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EDITORIAL

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Sport: A. K. Houghton, U6A.

It is true, time does fly; and it seems only a short time since the last Autumn edition of "The Frestonian" was going to press. Already the wheel has gone full circle and yet another magazine comes to be published. The first term of a new school year, a term that is already one with the past.

The characteristics of the Autumn Term have often been elaborated upon in previous editions. It has been called the term of chaos, of change, of rejuvenation, of re-adjustment, of inexpedient examinations — all expressions are in their own way true; but then all three terms have their special properties, they would not be rightly thought of as terms if they had not. What seems to be most significant about the Autumn Term is that it is the term in which we learn to start afresh. This is applicable to those who have come to work at school for the first time; to those who already are the school, and to those indeed who have recently left us. Spring Term perhaps seems more appropriate!

Yet one is unable to deny the presence of change in the Autumn Term. We hope too that this magazine has been in this spirit. In time some sections of the magazine may assume a form somewhat different from their present one. Its scope can be broadened and its features re-formed to the good. At the moment we grope in the dark. It is difficult. What a great proportion of the school fails to realise is that the magazine belongs to the school, to the boys themselves. It is not just a monopoly of the editorial board. It is your magazine. Because so much is so often left to so few the magazine could become contrived and forced rather than a wholehearted reflection of school life; an oligarchic publication and not the vox populi of the school. Next term it would be far more encouraging to see boys handing in contributions and ideas for the magazine without needing the occasional shove from behind. The substantial increase in contributions this term appears to be a result of a commendable effort from some members of the staff and not from the school as a whole.

We thankfully acknowledge the receipt of various magazines from other schools and, in conclusion, thank all who have assisted in the composition of this edition of "The Frestonian" and have made its production possible.

STAFF NOTES

Miss M. Sumner, Cook-Supervisor for nearly three years, left at the start of the Summer Term, and after a period in which her place was taken by a "peripatetic", has been followed, since the start of the Christmas Term, by Mrs. J. Tracey, who will, we hope, be with us a long time.

Mile. Michele Jospin returned for a second year as our French assistante. She married Mr. G. T. Harris at half-term, and we offer them our congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness. This seems to be first time in the school's history that husband and wife have worked together in the school; once, -long ago, when a master became engaged to a mistress (this was at the end of the 1914-18 war), the mistress had to leave!

SALVETE

Boys entering September, 1964

IA	IB	IC
Allen, I.	Binnersley, G.	Hammond, P. T.
Ambler, D.	Burniston, D.	Harrison, P. A.
Barber, P.	Close, P.	Law, S. R.
Briscoe, A.	Davies, S.	Livsey, D.
Carrington, S. C.	Dean, K.	Machen, J.
Clarke, S. L.	Eames, R.	Mee, G.
Clegg, M. G.	Golding, P.	Morris, S.
Cockrem, J. A.	Hale, S.	Overton, R.
Colley, D.	Harrison, R. S.	Poole, M. P.
Copley, G. D.	Heaton, P.	Richards, D.
Daniels, G.	Hudson, S. J.	Riley, S. M.
Dobbs, J. C. W.	Hunter, A.	Rodgers, C.
Gathercole, E.	Krlc, P.	Rooney, K. L.
Green, D. S.	Markham, A. D.	Sharp, J.
Hanson, L.	Midgley, S.	Sheldon, P.
Henwood, D. P.	Nash, G. P.	Strickleton, A.
Hodgson, N.	Newman, D.	Sykes, K.
Holman, J. H.	Poundford, D.	Tankard, G.
Howe, K. J.	Sandham, K.	Taylor, S. R.
Howell, J.	Schofield, S.	Thewsey, N.
Lawrence, P.	Stenson, S. W.	Walker, R.
Lidbury, D. L.	Tiffany, P. I.	Wilks, C.
Marsh, P. B.	Walker, D.	
Nowosielski, F.	Welcer, S. A.	2Y-
Preene, H.	Wilson, S.	Smith, J. P.
Rudderham, G.	Wilstrop, N.	
Saxton, G.	Youldon, C.	3X
Sheam, P.		Sainter, D. J.
Smith, J. D.		
Waring, C.		3 V
White, D. R.		Mulcahy, M. J.
Winter, T. E.		
		3A
		Aldridge, G. R.
		4W
		Gill, A. E.
Appleyard, D.		
Bamforth, A.		
Barrett, N. S.		
Beddows, M. D.		
		L6Sc.
		Townend, J.

VALETE

Boys leaving, Summer Term, 1964

U.VLS

Grainge, M. R.
Guillou, P. J.
Haigh, D. D.
Haigh, P. M.
Harrison, J. S.
Johnson, M. K.
Johnson, D. M.
Johnson, P.
Moxon, G. H.
Miles, A.
Thirlwell, W. T.

L.VLS

Bullock, G.
Lees, R. C.
Shaw, B.

I.VI.E

Brown, I. J.

L.VI.G.

Bickerdyke, D.
Edmondson, S. I.
Smith, -M.

VIM

Baguley, T. E. P.
Boardman, H. J.
Bridges, P.
Brook, P.
Fox, R. L.
Rowley, K. R.
Hunt, S. V.
Flace, G.
Steer, D. R.
Thompson, G. S.

V.B

Addy, P. J.
Briggs, A.
Harrison, P. A.
Henshaw, S. M.
Holden, N.
Leake, D.
Linley, I. A.
Morton M.
Mason, G.
Peplow, K. M.
Tate, L. E.
Williams, J.

U.VI.A.

Carey, M. R.
English, P. .
Firth, D. W.
Harris, W. S.
Hoyland, D. V.
Powers, P. J.

4W

Astbury, P.

4R

Lorriman, E.

3M

Harrison, A.

U.VI.E

Blackburn, R. R.
Brookes, E.
Easter, N. B.
Graham, I. M.
Greatorex, B.
Hill, L.
Hollis, C.
Hutchinson, G.
Middleton, M.
Simmons, A.
Westwood, L. G.

V.A1

Simpson, K. I.

3W

Harrison, P. P.

V.A2

Burchill, T. H.
Conway, B.
Harrison, D. M.
Hauber, H.
Parker, J. D.
Watkinson, A.
Wilson, D.

2X

Calland, G.
Selby, P. G.

2A

Cotton, E. W.

DE OMNIBUS

The school prefects this year are: J. R. Law (Head Boy), J. Cadman (Senior Prefect), H. M. Beckitt (Captain of Bennett), B. A. Flynn (Captain of Hanson), J. A. Jones (Captain of Freeston), K. McNicholas, J. F. Short, E. Stevens, J. M. Cogan, D. T. Cook, S. Copeland, M. J. Crossland, J. S. Dunington, G. Ellis, D. Fairer, J. A. Foster, R. P. Freeman, J. G. Goodall, J. D. M. Gunn, D. Harrison, E. M. Holden (Captain of Frobisher), W. L. Horner, A. K. Houghton, C. Lawrence, B. Lockett, A. Parish, L. M. Pierce, A. Rothery, N. G. Sherwood, B. K. Tempest, J. Tinkler, G. Tomlinson, M. Wakenshaw, S. D. Webster.

The Founders' Day Service was held in the Parish Church on Thursday, 17th September. The preacher was the Bishop of Wakefield, and the service was conducted by the Vicar of Normanton, the Rev. Canon C. A. O. Warman, M.A.

The Autumn Fair took place on Friday, 30th November at 2.0 p.m. The result was perhaps a little disappointing, probably due to the half-term holiday during the first half of the same week.

The school play, "Volpone," by Ben Jonson, was produced on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 26-28th November. Further details appear in the relevant article and in the Arts and Drama Society Report under "Society Jottings."

On Saturday, 5th December, Normanton Arts Club which includes some members from N.G.S. and is run by Mr. Jones, gave a concert in the school hall at 7.30 p.m. The programme included Handel's "Solomon" and "Messiah." Also during December were a number of other musical events:—Thursday, 10th December, a Carol Concert in the School Hall at which all the schools of Normanton were represented; Tuesday, 15th December, the School Carol Service in the Church; unfortunately, the Christmas Concert, which was to have taken place on 16th December, had to be postponed, owing to fog, until early next term; the principal attraction will be Vivaldi's "Gloria."

There have been fewer outings than usual this term; at half-term the Locospotters' Club went to Crewe; Mr. Jones has run two trips to the opera — on 25th September to hear Smetana's "The Bartered Bride" and on 2nd November to hear "Faust" by Gounod; on 26th October a party of sixth-formers went to see Ibsen's "The Master Builder" at the Grand Theatre, Leeds; on 20th November another party of sixth-formers were invited to view the film of "Hamlet" with Sir Laurence Olivier at Ackworth Quaker School; on Friday, 11th December, yet another small group of sixth-formers attended a carol concert in the Great Hall at Leeds University sponsored by the Modern Languages Association. More detailed accounts of these events appear elsewhere in the "Alarums and Excursions" section of the magazine.

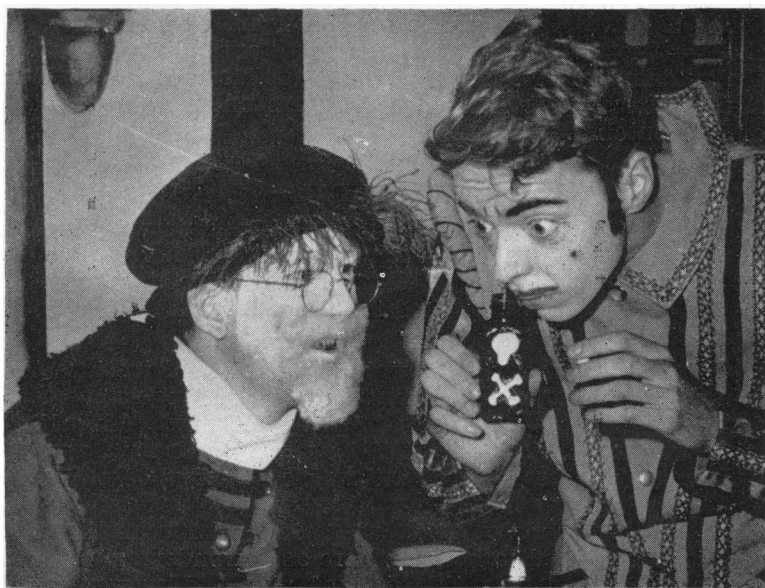
Speech Day will be on 18th February, when the Guest of Honour will be Professor W. Walsh of the Department of Education, Leeds University.

VOLPONE

This year's play, Ben Jonson's "Volpone" enjoyed a far greater artistic success than its predecessor "Ross." The cast revealed more zest and confidence this year. Many involved also appeared in "Ross" and have benefited greatly from experience. Hurley provided an excellent example of this welcome maturity. Happily, this year, apart from a few exceptions, there was improved articulation and the movement about stage was more natural.



Two Scenes from "Volpone"



The highlight of the play was perhaps the crowd scene when Volpone disguised as the quack Scoto sold his medicines. This was performed with great spirit and an authentic atmosphere was evoked. We also had the unexpected delight of seeing the producer himself on stage.

Fairer gave an outstanding performance in the taxing part of the parasite Mosca. He acted with great consideration, stamina and excellent audibility. Lawrence, as in "Ross," once more took the title role. He has obviously put much thought and effort into his performance but neither his general demeanour nor his make-up were those of an oldish man, as Jonson surely must have intended Volpone to be. It may be that the two central characters Volpone and Mosca were portrayed in too genial and sympathetic a manner. Frequently one had the impression they were indulging in practical jokes rather than in lust and avarice. This may have arisen from a desire to entertain the audience with comedy and many would argue that the experiment was justified. B. Tempest gave a most able portrayal of doddering old age while Mrs. Whale as the long suffering Celia engendered an air of soft innocence whenever she appeared on stage.

Mr. Smart, the Producer, and the cast are to be congratulated upon an enthusiastic and enjoyable production for the play is neither simple to perform nor to understand.

However, the cast would be the first to recognise the debt they owe to those who are neither seen nor heard on stage — those who constructed, painted and lit the set under the guidance of Mr. Moreton, the Stage Managers and their assistants, and the Business Managers under the direction of Mr. Butcher.

P.O.W.

AUTUMN FAIR

On the 30th of October the Autumn Fair was opened at 3] o'clock by Mrs. Hamilton. As usual the form-rooms had been turned into gambling halls for the unsuspecting visitor or refreshment rooms for them after they had been disillusioned.

As the innocent visitor walked along the drive into the school he was immediately battered by the "music" coming from two of the sixth forms, one of which was also selling what was termed coffee. If the visitor plucked up enough courage to venture a step further his eye would land upon the fifth form's rooms. These were blacked out and looked more sordid than any coffee room in a Moroccan Kasbah. All visitors seemed to hesitate here as if wondering whether to press further into this den of vice. However, most

pressed on-and by the time they had reached the other end of the school their education was almost complete. To finish it they would have to wait for Dr. Barnardo's Day at the High School.

Although this year was not as successful as last year it is encouraging to see that the fifth year seemed to work much harder than usual and managed to appropriate roughly £23. The total that all the boys reached together was only £75.

TOTAL TAKINGS

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1A	3	2	11	Stalls in hall			
1B	3	3	4½	Flowers	6	19	0½
1C	2	2	9	Provisions	22	17	6
2A	3	2	4	Toilet goods ...	4	8	1
2X	2	8	7½	Sweets	8	3	0
2Y	5	16	0	Toys and books	6	4	4
3A	3	18	6½	Ice cream	3	4	5
3X	3	1	4	Refreshments ...	13	13	8
3Y		12	9	Preserves	2	7	0
4A	2	5	11	Fancy goods ...	3	11	0
4M	1	17	6½	Aprons	4	17	2
4W	2	14	3	Cakes	11	8	0
5A1	7	3	3½	Tombola	8	8	6
5A2	7	19	6	Admission	2	2	6
5B	9	0	3	Raffle	118	5	9
6M		10	0				
L6Ec.	2	0	0		216	9	11½
L6Sc.		2	11	Total	£291	5	7
U6Ec.	13	6	9½				
U6A		1	1				
Photo Soc. ...		5	5½				
	£74	15	7½				

"BY ANY OTHER NAME?"

Compiling a complete Alphabetical List of the whole school, which seemed likely to serve a useful purpose as our numbers, continue to grow, naturally led to a study of Christian names, since the labours of typing the list would be less if the commoner names were abbreviated to one, two or three letters. Some of the results may be of interest to the present generation, and possibly also to some zealous historian of the future.

To begin with a delightfully meaningless statistic, the average boy has just over 1½ Christian names. More usefully, only 10 (out of 633 in the list) have three names, and the

remainder are equally divided between those who have one and those who have two Christian names.

There are 137 different Christian names, or, if the variant spellings are counted as separate names, 160; but the six commonest names are shared by just over a third of the boys, the twelve commonest by very nearly a half, and the twenty-four commonest by two thirds. At the other end of the scale 60 names, 80 if variant spellings are reckoned separately, occur only once.

No one will be surprised to hear that the commonest name by far is John, which is the only name occurring over 100 times (105), and is thus borne by practically one boy in six. Next comes David (59), Stephen (53), Michael (40) and Alan (31). But if we include the variants Steven, Allan and Allen, we get a different order — Stephen, etc. 61, David, Allan, etc. 43, Michael? Over 20 are Peter (29), Robert (26), Graham, Paul (25), Brian, James, Phillip (22), and Anthony (21); Geoffrey, if the variant Jeffrey is included, occurs 20 times, 14 more names occur 10 times or more.

A number of once popular names is poorly represented: Thomas, for instance, only occurs 8 times, William, Henry and Harry 10, George 8, Joseph 5. "Tom, Dick and Harry" would not be very representative names now in school. Of the patron saints, Welsh David clearly is most popular, Patrick is found only once, and Scotland's Andrew 7 times only. Still, most of the popular names are "Christian" Christian names — five of the first six, eight of the first twelve.

Many of the rarities are fairly certainly surnames used as Christian names, and in many cases, according to a custom common among Scots and in the North, a mother's maiden name. Names associated particularly with Scotland are quite common, at a rough count, about 20 names occurring about 100 times. Welsh names (unless we count David) are less common, and Irish rarer still.

There seems little evidence that the choice of boys' names has been influenced by fashion or the famous; it looks as if family traditions and a northern flavour have had much to do with the choices. Names which surprise one by their complete absence from a list of nearly a thousand are those of the Evangelists, Luke and Matthew (and Mark is found only once). "Bert" in all variations is almost extinct, too. And there is no name beginning with O — no Oliver for instance, to ask for more.

Someone even more zealous could investigate to see if fashions were changing, and possibly also which combina-

tions of names are most frequent: it seems that David John is a likely winner.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The apparent lack of interest by parents in their sons' appearance is reflected in their lack of interest in the Association. In the general conditions of apathy existing today, a membership of 400 out of a possible 600 families may be considered satisfactory, and would be satisfactory if the members were active. Unfortunately only a handful play any part in the organisation of the Association's affairs, and, having organised, find that they form the large part of the attendance at any function. It is not surprising, therefore, that little of note has happened this term.

The Autumn Fair came and went much as usual, but this hardly counts since the school is largely responsible for the organisation. At the time of writing, only two functions have been held by the main body and these, a Beetle Drive and a Dance, were attended by fewer than 30 people, of whom half were not parents.

There was early encouragement from two new Garforth families who organised a bonfire and barbecue. Their enthusiasm is now a little diminished, however, since only 4 out of 50 parents living in the area responded to an invitation to attend. The event was nevertheless a financial and social success.

The New Year's Party will be held on the 16th January, but apart from this no functions have yet been arranged for the Spring Term. There may be a lecture of educational interest; one wonders how many parents will leave the comfort of their firesides for this.

OLD FRESTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

On Sir Winston Churchill's 90th birthday, radio and TV programmes and news bulletins offered listeners a rendering of the Harrow School Song. We, at Normanton, have sung this same song, proudly and lustily, for a good many years.

Due to the ethics of modesty, those directly concerned with the school may feel unable, or, by reason of the text "A prophet in his own country" unlikely, to make any proud assertions on behalf of their colleagues. But, from the outside looking in, one can see that the school is worthy of the utmost pride from many standpoints.

Its recent play "Volpone" was highly commendable; adding to the school music, the sporting excellence, that the records, from time to time, do show, and other diverse activities.

So we have reason to be proud of our association with the school of today.

How best can we give expression to this pride?

Here's how.

The very next time the school play or concert comes around, just come along and give these boys encouragement; you'll be surprised how much you will enjoy the experience.

Turning to Association topics, some forty-five members of the O.F.A. met at the Annual Reunion Dinner.

They were entertained afterwards with speeches by Dr. A. Griffiths, Mr. W. B. Thompson, Mr. J. A. L. Hamilton, Mr. J. Richardson and finally, by the Guest of Honour, Mr. H. Gott.

This latter effort was not so much a speech as a humorist's way through life. He rocked the company with selected anecdotes from his vast store and how well they responded! On behalf of all who came under his spell, may we say Thanks, Mr. Gott.

Hon. Sec. Old Frestonians' Association,
Donald Pierce,
45, Beancroft Road, Castleford.

SILVER MEDAL

We are very grateful to one of the oldest Old Frestonians, Mr. Herbert Brooks, M.C., F.C.I.S., Chairman, and formerly Managing Director of International Correspondence Schools, for presenting to us the silver medal presented to his elder brother, Percy Brooks, in 1899.

The medal was instituted by the Governors when the school re-started in 1897, and was awarded to the best boy in each year, judged both by term marks and by marks gained in the external examination; no boy could win it twice. The first medal was presented in 1898, to J. E. Preston who went on to win a scholarship to Cambridge, where he became a Senior Wrangler (i.e. he gained First Class Honours in the Mathematics Tripos). Percy Brooks was the second winner; he went on to become Head Boy.

A further point of interest is that Brooks' medal must have been presented to him by Mr. T. W. Freeston, a collateral descendant of our Founder, who was Guest of Honour at Speech Day in 1899.

The medal has not been presented since the last war began. The die is believed to have been destroyed in the "blitz," and the Governors did not feel justified after 1945 in going to the expense of a new die and of further medals, especially as it was felt necessary to conserve their funds. It seems unlikely, therefore, that the medal will be revived.

This interesting memento of the early days of the school will be mounted and displayed in the foyer of the new hall, where we hope to assemble further relics of the school's past history.

SOCIETY JOTTINGS

LE CLUB FRANCAIS

Two meetings have been held so far this term. At the first "reunion," the members drank their usual "café au lait," which was followed by a most interesting talk about life in a French textile factory — given by Mr. N. P. Roche, of Leeds University, an old boy of this school. Afterwards, members listened to records of French folk — and pop-songs.

The second meeting was taken up by an illustrated talk on Paris by Mr. Harnell who also showed slides of Naples and Rome. A third meeting will be held this term consisting of records and word games.

At present the club is eagerly supported by a group of boys from the Upper Sixth and 4A, and helped by all the masters in the French Department. We would welcome suggestions for future activities from members or prospective members of the club.

Activities already planned for next term will include a talk by J. R. Law on his experiences in France this summer.

J. Lee, UVIA.

N.G.S. METEOROLOGICAL STATION

Report for Christmas Term, 1964

	Summer Holidays	Sept.†	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.*
Max. temp.	80°F.	73.3°F.	63°F.	58°F.	57°F.
Min. temp.	40°F.	35.8°F.	32°F.	25°F.	24°F.
Average temp. ...	60°F.	54.6°F.	42.5°F.	41.5°F.	40.5°F.
Rainfall (total) .	1.88in.	0.666in.	1.06in.	0.495in.	0.779in.

† From 9th Sept.

* Up to and including 16th Dec.

The term began during a warm and dry September. Compared with last year, it was a little cooler but much drier.

October, on the other hand, was almost identical to October of last year; quite average for the time of year.

November began mildly, but began to deteriorate towards the end of the month, a fact amply shown by the minimum temperature on the 30th of the month, when a temperature of 25°F. was recorded. It was colder, but drier, than the corresponding month last year.

So far December has been colder but much wetter than last year. At the time of going to press, the country was covered in a thick shroud of freezing fog, as well as a certain amount of flooding.

It is hoped that in the near future long-range forecasts will be obtained from the Meteorological Office, and will be displayed on the Geographical Society's notice board.

J. R. Ramskill (L6Sc.) and D. L. Hartill (L6A).

SCRIPTURE UNION

It is rather surprising to think that over the last term some thirty boys have attended meetings, though usually rarely more than ten on one occasion. The first six weeks were devoted to first year newcomers, who have continued to attend up to the end of term, even for Bible Study and discussion of a difficult nature.

There have been signs, too, of some kind of interest from the fifth-form. In fact, we welcome any who sincerely and honestly wish to understand what the Bible says — about God and about themselves — to attend our series of studies next term upon John's Gospel. We meet at 3.45 on Tuesdays in Room 29.

K.M.

THE LIBRARY

For the library, this has been a term of great progress. With fresh paint and a new floor it is a more pleasant place for working in; the list of missing books looks like being more encouraging; and the number of books has been swelled by almost three hundred, among them numerous "Penguins" and non-fiction of all shapes, sizes and descriptions, including several important acquisitions:—

"Illustrated History of France" by Andre Maurois, a concise and entertaining account, full of lavish paintings and drawings.

"Geography" profusely illustrated, of interest to all.

"The World of Mathematics" by J. R. Newman in three volumes — a lucid exposition of the foundations of this enthralling subject.

The library has, of course, come under the capable supervision of Mr. Machin, and the order and prosperity which it has been restored, are a direct result of the hard work and valuable time that he has put in.

Thanks must also be given to G. Ellis (U6A) for his kind donation of a set of encyclopaedias.

A large load of new books has arrived, and it is hoped that they will begin to appear on the shelves next term — if there is room.

D. Fairer.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Society has only met three times this term, the reason being that a number of our members were involved in the production of the School Play.

At the first meeting, which took the form of an Annual General Meeting, an initial programme for the forthcoming session was planned. Following this, on October 22nd, Mr. Wenham gave a talk on the famous Elizabethan seaman Sir Walter Raleigh. The final meeting took place on December 3rd when Mr. Gardiner, of Pontefract Archaeological Society, gave a talk on summer excavation work at Pontefract Castle.

On behalf of the Society may I thank both our speakers for giving up their time to come and speak at our meetings. I am sure that everyone present found their talks interesting and informative.

Next term the Society plans to hold several meetings with talks by outside speakers being supplemented by talks from our own members. Although actual membership is still the prerogative of the fifth and sixth forms, boys from other forms will be welcome at future meetings.

G. Wilson, L6Econ.

ARTS AND DRAMA SOCIETY

Most of this term's work culminated in the production of "Volpone" on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 26-28th November. A more detailed account appears elsewhere in the magazine, but it would perhaps be fitting to give a few details here.

A tremendous amount of time and hard work goes into just one production. Mr. Smart, the producer, and the principal members of the cast had to stay behind after school for rehearsals five nights a week right from the beginning of term. In addition, everyone concerned with the production has been required on three Sunday afternoons until quite late in the evening for further rehearsals. A profit has been made on the production, but this alone does not make the production a success. What is needed is support from YOU: — 600 boys in the school, with their parents, provide a potential audience of 1800. Instead, we had well under 600.

In this respect the production was a disappointment to all those who gave their time. There is no truth in the excuse that "Volpone" was not worth seeing, for it is indisputably an extremely good play, and the school production did full justice to it. Such meagre support can only lead

one to wonder whether the results justify the great effort involved.

The Society would like to thank all those who in any way helped the production, in particular Messrs. Robinson and Moreton, who were responsible for the set, and Messrs. Johnson and Marshall who did valuable work back-stage.

However, to the future: at the time of going to press it seems that a talk on J. M. W. Turner, which was to have been given at the end of the Christmas term, will be postponed until early next term owing to unforeseen difficulties. Another talk, on D. H. Lawrence, will also be given next term, in addition to a series of talks on Bruckner and Mahler promised by Mr. Smart. There will also be an arts competition, for all ages, and for which there will be prizes.

It is hoped that membership will remain at its present peak, and in view of the importance placed on the General Studies examination at Advanced Level, one hopes that members of the upper school will take this opportunity to avail themselves of knowledge of the arts.

At a meeting held towards the end of term, society officials were elected for the remainder of the school year. They are as follows:—

Hon. President	The Headmaster
Chairman	C. Lawrence
Vice-Chairman	D. Fairer
Secretary	B. K. Tempest
Treasurer	J. Cogan
Publicity Manager	R. Webster
— B. K. Tempest, Sec.	

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Although exams, and the school play have been a hindrance, we have still had meetings this term. We have seen two new film strips — one entitled “Colour Magic” and the other “How Photography Began.” The latter was extremely interesting.

For the Autumn Fair, the school was subjected to our “revolutionary wide screen process — Magnarama” an intricate device for producing the illusion of width.

Earlier in the term we were lucky enough to peep into the magic realms of cine (movie) photography — although the projector bulb burnt out half-way through the talk. This talk was well received — and now the school is full of budding Samuel Goldwyns.

Next term we hope to have another look at cine along with more film strips and colour slide shows. We also hope

to have a photographic competition with Castleford Grammar School and to visit the West Riding Constabulary processing department again.

C. M. Oxley.

LOCOSPOTTERS' SOCIETY

The Society has been fairly active this term, three meetings having been held in addition to two trips. Once more there has been a great response to the Society, and it now has well over fifty members. During the past two years, since the Society was revived, it has become more popular each term. This is largely due to the work of four senior members — D. Cowley and M. J. Crossland, our news-sheet editors, R. B. H. Wilson and B. K. Tempest. (May I add to the list K. Fox, whose modesty prevents his naming himself. — B.K.T.) These boys have worked very hard arranging visits to depots and in the general running of the Society, and on behalf of the remaining members I would like to thank them.

At this term's first meeting, future trips were discussed, and it was decided that the Derby and Nottingham area would be visited, if possible, next half-term. The trip to Crewe was also announced. The second meeting was spent making arrangements for the trip to Crewe. At the third meeting arrangements were made for the Christmas trip to Leeds and York.

Details of the Crewe visit appear elsewhere in the magazine.

K. Fox. L6Sc., Sec.

THE AEROSPOTTERS' CLUB

This new club got off to a good start with Mr. Blake in charge. He drove us in the school bus to Yeadon Airport on our first trip. There were sixteen of us (not including Mr. Blake and his small son).

At Yeadon we spotted almost thirty aircraft. Among these were about ten B.K.S. transport aircraft and the rest — excluding the Piaggio P 166 B Portofino, the De Havilland Dragon Rapide and the De Havilland Dove — were light executive 'planes such as the Cessna 310 G and the Twin Comanche. A Percival Prentice which was seen had not flown since 1961.

For next term's airport visit we are considering Speke Airport at Liverpool.

Finally, this club will welcome new members. Boys who wish to join should see: M. Mills, P. H. Spires, or myself.

J. P. Scott, 3A.

THIS TERM'S EXCURSIONS

Locospotters' Society trip to Crewe, October 27th, 1964

On the 27th October, a party of fifty boys, accompanied by Mr. Smart, left school by coach at 7.50 a.m. bound for Crewe. This was the largest party that the Society had ever taken, and it proved a great success.

Huddersfield motive power depot was visited, en route, at 9.15 a.m. Due to B.R. regulations, the party had to go round in two groups. This depot proved very successful for the older members, but the younger members and Mr. Smart (who only wanted to see 'namers') were a little disappointed, probably because most of the engines were freight locomotives. The highlight was a 2-10-0 "Crosti-boiler" which had worked up from Kirkby-in-Ashfield.

The next depot we visited was at Stoke (Stoke and Cockshute), where we arrived at 11.45. Great expectations had been placed upon this depot, but in fact it was rather disappointing.

We arrived in Crewe at 1.0 p.m., and once more our party had to be divided. While one group visited the depot at Crewe (South) the other visited that at Crewe (North). At 2 p.m. the works were visited, the two groups having combined again. The new members were quite amazed at the number of engines in the works, and everyone appeared pleased at the locomotives seen. Then the party was divided once more, and the two motive power depots were visited by different groups. Both these sheds were extremely interesting, the highlight of Crewe (South) being a "Clan" 4-6-2 which had worked down from Carlisle on freight. The most interesting locomotives at Crewe (North) were a large number of withdrawn Stanier Pacifics.

On the whole it was an extremely enjoyable trip. Once again pop and crisps were on sale at the rear of the coach. I would like to conclude by sincerely thanking Mr. Smart, on behalf of all those who went on the outing, for kindly taking charge, and I hope he enjoyed himself as much as the boys.

K. Fox, L6Sc., Sec.

THE NATIONAL YOUTH THEATRE

The thrill of a lifetime, that is the only way to describe the sensation that one feels when stepping on to the stage of a West End Theatre on the first night. Although the producer does his best to keep you calm nothing can stop the butterflies in your stomach or the feeling of awe that descends upon you when you realise that on the other side of those great curtains sits an audience that is both

speculative about your ability and knowledgeable of the works of the great bard Shakespeare.

As I stood waiting for my entrance I cast my mind back to the start of my venture to gain a place in this exciting group of young people who form the Youth Theatre. I feel grateful for the immense help given me, plus the encouragement, by Mr. Smart, at school. I remember going with my father for my first audition at Manchester and arriving in a state of great trepidation. There I met the first panel of selectors and to my mind there is the greatest test of ability, for there on your own before six very severe critics and on a very bare stage one is expected to give a very good performance. I was told afterwards that what they look for is personality, good diction and the ability to project yourself across the footlights to the entire audience.

I left the audition feeling I had done badly and then received the pleasant surprise that I had passed and was required for a further audition before the founder of the N.Y.T. Mr. Michael Croft. So once again I returned to Manchester, determined to succeed at all costs now that I had got so far. This time I auditioned solely for Mr. Croft and was very thrilled when told that a part in the forthcoming production was to be found for me. Once on my own in the train travelling up to London my nerves almost got the better of me; however, I pressed on, after getting lost on the underground, and arrived at my digs. We all met for the first time at a meeting in a secondary modern school, there we were sorted out into our respective sections, actors, stagehands, painters and wardrobe.

From then on it was one round of working and sleeping. We had exactly three weeks to learn our parts, rehearse and be ready to present to the public, in one of the country's great Theatres, "Coriolanus," a production worthy of the N.Y.T.'s name. Well, everything went as planned but not without a lot of hard work and many mishaps, such as the painting of the scenery wasn't finished until two hours before the curtain went up, and an attack of food-poisoning. My main memories of my seven weeks with the group were of the great comradeship and togetherness which we achieved, also the feeling that here we were doing something really worth doing. Our audiences contained many overseas visitors and surely they must have been impressed by the tremendous spirit that we put into each production. They must have surely felt that the youths of this country did not consist wholly of Mods and Rockers.

The BBC film unit "Monitor" came and in the near future will be featuring a documentary of the N.Y.T.

J. T. N. Addy, VA1.

LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS

POST ELECTION MORTEM

After the most exciting, and perhaps most crucial, election of the century, it was the Labour Party leader, Mr. Harold Wilson, who went to Buckingham Palace on the afternoon of Friday, 16th October, to kiss the Queen's hand and promise to form a Government. Thirteen years of Conservative rule had come to an end.

Mr. Wilson, however, will have a far more torrid time in the Commons than did his Tory predecessors, for with such a small overall majority as five, his position is most precarious and he cannot afford any political mismanagements. The effective power of any Government in Britain today rests upon its majority in the Commons. When an Administration has a large majority, it is safe unless a split occurs. This is the great drawback of coalition Governments. Lloyd George was forced to resign in 1922 (the Conservative Back Bench Committee was first christened in that year following the revolt), and Ramsay MacDonald fell in 1924 when the Liberals withdrew their support. But splits within a party are very rare, for members invariably dislike the Opposition more than an unpopular measure of their own Front-Bench. In addition to this, M.P.s are fully aware that they owe their positions to the party tag, and that any straying from the party-line could result in expulsion from the party.

As attendance in this Parliament is so essential, a great burden is thrown upon the party whips. Now that Mr. Bowden has graduated to the post of Leader of the House, the unenviable task falls upon Mr. Edward Short and his assistants. His job it will be to see that the Labour Government always has its majority. For the Opposition, Mr. William Whitelaw will see that this majority is always as low as possible. As one rather cynical correspondent of a well-known Sunday newspaper wrote, ". . . at least they will have to go for a change and earn their pay increase."

Under the present circumstances the attitude of the nine Liberal M.P.s is important. Soundings for an official pact from both Labour and Liberal supporters have been shunned by the respective party leaders, though Mr. Grimond has promised support for the Government in the social field.

The Conservatives too, have announced that their opposition will not be factious; they will only oppose when suggestions are "not in the National Interest," Tierney's

idea that "An Opposition is to propose nothing and oppose everything" has long been out of date. Today the Government and Opposition act together in certain spheres, the most common of which are Foreign and Commonwealth affairs and policies concerning the Monarchy. Wherever it disagrees with Government policy, the Opposition must always put forward alternative constructive proposals, and so show the electorate that it is fit to govern. For it realises that a very small swing in the electorate — and this is especially relevant to the present Parliament — will turn out the Government and put the Opposition in power. Consequently the Opposition is the traditional outlet for public opinion in the Commons. Minority interests must not be neglected, for the few votes gained by putting forward a certain minority idea could be vital.

Undoubtedly in this present Parliament, some agreement will be made between the two main parties as to what is to be done. How far Mr. Wilson is prepared to compromise with his rivals has yet to be seen. Undoubtedly he is a very shrewd politician — it will be interesting to see which member of the Conservative Front Bench best contains him — but it must not be forgotten that even the greatest of our Prime Ministers have sometimes found difficulty in pushing through really controversial legislation. Peel, Gladstone and Lloyd George have all fallen in this way.

How far the new Government will carry out its election programme is a question only time will answer. In the social sphere, Liberal support will secure the safe passage of any Bills. The real struggle, which will be the ultimate test for the Labour Party, will be over its nationalisation policies. The Government is pledged to take back steel into public ownership; it also intends to set up a Land Commission "with wide powers to acquire land for the community." The Conservatives are sworn opponents of further nationalisation, and will be backed by the important Liberal contingent when, and if, a showdown occurs. It is noticeable, however, that steel nationalisation is well down the list of Bills for this session — it will be introduced in the Spring — and it may well be that the Prime Minister has decided that, if he is going to be defeated, steel nationalisation is not the matter over which his defeat should occur. The electorate are not unduly swayed by the clash over steel, and Mr. Wilson will want to be defeated over an issue which will sway the electorate in his favour. Steel nationalisation is almost impossible for twelve months anyway, for even if the Bill is steered through the Commons, the House of Lords, with its overwhelming Conservative majority, will undoubtedly throw it out.

Other issues upon which the House will probably split concern rents, the Health Service, the allocation of funds to political parties by firms and the Ombudsman proposal. The last idea is a novelty to Britain, although the Scandinavian countries have had such a system for many years. An "ombudsman" is best defined as a "grievance man" to whom individual citizens may take their complaints against the state. The Labour Party point to the success of the experiment in Sweden and Denmark; the Conservatives stand firm with the idea that, under our constitution, the ordinary M.P. adequately fulfills the function of a "grievance man."

The Prime Minister will need to pay careful attention to the results of any by-elections. Normally there are about a dozen of these every year which are unavoidable, the usual causes being ill-health or the granting of honours. There are around twenty Labour M.P.s over seventy, though most of them hold safe seats. But it must not be overlooked that, with an unpopular policy, a safe seat can soon become marginal and perhaps even be lost. Two of the inevitable by-elections will certainly see Mr. Patrick Gordon-Walker, the Foreign Secretary, who was so surprisingly defeated in the controversial election at Smethwick, and Mr. Frank Cousins, the leader of the Transport and General Workers' Union, whose choice as Minister of Technology came as a great surprise, fighting for entry into the Commons. Mr. Wilson has already started creating vacancies by bestowing honours upon some of his faithful followers. The Conservatives too are keen to get some of their leading men back into the Commons, notably Mr. Anthony Barber and Mr. Maurice Macmillan, and the same course is being followed by Sir Alec Douglas-Home.

Nor must it be forgotten that such a trivial thing as a 'flu epidemic could cause great embarrassment to the new administration. Mr. Wilson's majority could easily disappear and his policies be defeated. To this end the Premier has announced that he will not consider a defeat in the Commons as marking the downfall of his administration. Nevertheless such reverses are most damaging to a party's prestige and do not go unnoticed by the public.

But no matter how large or how small is the majority with which a Government is ruling, its proposals, ultimately, depend upon public opinion. It will be this factor which Mr. Wilson and his advisers will be watching closely, waiting for a favourable time to go to the country again and ask for a larger majority. Nobody wants another election immediately. The Conservatives would be favoured by an election after about twelve months of Labour rule, for by

that time any mistakes will be obvious but the fruit of Labour's programme will not be so evident. Mr. Wilson really needs at least two years to establish his party firmly, by which time the benefits of his ideas should be clear to the electorate, and he will be very reluctant to hold an election before this period has elapsed. Indeed he has started in his celebrated "hundred days of action" as though he intends to hold office for five years. He must, however, hold the election at a time not only suitable to his own party, but also when it is in the country's best interests. If the electorate suspects that the timing of the election is being gauged to suit party interests — how great a role this feeling played in the Conservative downfall at this election can only be guessed — the Opposition will almost certainly be brought to power.

Undoubtedly Mr. Wilson has no such thoughts. But he and his team face the most potentially disruptive Parliament of the century. Their success, at present, is purely a matter for speculation.

E. Stephens, U6Ec.

THE UNIVERSE

The universe consists of a series of associated galactic groups, which in turn consist of large numbers of stars, similar to our sun, but sometimes much larger. Galaxies in a group rotate around each other in a similar manner to the rotation of planets around the sun.

These groups of associated galaxies, containing over ten million stars, are spread throughout the whole region of known space, so that on a large scale, the universe is everywhere similar. The observed space so far known extends for about one thousand million light years, a light year being almost six and half thousand billion miles.

Of these stars in the universe, many are similar to the sun, and here there must be a large number of planets similar to the earth, and capable of supporting human-like life.

Measurements of the wavelength of the light emitted by all stars not in the local galactic group show that the wavelength is longer than for similar light produced on the earth. Two explanations have been put forward to account for this phenomenon.

Einstein in his general theory of relativity has shown that in a gravitational field time must slow down. This slows down the atomic reaction producing the light in a star and so increases the wavelength of the light as measured on

earth. Such an effect has been found in near stars, and is of the amount given by Einstein's formula, but it is difficult to determine the quantities in the formula for the distant stars, and hence the change in wavelength.

The second theory has been put forward by Professor Hoyle. This is that the universe is expanding outwards. The change in wavelength of the emitted light can be shown to be proportional to the velocity of the star. Thus Hoyle believes that the galactic groups are receding from each other. It is found experimentally that this velocity of recession is proportional to the distance from the earth. Thus at a large enough distance from the earth, galaxies must recede with velocities greater than that of light.

This theory has two real difficulties to explain before it can be accepted.

Maxwell, in 1876, showed that the velocity of light is a limiting velocity which nothing can exceed. This was supported by the theory of relativity in 1906. Hoyle's theory was put forward in 1956.

Secondly, the force needed to produce and explain this expansion is difficult to explain satisfactorily.

Firstly, an analogy to this situation can be drawn. If we imagine what happens when a currant cake is baked, it is seen to "rise", and the currants move away from each other. If we consider a small being on any one currant, we will observe the other currants moving away from him with a velocity proportional to the distance of separation.

This picture can be literally transferred to the expansion of the universe but demands that space itself must expand, which it can only do if it exists as other than "empty space."

Alternatively, the expansion could be due to actual motion of the galaxies through space, contradicting the theory of relativity and the force being provided by either an explosive or a continuous creation, which will be further discussed later.

Whichever solution is accepted for this problem leads to differing views on creation and whether or not the universe is finite.

Any explanation involving gravitational forces being responsible for the wavelength change points to either of two theories of creation.

One is that the universe was created at a specific point of time, in the form it takes today. This act can only be explained as an act of a divine being (a God).

The other theory is that the universe never was created, and has always been, and always will be, in existence in the state it is in today. It does not require the existence of a God.

Accepting an expanding universe, two further theories are possible.

The first is the dramatic explosion theory. Here all matter was created at a given time in a very localised region of space. The high density caused an explosion which hurled galaxies out into space, their motion remaining today. This also requires the existence of God.

The remaining theory is that put forward by Hoyle within the last few years. It is supported by Professor Bondi and most other leading cosmologists. This is the theory of continuous creation. It is known that all particles have various fields of force around them — gravitational, mesonic, and sometimes electrical. A new “creative” field is now postulated. If a sufficient number of particles are close together this field becomes strong enough for new particles to be created in it. Thus creation is an inevitable result of the presence of some particles in the universe, and the expansion is necessary to keep the density of matter in the universe constant.

This last theory is the only one which can be described by a series of mathematical equations, and thus the only theory capable of being tested experimentally.

The age of the complete universe cannot be given unless the explosive creation theory is accepted when it works out at about seven thousand million years, although many of the stars are believed to be between four and five thousand million years old. The age of the earth is given usually as just over four thousand million years.

The explosive theory accepts that the universe is finite, and its radius is given on this theory as about 64,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 miles, the universe being spherical.

Theories depending upon gravity to alter the wavelength of light also require a finite universe, while that of continuous creation allows an infinite universe.

A finite universe implies one of two things. Firstly, some of the light and heat given out by the universe could pass away into whatever exists beyond the universe, which could not be space in the same sense as that in the universe. The situation is not compatible with the law of conservation of energy.

The second implication is that space at the end of the universe bends completely round and totally encloses the universe to such an extent that light passing towards the end of the universe is completely deflected and returns back to the central regions of the universe. This space deflection requires the presence near the edges of the universe of large numbers of huge stars. Such stars, however, will fulfil the conditions for altering the wavelength of the light emitted from stars in the depths of space. There seems to be no logical reason why large stars should only be found near the ends of the universe.

The theory of continuous creation with an infinite universe avoids all these difficulties if space is accepted as being something which exists, not merely the empty regions between galaxies. The expansion is then explained by assuming that space itself expands and carries the galaxies out with it. This seems to be the most convincing and logical theory of the present and past of the universe. It points to the existence for all future time of the universe as a whole, but some of the galaxies themselves must cease to exist after a time.

J. A. Jones.

AFTER BREAKFAST

He is dead at last. Mildred sent a note this morning to inform me. I was eating my breakfast when the little girl with the message knocked at the door, she ran down the street when she had delivered the white envelope, but only after I had given her sixpence. I read the note, finished whatever it was I was eating, then glanced at the front page of my newspaper. That ritual finished, I sat back in my chair and pondered. Was he really dead at last? It had been such a long time; for six weeks he had been dying. Poor Adam — God let him rest!

I decided that I must go to see him now that he had finally died. Everyone had known he was near death, but that he actually would die was impossible to imagine. Life poured from out of his body continually, and now the stream has dried up. I put my coat on and set out. It was noon and the day was clear; the sun had leapt too high to be seen, there was only a vaguely golden light glazing a huge section of the sky. I walked quite slowly, the fields were green and the trees wore a motley of grey old and new green leaves. The road along which I made my way was a stony track now used only by tractors, it ran parallel to a disused railway embankment which rose like a swelling vein from the surface of the smooth fields. The railway track had been

removed and now its sleepers lay between a flurry of young trees: hawthorn in bloom, and oak, and elderberry.

The curtains of Adam's cottage were drawn. I halted just outside and inspected the patient countryside. From the silent green fields rose several slagheaps; they were scars, yet they possessed a certain beauty, and they were shaded beautifully with subtle reds and greys and pinks. I turned to the cottage. Adam had been born in Ireland but had somehow arrived in Norton, and lived in this little white cottage topping this hill overlooking the whole district. Paths leading to Daleforth, Norton, Carlton and Wenfeld converged outside Adam's home. The little house wasn't legally his but he had occupied it so long that everyone regarded it as his. From it Adam could see the power-stations of Leeds, Fairbridge and Heathfield, huge concrete structures straddling rivers; he could see also two churches, the parish church in Norton (the Roman Catholic one was unfortunately hidden by the neighbouring brickworks' chimney) and, through his back window, Carlton parish church.

Mildred, Adam's daughter, came to the door as I walked up the meagre garden path, passing the neat rows of lettuces and cabbage plants, all grown from seeds by Adam. She had not been weeping; her eyes were steady as her tight lips.

"So you're here. You'd better come in."

"Yes."

I had to lower my head as I went into the house for the doorway was very low. In the kitchen there was a middle-aged woman, busy in the sink. Already there was a whisper of putrefaction in the room. The cottage had only two rooms, the dead man was in the other one, which I entered. Mildred watched me as I pulled back the sheet which covered his head. His hair was as white as ever it had been. Dead.

"He's peaceful now," said Mildred.

But I knew that was a lie; a man like he had been could never really be peaceful. When he used to talk about his life he lived it all again. His eyes like magic lanterns glittered with the scenes which thrust themselves into his memory. Even when he was peaceful and rationalising about his past days the pictures danced about his eyes and were echoed by his voice. Dead.

Often when we enter a room we feel our bodies and the limits of our minds regulated by the walls and ceiling of that room. But in Adam's house, tiny as it was, this never

happened; thought ran free, and yet my education and my knowledge were nothing, mere pebbles thrown into the sea, when that old man began to speak about the world and life. And now he is dead.

Mildred stood back and with dry eyes watched me wince to see his face turned grey, and those eyes, those prisms covered, dead as his hand. I was grateful that she had drawn the curtains to; no-one ought to have seen him then. All the life had been struck out of him. For six weeks he had been dying, the last two had been an incessant moan, his final hour a prolonged shriek—he could not let that life escape without a fight to keep it back. It was that painful struggle which had ripped out his eyes and left him dead.

I replaced the sheet and thanked Mildred. Outside the cottage once more I glanced around at the countryside surrounding old Adam's white house. Whilst I had been in his room a flock of grey clouds had dulled the light. My eyes searched for the chimneys and cooling-towers of the power-stations, but the cloud had limited my vision and I could see not one; even the nearer churches had slid under the haze. I turned to walk down the lane which led to Daleforth, and climbed a hedge to get on to the disused railway embankment.

The hawthorn trees were blossoming and their tight little bundles of dainty flowers hid the thorn, and scented my walk. As I passed the gorse, always in flower, it dominated my view; I peered inside and there saw flower and thorn married by the countless webs of countless spiders. I remembered Adam and I came home swiftly.

C. Lawrence, UVIArts.

THE FANTASTIC ADVENTURES OF JAMES BOND JUNIOR (007½)

When Jimmie Bond, agent 007½, woke up, he got a terrible shock. He found that he had been put in the Enemy's dread prison—the Cot. He knew that he had to get away from that terrible place before the Enemy came to torture him. It wasn't easy, but thanks to his fantastic strength and agility he managed to climb out. As he sat there puffing and groaning from his efforts he noticed his feeding bottle lying nearby and suddenly realised how hungry he was. But no — there was work to be done. He had been given the job of catching a terrible criminal and that job had to be done as soon as possible. Bond stood up ready to go. But he had to be careful and ready for action, so he checked his long-range, high-powered water pistol to see if it was loaded. It was. Hitching up his nappie, which had

been dangling round his knees, and pulling his woollen bonnet low over his eyes so that no-one would recognise him, he set off. He mounted his "E"-type three-wheeled push bike and went off in search of the criminal. After a while he noticed him riding around in his 2.25 litre mk. 10 pedal car. This was it. He set off in pursuit of the criminal. Three times round the block went the criminal, desperate because the dreaded 007½ was close on his tail. But the car was getting away from Bond. He knew he was not fit because of his high life. He had been taking it too easy and drinking too much orange juice and now he was paying for it. But Bond was lucky; the reckless speed caused the car to hit a wall. The car was immobilised, so the driver got out and started firing at Bond with his .45 potato gun. Bond returned fire with his water pistol. After a while, Bond ran out of ammunition, and he knew that the only way to capture his enemy was by the sheer strength of his own muscles. He ran, and with a tremendous leap was on the criminal, and they rolled about in the dust locked in deadly combat. Suddenly he felt a heavy hand grab his shoulder from behind and he was lifted clear from the ground and carried off. Extremely unhappy, he realised he had been captured by the Enemy and was being taken to be tortured. But no matter what they did to him, he would not give away any secrets. Unless . . . ! — he let out a gasp when he realised where he was being taken. He could bear it no longer, and he broke down. His screams could be heard a great distance away, as he was carried off to . . . THE BATH.

C. P. Hollis, 4A.

JUNIOR VERSE

THE WALL

The machine guns stutter, the rifles roar
In violation of all human law,
And a young man now stumbles and falls
On that cruel and treacherous wall.
He lies there still, without a cry
And the guards turn back to let him die.

There the wall stand grim and high
And at the bottom, the graves now lie.
Across Berlin this terror goes
To keep in people and keep out foes
From Checkpoint Charlie to Bismarck Street
This wall of death winds on and on,
A wall that is so evil and strong.

Fathers and sons are kept apart
And many a man has a broken heart,
Families are split and kept away
And cannot see each other by night or day;
Churches are pulled down and houses bricked in
For this terrible cold war which is a sin.

But some day the people shall cross this wall
And brick from brick it will then fall,
No longer there will terror reign
For they will avenge the heaps of slain,
And out will be thrown the evil men
And Germany will stand united again.

R. Toddington, 4A.

DOOMED TO DIE

A white-faced pilot was doomed to die;
His plane died and screamed through the sky;
The solemn-faced people watched from the ground
As the oily, black smoke came drifting down
Faster! Faster! down it came;
Then, with an everlasting flash, it burst into flame;
All this happened on one Monday morn;
The brilliance of it all, battered and torn.

W. Patchett, 3A.

THE WEEPING WILLOWS

As I stood and watched the willows sway,
It seemed as though I must stay,
The little people danced beneath its leaves,
As people do beneath ballroom eaves.

They seemed delighted in their play,
Dancing with small feet over the clay.
They jumped and danced to the nippy wind
As the weeping willows whisked and whined.

As the little people danced about
They imitated the speckled brown trout,
As the stream ventured on its way
Destined to an unknown bay.

And as the cat stealthily appeared,
The little folk suddenly disappeared.
As the sunrise then drew near
I left a world of fantasy so dear.

C. Woofindin, 3X.

AUTUMN LEAVES

The cobweb glistening with dew on the thorn.
Robin Redbreast sings to a day newly born.
Leaves, gold and brown, now strew the ground
Making a carpet all around.
Bright sunny days with frost in the air,
The trees stand gaunt and bare.

The owl hoots when the nights are cold and the winds howl.
And the rain belts down.
I like to walk through the woods in Autumn now.
The trees creak,
The branches sway,
As a cold wind blows through the trees.

F. Nowosielski, 1A.

SPORTS NEWS

A.F.C.

1st XI

P.	W.	D	L.	Goals	
				For	Against
11	4	3	4	40	25

A reasonable term's record—but it could have been much better. How often I wonder has this been written before? And yet on closer investigation one can see how true the statement is. Two of the defeats were by a single goal and in both matches we either missed penalties or scored own-goals. The other two defeats were more substantial, one being the first match of the season, a match in which only two of last year's regulars played.

In the eleven games, we have had six “ever-presents”—Trott, Harrison, Greenfield, Horner, Smith and Chadwick—whilst Soles, Lappage and Walmsley have missed only one game each because of injury. After missing most of last season and the first few games of this because of a back injury, Tomlinson returned to the team and has become a regular member. In addition to the above ten players, no fewer than eight others have played for the 1st XI, the most promising being Yates, who, coming into the team late in the term, has held his place.

In view of the fact that we had such a small nucleus of last year's 1st XI to call upon, I am reasonably satisfied with the team's results. With the hard experiences gained I look forward to a successful spring term.

(1st XI colours are now sky blue and maroon stripes).

D.G.W.

Match Reports

Saturday, September 19th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Belle Vue G.S. 1st XI (away) Lost 4-1

The team for the opening match of the season was one of the youngest 1st XIs which the school has had for some time. The effect of this was realised very shortly after the kick-off, for the defence was under constant pressure and in the first twenty minutes conceded four goals. Although the opposition weren't to find the net again, this pressure wasn't relieved, mainly due a lack of co-ordination between the defence and the attack. However, Davies did snatch a consolation goal midway through the second half although it did little to raise the team's spirit. Some consolation can also be given to the school's young team in view of the fact that the opposition was a very fine side indeed.

Saturday, September 26th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Leeds C.H.S. 1st XI (away) Drew 3-3

The school turned out on a pitch which somewhat resembled the sea, as it rolled from goalmouth to goalmouth. However, school started off rather shakily, but Soles put the school in the lead with a low long-range shot. At this, school seemed to relax and Leeds scored three

goals in very quick succession. There was no further score before half-time. On the resumption school put everything they had into the game and really hammered Leeds. Soles and Harrison really worked hard all through the game and Soles along with Smith and Lappage sent in some fine shots. School were rewarded in the end, however, when Midgeley and Trott both scored to give the school a well earned draw.

Saturday, October 3rd, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Pudsey G.S. 1st XI (home) Won 10-1

Right from the start it was seen that school would be the better side and in fact school were two in front quite early in the game, Lappage scoring both. Pudsey then scored but at half-time the score rested at 3-1 to the school, another goal being added by Midgeley. In the second half, school, although playing up the hill added goals galore, Sales being the mind behind most of them. Lappage added three more in the second half but was dwarfed by a shining hat-trick from Smith, all three shots being high-powered drives. Soles also grabbed another goal to give the school a 10-1 victory.

Saturday, October 10th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Holme Valley G.S. 1st XI (home) Lost 5-2

School kicked off to play down the Pingle slope and attacked very strongly but faltered in the last stage. With any luck at all school should have been two goals in front early in the match. However, school were rewarded when Harrison hit a half-volley into the roof of the net from 20 yards. When half-time arrived Holme Valley had equalised. Early in the second half Holme Valley scored again but Midgeley equalised when a shot from Soles rebounded off the post. As time went by the school seemed to give up trying and Holme Valley gradually took command of the game. They added three more goals before the final whistle, school being beaten by 5 goals to 2.

Saturday, October 17th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Almondbury G.S. 1st XI (away) Drew 3-3

The school turned out confidently onto a leaf-strewn, greasy pitch. From the start school took the initiative and attacked almost constantly. However, it was Almondbury who drew first blood, and school were lucky to equalise when the Almondbury full-back slid a centre from Harrison into his own net. Almondbury scored again before the interval. In the second half, as in the first, school attacked and were rewarded, luckily, when a clearance from the Almondbury centre-half struck Lappage on the knee and ended up in the Almondbury net! However, it seemed that the gods were against school when Almondbury scored again. School pressed hard once more for the equaliser and in the last minute Harrison put Lappage through to score from a free-kick. The match thus ended as a 3-3 draw, after much exciting attacking.

Saturday, October 24th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Salt G.S. 1st XI (home) Won 2-0

Although school attacked constantly during the first half there was still no score at half-time. Playing down the Pingle slope the forwards squandered chance after chance while Harrison worked really hard to try and inspire his team. However, school's efforts were rewarded soon after half-time when Lappage put school in the lead. The opposition was a little unfortunate to lose their goalkeeper midway through the second half. Lappage made the issue in no doubt at all in the later stages when the substitute goalkeeper came out of his net to try and stop a breakaway and Lappage accurately curled the ball round him to enter the net near the post.

Saturday, November 7th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Woodhouse G.S. 1st XI (away) Lost 1-0

School lost the toss and were compelled to play up a slight slope. Both sides began cautiously, play swinging from end to end. School, however, were the first to threaten and Lappage scored following a left wing movement. Unfortunately, this goal was disallowed and a penalty was awarded instead, which school missed. Both goals then had narrow escapes as both teams pressed for the first goal. Nevertheless, neither side had scored by half-time.

School began the second half with greater determination but were knocked out of their stride when Woodhouse scored following a defensive error. This upset school and for a time Woodhouse dictated the play. Nevertheless, school once more siezed the initiative and they pressed hard for the equaliser in the closing minutes. However, they failed to score and lost by the only goal of the match.

Saturday, November 21st, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Colne Valley H.S. 1st XI (home) Won 7-2

School kicked off against a previously unbeaten Colne Valley side. For the first fifteen minutes play was even but then, the Colne Valley inside right twice forced his way through and scored on each occasion. This was a bitter blow to the school side. However, the arrears were reduced when Oldroyd, making his debut for the 1st XI, sent a perfect pass to Lappage who scored with a good shot. School were inspired by this goal and just before half-time Soles levelled the scores with a well-taken header from Smith's corner.

In the second half school really went to town and swamped the Colne Valley goal with numerous shots. Soles completed his hat-trick as did Lappage with a fierce 20-yard drive. In the final stages, Greenfield moved up and from an intended centre, scored, the goalkeeper allowing the ball to float over his head. School thus finished up worthy winners after a shaky start.

Saturday, November 28th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Salt G.S. 1st XI (away) Lost 3-2

School kicked off, on a pitch which was eventually to be the beating of the side. After about 15 minutes school took the lead when Lappage quickly intercepted a pass meant for the keeper and shot past him. However, it was impossible to play constructive football and school's defence was hard pressed for long spells.

Shortly after turning round for the second half Lappage got a second in a very similar way to his first. However, a spell of very bad luck then hit the side. The opposition replied with two quick but rather lucky goals and then, at a moment when tempers were fraying badly, an unfortunate defensive mistake caused school's final downfall.

Saturday, December 5th, 1964.

School 1st XI v. Holme Valley 1st XI (away) Drew 3-3

School, facing a strong breeze, were soon two goals up through Lappage and Soles. However, this early supremacy was gradually lost and Holme Valley took command, school having to defend grimly. Nevertheless, there was no further addition to the score before half-time.

School surprised by increasing their lead soon after the interval through Trott, but after this school faded badly. The three goals lead was gradually reduced and even the loss of their goalkeeper did not stop Holme Valley from equalising after two minutes of injury time.

2nd XI

				Goals	
P.	W.	D	L.	For	Against
10	8	0	2	58	23

The results so far this season reflect the enthusiasm of the team; a team which even when under pressure has produced a very high standard of football. The team soon found its feet after a mediocre start and has won 8 of its 10 matches, scoring 58 goals and conceding only 23.

The defence and attack have played much more as a unit than last season, the defence being unusually strong for a 2nd XI side. The attack has also played very well and has scored 10 goals on two occasions. Special mention must be made of Miller, Gunn and Yates, for prominent performances.

Every member of the team has given of his best and it is pleasing to note that the team has decided to play football for enjoyment this term and there have been no signs of frayed tempers.

Finally, a word of thanks to Mr. Davidson who must take some of the credit for our success.

The following have played for the 2nd XI:—

Taylor, C. R. (Captain); Craddock, N. T., Davies, R.; Gunn, J. D. M.; Dunnington, J. S.; Madeley, D.; Midgeley, E.; Miller, D. J.; Moore, G.; Toddington, R.; Wakenshaw, M. T.; Warren, J.; Wright, P.; Yates, A.; Hudson, V.; Raybould, N.; Thompson, B.; Timmington, M.; Oldroyd, A.

Results

v Belle Vue G.S., Bradford (away)	Lost	3-5
v. Leeds C.H.S. (home)	Won	4-1
v. Holme Valley G.S. (away)	Won	8-1
v. Almondbury G.S. (home)	Won	10-3
v Salt G.S. (away)	Won	3-2
v. Woodhouse G.S. (home)	Lost	4-5
v. Colne Valley G.S. (home)	Won	7-3
v. Salt G.S. (home)	Won	4-0
v. Holme Valley G.S. (home)	Won	5-0
v. Batley G.S. (away)	Won	10-3

Under 15 XI

P.	W.	D	L,	For	Goals
					Against
7	3	2	2	21	16

The team has had a fairly good start to the season. They have been beaten only twice and both times in very heavy conditions. The side, once again, lacks size and weight and muddy conditions have made it impossible to move the ball efficiently.

The half-back line has been the strong point of the team this season. Their control of midfield and general distribution of the ball has been good and they have developed a good knowledge of their roles in attack as well as in defence.

The small forward line, although possessing above average football skill, has lacked finishing power. The speed

is in the wings; the inside forwards can work this to good advantage on most occasions, but so far this season the ball down the middle or across the middle has "gone begging." This could be due to a small set of forwards coming up against the backs, who are usually the "hefty men" of teams.

Full-backs have been rather mixed so far but some stability may eventually arrive. They have been very effectively backed up by the goalkeeper.

I think the lessons learned this term will consolidate the team's efforts next.

Boys who have played:—

Varley, S.; Mosby, S. D.; Glaze, M. (Captain); Bell, J.; Young, B.; Edwards, J.; Hodgson, I. C.; Tunnington, J. A.; McPrice, D.; Backhouse, R.; Gibson, G. A.; Bradley, S.; Groom, P. H.

C.W.W.

Results

v Pudsey (home)	Won	9-1
v. Holme Valley (away)	Won	2-1
v. Almondbury (away)	Won	4-0
v. Salt (home)	Draw	1-1
v. Aston Woodhouse (away)	Draw	2-2
v. Salt (away)	Lost	3-4
v. Batley (away)	Lost	0-7

Under 14 XI

					Goals
P.	W.	D	L.	For	Against
9	6	1	2	42	28

The team has had a reasonably successful first half of the season. They were only outclassed on one occasion, against a very competent Woodhouse XI.

The attack, below average size, has made up for this disadvantage with determination and skill. It is to be hoped that this will continue on the heavy grounds which are inevitable next term.

The defence has unfortunately been unsettled throughout the term, which may account for the fact that the team has conceded rather more goals than would normally be expected. In attack, Greenfield has proved a useful opportunist. Milner has proved a useful link between, attack and defence and Ellerker has been a reliable and strong centre-half.

The following have represented the school:—

Armstrong, Chilton, Clare, Crewe, Earnshaw, Ellerker, Greenfield, Haycock, Milner, Parry, Swallow, Timmins, Walman. ; M.S.

Results

v. Leeds C.H.S. (away)	Draw 4-4
v. Holme Valley G.S. (away)	Won 10-5
v. Almondbury G.S. (home)	Won 8-3
v. Salt G.S. (away)	Won 3-2
v. Woodhouse G.S. (home)	Lost 6-0
v. Colne Valley H.S. (home)	Won 6-3
v. Salt G.S. (home)	Won 4-0
v. Holme Valley G.S. (home)	Won 6-2
v. Batley G.S. (away)	Lost 3-1

Under 13 XI

The team is enjoying a very successful season and is still unbeaten after 9 matches.

The defence is strong. Harris in goal has been outstanding dealing brilliantly with high balls and anticipating well. Preen has added weight and strength at centre half and he has been ably supported by Main and Carter.

The forwards, Fretwell excepted, have been disappointing. The wings have made few chances and the inside forwards have lacked speed and "fire."

Fretwell, captain, has, for the most part, carved his own openings and his marksmanship speaks for itself. He has scored as many goals as the rest of the team together. We hope that a forward reshuffle involving the inclusion of Blundell at centre forward and the switch of Hinchmore to the right wing, will infuse more scoring power and take some weight off the shoulders of the defence.

A word of praise to the boys in the team for their sportsmanship on the field. The captain has set a good example in this respect and he should be congratulated for this as much as for the quality of his football.

The following have played for the school:—

Harris (9), Pickles (8), Brown (2), Hayes (7), Fretwell (9), Preen (6), Carter (9), Thackrah (7), Hinchmore (7), Walker (9), Hanscombe (7), Blundell (3), Whiteley (2), Main (8), Speight (6).

Results

v. Leeds C.H.S. (home)	Won 6-1
v. Pudsey G.S. (away)	Won 5-2
v. Holme Valley G.S. (home)	Won 2-1
v. Almondbury G.S. (away)	Draw 4-4
v. Salt G.S. (away)	Won 3-2
v. Woodhouse G.S. (away)	Won 3-0
v. Salt G.S. (home)	Won 2-1
v. Holme Valley G.S. (away)	Won 3-2
v. Batley G.S. (home)	Won 7-3

Under 12 XI

						Goals
P.	W.	D	L.	For	Against	
6	3	1	2	20	19	

If we are to look back and gain anything from this term's games, the obvious game to look at is the one against Aston Woodhouse. We must congratulate them on being the finest team we have met this season.

The season started rather shakily with -a defeat at the hands of Pudsey, but the team soon began to settle down. Next came two good wins against Holme Valley and Salt, the forwards really showing their marksmanship against the former.

The team displayed a real confidence in the next game, but it was to receive a hard lesson. The game was a very good one and the school side played well but this was not enough and the team was shown a fine display of football by the opposition, full-backs clearing first time, half-backs linking defence with attack, keen tackling and imagination from the forwards.

The team has the talent to follow such an example and more experience and playing together will make for better results. The silly mistakes, which on occasions has led to goals against or on others to goals missed, will, we hope, be eradicated.

Boys who have played:—

Ayris, I. M.; Howell, J.; Beadows, M. D.; Poole, M. F.; Clegg, M. G.; Lawrence, P.; Rinddheram, G.; Eames, R.; Carrington, S. C.; Stenson, S. W.; Strickeeton, H.; Sheldon, P.; Golding, P.; Welcer, S. A. (Captain); Bamforth, A.

C.W.W.

Results

v. Pudsey (away)	Lost	1-3
v. Holme Valley (home)	Won	8-4
v. Salt (home)	Won	3-1
v. Aston Woodhouse (home)	Lost	1-7
v. Salt (away)	Won	4-1
v. Holme Valley (away)	Draw	3-3

R.U.F.C.

1st XV

P.	W.	D	L.	Points	
				For	Against
15	13	0	2	332	59

Having lost only 4 players from last year's side, it was expected that we should have another successful season. In fact, from the results gained it can be said that the team is enjoying more success than last year. Certainly the victories have been more convincing, and already more points have been scored than in the whole of last year.

The forwards are not large by most standards, but they

have obtained a fair share of the ball. A fit and mobile pack, they tend to underestimate their ability to work the loose ball and harass the defence into mistakes.

The half-backs have given an excellent service and the threes have used their speed and other abilities to good effect. The handling has been good against mediocre opposition, but rhythm has been lost against the stronger tackling sides.

Congratulations to F. Dolan who has been awarded his colours this term. Seven boys have been accepted for District Trials at Christmas: they are: A. Parrish, F. Dolan, M. J. Brooks, N. Crabtree, A. Eades, J. R. Mynett and J. Tinkler.

The following boys have played this term:—

B. Lockett, R. P. Freeman, M. J. Brooks, J. R. Mynett, A. J. Eades, G. Goldie, A. Parrish (captain), B. Flynn, J. Tinkler, S. Copeland, J. Mathewman, R. Davis, F. Dolan, B. Jones, M. J. Halls, R. Crabtree, A. Agar, M. Frankland, T. J. Rickhuss, P. A. Sparkes, E. M. Holden, F. Short, A. Pickering, S. Jackson, P. Jackson. A.J.

MATCH REPORTS

Saturday, September 12.

School 1st XV v. Castleford 1st XV (away) Won 22-6

For the opening game of the season the conditions were ideal for open play, being warm and dry. It was revealed from the start that the backs had not yet moulded together to become as effective as they might have been with more practice together. In spite of this it was a very hard game with neither team giving much away. Goldie, the fly-half, sprained his shoulder and was off the field most of the second half. This was when Castleford scored their two tries due to bad tackling by the threequarters. Dolan scored 2 fine tries for school after fine opportunist breaks by Eades and Freeman. Mynett scored another try; he also kicked 3 penalties and 2 conversions.

Saturday, September 19.

School 1st XV v. Barnsley G.S. 1st XV (away) Won 38-0

From the start it seemed that school would have a hard game. Mistakes were plentiful. School's first points came from a penalty kicked by Crabtree; henceforth the atmosphere changed, and school began to play better. Tinkler and Freeman scored two tries each; Eades, Parrish and Brooks also scored, and Crabtree's kicking ability was exhibited fully.

Saturday, September 26.

School 1st XV v. Leeds M.S. 1st XV (home) Won 34-0

On a clear, sunny morning school kicked off on the hard Methley pitch. School forwards supplied the backs with the ball on many occasions, and from two movements, Eades, seeing the gaps, scored two excellent tries. Brooks, the school centre, was injured and stayed off the field for the remainder of the match. The forward play by both sides became scrappy, and play, dragged from one end to the other.

The first 20 minutes of the second half proved fruitless: school failed to combine against a rallying Leeds side, but a good hat-trick of tries from Jones and a further try from Parrish advanced school's lead. The winning margin did not, however, reflect very accurately

school's play, which was at times careless and scrappy, and certainly not up to top standard.

Tries: Jones (3), Eades (2), Parrish (1)

Goals: Crabtree (5 conversions, 2 penalties).

Wednesday, September 30.

School 1st XV v. Whitcliffe Mount 1st XV (home) Won 16-6

School kicked off on a cloudy afternoon and within a few minutes were 3 points down, due to a rather unfortunate bounce which gave Whitcliffe a try. Further trouble followed as Flynn was carried off with a serious injury, but a fine try by Mynett, converted by Crabtree, brought school into the lead. From this school went from strength to strength, and fully deserved their lead, Whitcliffe's only reply being a penalty goal.

The second half was rather scrappy, and a loss of temper resulted in one man being sent off. The only score came close to the end when Eades, using his speed, crossed in the corner.

Tries: Eades, Jones, Mynett (1 each).

Goals: Crabtree (2 conversions, 1 penalty).

Saturday, October 3.

School 1st XV v. Huddersfield N.C. 1st XV (away) Won 11-6

School, kicking off on a cold morning, anticipated a hard game and after ten minutes were reduced to 14 men when Goldie was injured. Two good penalties by Crabtree gave School a lead of 6-0 at half-time.

Further injuries, to Crabtree and Brooks, reduced school to twelve fit men, but school pressed on, and, managed to retain convincingly their unbeaten record.

Tries: Eades.

Goals: Crabtree (2 penalties, 1 conversion).

Wednesday, October 7.

School 1st XV v. Crossley and Porter 1st XV, (away) Won 16-3

School never looked like losing; a strong wind and heavy rain handicapped both sides, but school's extra weight told in the scrums, while Dolan's height was a great advantage in the line-out.

Tries: Holden (2), Mynett (1), Brooks (1).

Goals: Mynett (2 conversions).

Saturday, October 10.

School 1st XV v. Nunthorpe G.S. 1st XV (home) Won 33-3

Having lost last season's fixture, it was expected that school would have a hard game, but it did not turn out thus.

Tries: Tinkler (2), Mynett (2), Holden (1), Jones (1), Goldie (1), Eades (1), Parrish (1).

Goals: Mynett (3 conversions).

Saturday, October 17.

School 1st XV v. Morley 1st XV (away) Won 21-11

Visiting unbeaten Morley, school were slightly apprehensive but hopeful. After a hard game, school emerged triumphant with a well-deserved win. By half-time school were leading 18-8, but a second half that promised to be very easy, turned out to be just the opposite. However, school rallied, and the only score was a penalty goal on either side.

Saturday, October 24.

School 1st XV v. K.S.P. 1st XV (away) Lost 3-12

School lost the toss and were forced to play in the first half with the advantages of wind and slope; advantages of which not particularly good use was made. This, in addition to good play by the K.S.P. backs, resulted in a half-time score of 0-0.

During the second half, K.S.P., making full use of the advantages previously wasted by school, crushed the school defence. The position was worsened by injuries to Goldie and Brooks, and although this was undoubtedly an important factor, full credit must be given to an extremely strong King's School side.

Saturday, October 31.

School 1st XV v. Sandal 4th XV (away) Won 22-0
 School asserted their superiority right from the start, but after gaining a lead, the game settled firmly in the mud for the remainder of the first half. During the second half the score rose from 6-0 to 22-0.
 Tries: Freeman (1), Crabtree (2), Eades (1), Mynett (1).
 Goals: Crabtree (2 conversions, 1 drop-kick goal).

Saturday, November 7.

School 1st XV v. Thorne G.S. 1st XV (home) Won 28-0
 School won easily, never looking back after Crabtree scored a penalty goal in the first few minutes.
 Tries: Eades (2), Jones (2), Parrish (1), Brooks (1), Crabtree (1).
 Goals: Crabtree (1 penalty, 2 conversions).

Saturday, November 14.

School 1st XV v. Batley 1st XV (home) Won 32-0
 This match was originally scheduled for next term, but as Batley would not be available for that fixture, they played a diluted 1st XV team on November 14. The result was never in doubt, and scoring came at regular intervals.
 Tries: Eades (2), Davies, Brooks, Tinkler, Matthewman, Parrish.
 Goals: Crabtree (4 conversions).

Saturday, November 21.

School 1st XV v. Doncaster T.G.S. (home) Won 48-0
 After a hard fight last season school looked forward to a close and interesting game. Instead, it turned out to be an enjoyable but one-sided game with open rugby, enjoyed by the spectators and Lockett at full-back. School were stronger in all departments, and scoring was steady. Brooks scored his first hat-trick and became top try-scorer.
 Tries: Brooks (4), Eades (3), Mynett (3), Tinkler (1), Freeman (1), Jones (1).
 Goals: Mynett (2 conversions), Eades (1 conversion).

Saturday, November 28.

School 1st XV v. Castleford G.S. 1st XV (home) Won 9-0
 This was a much harder match than the team had anticipated. The forwards were matched fairly evenly, but in the second half began to get a little more of the ball. The three tries came from Freeman in the first half, Mynett and Dolan in the second. None was converted.

Saturday, December 5.

School 1st XV v. Huddersfield N.C. 1st XV (home) Won 25-3
 In the presence of a Yorkshire selector, school put on the season's best performance. In the first half, Frankland, Eades and Mynett all scored excellent tries, to which Huddersfield's only retaliation was one unconverted try. In the second half school kept on the pressure, continually attacking the Huddersfield line. Brooks and Jones added two more tries to the score, and all five were converted by Crabtree.

Saturday, December 12.

School 1st XV v. Hemsworth 1st XV (home) Lost 6-9
 School's second defeat this season, the game was a reversal of the previous week's match. Mistakes were frequent. The first half was dominated by tactical kicking, and the only score was a penalty by

Hemsworth. In the second half, school dominated the scrums, but were slow about the field, and Hemsworth scored two more penalties, to which Crabtree replied with two further penalties for school. During the last quarter of an hour it seemed that school was making an eleventh hour recovery, but despite the ball being in school's hands most of the time, no further score resulted.

2nd XV

P.	W.	D.	L.	Points	
				For	Against
15	12	0	3	317	90

Any 2nd XV inevitably suffers from fluctuations in personnel due to illness and injury in the 1st team. However, this season the school is fortunate in having reserves in depth, so many reserves in fact that it has proved difficult to give all the players the opportunity to play for the team. All who have played have played well, but the success achieved has been gained through team work rather than individual brilliance. There is, however, no room for complacency. Using, their speed, height and weight, the forwards must be more effective in dominating the scrummaging, thus ensuring that the backs receive more than a fair share of the ball. The whole team must learn to adapt their game to the conditions on the day if they hope to maintain this fine record.

The most notable win was against Q.E.G.S., Wakefield; the first occasion our 2nd team has played against Q.E.G.S. 2nd team. The opportunity still remains to avenge one of the previous defeats. This season, Frankland as captain, has led the side well and he has been ably assisted by Short and Holden.

The following have represented the school:—

Frankland (captain), Short, Foster, Rickhuss, Pattinson, Jackson, P., Jackson, S., Jarvis, Webster, Holden, Houghton, Lockett, Bassinder, Pickering, Taylor, Booth, Walker, Martin, Sparkes, Richardson, Hodgkiss, Hill, Agar, Beedle.

P.M.W.

COLTS XV

P.	W.	D.	L.	Points	
				For	Against
10	10	0	0	354	17

Continuing the trend as set by their previous three seasons, the team won every game. Indeed, only King's School, Pontefract, came anywhere near their standard.

All the threequarters have shown their worth during the term with a combination of good handling movements and fast breaks. In this particular section of the team there are several extremely competent players, especially Trigg, who from the stand-off position has intelligently captained

the side. Crossland in his new position of centre and Trigg have collected 38 tries between them.

The forwards, who started the season somewhat slowly, always seemed to summon the stamina and strength required when the occasion demanded. A capable addition to the pack this season has been Eccles, who has used his strength most effectively.

Unfortunately as experienced in their three previous seasons there are too few schools in the area to challenge their supremacy in the field of R.U. football.

There has been a great sense of team spirit resulting in 85 tries being scored by no less than 16 players.

The team looks forward to a further run of successes in the New Year.

Players; P. Davies, Williams, Crossland, Madeley, Toddington, Trigg (captain), Morgan, J. Davies, Banks, Jennings, Eccles, Peaty, Bostock, Hollis, Westerman, Colbourne, Atkins, Blackburn, Draycott, Belfield, Holland.

Results

v. Castleford (home)	Won	18-3
v. Barnsley (away)	Won	35-0
v. Spurley Hey (home)	Won	36-0
v. K.S.P. (home)	Won	8-0
v. Normanton S.M. (home)	Won	11-5
v. St. Gregory's (home)	Won	37-6
v. Thorne (away)	Won	56-0
v Doncaster (away)	Won	61-3
v. Doncaster (home)	Won	78-0
v Castleford (home)	Won	14-0

M. J. Crossland.

Under 14 XV

Goals					
P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Against
9	5	0	4	95	67

The team has not had as successful a term as they would have liked,. They have lost four matches but they have all been by narrow margins. They have lost mainly due to their inability to overcome the ragged play of their opponents.

Bailey has been a competent captain and has been backed up by Parker and Hammond who have always played well. There have been a number of changes in the three-quarters and Barker and McNicholas are proving to be formidable wingers despite their lack of experience.

Team: Bailey (captain), Cording, Barker, Bailey-Lee, Wormald, Moore, Frankland, McNicholas, Parker, Longley, Pine, Hodlin, Hammond, Baker, Anthony, Atha, Booth, Harrison, Patchett.

G.W.R.

v. Barnsley (home)	Won	18-15
v. Spurley Hey (home)	Won	14- 3
v. Nunthorpe (away)	Lost	14-19
v Hemsworth (away)	Lost	5-13
v. King's, Pontefract (home)	Won	9- 3
v. Thorne (away)	Lost	0- 3
v. Aston Woodhouse (home)	Won	23- 0
v. Castleford (away)	Lost	0-11
v. Colne Valley (home)	Won	12- 0

Under 13 XV

P.	W.	D.	L.	Points	
				For	Against
7	7	0	0	347	0

Unbeaten last season as under 12's this side has never looked like surrendering its record. They play an effective mixture of hard and intelligent football that is very difficult to beat.

The pack is large for a junior side, gaining a monopoly of the ball from scrum, line-out and loose. Individually they can run with the ball and back each other up well, and this has brought many tries. The weakness is an unwillingness to part with the ball near the line when another player is in a better position.

The backs have also scored many tries. They handle the ball well and run hard against mediocre opposition, but when opposed by strong tacklers the giving and taking of passes is suspect and individuals do not run out the ball as hard as they might.

The big weakness of the side is in defence. Far too many high tackles are attempted when a good low one would be much more effective. However, not a point has been scored against yet, so we must not complain too much on that score!

The record to date is as good as any we have had in the past, and, with luck, next term they may surpass the 1962-3 side's record of winning all 16 games and scoring 688 against 23.

The following have represented the school this term:—

J. Heaton, G. Crawshaw, M. Summers, R. Cusworth, S. P. Roebieki, J. A. Roberts (captain), J. Slater, T. M. Webster, J. H. Bridges, P. Bullivant, S. D. Clayton, K. Brighton, M. E. Barker, M. R. Anders, J. Bell, M. Lowe, M. Beresford, P. R. Goldsborough, D. Hufton, J. Clark, C. J. Faulkener.

A.J.

Results

v. Barnsley (away)	Won 52-0
v. Nunthorpe (away)	Won 55-0
v. Morley (home)	Won 56-0
v. King's (home)	Won 17-0
v. St. Gregory's (home)	Won 48-0
v. Aston Woodhouse (home)	Won 69-0
v. Spurley Hey (away)	Won 50-0

Under 12 XV

				Points	
P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Against
4	3	0	1	87	32

It is early yet to say how strong this team is likely to be, but the signs are that they should develop into a good side. The forwards, though not big, have knit into a very close unit which has secured more possession than its opponents in every game.

The backs are all capable individuals, but the giving and taking of passes leaves a lot to be desired. The tendency is to pass without looking, and of course this leads to inaccuracy and dropped passes. However, I am, sure that with more practice this fault will be overcome. The backs have also to learn how to tackle their opposite number and tackle him hard.

The first match played was a very tight struggle. Fifteen points down at half-time, school put up a great fight in the second half to win the game by one point. The next two games were won convincingly, but in the last game against Wakeneld, in spite of a good supply of ball, the passing of the backs went to pieces in the face of a strong tackling side. Wakefield ran out very deserving winners.

The following have represented school:—

S. P. Schofield, F. Nowosielski, S. Midgley, C. Youldon (captain), S. Morris, K. Green, K. Sandham, D. Livsey, K. L. Rooney, L. Hanson, G. Daniels, D. Poundford, R. S. Harrison, P. M. Krlic, D. Appleyard, S. M. Riley, D. Burniston, A. Hunter, D. K. Bruce, N. S. Barratt, D. Newman.

A.J.

Results

v. Hemsworth (away)	Won 16-15
v. Aston Woodhouse (home)	Won 33-0
v. Spurley Hey (away)	Won 35-0
v. Wakefield (home)	Lost 3-17

CROSS-COUNTRY

SENIORS

As the results show only too well, the team has had another very disappointing and unsuccessful first term. Despite a number of new members the team is still one of individuals and the results sheets display a sad lack of packing. In short it is the same story over again: Cook and Beckitt have run well but have received very little support from the remainder of the members with the exception of Myers who has proved to be a promising addition to the team.

G.T.H.

Results

v. Huddersfield College (away)	Lost	28-50
v. King James, Almondbury, and Holme Valley (away)	Lost	11-40-52
v. Leeds University 5th Team (away)	Lost	20-26
v. Leeds Modern (away)	Lost	38-42
v. Silcoates Grammar School (home)	Lost	38-43
v. Leeds Modern (home)	Lost	18-43

Results

Under 14

v. Huddersfield N.C. (away)	Won	13-27
(Sykes 1st, Beaumont 2nd, Harrison 4th).		
v. Almondbury, Holme Valley and St. Gregory's (at Almondbury) N.G.S. 3rd (Sykes 5th).		
v. Leeds Modern (away)	Won	38-40
(Sykes 2nd, Beaumont 4th, Harrison 5th).		
Waterloo Road Race at Crosby, Liverpool (350 runners).		
(Sykes 52nd, Atha 114th, Beaumont 137th).		
v. Leeds Grammar (away)	Won	39-41
(Sykes 1st, Beaumont 2nd, Harrison 5th).		
v. Leeds Modern (home)	Won	20-36
(Sykes 1st, Beaumont 2nd, Harrison 4th, Preston 5th).		

Under 13

Results

v. Huddersfield New College (a)	Won	39-40
(Ferguson 3rd, Wright 4th, Whiteley 6th, Davies 7th, Cranswick 8th, Belfield 11th).		
v. Almondbury, Holme Valley and St. Gregory's, at Almondbury. (Slater 4th, Ferguson 6th, Whiteley 13th, Belfield 20th, Cranswick 18th, Wright 19th).		
v. Leeds Modern (away)	Lost	38-42
(Roberts 1st, Ferguson 4th, Turner 7th, Whiteley 8th, Wright 9th).		
v. Leeds Modern (home)	Won	38-42
(Ferguson 2nd, Cranswick 3rd, Davis 6th, Wright 7th, Turner 9th).		
Boys who have represented the school:—		
Belfield, Bruce, Carter, Cranswick, Ferguson, Kynnaston, Morris, Roberts, Slater, Thackarah, Turner, Whiteley, Wright,		

HOCKEY

This term has seen hockey introduced as a new sport to the school. Twenty-two enthusiastic sixth-formers, armed with what appear to be battered, inverted walking-sticks, are seen walking down to the small pitch at Pingle, and, after playing the game, walking back looking almost as battered as their armaments. Those who consider hockey a game for girls only, or who have the opinion that it is too soft, are invited to inquire about the compendium of wounds already amassed by the players, and by Mr. Wenham, our able referee, who has not escaped entirely unscathed.

Our numbers have diminished slightly, but our enthusiasm remains. It would be a great pity if we were to pass out of the school and leave behind a number of unused hockey-sticks. We hope, therefore, that more of our number will take an active interest in hockey. It is our intention to form a team and arrange fixtures in the near future, and we see no reason why hockey should not become recognised and be played as skilfully as the school's other sporting activities.

N. G. Sherwood, UVI Arts.

LIFE SAVING EXAMINATIONS, 1964

The following boys were successful in the Royal Life Saving Society Awards:—

Elementary Certificate (Sept., 1964)

J. Machen, R. A. Hardcastle, S. J. Cooke, A. Slater, M. Blackburn, S. P. Roebiecki, D. Brown, K. Harrison, S. T. Parker.

Bronze Medallion (July, 1964)

E. M. Holden, B. Lockett, G. P. Wilby, A. Smith, P. Smith, M. T. Wakenshaw, R. I. Westerman.

Instructor's Certificate (July, 1964)

C. R. Taylor.

Bar to Bronze Medallion (July, 1964)

C. R. Taylor, M. G. Dolan, A. Agar, R. Freeman, D. M. McTear, J. S. Elsworth, D. Boulton, M. D. Lacey.

Award of Merit (Sept., 1964)

C. R. Taylor, M. G. Dolan, D. M. McTear.

Preliminary Safety Award

D. Brown, K. Harrison, A. Slater, M. Blackburn, J. Machen, R. A. Hardcastle, S. J. Cooke.

Advanced Safety Award

C. R. Taylor, M. G. Dolan, D. M. McTear, J. Elsworth, M. Blackburn, A. Slater, D. Brown, K. Harrison.

The number of awards gained this year has certainly risen, but a very keen nucleus of boys seem to have a monopoly. It was rather disappointing to find boys willing to take classes to gain their instructor's certificate failing to form one, through lack of numbers.

It is hoped that next season more boys will be willing to accept the challenge and follow the examples of this season's members.

C.W.W.

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