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OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

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A Message from the Headmaster

(MR. C. L. HALL)

During my first year of Office it has been a pleasure to meet many of you, to welcome you to School and to join in social gatherings with you.

One has realised the zest with which the Committee serves and the keen service of the President, Past-Presidents, the Secretary and Treasurer in our joint interests. The Armistice Service, the Presentation and Dedication of the School Bible, the Old Boys' Matches, the Annual Dinner and Summer Outing have been particularly appreciated and noteworthy.

For the School, this past year has been a successful one. The spirit of young Stocktonians has been reflected in the standard of Scholarship, Games and Musical Productions.

The School appreciates your support and encouragement. I know you that have pride in our successes. May I say, most sincerely, that the successes of Old Boys, their interest in the School are real joys to us. Success and good wishes to you all, whether of Nelson Terrace and its *n* floors or of Grangefield, from the School.



A Message from the Old Boy President

(MR. E. H. FIEKE)

It is with real pleasure that I write my message to you this year, for we have tried our hand (and with some success) in a few new social and recreative ventures.

As there are detailed reports of these events in the following pages, I shall not elaborate on them here, but I would like to thank those enthusiastic Members responsible for organising the "Mixed Dinner" in Great Ayton (a very enjoyable night for all who attended), the Little Family Coffee Morning (again enjoyed by those who supported our Hon. Treasurer's effort), and the semi-patriarch and his PERSIL CLAD twelve (yes, I mean TWELVE!) who did their valiant best against the School Cricket XII. The last mentioned event was played under Queensbury Rules (no holds, throws or weapons barred!) and those members of the O.B. team who remained with their limbs intact at the close of the game brought glory and distinction to our name by coming in second to the winners!

Many of us too have been enjoying the after-school efforts of the Boys, many of whose achievements are really outstanding. The talent of the Choir (sometimes assisted by the Combined Choirs, who, during the last year gave a notable performance in the Parish Church) is worthy of support. The almost professional prowess of the youngsters in their stage presentations of Pantomime, Gilbert and Sullivan, etc., has to be seen to be believed; in fact, a "friend" who attended one production could not be convinced that the "girls" were boys, until he was taken back-stage to see them minus wigs.

If you wish to know of any future activities I am sure Mr. Hall, or any of the Staff, would be only too pleased to keep you informed. (Alternatively, why not ask the little chap who now walks under the green cap that you once wore?)

We had hoped to play two games of bowls against the West End B.C. (they kindly offered facilities) but unfortunately the dates coincided with a little of our summer rainfall.

However, you will be pleased to hear that we are to have an O.B. Badminton Section, that the School v. O.B. Rugby and Cricket matches are a certainty for 1955. We have also been challenged to a Quiz by the West End B.C., the "Pru", and by the R.A.F. Association, details of which will be found in the following pages.

In closing, may I impress upon you the importance of paying Subscriptions promptly, for, without money we cannot hope to publish *The Stocktonian* or keep up the fellowship that has grown thro' the passing years.

Please Reserve the following Dates

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING :

Thursday, 21st October, 1954, at Grangefield Boys' Grammar School (7.30 p.m.)

ANNUAL DINNER :

Tuesday, 14th December, 1954, at 7.10 for 7.30 p.m., in Spark's Cafe Royal, High Street, Stockton-on-Tees. Tickets may be obtained from Hon. Sec. (Price 6/6 ; remittance to be made with application.)

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE :

Old Boys are invited to assemble in the School Hall on Thursday, 11th November, 1954, at 8.55 a.m. for a short Armistice Day Service.

SPEECH DAY :

In the School Hall, Wednesday, 8th December, 1954, at 2.35 p.m. (Guest Speaker: Mr. Sidney Walton, C.B.E., M.A., B.LITT.)

ANNUAL RUGBY FOOTBALL MATCH (Old Boys v. School) :

Two matches have been arranged at Grangefield - Monday, 27th December, 1954 (Kick-off 11 a.m.) and Monday, 28th March, 1955 (Kick-off 2.45 p.m.).

Old Boys wishing to play on either, or both, of these dates, should contact Mr. W. A. Davis, 16 Balmoral Avenue, Billingham, or Mr. D. L. Foulger, 7 Eder Road, Norton, who will be grateful for any assistance.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH (Old Boys v. School) :

This will be played at Grangefield on Thursday, 14th July, 1955, at 2.30 p.m. Enthusiasts are invited to contact Mr. T. F. Sowler, 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn, who is anxious to avenge this year's defeat at the hands of the School! May we count on your whole-hearted support?

BADMINTON (Mixed) :

Old Boys and Girls are invited to join in the activities of this section on Wednesday evenings (7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.) in the Boys' Gymnasium. The Season commences on Wednesday, 29th September, 1954 and extends till the end of March, 1955. Further particulars, on request, from Mr. H. Williamson, 118 Cotswold Crescent, Billingham, or from Mr. K. W. Gardner, 117 Station Road, Norton. Senior pupils of the School are also invited to participate.

SCHOOL PANTOMIME :

The third "Strangefield" Pantomime: "The Strangefield Worm" will be presented in the School Hall on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 20th, 21st and 22nd December, 1954, at 7 p.m. Tickets will be available at the School from about 1st December. All Old Boys and friends will be welcome. (Proceeds for School Stage Fund.)

PHOTOGRAPH OF DR. J. R. KINNES :

A framed photograph of the former Headmaster will be presented by the Association, to the School, at 8 p.m. on the evening of the Annual General Meeting (Thursday, 21st October, 1954).

NOT TO BE TAKEN AWAY

Concerning Ourselves

The Association may be considered very fortunate in having the services, for a second session, of Mr. E. H. Fieke as Old Boy President. We were proud to accept his continuance in this capacity, with the knowledge that the same valued service and willingness to help in furthering and preserving the comradeship of our Association of Old Boys, would be foremost in mind during his term of Office.

A great deal of credit for retrieving "lapsed" members is due to our President, who, it is felt, time permitting, would not hesitate to travel between Land's End and John O' Groats in search of a few overdue "halfcrowns"!

Mr. Fieke, however, has not enjoyed the best of health in recent months, and it is our greatest wish that a speedy recovery be made.

Mr. G. D. Little continues to manage our financial affairs most efficiently and we are most grateful to him for keeping us on an "even keel" when often in danger of being exposed to the "elements"!

Having completed a successful first year at Grangefield, during which time he has made many happy acquaintances, the School Headmaster, Mr. C. L. Hall, has played a prominent part in fostering the good relationship between the School and the Association. It is pleasing and gratifying to learn that these bonds of friendship are being strengthened on such an increasing scale.

In conjunction with colleagues of the Grangefield Staff, Mr. W. H. Munday informs us, at regular intervals, of all the interesting happenings within the precincts of the School and works in close liaison with our Hon. Sec. in compiling current news for the Year Book.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL DINNER

The 1953 Dinner was held in Sparks' Cafe Royal on Friday, 18th December, when 72 Old Boys were present. Our President, Mr. Fieke, in company with the newly appointed Headmaster, Mr. Hall, welcomed Members of the Association to the function.

Our guests on this happy occasion were Dr. Henry Miller of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Newcastle, and Councillor Gordon McIntyre, Deputy Mayor of Durham. A special place, too, was reserved for our good friend Dr. Kinnes, who, in spite of indifferent health, accepted our invitation to attend.

Wearing his newly acquired Badge of Office, with which he had been invested only a few weeks previously, the President, in his opening remarks from the Chair, referred to the revival of interest which was taking place in the affairs of the Association and expressed a desire that this would continue on an ever increasing scale.

Dr. Miller, an Old Boy himself and one with a brilliant career in the field of medicine, in proposing the toast of the "Old Stocktonians' Association", referred in light hearted manner to his own schooldays at Nelson Terrace, re-calling many joyous (and otherwise) occasions. His good sense of humour soon brought howls of laughter from all quarters and everybody present was rather reluctant when his spate of witticisms came to a termination.

The toast of "The School" was proposed by Councillor McIntyre who said it was 26 years since he had departed from what was then called Stockton Secondary School, but the principles which had been instilled during that period would remain with him all his life.

Following a short interval in the proceedings, during which time Old Boys mixed freely with colleagues of varying ages for the long-awaited tete-a-tete, Mr. E. Baldwin, our Founder President, presented a Bible for use during religious services at Grangefield. Receiving this on behalf of the School, Mr. C. L. Hall, Headmaster, thanked the Old Stocktonians for their gesture, stating that the Scriptures would be instrumental in furthering the teaching of religion within the School.

Entertainment during the evening was kindly provided by TREBLA whose arts of magic left us in complete bewilderment.

Master Allan Taylor (aged 14 years), a pupil of Grangefield, who also practised sorcery with deftness of hand, received a great ovation for such a commendable performance.

The termination of yet another successful evening came with the singing of *Auld Lang Syne*, and very soon our colleagues of schooldays were wending their way homewards with memories refreshed for another year.

Once again we were indebted to Mr. John Spark for the facilities provided on this occasion.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

was held in the School on Tuesday, 3rd November 1953, when 19 Old Boys were present. The Hon. Secretary outlined the work of the Association over the previous twelve months and thanked Officials and Committee for their assistance and co-operation during that period. The Hon. Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet were adopted and Mr. Baldwin outlined the applications of the Benevolent Fund during the Year.

ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

Members of the Association congregated in the School Hall, together with Masters and Boys, on the morning of Wednesday, 11th November, 1953, to pay homage to those Old Boys who gave their lives in two World Wars. Wreaths were laid at the Memorial by representatives of the School and the Association. A short and simple service of Remembrance followed, and the lessons were read by the Old Boy President and the Head Boy of the School.

GRATITUDE

We wish to acknowledge the fine gesture of friends of the Association who have intimated that they would be delighted to present a secretaire, to be eventually placed in the School, for the purpose of providing a permanent "home" for Stocktonian documents, Year Books, Minutes and other literature. We are pleased to accept this generous offer and take the opportunity of thanking the anonymous donors.

Another Old Boy, well-known to all, has kindly offered to bear the cost of binding loose copies of *The Stocktonian Year Book*.

Our thanks, too, are due to other valuable friends, who were concerned in effecting the Dr. Kinnes photograph, which is soon to be hung in a prominent position in the School Entrance Hall.

OLD STOCKTONIAN TIE

Following our announcement last year we are pleased to state that many Old Boys are now in possession of the Association Tie.

Those Members who did not take advantage of the reservation methods then in existence, may now purchase their ties direct from the stockists, Messrs. Blackett and Son Ltd., High Street, Stockton-on-Tees (price 8/6d).

OLD STOCKTONIAN BLAZER BADGE

Several Old Boys have expressed a desire for the introduction of a blazer badge. This, of course, can be arranged, but will, naturally, depend on the number of intending purchasers.

Those interested should contact the Hon. Sec. (see enclosed form) and, providing sufficient support is forthcoming, a design will be prepared and submitted to the manufacturers for quotations. It should be appreciated that further progress in this matter can only be made with YOUR co-operation in the first instance.

Suggested designs and basic colour schemes apertaining to the proposed Badge will be gratefully accepted. Any ideas ?

VISITORS' BOOK

Quite a few of Old Stocktonians have now appended their signatures to the book on the occasion of their visits to the School. Unfortunately there seems to be a marked tendency for reserve in recording news relating to themselves.

It is hoped that Old Boys, will, in future, impart more information about their activities, in order that this may be brought to the notice of the Editorial Board for inclusion in the Year Book.

Incidentally, the Headmaster and his Staff are always pleased to welcome Old Boys at Grangefield. The invitation is yours.

BOWLS MATCHES

Two Bowls Matches were arranged, during the summer months, against the West End Bowling Cub (on a home and away basis). Unfortunately, bad weather caused the cancellation of both fixtures. However, similar arrangements (sunshine permitting!) are being made for the 1955 season, and those Old Boys desirous of participating are invited to communicate with G. Gowthorpe, Esq., 49 Yarm Road, Stockton (Telephone 68241) for further details.

Incidentally, it is hoped to arrange a Quiz between West End B.C. and O.S. (and others to follow) but organisation of these functions has not been concluded at the time of going to press. Apply to Hon. Sec. for inclusion in mailing list.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH

Old Stocktonians v. The School (Thursday afternoon, 15th July, 1954)

This might have as a sub-heading "Ruddigorun Revels on St. Swithin's Day", for the ghosts of many generations (albeit some rather solid) gathered, not quite at the call of the ball or the crack of dawn, but in sunshine which the worthy saint may have fortunately mistaken as a necessity for the Ghosts' High Noon. It is true they did not gather at the ancestral haunts, but a few aged Retainers were recalled from the scrap-heap to pull their imaginary forelocks and make suitable comments ("Sir Thomas - he war a one, he war") to give a homely flourish. The cherubs of future generations sprawled at the feet of their elders in Renaissance (or was it Classical?) fashion.

Altogether a delightful picture - but to the Revels!

Be it stated in the beginning that the ghosts were laid. The First Former who brought his Wisden, closed the book with a sigh at the end. For the first time in official fixtures the School won. "Perhaps one record is sufficient", he said, "but the Old Boys have not given me anything to check!"

The pitches at Grangefield do not yet play quite as truly as the School would wish. (This was demonstrated the day before at the Staff Match.) On this occasion, unfortunately, the Captain of the Old Stocktonians sustained a very badly fractured finger. Happily for everybody except the Captain, this was the only case of ruddy gore, but it set the Old Stocktonians off to a bad start!

Sent in to bat, the School helped themselves freely up to tea-time and then went on to reach 118 for 9, before declaring. The Old Boys soundly declared their intention to claim an extra half-hour to force victory but were all back from the centre before any option could be exercised - 64 all out. They congratulated the School on a well-deserved victory and bade them beware of next year, when revenge will undoubtedly be exacted.

The Old Boys' Team was: G. REEVES, T. SOWLER, K. TIPPEN, H. WILLIAMSON, J. A. CATTERMOLLE, P. DEE, G. ARMSTRONG, H. G. FARRINGTON, J. O. TARRAN, B. MCWILLIAM, C. KENDALL.

We wish to express publicly our thanks to those Institutions and Firms, which made possible the match, by granting leave of absence to the players.

ANNUAL RUGBY MATCH

(Old Stocktonians v. School - Friday, 9th April, 1954)

This was preceded by a Soccer Match, Staff v. School, as usual, in which the School won 4 - 2.

The School Rugger team was expecting great achievements against the Old Boys and was not disappointed. In the first twenty minutes the School was eight points up, due to neat half-back movements. Weight, however, told in the second half. From eight all at half-time the Old Stocktonians went ahead to win by sixteen points to eight. Tarren, Wood, Lancaster and Nicholson scored.

The Old Boys Team was: J. O. TARRAN, G. HEWITT, F. NICHOLSON, NEWTON, H. WOOD, G. LANCASTER, W. DAVIES, J. DICK, J. FRANKS, UPTON, D. FOULGER, B. ROBSON-CROSS, J. B. WILTON, W. PURCHASE, A. DANIEL.

LADIES' EVENING

An informal Dinner party took place on Friday evening, 14th May, 1954, when Old Boys accompanied by their wives, travelled by private coach, to the Royal Hotel, Great Ayton.

Although the number attending was rather disappointing, in view of the necessary work of organisation, those who were present enjoyed themselves immensely.

Following a delightful meal, the company retired to the lounge, commandeered the most comfortable chairs available and settled down by the warmth of an "old-world" fireplace to discuss everyday topics with one another.

How relaxing it seemed, the ladies with their wines and cocktails, the menfolk with their beer and tobacco, until some "upstart" whisked everyone away in turn, and regimented them into playing darts in the bar-parlour!

Well, the first O.S. Doubles Knock-out Competition resulted in a resounding victory for Mrs. Fieke, the President's wife, and her less-accurate partner, Mr. Williamson, in spite of several protests about such trivialities as the flexibility of the rules and the integrity of the marker!

Our first *Ladies Evening* came to a termination too soon, and reluctantly, the fair ones, after having successfully located their respective escorts, boarded the coach for the journey home.

It was regretted that only local people could be notified of this event, since the postage expense involved was too great to allow general circularisation to take place.

COFFEE MORNING and BRING AND BUY SALE

The above function, kindly arranged by Mrs. G. D. Little with the able assistance of her friend, Mrs. F. K. Hutchinson, was held at the home of our Hon. Treasurer on Saturday morning, 26th June, 1954.

The venture was a successful one (but deserved far more support) and as a result, a sum of more than eight pounds was passed on to the Association General Fund.

Our thanks, indeed, to these two ladies for their noteworthy efforts on this occasion.

DR. J. R. KINNES

Since his retirement from the post of Headmaster at the end of Summer Term, 1953, Dr. Kinnes has not been in very good health. We were most concerned, therefore, to hear about his entry into hospital and of the operation he ultimately underwent. However, it was pleasing to learn, more recently, of his gradual improvement and we sincerely wish that he will soon be active once again and maintain better health than of late years.

OUR APPEAL

It would be very much appreciated, if those Old Boys who are in arrears with their Annual Subscriptions, would make a special effort to pay recent outstanding amounts to the Secretary, Treasurer or Committee. This is most urgent and important and cannot be over-emphasised, since we are dependent on this revenue to meet the high cost of publishing our Year Book.

There are about 500 unpaid subscriptions for this current year (and another is fast approaching!).

Unless defaulters co-operate in this matter, we shall have no option but to restrict the circulation of Year Books to "paid up" members only. (And that of course, we would hate to do.)

DON'T POSTPONE, ACT NOW! (*We didn't forget to send this copy of *The Stocktonian* to you . . . please, therefore, try not to forget your modest contribution, or, better still, a Life Membership payment.*)

BENEVOLENT FUND REPORT

Since the last issue of the Year Book, no call has been made on this fund, which, at the moment has to its credit at the bank, £343/4/7.

It cannot be too strongly pointed out that this Fund exists for the benefit of Old Boys (or present boys) and that any application for assistance will receive the most sympathetic consideration. Please address applications to:

*The Headmaster,
Grangefield Grammar School,
Stockton-on-Tees.*

SOME ASSOCIATION HISTORY

We cannot of course go back 50 years, but looking at random thro' early editions of *The Stocktonian* it is interesting to note that 40 years ago :

- (i) there were 216 members.
- (ii) E. Scholes, Esq., was our President. (Though not residing on Tees-side he payed a visit to the School during this year – a nice gesture.)
- (iii) E. Baldwin, Esq., Int. B.A., was a Vice-President. May he long remain with us – how much we owe to him will never be known.
- (iv) Mr. Syd Dumble is mentioned as joint trainer of budding gymnasts. Now, of course, he is one of our potential Bowls team.
- (v) N. Winn was Football Sec. and Treas. Still with us as a Trustee of our Benevolent Fund.
- (vi) the Committee held a Dinner – the O.B. Cricket XI beat Normanby Hall and the 1st football XI (a 1st and 2nd XI were functioning) were narrowly beaten 3-4 by Stockton F.C.

30 years ago:

- (i) there were approximately 600 Memembers.
- (ii) "T. B. B." (Mr. Brooke of course), is mentioned as "risen from the ranks" to become a master at our School. (Since then, he has taught hundreds of little boys how to become good *Stocktonians* – he taught other subjects too – and in his spare time held every "working" office in the Association.) Now still working for us as a Vice-President.
- (iii) we welcomed our second Headmaster, Mr. T. Crockett (soon to become Dr.)
- (iv) of four Doctorates of Science awarded by Durham University during that year three came to Old Boys – A. Pickworth, E. M. Taylor and F. J. Teago.
- (v) for the first time, School events were included in our pages.
- (vi) Messrs. G. D. Little and D. Shepherd appear among the Officers, etc. (What ? 30 years ago ?) We agree they don't look it. All still at our service in varying capacity.
- (vii) three Presidents are recorded (as now), where previously there had been but two.

Coming to more recent years we find that 20 years ago we had :

- (i) four Presidents (including J. R. Kinnes, M.A., Ph.D., our third Headmaster, and Alderman C. W. Allison, J.P., then Mayor of Stockton).
- (ii) the names A. Pickworth (see 30 years, p. iv), N. E. Green and E. H. Fieke listed as "Officials and Committee".
- (iii) a reference to our "poverty" (of two photographs in *The Stocktonian*, one had been made possible only by the generosity of an anon. O.B.). *Note*: complete absence of photographs this year – see appeal re "subs."
- (iv) an Annual Dinner (cost 3/6) with as far as is known the speediest of O.B. speakers, namely, F. W. Dixon, of "T.T." fame.
- (v) a successful Dance attended by over 300 people (mainly O.B's) A mention is made that the Hall had been booked for *two* dates during the following season.
- (vi) approximately 900 members.

Reference has been made to events which may recall memories to many of our distant members, as to names. We hope to refer to many more in the years to come.

School News

RUGBY NEWS

The 1953-4 Rugby season was undoubtedly the most successful that the School has enjoyed for some years. The two senior sides showed the most marked improvement, and defeated such strong sides as Coatham, Henry Smith's, Gateshead, Darlington, Acklam Hall and Royal Grammar School "A". With the expansion of the sixth form, and the facilities now available at the School, it is hoped that the senior teams will continue the improvement until they become as strong as any in the North East.

An added incentive for boys to attain the 1st and 2nd XV's was the decision to award colours for each School sport. Last season, a full colour was awarded to G. Dewison (Capt.), D. Pilbrough, D. Wells, P. West, P. M. Dee, J. D. Welford, T. Bellis and J. D. Candlin (Capt. of 2nd XV). All other regular members of the 1st XV and some outstanding members of the 2nd XV received a half colour.

Amongst the Junior teams, the outstanding performance was the winning of the Durham County Town Cup by the "under 15's". This cup, introduced in 1925, had never previously been held by this School, though it had narrowly eluded our teams of the two previous seasons. Now that it is at Grangefield the boys are determined that it will remain with us for at least one more season.

Another very strong School side was the "under 14's" team, which, despite a very heavy fixture list, lost only two matches during the season - to Coatham and West Hartlepool. These are the boys who, this season, will defend the Town Cup. Our Achilles heel was unfortunately shown with the "under 13's" who were usually on the losing side. They were, however, badly handicapped by lack of coaching - due to illness among the Staff and their unusually small physique.

As the start of the 1954-5 season approaches, we at Grangefield are confident that these achievements will at least be equalled and Grangefield rugby will be played in the best traditions of the game.

CRICKET NOTES

Although the 1954 season was a very wet one, only once did rain prevent a game being played.

The 1st and 2nd XI's had only average seasons, the former winning four matches out of nine, and the latter, three out of seven with one drawn.

In the Junior side, however, there is a promise of better senior cricket within a year or two. G. Lake showed himself to be a very capable all-round cricketer, whilst the rest of the side maintained a high standard.

E. Holmes proved to be a studious and reliable captain for the 1st XI and T. Parker set a very fine example whilst captain of the 2nd XI.

Full Colours were awarded to E. Holmes (Capt.), J. Hodgson, D. Spears, T. Parker, and D. Dutton.

TENNIS NOTES

Singles Champion : G. Belshaw.

Doubles Champions : G. Belshaw and R. Scott.

Tennis Colours awarded to N. Forbes and G. Belshaw.

SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS RESULTS

(19th July, 1954)

JUNIOR :

100 yds.	1, Sinclair	2, Andrews	3, Lowery.
220 yds.	1, Sinclair	2, Andrews	3, Quinn. Record 28.7 s.
Hurdles	1, Sinclair	2, Knight	3, Newton.
High Jump	1, Chapman	2, Poole	3, Newton.
Long Jump	1, Hansen	2, Brownley	3, Davies and Ingram.
Javelin	1, Ingram	2, Andrews	3, Leonard.
Relay	1, Tees	2, Oxbridge	3, Cleveland. Record 58.8 s.

INTER :

100 yds.	1, Wrench	2, Wilbraham	3, Fawcett.
220 yds.	1, Wrench	2, Wilson	3, Fawcett. Record 24.9 s.
440 yds.	1, Wilbraham	2, Hutton	3, Andrew.
880 yds.	1, Wilbraham	2, Hutton	3, Walker. Record -
Hurdles	1, Reay	2, Walker and Logan.	2 m. 14 s.
High Jump	1, Walker	2, Reay	3, Flemming.
Long Jump	1, Walker	2, Reay	3, Silvester. Record 18'-3"
Javelin	1, Hodgson	2, Teesdale	3, Burdus.
Discus	1, Bland	2, Logan	3, Wright.
Shot	1, Burdus	2, Logan	3, Atkinson. Record 44'-2"
Relay	1, Cleveland	2, Dunelm	3, Oxbridge. Record -
			1 m. 46.4 s.

SENIOR :

100 yds.	1, Dewison	2, Marshall	3, Jennings.
220 yds.	1, Tarren	2, Nash	3, Hodgson. Record 24 secs.
440 yds.	1, Marshall	2, Holmes	3, Mowforth.
			(Record 56.2 secs.; beats 1926 record)
880 yds.	1, Marshall	2, Easton	3, Jackson. Record 2 m.
Mile	1, Easton	2, Jackson	3, Shaw. 7.7 s.
High Jump	1, Tarren	2, McFarthing	3, Hodgson,
Long Jump	1, Tarren	2, Nash	3, Dewison.
Javelin	1, Nash	2, West	3, Brand. Record 130'-9"
Shot	1, West	2, McFarthing	3, Neal.
Hurdles	1, Tarren	2, Jennings	3, Welford.
Discus	1, West	2, Richards	3, McFarthing.
Relay	1, Tees	2, Dunelm.	

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP: Dunelm.

JUNIOR CHAMPION: Sinclair (15 points).

INTER CHAMPION: Wilbraham and Walker (13 points).

VICTOR LUDORUM: Tarren (20 points).

RAILWAY CENTENERY CUP: Grangefield Grammar School.

INTER SCHOOL-ATHLETICS, 1954

There have been two Inter-School fixtures in Athletic Sports this year, as well as the Cross Country.

The Cross Country was held at Sunderland and the School came in eighth. Easton was first home for the School, but 25th in order of arrival.

In the resumed Inter-School athletic fixture with the Tees-side and other Grammar Schools, at Darlington, the School very nearly triumphed for the first time since the War, but eventually lost to Darlington by three points (88½ - 91½). First place was taken in the

100 yards Junior, 120 yards Hurdles and Long Jump Senior, and the first two in the High Jump; with nine second places to support these, as well as five third places, the School was leading till the last race, but were just overtaken by Darlington.

The same thing happened in a Triangular Contest arranged with Darlington and Wellfield, at home, on 14th July. The School led, until the Senior Relay, by three points, but eventually lost again to Darlington by one point ($89\frac{1}{2}$ - $90\frac{1}{2}$). It was a very enjoyable meeting, which the whole School attended.

RESULTS OF SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

(held at Billingham Baths, 9th July, 1954)

JUNIOR :

1 Length Breast Stroke : 1, Moyes; 2, Leak; 3, McAleer. (31.3 secs.)

1 Length Free Style : 1, Leak; 2, Kennedy; 3, Snell. (25 secs.)

Relay Race : 1, Tees; 2, Dunelm; 3, Cleveland.

INTERMEDIATE

1 Length Breast Stroke : 1, Johnson; 2, Reay; 3, Matthews. (26.3 s.)

2 Lengths Free Style : 1, Hare; 2, Robson; 3, Hodgson. (44.2 secs.)

1 Length Back Stroke : 1, Hare; 2, Peacock; 3, Robson. (24.4 secs.)

1 Length Towing Partner : 1, Hardy; 2, Peacock and Fryatt. (54.7 s.)

1 Length Pushing Partner : 1, Matthews; 2, Hardy; 3, Baillie. (43.6 s.)

Neat Dive : 1, Robson; 2, Kennedy (Jun.); 3, Speight.

Relay Race : 1, Tees; 2, Cleveland; 3, Oxbridge. (1 min. 38 secs.)

SENIOR

2 Lengths Breast Stroke : 1, Wilson; 2, Marshall; 3, Nash. (56 secs.)

2 Lengths Free Style : 1, Robertson; 2, Wilson; 3, Bell. (42.7 secs.)

1 Length Back Stroke : 1, Wilson; 2, Bell; 3, Brand. (27.3 secs.)

1 Length Towing Partner : 1, Boddy; 2, Gair. (53 secs.)

1 Length Pushing Partner : 1, Brand; 2, Boddy; 3, Lyth. (44.5 secs.)

Neat Dive : 1, Hare; 2, Peacock; 3, Robertson.

Relay Race : 1, Dunelm; 2, Oxbridge; 3, Tees. (1 min. 30.3 secs.)

JUNIOR CHAMPION : Leak (8 pts.) INTER CHAMPION : Hare (15 pts.)

SENIOR CHAMPION : Wilson (13 pts.)

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP :

1, Tees; 2, Oxbridge; 3, Dunelm; 4, Cleveland.

The awards were presented by MR. E. H. FIEKE, President of the Old Stocktonians' Association.

STAFF CHANGES

MR. L. WHITE, who had been handicraft Master since 1939, left us at Easter, 1954, to take up the Headmastership of Mill Lane Boys' School. His place was taken by Mr. LINDSAY, who, training at Rycote Wood Technical College, Thame, did teaching practice with us under Mr. White and was not a complete stranger to the Staff. He came to us from Lawson Secondary Modern School, Middlesbrough.

Mr. M. FLINN, who joined the History Staff in 1951, left us at Christmas, 1953, to take up a Research Lectureship at Aberdeen University. Mr. S. GOTHIN filled the vacancy for a term before moving on to the Scott Polar Research Institution, Cambridge. He is followed

by Mr. H. D. JACKSON, a graduate of Manchester University, who has been teaching Music and History at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Tamworth.

Mr. W. F. PIPER, who came to the new School in 1951, moved to the Dame Allen's School, Newcastle, at Christmas, 1953. In his place we welcomed an Old Stocktonian, Mr. R. M. ATKINSON (1937-1944), Vice-Captain of the School, 1944, who took B.Sc. (Physics) at Durham and then taught at East Oldham High School and at South Shields High School.

Mr. WHITFIELD (1933-1937) who has been with us since 1951 has still further strengthened his ties with the Schools by marrying Miss Sheila Duncan, who is an Old Girl. He and Mr. Atkinson were joined in September, 1954, by a third Old Stocktonian, Mr. L. J. THORNTON (1941-1948), Captain, 1948, who joined the Maths. staff in place of Mr. J. D. SHELL, who left us for Alloynes' Grammar School, Stevenage.

BREAKING-UP ASSEMBLY

In December, 1953, the School had a Service of Lessons and Carols, whilst the end of the Summer term was marked by a short service at which an address was given by Canon F. T. Salter, B.A., Vicar of Holy Trinity.

It is interesting to note that the following OLD STOCKTONIANS, as parents, now have sons attending the Grangefield Grammar School:

Old Boys

Messrs. G. GOWTHORPE (1924-29); J. G. LIDDLE (1922-29); T. REED (1921-26); T. F. SOWLER (1925-32); I. HUTCHINSON (1924-28); and S. BRITTON (1922-26).

Former Pupils of the Girls' School

Mesdames. H. KINNIS (nee Simmons) 1931-33; G. GOWTHORPE 1928-31; H. HUTTON (nee Morrow) 1918-24; A. SOWLER (nee Watt) 1926-31; E. HUTCHINSON (nee Jenkins) 1925-28; I. H. CHAPMAN (nee Glenn) 1928-33, and also on School Clerical Staff 1933-40; E. M. HEDLEY, 1923-28; M. LEAK (nee Hodgson) 1924-28; F. HUNTER (nee Thompson) 1922-27; E. SIERWALD, 1926-30; and A. E. OZELTON, (1926-30).

The sons of the following OLD STOCKTONIANS entered the School in September, 1954

Messrs. J. MASON, A. WILLIAMS, W. BENZIES, H. DODDS, T. WRIGHTSON and A. L. INGHAM.

THE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

continued to meet regularly and set the world to rights. Under the guidance of Mr. Holden and Mr. Wright, the Society made some efforts to live up to the first half of its title, and met several times to read and discuss poetry and prose.

From the seventeen candidates who spoke for the Headmaster's Prize, D. Lyth was selected as winner, by Mr. J. Pixley of the Stockton Grammar School.

The hard-working Secretary was P. Williams and his Committee consisted of D. Lyth, C. Bell, G. Dewison, and P. Helliwell.

SCHOOL PANTOMIME

Mutiny at Strangefield, the second pantomime written and produced by Mr. J. G. Rattenbury, drew packed audiences to the School Hall on the two nights of 15th and 16th December, 1953.

This was a high-spirited entertainment in which some 73 boys took part, and in which some 14 members of the Staff and their wives assisted. This was a story, in which the boy mutineers of Strangefield were joined by their neighbours, the girls of Strangefield. These young ladies succeeded in banishing not only a visiting inspector, but the boys themselves, who only got back to their rightful domain with the help of their natural enemies, the Staff. In the interludes, musical, comical and magical, performed between the scenes of the play, some of the school's wealth of talent was drawn on, to entertain and mystify the audiences, who received the performers with enthusiasm.

There was another side to the story, too. This "show" established quite a respectable "stage fund" which has enabled the School to make a start on the task of making the platform in the Hall adaptable into a reasonable stage.

THE FRIDAY CHOIR

Although this Choir has now been in existence for three years, Old Boys may not be fully aware of its scope and purpose. It consists of senior boys and girls, staff, parents, friends, and old scholars of both schools, and is now about 60 strong. It has given a performance each year in Stockton Parish Church - first, a short version of Bach's *St. Matthew Passion*, then Brittens' *St. Nicolas*, and last March, a performance of Brahm's *Requiem* which reached a very high standard indeed.

Rehearsals for the present season began on Friday, 10th September, 1954, and the works in preparation are Beethoven's *Mass in C* and Vaughan Williams' *Benedicite*. Any Old Boys interested in Choral work would be made very welcome (especially if they happen to be tenors!). Rehearsals take place in the School Hall every Friday from 7.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and it will not be too late to join for the current session by the time this appears in print.

MUSIC IN THE SCHOOL

Among the varied musical activities in the School the most note-worthy are the choir and orchestra. The former consists of junior boys for trebles and altos, and senior boys, generously and faithfully strengthened by many members of the staff, for tenors and basses. The latter is now over twenty strong, with a complete complement of strings, several clarinets, one flute (and more to come) a trumpet and a French Horn. There again, help from Staff and Old Boys has proved invaluable.

Last March, the musical and dramatic talent of the School were fused in a production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *Ruddigore*. All the main parts, except one, were played by boys - and very well played too! So many Staff and boys took part in so many different ways, that it would be invidious to mention names - the great thing was that so many could work so well together and get so much satisfaction and fun from it.

The show was played to two capacity audiences, paid for itself, and left a margin of profit towards the much needed improvements for the stage.

THE STOCKTONIAN (School Edition)

Since shortly after the move to Grangefield, a committee of the Sixth form has regularly produced a magazine with the above title. It has appeared once or twice each term, and the considerable work involved in writing, typing, duplicating and selling the magazine has been enthusiastically undertaken by the committee. With increased sales, the financial position of the venture has become sound. For a time some of the profits were used for buying magazines for the School Library. That need now being otherwise met, other plans are under consideration for using the proceeds for the general benefit of the School.

The Editors have been:

1951-2. G. J. Riddle.

1952-3. K. Murray,

1953-4. T. Bellis.

1954-5. J. C. Wrigglesworth.

THE SCHOOL CADET CONTINGENT

(Officers: O.C., I. C. Collingwood, Capt. (Green Howards), B.A. (Hons.), Birmingham. 2/1/C., D. J. D'Arcy, Lieut. (R.A.) B.A. (Hons.), Liverpool.

The combined Cadet Force fulfils the functions of the former Officers' Training Corps, once restricted to the Public Schools; it trains future officers for the Regular and Auxiliary Services.

The School Contingent owes its origin to the present Commanding Officer's will to widen the opportunities for Grangefield boys before and during their period of National Service; by reasons of lengthy military experience and connections, he was exceptionally well-fitted to do so.

The establishment, two officers and 68 cadets, was authorised on 28th May, 1953; with the continued goodwill and support the Contingent has received from the boys and their parents, permission to increase that establishment may have to be sought in the near future.

During 1953 the C.O. carried the sole responsibility and burden of administration for equipping and training about 50 cadets. Without the practical help and encouragement of the Headmasters, Dr. J. R. Kinnes and then Mr. C. L. Hall, and the generous response of local military authorities to frequent requests for assistance, the problems might have proved insuperable.

The N.C.O.'s cadre which was formed from the 15 cadets who attended Camp at Fylingdales in 1953 with the Northumberland Fusiliers, made possible the gratifying first official parade, inspected by His Worship, the Mayor, on Speech Day 1953.

In 1954, Lieut. D. J. D'Arcy took over duties as second-in-command. His invaluable services eased the burdens of the C.O., and the contingent moved forward to a series of successful achievements.

Nine cadets attended the ten-day Northern Command Physical Training Course at Burniston Barracks, and obtained good reports; over 50 cadets visited the R.E.M.E. Workshops at Catterick; about 30 cadets enjoyed the Military Tattoo at Leeds from free best seats; a similar number attended the Gandale Camp for training with the Glorious Glosters; Cert. A Examinations were taken with conspicuous success - 21 passes - at Hutton Gate; and finally, Lieut-Col. N. G. Sims, O.B.E., A.D.O.S. (Northumbrian District), who conducted the Contingent's First Annual General Inspection, expressed surprise and admiration that so much had been done in so short a time.

The following awards and appointments are notable.

CERT A. Part I and Part II (Section Leading) :

C.Q.M.S. Wishlade, J. ; C.S.M. Hewitt, J. B. ; Sgt. Boddy, K. ; Cpl. Bowers, R. ; Cpl. Harbron, R. ; Cpl. Walker, J. A. H. ; Cpl. Gair, T. R. ; Cpl. Shaw, E. ; L/Cpl. Rose, P. A. ; Cadet Dixon, W. H. ; Cadet Reay, A. ; Cadet Dixon, G. W. ; L/Cpl. Jackson, R. T. ; Cadet Edwards, E. ; Cadet Williams, I.

PART I :

Sgt. Bland, R. M. ; Cadet Dawson, P. T. ; Cadet Gray, D. E. ; Cadet Ridden, K. ; Cadet Davison, C. ; Cadet Hunter, J. W.

Premier Cadet Award. C.O's Gold Medal awarded to the most promising cadet of the year, exclusive of N.C.O's. This was won in 1953-4 by Cadet, now Sgt., Bland, R. M.

Accommodation. A hut now in course of construction by the Durham County Territorial Association, will provide the Contingent with Store, Armoury, Orderly Room, and afford cadets Lecture and Recreational facilities. In due course a Miniature Range will also be provided.

Record of Service. On leaving School, each cadet is entitled to a Record Book which he should take with him when he begins his National Service. A good record will appreciably enhance his prospects in the Services.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION SUCCESSES, 1954

General Certificate of Education

Figures in brackets denote number of subjects

ORDINARY LEVEL.

W. Auton (3), G. Belshaw (7), J. Bingham (7), D. Bodley (2), D. Carter (1), H. Gibson (2), R. Hallmark (8), K. Heald (5), J. Hodgson (1), G. Hunter (1), C. Hurt (7), D. Little (8), J. McBride (3), P. Mc Williams (1), D. Noble (2), R. Scott (2), D. Smith (5), D. Spears (7), J. Tarren (2), C. Waller (7), E. Walton (3), S. Watson (6), G. Woodley (1).

C. Allen (6), D. Allison (7), J. Archer (7), K. Bainbridge (7), K. Bodey (7), J. Boland (7), P. Dawson (7), B. Easton (2), M. Flack (5), J. Grantham (7), N. Harris (7), J. Hewitt (8), J. Humphries (7), B. Hutchinson (3), C. Marshall (6), I. McKinlay (7), D. Meek (4), K. Paterson (6), P. Rose (5), A. Scott (4), G. Smith (7), K. Thornton (7), G. Trenholm (3), B. Turner (5), D. Walton (2), M. Watson (6), J. Welford (8), D. Wells (7), P. West (4), P. Wilson (4), J. Wishlade (8), A. Wigglesworth (7).

R. Beale (1), M. Binks (1), J. Britton (1), W. Dutton (1), D. Forest (2), M. Gelder (2), R. Hardwick (1), R. T. Jackson (2), J. Jamieson (3), A. Jennings (2), C. Richards (1), I. Robertson (3), D. Train (4), T. Ward (1).

M. Atkin (1), J. Auffleck (5), P. Bodingfield (1), R. Bland (2), A. Craggs (2), A. Dumain (1), M. Gray (2), R. Hutton (3), A. Loynes (1), J. Logan (3), W. Milne (1), L. Pilbrough (2), R. Turner (3), J. Wade (1), J. Walker (1), I. Watson (4), J. Wearmouth (3), D. Wilbraham (5), C. Wright (1).

P. Jackson (1), D. Lax (2), A. McFarthing (1), D. Pilbrough (1), E. Shaw (1), G. Thompson (1), J. Wigglesworth (2).

ADVANCED LEVEL.

C. Bell (Eng., Hist. and Geog.) ; T. Bellis (Eng., Latin, ind French) ; J. Gilliland (Geog. and Latin) ; G. Dewison (Latin and French).

B. Brand (Physics and Double Maths.) ; J. Candlin (Maths., Physics and Chem.) ; G. Craggs (Physics and Double Maths.) ; P. Dee (Maths., Physics, Chem. and Biology) ; P. Helliwell (Maths., Physics and Chem.) ; E. Holmes (Maths., Physics and Chem.) ; J. Hutchinson (Physics and Chem.) ; I. Laing (Physics, Chem. and Biology) ; J. Milner (Physics and Double Maths.) ; P. J. Williams (Maths., Physics and Chem.) ; C. Willoughby (Maths., Physics and Chem.)

County Major University Scholarships have been awarded to:

P. R. Helliwell, T. P. Bellis, B. P. Brand, J. P. Candlin, G. Craggs, G. Dewison, J. Gilliland, E. Holmes, J. E. Hutchinson, I. B. Laing, J. W. Milner, C. H. Willoughby, D. Lyth, P. Dee, and C. Bell.

An Open Scholarship for Engineering, at Leeds University, has been awarded to P. R. Helliwell.

State Scholarships

The School is proud to record that this year's VIth Form has equalled its predecessor's achievement of three State Scholarships.

P. Dee (whose father and brother are Old Stocktonians) will hold his Scholarship at King's College Medical School, Newcastle.

D. Lyth, who won an Open Scholarship at the Imperial College of Science, and C. Bell, who gained a Sinclair Scholarship at Liverpool University, have both been awarded State Scholarships to be held concurrently.

C. W. KING MEMORIAL PRIZE

Founded by Old Stocktonians to perpetuate the memory of C. W. King, M.A., Jesus College, Oxford, and London ; Assistant Master 1908-1946, and Senior English Master for 23 years. The prize, valued at about £1 10s., is awarded annually to the student gaining the highest marks in English Language and Literature combined in the Certificate of General Education - Ordinary Level (corresponding to the old School Certificate).

Prizewinners :

- 1948: A. Osmund.
- 1949: H. D. Glenwright.
- 1950: R. D. Richardson.
- 1951: N. McDonald.
- 1952: P. J. Williams.
- 1953: N. W. Forbes and D. J. Pilbrough (tie).
- 1954: R. E. Hallmark.

G. G. ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL

Founded by Old Stocktonians in memory of G. G. Armstrong, M.A., M.Litt., Armstrong College, University of Durham ; Senior History Master, 1921-48. The Prize is awarded annually for the best Historical Essay submitted by senior pupils, the winner also to hold for a year the Armstrong Memorial Cup.

Prizewinners :

- 1951: D. E. Stoddart.
- 1952: C. Bell.
- 1953: No Award.

In Memoriam

By those Old Boys who attended the School in its early days, few masters were regarded with greater awe than Mr. T. WELCH, M.Sc. ("Titchie" to the irreverent), who was then in charge of Physics and who, incidentally, was Hon. Secretary of the first School Sports that ever was held.

In 1912, he was appointed Headmaster of the Alderman Wraith Secondary School, Spennymoor, where until his retirement in 1936, he enjoyed a very enviable reputation as much for the brilliancy of his teaching as for his exceptional powers of organisation.

Serving in the First World War with the D.L.I. Territorials, he obtained the Military Cross, while at a later date his services to education were recognised by the award of the O.B.E.

For some time after his retirement (he had no family and his wife had predeceased him), he resided at Worthing, where he died in his 80th year.

By the death of HAROLD P. ALLISON in the early part of the year, the Old Boys' Association lost one of its most charming personalities.

Leaving School in 1909 he entered the gas industry and after obtaining experience at Stockton and Yarm, went to Redcar where for the last 27 years he occupied the position of Gas Manager.

A past President of Redcar Rotary Club, of which he was a founder member, and a prominent Freemason, he endeared himself to all those with whom he came into contact. But he was one of those who found his greatest happiness in the bosom of his family, and his wife (once known to some of us as Gladys Moreton), his two married daughters and his grandchildren, as well as all those who were privileged to know him, will always hold him in the most affectionate remembrance.

In the first years of the century and contemporary with his great friend, Wilf Brewis, now living in retirement at Kingussie, in Scotland after many years as Headmaster of the Secondary School there, HAROLD LAX attended the old Higher Grade School in Nelson Terrace.

Leaving school, he acted for some considerable time as Secretary to the first Headmaster, the late Mr. J. J. Prest, B.Sc., but in 1915, after rejection for military service, he went to Pickering, and in 1919 entered into partnership with his elder brother, Fred (who was a pupil at the Higher Grade School on the first day it was opened in 1896) in a corn and agricultural implement business there.

That long, happy and entirely harmonious partnership came to an end in July of this year when death took Harold away. For some ten or twelve years, during which he has undergone two very serious operations, he had never been really well, and the end came with tragic suddenness.

During his nearly forty years in the pretty Yorkshire town, Harold became almost an institution for he possessed to a singular degree the gifts of making and retaining friends. For some time, he served on the Urban District Council and was Chairman of the Housing Committee: he was Vice-Chairman of the Governors of the Lady Lumley Grammar School, an active member of the Musical Society, Chairman of the Recreation Grounds and Carnival Committees, while during the late war, he acted as a Controller of Civil Defence and Publicity Official of the National Savings Movement.

Freemasonry also claimed his interest and he became a Master of his Lodge and a Provincial Grand Officer, while his love for all forms of sport was one of the keynotes of his life.

Yet among his many activities, he remained loyal to his old School and nothing delighted him more than to recall old memories.

A fine character and a citizen who always took his duties very seriously, he had no children but left a wife to mourn his loss.

Old Boys at the School during the years 1931-38 will cherish happy memories of HAROLD RUTLEDGE, perhaps most especially of his triumphs as an athlete, in which field he maintained the family reputation built up by his brother Arthur before him. For two years in succession (1937, 38) he was Senior Victor Ludorum and in the former year a member of the glorious athletic team we sent to the memorable Inter-Schools Sport's Meeting at Bishop Auckland, when they carried off all the honours and brought us the Inter-School Cup. After taking his Higher Certificate, Harold proceeded to Bede College, Durham, where he graduated B.Sc. in 1942 with First Class Honours in Geology. He was Commissioned in the Royal Engineers, and served for three years in India and Burma, rising to the rank of Captain. On his return to civil life, he was appointed to the Government Geological Survey, prior to becoming Assistant Lecturer in Geology at University College, Nottingham. From Nottingham he proceeded to the University of Edinburgh as Lecturer at the Grant Institute of Geology. He graduated Ph.D. at Edinburgh in 1950 and eighteen months later was appointed Senior Lecturer in Geology at the University of Sydney, New South Wales.

The death of Dr. Rutledge was singularly tragic in all its circumstances following as it did that of his mother by a fortnight and preceding that of his father by only a few days. Dr. Rutledge was flying home to see his father, at that time lying seriously ill in Darlington Memorial Hospital, when the B.A.O.C. Constellation Airliner in which he was travelling crashed on Saturday, 13th March, at Singapore.

Old Stocktonians will remember how Dr. Rutledge's brother, Flt-Lt. Arthur E. Rutledge was killed in an air crash during the war.

They will remember, too, what good friends to the School we had in the late Mr. and Mrs. Rutledge and that special service they rendered us when Mr. Rutledge unveiled the 1939-45

War Memorial, a ceremony which, for him, we knew was an occasion of deep and painful feeling, but which he carried out with simple dignity and moving words of comfort and consolation for relatives of those who had suffered loss as grievous as his own.

Dr. Harold Rutledge leaves a widow and a little son to mourn his loss.

EDWARD HUMPHREYS left us in 1945 at the age of 15 to join the R.A.F. as an apprentice. In his earlier days in the R.A.F. he served also as drummer in the R.A.F. Central Band and on several important occasions, such for example as the Royal Tournament of 1947, and in a series of broadcasts, played the tenor drum.

In 1949 he was Commissioned as Pilot Officer, being promoted a year later to the rank of Flying Officer. His death occurred on Friday, 5th March, when his plane was in collision with another (off the coast of Kent) during formation flying exercises over the North Sea. F/O Humphreys remained in control for some time after the collision, and heroically ensured that his damaged plane did not crash on any populated area. It is understood that he tried to bale out over the sea but that the ejection apparatus had been damaged in the collision.

"Teddy" Humphreys we shall remember always as a specially likeable lad. He always had a ready smile and though perhaps of a shy and retiring turn of nature, possessed a vein of healthy humour and delight in life. He was one of those boys it is good to have known.

F/O Humphreys leaves a wife and two children.

To the relatives of these our Old Boys whom we shall see no more, Old Stocktonians would express their deepest sympathy.



OLD BOYS HERE AND THERE

It has been our privilege during the past few months either to see or to hear from four Old Boys who made history when the Old Stocktonians' Association was formed, now well over 40 years ago.

As the first President of the Association, E. SCHOLLES (better known to all his friends as "Ted"), who recently visited the School, brought to bear his own inexhaustible energy and no one who attended our social events in 1913 or thereabouts will ever fail to recall his good fellowship, his geniality and above all his tremendous enthusiasm. In his time, Mr. Scholes has played many parts. When we first knew him, he was the proprietor of the finest fish and game business in the district. Later, his war service finished, he became the Director of a Government Fruit Research Station: still later he acted as district representative of one of the great motor spirit firms, and now (though he confesses he does this as a hobby) he is the Managing Director of a Launderette business near Preston.

After leaving School in 1908, A. ROGERS became a member of the clerical staff of Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd., and later found greater scope in a similar capacity at Messrs. Smith's Dock Ltd., South Bank.

On the formation of the Association in 1913, his flair for detail and his evident powers of organisation made him an ideal choice for Assistant Secretary, in which appointment he was an unqualified success.

One of the first volunteers for Kitchener's army, he saw service in France with the Royal Engineers in the 1914-18 war, and a year or two after demobilisation, deciding that marriage was preferable to single blessedness, took the necessary steps to remedy the deficiency.

Employment with the Stockton Board of Guardians and in the Stockton Borough Engineer's office followed, and then in 1930, he distinguished himself by taking first place (with Gold Medal) in the Final Examination of the Cost and Works' Accountants. So now, at 60 years of age - still able to play a fair game of tennis in good company - with a son who holds a London University degree in Pure Science and who is employed as a Research Physicist in the laboratory of Messrs. Jas. A. Jobling & Co., the makers of Pyrex ware - he holds the position of Chief Clerk to the Sunderland Borough Engineer and thanks us for the occasional larruping which we had the pleasure of inflicting on him when he was a boy.

F. J. WALKER (1900-4), who was a member of the very first Old Stocktonian Committee, commenced work as an apprentice draughtsman at Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd. immediately on leaving School. Now, with 50 years of real achievement behind him - all spent with the same firm - his official title is Technical Director of Messrs. Head, Wrightson Aluminium Co. Ltd., with his office in London.

During this 50 years - interrupted only by service in Gallipoli, France, Greece and Germany in the First World War - the structures which he has designed or helped to design - Blast Furnace Plants, Wireless Masts, Swing Bridges, Hydraulic Coal Hoists, etc., have advertised the famous Tees-side firm all over the world.

Created Chief Draughtsman in 1936, he was engaged on drawings for Tank Landing Craft and Pluto Drums during World War no. II, while later on he took out a patent for Welded Dock Gates and negotiated the first orders for such gates with the French Purchasing Commission in London.

But it is for his pioneer work with aluminium structures that he will be chiefly remembered and his aluminium alloy bridges at Hendon Dock, Sunderland and at Victoria Dock, Aberdeen created world-wide interest.

It was, therefore, only fitting that at the official opening of the latter bridge by the Queen Mother, he should be presented to that Gracious Lady.

Mr. Walker, who with his wife resides in a village in Buckingham, lost a son – an officer cadet serving with the Royal Engineers in India – from dysentery during the late war, but has a married daughter who is a Domestic Science Mistress in a London school.

T. A. KENNEDY (1902-6), who was also a member of the first Committee of the Association and Joint Secretary in its second year, spent the first 22 years of his working life as a journalist with the local *Gazette*. But in 1928, he joined the business established by his father and known as Messrs. Allan Kennedy & Co. Ltd., Engineers, Stockton, was in charge of its first London Office, and in 1932, on the death of the elder Mr. Kennedy, became Managing Director of the firm. Since then, rapid progress has been made, and the "Safetread" speciality of the firm, which is now housed in commodious new premises on the site of the old Ropner shipyard, has acquired a world-wide reputation. In 1952, a reorganisation turned the firm which had hitherto been a private company into a public company, and Mr. Kennedy was created Chairman of Directors, while his son took his place as Managing Director and his brother, R. L. KENNEDY (another Old Boy) became Works Manager.

In his search for business, our old friend, Tom – Member of the Institute of Structural Engineers – whose health, we regret to say, has not been too good in recent years, has travelled widely. A short time ago, he went to the United States and in the near future is contemplating a visit to South Africa.

Especially in the Norton district, few men are better known than Mr. T. H. HEAVISIDES, A.M.I.MECH.E. (1898-1901). Serving his apprenticeship as a draughtsman at Messrs. Blair & Co. Ltd., he afterwards worked in the drawing offices of Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd., Messrs. Dorman, Long & Co. Ltd. and Messrs. Furness Shipbuilding Co. Ltd. But for the past 14 years he has been employed by Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd., first as a Designer Draughtsman and latterly as a Site Engineer, Painting Manager and Contractor's Manager. Recently however, he has retired from Billingham under an age agreement and is now engaged in the Engineer's Drawing Office at Haverton Hill.

During the First World War, he served with the Royal Engineers where he attained the rank of Captain, and we can well remember him in the early days of the conflict riding through Stockton High Street on a horse which seemed to have some objection to carrying so distinguished a warrior.

From 1904 to 1938, he represented Norton at cricket, and whether batting, bowling or fielding was one of the most attractive personalities in the district. Indeed, it is the considered opinion of that great cricketer, Mr. C. L. Townsend, that had Mr. Heavisides had the time and the opportunities, he might easily have played for England. As it was, he played for Durham County on several occasions (notably against the South Africans in 1907).

For forty odd years, he was a teacher in the Evening Classes and there are thousands of students – many of them now grown men who occupy responsible positions – who have cause to thank him for the

skill and thoroughness with which he imparted Structural Graphics, Mathematics, Drawing and such like engineering subjects.

Apart from his main occupations, he found recreation in fishing and shooting, and though we ourselves have never had the privilege of eating or even seeing any of his spoils, it is on record that in one season, a friend and he caught 387 trout.

A great lad is Harry and one of our very best.

At the rapidly expanding works of the Eaglescliffe Chemical Co. Ltd., at Urayl Nook, Old Stocktonians appear to be fast laying claim to all the principal jobs.

At the moment, W. H. MORROW (we remember him best as a soccer player with a tremendous left foot shot) is now Joint Managing Director: Dr. D. WILLIAMS is Chief Research Chemist: T. H. JEAL, S. MORTON and D. B. IDLE are Plant Managers: E. TWIDDY is Fertiliser Sales Manager: P. BELL is Assistant Plant Chemist: R. BROWN is Assistant Research Chemist: L. MUIR is in the London Sales Office and G. MORGAN is Assistant Buyer.

We recently visited this works, were very much impressed by its progress in all directions, and, judging by many of its smells, came to the conclusion that it was making a valuable, if somewhat odorous, contribution to the national weal.

W. I. MORROW, B.Sc., son of the W. H. Morrow mentioned above, is now on the Instrument Research Staff at Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd., Billingham.

To F. POTTER, Secretary of the great I.C.I. project at Wilton – courteous, unassuming and efficient as ever – we wish a speedy return to complete health.

On leaving School, L. MYERS (1921-26) started work as a Junior Clerk in the Accounts Dept. of Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd. In 1935 (by this time, along with W. N. MOSS and A. SUTHERN, both of whom are now in the Accounts Dept. at Billingham) he had qualified as a Chartered Secretary), he attained the position of Staff Officer – a position for which, by temperament and disposition, we think he is peculiarly fitted – and in 1946 was transferred to the Castle at Wilton, where from his office window he can gaze over miles of beautiful country. Surely no one can have a job with a more glorious setting.

F. R. CURRY, B.Sc. (Eng.), A.M.I.MECH.E., A.M.I.MAR.E. (1931-6) gravitated to Wilton via Messrs. Shipbuilding Co. Ltd., Messrs. Courtaulds Ltd., and Personnel Administration Ltd., and now has a job the aims of which are to suggest methods by which more work can be done in less time. We are contemplating seeking his services in clearing weeds out of our own garden.

Among other Old Boys now employed at Wilton are G. PREST (1923-7) Instrument Engineer: H. WINDSOR (1923-29) – Progress Engineer: W. C. GRIFFITHS (1924-28) – Establishment Officer: R. POTTER (1924-31) – Works Clerk: F. S. WILSON, A.M.I.Struct.E., A.M.I.Welding (1927-33) – Structural Draughtsman: F. CARLING (1929-34) – Technical Clerk: W. COOK (1932-37) – Instrument Draughtsman: F. N. VINEY (1932-37) – Lab. Assistant: R. L. COULSON, A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I.STRUCT.E. (1933-38) – Civil Draughtsman: G. H. HUNTER (1935-40) – Wages Clerk: W. PEARSON, H.N.C. in Mech. Eng., G.I.MECH.E. (1937-41) – Mech. Draughtsman: P. S. PATTERSON (1938-43) – Cost Clerk.

During the summer, we were privileged to meet D. SUMMERS, PH.D., A.R.I.C., who was home on leave for the purpose of placing one of his three children in an English school. Dr. Summers, who is attached to Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd., is at present Production Manager of the Magadi Soda Co., Magadi, being 75 miles south of Nairobi and outside Mau Mau territory. Nevertheless, we understand that Mrs. Summers sometimes finds it advisable to go about armed with a revolver, although she confesses that she is always frightened lest it should go off.

F. G. HUNTER, last year's School Captain, is now at Keble College, Oxford, studying such abstruse subjects as Philosophy, Economics and Politics, preparatory to going to a Theological College. In due course, when Geoffrey becomes a Bishop, we hope that he will put his signature in our autograph album.

It is years ago since we last saw A. STAINSBY, who now from his editorial chair presides over the destinies of the *Darlington and Stockton Times*. In a letter, which we recently received from him, Andrew, who has a daughter aged 23 and a son aged ten, speaks longingly of his schooldays and refers to the present day need for "loyalty to old associations, to traditions, to one's friends, to one's job and to one's fellows" - sentiments which we feel sure will find an echo in the hearts of every member of our Association.

In 1906, a silver watch was presented for good timekeeping to C. W. LUDBROOK, then an apprentice at Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease and Co. Ltd.

This year, Mr. Ludbrook, now Manager of the Constructional Dept., was presented with a second watch - a gold one - to commemorate his 50 year's association with the firm.

J. GILLSON, who is at present attending a sandwich course in Mech. Engineering at the Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough, was this year adjudged to be the best apprentice in Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co. Ltd.

Ever since the building of the first ship at Haverton Hill, towards the end of the First World War, Old Stocktonians have been actively associated with Messrs. Furness Shipbuilding Co. Ltd.

In recent years this Company has achieved a reputation as one of the premier oil tanker building firms of the world. The tonnage launched last year alone ranks second in the United Kingdom and represents a very high contribution to the world tonnage afloat today.

Many Old Boys, some ageing, others youthful, are to be seen in and about the offices and shipyard, each playing a part in his respective branch of the Industry.

In the Engineering Section, Old Boys are represented by FRED ALCOCK (00-05) Chief Mechanical Engineer, ALEC DUNCAN (30-33) Assistant Chief Mechanical Engineer and HARRY HEAVISIDES (1898-1901) Engineering Draughtsman.

The problems relating to the design of vessels are in the capable hands of DICK ILEY (02-07) head of the Designing Office.

EDWIN FIELDS (38-42), of the Estimating Dept., has been recently joined by JIMMY TEASEDALE (42-47) after having gained his B.Sc. in Naval Architecture at King's College, Newcastle.

ERIC BROWN (31-36) one of the Association's most ardent workers, is the sole representative on the commercial side of the shipbuilding

business, and still manages to devote a great deal of voluntary time to the various duties which befall a Stockton Town Councillor.

In the Electrical Dept., BILL HADAWAY (33-38) and ARTHUR OUTHWAITE (40-44) are engaged in Drawing Office work, whilst RON SMITH supervises installation work on ships afloat as Foreman Electrician.

GEORGE DAVIS (24-29) is now Assistant Constructional Engineer and TOMMY LEWIS is engaged on welding design applicable to ships.

The Ship Drawing Offices, too, carry a large percentage of "younger" Old Boys; B. ROBSON-CROSS (49-51), D. FOULGÈR (47-52), W. DAVIS (47-52), J. GRIFFITHS (42), D. GRAHAM (47-52) and J. COLTMAN (47-51).

ARTHUR WILLIAMS (22-27) in his capacity as Assistant Labour Manager is largely responsible for maintaining the good relations existing in the Shipyard, whilst DENIS HARDIE (34-39) continues in his duties as Building Berths Manager.

FRANK SIMMONS (05-10) is assisting in the Personnel Manager's Dept. and the Piecework Dept. is represented by HARRY TINKLER (32-36) and ALF HUTCHINSON (27-31).

DR. HENRY MILLER, our guest of honour at the last Annual Dinner, qualified at Newcastle in 1937 and then spent a year in the John's Hospital, Baltimore, U.S.A., working in pathology. He has held positions in several London Hospitals and served as a neurological specialist in the R.A.F. during the late war. Dr. Miller is now in practice as a consulting physician at Newcastle and is also a Lecturer in Neurology at the University of Durham. He has written numerous contributions to medical journals and is the joint author of *Progress in Clinical Medicine*.

When BERNARD GOODERICK was on holiday during the summer of 1953, cruising round the Norwegian coast, the vessel in which he was a passenger, became wrecked two miles off shore, near Alesund. Bernard was compelled to change his holiday plans and eventually embarked upon a coach tour of the fjords. It was during this time that he met Miss R. D. Olsen of Kristiansand and a happy friendship developed. Old Boys of the 1934-39 period, who knew "Goodie" so well, will be pleased to learn that he and Miss Olsen were married at Kristiansand Cathedral in July of this year. The service was mainly in Norwegian but some parts were in English for the benefit of guests from this country. Bernard successfully made his wedding speech in the native tongue, and a feature of the ceremony was the wearing of full evening dress by everyone present.

P. V. PRINGLE, writing to us from Dublin, states that he was enrolled as a scholar on the opening day of the Old School at Nelson Terrace, in 1896. Mr Pringle suggests that an effort be made to discover how many other "Foundation Scholars" are in existence today. Perhaps this information can be made available for our next Year Book? So come on you '96-ers, make yourselves known to the Hon. Sec!

To T. A. GEIPEL we offer our heartiest congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of his marriage (14th August, 1954) to Miss G. Hudson, whom many Old Boys will remember, from the School Office. T.A.G. is now doing National Service, has two stripes and assisted in the organisation of the Northern Command Military Tat'oo at Leeds, this summer.

J. KERR, we understand, is finding National Service so attractive, that he is taking a Regular Commission.

C. GRANT, Sub-Lieut., R.N., who left the School, at a tender age, for Dartmouth, married Miss N. Pears (29th July, 1954). Best wishes to them both! Miss Pears is also a former pupil of the Grangefield Grammar School.

It is a tidy number of years since FRANK L. SCAIFE passed through the School as a scholar of the old Higher Grade School as it then was. He is a member of a well-known and highly honoured old Stockton family, his father (now dead) being Alderman W. J. Scaife, sometime Mayor of Stockton-on-Tees. Frank completed his schooling before the School acquired its later cognomen of the "Secondary", and in 1905 entered the local gas works under the then Gas Engineer, Mr. William Ford. He had made the correct choice in a career and went from success to success for he later became an Articled Pupil to Gas Manager, Mr. Matt. Dunn, rising in course of the years to the exalted position of General Manager of the Stockton Division, Northern Gas Board, from which post he retired a few months ago, full of honours after 50 years service at the one undertaking. The half century he has known has been eventful in the world of Gas Engineering and the Stockton Gas Works has grown and grown until its output is now five times that of far away 1905. Size of Plant has grown proportionately, especially during these later years when Mr. Scaife has been the presiding genius, and a recent extension of the Carbonising Plant has added even more considerably to the productive capacity of the works. Mr. Scaife is a Member of the Institution of Gas Engineers, and a Member of the Institute of Fuel.

His professional duties as a Gas Engineer have been by no means sufficient to absorb all his energies. A keen and talented musician, he has for many years served Brunswick Methodist Church as Organist and Choirmaster, with distinction and devotion worthy of so high a service. Many young people owe much of their enthusiasm for music to his skill and kindly encouragement. Music is indebted to him also as Chairman of the Stockton Musical Festival, an institution which has made gigantic strides during the relatively few years of its existence.

In other respects Mr. Scaife has entered very wholeheartedly into the social life of the district. He has been President of the Stockton and Thornaby Rotary Club, President of the Stockton Cricket Club of which he is an old playing member, and to return to the professional side of his career, President of the North of England Gas Managers' Association.

Old Stocktonians wish him a long, a happy and an active retirement.

Old Stocktonians will be delighted to learn that RONALD LUDBROOK has been appointed a Director of the Power-Gas Corporation (Australasia) Pty. Ltd. - the Melbourne Subsidiary of the Power-Gas Corporation, of Stockton.

After experience in many departments of Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co., with whom he commenced in 1931, Mr. Ludbrook went to Travancore, in Southern India, where he was in charge of the gasification section of a fertiliser factory. At the end of 1947, he moved to Sindri, Bihar, where, as Chief Resident Engineer, he was in charge of the erection of the large fertiliser factory for the Government of India. Mr. Ludbrook returned to Stockton in November, 1952, for four months before going to Melbourne as Contracts Manager to the Power-Gas Corporation (Australasia) Pty. Ltd.

Somewhat unkindly, we thought, W. A. STAINSBY introduced us to a friend of his as "the gentleman who had reduced him to his present extreme state of ignorance". But somehow the genial Bill's state of ignorance does not seem to agree with the success which is attending his business in the vicinity of Church Place, Middlesbrough.

Dr. F. SNOWDON, now occupying a prominent position in the Chemistry line at Billingham, writes very kindly about his days at the Old School and pays tribute to "that small group of teachers who could hardly be excelled in their wonderful teaching ability and in the affection that their pupils, later their friends, held for them".

SERGEANT G. FIRMAN (his letter is dated 24th November, 1953), writing from Austria after a year in exile there, writes in appreciation of the Year Book, and tells us that the limit of his powers of conversation in the local language can be summed up in the phrase "Eine flaschen bier, bitter", the meaning of which is "one bottle of beer, please". He sends his kind regards to all Old Boys of his time (44-49) and says that, wherever he has gone wearing his school blazer, he has become the centre of attraction so that he has felt rather like an adventurer of old showing the colours of the Old Country.

H. L. HILL (1917-22), L.D.S., R.C.S. (Eng.), who is in practice at Sutton, Surrey, expresses a desire to visit the new School, "of which there was talk even in his time", and tells us how glad he is that an old school friend, W. V. HARRIS, M.Sc., A.I.C.T.A., F.Z.S., etc. (for 25 years in the Colonial Agricultural Service - now Principal Scientific Officer at the Commonwealth Institute of Entomology, South Kensington) has recently come to live near him. Mr. Hill's twin brother, S. E. HILL, by the way, is now in Canada.

In the corner of his letter to us, W. A. THATCHER, M.Sc (1922-26) remarks that the new Headmaster has a kindly face and then goes on to say that he regards kindness as the only quality absolutely indispensable in a Headmaster. Mr. Thatcher has had a most varied career. From 1930 to 1940 he was a teacher; from 1940-3 he was with the Air Ministry, from 1943-6 with the Rolls Royce Co. The next six years he was Headmaster of a Secondary Modern School at Dewsbury. Now he has blossomed out as a capitalist and is a Director of both the West Riding Brass Works Ltd., at Batley, Yorkshire and of Messrs. W. A. Thatcher Ltd., Valley Rubber Works, Rhondda, Glamorgan. Dare we ask Mr. Thatcher, for auld acquaintance sake, to let us have a few shares - gratis, of course - in one or both of these flourishing concerns?

Some months ago, during the course of a professional visit to him, we asked BEN. F. STURMAN why he had never got married and his reply was that he hadn't had time. But he then qualified his statement by remarking that in his younger days, when he was more susceptible to that kind of thing, suitable ladies of his acquaintance had shown a woeful hesitation in whispering their sweet nothings to him.

Just before our visit, Ben had spent a holiday in Belgium, and, as a prominent member of the Billingham Rotary Club, had extended fraternal greetings to the Rotary Club of Burch. From his own account, these greetings, delivered as they were in Nelson Terrace French, created a profound sensation.

Mr. Sturman, as befits an F.B.O.A. (Honours) and an F.S.M.C., is now Senior partner in the firm of Messrs. Sturman, Liddle & Co. the well known Tees-side opticians, the Junior Partner being another Old Boy, F. HUDSON, F.B.O.A.

In the 1953-4 Year Book, FRANK WARD (1945-52) was reported as being one of the very few (five) who had been admitted to the Honours School of English Language and Literature at the University of Manchester. Frank now writes to tell us that we made an error - that he is in fact at Sheffield University and that he was one of eight who entered the Honours School there. He concludes his letter as follows: "I hereby agree with all you say about Mr. Brooke - a fitting tribute to a fine gentleman - we all loved Tibby".

At the age of 11½, DAVID LIVINGSTON (1925-30) informed the Headmaster, the late Dr. Crockett, that he intended to earn a living as a full-time poet. Now, 30 years later, he describes himself as a prosaic established civil servant with a fully fattened midriff, who reads detective stories with avidity, who finds the *Daily Express* easier on the mind than *The Times*, who smokes his three ounces per week, and who intends to buy another car as soon as the second-hand market appears to be stabilised. Moreover, he has a wife (an ex-Flight Officer in the W.A.A.F.), with a sense of humour and with a capacity to make their home comfortable and to serve up meals that are the subject of admiration of their many friends and visitors. And to crown it all, he lives in a riverside bungalow on the north bank of the Thames between Old Windsor and Datchet and from his own landing stage can row to the "Bells of Ouseley" for a pint of the nut-brown when he feels inclined.

All the above will be of special interest to his special friends, T. F. SOWLER, H. G. MILLER (both of whom can also boast of well established midriffs), W. H. COATES, B. BERRY and F. BOWEN. It will be of added interest for them to know that David, after serving in the R.A.F. as a Squadron Leader (Administrative Branch) in the Middle East during the War, in succession acted as Assistant Airport Manager at Northolt - Airport Manager at Prestwich - and Airport Manager at Northolt - and is now on approval loan" from the U.K. Ministry of Civil Aviation to the international body of the same name, his special job being to advise the Lebanese Government on the administration and operation of a large new international airport which has been built at Beirut.

Few Old Stocktonians can lay claim to such a meteoric career as W. H. COATES (1925-32), Awarded the Pemberton Exhibition at University College, Durham, in 1933, he graduated with B.Sc. Honours in Chemistry, while among other distinctions which fell to him, he regularly represented his University at Rugby football and was the Hon. Secretary of the Athletic Union.

On leaving the University, he obtained an appointment as Research Chemist at the British Titan Products Ltd., Billingham: in 1939, he was made Plant Manager; in 1945, Works Manager; in 1947, Works Manager of a new Titan Products at Grimsby, while in 1949, he became Technical Manager, his duties including the charge of the design and development of new plant and processes at Billingham and Grimsby, as well as of other Titan Products works in Tasmania and India. Further responsibilities fell to him in the early part of 1954, when he was seconded as General Manager of Titanium Intermediates Ltd., a new company formed to manufacture Titanium compounds, one of which is of particular value in the fabrication of high speed aircraft.

In 1950, Mr. Coates was elected an Associate Member of the Institute of Chemical Engineering, while he has had the honour of presenting

technical papers in London to both the Society of Chemical Industry and the Fertiliser Society.

And yet, despite his ever growing importance in the Chemical world, he remains the unassuming boy whom we knew at School – in fact he is just “Wink”.

R. COWAN (24-28) was first articled to Mr. G. P. Stainsby, A.R.I.B.A. (himself a distinguished Old Stocktonian) and on the expiration of his articles sought further experience at Dewsbury and later as Chief Assistant to the Stockton Borough Architect where in 1939 he obtained the A.R.I.B.A. qualification. War service in the R.A.F. followed and then in 1946 he not only took a wife but set up in business for himself in Stockton. Now, modest, quiet and courteous as ever, he can sometimes be found in his office at 20 Finkle Street, and if his conversation occasionally strays to his two small girls – well, we like him all the better for that.

After leaving School, where he was one of the star pupils of his time, L. W. PENNOCK (1915-21) joined the firm of Messrs. Harland, Chartered Accountants, with the intention of obtaining a qualification in the same profession. On second thoughts, however, he preferred Income Tax work, and having survived the necessary examination became an Assistant Tax Inspector in succession at Bradford, Halifax, Darlington and Middlesbrough. Now, having obtained his commission, he is a fully fledged Tax Inspector in the Church Road offices, and has a girl at the Grangefield Grammar School and also a younger boy. We have always liked Wilfrid, but regard with the greatest suspicion all the members of his profession.

One day during the summer, we had the pleasure of taking lunch with G. L. WALTON, now the Manager of the National Provincial Bank at Bournemouth, which we understand is regarded as one of the plums of the banking profession.

Our talk during lunch was largely reminiscent, so much so that we forgot to ask him about the successive steps which had led him to Bournemouth.

But we learned that his brother, ALAN WALTON, is now in a bank at Birmingham, that CHRIS HOGGETT is in a bank at Hull, and that GORDON BEARDS is Manager of Lloyd's Bank, Harrogate.

OLD BOYS' APPOINTMENTS AND SUCCESSES

- H. E. Allison, National Certificate in Electrical Engineering with endorsement in Light and Sound; Higher National Certificate in Electrical Engineering with endorsement in Applied Mechanics.
- G. W. Bailey, Higher National Diploma in Electrical Engineering.
- T. Birchall, Higher National Certificate in Chemistry.
- W. J. Cowley, Higher National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering.
- J. R. Dix, Higher National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering with Distinction in Structural Graphics.
- F. Draycott, National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering.
- N. Errington, City and Guilds' Final in Plumbing.
- G. L. Fordy, President of the Northern Counties Federation of Building Trades Employers.

- G. M. Harvey (23-26), formerly Draughtsman at Messrs. Worth MacKenzie Ltd. and Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd., appointed Director of the Edmonton Branch, British Oxygen Co.
- R. Hayes, B.Sc. University of London with 2nd class Honours in Chemistry.
- J. B. Hewlett, Higher National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering.
- N. F. Johnson, Higher National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering with endorsement in Mechanics of Fluids.
- A. H. Nicholson, late Manager of Colne Gas Works, appointed Divisional General Manager, Blackburn Group of Gas Works.
- K. Reed, Gen. Cert. Ed. at Advanced Level in Pure and Applied Maths., and at Scholarship Level in Chemistry.
- J. Short, Higher National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering with distinction in Theory of Structures, Structural Design and Surveying.
- Councillor L. H. Smith, appointed Chairman of Billingham Urban District Council and Governor of Grangefield Grammar School.
- A. Stoddart, Higher National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering with endorsement in Industrial Administration.
- A. Walker, Higher National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering.
- H. Walker, Higher National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering.
- T. W. Whiting, B.Sc., F.I.M., lately Chief Metallurgist with Messrs. Guest, Keen and Nettlefolds (Midlands) Ltd., now appointed by Canadian Government to be Chief Metallurgical Consultant to the Royal Canadian Navy.
- T. M. Williams, Higher National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering.
- J. A. Teasedale, B.Sc., King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne (Durham University), in Naval Architecture.
- F. A. McLellan, B.Sc., London University, with Second Class Honours in Geology (University College, Hull).
- F. Pallett, appointed Secretary, Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co. Ltd., Pretoria, South Africa.
- T. Dodds, has been appointed Deputy Superintendent at the new Power Station under construction at Ince on the Ship Canal.
- G. S. Horner, B.Sc., London (University College, Hull), Assistant Master, Sir William Turner's School, Coatham.
- R. N. Robinson, B.Sc., King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne (University of Durham) ; appointment in Cotton Research, Manchester.
- R. Waller, President, Tees-side Branch of the Purchasers' Association.
- G. Morgan (1939-43), appointed Buyer to Eaglescliffe Chemical Co. Ltd.
- C. Bailey, lately Chief Instructor, Army Boys' School, Aldershot ; Warrant Officer R.A.E.C., appointed to take charge of Education Centre in Germany.
- G. O. Tarren, B.Sc. (Architecture), King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne (University of Durham).
- K. E. Clark, Scholarship in Sociology to Hatfield College, Durham.
- B. V. Wren, B.Sc., King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne (University of Durham), in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering.
- A. D. Bowron, Intermediate Examination in Laws, University of Birmingham.

- J. S. Franklin, National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering with endorsement in the Principles of Electricity; Higher National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering with endorsement in Industrial Administration.
- G. Hunter (46-53), First Public Examination, Keble College, Oxford.
- Rev. A. Robinson, B.A., Leeds and College of the Resurrection, Mirfield; Vicar of Helmsley; appointed Vicar of Danby with Castleton and Fryup.
- J. R. Ditchburn, Higher National Certificate in Electrical Engineering (Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough).
- A. Jones, Higher National Certificate in Electrical Engineering with distinction in Electrical Engineering and Applied Mechanics (Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough).
- G. R. Jewitt (School Captain 1949 and 1950) has gained B.A. with Honours in English, at Sheffield University.
- R. T. Clayton, B.A. with Honours in History (Sheffield University).
- C. I. Ayres, B.Sc. (Chemistry).
- G. Griffiths, B.Sc. with Honours in Geology (Birmingham University).
- L. Smith, B.Sc. (King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne).
- J. D. Rugg, Engineer, Air Ministry, Dishforth.
- J. A. Smith, awarded Scholarship to Constantine College (Electrical Engineering) by Messrs. Dorman, Long & Co Ltd.
- A. Manners, B.Sc. (Hons.), Manchester; late of Messrs. Reyrolle's, Hebburn-on-Tyne, appointed to the Research Department of the Electrical Controller and Manufacturing Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A.
- C. A. Willis, B.A. (Honours), Durham; appointed to the Staff of Frederick Natrass School, Norton, Stockton-on-Tees.

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- H. L. Hill, L.D.S.,
R.C.S. (Eng.) 55 The Ridgeway, Sutton, Surrey.
- S. Dumble 30 Hartburn Avenue, Stockton.
- T. M. Dumble 30 Hartburn Avenue, Stockton.
- W. Stewart 7 Derwent Street, Stockton.
- H. Ray, A.I.H.G. 44 Raby Road, Stockton.
- R. A. A. Dodds 8 Salisbury Terrace, Stockton.
- J. McDonald, M.A. .. 8 The Moorway, Tranmere Park, Guiseley,
Leeds.
- P. V. Pringle (1896-98).. 13 Madison Road, Kilmainham, Dublin.
- A. I. Barker 4 Kensington Road, Stockton.
- K. E. Clark 53 Jubilee Grove, Billingham.
- C. E. Mowforth 4 Clifton Avenue, Eaglescliffe.
- J. D. Rugg Yew Tree House, Thornton-le-Moor,
Northallerton.
- J. A. Teasedale, B.Sc. .. 55 Belasis Avenue, Haverton Hill.
- S. North 38 St. Peters Road, Stockton.
- A. W. Duncan, B.Sc. .. 7 The Avenue, Fairfield, Stockton.
- D. J. Johnston, L.A.C. S.S.Q. Staff, R.A.F., Titchfield, near
Fareham, Hants.

LIST OF NEW ORDINARY MEMBERS

(Also Changes of Address and Corrections Included)

R. K. Aycliffe-Jackson	W.O.II	8 Cambrai Road, Colchester.
J. Addison		26 Stranton Street, Thornaby.
W. Auton		14 Maple Grove, Sedgfield.
P. Burke		3 Cambridge Road, Thornaby.
A. M. Bowman		116 Durham Road, Stockton.
P. B. Bycroft		56 Webster Street, Stockton.
T. Bellis		9 Cedar Crescent, Eaglescliffe.
W. Corkell		23 West Avenue, Billingham.
J. Collingwood		School.
C. Craggs		8 South View, Bishop Middleham, Ferryhill
I. Cameron		9 Acacia Road, Stockton.
P. M. J. J. Dee		6 Brisbane Grove, Hartburn, Stockton.
F. W. Dobby		34 Pine Hill, Epsom, Surrey.
W. A. Davis		16 Balmoral Avenue, Billingham.
R. B. Ellis		10 New Road, Billingham.
J. Fenwick		64 Brendon Crescent, Billingham.
R. Forward		2A Boyne Street, Halifax.
C. D. Grant		c/o 48 Monckton Road, Shiregreen, Sheffield, 5.
J. Graham		1 Harlsey Road, Hartburn, Stockton.
E. S. B. Goddard		Windermere Road, Stockton.
T. R. Gair		8 Teesdale Avenue, Billingham.
J. Gilliland		44 Station Road, Sedgfield.
J. Harris		120 Malvern Road, Billingham.
R. Harrison		10 Station Road, Norton.
R. P. Helliwell		Grasmere, Eaglescliffe, Co. Durham.
N. Harris		27 Gladston Street, Stockton.
R. T. Hardwick		22 High Street, Wolviston, Co. Durham.
E. Holmes		10 Sycamore Tce., High Clarence, M'bro.
D. J. Johnston		Station Sick H.Q. (Staff), R.A.F. College, Cranwell, Lincs.
G. Lancaster		c/o 31 Ocean View, Whitley Bay, North- umberland.
J. R. Lofthouse		87 Norton Road, Stockton.
D. E. Lyth		5 Kingsley Road, Stockton.
I. B. Laing		53 St. Cuthberts Road, Stockton.
D. Moss		48 Dundas Street, Stockton.
K. Murray		28 Laurel Street, Stockton.
J. W. Milner		19 Cobden Street, Stockton.
I. McKinlay		56 St. Vincent Street, Haverton Hill.
J. F. Neal		90 Arlington Street, Stockton.
D. J. Nash		18 Sunnybrow Avenue, Billingham.
P. J. O'Neil		3 Centenary Crescent, Norton.
D. C. Orris		23 Linden Avenue, Stockton.
M. Porritt		26 Grosvenor Road, Stockton.
W. Purchase		Sunnybrow, Letch Lane, Carlton, Stockton
D. J. Pilbrough		222 Kilwinning Rd., Hatfield, S. Rhodesia.
K. Patterson		45 Mill Lane, Billingham.
H. D. Race		19 The Avenue, Fairfield, Stockton.
R. Routledge		27 Birkley Road, Norton, Stockton.
F. W. Simmons		34 Stanhope Road, Stockton.
G. R. Smith		24 Gloucester Terrace, Billingham.
A. Scott		42 Rievaulx Avenue, Wolviston Grange, Co. Durham.
J. B. Towl		2 Milner Road, Norton, Stockton.

R. S. Thompson, B.Sc.,	
M.F.D.	89 Junction Road, Norton, Stockton.
G. A. Thompson	13 Alnwick Grove, Stockton.
K. S. Thornton	16 Linden Avenue, Stockton.
D. W. Train	105 Camden Street, Stockton.
C. M. Wells	20 Kensington Road, Stockton.
P. Whitton	42 Cambrian Road, Billingham.
H. Williamson	118 Cotswold Crescent, Billingham.
P. W. West	31 Sycamore Rd., Fishburn, Co. Durham.
I. Wilson	18 Hartburn Lane, Stockton.
P. J. Williams	Riverside, Teesbank Avenue, Eaglescliffe.
A. Wrigglesworth	1 Alder Road, Stockton.
C. Willoughby	10 Matlock Gardens, Wolviston.
R. L. Douglas	The Lodge, Hollymount Nursery, Wooler Road, West Hartlepool.

(For those Old Stocktonians who may be wondering why their name is not listed above, it should be pointed out that the comprehensive list of Members of the Association is only published every THIRD YEAR. The foregoing list includes New Members since 1st January, 1954, and any changes of address or corrections applicable to existing Members.



ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954

LIFE MEMBERS

<i>Income</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward 1/10/53 * ..	408	9	6	Transfer to General Fund	32	0	0
Bank Interest	10	7	7				
New Life Members.. .. .	66	1	0				
Additional to original subscriptions ..	2	5	0	Balance 30/9/54 *	455	3	1
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* Includes £10 5s. 10d. Balance
T. B. Brooke Fund

C. W. KING AND G. G. ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL FUND

<i>Income</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward 1/10/53 ..	112	8	11	Prize Money paid	3	0	6
Bank Interest	2	16	4	Balance 30/9/54	112	4	9
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	115	5	3		115	5	3
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GENERAL FUND

<i>Income</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward 1/10/53 ..	30	11	2	Year Book and Postage	74	13	6
Discount - Blacketts, O.S. Ties ..	17	1	1	Loss on Dinner	2	18	0
Coronation Dance	9	9	8	President's Badge Insurance	10	0	0
Coffee Morning	8	0	6	Wreath - Remembrance Day	1	0	0
Interest	1	11	11	School Bible	1	10	0
Subscriptions.. .. .	27	13	6	Postage, etc.	2	4	4
Ex L.M. Fund	32	0	0	Balance 30/9/54	25	18	0
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	108	13	10		108	13	10
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Audited and found correct } N. E. GREEN, *Hon. Auditor*
 } G. D. LITTLE, *Hon. Treasurer*

RULES
of the
OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

(Revised December 1952)

1. The name of the Association shall be the "OLD STOCKTONIANS". The Old Stocktonians aims at continuing friendships and preserving that spirit of comradeship which ought to exist among those who have been educated at the same school. These aims are to be achieved by means of social, recreative and educational pursuits.

2. The Association shall be open to the Old Boys of the Grangefield Grammar School, formerly known as the Stockton Secondary School for Boys, and originally known as the Higher Grade School. Past and present members of the Staff are also eligible.

3. The Officers of the Association shall be :

- (a) Three Presidents, who shall be the present Headmaster, the Founder of the Association and an Old Boy.
- (b) Six Vice-Presidents.
- (c) A Treasurer.
- (d) A Secretary and Assistant Secretary.
- (e) An Auditor.

These together with twelve elected members shall constitute the Committee of Management.

With the exception of the present Headmaster and the Founder of the Association, all Officers and other members of the committee shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting which shall be held in the third week of October each year.

4. In committee seven shall form a quorum.

5. Members will be encouraged to form sections for specific activities, but must first obtain the approval of the committee of management.

6. The Annual Subscription shall be Two Shillings and Sixpence (2/6) payable on the 1st January each year. For the *first year* only after leaving school the subscription shall be 1/-.

In lieu of an Annual Subscription a Life Subscription of Thirty Shillings (£1-10-0) may be made.

All Life Subscriptions shall be paid into a separate account at the bank out of which there shall be transferred annually into the General Fund such sum as the committee shall determine, not exceeding 1/- in respect of each Life Member.

7. The rules of the Association can be altered only at an Annual General Meeting, and then only by a two-thirds majority of those present at the meeting. All motions for any such alteration shall be submitted in writing at least 28 days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.

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