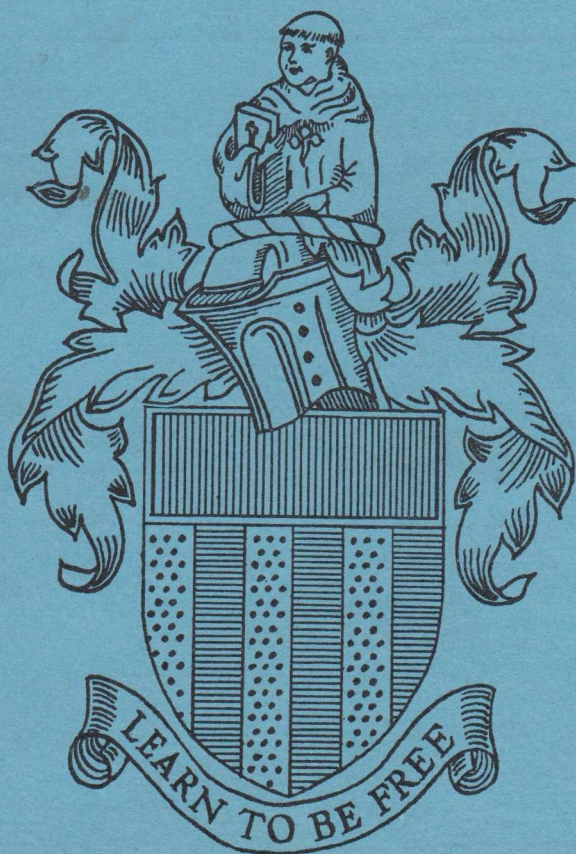


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# EDITORIAL

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Another school year has begun at Normanton and erudite pens begin to flow once more resuscitated by the autumnal recruits. This annual investment of cherubic naivete proves to be a particular source of amusement and speculation among the initiates, who, whilst the new entry discover the anomalies of Grammar School life, return to their task of calculating what lessons the "Autumn Fair" will coincide with.

One ominous term which has echoed through the corridors of Normanton for terms past, that of "amalgamation," seems to become more and more imminent. Whilst the junior school appear quite apathetic to the whole situation, the seniors, who are referred to as the intelligentsia of the establishment in some circles, deem it deleterious to the aged foundation — the thought of skirts and ankle socks treading the confines of the chemistry lab!

As a result of fervent oratory, there has been a great upsurge in the number of literary contributions, and we have endeavoured to select those which provide some entertainment as well as literary value. I hope this will not deter those who have not achieved immortality among the pages of the magazine but will encourage them to produce articles no editor can refuse.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all who have contributed and hope the effort will be sustained throughout the year.

## STAFF NOTES

Mr. M. Shaw (B.Sc., Durham) joined the staff here in November to teach mathematics. He was captain of his college association football team (St. Cuthbert's Society). We wish him success and happiness in his time with us.

## VALETE

The following boys left school in the Summer Term:—

### UVIS

Barr, R. M.  
Cheetham, H. J.  
Child, A. R.  
Farrow, P.  
Gray, H.  
Hampson, C. S.  
Herrell, D.  
Hoyle, D.  
Lumb, D.  
Nettleton, B.  
Powell, M.  
Thompson, J. H.  
Watson, W. R.  
Wilby, R.

### UVIA

Buckle, C.  
Hewlett, J. N.  
Hutchinson, S.  
Johnson, K. I.  
Brown, D. H.  
Brown, P.  
Bullock, J. M.  
Davis, P.  
Fryer, J. P.  
Jones, T.  
Routledge, P. A. L.  
Senior, J.  
Shaw, T.  
White, W.

### VLIS

Harper, J.

### VIM

Craven, K.  
Hall, J. T.  
Kettlestring, W. J.  
Thomas, M.  
Watkins, I.  
Webster, S. H.

### VAI

Golding, A. R.  
Hale, B.  
Wood, K. R.

### VA2

Copley, R. M.  
Davison, J. T.  
Hall, D. M.  
Haywood, J. M.  
Toft, D. J.

### VB

Bott, D.  
Cantrell, G. G.  
Chambers, R.  
Cockerham, J.  
Ellaby, D. G.

Hodgson, S.  
Jackson, A. T.  
Knowles, A.  
Nettleship, M.  
Robinson, I.  
Sharp, A.  
Smallman, J.  
Walker, C. K.

### IVB

Woodward, D. W.

### IVC

Priest, E.  
Shaw, J. M.  
Smith, R.

### IIIA

Wilson, M. J.

### IIIB

Lofthouse, J.

### IIIC

Ashall, P. M.

### IIIk

Demaine, R. J.

### Ic

Westwood, K.

## SALVETE

The following boys have made their welcome entrance

this term:—

### IA

Allen, S.  
Armstrong, M.  
Ashworth, A.  
Atkins, P.  
Bailey-Lee, D.  
Baker, C.  
Barker, L.  
Bingley, G. D.  
Blackburn, M.  
Bradshaw, C.  
Cotton, E. W.  
Crewe, C.  
Elleker, S.  
Hammond, F. D.  
Hardwick, D.  
Haycock, A. C.  
Hayward, A.  
Illingworth, D.  
Lancaster, J.  
Latcham, C.  
MacNicholas, M.

Milner, B. J.  
Parry, J. D.  
Pollard, S.  
Slater, A.  
Taylor, D.  
Timmins, J.  
Towell, J. R.  
Unsworth, B.  
Wormald, B.

### IB

Anthony, S. J.  
Atha, A. M.  
Base, H.  
Bailey, T.  
Booth, S.  
Cantrell, M. A.  
Clare, G.  
Cording, M. E.  
Cravan, R.  
Earnshaw, M. E.  
Fletcher, M. J.

Gamble, M. S.  
Greenfield, P. R.  
Hammond, J.  
Hodgson, S. H.  
Hollis, M.  
Jones, H.  
Matthews, S.  
Moore, E.  
Pine, J. R.  
Preston, S. R.  
Selby, P.  
Siddall, A. K.  
Spink, G. L.  
Stenson, A.  
Thornton, P. J.  
Vaux, S.  
Wallis, A. R.  
Walman, P. A.  
Webster, L. R.  
Williams, M. A.

## IC

Baker, J. R.  
Brook, B. M.  
Brown, D.  
Calland, G.  
Crutchley, G.  
Dean, A.  
Ellis, S. J.  
Field, C. E.  
Frankland, J. K.  
Gamble, P.

Harrison, M.  
Hindmarsh, P.  
Longley, T.  
Lunn, S. J.  
McGlynn, J.  
Parker, S.  
Parnell, T.  
Patchett, W.  
Scott, J. P.  
Sherwood, P. H.  
Spires, P. H.

Swift, T.  
Sykes, D. M.  
Taylor, G.  
Vallance, J. M. K.  
Virgo, P. D.  
Webster, G.  
White, R. F.  
Wooffinden, C.  
  
**IIIA**  
Kitchingman, L. M.

## DE OMNIBUS

The School Prefects this year are: T. M. Conboy (Head Boy and Captain of Frobisher), J. A. Cudworth (Senior Prefect and Captain of Freeston), M. I. Holland (Senior Prefect and Captain of Bennett), D. Arnold, T. Bolton, R. Cheetham, J. R. Cullimore (Captain of Hanson), G. E. Dean, J. H. Dickinson, J. A. Ganley, P. M. Hall, J. S. Harrison, P. Moore, A. H. Morgan, K. Norton, B. Preston, A. P. Richardson, A. K. Stephens, C. Walker.

The Founder's Day Service was held on September, 17th at the Parish Church. The preacher was the Rt. Rev. Eric Treacy, M.B.E., Lord Bishop of Pontefract; the lesson was read by P. Moore and the service conducted by the Vicar of Normanton, the Rev. C. A. O. Warman, M.A.

We would like to congratulate the Vicar of Normanton, a governor of the school, on being appointed an Honorary Canon of Wakefield Cathedral.

On Friday, 26th October the Autumn Fair was held and it raised slightly more money than last year.

Innumerable trips; took place during the summer holidays and heavily censored accounts appear elsewhere in the magazine.

At the end of term the new school badges were on sale. There are two types of badges, the First - Fifth Form badge which costs 5/- and the Sixth Form badge at 7/6. The badges are a great improvement on the present effort and seem to be very popular.

On practically every Friday at four o'clock the school has been visited by the local police road safety officer, who has lectured the future Stirling Moss's of the school on road safety.

On two occasions this term the senior members of the school have been lectured on health matters. Firstly they saw a film on dental hygiene and second, a film on lung cancer which seemed to amuse rather than instruct.

The Sixth Form English sets together with Messrs. Mason, Law, Tarride and Taylor, managed by sheer luck to see a production of "King Lear" in Hull. The "Old Faithful" took hours to reach Normanton from Hull; somehow the driver lost his way.

A party of Sixth Form mathematicians with Messrs. Oldroyd, Shaw and Ruddock, went to the Bradford College of Advanced Technology, to see computers at work. Previously the head of the mathematics department had lectured to the boys at school.

On Monday, 17th December, the annual carol service was held. It consisted of Schütz's "Christmas Story," sung by the choir, and lessons were read by R. I. Westerman; J. Hodgkiss: S. Webster: P. Moore and the Headmaster. The service was conducted by the Vicar of Normanton.

Speech Day will be on Friday, 8th March, when the Guest of Honour will be Canon Pare, Provost of Wakefield Cathedral.

We would like to congratulate R. Crabtree, 4B who had a picture exhibited at the "Sunday Pictorial" Art Exhibition.

As M. J. Holland has now left the school, J. H. Dickinson has been appointed a Senior Prefect and M. Mitchell a Prefect.

### AUTUMN FAIR

Friday, 26th October, saw the corridors festooned with posters, and the form rooms turned into "betting offices." The organisation of these showed a marked improvement on previous years.

The official opening was performed by Mrs. Watts (Royston) at 3 o'clock, after which the stallholders (willing parents to whom we are extremely grateful) were literally run off their feet.

Again the choir, soloists, brass band, and instrumentalists brought the proceedings to a close.

| Total Takings      |      |    |     |            |          |
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| Form               | £    | s. | d.  | Form       | £ s. d.  |
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| 1B .....           | 3    | 9  | 2   | 4B .....   | 5 19 11½ |
| 1C .....           | 2    | 2  | 1   | 4C .....   | 3 15 11  |
| 2A .....           | 1    | 5  | 1   | 5A1 .....  | 4 4 5½   |
| 2M .....           |      | 18 | 7   | 5A2 .....  | 3 9 3    |
| 2R .....           | 2    | 17 | 9   | 5B .....   | 1 15 8   |
| 3A .....           | 4    | 13 | 10  | 6M .....   | 2 18 7½  |
| 3R .....           | 3    | 6  | 8   | L6Sc. .... | 3 7 4½   |
| 3W .....           | 1    | 7  | 0   | L6E .....  | 8 6 6    |
| Total .....        | 62   | 3  | 8½  |            |          |
| Stalls in Hall ... | 120  | 12 | 0½  |            |          |
| Main Raffle ...    | 107  | 3  | 3   |            |          |
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K.W.

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Undoubtedly this was one of the better concerts performed under Mr. Jones' baton. Unlike most of his escapades the concert remained serious throughout — no doubt this was due to the presence of a West Riding official.

The concert opened with, and was dominated by, "The Christmas Story," a work composed by Bach's precursor — Schültz.

The second half of the concert was mainly instrumental, though a few familiar carols were incorporated; it opened with a divertimento (No. 9 B Flat) for wind-band (quintet) by Mozart. This was followed by a carol, "Unto us a boy is born" written by a sixth form music student — Russell Dawson. The brass-band interrupted the procedure with four canzonas by Orlando di Lano.

Music, so far, had been rather heavy and something was required to lighten the texture — a piano quartet by D. V. Hoyland, reminiscent of Debussy and Stravinsky: his work has been described as being "cacophonous." After eight minutes of confusion came a soothing, sublime carol by Rubbra, "Dormi Jesu." Mr. de Boer, "an old friend of the school," volunteered to play one of Handel's sonatas for accompanied violin; this gave Mr Jones a chance to show off his brilliance.

"Sonata in one movement" — an extremely difficult piano solo — was written and well played by A. K. Stephens! This work studiously follows the romantic forms of the mid-nineteenth century but also includes a lush theme reminiscent of the popular idiom.

A trio for clarinets, composed by Handel, followed, and the concert ended with "that" carol — "Ding Dong Merrily on High" (apparently this carol is very popular in school).

D. V. Hoyland, LVIA.

# ALARMS AND EXCURSIONS



## PARIS TRIP — 1962

On the 26th July, I was privileged to be among a party of 18 boys who gathered at Wakefield Westgate Station at 10 a.m. under the leadership of Messrs Blake and Ellicott. Our destination — Paris! Armed with plastic macs and paper-back books we boarded the train and the first leg of our journey down to London was passed reading and playing cards.

At King's Cross Station, we were hurried into a coach and transported to Victoria Station and later left London on the second leg to Folkestone from whence we set sail on the "Cote d'Azur", a pleasant little steamer.

The crossing was very smooth and after yet another train journey we arrived at Paris.

We were met at the Gare du Nord by our hostess Madame Gay and then taken to our "base" in Les Lilas which was reached at about 10.30 p.m.

In the morning we soon started off on our tour of Paris and on that first day we saw the Place de la Concorde with its fountains and in its centre, the obelisk of Luxor which was a gift from Mehemet Ali the Egyptian Pasha to Louis-Philippe in 1831. Around the square on little stone pavilions are eight statues symbolising the great provincial

cities of France, and if you stand at the obelisk and look towards one of the pavilions, the town whose name it bears lies in that direction.

We also saw on this tour of old Paris, the Louvre, the Opera, the Eiffel Tower and the Sacré-Cour, the few pieces of stone which commemorate the Bastille and the two Arcs de Triomphe.

In the afternoon, we paid a visit to the baths at the Porte de Lilas and I am sure everyone remembers the warm water and beautiful scenery. The terraces were warmed by the sun and a towel was hardly needed.

The next day dawned fine, as they all did, and started as a visit to the Louvre which was not very interesting at all.

After escaping from the Louvre into the air, we inspected the Arc de Triomphe du Carrousel more closely and when the photographers were satisfied we returned for lunch.

This done we made our way on foot and by bus to the Bois de Vincennes and after a long walk we arrived at the zoo which had a great artificial mountain, from the summit of which a marvellous view of Paris was obtained. After looking at the animals and almost losing Mr. Ellicott, we returned to the Institute.

The next day, we went to Notre-Dame and saw part of a service in progress and I am sure everyone in the party was greatly impressed by the singing which is given more effect by the acoustics of the building.

In the afternoon we travelled to Orly International Airport but the afternoon passed very quickly and we soon were back at the Institute.

The next day, Monday, found us sailing up and down the Seine in one of the wonderful launches that ply their way along that river.

The party then made its way to the Champs Élysées to an expensive restaurant where a delicious meal was had by all, after which we went to the Palace of Discoveries. Here one could carry out fascinating tests, see the stars, or colour television or just wander through the maze of rooms awed by the wonders of science.

Next day we went to the Eiffel Tower and ascended this mighty exhibition-piece (it was built for the Great Exhibition of 1859, it is 984 feet high and fastened together with 2,500,000 rivets), to attain an incomparable view of Paris.

Then came the finale of our tour; a whole day at Versailles which was reached after an enjoyable train journey.

First we walked into the Minister's Court, along the royal pavement and saw the statue of the Sun King (Louis XIV) on horseback. Then we saw the south wing which houses the Congress Hall and the Galerie des Batailles which recalls many famous French battles, like Jena and Austerlitz.

This was a fitting end to the week and I am certain that memories of Versailles are stamped in our minds.

Next day we left Paris and after a favourable Channel crossing, we reached Wakefield at 9.30 p.m. — in the rain, but very happy.

Here, it must be said that our stay was made a happy one by our guide — Fred. A better one could not have been found.

However, the overall success of the trip was due to Mr. Blake and Mr. Ellicott; I am sure that every member of the party will endorse this.

R. Pierce, VAl.

## THE NORWEGIAN HOLIDAY AND THE ASCENT OF MT. SCARRA

On Wednesday, July 25th, the advance party of school-boys, proposing to holiday in Norway set out under the apt guidance of Messrs. Whale and Mason. Soon all were safely aboard the M.S. Venus at Newcastle ready for the 25-hour journey to Bergen, where the party disembarked in the midst of the famous fish market.

After staying the night at the nearby Floyen Youth Hostel, and after two momentous trips on the vernicular railway, the party boarded the train for the ultimate destination, Mjollfjell (pronounced Moilfee-el), 80 miles inland.

Here at the "pride of Norway" hostel, the first party and the second party under the guidance of Mr. Wood, who arrived later, spent an enjoyable holiday.

I think most of the trippers will agree that the climbing of Mt. Scarra was the highlight of the holiday. The volunteer party set out at 9 o'clock with other French, Swedish and Norwegian climbers, led by a German guide (Herman Gustav Fritz Von something or other).

The party were surprised to find that instead of sweaters and shirts what they needed was swimming trunks, gum boots and pounds of sun tan cream. This was the example given by the guide. However, despite the temptation given by one of the Swedish party in a bikini, no one in our party went this far.

In between one and two o'clock, the party arrived at the summit in two's and three's. From this position between the clouds a beautiful sight of the Hardanger Fjord was seen and those in the party took photographs. After a brief rest, the return journey was made in a very short time, following the example of the guide who ran all the way down.

The rest of the holiday was spent in a visit to the town of Vossoerangen, swimming in the hostel's pool, playing games in the games room and in the common room, and taking walks amongst the beautiful scenery around the hostel.

The return journey was uneventful except for a rather rough crossing, and the first party arrived in Normanton on the 3rd August.

R. Moore, C. Walker, K. Norton, U6A.



### **SCHOOL BUS JOURNEY TO THE BLACK FOREST**

In August a group of eager adventurers set off from Normanton to explore the other worlds beyond the Channel. The gathering of some ten school-leavers and the three masters (Messrs. Price, Whale and Mason) intended to attain to a deeper general knowledge of France, Holland and Germany and to a particular knowledge of the Black Forest.

We had to work hard for this knowledge, being bound within the confines of certain limits imposed by linguistic difficulties. The lads, after a day or two, began to realize, with inward pangs, that Germans were not always immediately persuaded by the Yorkshire charms of a Featherstone or Royston accent. However, an appropriate and useful sign language gradually evolved.

This arm-waving language worked successfully in Germany and Holland (where we managed to repair a fault in the bus). However, in France, a garage mechanic misunderstood a combination of spoken French and German gesticulation — and effectively transformed the bus from a unit, travelling by means of horse “pull-power” into a unit travelling by means of human “push-power.”

It can be said that co-drivers (Messrs. Price and Mason) enjoyed the journey, and were sorry when our revels all were ended! I cannot surely vouch for the experiences of the passengers — what they “got up to” on the Continent is their own business; but may “their own business” have given them many moments of laughter and edification.

B.M.

## HOLIDAY IN THE SOUTH OF FRANCE

On the morning of August 4th three vehicles set out from Featherstone on their way to the South of France. The convoy consisted of the school bus, the Cresswell's car and Mr. Fox's van. With the bus loaded to capacity we rattled towards Dover. The next day we crossed the Channel and averaging 250 miles a day we reached Frejus on the 5th day. The journey down was uneventful, except for the night we woke and found armed gendarmes searching for a thief; one of the party gave chase but lost him in the dark. We spent a week at Frejus; most of the time we were in the sea or on the beach. In the evening we sat in the café on the camp singing, “On Ilkley Moor baht 'at” and “Old Macdonald's farm.” The French liked this and kept wanting to hear more. One day we went along the coast in the bus visiting Nice, Cannes and Monaco. On the twelfth day we set off back again. We completed the return journey to Calais in three days. On reaching Calais we found that we could cross that night instead of the morning. We camped just outside Dover that night after passing through the customs with bated breath. While travelling up the A.1 a storm broke and we completed the rest of the journey in pouring rain. When we reached the boundary of Featherstone a great cheer went up, even from the Castleford boys. The school bus did 2,500 miles in all and the cost for each boy was £22 10s. 0d.

We all thank Mr. Gotch and Mr. Jubb for a very happy holiday.

R. Brennan, 4C.



# **SOCIETY JOTTINGS**

## **SCRIPTURE UNION**

We were pleased to see a large attendance at the showing of the colour film "The Prior Claim" before half-term. Though our staple diet is Bible studies, a number of other attractive meetings have been held — and attracted. Next term, we shall be holding another "Bible Marathon" contest, and plan to interest all those boys in the younger end of the school who may not have realised the importance of daily Bible reading.

K.M.

## **PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY**

It has been a busy term in the Photographic Society. Colour slide shows have provided the backbone of the term's activities. Two of them were accompanied by commentaries recorded on tape, namely holiday in London and Spain. The two others consisted of a display of the slides taken by members on a trip during the summer term to Skipton and Bolton Abbey, and a lecture accompanied by slides given by Mr. Palmer to illustrate composition.

In another slide show Mr. Machin showed us that we could make black and white transparencies much cheaper than was possible in colour.

Furthermore as we were approaching Christmas, it was thought desirable to offer professional advice on the choice of new cameras.

The main aim of the society has however, not been forgotten, namely to inculcate a knowledge of the basic principles of the art of photography. There has been a demonstration of contact printing. It is also proposed that talks be given on how to take photographs, that is deciding on depth of field, exposure, framing the picture and so on.

The society is thriving at the moment, and it is hoped that attendance will continue to be good at our regular Friday meetings in room one.

## **LE CLUB FRANCAISE**

In the two meetings which have been held so far this term there has been a variety of interest. In the first Sherwood, Pierce and Hodgkiss, with his tape recorder, gave an account of the journey to Paris during the summer holidays by a group of boys from the school with Messrs. Ellicott and Blake. The boys who gave the account are to be thanked for their interesting talk and for the work

involved in preparing it. In the second meeting the time was occupied in listening to a short story "La Mule du Pape" by Daudet, read by, Mr. Machin, and in playing "Vingt Questions," helped by some little books that Mr. Machin had brought along to the meeting with him.

It is hoped that further members of the Third and Fourth Forms will try to attend the meetings of the club in the future.

J. Lee, VAI.

### THE LIBRARY

Books which may be of special interest to the general reader have been acquired for the Library, this term, including the following:

"Women in Love" (Fiction) by D. H. Lawrence.

"The Trial" (Fiction) by Franz Kafka.

"The Soviet Union" (914.7) by G. Jovré.

"The Affluent Society" (301.2) by J. K. Galbraith.

"The Game of Chess" (794.1) by H. Golombek.

"The Mentality of Apes" (599) by K. Köhlec.

The School Library is much better equipped than those of most schools in this area and it would be a pity to have to limit its use because of the amount of unnecessary damage. At present boys are allowed almost perfect freedom in the library and as a result an average of sixty books are reported "missing" every term. I am sure that many of these books are lying about at home because boys are too careless and too lazy to return them.

A. K. Stevens, U6A.

### WEATHER RECORDINGS AT THE SCHOOL WEATHER STATION

|                        | September† | October | November | December* |
|------------------------|------------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Average Temperature .. | 53°F.      | 55°F.   | 41°F.    | 28°F.     |
| Maximum Temperature    | 65°F.      | 67°F.   | 58°F.    | 51°F.     |
| Minimum Temperature    | 41°F.      | 30°F.   | 26°F.    | 17.5°F.   |
| Total Rainfall .....   | 1.371in.   | .771in. | 1.134in. | .345in.   |

From the beginning of the year the weather was general average for the time of the year, up to the 18th of November, when falls of snow were recorded up to the 21st. This brought minimum temperatures down to the twenties.

The temperatures rose later in the month, but suffered a sharp drop at the beginning of December and the country was shrouded in dense fog, which brought temperatures tumbling down to a record minimum temperature for the term of 17.5°F.

The fog dispersed after a dismal week, but the cold weather remained.

J. R. Ramskill and D. L. Hartill.

## LOCOSPOTTERS' CLUB

The school Locospotters' Club was given new life again this term, with Mr. Robinson as the customary and very able president.

On Tuesday, 30th November, a party visited Motive Power Depots in the Manchester area. Unfortunately, Mr. Robinson was not able to go on the visit, and the visit would have had to be cancelled if it had not been for Mr. Booth, who kindly consented to lead the party, and made the trip possible.

The party departed from the school at 7.30 a.m., and after picking the Royston boys up, the bus followed the Woodhead route over the Pennines, and arrived in Manchester at 9.45 a.m. We were thus 45 minutes early for the first depot, Gorton. However, the 45 minutes soon passed and we were on our tour of the seven Manchester sheds.

On most of the sheds, there were not as many locomotives as were expected, but the trip was still enjoyable. For example, at Longsight depot were seen some of the electric locomotives for the Manchester to Crewe line, electrification of which was finished in 1960.

However, space does not permit more description of the visit, so I will content myself by saying that a group of boys, minus the Royston "branch," arrived safely back in Normanton, the great majority tired but happy, at about 7.30 p.m.

Many thanks once again to Mr. Booth for making the trip possible.

Next term it is hoped to have a visit to Doncaster and either Derby or Crewe.

N. D. Dodd.

## THE FRESTONIAN SOCIETY

On four occasions this term the intelligentsia of the two schools have met and exercised their various talents.

The games evening went well and the girls thoroughly defeated the boys, who tended to mix up the rules of rugby with those of netball.

The Group Discussions at the next meeting, provided an opportunity for the Freuds, Kinseys and Wolfendens to expound their various theories — which they did.

Perhaps the most daring meexing was the Mock Trial evening. Though the choice of trials revolted the Puritans infrequently found in the society; they proved adequate

entertainment to the full house of eighty members. The society is indebted to the somewhat dubious services rendered by M. K. Johnson.

A. P. Richardson; A. K. Stephens; M. K. Johnson and P. Moore introduced subjects for general discussion at the next meeting. Topical subjects were discussed and some interesting opinions were voiced.

There was to have been a social evening but the High School could not go through the ordeal of dancing with members of the lower sixth — at least that was the excuse put forward by the boys.

The society now has a membership of ninety-five and attendances have been very good. Unfortunately the same voices tend to be heard at every meeting and it is to be hoped that next term more members will break through the barrier of self-consciousness.

P. M. (Treasurer).

# LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS

## TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

For many years now, it has been debated in "cool" circles; it is a frustrating question and it has not yet been answered.

Did Shakespeare or did Shakespeare not write Shakespeare's plays?

Many names have been suggested for the author; amongst them are several which cannot be repeated but they will be sent to students of Shakespeare, post free, if they get in touch with the editor.

Perhaps the most unlikely contender is Einstein but he must be rejected for two reasons. Firstly, he was born nearly three hundred years after the plays were written, and secondly (also more significantly), Einstein did not learn English until late in life and therefore if he had written the plays, they would have had a German accent (which they do not have).

The shortest word used in the plays is "a" and in using this exceptionally short word, the true author obviously intended to give us a clue to his true identity. "A" certainly stands for Arthur, the famous Druid King of England, and his claim to fame is definitely considerable. Yet others maintain that King Canute wrote the plays because of his famous exclamation, "Once more unto the beach, dear friends" when fighting the Battle of Dunkirk in 1066.

My favourite for the title is one Leonardo da Vinci. When he first produced the plays in Florence they were received with boos and catcalls. This is probably because the plays were in English and few Italians of that time understood English (least of all Leonardo). Anyhow, the fact remains that Leonardo tossed the manuscript into a nearby tower (which promptly keeled over under these weighty words and is now known as the Leaning Tower of Pisa) and forgot about them. After Leonardo had died (a famous cartoonist) an English pirate called Sir Walter Rally (Count of Monte Carlo) seized the plays and made off back to England with them.

Unfortunately the precious manuscripts were still in his duffle-cloak pocket when he covered a puddle with the cloak for the Queen. The cloak then was unfit for use by a gentleman so he left it in the puddle. There a drunken tramp called Shakespeare found the cloak and subsequently made a fortune out of Leonardo's plays.

In fact the writer must have been an Italian because only an Italian would have known that the Romans were cannibals!! This deep, dark secret was hidden for a thousand years because the Italians were ashamed of their ancestors. Only a man with the courage of Leonardo could have revealed the fact so subtly in the play, "Julius Caesar", Anthony says, over Caesar's dead body:

"Friends, Romans, Countrymen,  
Lend me your spears —  
I come to curry Caesar,  
Not to braise him."

A. K. Stephens, U6Sc.

## AN ADVENTURE IN THE FRENCH RESISTANCE

"François, François, wake up!"

My eyes opened, and slowly the smooth, velvet carpet of sleep was pulled from my face. I looked up to see the rough, unshaven face of Jules Cartier, a man of about forty with dark bushy eyebrows and thick, black hair.

"Come on, lazy," he said, "it's past six."

I raised my limp body with my arms, swung my feet out of bed, stood up, feeling immediately the nip in the air. I looked out of the window; the rain which had fallen incessantly for two days had not yet ceased.

My two partners, Jules and Gerard, had been working with the resistance for a year and I had joined them only six months before.

After a meagre "French" breakfast, we all sat round the square card-table and discussed our plans.

It seemed that we were going to attempt to steal a short-wave radio, or some parts of one, from under the Germans' very noses because the "Nazis" had destroyed our sets a few days before; we just managed to escape from our former headquarters, and had made our new base in a small cottage in a large wood not far from an enemy aircraft base at Nancy. It was vital that we renewed our contact with Britain.

We left the cottage at about seven o'clock and trudged mile after mile down the rain-soaked track leading to the aircraft base. We had been forced to leave our truck behind at our old headquarters, and we sorely missed it.

At last we came in sight of the base and proceeded to a vantage point overlooking it. We lay down on the muddy ground, scanning the empty runway with our binoculars. There seemed to be no one in sight.

"Quick, now's our chance!" whispered Gérard and led the way down the slippery slope. I followed, a gun in one hand and a pair of binoculars in the other. We were lucky because numerous bushes afforded good shelter from sight.

When we reached the bottom of the incline we found to our dismay that there was a guard with a large rifle standing at the side of the H.Q. door.

"Shall I deal with him?" I asked hastily.

"Non, non, leave zis to me," Jules replied and immediately took out a hand-grenade which he had been carrying, pulled out the pin with his teeth and, with an overswinging movement of his arm, threw it clean over the building. We waited for a few seconds and then a loud explosion shook the very ground beneath our feet and we could hear the sound of shattering glass. Immediately the runway became a bee-hive of activity and everyone, including the guard, ran to the scene of the explosion.

"Wait," halted Gérard just as I was getting on my feet, and took out a knife from his pocket and flung it at the barbed wire fence in front of us.

"As I thought," he said, seeing a spark, "it's electrified." Gérard paused for a moment.

"It looks as though we've had it," he said.

Immediately, seeing a tyre on a scrap heap further along the fence I knew what to do. I dashed out from cover until I reached my objective; seizing the large lorry tyre, I put it under my arm and ran back to Jules and Gérard.

"Zat was a fool ting to do," said Jules, "You might been spotted!"

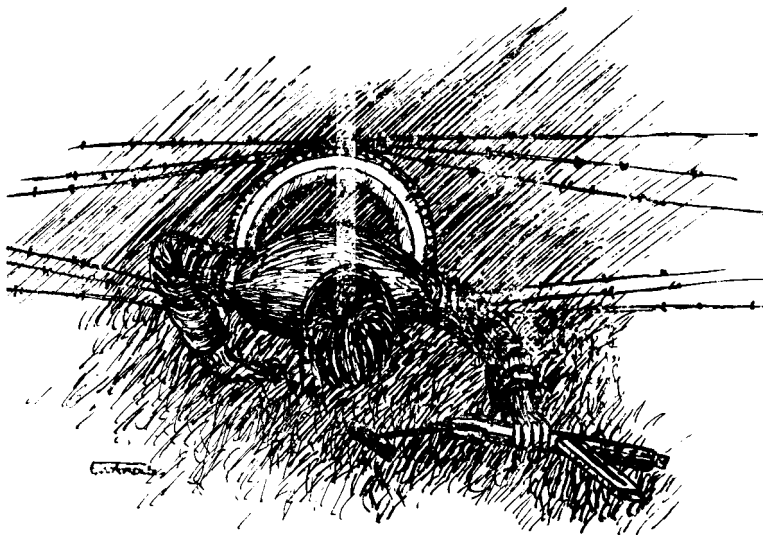


"What are you going to do with that tyre, anyway?" asked Gérard.

"Wait and see," I answered.

Taking the tyre in my hands, I tried to fix it between two strands of wire. I wrestled with the tyre knowing that one slip would mean instant death. My hands began to sweat and I thought that I would never do it. However, at last one wire gave and I fixed the tyre between it and the one below.

By this time the commotion had died down and the guard would be back any minute.



I slipped through the tyre first and then beckoned to Jules and Gérard.

"Well done François," said Gérard climbing through, "where did you get this idea from?"

"Yes, you have done well," praised Jules, "Come, we must hurry."

We ran into the deserted office and searched round for a radio.

"That's funny," said Jules, "There was one here last time." I asked—"You have been here before?"

"Yes," he growled, "I have been here before." He pulled out a gun threateningly.

"No!" he snapped, "Josef Hanse to be precise." He stared at us menacingly.

"Jules!" I cried.

"You, a German?"

"Yes," he answered.

Gérard's face turned red with anger. "So it was you who told the Nazis of our headquarters, you traitor!"

With this he leapt at the German and grasped him by the throat. But, suddenly, a shot was heard and Gérard crumpled to the floor.

Immediately, seeing Jules' attention distracted for a moment, I reached forward and clutched his hand, trying to twist the gun out of it. It went off. His lips twisted with pain and by the gaping wound on his forehead, I knew that he was dead.

"Quick!" gasped Gérard, "Save yourself before it is too late!"

"No," I said, "you're coming with me!" And I picked his heavy body up.

I kicked open the door and looked about to see if anyone was coming. Sure enough, a handful of soldiers dressed in Nazi uniforms were running up. They must have heard the shot. I glanced to the right and saw the German arms lorry parked by the fence. It was our only chance.

I began to run towards it, German bullets whistling past my ears and my feet sliding in the sticky mud. At last I reached the door of the lorry and swung it open, placing Gérard in the far seat. I clambered into the cab, started the engine, pressed down the accelerator and roared away, the German soldiers running behind, shouting. Then, suddenly I noticed the barriers were down! The sentry rushed out. When he saw that I wasn't going to stop, he unslung his rifle and opened fire. There was a rattle of bullets and a loud crack as one of them shattered the wind-screen. I thrust my fist through the opaque glass so that I could see where I was going. The next moment, the lorry slammed into the lowered barrier and the red and white poles splintered with a crash, sending the German soldier sprawling in the mud.

On the road to our makeshift headquarters, Gérard came round again and looked up at me. I wiped the blood off his shoulder with my free hand, stopping the bleeding with my handkerchief. Happily, it was not as serious as I had thought at first.

"Well," he said, "We're no better off than when we started, this lorry's no good to us—it's German, remember!" I answered — "It's amazing what a spray of paint can do, and there's a radio in the back in tip-top condition ... You know, Gérard I think we have done a good day's work!" "Yes," he answered, "We have, François, I think we have."

D. Fairer, 5AI.

### TO AN ABSOLUTE DICTATOR

O Great master, ruler of the stars, homage to thee,  
A thousand worlds are Thy demesne.  
Venus and Bacchus dwell in thy palaces.  
But thou hast no wife to confide in.

Thou, Great Lord, will never, like Homer's City, fade away.  
Our lives and days are ruled by Thee alone.  
A thousand babbling puppets, O great puppeteer,  
Listen to Thy mighty words of wisdom, and accept.  
But . . . Thou hast no friend to laugh and drink with,  
To argue and tussle with, not one.  
Thou art alone!

Son of the moons and stars, homage to thee.  
Omniscient, omnipotent, Ubiquitous Master.  
Thou art the most holy, immortal . . .  
. . . most lonely being.

C. Lawrence, VAI.

### A SMALL BANK ROBBERY

A black sedan drove up to a rather elegant-looking house on the outskirts of London. A peculiar-looking man with large dark glasses stepped out and walked hastily up to the front door. He rapped on the door and went in. In the drawing room were four men round a table, staring at a street map.

"What made you change the plan?" he asked angrily.

"We found out that a new copper 'as been put on the street where we wanted to park the van," replied Spike Summers.

"Ted will just have to take care of 'im quietly, then; we can't afford to change the plan at this late date," said the man.

"All right, boss, we'll carry out the original set-up," said Spike.

This was one of the many problems of planning a bank robbery. The person in charge of the planning was Spike

Summers and the men who were to take part in the actual robbery were—Spike Summers, Ted Grigg, Joe Dunn and Walt Holmes. The date for the “hold-up” was the 6th of June and today was the 5th. The bank was about three miles from the actual city. All the men taking part were to have guns—just in case they found themselves in a spot of trouble.

The following morning they met in a park shelter.

“Do you know your part properly?” Spike asked.

“Yes,” came the reply almost simultaneously from Joe, Ted and Walt.

“Have you checked your guns?” The other three nodded. “Is there any questions, then?” After a brief pause—“All right, let’s go.”

They walked casually down to the road and climbed into their grey van. Joe, who was driving, took them straight to the bank. Ted, Spike and Walt entered and closed the doors. There were only four people in, excluding the clerks. The three criminals decided what to do and went into the corner.

“Ted, you look after that copper in the side-street,” said Spike. Ted left the bank.

“Now Walt, while I take care of the customers, you ask the cashier, with the help of your gun, for the dough. Don’t forget, make it snappy,” he whispered as they moved forward.

“Give me all the money in the safe, punk, or I’ll blow your brains out,” said Walt, hiding his gun so that it could not be seen by any of the clerks.

“Y-yes,” stuttered the cashier.

But, as he piled the money into a bag provided by Walt, one of the clerks saw the gun. He did not hesitate to press the alarm which was at his feet. Br-r-r-r-r, the alarm buzzed.

“Let’s scam!” yelled Spike.

However, already four policemen were racing towards the bank. When Joe saw two of them he lost his nerve and drove madly away. At that very moment Ted appeared on the corner while Walt and Spike charged out of the bank—just in time to see Joe drive away.

“The yellor rat, the yellor rat!” screamed Spike and proceeded to empty his gun on the fastly disappearing van. The other two did the same. It was now a safe job for the police to catch them and soon all the crooks were in holds which they were unable to get out of.

"I'll murder 'im I will, I'll strangle the yeller rat when I get 'im," shouted Spike.

"Don't you worry; where you're going, you won't be able to get at him," remarked one of the policemen.

In the police station—

"So you nabbed these three attempting to escape, did you?"

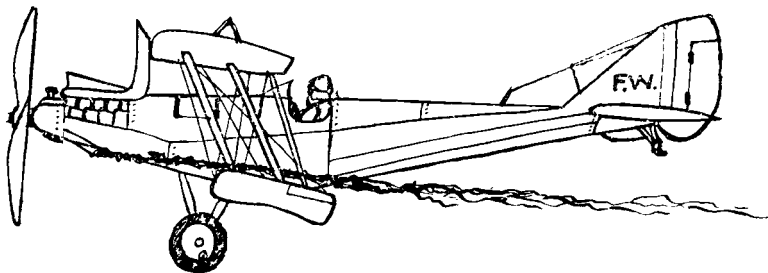
"Yes, sir," replied Constable Tratt.

"Right, that will be all for now, although I'll want to see some more details later on," said the Chief Inspector.

After the policemen had gone out, the sergeant put a slip of paper on his desk. It read—"The last thief has been captured and is on his way to H.Q." He was found by the crime-car patrol.

"Well, I should say that those four will be in for at least seven years. Ten thousand quid they almost got away with. I wonder who set them up to it, though," said the Chief Inspector to himself as he lolled back in his chair.

S. R. Booth, 2A.



### STANLEY'S SAGA

When growing up a boy called Stan  
Became an avid aircraft fan.  
He read about them in his bed  
And watched them flying overhead.  
This wonder called the aeroplane  
Had taken off with Stanley's brain.

At sight he knew the fighters from  
The transport planes and those that bomb.  
And when his parents moved to Speke  
He went to the airport every week;  
There to dream about the day  
When up among the clouds he'd play.

He collected model aeroplanes  
Instead of ships, or cars, or trains,  
Until a man, his childhood done,  
At last he bought a proper one.  
And at the age of twenty-two.  
He gaily roared into the blue.

Now Stanley wouldn't bother trying  
To learn the proper laws of flying  
And, being somewhat less than wise,  
Became a menace in the skies.  
And ere his mad career had ended.  
Good flying rules he oft offended.

One day while buzzing his old school  
His aeroplane ran out of fuel.  
His happy smile froze on his lips;  
"O'lor," said Stan, "I've 'ad my chips."  
And Stanley and his aeroplane  
Are now a hole on Salisbury Plain.

C. M. Oxley, 4C.

### THE SECRET PASSAGE

One bright, sunny morning in July, the Collins twins, Michael and John, were on a train bound for their uncle's farm in Kent. It was a special day for the twins as they had never been to the farm before and they were very excited.

The journey took just over two hours, and when they arrived at the station in Kent it was about half-past eleven. Their uncle was waiting for them in his car. The twins hurried over to him and asked him where his farm was. He didn't go into detail, he said, "Turn right, onto the main road for half a mile and it's the first turning on the left."

It took them about five minutes to reach the farm and Mrs. Brown had a delicious meal waiting.

After dinner, Mr. Brown showed them round the farm, and told them that there was a tower, rumoured to have stolen jewels stored away in it, the spoils of a raid on the manor several months ago. The tower wasn't very far away, but was nearly impossible to climb as it was very high and dangerous with spikes jutting out at the top. Michael and John were unanimous, "Let's explore," they said. "All right then," replied their uncle. "But be careful." They could see the tower and it didn't take long to reach it, but when they saw it, John gasped, "No wonder no one has climbed it, look at those spikes!"

They went to some woods close by and played various games, but darkness began to fall and they hurried home to a fine supper.

That night when everybody was asleep a noise was heard by John; he woke Michael and they both went to the top of the stairs. John burst out laughing when he saw it was only Timmy, the cat. They decided to go back to bed and suddenly Michael tripped on the stair falling into a panel in the wall. Michael stumbled on his feet, "A secret passage," he spluttered. "We will explore it tomorrow."

The twins were up early the following morning, had their breakfast, and went exploring. John brought a torch, and they both set off determined to get to the bottom of this "secret passage." The passage was damp and narrow and John said, "This is the end of the passage, it looks as though it leads nowhere." Then John pointed his torch upwards and revealed a trap-door. "We had better go tell uncle. I think we are under the tower," he cried. They rushed to the opening but the door had shut behind them. They started banging and shouting until their uncle opened the door. They quickly told him what they had discovered and asked him to follow them. They reached the end of the passage and Mr. Brown pushed the trap-door upwards. They stood up and found themselves in the tower. Mr. Brown had brought a candle and quickly lit it. "The jewels," he cried, "We've found the stolen jewels." Sure enough, the jewels were in a large trunk. Mr. Brown hurried off to phone the police. They arrived about 10 minutes later accompanied by Mr. Brown who showed them into the tower. The Chief Inspector said, "There will be a reward for this lot; come down to the station and collect it."

The police found fingerprints in the tower and began a search for the thieves. After about four days they caught them, and the twins were rewarded with two brand new bicycles.

S. Madeley, IIA.

# OLD FRESTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

Forty years on.

How lustily we sang those stirring verses of our old school song.

And reading a Yorkshire Evening paper this week I read of one of our old boys who likewise sang. He sang on other occasions such as a Black and White Minstrel Show (Hopetown version) and in lighter vein had entertained at Billy Butlin's camp for a laugh.

Just now, he is lonely, suffering from a brain disease for which he has had a number of serious operations at Pinderfields Hospital. The sad part is that, although he has still—thank God, he says—retained his mental faculties, people, with unintended display of compassion, omit to allow anything but the slightest discourse.

I make no apology for introducing this sad note to our magazine and I earnestly ask any who may remember Horace Fellows (1920-25), of Dalefield Road, to kindly pop in and spend a few minutes with him.

The Festive Season is approaching and the Old Boys' Dinner/Ball will have been held by the time these notes have been read.

I wonder if our daring Dinner/Ball plans will have succeeded, and hope that after the Nuts and Dates course, Mr. Jim Akers did not oblige with a pirouette from the Nut-cracker Suite, in the dancing that followed.

This latter idea springs from Mr. J. T. E. Akers' misgivings about dancing on nutshells and date-stones, expressed amid much laughter in committee.

Let it be recorded nevertheless that the sub-committee, Mesdames Goodall and White and Messrs. Swift, Smith, Westerman, Barnett, Carr and Milner, worked conscientiously well and the ready co-operation of Miss M. Sumner was equally noteworthy.

Donald Pierce, Hon. Sec., O.F.A.

45, Beancroft Road,  
Castleford.

## PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Headmaster has indicated that he is reluctant to increase the terminal subscription, although authorised so to do by a majority vote at the Annual General Meeting which was not attended by 1,000 parents, and that activities are to be cut to a level which parents are prepared to support. This is a challenge which parents surely cannot choose to ignore. Certainly educational standards, in the narrowest sense as provided by the State, will not suffer, but is it wise to deprive a child of facilities designed to equip him for his rightful place in society and to produce something more than a juke box answering questions at the touch of a button?

The 100 active members of the Association cannot reasonably be expected to do more. Last year they raised, directly or indirectly, over £300 or £3 per head for the School Fund. Increase in active membership would not only increase the absolute sum but also the relative one as many functions have fixed overheads beyond which profits increasingly accrue. There must surely be more than 10 per cent, of parents interested in their sons' present and future, and it is to these that this appeal is addressed: please send in your 1s. subscription and please try to attend at least some of the activities arranged by both the Association and the School.

This term, apart from the Autumn Fair and Beetle Drives, there have been a coffee evening and a stage magic competition. Next term begins with a New Years' Party on the 19th January, and ends with a return visit of Lady Barnett on the 27th March. In between there will be fortnightly Beetle Drives, a coffee evening, and educational lectures. The latter are particularly worthy of more support in that from them an understanding of current problems and trends may be gained. A strong Association is necessary not only to finance additional facilities, but also to ensure that the basic needs are provided in the most fitting manner.

# SPORTS NEWS

## R.U.F.C.

### 1st XV

School began this season with only seven of last year's team and partly because of the newcomers and also considerable team changes, particularly at the beginning of the season, the 1st XV has not had a too successful term.

Although there have been few injuries, no less than twenty-seven players have been called upon. Mynett, starting the season at centre, has settled down well in the stand-off half position and Westwood, last year's stand off, has moved to centre. Mynett has been well served by Parrish, the new scrum-half, and has played some excellent games. After much experimenting, Rowett and Cullimore have settled in the wing threequarter positions. The full-back berth has been occupied by several players.

Of the forwards, Cudworth has moved to prop from the lock position, and new players include Freeman and Easter, wing forwards, Richardson, lock forward, and Dolan second row.

Although the forwards have given a fair supply of the ball, the finishing off has been poor. Many more games would have been won if the team had played hard to the final whistle. Often the team has been in a winning position and then lost it in the last ten minutes, maybe through lack of fitness in some cases. The tackling on the whole has been poor, and, as should be expected, has proved disastrous.

However, the last match, against Huddersfield N.C., was played with renewed vigour; Huddersfield were not allowed to use the ball and the team's tackling improved tremendously and as a result the game was well won. Let us hope this trend continues and with a more settled team we can look forward to a more successful spring term.

T. M. Conboy (Captain).

### 1st XV Results

15th September, 1962 (away) ..... School 3pts. v. Castleford 29pts.

For the opening fixture School included eight players with previous first team experience. Although the game tended to be a little scrappy, School held their own in the first half, when the ball swung from end to end. But for bad defensive errors School would not have been eight points down at half time. The School were in a favourable position in the latter part of the second half, but allowed Castleford to run in three tries near the end. School's consolation came from a try by Richardson after a kick up and under.

The tackling in particular was not too good and players failed to either pick up or drop on a loose ball.

22nd September, 1962 (away) ..... School 12pts. v. Barnsley 13pts.

School looked a much better side in this match in the first half and moved the ball from wing to wing. School were able to turn round with a nine points lead with tries from Conboy, Nicholson and Starkie.

On the resumption School soon scored another try when Westwood went over in the corner. It then appeared that School were in an unbeatable position. However, due to some bad clearing by School and some doubtful decisions School found themselves a point behind at the final whistle.

26th September (home) ... School 9pts. v. King's School, Pontefract, 20pts.

This result came as rather a shock to School. Expecting to be victors in a closely fought tussle we were in fact soundly defeated, and outplayed in most of the fundamental aspects of the game.

Pontefract's superior play brought them no less than five tries and a goal, all the result of quick heels and clever interpassing. School were unable to cope with the larger Pontefract pack, and the threequarters saw little of the ball. However, in the second half School narrowed the margin with three tries, by Conboy, Starkie and Richardson, none of which were converted.

School left the field feeling much happier about their limited amount of back play than the rather negative approach of the forwards, and it was obvious that much more cohesion was necessary to prevent similar defeats.

29th September (home) ..... School 3pts v. Hemsworth G.S. 3pts.

This was the first time School had entertained the Hemsworth 1st XV, and they rose splendidly to the occasion by forcing a hard-earned draw. The day was wet and windy, therefore being unsuitable for safe handling. Consequently the game revolved around two splendid packs, of which School's proved to be the stronger.

School took an early lead after a kick ahead was dribbled on and touched down by Cullimore. Hemsworth replied with a terrific assault which School did well to hold.

The second half followed the pattern of the first with School pressing for long periods, but late in the half Hemsworth kicked an easy penalty goal which earned them a rather undeserved draw.

3rd October, 1962 (home) ..... School 9pts. v. Whitcliffe Mount 16pts.

School took the field expecting a hard game. Both forwards and backs played well, though there was a deficiency in tackling and covering which led to School's downfall. The backs moved the ball well, when given the opportunity, scoring all School's points.

Scorers for School:—Tries: Cullimore (2), Conboy.

6th October, 1962 (away) ..... School 16pts .v. Leeds Modern School nil

School travelled to Leeds with high hopes of securing the first victory of the season. First half play on both sides was scrappy, leading to a pointless half-time score.

On the resumption of play, however. School showed much better form, in both the forwards and backs, especially the centres Conboy and Westwood, who both made devastating thrusts through the Leeds defence and put School on the winning road.

Scorers for School:—Tries: Conboy (2), Cullimore, Westwood. Conversion: Conboy (2).

9th October, 1962 (home) ..... School 6pts. v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield 8pts.

School entertained Q.E.G.S. 2nd XV for the first time, having met the Wakefield School's 3rd XV in previous seasons.

School kicked off expecting a hard game, and from the outset, perhaps for the first time of the season, School played as a team, the forwards and backs combining well.

The pattern of play was the same throughout the game, the teams being equally matched, play swinging from end to end. A draw would have been a fair result.

Scorers for School:—Tries: Cullimore, Rowett.

12th October, 1962 ..... School 41pts. v. Batley G.S. 8pts.

School confidently faced the Batley side, a team which last season played School 2nd XV.

In the early stages play was about even, but School soon settled down to produce some good open football by which many tries were scored against a weak defence.

The second half began in the same way, but later School began to slow the pace, and coasted to an easy victory, and their highest score so far this season.

Scorers: — Tries: Conboy, Westwood (2), Cudworth (2), Freeman, Rowett (2), Cullimore (2).

Goals: Mynett (1 p.g.), Parrish (4 conversions).

17th October, 1962 (away) ..... School 9pts. v. Thornes House G.S. 17pts.

School kicked off in the hope of repeating last year's success. However, they soon found themselves trailing when Thornes House began to break through School's defence, building up a 6 points lead, before Rowett managed to cut inside and score. After Parrish had kicked two penalties from scrum infringements, Thornes House played with increased vigour and by the interval had scored two further unconverted tries.

In the second half School played up the slope which gave the strong Thornes House forwards an advantage which they made use of, breaking through the line to score a converted try. For reasons known to themselves, this game will hold bitter memories for the School 1st XV.

24th October, 1962 (away) ... School 5pts. v. Crossley and Porter G.S. 21pts.

School travelled to Halifax prepared to avenge the previous year's defeat. At first it was thought that the School's hopes would materialise when Conboy scored a try after charging down a kick by the "Crock's" full-back. Parrish converted the try, giving the School a 5-0 lead.

However, from then on School went to pieces, due mainly to the work of the experienced Crossley and Porter fly-half, who continually pierced School's defence, making possible four of the home team's tries.

The second half became much of a forward's game. Even after strong retaliation School were unable to cross the Halifax side's line, whose fitness and experience told over an inferior School side.

3rd November, 1962 (away) ..... School 8pts. v. Thorne G.S. 21pts.

School showed a remarkable confidence in the opening minutes of the game, with the forwards keeping play well in the Thorne half. But despite many chances, only scrum-half Parrish went close to scoring with a clever break. However, this early rally proved to be an illusion to the rest of the half, as School became subdued to the fitness and speed of their opposition.

When School kicked off for the second half they had a deficit of 8 points, but the advantage of a considerable slope helped them to a sudden equalising scoring spree. The first try came when Richardson intercepted and raced to the corner, and the second when Westwood caught a mis-kicked ball and placed it under the posts, giving Parrish an easy conversion.

However, School could not hold their own and Thorne gained another 13 points. But despite obvious fatigue, School ended the game by a fine try from prop-forward Flynn.

10th November, 1962 (home) ..... School 16pts. v. Leeds Modern 3pts.

School took the field confident of attaining the double over their opponents. This they did, but only by good hard foraging and clever threequarter work.

Just before half-time, Conboy engineered a clear run from half-way for his co-centre Westwood. Parrish easily converted the try giving School a 5 point lead.

Throughout the next half School's forwards halted all service by the Leeds pack and gave their own backs some excellent heels. Cudworth was the most outstanding forward, showing fearless tackling and strong running.

After pressing the Leeds line for several minutes, School revenged a Leeds solo try with further tries by Westwood, Richardson and Conboy to which Parrish converted one.

17th November, 1962 (away) ..... School 6pts. v. Morley 18pts.

On a cold, windy day School were entertained at Morley and, as in previous years, looked forward to a victory. This was not to be. School started slowly; the forwards failed to move about the field fast enough and the backs' handling of the ball was none too good. Consequently Morley were able to turn round nine points ahead.

However, School took to the field again and appeared a completely changed team. From the first scrum School heeled and from a back movement, Westwood was given the overlap and scored a fine try in the corner. The try was not converted. Soon after, from a line-out near the Morley line, Conboy brushed away would-be tacklers and scored an unconverted try. However, after two upfield kicks by Morley, the ball bounced against School's favour, our opponents were able to score two lucky touch-downs. This disheartened School and Morley took the opportunity to score a further try and run out winners by twelve points.

24th November, 1962 (away) ..... School 11pts. v. Huddersfield N.C. 3pts.

This was School's best game of the term. The ball was used sensibly and with keen marking Huddersfield were given few opportunities. A high kick by Mynett, in mid-field, saw Cudworth score close to the posts. From a line-out in Huddersfield's half, a grubber kick by Conboy was well followed and Westwood was able to pick up an easy ball and score. The second half was more even and a drop-goal by Huddersfield was cancelled by a penalty goal by Parrish and School earned a good victory.

## 2nd XV Report

We have not had quite such a good season as last year from the point of view of results, but the enjoyment of playing rugby and the team spirit are just as good. The number of boys interested in playing rugby seems to be increasing, since we have fielded a 3rd XV and could if need be, raise a quite respectable 4th XV.

But to return to the practical, this year's 2nd XV has been hampered throughout by the absence of any recognised back in the key positions at half-back and centre-threequarter, Milnes excepted. He has had the burden of captaincy as well as the unenviable job of making a make-shift group of players into a combined attacking force. He has undertaken both jobs cheerfully and with no small success.

Easter has led the forwards with great enthusiasm and a most praiseworthy example. He has continued to show remarkable mobility for a hooker and has thoroughly deserved his elevation to the 1st XV as a wing-forward. He has also captained the side during Milnes' stay in the 1st XV.

The pack has presented some problems too, but of an entirely different nature. The question has always been who to leave out. Mention must be made of Barlow, Idle, Miles and Nunn who, although primarily forwards, have played in a variety of positions in the backs with some success and have thus reduced the problems of selection.

The keenness and team spirit are most encouraging.

The standard of play is improving and the team should continue to prosper.

## 2nd XV Results

### 2nd XV

|                                                                                                                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|
| v. Castleford G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                          | Lost | 6-13 |
| (Tries Foster, Preston.)                                                                                                                 |      |      |
| v. Barnsley G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                            | Won  | 39-0 |
| (Tries: Idle 3, Lees 2, Nunn, Milnes, Tinkler, Miles, Grainge, Preston. Conversions: Dunnington 3.)                                      |      |      |
| v. King's School, Pontefract (home) .....                                                                                                | Draw | 3-3  |
| (Penalty: Mynett.)                                                                                                                       |      |      |
| v. Hemsworth G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                           | Lost | 0-12 |
| v. Whitcliffe Mount G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                    | Won  | 15-0 |
| (Tries: Rickhuss 2, Milnes, Prankland. Penalty: Harris.)                                                                                 |      |      |
| v. Leeds Modern (away) .....                                                                                                             | Won  | 14-0 |
| (Tries: Flynn, Nunn, Preston, Conversion: Dunnington. Penalty: Nicholson.)                                                               |      |      |
| v. Queen Elizabeth G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                     | Won  | 43-3 |
| (Tries: Lees, Rowett, Nicholson, Holden, Frankland, Easter, Rickhuss, Hall, Miles, Nunn. Penalty: Dunnington. Conversions: Nicholson 5.) |      |      |
| v. Don Valley G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                          | Lost | 9-11 |
| (Try: Milnes. Penalties: Dunnington 2.)                                                                                                  |      |      |
| v. Thornes House G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                       | Won  | 14-0 |
| (Tries: Milnes, Foster. Penalties: Harris 2. Conversion: Harris.)                                                                        |      |      |

### U-16 XV

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| v. St. Gregory's (away) ..... | Won | 11-6 |
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### 2nd XV

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|------------------------------------------------|------|------|
| v. Crossley and Porter's, Halifax (away) ..... | Lost | 3-14 |
| (Penalty: Bolton.)                             |      |      |

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| v. Thorne G.S. (away) .....                                                | Won 29-0   |
| (Tries: Easter 3, Idle, Lees, 2 Pushover. Conversions: Nicholson 4.)       |            |
| v. Leeds Modern (home) .....                                               | Won 14-3   |
| (Tries: Easter, Idle, Preston. Conversion: Nicholson. Penalty: Nicholson.) |            |
| v. Morley G.S. (away) .....                                                | Won 16-3   |
| (Tries: Davies, Milnes, Eades, Tinkler. Conversions: Nicholson 2.)         |            |
| v. Huddersfield New College (away) .....                                   | Score 3-11 |
| (Penalty: Francis.) (Abandoned)                                            |            |
| v. Castleford G.S. (away) .....                                            | Draw 5-5   |
| (Try: Bolton. Conversion: Bolton.)                                         |            |
| v. King's School, Pontefract (away) .....                                  | Lost 5-9   |
| (Try: Milnes. Conversion: Bolton.)                                         |            |

## COLTS XV REPORT

That the team has played well is clearly shown in the results. The only game lost was against Barnsley when, because of an easy win last year, it was decided to field a weakened team. What cannot be gathered from results is that all the games have been won by playing attractive, open rugby.

The centres have shown that they can take good advantage of half openings and link up well with the strong running wings. But without the possession of the ball the strong three-quarter line could have been wasted. The forwards have applied themselves unselfishly to providing this possession. This does not mean they lack initiative or ability. On the contrary they have shown themselves to be an alert and mobile unit on many occasions.

The team looks forward to continued success in the coming term. M.R.

## Colts XV Results

|                                                                                                                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| v. Castleford (away) .....                                                                                                            | Won 19-6  |
| (Tries : Francis 2, Eades 1, Jones 1, Beedle 1. Conversions: Eades 2.)                                                                |           |
| v. Barnsley (away) .....                                                                                                              | Lost 0-8  |
| v. Huddersfield N.C. (away) .....                                                                                                     | Won 11-10 |
| (Tries: Francis 1, Halls 1, Brooks 1, Conversion: Francis 1.)                                                                         |           |
| v. King's School, Pontefract (away) .....                                                                                             | Won 19-11 |
| (Tries: Eades 3, Francis 1, Brooks 1. Conversions: Francis 2.)                                                                        |           |
| v. Crossley and Porter (away) .....                                                                                                   | Won 24-6  |
| (Tries: Francis 3, Davis 1, Brooks 1, Eades 1. Conversions: Francis 3.)                                                               |           |
| v. King's School, Pontefract (home) .....                                                                                             | Won 8-5   |
| (Tries: Eades 1, Brooks 1. Conversion; Francis.)                                                                                      |           |
| v. Don Valley (away) .....                                                                                                            | Won 19-5  |
| (Tries: Brooks, Francis. Goals: Francis.)                                                                                             |           |
| v. St. Gregory's, Huddersfield (home) .....                                                                                           | Won 29-3  |
| (Tries: Francis 5, Brooks, Williams, Copeland, Beedle. Conversion: Francis.)                                                          |           |
| v. Thorne G.S. (home) .....                                                                                                           | Won 44-0  |
| (Tries: Eades 4, Francis 3, Copeland, Webster, Halls, Brooks, Jones. Conversions: Francis 4.)                                         |           |
| v. Holmfirth Secondary Modern (home) .....                                                                                            | Won 84-0  |
| (Tries: Francis 6, Eades 4, Fitzpatrick 3, Williams 2, Beedle 2, Dominiak, Dolan, Harrison, D.M. Conversions: Francis 6, Crabtree 6.) |           |
| v. Ossett (home) .....                                                                                                                | Won 14-0  |
| (Tries: Dolan, Webster, Harrison, D. M., Brooks. Conversion: Brooks.)                                                                 |           |

## Under 14 XV

This must be one of the best teams the School has yet produced. The back play of Bassinder, Goldie, Hale and Morgan is a treat to watch; the last three in particular are developing into really sound players who can turn defence into attack in an instant, and their understanding of one another is surprisingly good for boys of their age.

But the strength of the team was known from last year to be in their backs; the forwards were rather suspect. It is perhaps more pleasant to note, therefore, a great improvement in the pack. Bell has a good football brain and leads them well, but not with quite sufficient voice as yet. Robinson, Hill, Agar, Stevens and W. D. Taylor are continually improving and should develop into a formidable combination by the end of the season.

Although some individual members have been mentioned by name the success of the team has been won by tremendous keenness and love of the game which are showed by all the boys in the group, each of whom has done all that has been asked of him, to the best of his ability. We fully expect a continued run of success in the New Year.

## Under 14 XV Results

|                                                                                                                         |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| v. Castleford G.S. (home)                                                                                               | Won 54-0  |
| (Tries: Morgan 3, Hale 3, Hodgkiss 2, Goldie 2, Harrison 2, Robinson 2, Pickering. Penalty: Hale. Conversions: Hale 3.) |           |
| v. Barnsley G.S. (home)                                                                                                 | Won 41-0  |
| (Tries: Morgan 3, Hale 2, Harrison 2, Hodgkiss 2, Taylor, Robinson. Conversions: Bell 4.)                               |           |
| v. Thornes House, Wakefield (away)                                                                                      | Won 18-13 |
| (Tries: Hale 3, Morgan 2, Harrison.)                                                                                    |           |
| v. Hemsworth G.S. (away)                                                                                                | Won 17-12 |
| (Tries: Agar 2, Morgan, Harrison, Goldie. Conversion: Hale 1.)                                                          |           |
| v. King's School, Pontefract (away)                                                                                     | Lost 0-16 |
| v. Crossley and Porter G.S., Halifax (away)                                                                             | Won 49-0  |
| (Tries: Goldie 4, Morgan 2, Hale 2, Agar 2, Crossland, Hill, Bell. Conversions: Hale 5.)                                |           |
| v. Don Valley, Doncaster (home)                                                                                         | Won 15-9  |
| (Tries: Hale, Goldie, Westmoreland. Conversions: Hale 3.)                                                               |           |
| v. St. Gregory's, Huddersfield (away)                                                                                   | Won 46-0  |
| (Tries: Morgan 5, Stephenson 2, Goldie, Hale, Harrison, Bassinder, Pickering. Conversions: Hale 5.)                     |           |
| v. Thorne G.S. (away)                                                                                                   | Won 30-9  |
| (Tries: Morgan 3, Hale, Goldie, Harrison, Hodgkiss, Robinson. Conversions: Hale 2, Bell.)                               |           |
| v. King's School, Pontefract (home)                                                                                     | Won 12-6  |
| (Tries: Pickering, Hodgkiss, Agar. Penalty: Hale.)                                                                      |           |
| v. Castleford G.S. (away)                                                                                               | Won 13-3  |
| (Tries: Morgan, Hale, Bell. Conversions: Hale 2.)                                                                       |           |
| v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (home)                                                                                           | Postponed |
| v. Huddersfield New College (away)                                                                                      | Postponed |
| v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (home)                                                                                           | Won 13-8  |
| (Tries: Morgan, Hale, Goldie. Conversions: Hale 2.)                                                                     |           |

## Under 13 XV

Following last year's unbeaten season as Under 12's this side has maintained its record during the first half of the season. The record to date is:—

| P. | W. | L. | D. | Pts. For | Against |
|----|----|----|----|----------|---------|
| 10 | 10 | 0  | 0  | 377      | 23      |

Two additions to last year's side have been Hollis, a second-row or No. 8 forward, who shows promise, and P. Davies, a full-back or centre, who has a good break and an effective tackle.

The back division is a formidable combination, having scored 76 tries. The half-backs and centres have the ability to make openings and the wingers have the speed and power to finish them off, particularly T. Crossland, who has 24 tries to his credit. S. Trigg at stand-off has scored 23 tries.

The pack is developing into quite a useful unit. The scrummaging is only fair, they can push even harder in both tight and loose. The line-out work is better, and provides a lot of possession. The loose play has improved, the match at Roundhay in particular saw some neat handling of a very slippery ball. The forwards have scored 19 tries, 10 of them by J. Davies.

The main fault in the side lies in the tackling. They get little practice from the opposition, but when it does present itself the tendency is to go for the hand-off rather than for the legs. If this fault is rectified there is no reason why next term should not be as successful as this one.

The following boys have played this term:—

T. Mullaney, M. N. Addis, T. Crossland, S. W. Madeley, K. Holland, S. Trigg (capt.), P. G. Morgan, R. Jennings, S. Banks, S. D. Mosley, D. Peaty, P. Bostock, R. Westerman, C. P. Hollis, R. D. Webster, I. C. Hodgson, P. Draycott, J. Davies, A. Harrison, P. Davies, R. F. White, A. M. Atha, J. R. Baker, S. Parker, M. E. Cording.

## Results

- v Barnsley G.S. (h) ..... Won 51-0  
(Tries: Trigg 5, Holland 4, Crossland 3, Peaty, Mosby, Madeley. Conversions: Peaty 2.)
- v. King's School, Pontefract (away) ..... Won 31-5  
(Tries: Trigg 2, Madeley 2, Crossland, Morgan, Draycott. Conversions: Peaty 4. Drop-goal: Mosby.)
- v. Huddersfield New College (away) ..... Won 30-0  
(Tries: Hodgson 2, Trigg 2, Crossland 2, Addis. Conversions: Peaty 3. Penalty: Peaty.)
- v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (away) ..... Won 14-3  
(Tries: Harrison 2, Trigg, Madeley. Conversion: Peaty.)
- v. St. Gregory's (home) ..... Won 42-0  
(Tries: Crossland 5, J. Davies 2, Hodgson 2, Holland, Trigg. Conversions: Peaty 3. Penalty Peaty 1.)
- v. Roundhay (home) ..... Won 20-3  
(Tries: Crossland 3, Madeley, Hodgson. Conversion: Peaty. Penalty: Peaty.)

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| v. Holmfirth (home)                                                                                                 | .....        | Won 73-3 |
| (Tries: Crossland 5, Trigg 5, Madeley 3, Davies, J. 2, Davies, P., Hodgson. Conversions: Peaty 11.)                 |              |          |
| v. King's School, Pontefract (home)                                                                                 | .....        | Won 33-9 |
| (Tries: Trigg 5, Crossland, Peaty, Davies, J., Davies, P. Conversions: Peaty 3.)                                    |              |          |
| v. Roundhay (away)                                                                                                  | ..... j..... | Won 23-0 |
| (Tries: J. Davies 2, Morgan 2, Crossland, Holland, Peaty. Conversion: Peaty.)                                       |              |          |
| v. Nunthorpe (away)                                                                                                 | .....        | Won 60-0 |
| (Tries: Davies, J. 3, Crossland 3, Holland 2, Trigg 2, Webster 2, Hodgson 2, Peaty, Bostock. Conversions: Peaty 6.) |              |          |

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### Under 12 XV

This side has played, two games this term. The first against Wakefield was a hard-fought game which Wakefield deservedly won. School made one or two costly mistakes, and their play was too individual. A few intelligent passes in the first half, when the Wakefield line was being besieged, could have brought tries.

In the second game at Nunthorpe a strong-running winger scored two tries for the home side, but the School managed to keep him out of the game from then on, and some very good forward play under wet conditions brought tries and a well-deserved victory.

The team has been extremely keen, has trained very hard, and if this is maintained next term then, with the incentive of more games and the tour, we should have a very successful season.

The following have played or have been reserve for the side:—

M. Hollis, J. K. Frankland, E. Moore, M. E. Cording, S. H. Hodgson, C. Baker, S. Parker, R. J. Pine, D. Beaumont, T. Bailey, S. J. Anthony, A. M. Atha, W. Patchett, J. R. Baker, R. F. White, M. J. Fletcher, A. Ashworth, B. Wormald, H. Jones, A. Taylor, S. Matthews, D. Hardwick, D. Bailey-Lee, G. Crutchley.

### Results

|                                                                        |       |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| v. Q.E.G.S., Wakefield (home)                                          | ..... | Lost 3-6 |
| (Try: Parker.)                                                         |       |          |
| v. Nunthorpe (away)                                                    | ..... | Won 17-8 |
| (Tries: Cording, Hodgson, Bailey, White, Ashworth. Conversion: White.) |       |          |

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## A. F. C.

### 1st and 2nd XI's

It is customary in reviews such as this, to paint a glowing report of past achievements and future possibilities. This time any reader wishing to hear of heroic deeds should look elsewhere; for this is a critical review. The criticism is not intended to be destructive, but helpful and constructive.

It has not been a term on which one can look back with much satisfaction. The loss of six of last year's first eleven has had its effect, especially at wing-half. Here, if anywhere, lies the main fault in the 1st XI. We lack two attacking wing-halves — boys who can carry a ball through and feed their forwards.

In the second eleven the main fault has been the lack of finishing power in the forward line — many of whose displays have been quite pathetic. However, fairly solid defensive play has compensated for the former shortcoming.

We lack reliable goalkeepers, neither of the present two being at all outstanding.

Team spirit has often left much to be desired — defence blaming attack and vice-versa.

Neither team lacks ability; what is lacking is the will to use that ability to its fullest potential. In other words, attitudes to training must change. Training does not mean shooting into a goal-mouth, it means driving oneself until one can feel one's stamina being sapped. Any boy is at liberty to take out a ball for fifteen or so minutes each dinner-time.

In closing, one might say the term's results are not as gloomy as the above report might imply. But many victories have been won by a very slender margin and we have had more draws than usual.

D.G.W.

### 1st XI Results

15th September, 1962 (away) ..... School 3 v . Batley 3

After the successes of their predecessors, the School 1st XI travelled to Batley hoping to start the season as last year's left off.

Morgan won the toss and elected to play up the slope. It took both sides a long time to settle down, but School's forwards looked the more dangerous with Harris, Spencer and Garbett each seeing their efforts miss by inches.

Against the run of play, however, Batley took the lead after 30 minutes. They scored a second 10 minutes later. Both goals could have been avoided and School's defence was looking suspect.

School turned round perhaps a little unlucky to be 2 down, and turned to their task manfully. They were rewarded after 10 minutes when Harris chipped the ball over the full-back's head for Spencer to run on to and score.

School slowly took command of the game and equalised through Morgan. He received the ball in the centre circle, beat four would-be tacklers and hit a merciless 25-yard drive which left the Batley 'keeper helpless.

Deservedly, School took the lead 10 minutes from time when Garbett found the net, after a goalmouth scramble. The game now looked "sewn up" until a very questionable decision levelled the scores.

School looked a rather spasmodic side with Morgan and Smart the pick of the forwards and backs, respectively.

22nd September, 1962 (home) ..... School 9 v Ossett 1

In the first half of this game play swung from end to end. The first goal of the game came direct from a corner on the left by Harris. School's second came from right winger Woolhouse, who floated in a centre which was mis-timed by the Ossett 'keeper. Within five minutes Ossett hit back and School's defence looked unsteady.

In the second half School took command; Spencer headed home a Woolhouse corner, and Smart hit the ball into the Ossett net from 25 yards. Morgan, Spencer and Garbett scored after goalmouth scrambles. Woolhouse netted his second goal in an excellent debut for the 1st XI. Garbett scored the ninth with a hard, low drive from a breakaway. Ossett's few attacks in this half were efficiently dealt with by School's defence.

29th September, 1962 (away) ..... School 6 v. Leeds C.H.S. 0

School kicked-off facing much larger opponents. Spencer opened the scoring for School and this was followed by a goal from Walker who, because of a slight change round in the team was playing centre-forward. Woolhouse took advantage of Leeds' unsteady defence to make the score 3-0, which was the interval score.

In the second half School completely dominated the game, and added 3 more goals by Woolhouse and Morgan (2), the second being a glorious one, as he beat most of the Leeds team in a 60-yard dribble. The occasional breakaway by Leeds was soon checked by a School defence strengthened by Harris and Garbett from last week's forwards.

6th October, 1962 (home) ..... School 6 v. Huddersfield New College 6

H.N.C. took first advantage of the Pingle slope and harassed School's defence into making repeated mistakes. Soon they took the lead through a penalty. Undeterred by the early setback School fought back to equalise through a well-taken goal by Garbett.

By half-time, however, H.N.C. had regained their earlier superiority and had built up a 4-2 lead. School's other goal coming from Morgan.

Just after half-time, Garbett headed School's third goal, and with play swinging from end to end, and both 'keepers apparently very unsure of themselves, the goal-scoring spree continued. When the final whistle went, what had been a very even game finished in a 6-6 draw. School's other goals coming from Garbett (2) and Morgan.

13th October, 1962 (away) ..... School 2 v. St. Michael's College 2

Play opened rather scrappily, both teams taking a while to settle down, but it was School who looked the more likely to score. It was then against the run of play that St. Michael's took the lead, a rather lucky goal, the ball going in off both post and cross-bar. This seemed to inject new life into School. They played some excellent football, and were unfortunate only to score one goal, by Spencer, before the interval, having shot after shot cleared off the line.

After the interval. School continued where they had left off but, nevertheless, St. Michael's were allowed to score after a free kick. Undeterred by this blow. School continued to play good football, and after hitting the underside of the cross-bar, Garbett later scored the goal he richly deserved.

School were still pressing the home goal when the final whistle went, giving School their third draw of the season and still leaving them undefeated.

20th October, 1962 (away) ..... School 1 v. Almondbury 3

School won the toss and decided to play up the slope, but were soon two goals down, the home forwards having the run of the ball, the second goal coming after the ball had rebounded off Harris, playing in goal for the injured Ogley, deflected off a defenders foot and just curled in at the corner of the net. Just before half time, Morgan, after beating the Almondbury defence, put the ball into the net to make the score 2-1 at half-time.

In the second half. School pressed hard, but after some very harsh decisions. School seemed to give up hope. After four players had been cautioned one was sent off for talking. Later on, Almondbury scored a lucky third goal.

27th October, 1962 (home) ..... School 2 v. Pudsey 1

On the coldest Saturday morning since the start of the season, School kicked off, shooting down the Pingle slope. The game was scrappy until Morgan livened it up by beating three men and thumping the ball in from 20 yards. The goal put life into the team and it came as no surprise when Garbett added his customary goal just before the interval to give School a two-goal lead.

Pudsey kicked off the second half with the benefit of the slope this time. Little had been seen of Pudsey's forward line in the first half, but in the second they came more into the game. Play swung from end to end, and a few near misses could easily have been turned into goals for School. Alas, Pudsey scored. A quickly taken free kick outside the area found the net while everybody was out of position. This goal completed the scoring.

School v. Percy Jackson's G.S. (Doncaster) ..... Lost 5-0

At the start of this match, the foggy weather conditions seemed hardly suitable for football, although conditions improved in the course of the game.

In the first stages of the match School lacked vigour. Consequently, within twenty minutes, the Percy Jackson's XI had scored three times. However, after this onslaught, the School defence functioned more smoothly, and the forwards regained their usual skill and poise. Until half-time the game remained equal, with few attacking moves on either side.

After the restart. School seemed regenerated and soon took up a domineering position. Garbett, Morgan and Harris combining well to make numerous, dangerous attacking moves. Percy Jackson's fourth goal came when a typical School attack floundered and the opposing centre-forward ran through to score.

School were undaunted and maintained the pressure on the opposing defence, being unlucky not to score. With five minutes to go Percy Jackson's scored their fifth goal, through a corner kick, the last goal of the game.

School v. Nunthorpe G.S. (away) ..... School 3, Nunthorpe 4

For the first half of this game, expected by both teams to be a hard one, play was even and if anything rather slack. Both defences were on top form, and it was only late in the first half that the opposing attack finally "clicked" and succeeded in finding a way through School's defence to score. The home attack were now playing more methodically than School's and it was, therefore, no surprise when Nunthorpe further increased their lead.

After discussing tactics in the interval. School started the second half with greater determination, which resulted in School drawing level with Nunthorpe, with three goals apiece. Play now became scrappy, and while School's defence slackened, Nunthorpe scrambled home with their fourth goal, the last of the game.

School v. Altrincham G.S. (home) ..... School 1, Altrincham 4

During the half-term holiday. School had as their visitors what proved to be a very strong Altrincham G.S. XI (Cheshire). Altrincham won the toss and chose to play down the slope, and for the first twenty minutes they sustained heavy pressure on School's goal. So it came as no surprise when School were in arrears after thirty minutes play. However, School's ten men (Moxon had been carried off after about ten minutes play) had fought most tenaciously and, with the slope in their favour, victory was not beyond their capabilities.

Half-time: Altrincham 1, School 0.

School drew level shortly after half-time through Garbett, but several goalkeeping mistakes permitted Altrincham to regain their lead, and now the defence's confidence had clearly deserted them. Altrincham made victory certain shortly before the final whistle through a penalty.

## Under 15 XI

The performance of the team during the first half of the season has been very variable. The record in the Rothwell and Stanley League is very good but very mixed results have been gained against other Grammar School sides.

It is quite noticeable that the team has been most successful when Under 14 XI members have been included to give both solidarity to defence and scoring power to the forwards.

The main faults in defence have been poor covering and lack of determination in the tackle. Individually, the defence is quite good but many goals against them have been due to lack of understanding between the players. Their lack of stature has also been a disadvantage.

The forwards have the ability to play good football but too often passes go astray or the players tend to hold the ball too long. They are at last realising that they have a good striking force in the wings and that it is the inside-forwards' job to form the link with the defence.

Slowly the team are improving their individual skill and many faults in team-play have been overcome. More playing and training together next term will, we hope, improve the understanding and bring more success.

C.W.

### Under 15 XI Results

|                                           |          |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| v. Batley Grammar School (home) .....     | Won 13-1 |
| (Lappage 9, Soles 3, Trott.)              |          |
| v. Rothwell S.M. (home) .....             | Won 7-4  |
| (Lappage 3, Wright 2, Soles, Trott.)      |          |
| v. Stanley S.M. (home) .....              | Draw 5-5 |
| (Lappage 3, Trott, Soles.)                |          |
| v. Huddersfield New College (home) .....  | Lost 8-4 |
| (Wright 2, Soles, Lappage.)               |          |
| v. Almondbury Grammar School (away) ..... | Lost 6-0 |
| v. Pudsey Grammar School (away) .....     | Won 4-2  |
| (Lappage 3, Soles.)                       |          |
| v. Outwood S.M. (away) .....              | Won 3-1  |
| (Soles 2, Raybould.)                      |          |
| v. Nunthorpe G.S. (away) .....            | Lost 4-2 |
| (Wright 2.)                               |          |
| v. Pudsey G.S. (home) .....               | Won 6-3  |
| (Lappage 3, Soles 2, Trott.)              |          |
| v. Rothwell S.M. (away) .....             | Draw 4-4 |
| (Lappage 3, Soles.)                       |          |
| v. Percy Jackson's G.S. (away) .....      | Lost 8-2 |
| (Raybould, Soles.)                        |          |
| v. Batley Grammar School (away) .....     | Lost 5-1 |
| (Wright.)                                 |          |

## Under 14 XI

The Under 14 soccer XI began the new season in fine style, scoring 17 goals in their first three matches. Timmington, Madeley and Yates are outstanding in defence,

while Lappage (captain) and Trott are the most effective forwards.

Team; — Timmington, Varley, S., Madeley, Thompson, Needle, Greenfield, Yates, Kendrew, Oldroyd, Lappage, Trott, Craddock.

### Results

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| v. Ossett .....            | Won 7-0  |
| v. Leeds C.M.S. ....       | Won 7-2  |
| v. St. Michael's .....     | Won 3-1  |
| v.. Almondbury G.S. ....   | Draw 2-2 |
| v. Nunthorpe G.S. ....     | Won 6-3  |
| v. Percy Jackson G.S. .... | Lost 2-5 |

### Under 13 XI

The team is now playing confidently, after a shaky start which can partly be explained by a large number of away matches early in the season. They are unbeaten at home, where they have yet to score fewer than four goals. Most positions are now filled capably, though outside-right is still an open problem. Three first-year boys have played regularly and scored twenty or more goals between them. One looks forward to a successful "second-half" of the season. K.M.

### Results

|                                               |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|
| v. Batley (away) .....                        | Lost 2-4 |
| (Edwards, Greenfield.)                        |          |
| v. Ossett (away) .....                        | Draw 2-2 |
| (Varley, Greenfield.)                         |          |
| v. Rothwell (home) .....                      | Won 8-0  |
| (Milner 4, Greenfield 2, Varley 2.)           |          |
| v. Stanley (away) .....                       | Lost 0-1 |
| v. Huddersfield (away) .....                  | Draw 1-1 |
| (Varley.)                                     |          |
| v. Outwood (away) .....                       | Lost 3-5 |
| (Milner 2, Plunkett.)                         |          |
| v. Almondbury (home) .....                    | Won 5-2  |
| (Milner 2, Armstrong 2, Bell.)                |          |
| v. Pudsey (home) .....                        | Won 4-2  |
| (Varley 2, Backhouse, Young.)                 |          |
| v. Rothwell (away) .....                      | Won 5-3  |
| (Backhouse, Booth, Varley, Young 2.)          |          |
| v. Outwood (home) .....                       | Won 8-5  |
| (Armstrong 3, Milner 2, Varley 2, Backhouse.) |          |
| v. Nunthorpe (away) .....                     | Lost 1-2 |
| (Backhouse.)                                  |          |
| v. Stanley (home) .....                       | Won 7-1  |
| (Backhouse 2, Milner 2, Varley 2, Edwards.)   |          |

## CROSS COUNTRY

The School senior team was considerably weakened at the end of the Summer term, when four prominent members of the team left school. Thus it is now a question of rebuilding, with the result that fifth formers form the bulk of the team.

This, with a further setback of irregular fixtures and comparatively light training has realised poor results. We have played four matches, two of which were without full teams, and lost four.

Next term, with increased training, and more fixtures, we hope to settle down and achieve better results.

G.E.D.

29th September (at home) .....School 36pts. v. Leeds C.H.S. 23pts.

The seniors ran without a full team, the reason being that the Under 16 team took the body of the 1st team away—Heptinstall, Shaw, Wilson and Ambler. The result, therefore, was not too depressing, and remaining members ran well, notably Everett, who was running for the School for the first time.

Dean came first, Johnson, D. M., 4th, Everett 9th.

24th November (at Wakefield) ..... School 61pts. v. Q.E.G.S. 24pts.

Although easily beaten by this fit and very experienced side over a tough course. School ran well, a very creditable performance. With increased training next term we hope to present a more formidable team for the return match.

Dean 4th, Heptinstall 8th, Johnson, D. M. 10th.

28th November (at Leeds)

School 130pts. v. Leeds University VI 43, Leeds Modern 67, Leeds University V 78.

School did not run as well as was expected. Being a mid-week fixture, the team was able to recruit Cook who proved a great asset, although the team ran without its captain.

Cook came 10th, Heptinstall 15th, Wilson 24th.

1st December (at Doncaster) ..... School 26pts. v. Percy Jackson 12pts.

A revised team set out with high hopes, again without their captain; but once again victory fell to the other side.

Heptinstall 3rd, Lindley 6th.

#### Under 16

Normanton ..... 37 at Normanton

Leeds C.H.S. .... 51

#### Positions:—

1st, Heptinstall; 4th, Shaw; 5th, Wilson; 7th, Midgley; 8th, Ambler; 12th, Nichols.

#### Under 15

Normanton ..... 50 at Normanton

Leeds C.H.S. .... 28

#### Positions:—

2nd, Reany; 7th, Harrison; 8th, Dominiak; 10th, Bradley; 11th, Mathewman; 12th, Carter.

#### Under 15

Normanton ..... 25 at Normanton

Pudsey G.S. .... 56

#### Positions:—

1st, Brooks; 2nd, Jones; 3rd, Webster; 5th, Williams; 6th, Reany; 8th, Harrison.

#### Under 13

Normanton ..... 23

Pudsey A.S. .... 61

#### Positions:—

1st, Addis; 2nd, Atkins; 3rd, Roberts; 4th, Atha; 6th, Marsh; 7th, McLean; 10th, Booth; 11th, Woofindin.

A.J.

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