont les plus populaires.

DISCUSSION SOCIETY

President: The Headmaster

Vice-President: Mr. Arkell

Secretary: J. F. Fairclough

Meetings this term have been severely restricted by preparations for "A" level examinations. However, the final weeks of last term saw several interesting meetings. Mr. Arkell spoke on "The influence of war on music" and illustrated his talk with gramophone records ranging from the works of Haydn to those of Honegger. At the following meeting, in sharp contrast, Mr. D. Senior spoke on "The development of medical knowledge since 1800."

The following have been regular attenders: R. Thickett, D. M. Trigg, D. Senior, J. B. Popplewell, R. M. Barr, D. Hoyle, K. I. Johnson. Guests have included D. K. Watts, J. M. Bullock, P. A. L. Routledge and R. C. Gayton.

It is hoped that the society will continue to flourish after the present U.VI members have departed.

FRESTONIAN SOCIETY

Since the publication of the last magazine only two meetings have been held, due to pressure of examinations. On 27th March a games evening was thoroughly enjoyed, although the weather was a little cool, whilst the meeting of the 15th May took the form of a film show. The annual outing this year was to Whitby. On the way we stopped to visit the Minster and Railway Museum at York, before completing our journey to Whitby, where we spent the afternoon.

Support throughout the year has come mainly from the Upper Sixth, and it is to be hoped that next year the present Lower Sixth will shake themselves out of their lethargic ways and strive to keep the Society in existence.

D. K. Watts (President).

GEOGRAPHY SOCIETY

Although latent in recent weeks, the society met regularly earlier on in the term. Film shows, such as "Surf boats of Accra" and "Bars of Silver," and discussions were keenly attended, and it is hoped that towards the end of term further outings and films will be arranged.

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

At the beginning of this term, the members of the society expressed a desire for a more formal organisation for the society than has existed recently—with a chairman in charge of each meeting, a secretary for reports and one for organising meetings. Arrangements were made and everything went smoothly. Perhaps the most important thing done this term has been the viewing and criticism of members' photographs. Railway trains still appear to be the most popular subject. As is usual in the summer, especially as examinations draw near, the attendance at recent meetings has been poor. As a result, the plans made earlier for an exhibition of members' photographs have not been pushed ahead as fast as had been hoped. Nevertheless, it is expected that the exhibition will be held before the end of term.

SCRIPTURE UNION

This term we have continued our Bible studies in the first chapters of "Acts," and, later, in a series planned to supplement the "Billy Graham" evangelistic meetings. Even when the older members had to stop attending because of their G.C.E. work, we still had a few younger boys who came and who took part whole-heartedly.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK

The re-organised School Bank completed its first full year in July, 1960, and a total of £517 was deposited. Of this amount £407 was transferred to private bank accounts and £96 was repaid.

This year has seen a big drop in deposits to £310, of which £34 has been repaid, and it is expected that £260 will have been transferred to private accounts by the end of term.

The most disappointing aspect of this fall in deposits is the fact that only about 60 boys made use of the bank in any one week, the majority of these being in the first and second forms. 4C failed to make any deposit at all.

It is not the aim of the School Savings Bank that a few boys should make large deposits, but that every boy should put a little money away each week. You may think it of little use to put sixpence away each week, but if every boy in school saved sixpence each week of term £500 would have been deposited in a year, and you would all have at least £5 by the time you leave school. Let us set £500 as our target for next year and hope that every boy will make an effort to save at least £1.

R.O.

THE LIBRARY

The School library continues to expand, although the number of patrons has declined, probably due to the fine weather of summer. Among the books which the library has acquired this term are Shakespeare's "Antony and Cleopatra," Plumb's "Sir Robert Walpole, the King's Minister" and McNeille's "Introduction to the Study of the New Testament," all of which should have considerable interest for Sixth Form students. Only two fiction books have been acquired this term—C. S. Forester's "The Good Shepherd" and Ethel Mannin's "The Wild Swans and Other Tales."

EASTER CONCERT

The Easter Concert was held in the School Hall on Friday, 24th March, 1961, in the afternoon and in the evening. In the programme there was a one-act play, in which McGougan and Smith gave convincing performances, while the musical items were performed with a competent ease. This was the first time the Orchestra had performed in public.

- The programme was:—
1. THE BRASS BAND
March "Amethyst" L. Lucas
 2. PLAY
"Refund" by F. Karinthy
 3. THE BRASS BAND
March in Canon K. Cook
Sea Shanty:
 "Johnny come down to Hilo" ... K. Cook
Barwick Green A. Wood
 4. THE JUNIOR CHOIR
Care flies from the lad that is merry Arne
I have Twelve Oxen Thiman
Brother James' Air arr. Jacob
Alpine Song Ireland
 5. THE ORCHESTRA
Chorale: Lasst uns Erfreuen
Largo Handel
Pilgrims' Chorus from "Tannhauser" Wagner
 6. PIANO SOLO
Allegro Arne
1st Movement, Sonata in G minor ... Beethoven
 Played by D. G. Westwood
Folk Song: "I will give my love an apple"
 Sung by G. F. McGregor and D. J. Miller
Flute Solos:
 Dance of the Blessed Spirits ... Gluck
 Played by K. Norton
Piano Solo:
 "Promenade d'un Solitaire" ... Heller
 Played by J. M. Cook
 7. THE SENIOR CHOIR
Madrigal:
 "April is my Mistress' Face" ... Morley
 "Lonely Woods" Lully
 "Spring Song" Pinsuti
 "Fanfare" Shaw

The cast of the Play was:—

Headmaster	...	...	...	...	L. W. Rowett
Waterhead	...	...	...	...	... M. Smith
Mathematics Master	...	...	...	...	I. McGougan
History Master	...	...	...	...	B. K. Tempest
Physics Master	...	...	...	...	... S. Couch
Geography Master	...	...	...	...	S. D. Webster
Servant	...	...	...	...	... N. Holden
Producer	...	...	...	...	Mr. D. B. Moy
Make-up	...	...	...	...	Mr. R. Law
Lighting	...	...	...	...	Mr. M. Ruddock
Set	...	...	...	Mr. W. F. Moreton and	Mr. P. B. Robinson

MUSIC HONOURS

During this term a number of boys have been honoured by being chosen to appear in the West Riding Schools' County Orchestra and the Yorkshire Schools' Brass Band. K. Norton (flute), M. Mitchell (trumpet), H. N. Barratt (trumpet) and G. Woodhead (trombone) performed in orchestral concerts given at Ecclesfield on July 10th and at Horsforth on July 12th; while J. M. Haywood (euphonium), J. Dawson (E flat bass) and Woodhead (trombone) appeared with the Yorkshire Schools' Brass Band at two concerts given in Bradford on June 10th and in Leeds on June 17th.

These are fine achievements, especially on the part of Woodhead and Barratt, who are only in the first form. In addition to these honours Norton and Mitchell are due to be auditioned for the National Youth Orchestra.

ALARMS AND EXCURSIONS

THE TRIP TO WALES

On the 22nd March nine sixth formers under the charge of Mr Windle left Normanton for a six days' field course in Central Wales. Having arrived at Kings' Youth Hostel, which is at the foot of Cader Idris, we had a meal and settled down to write up (by near candlelight) the notes made on our journey there.

Early next morning we were summoned to breakfast by the "Sergeant Major." Shortly afterwards we began our ascent of Cader Idris — the object being to see (through the thick mist) the erosional effects of ice on upland scenery.

Friday was spent drawing up morphological maps around the Youth Hostel, and on Saturday we travelled south via Barmouth to the Holiday Fellowship Hostel at Devil's Bridge.

On Sunday the Rheidol Valley and its river was surveyed — the Head Boy bravely fording a difficult stretch of the river. Mr. Windle condescended on the last day to grant us a free half-day in Aberystwyth, but only after studying marine effects on the coastline.

Thus on Tuesday the members headed back to dear old Yorkshire with a load of foot-sore, bleary-eyed students brimful with knowledge of the geography of Central Wales.

J. P. Fryer (L.IVA).

"IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME . . ."

Feeling that the classics could not, in these hard times, leave to the Parliamentarians and Geographers a monopoly of lightning tours of high educational value, one member of the staff and the School's two "Grecians" (its first, and nearly its last) set out on Saturday, 24th June, in an ancient chariot which did its best (and better as the miles bounced by) to imitate a sports car, in sound if not in speed. One sacrificial victim read the map, whose reward was to sit in front; he who sat behind, they saw with some surprise, arrived back with most of his hair still on (though the hood had been down most of the way) and not very much of it had turned grey.

Pausing briefly at Rugby to cast a supercilious eye over Tom Brown's successors and to drink coffee in what claimed to have been his tuckshop, they lunched at Banbury (no fine ladies on white horses, but a broken fan-belt) and reached Oxford in time for a brisk tour on foot, in scorching heat, of some of the more picturesque ruins, many of which are now being patched up amid scenes reminiscent of the last two years at Normanton G.S. In Merton College library, which claims to be the oldest in the world, they noted the methods used to secure books from theft in days gone by (Mr. C——t may like to have details). Then on along the river to Bradfield College, kindly nurse of Mr. A——l, for a performance, in Greek, of Sophocles' "Antigone" in its famous open-air theatre, modelled, in miniature, on those of ancient Greece. The weather was perfect for the occasion, and had not been perfect long enough for the midges to be out in full force. It was a most impressive performance, and the audience, from the "culture vultures" to the schoolgirls, though seated in classical style on stone, listened with hardly a stir or a murmur to two hours of classical Greek. One member of the party claimed that he could understand what was being said, but this was greeted with the silence of polite disbelief by the others, even if he had bought a crib on the way in.

At the end of the performance the Normanton party, with long years of practice behind it in the art of leaving a school briskly, got off to a good start, but there came an awkward moment when the ancient gears jammed at the very centre of the village on a steep and narrow hill in the thick of the crowds. However, a hasty prayer to Automedon, Pelops and all good charioteers, backed by a lucky tug in the right place beneath the bonnet, set them free, and Oxford was reached just in time (10.20 p.m.) for well-earned nightcaps.

Next day, beneath a sky of classic blue, they jogged through the Cotswolds, down Broadway Hill, through Broadway and Chipping Campden, loveliest of villages, to Stratford, and inspected the birthplace of Shakespeare; then to Warwick for lunch and a tour of the castle, the only natives, seemingly, in a coachload of Americans. At one point here they thought they saw one of our fifth formers in weekend attire, but a closer look showed that it was a peacock displaying his plumage. At Kenilworth they tramped the ruins made famous by Scott's "Ivanhoe"; at Lichfield took tea, in memory of Dr. Johnson, and visited the Cathedral; and then came home across the edge of the Peak District, past Chatsworth, to Sheffield, Barnsley, Royston and the hills of Featherstone, having covered in space more than 400 miles—in time and thought, 2,400 years: "Antigone" was first produced at Athens in 440 or 439 B.C.

(Note to would-be classicists—the next Greek play at Bradfield will be in 1964.)

THE LONDON TRIP

Setting out from Normanton on a dismal Saturday morning, the bus proceeded to Featherstone and Castleford to pick up the boys who could not manage to reach Normanton in time for the departure of the bus at 6.15 a.m.

The morning, although dreary and wet, did not dishearten any of us, and it was not long before we were all thoroughly enjoying ourselves.

Having picked up the rest of the boys we set off down the A1 to London, 190 miles away. How the time flew! Before long we were in Doncaster and on the way to Bawtry and the south. Travelling at about 40 to 45 m.p.h. it seemed even shorter when we reached Leicester and the M1.

We stopped a little way along the M1 for a snack and refreshment at one of the many cafés; here some boys were able to take photographs of the M1.

After twenty minutes' rest we set off once more, through countryside and village, town and city, until we finally reached London itself, exactly 7½ hours since we had set off.

We proceeded straight to Wembley and parked the bus in the very large parking space provided for coaches only.

Here again the cameras came out and numerous snaps of Wembley stadium were crammed into the films to bring back memories in time to come.

Settling ourselves down in the stadium we watched a thrilling, yet one-sided game of football. England were on top of the game all the time, although occasionally a short Welsh breakaway would bring a gasp to the mouths of the English supporters. England, however, were the stronger team and when the final whistle went their 8-1 win completed a wonderful record for the season.

When we had watched the presentation of the medals, we departed to the youth hostel, where we washed and made ourselves ready for an evening out in London. We left the hostel at about 7 p.m. and went for tea at one of the large cafés in London. We took the tube to Trafalgar Square and the Houses of Parliament, and on the way saw 10, Downing Street, under repair.

Later, unluckily for us, we discovered that Battersea Park Funfair was closed, and so, a little disheartened by the news, we went to Piccadilly Circus instead, where we saw the brilliant lights on a typical London evening. By this time it was 11 o'clock, and so we went back to the hostel for a welcome night's sleep.

Next morning, after an early breakfast, we left the hostel with our luggage, and following the plans of Mr. Jubb and Mr. Moy, went once more to Trafalgar Square to feed the pigeons and see the changing of the guard at Whitehall.

After a short while we went to Westminster, boarded a pleasure boat and had a most enjoyable trip on the River Thames. This did not last very long, however, and when we found the bus at Tower Bridge we went to the Tower of London for a while.

Many boys wished to go to the Zoo when we left, so after going to see Buckingham Palace and the Mall, we went on to the Zoo.

Here we saw many interesting animals, including monkeys, llamas, buffalo, animals belonging to the cat family, birds of prey, foreign birds, penguins, sea lions and many others including dingos.

Alas, for us all it was time to depart, and so after making our way back to the bus we set off home. On the way we sang songs and enjoyed ourselves thoroughly. We stopped three times for meals and snacks, and I am sure we were all very thankful to Mr. Jubb and Mr. Moy for making this trip possible. However, when we finally reached Normanton at 11.15 p.m. many cars and vans were waiting to take us home and all we could really do was thank the masters, and leave with memories of a very enjoyable trip.

A DAY WELL SPENT

As we left Normanton the drizzle disappeared and the weather remained fine for the rest of the day. We had a pleasant and comfortable ride to York. When we arrived at the Carriage Works we began our escorted tour. In groups of seven we proceeded to the wheel shop, where the tyres are taken on and off the wheels. Further on we watched with interest, a man cutting sheets of metal with oxy-acetylene equipment. Then we went to a workshop where men were making and repairing axles and bogey wheels. Next door we saw the repairing of carriage frameworks. The guide did his best to explain to us the workings of many different machines, but this proved too technical for the feebler-minded members of our group.

Proceeding further we arrived at the woodwork shops, where men were cutting, drilling and polishing oak panels which were later fitted into the doors of the diesel carriages. We chatted with the workmen and told them about Normanton and its landmarks. Back in the workshops a few members of our group were collecting samples of aluminium and other metal cuttings. Finally our guide showed us around the assembly and paint shops, where the train spotters were busy taking numbers. We climbed into one of the new diesel carriages and fulfilled a life-long ambition by pulling the communication cords. All too soon our visit to the works terminated. We stopped on our way to Leeds at a roadside cafe and had a small snack.

At the Fowler Works in Leeds we again split up into groups.

In a barn-like workshop we watched huge hammers, flattening lumps of red hot metal and littering the floor with bright sparks. Next we came to a department which was concerned with the production of cog-wheels for caterpillar tractors. Outside in the tractor store-yard we persuaded our guide to let us drive one. This proved very popular and we found that they are very easy to control. However, with six people clinging to it, we nearly had a very nasty accident.

After this escapade we walked round the workshop in which diesel locomotive shunters were produced. Most of us managed to squeeze into the driver's cabin and even attempted to start the engine. A visit to the testing department came next and we saw how the brakes and gears were tested on the skid patch.

The final visit was to the designing office, where amidst large design sheets we were shown the tricks of the trade and the latest geometrical instruments. A draughtsman told us how Fowlers were going to fit a new engine in a pre-war shunter. After tea and biscuits in the canteen we returned to the land of "cold custard and sog."

M. S. Crossland and D. Fairer (3a).

1st XI EASTER TRIP TO DUBLIN

The long awaited trip to Ireland commenced at Leeds on Friday, the 31st of March, the party consisting of ten members of the first eleven and Mr. Moy. Dublin was reached at 7.30 a.m. on the following morning after a not too comfortable boat trip.

During the stay, most of the sights of the city were explored, the zoo providing, perhaps, the most entertaining daytime enjoyment! The night provided most of the pleasures of a big city.

The only match of the tour was played against a side from University College, Dublin, on Easter Tuesday, under wet conditions. The side cannot be criticised for its performance in spite of the 1-2 defeat. After the home side had gone into the lead, School began to play, as they had played for most of the season, attractive football (which is more than can be said for two professional sides watched two days previously), in spite of the unpleasant conditions. A penalty by Bradley, however, was insufficient to prevent a School defeat and the side went down gallantly.

The tour, besides providing a pleasant conclusion to the football fixtures, also proved to be a very enjoyable holiday for the party, for most members of which it was the first, and very impressive, visit to Ireland.

D. Lumb (Hon. Sec., A.F.C.).

A LETTER FROM AUSTRALIA

On the 28th of May five boys from IIR wrote a letter to the Post Office, Normanton, Queensland, Australia. On the 21st of June a reply came from the Postmaster, Mr. Mackney.

He told us Normanton was inhabited by 350 people but in the gold rush days there were thousands of people living there. The town is 530 road miles from Cairns and 1,350 miles from Brisbane, and situated on the Norman River which flows into the Gulf of Carpentaria.

He also spoke of the public facilities in the town, which include a post office, police station, open-air cinema, two churches, tennis courts, golf course and hospital. In the letter he sent a score card of the golf club.

From the letter we found out much about the town with the same name as ours.

B. Morgan (2R).

LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS

MAGAZINE AWARDS

The Editorial Committee have awarded 10s. 6d. book tokens to L. Hill (4C), S. Ambler (3A) and B. Everett (3C) for their contributions to this issue.

THE HORSE STEALER

My father, Tex Wilson, had managed to capture a beautiful white stallion which he had been chasing for three months. He knew that with the stallion he would be able to obtain many mares. The method which he was to use was to set Fury, the stallion, free on the prairies and let him find his own way back to the ranch. Dad knew that many wild mares would follow Fury back to our new corral which had been built especially for the job.

One day a very close friend of our family called on us. She was extremely angry because some of her mares were missing from her corral and she had seen a white stallion breaking down the fence, and then running away with all her best mares. She, therefore, had deduced that the white stallion which my father had caught was the culprit, because he was the only white stallion within fifty miles of our ranch. My father was very angry because of the accusation, but he soon quietened down when he realised the circumstantial evidence against Fury.

However, Joe, our foreman, said that the stallion could be White Streak, a killer stallion, which had not been seen in the district for about three years.

Immediately my father wanted to search the hills around for White Streak. My father, Joe and I saddled our horses and left at once in hope of finding ruthless White Streak, who had killed the first stallion who had tried to take away from him any of the stolen mares.

We searched for one whole week without seeing one white horse, stallion or mare, and so we returned dejectedly to the ranch, only to learn that Fury had broken out of the corral and had run off into the hills.

After a good wash and a meal, which I had been looking forward to, we set off to find Fury.

The day passed. We were very tired and so we made camp and settled down for the night. Early the next morning I was awakened by the noise of two horses fighting. I awoke my father and Joe, and we went to see where the horses were.

When we arrived on the scene, one of the horses was dead, and I recognised at once that the dead horse was White Streak and the victor was Fury.

Suddenly Fury ran off and about half an hour later came back with about three-hundred mares and about one-hundred foals. The mares were those which White Streak had stolen and the foals were their off-springs. Now the notorious horse stealer was dead.

That night there was much rejoicing at our ranch when all the ranchers came to pick out their mares which White Streak had stolen, and Fury had found. My father, of course, received the apologies of our friend and so everyone was satisfied.

T. Roberts (5A.2).

JOURNEY IN THE FOG

The dreary, damp, musty air of a foggy morning closed around me as I waited for a bus to take me to School. The sound of an approaching vehicle brought me to my senses; I was thinking about a dreaded French test that we were to have that morning. The sound grew louder, and out of the mist came a weird shape with two glaring eyes; it was the bus that was to take me to school.

Mounting the platform I came face to face with a sinister-looking conductor who asked me for my fare in a deep, ordering voice.

Finding a seat next to the window I sat down. The outside world looked as though a giant blanket had been thrown over it. The lights of cars appeared suddenly and disappeared just as quickly; lights on the street corners grew suddenly bright and then faded away into the fog. The bus, going slowly, rounded a corner and suddenly heaved over to one side as it swerved to miss a cyclist, who in the fog had crossed to the wrong side of the road.

Soon the bus would arrive at my destination, and I would have to leave its warm interior to venture out into the cold forbidding mist. This was something I would not relish. I stood up and started to walk down the aisles; there was a screech of brakes and I found myself on my face on the floor; we had come to a sudden halt, not a foot away from a lorry which had already had the misfortune to crash into a telegraph pole. This was my stop, so I alighted from the bus after brushing myself down. Already a crowd had gathered around the scene of the accident, but I paid no attention to them as I hurried to school to learn my French before the second lesson of the morning.

L. Hill (4C).

THE SHARK

Cornwall can provide a very interesting holiday, but the concluding day of mine proved very unusual.

Today was just a normal example of weather on the Cornish Riviera. The air was humid but not irritating. It supported the palms and other plants from hot climates.

My friends and I had got changed and were waiting impatiently for the rowing boat which was to accompany us out into the bay. Looking at the surroundings, idling the time away, we watched, fascinated by the local inhabitants. Wrinkled old men repairing their fishing lines and lobster pots, wise and skilled in their job, worked on, not disturbed by the tourists, who were now part of their living and upkeep.

At the edge of the small picturesque harbour we halted, hesitating to dive into the murky blackness outside the harbour where the sea-weed swayed unhindered under twenty feet of water. It was so different from the inviting crystal-clear water and sand-carpeted floor of the harbour. In a humorous mood one of my friends was "persuaded" to dive in; we quickly followed and explored the bottom of the harbour.

The day before, in the morning, I had been out to the point in an outboard motor boat. I had seen some sharks then, big graceful creatures, lolling lazily on their shining black backs. They were supposed to be cowards, but I did not want to prove it and returned to the harbour.

We had been swimming for a short time, continuously diving into the strange wonderful world under the sea. Quiet and secluded, it was perfect refuge from the noise and worries of the civilised world. Occasionally, we would spot a fish and then chase it with a spear gun, following its weaving path until, at last, with our lungs nearly bursting we would claw for the surface to gasp for the air that was our life. Boats speeding past us created dangerous-looking washes which rocked our small boat. Pleasure steamers visiting our quaint tourist attraction passed us slowly and with majestic grace loaded with the usual motley selection of waving holiday-makers.

We had been so enthralled with our activities that we had failed to notice the sharks I had seen the previous morning. When I ventured a glance at the harbour wall, I saw anxious faces and heard warning shouts giving us silly advice. My friends had also recognised the evil-looking fish fifty yards distant and, as if by prepared synchronisation we all swam for the questionable safety of the rowing

boat, now floating precariously with eight of us weighing it down. Two of us grabbed for the oars and the boat, now very low in the water, began to make slow, tantalising headway towards the harbour; would we reach it? Frequent glances were shot in the direction of the sharks. Thankful, we arrived at the harbour wall with a jarring bump, which knocked some of the boat's shaking occupants into the now not so inviting water. Several people had produced cameras to record this unforeseen spectacle. Binoculars were riveted on the largest shark, a huge animal of fifteen feet that continuously taunted a small shoal of pilchards that had been cornered in the bay by the sharks. The inquisitive driver of a speedboat circled the sharks dangerously near in order to film the momentary "stars."

So ended an exceptional day quite unnerving for me. The interest in the sharks gradually lessened, but the pilchards were harassed all the more; it was "tea-time" for the sharks now.

J. M. Cook (5A.2).

THE SCARECROW AND THE TRAMP

He stands in the maize field, all forlorn,
In an old dinner jacket that's tattered and torn.
His trousers are in an awful mess,
Could do with removing and giving a press.

A tramp that's passing spies him there,
And begins to wonder if he might dare
To sneak up softly the clothes to steal
And sell them to get a big square meal.

He's just in the act of taking them off,
When behind a hedge he hears someone cough.
"I must be off before I'm caught."
Is the tramp's one and only thought.

He needn't have worried, because, you see,
It was only another tramp having his tea.
He took a big bite and began to wheeze
Because he'd eaten some dirt with his cheese.

By this time the other had run down the lane
With a curse and thinking it's really a shame
That a fellow like him should have no grub,
Whilst his foe, the farmer, is fat as a tub.

A. Bennett (IIR).

WEST

The land fell away before him,
Away to the west, to the unknown,
To a patch of green down the narrow valley,
A patch of hope amongst purple moors.

He turned once more to the land he knew, and loved;
It was behind him now,
But its memory still lingered on,
A memory of happiness, overshadowed by fear.

He sighed, his course was set;
He must go on, on forever west,
West, to a new land,
And a new home.

S. Ambler (IIIA).

STORM AT SEA

The sea is lashed into fury like a monster in a frenzy of tormented anger. The billows rise and wane, and in their rage buffet each other, sending the icy spray high into the black stormy sky.

The rain pours down in torrents, beating its way down into the murky depths of ocean. The sea rolls, and the waves dash against each other amidst the deafening roar of thunder claps, and the lightning cuts its way jaggedly down to earth through the black, wind-swept sky. Suddenly a small silvery band of light appears far away on the horizon. Then the first long grey streaks of dawn bite their way through all the torment. The thick black clouds roll suddenly on, and give lease to a new day.

B. Everett (3C).

MIST

The cold, eery fingers of mist crept along a frost-covered branch of the leafless sycamore tree at the bottom of our garden, which was now quickly disappearing from sight behind a canopy of swirling mist. The cold Autumn morning had brought with it a blanket of thickening mist, swept here and there by short gusts of wind. The moist air was cold and forbidding and the mist seemed to hide the dismal scenery from sight. The cobwebs were heavy with drops of water which had once been a cold grey vapour, mist.

L. Hill (4C).

SPORTS NEWS

EDITORIAL

I have held the position of Sports Editor of the School Magazine for the past three years, and although this is my last term at Normanton Grammar School I deeply regret having to break my connections with the editorial staff. Looking back over the past few years many outstanding events come to mind; the decline of Frobisher (which was in its heyday when I was in the junior part of the School) and the ascendancy of Bennett, two soccer tours to London and Dublin, this year's triumphant U. 15 soccer XI, and the narrow victory of the Staff Cricket XI over the School last summer, to mention only a few.

The spirit of the majority of boys in the School towards School games is excellent, and it is rare to find no one training during an evening. The standard on the field has improved tremendously during the past few years both in conduct and in dress, and it is to be hoped that it will be maintained. There are very few boys who let the School down when visiting other schools, and it is not often that we hear of any criticism against any of our teams. This is a tradition that we must strive to maintain. We must be proud of our School, and be proud to represent it, whether it be in a 1st, 2nd or Junior team or as a reserve.

However, as in most cases, there are some boys who let us down, and think it is big to spoil the reputation of the School. I cannot understand the attitude of certain individuals who regard School matches as a burden and who would rather play for some other local clubs. These boys are ready to accept all the School can give them, but are not prepared to give anything back in return. I have always considered it better to be a mediocre but willing player than a brilliant but "couldn't care less" player.

However, despite the odd exceptions, we have developed a tradition which has led to us achieving a good reputation throughout the district. With many able and willing juniors progressing up the School we can look forward to improving both our standard and prestige. But remember, it is not the result of the game which is the most important; it is the spirit in which we play the game.

D.K.W.

CRICKET

1st XI

After eight games this year the playing record stands at:—

Played 8, Won 2, Drawn 4, Lost 2.

On the whole this is a good record, considering that only five members had any extensive first team experience. Owing to the present lack of talent in the upper school the problem of finding a first and second eleven has been extremely difficult, and the failure of some members of the teams to attend net practice has done nothing towards alleviating it.

The batting and bowling has steadily improved as the season has progressed, but the close fielding has been very uncertain, with several vital catches being dropped.

Finally a big "thank you" must be given to Mr. Gotch for handling the senior cricket.

M. Fox (captain)

A useful all-rounder, opening batting and bowling. As captain he has not had an easy season, losing both opening batsmen from last year—an important gap never filled. Number 1 has not really suited him in the batting order, but he has had a good season bowling. He has done well as captain to bring the side up from its early weak performances to recent much improved results. (Colours.) D.G.

J. Mitchell (vice-captain)

A middle-order batsman who, despite his nerves before going in, has a sound defence and on occasions has made valuable runs.

W. Watson (secretary)

A stylish batsman and a good off-spin bowler but owing to the limitations of the 1st XI batting had very few chances with the latter. Also a very good secretary.

G. Sleight

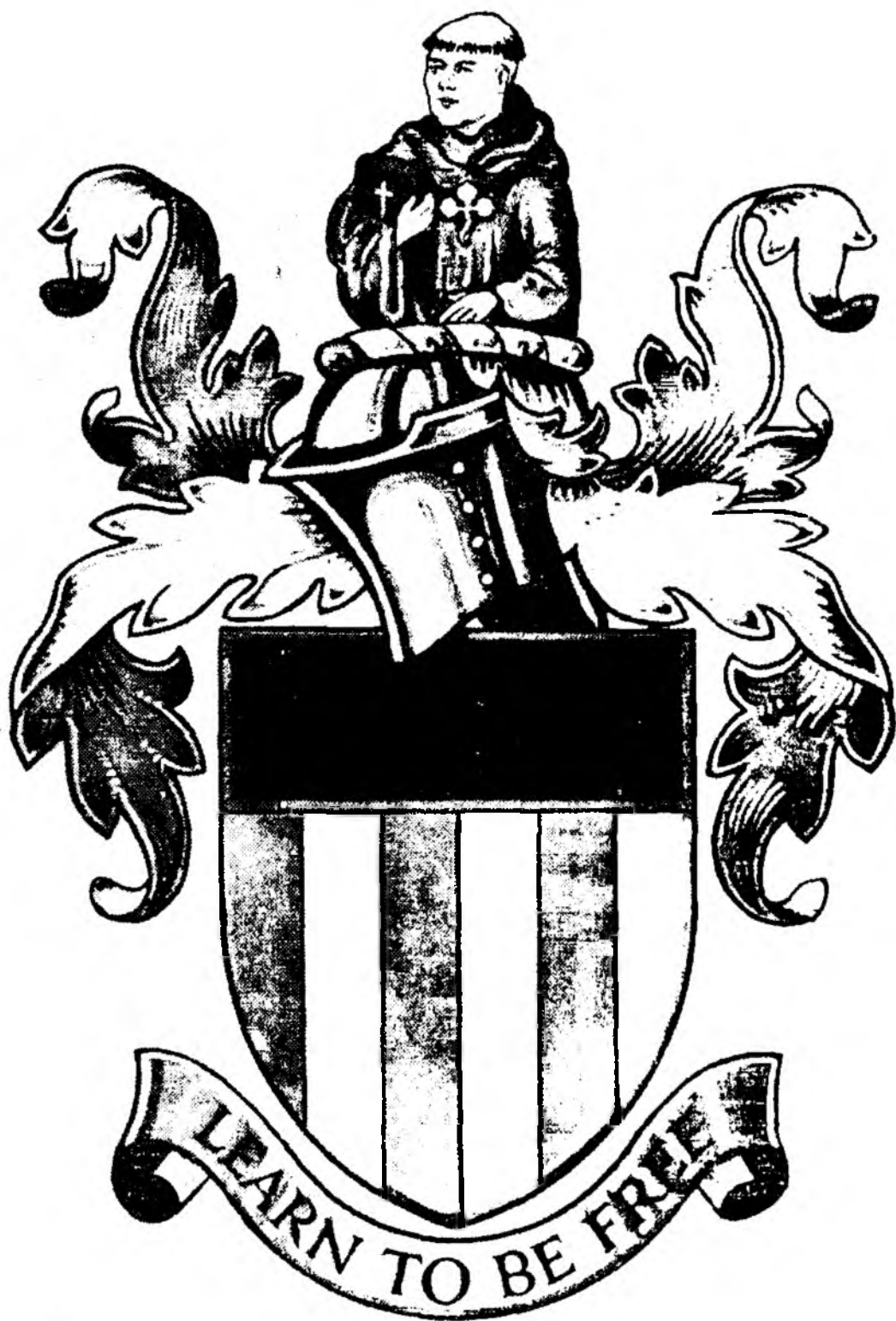
His wicket-keeping has been of the highest order and, despite a shaky start to the season, his batting in the last few games has reached the same high standard. (Colours.)

J. Senior

A left-hand batsman who has several times been rather unluckily dismissed when looking like making runs.

R. C. Gayton

A conscientious batsman who has made several good scores this season.



The Grant of Arms (photographed from the Warrant)

SPORTS DAY, 1961



N. G. Pickett wins the Mile in record time



The field in the Senior Mile



The Champions and Champton House Captains



A good start in the Senior 100 yards



L. R. Brannon in the Pole Vault

D. Lumb

Another batsman who has steadily improved as the season has progressed and with his wide array of shots has made some very good scores. (Colours.)

P. Davis

An attacking left-hand batsman and a very good fielder at cover.

P. Brown

An opening batsman who, after a couple of games with the 2nd XI, has regained his first team place.

G. Dobson

A young opening bowler whose bowling is improving all the time as he gains experience. He is undoubtedly a fine prospect and will be an even bigger threat to opening batsmen next season. (Colours.)

W. J. Kettlestring

The "find" of the season. In his first season with any school team, this left-arm medium pace bowler has bowled extremely well, often with very little luck. He must, however, pay more attention to his field placings. (Colours.)

1st XI Results

Huddersfield New College 60-8 v. School 62 (away) 29th April, 1961.

School went into its first game of the season with only five players with previous first team experience. It was only to be expected, therefore, that in the opening innings runs were going to be hard to come by. In fact, School scored very slowly and were eventually dismissed for 62 runs, P. Brown being top scorer with 12.

Huddersfield N.C. were left the task of making 63 runs in roughly about as many minutes. In an exciting last hour which included four "run-outs," the New College batsmen went all out to win. However, when stumps were drawn they still needed 3 runs with two wickets in hand. Thus the game ended in a draw. Dobson, who bowled throughout the innings, took 2 wickets for 22 runs.

Rishworth School 54 v. School 32-7 (away) 13th May, 1961.

Rishworth batted first and after being dismissed for the modest total of 54, School seemed set for an easy victory. However, hopes of victory soon disappeared when the first seven batsmen were dismissed for a paltry 22 runs, and staving off defeat now assumed prime importance. This School managed to achieve; when stumps were drawn they had made 32 without the loss of a further wicket.

School 54 v. Woodhouse G.S., Sheffield 56-0 (home) 20th May, 1961.

In this fixture School were completely outclassed in all departments of the game. School batted first, and opened disastrously, the first wicket falling for only one run. The innings never got back on its feet; of School's batsmen only Davis and Watson reached double figures.

The Woodhouse G.S. openers were never really in trouble against School's bowlers, and they easily knocked off the required runs.

School 103 v. Woodhouse Grove School 113 (home) 31st May, 1961.

School won the toss and put Woodhouse in to bat on a good wicket. After a rather shaky start, Woodhouse's middle batsmen batted well. In the half-hour remaining before tea School batted well, adding 26 runs for the loss of only one wicket.

After tea Sleight scored freely before being bowled for 26. Lumb continued where Sleight had left off, but lacked the support of School's later batsmen. Despite Lumb's 31 School were dismissed for 103 runs, 10 short of the Woodhouse Grove total.

School 68-9 v. Holme Valley G.S. 115-7 dec. (home) 3rd June, 1961.

School managed to gain another draw, after being behind for most of the game, thanks to some good defensive batting by J. M. Mitchell. He shared in face-saving stands with Brighton and Kettlestring, to score an undefeated 26 at the close.

Holme Valley batted first, started well, and eventually declared after tea with their score at 115-7. Kettlestring (3 for 27) and Watson (2 for 20) were School's best bowlers. School started badly, losing their first two batsmen without scoring a run. With the score at 23 and seven batsmen out defeat seemed inevitable. Then came Mitchell's effort and School ended with 68 for 9.

School v. Doncaster T.H.S. (home) 10th June, 1961.
Doncaster 8 for 0. Rain stopped play

School 77-8 v. St. Michael's College, Leeds 76 (home) 17th June, 1961.

St. Michael's batted first on a dry Dalefield wicket. Their opening pair put on 31 before the first wicket fell. The wickets then fell quicker and St. Michael's were dismissed for 76. Harris with 4 for 11 was School's best bowler, ably supported by Fox (3 for 19) and Dobson (2 for 28).

School went in to bat after tea, and were soon in trouble, losing 3 wickets for only 24 runs. The rot was stopped, however, when Sleight and Lumb carried the score to 51 before Sleight was dismissed for a brisk 31 scored in nearly as many minutes. Lumb (12) and Gayton (10) were the next highest scorers. A boundary by Dobson gave School their first victory of the season with two wickets in hand.

School 101 v. Hemsworth G.S. 99 (home) 24th June, 1961.

School lost the toss and were sent in to bat. With the score at 36, of which Sleight had made 18, half of School's side were out, and things looked on the black side. However, the position was improved when a stand of 33 by Watson and Mitchell pushed the score to 69, before Watson was dismissed for 15. Gayton followed this stand with an aggressive knock of 22, and School were all out for 101 shortly after tea.

The Hemsworth innings was one of varying fortunes. At one stage they were well behind the clock in their race for the necessary runs, but big hitting by their middle batsmen brought them to within 7 runs of School's total with 3 wickets and ample time left. But in Kettlestring's fourth over 2 wickets fell for 1 run. Harris bowled what was to be the last over. Hemsworth added four runs before Harris had the last man leg before, to give School victory by 2 runs.

Percy Jackson's G.S., Doncaster 80-5 v. School 130-6 dec. (away) 1st July, 1961.

School were put in to bat on a surprisingly green wicket. Percy Jackson's opening bowlers used the new ball well, and in no time School were 14 for 3. An invaluable stand then developed between Sleight and Lumb; they added 65 runs before Sleight was bowled for 36. Lumb went on to make 49 runs, and Harris with 16 not out was School's next highest scorer; School declared with the total at 130 for 6.

After losing both openers for 52, Percy Jackson's made no further attempt to get the additional 84 runs needed for victory, and when play closed they had made 80 for the loss of 5 wickets. Dobson with 3 for 15 was the best of five bowlers tried.

2nd XI

This season the School 2nd XI have had mixed fortunes. In three of the matches School were defeated by a narrow margin, and the result could easily have been reversed.

The side has been switched around owing to players being promoted and demoted to and from the 1st XI. However, the Under-15 XI have helped out in any difficulties.

Symonds and Webster have been consistent performers with the bat, and Walker has bowled very well throughout the season. Watts, who came in as wicket-keeper half-way through the season, has put in some very good performances behind the stumps.

Although results have not been very successful, an enjoyable season has been had by all. B. Nettleton (captain).

2nd XI Results

- v. King's School, Pontefract (away)
School 46 (Symonds 26); K.S.P. 47 for 4. Lost by 6 wickets.
- v. Army Apprentice School, Harrogate (away)
School 100-5 dec. (Webster 25, Walker 19 not out); A.A.S., Harrogate 29 (Harris 5-16, Walker 4-12). Won by 71 runs.
- v. Woodhouse Grove School (away)
Woodhouse Grove 55 (Walker 7-17); School 49. Lost by 6 runs.
- v. Holme Valley G.S. (away)
Holme Valley G.S. 92 (Walker 4-42); School 86 (P. Brown 30 not out). Lost by 6 runs.
- v. Doncaster Technical H.S. (away)
School 62 (Pickett 23, Gayton 18); D.T.H.S. 34 for 2. Rain stopped play.
- v. St. Michael's College, Leeds (away)
School 87 (Webster 28, Garbett 27); St. Michael's 45 (Walker 5-14). Won by 42 runs.
- v. Hemsworth G.S. (away)
School 51 (Pickett 12); Hemsworth 52 (Walker 6-14). Lost by 1 run.
Colours: Nettleton, Walker, Sykes, Webster, Watts and Harris.

Under-15 XI

The Colts have proved to be a very happy, talented and well-balanced side. Their record: Played 6, Won 4, Drawn 2, Lost 0 might well have been better if they had not had a long period without a match and then played Q.E.G.S. immediately after the School sports, for this was a match they could well have won. The other drawn match was also against Q.E.G.S. and on this occasion Golding lost the toss, which proved all-important.

There has been a group of some sixteen boys to choose from, and such has been their ability and keenness that it has been a real embarrassment to choose an eleven. Evidence of this is given by the selection of Gunn for the Yorkshire Boys' County side, of Davison, Golding, Gunn, Jarvis, Ogley, Smith, Teal and Westwood for the District team, of Gunn for the School 1st XI, and of Davison, Jarvis and Smith for the 2nd XI. The main strength has been the bowling, with Smith as the spear-head, and Golding has been able to call upon seven more; the batting has rested mainly on the first four—Westwood, Golding, Gunn and Ogley, with useful contributions from others at times; the wicket-keeping has been shared quite capably by Ogley and Barlow.

All in all, a good season. The temptation has been to look at the ability and the development of this team and apply higher standards of judgment than usual for U. 15 cricketers. These are no longer young boys in white flannels but a team of young men playing cricket, who will produce plenty of good and entertaining cricket for the School in years to come.

A. R. Golding (captain)

Led the side with intelligence and shrewd tactical knowledge; he managed to look objectively and impartially on his own talents and always put the team's interests first. His field placing was sensible and he used his bowlers well. Bowling, lively, if not always too well directed; batting at present lacks assurance, due, one feels, to his own modesty; fielding always safe and confident. Colours.

T. J. Ogley (vice-captain)

Gave very able (and loquacious) support. Very keen, willing and workmanlike cricketer, an apostle of "Brighter Cricket" who appears to begrudge every moment that he cannot spend in actively engaging the enemy. Not the most elegant of batsmen but believes in putting bat to ball and has done so to good effect. Wicket-keeping sound, with an element of showiness, sufficient to inspire respect from the opposition but not so great as to detract from efficiency. Colours.

J. M. D. Gunn

The outstanding batsman of the side; his technique looks so sound and assured that one is always surprised when he is out. In only one School game has he given proof of his talent, when, on a nasty, unpredictable wicket at Pontefract, he hit the ball all round the wicket with some really beautiful shots. Sure to make many runs in the future and give pleasure to all who watch him. Colours.

J. A. Smith

School's "Brian Statham"; again had a very good season. Rather slim for a fast bowler, yet can maintain speed and accuracy for a lengthy spell; always attacks the stumps. His last two performances were particularly praiseworthy. Against Q.E.G.S. he bowled 16 overs taking 3 for 17, and against Percy Jackson's he bowled 11.3 overs taking 7 for 21; both days were extremely hot. Colours.

L. G. Westwood

The regular opener, has worked hard at this difficult task. Finds some difficulty in restraining himself, and given the chance to open out he hits the ball powerfully. His fielding is impressive. Colours.

J. Davison

A most useful member of the team; has the advantage of a good height and build and uses them well. He has a good high action in bowling which gets the maximum out of a pitch. If he could lengthen his run-up and increase his speed he would be a very awkward customer to deal with. Has also played some very useful innings, but not, one suspects, the type he would like to play. A good fielder in the gully. Colours.

J. K. Jarvis

Another all-rounder of no little ability. He has the ability to bowl to a good length from the very first ball and can move it both ways off the seam. This combined with his high action makes it difficult to score off him; with more speed he could be really dangerous. As a batsman he appears to lack confidence in his ability, but he can make strokes and score runs, and no doubt will overcome this.

G. Teal

Through no fault of his own, he has not had a very busy season; when he has bowled he has bowled well. Has a deceptively casual approach, is prepared to experiment with length and flight, and, most of all, has a cheerful, willing, and patient temperament. As a batsman, is making progress and will improve still more as his assurance grows. Colours.

J. M. Shaw and H. Smart

Both come up from the under-14 team this season. Their modesty, keenness and all-round ability, especially in the field, have won the respect of their older team-mates. They promise well for next season.

K. R. Wood

Another useful character. His cheerful countenance and comments belie the wily bowler and sound batsman

that he is. If he applied himself more deliberately to the game he could become a very competent cricketer.

Law, Stephens and Barlow

Three young cricketers who have put in a lot of hard work and practice. If they have not enjoyed success this season they must not be disheartened. In cricket, as in most things, success does not come easily. They are full of cricket and are sure to enjoy the fruits of their labour in the future. Hyde, Robinson and Saxton have also played.

M.H.B.

Under 15 XI Results

- v. Cudworth Modern School (home)
School 66 (Ogley 26, Gunn 16); Cudworth 22 (J. Smith 4-7, Golding 2-4, Jarvis 2-4). Won by 44 runs.
- v. Huddersfield New College (away)
School 90 (Westwood 24, Golding 16, Ogley 10, Hyde 10); H.N.C. 33 (J. Smith 4-15, J. Shaw 4-11). Won by 57 runs.
- v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (home)
Q.E.G.S. 76 (J. Smith 3-18, Davison 3-14, Golding 2-14); School 76-9 (Ogley 14, Westwood 13, Davison 13). Match drawn.
- v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (away)
Q.E.G.S. 90 for 6 dec. (Jarvis 3-7, Smith 3-17); School 43 for 8 (Gunn 13, Shaw 13). Match drawn.
- v. Percy Jackson's G.S., Doncaster (home)
School 79 (Ogley 52); Percy Jackson's 51 (Smith 7-21). Won by 28 runs.

Under 14 XI

Enthusiasm combined with natural ability makes this a very strong side. Unfortunately there have not been enough games to develop the potential to the full. However, we recorded very good wins against Q.E.G.S., Wakefield, and St. Michael's College, and in the two drawn games were in a very strong position at the end of play. We certainly look forward to very bright cricket from these boys in the future.

Brown

Good opening bat who has tried very hard to develop his style.

C. Hollis

Sound opener who has done well in his new position.

G. H. Soles

With more experience will prove a valuable asset to School's cricket teams in the near future.

Bridges

Not always strictly orthodox but has scored quite a few runs.

H. Smart

Very good fast bowler, whose batting has improved immensely.

J. M. Shaw

A most efficient and competent captain throughout the season; a good all-rounder.

D. Woolhouse

A very agile fielder; can also keep wicket when needed.

Thompson

Good defensive bat, also an accurate bowler when required.

A. J. Eades

A good bowler; has not had much chance to show his skill with the bat.

N. Raybould

An outstanding bowler, who will be in this age group next year and should do well.

N. Craddock

A sound wicket-keeper, but too inclined to adopt goal-keeping tactics.

Also played: D. Harrison, P. Brooks and W. L. Francis.

M.R.

Under 14 XI Results**v. St. Michael's College**

School 41 for 8 dec.; St. Michael's 24 all out (Smart 6-15, Shaw 4-8). Won by 17 runs.

v. Woodhouse Grove

School 12 all out; Woodhouse Grove 13 for 2 (Smart 2-3). Lost by 8 wickets.

v. Queen Elizabeth G.S. (away)

Q.E.G.S. 47 all out (Raybould 5-15, Shaw 2-5); School 49 for 5 (Brown 17, Hollis 12). Won by 5 wickets.

v. Doncaster T.H.

School 75 for 6 dec. (Shaw 31); Doncaster 41 for 5 (Smart 3-10, Shaw 2-18). Match drawn.

v. Leeds G.S.

Leeds 100 for 6 dec. (Raybould 1-9, Eades 1-12); School 73 for 5 (Smart 21 not out, Brown 16). Match drawn.

v. Queen Elizabeth G.S. (home)

Q.E.G.S. 49 all out (Shaw 6-19, Raybould 1-0, Thompson 2-0); School 52 for 7 dec. (Hollis 14, Smart 10 not out). Won by 3 wickets.

Under 13 XI

Two almost separate sides are run in this age group to correspond with the varying age-limits of opposing school teams. The junior side, consisting mainly of first form boys, acquitted themselves very well in their first game against Q.E.G.S. at Wakefield. Half the Wakefield side were dismissed for 14 runs, but some loose bowling allowed their tail to wag and finally gave them a total of 48. Raybould bowled extremely well taking 5 wickets for 9 runs. Bassinder and Lappage then made an opening stand of 25, which set the foundation for a good nine wicket win. Lappage had a useful, if rather lucky, innings of 33.

In the return against Q.E.G.S. at home the tables were turned completely. School batted first and declared at tea with 80 for 9, which they confidently thought was a good score. However, the bowlers this time could make no impression on the Wakefield batsmen, who knocked off the 81 runs required with the loss of only one wicket.

The Senior U. 13 team have only played one game at the time of going to press, with two more to be played. The opponents were Don Valley High School. They batted first and made 66 after a poor start. In reply School batted very badly, several wickets were almost given away, and a total of 31 runs only was reached.

The following boys have represented the sides:—

Junior U. 13:—N. Raybould (captain), D. C. Bassinder, M. W. Lappage, M. J. Brooks, B. Thompson, I. W. Craddock, J. Smallman, S. Allen, M. Dolan, A. Pickering, D. Leake, A. Goldie.

Senior U. 13:—N. Raybould (captain), G. H. Soles, M. W. Lappage, D. W. Ironfield, R. Crabtree, I. McGougan, J. D. Parker, S. W. Beedle, J. Fitzpatrick, E. Walmsley, A. J. Eades.

Under 13 Results

v. Don Valley G.S. (away)

Don Valley G.S. 66 (Raybould 6-18); School 32. Lost by 34 runs.

v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (away)

Q.E.G.S. 48 (Raybould 5-9); School 49-1 (Lappage 33). Won by 9 wickets.

v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (home)

School 80 for 9 dec. (Bassinder 31); Q.E.G.S. 81-1. Lost by 9 wickets.

INTER-HOUSE CRICKET COMPETITION

Senior

Freeston v. Frobisher

Freeston 31 all out. (Watson 18, Harris 5 for 11.)

Frobisher 32 for 8. (Mitchell 5 for 14, Watson 3 for 12.)

Hanson v. Bennett

Hanson 47 all out. (Barr 13, Walker 6 for 24.)

Bennett 48 for 3. (Sleight 31.)

Junior

Bennett v. Frobisher

Bennett 52 all out. (Crabtree 7 for 17.)

Frobisher 56 for 3. (Pickering 20, Goldie 15.)

Freeston v. Hanson

Freeston 41 all out. (Reaney 10, Smart 6 for 16.)

Hanson 25 all out. (Lappage 4 for 11.)

Junior Final

Bennett v. Freeston

Bennett 26 all out. (Beedle 4 for 10.)

Freeston 53 all out. (Lappage 15, Fox 7 for 14.)

Losers' Final

Hanson v. Frobisher

Hanson 99 for 4. (Smart 52 not out, Walmsley 29.)

Frobisher 55 all out. (Raybould 6 for 12.)

ATHLETICS

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS

These were held on Wednesday, 7th June, on a splendid afternoon. As usual the competition for honours was exceptionally keen, and a really exciting afternoon's sport ensued.

For the third year in succession Bennett House carried off the championship, and this was mainly due to the strength of their senior team. Individual honours went to J. R. Marchant, who won the senior Victor Ludorum; A. R. Golding and L. G. Westwood were joint winners of the intermediate Victor Ludorum; G. M. Blackburn and D. J. Miller shared the junior Victor Ludorum.

It proved to be an afternoon for the breaking of records. Altogether ten records were broken, one equalled, and six were established for events newly introduced into the sports.

In the senior events, J. R. Marchant raised the High Jump record to 5ft. 7ins., L. R. Brannon improved his own Pole Vault record to 10ft. 3ins., and another jumping record to go was the Hop, Step and Jump when P. Pickard cleared 41ft. 5ins. Two track records were broken: N. Pickett, who dropped the rest of the field in the mile, broke the record with a time of 4mins. 53.3secs., and Bennett relay team set up a new record for the 4 x 110 yards relay of 47.4 secs.

The intermediates broke four records. In the field events, A. R. Golding established a new shot putt record of 42ft. 4½ins., and G. H. Moxon jumped 37ft. 10ins. in the Hop, Step and Jump, beating the old record by just over one foot. On the track, L. G. Westwood recorded 11.2secs. to break the existing Hurdles record, and the Freeston team lowered the record for the relay to 49.8secs. Two new events were introduced into the Intermediate events this year, the mile, and the pole vault. T. J. Ogley won the mile in 5mins. 18.1secs., and J. R. Mynett cleared 8ft. in the Pole Vault, which automatically become records.

In the junior events the only record broken was the High Jump, when W. L. Francis cleared 4ft. 7ins., but G. M. Blackburn's time of 11.6secs. in the 100 yards equalled the record. This year, however, the juniors were given the chance to try their hand at the throwing events for the first time. M. J. Halls won the discus with a throw of 92ft. 1ins., and the shot with a putt of 37ft. 2ins. E. Walmsley won the javelin with a throw of 84ft. 3ins. All these distances become new records. Another event introduced was the Hop, Step and Jump, and A. J. Eades distance of 31ft. 1ins. also becomes a record.

To end a good afternoon's sport, Miss O. A. Parry, M.A., presented the prizes.

During the afternoon the school band performed, under their new Director of Music, Mr. Jones.

On behalf of all who took part, and all spectators, I would like to take the opportunity of thanking Mr. Jubb, the rest of the staff, and the groundsmen, for making the sports possible.

RESULTS

Seniors:

100 yards—1, R. Wilby; 2, G. Sleight; 3, P. Pickard. Time 10.6secs.

220 yards—1, J. R. Marchant; 2, P. Pickard; 3, R. Wilby. Time 24.9secs.

440 yards—1, J. R. Marchant; 2, D. Lumb; 3, R. M. Barr.
 Time 55.3secs.
 880 yards—1, K. I. Johnson; 2, J. T. Hall; 3, C. E. Dean.
 Time 2mins. 14.4secs.
 1 Mile—1, N. G. Pickett; 2, P. Brighton; 3, T. Shaw. Time
 4mins. 53.3secs. (new record).
 Hurdles—1, B. V. Ellis; 2, C. S. Hampson; 3, P. Slater. Time
 16.7secs.
 High Jump—1, J. R. Marchant; 2 (equal), B. V. Ellis; L. Hill.
 Height 5ft. 7ins. (new record).
 Long Jump—1, P. Pickard; 2, T. M. Conboy; 3, C. S. Hampson.
 Distance 18ft. 4ins.
 Hop, Step and Jump—1, P. Pickard; 2, J. R. Marchant; 3,
 N. G. Pickett. Distance 41ft. 5ins. (new record).
 Pole Vault—1, L. R. Brannon; 2, J. T. Hall; 3, B. V. Ellis.
 Height 10ft. 3ins. (new record).
 Shot—1, M. E. Brown; 2, T. M. Conboy; 3, J. Dawson. Distance
 37ft. 2½ins.
 Discus—1, J. Dawson; 2, T. M. Conboy; 3, J. T. Hall. Distance
 114ft. 5ins.
 Javelin—1, L. Sykes; 2, J. Dawson; 3, B. V. Ellis. Distance
 132ft. 2ins.
 4 x 110 yards Relay—1, Bennett; 2, Hanson; 3, Freeston.
 Time 47.4secs. (new record).
 Senior House Trophy—Bennett House.
 Senior Victor Ludorum—J. R. Marchant (Bennett).

Intermediates:

100 yards—1, L. G. Westwood; 2, A. R. Golding; 3, J. M.
 Haywood. Time 11.0secs.
 220 yards—1, A. R. Golding; 2, L. G. Westwood; 3, T. R.
 Starkie. Time 25.9secs.
 440 yards—1, R. P. Freeman; 2, K. R. Wood; 3, C. A. Nichols.
 Time 58.7secs.
 880 yards—1, R. P. Freeman; 2, R. Chambers; 3, F. Dolan.
 Time 2mins. 23.3secs.
 1 Mile—1, T. J. Ogley; 2, I. A. Linley; 3, D. M. Johnson. Time
 5mins. 18.1secs. (record taken for first time).
 Hurdles—1, L. G. Westwood; 2, J. R. Mynett; 3, I. Robinson.
 Time 11.2secs.
 High Jump—1, T. R. Starkie; 2, L. G. Westwood; 3, N. Frank-
 land. Height 4ft. 10ins.
 Long Jump—1, G. H. Moxon; 2, S. D. Webster; 3, J. M.
 Haywood. Distance 16ft. 10ins.
 Hop, Step and Jump—1, G. H. Moxon; 2, A. R. Golding; 3,
 L. W. Rowett. Distance 37ft. 10ins. (new record).

Pole Vault—1, J. R. Mynett; 2, D. A. Whelan; 3, N. T. Craddock. Height 8ft. 0ins. (record taken for first time).

Shot—1, A. R. Golding; 2, F. English; 3, J. M. Haywood. Distance 42ft. 4½ins. (new record).

Discus—1, F. English; 2, G. H. Moxon; 3, S. Hodgson. Distance 107ft. 9ins.

Javelin—1, T. R. Starkie; 2, M. I. Hirst; 3, S. Hodgson. Distance 123ft. 6ins.

4 x 110 yards Relay—1, Freeston; 2, Frobisher; 3, Bennett. Time 49.8secs. (new record).

Intermediate House Trophy—Frobisher House.

Intermediate Victor Ludorum—A. R. Golding and L. G. Westwood (both Frobisher) were joint winners.

Juniors:

100 yards—1, G. M. Blackburn; 2, A. J. Eades; 3, W. L. Francis. Time 11.6secs (equals record).

220 yards—1, A. J. Eades; 2, T. J. Lightfoot; 3, R. Hurley. Time 27.6secs.

440 yards—1, G. M. Blackburn; 2, R. Crabtree; 3, P. A. Harrison. Time 63.0secs.

880 yards—1, G. M. Blackburn; 2, B. W. Agley; 3, B. Jones. Time 2mins. 26.2secs.

Hurdles—1, D. J. Miller; 2, J. Fitzpatrick; 3, M. J. Halls. Time 12.3secs.

High Jump—1, W. L. Francis; 2, E. Walmsley; 3, R. Steane. Height 4ft. 7ins. (new record).

Long Jump—1, D. J. Miller; 2, K. Webster; 3, M. Dolan. Distance 13ft. 9ins.

Hop, Step and Jump—1, A. J. Eades; 2, S. W. Beedle; 3, D. J. Miller. Distance 31ft. 1ins. (record taken for first time).

Shot—1, M. J. Halls; 2, W. L. Francis; 3, S. A. Dominiak. Distance 37ft. 2ins. (record taken for first time).

Discus—1, M. J. Halls; 2, W. L. Francis; 3, R. A. Smith. Distance 92ft. 1ins. (record taken for first time).

Javelin—1, E. Walmsley; 2, D. J. Miller; 3, S. Kirlow. Distance 84ft. 3ins. (record taken for first time).

4 x 110 yards Relay—1, Bennett; 2, Freeston; 3, Frobisher. Time 54.6secs.

Junior House Trophy—Freeston House.

Junior Victor Ludorum—C. M. Blackburn (Bennett) and D. J. Miller (Freeston) were joint winners.

Champion House—Bennett.

ATHLETICS MATCH AT HUDDERSFIELD NEW COLLEGE ON SATURDAY, 10th JUNE, 1961

School, Huddersfield New College and Foxwood Comprehensive School participated in this match for the first time. The match was in two sections, a senior in which Foxwood did not compete, and a section comprising Under 16, Under 15 and Under 13 competitions.

In the senior section, School beat Huddersfield New College by 27 points. J. R. Marchant proved to be School's best performer, taking first place in four events, the 220 yards in 24.6secs., and three field events, the High Jump with 5ft. 2ins., the Long Jump with 18ft. 7ins., and the Hop, Step and Jump with 38ft. 9½ins. J. Dawson had a double success, winning the Discus with a throw of 124ft. 1ins., and the Javelin with a throw of 127ft. Other winners for School were K. I. Johnson who won the 880 yards in 2mins. 12.5secs., and T. M. Conboy who won the Shot with a putt of 39ft. 10ins.

In the U. 16, U. 15 and U. 13 competitions, Huddersfield New College beat School by 2 points, with Foxwood last; unfortunately we had a relay team disqualified, and would have won had they secured even third place.

In the Under 16 section School had only three winners in the thirteen events. They were P. Brighton, who won the mile in 5mins. 10.1secs., P. Pickard who cleared 38ft. 6ins. in the Hop, Step and Jump, and A. R. Golding who won the Shot Putt with a throw of 40ft. 10ins.

In the Under 15 Section L. G. Westwood had a double success, winning the hurdles in 11.9secs., and the High Jump with a jump of 4ft. 11ins. R. P. Freeman won the half-mile in 2mins. 21.8secs. A. R. Golding, who had earlier won the U. 16 shot, threw nearly two feet further when he won the U. 15 Shot Putt. C. H. Moxon was the only other winner in U. 15 section, when he cleared 35ft. 8ins. to win the Hop, Step and Jump.

The U. 13 team had a very successful time, winning six of the nine events in this section. C. M. Blackburn, who looks a good prospect for the future, won the 100 yards in 11.7secs., and the 440 yards in 61.0secs. A. J. Eades won the 220 yards in 27.9secs., and to round off their successes on the track the U. 13 Relay team won in 48.9secs. In the field events W. L. Francis won the High Jump with 4ft. 6ins., and M. J. Halls the Shot with 38ft. 9ins.

In the overall result School came out clear winners by 23 points, a fine effort by all who participated, especially so since both the other schools are larger in numbers.

Points Results

Seniors:

1—Normanton G.S.	75pts.
2—Huddersfield N.C.	48pts.

U. 16, U. 15 and U. 13:

1—Huddersfield N.C.	181pts.
2—Normanton G.S.	179pts.
3—Foxwood Comprehensive School	115pts.

Overall Result

1—Normanton G.S.	254pts.
2—Huddersfield N.C.	229pts.

YORKSHIRE SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1961

A number of boys were chosen to represent Normanton District in the Yorkshire Schools' A.A. Championships at Huddersfield on the 17th June, 1961.

In the Senior Discus, J. Dawson and T. M. Conboy did exceptionally well. Dawson's throw of 119ft. 1ins. gained him 3rd place, and Conboy's effort of 114ft. 2ins., placed him 5th. In the final of the senior 220 yards, J. R. Marchant came 5th with a time of 25.0secs.

In the intermediate Hop, Step and Jump, P. Pickard cleared 38ft. 3ins. to come third; his jump was only three inches behind that of the leader. R. P. Freeman recorded a personal best time of 2mins. 17.4secs. when he came 4th in the junior 880 yards.

These performances are quite remarkable when one considers the size of the Normanton team compared with those from areas as large as Leeds (the overall champions), Hull (2nd) and the North Riding (3rd).

TOWN SPORTS

The Town Sports were held in the evening of the 4th July at Haw Hill Park. The athletes of the Grammar School and High School dominated the meeting. The "A" team put up a fine performance and ended with a clear lead of twenty-seven points over their nearest rivals, the Modern School "A" team.

Result

1st—Grammar "A"	79 points
2nd—Modern "A"	52 points
3rd—Grammar "B"	41 points
4th—Modern "B"	21 points

INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS, HUDDERSFIELD

In this meeting, held on Wednesday, 12th July, at Fartown cricket ground, Huddersfield, the School competed against Hemsworth G.S., Holme Valley G.S., Rastrick G.S., Penistone G.S. and Royds Hall G.S., in junior, intermediate and senior sections. The weather was cold and blustery, with frequent showers of rain. Our junior team won their section, the intermediates came a very close second, but the seniors put up a rather disappointing performance, in which we did not record a single win.

The best performances for School were Walmsley's win in the junior high jump with a height of 4ft. 7in. which beat his own previous best performance by 3in., and the junior relay team's victory, in which they broke the meeting record by 1.2secs., clocking 53.3secs. Of the intermediates Starkie won the high jump, Hirst the javelin and Freeman the 880. In the relay we were beaten by inches by Hemsworth Grammar School after a bad change over; both schools broke the meeting record. In the senior relay, too, we were within a yard of victory.

Despite the weather and the wet track it was a most enjoyable meeting; the ground was very pleasant and the accommodation for spectators was excellent. Next year we hope for still more support from the rest of the School, and will do our best to take the shield from Hemsworth, worthy winners of the West Riding C.C. Shield.

Points Result

Junior Section—

1st—Normanton G.S.	21 points
2nd—Hemsworth G.S.	17 points

Intermediate Section—

1st—Hemsworth G.S.	29 points
2nd—Normanton G.S.	28 points

Senior Section—

1st—Hemsworth G.S.	30 points
2nd—Normanton G.S.	23 points

Overall result—

1st—Hemsworth G.S.	76 points
2nd—Normanton G.S.	72 points

PENTATHLON CERTIFICATES

Seniors: J. R. Marchant, B. V. Ellis, J. T. Hall, C. S. Hampson, P. Pickard, K. I. Johnson, G. Sleight, R. Wilby, J. Dawson, N. G. Pickett.

Intermediates: L. G. Westwood, A. R. Golding, R. P. Freeman, T. R. Sarkie, J. M. Hayward, L. W. Rowett.

Juniors: W. L. Francis, A. Eades, G. M. Blackburn, R. Hurley, M. J. Halls.

GYM COLOURS

D. M. Harrison.

CROSS-COUNTRY

The senior cross-country team had two fixtures against Percy Jackson's G.S., Doncaster, during the Spring term. In the first, held at Normanton, School were easily beaten by a much stronger and more experienced team. Only K. I. Johnson (5th) and E. Webster (6th) showed any promise. In the return fixture, held at Doncaster, School faced a much longer and tougher course than the one they had been used to. K. I. Johnson, who came in fourth, was again School's best performer. Percy Jackson's G.S. team-work brought them an easy victory.

Despite both defeats the senior team did not lack spirit, and it must be remembered that the cross-country team is chosen after the 1st XXII and 1st XXX have been selected.

An intermediate cross-country team had two fixtures, both against Castleford Secondary Modern School. Although both matches were lost, the margin of defeat was slender both times. In the first match D. M. Johnson (4th), Shaw (5th) and B. Agley (6th) proved to be School's best performers. In the return match, R. P. Freeman (2nd) recorded the same time as the winner. Next best for School was Shaw (4th).

SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1961

This year the championships were run over a new course. Bennett House celebrated this by becoming cross-country champions for the third year in succession.

In the senior event, J. Strutt (Bennett) came in first for the third year in succession. N. J. Pickett (Hanson) was second, and P. A. L. Routledge (Bennett) was a close third. Bennett were Senior Champions.

Bennett were again successful in the intermediate race, with four of their competitors in the first six. Individual winner was M. Nettleship (Bennett), I. Linley (Freeston) was second, and third came J. Shaw (Bennett).

Freeston junior team stopped Bennett winning everything, when they easily won the junior team event. C. M. Blackburn (Bennett) was the individual winner, with M. J. Wilson (Frobisher) second, and R. Reaney (Freeston) third.

TENNIS

As our many critics have probably already noticed, this has been a very disappointing season for tennis in the School. The call for proficient players produced only a small response, and much of this material was whittled away by the insatiable appetite of the cricket and athletics teams.

However, thanks to the untiring efforts of a few, Gayton, Mitchell and Pickett, who played both cricket and tennis on the same day, we were able to fulfil our commitments against Hemsworth G.S. Other members of the team who gave willing effort were Lealman, Hoyle and Sykes.

Results

v. Hemsworth G.S. (June 3rd). Lost, 1½ to 7½.

v. Hemsworth G.S. (June 17th). Lost, 3 to 6.

However, with the extension of tennis to the 4th and 5th forms we can, perhaps, look forward to a brighter future.

R. Thickett (Captain/Hon. Secretary).

BADMINTON

This club was formed by Mr. Wandless and members of the Upper Sixth, at the beginning of the year. As only Mr. Wandless and two other members had any previous experience it was decided not to arrange any inter-school matches during the Spring Term.

The society has gradually increased its membership both in staff and boys; four members of staff are regular players, with the lower sixth and fifth form also practising regularly. We hope to extend admission to the lower forms later on when the society is more experienced and inter-school matches are played regularly.

Two courts have been marked out in the new hall, which has proved to be an excellent building for this type of game.

The first inter-school match was held on July 6th against Normanton Secondary Modern School (won by 7 rubbers to 2), and further matches have been arranged, a return match against the Modern School and an away match against the King's School, Pontefract.

N.G.P.

R.U.F.C.

1st XV 11 v. Staff 6.

The weather at the opening of the annual battle turned out, like the Staff, very bright, and a pleasant afternoon's "entertainment" was expected by all. The match did, in fact, turn out to be a much harder one than was expected, and it was well into the first half before School took "first blood." No advantage was taken, however, and though School always held the lead, the result was always in doubt. The two Staff tries were more attractive than School's, and both Mr. Jubb's and Mr. Caswell's tries received large cheers from the crowd. Unfortunately Staff failed to take advantage of the numerous penalties in their favour, and School's three tries by Conboy, Carr and Towler, with one conversion by Davis, gave the 1st XV victory. The game was a rather unusual one for the 1st XV—for the first time they were playing against men with a good deal of experience and cunning: it was of great value.

A.F.C.

Since the last issue of the Magazine the 1st XI played four matches, winning two, and drawing one, to finish off the season with the following results:—

Played 20, Won 12, Lost 6, Drawn 2,
goals for 74, goals against 58

The 1st XI had a very enjoyable season, the climax being the tour to Dublin, where we unfortunately lost 1-2 to a University College side. However, we had nothing to be ashamed of and put up a very good performance. Members of the team would like to thank Mr. Moy for all the help he has given them throughout the year, and for the Dublin tour he so kindly arranged for them.

RESULTS

School 3 v. Staff XI 0

Home

School were weakened for their annual encounter with the Staff for both Bradley and Watts were absent from the side. However, they could not grumble, for the Staff were without their experienced full-back, Mr. Windle, and ace goalscorer, Mr. Murray, and this tended to equal things out. School were on top throughout the game and the Staff were lucky to have only three goals scored against them. The goals were scored by Strutt (2) and Buckle, who scored with a fierce drive from the half-way line. However, although in the opinion of most people School were the better side, the Staff team still have their admirers.

The match was also Mr. Beddows' last for the Staff. He has encouraged soccer at Normanton G.S. for many years, and he has been the mainstay of the Staff XI, who will miss him sorely. Perhaps he may be invited to appear as a guest player in future matches?

School 3 v. K.O.Y.L.I. 3.

Away

The K.O.Y.L.I. players went into this game determined to avenge their 11-3 trouncing at Altofts earlier in the season, and it is a wonder that many of the School team did not receive serious injuries. In the second half with the 1st XI leading 3-1 K.O.Y.L.I. threw everything into the attack, including fists, elbows, heads and boots, and eventually equalised in the last few minutes. School easily outclassed the K.O.Y.L.I. team for skill, and did well to stand up to the battering handed out by their opponents. Scorers were D. Bradley, G. Sleight, S. Hutchinson.

School 6 v. Lady Lumley's 1.

Home

School took command of the game from the start, but although they were continually on the attack they were able to score only two goals, through Brighton and Hodgson.

During the second half the Lady Lumley's goal was continually under heavy pressure and further goals were added by Bradley, Brighton, Hodgson and one own goal. Towards the end Lady Lumley's replied with a breakaway goal.

A.F.C.—Under 15

Local Cup Final. Rothwell S.M. 1, School Under 15 4

This match was played on Rothwell Athletic's ground before about 400 spectators. The Rothwell half-backs dominated the early play, but School fought back, and Smart scored twice, the second time from a difficult angle. Rothwell replied with a goal by their left wing. In the second half Golding added two more goals, and although Smart had to retire for a time with cramp, School held on for a comfortable win. Ogilby, in goal, earned the praise of spectators and officials for his fine sportsmanship in this game.

OLD FRESTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

"For we were nursed upon the self-same hill."

The Annual General Meeting of the Old Frestonians was held in the School, on Saturday, 25th March, 1961, at 6.45 p.m., when there was an election of officers. The new President is Mr. G. Fieldhouse, the new Secretary Mr. D. Pierce.

The Meeting was followed by the Reunion Dinner, at 7.30 p.m.; there were about seventy guests at the dinner, which was held in the annexe of the new hall.

The guest of the evening was Mr. J. Moore, who attended the school from 1918 to 1923. Older Old Boys may be interested to know that he is now the managing director of Morlock Washers, Ltd., in Wolverhampton. He has just been responsible for the building of a new modern factory where automation is an important feature. His wife (Ada Barker) was educated at Normanton Girls' High School and was for some time Headmistress of a Church of England School at Ripley; his two sons were at Oxford. Mr. Moore made a very witty speech as he alluded to the old days when he was a pupil at the school; his contemporaries were highly amused. He went on to say how sorry he was that he had been unable to visit the school for many years; he was amazed at its rapid growth. He was introduced by Mr. W. Frost, one of the earliest Secretaries of the Association, who has proved himself to be a pillar of strength. Our past President, Mr. A. Westerman, proposing the toast of the School and the Governors, gave a very able speech indeed, in which he spoke of the School's traditions and of the debt he owed to this old foundation. Mr. A. M. Smith replied on behalf of the Governors, the Headmaster for the School.

The Reunion is always a happy occasion, and now that the school buildings are completed we can look forward to 1962 in the knowledge that at the next dinner the Old Boys will be handsomely accommodated.

LONDON DINNER

The Second Annual Dinner of the London Old Frestonians was held at the United Universities' Club, in London, on Saturday, 18th March, 1961. Mr. G. A. Blakeley, Town Clerk of Walthamstow, presided; 20 Old Frestonians were present, and Mr. Harris-Taylor, former Headmaster, Mr I. Parker, the Headmaster and the Head Boy, D. K. Watts.

Professor J. E. Roberts proposed the toast of the School, and the Headmaster responded. The toast of the Old Frestonians' Association was proposed by Mr. H. White, who regretted that so many Old Boys kept no interest in the school after leaving. Mr. J. Bird, Hon. Secretary, replied with his usual wit and facility: he, too, deplored the weakness of the Association, and also described the progress made towards the Grant of Arms, which had now been received.

Mr J. Brennan (1959), of the London School of Economics, proposed the toast of "The present generation"; D. K. Watts, in answering, outlined the school's achievements in sport during the past year.

Thanks were expressed to Mr. J. T. E. Akers and to Mr. Harris-Taylor, to whose efforts the revival and continuance of the London dinner are due.

LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY

Forty Years On.—The Magazine, as ever, is likely to reach only a small percentage of Old Boys. By reason of this, its advertising effect is limited. Such limitation can be offset if you, who read this, would talk of the Association of Old Frestonians.

We need some new young blood. So what about it, you new qualifiers? And what about the Forty Years On Brigade? How about shaking the wavering knee at an O.F.A. social function?

It is a fact that many men around the 40 mark turn to their associations of youth, and in so doing bring themselves much contentment, often to their surprise. Some have found this enjoyable experience. Some are shy, until properly invited, and there are possibly those who feel themselves not to be good or successful enough to sit with such academic geniuses as N.G.S. has from time to time produced. If you belong to the latter groups, may I say how much the O.F.A. needs you and your interest!

This heritage should not be shrugged off and allowed to wither like, for example, some out-dated theatre. We all owe something to that vital period in our lives that was spent on the same hill. Some of us still maintain a fellowship through our sons, being present-day pupils. To these there is added incentive.

With the London Branch building up nicely (I see they haven't required the Albert Hall for their Annual Reunion and Dinner, not yet, anyhow), Mr. J. Akers would be pleased to hear from any London Area Old Boys.

And here at home, a letter or a card to the Hon. Sec. may mean that at the next O.F.A. gathering, a new enjoyment will come into your life.

D. Pierce, Hon. Sec.,
45, Beancroft Road,
Castleford.

O.F.A. NEWS

Old Frestonian visitors to the School this term included A. Scholes and D. G. Staples, from Bradford College of Advanced Technology; K. Hutchinson; D. Worth (now well bearded). Of those who have just finished university courses, C. W. Nuttall has a post as Chemical Engineer with the Manchester Oil Refinery Co.; A. Shaw is joining Ferranti Ltd., Manchester, as "Computer programmer/systems analyst" (he sounds just the man to call in when the compilation of the time-table seems quite impossible); D. J. Hopwood goes to Rolls Royce Aero Engine Division at Derby to work in the Technical Design Department. C. P. Couch starts the next part of his training in October at the Dental Hospital, Leeds. K. Holroyd is going to Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, for two years to train for ordination; at the same time he will be doing research, for which he has been granted a studentship.

It looks as if a Manchester Old Frestonian dinner, or a supper at least, should prove to be at least as well attended as the London function. Who will take the lead?

The Golf Tournament for the J. A. Holden Cup was held at Pontefract Golf Club on Thursday, 6th July. Some twenty-four O.F.s appeared, and the trophy was won by Ron Brown with a net 69; he went round in 72. Ken Brooks, not for the first time, came second. Harry Harrison presided at the supper.

Prof. J. E. Roberts, Guest of Honour at Speech Day last year, was honoured by an invitation to the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on Thursday, 6th July: is he the first Old Frestonian to receive this honour?

We are very glad to print below an account by D. G. Staples (1960) of his first year at a College of Advanced Technology, and would welcome further contribution of the same kind from Old Frestonians.

BRADFORD INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

I have just completed my first year at this College, one of eight Colleges of Advanced Technology for the education and training of technologists capable of taking responsible positions in design, production, research and administration. I am studying for a Diploma in Technology in Applied Biology, an award instituted by the National Council for Technological Awards, which includes leading representatives of the major industries. The Diplomas are equivalent to an honours degree.

Diplomas can be taken in almost all engineering subjects, in chemistry, physics, optics, textiles and biology. Also courses for London University external degrees can be pursued. The courses for the Diplomas in Technology are sandwich courses, termed "thick" or "thin." "Thin" sandwich courses are those such as engineering subjects where six months is spent at the College and then six months in industry with pay, alternating for a period of four years. My own course in Applied Biology is a "thick" sandwich course, as I spend the first two years at college, one year in industry and then a final year back at college. The blending of academic and industrial experience is an essential feature in the training of the technologist. In addition to my theoretical training I need a sound knowledge of the materials, processes and machines which it will be my primary function to develop and design. This industrial training is the subject of close collaboration between Institute and industrial staff throughout the course. Many firms have agreed to co-operate in offering industrial training to students, and in some cases this may be done abroad.

The Students' Union of the Institute is open to all full-time students and provides facilities for a wide range of social and athletic activities. A large new sports pavilion has just been completed and this, with projected extensions, will provide a very fine sports ground.

Although primarily a scientific course, time is allotted to the study of the humanities, social sciences, arts and administration subjects and these form an integral part of the course. On successful completion of the course for my Diploma in Technology I will have had a liberal professional education and will graduate from the Institute as a qualified Biologist with sound knowledge and experience of the most recent industrial developments and methods.

D. G. Staples.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Association held a very successful Social Evening, in the School, on Saturday, 29th April, which was attended by about 120 parents and friends. The fact that the Education Committee have ruled against bars on school premises, did not appear to affect the attendance, or the enjoyment of those who came to dance, play whist, and eat an excellent cold chicken supper. Otherwise, as is usual, there is little to report, though we are supporting the O.F.A. in running a Flannel Dance, on the evening of the O.F.A. cricket match, Saturday, 22nd July, which boys and girls of the schools will be invited to attend.

For the coming season, however, with the new school hall at long last available, an ambitious and varied programme has been compiled, the highlights of which include a meeting at which Mr. J. A. Petch, Secretary of the Northern Universities Joint Matriculation Board, will speak on "The G.C.E.: its organisation and future," a visit by Lady Barnett (yes—that Lady Barnett), and a talk by Mr. R. H. T. Stevens, of the University of Leeds Department of Education, on "The purpose of a University," which we hope will be of particular interest to all those parents who hope that their sons will go to one (and that should mean the great majority), as well as film shows and a social event each term.

The first event of the new school year will be the Annual General Meeting, in the school hall on Wednesday, 27th September. This will be followed by a social evening. We hope that it will be much better attended than it has been for the last two years, and we appeal to parents, especially those of the 1960 entry, who were thinly represented last time, to come along, share our business, fill the inevitable gaps on the Committee, and enjoy a pleasant evening's entertainment afterwards. In particular, we want to plan in good time for a better than ever Autumn Fair.

The subscription remains at 1/- per family, and this coming year will offer better value than ever before. Demand for seats at the more popular functions is likely to be heavy; preference on these occasions will be offered to paid-up members. Membership cards with the full list of fixtures, names of the officers, and the rules of the Association, will be ready at the start of next term. Our aim, of course, is every parent a member. If your son is leaving this term, do not feel that you must give up membership; you are still most welcome.

The Headmaster wishes us to express his thanks to Mr. Harthill and the ladies who have once again provided excellent cricket teas at Dalefield during this term.

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