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A Message from the Headmaster

(C. L. HALL, ESQ.)

In this Jubilee Year, greetings are sent from the School to all Old Boys, many of whom we meet at the Annual Dinner, on Committee, in Public and Professional life, at Old Boys' Matches or on their visits to School to see us.

My service here during the past two years has been made fuller by the splendid support and friendship of Mr. Fieke who has maintained and strengthened the bonds between Present and Past. He has served the Association and the School with enthusiasm and manifest goodwill.

Again we have had the pleasure of fellowship and reminiscences of our Mr. Baldwin and Mr. T. B. Brooke, and the School has pupils from a large number of the homes of Old Boys.

I am proud to record the continued success of the younger generation in Scholarship, on the Games Field, in School Societies and Productions. The Friday Choir, the C.C.F., the *Everyman* production will be fully reported elsewhere and indicate the many sides of modern School Life. In numbers we have 540 pupils, a Sixth Form numbering over 70 and the continued promise of the maintenance of sound traditions and progress.

Every good wish to your personal success and happiness, and to the Association as it faces another sixty "years on".

A Message from the Old Boy President

(E. H. FIEKE, ESQ.)

During schooldays our first real friendships are usually formed, but later, as we leave for University or Industry, those happy companionships tend to terminate. At first we promise to correspond with one another, or meet again during the vacation, or even join the same club, and vow that we shall renew our old relationship at every possible occasion.

How many of us recall "Old Nobby" who surprised everyone with his 100 yards in 10.4 secs., or even "Stinker" who delighted in making porridge from school blotting paper and sulphuric acid? Of course you will remember them! but where are they nowadays? Well, "Nobby" is a successful Bookmaker on Tyne-side, and "Stinker" manages a chain of Restaurants in Bootle. It's rather funny how we came to learn of their respective whereabouts - all through a brief conversation with a supporter on the terrace at Ayresome Park during the interval. If only we could find out the addresses of these two old stalwarts - but our records are blank.

We hope you will take heed - don't let YOUR name be just a memory! May we impress upon all scholars to join the Association when their schooldays are over. For those established Members it would be extremely helpful if they would notify the Secretary of any change of address (your Committee spends many hours, from time to time, trying to locate those who have left the district). Without this information, we cannot guarantee a copy of the *Stocktonian* reaching you each year.

At all times we welcome news from Old Boys, however trivial it may seem, and we have never yet refused a subscription! The ideal way of renewing your friendships can easily be achieved by an appearance at the Annual Dinner.

The year 1956 marks the 60th Anniversary of the opening of The School, and we consider it fitting that we should have at our disposal some knowledge of the whereabouts and activities of as many as possible of the 3,000-odd boys who have passed through The School since 1896.

A Calendar of Events

(Make a note of these dates)

BADMINTON (Mixed):

Season commenced on Wednesday, 21st September, 1955 and continues thereafter on Wednesday evenings (7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.) in the Boys' Gymnasium, until the end of March, 1956. Old Boys, Girls and Senior pupils of both Schools are invited to participate. Further particulars from MR. H. WILLIAMSON, 118 Cotswold Crescent, Billingham or from MR. L. J. THORNTON (School Staff).

Note: Badminton will be suspended during School holidays, viz., 21st to 31st October, 1955; 20th December, 1955 to 9th January, 1956 and 23rd March to 9th April, 1956.

"TOP OF THE FORM" (B.B.C.):

The School has been selected to represent the North East area in this popular radio series. The first round is being transmitted on Monday, 17th October, 1955, and subsequent rounds will be advertised in the *Radio Times*.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Thursday, 3rd November, 1955, in the Library, Grangefield Boys' Grammar School (7.30 p.m.). Detailed agenda enclosed with Year Book.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE:

Old Boys are again invited to assemble in the School Hall on Friday, 11th November, 1955, at 8.55 a.m. for a short Armistice Day Service.

SCHOOL SPEECH DAY:

Thursday, 15th December, 1955, in the School Hall at 2.35 p.m. Distribution of Prizes by G. H. METCALFE, Esq., M.A., Director of Education for Durham.

SCHOOL PLAY:

This year the School will be producing *Julius Caesar* in the Grangefield Hall on Friday, 16th, and Saturday, 17th December, 1955, at 7 p.m. Tickets will be available at the School towards the end of November. It is hoped that Old Boys and friends will give their support.

CAROL PARTY:

This will take place in the School on Monday, 19th December, 1955 (7 p.m.). All welcome.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL DINNER:

Tuesday, 20th December, 1955, in Spark's Cafe, High Street, Stockton-on-Tees, at 7.10 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. Tickets, price 7/6, are now obtainable from the Hon. Secretary. Remittance to be made at time of application.

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

At Grangefield, Monday, 2nd January, 1956 (kick-off 10.45 a.m.). Those who wish to represent the Old Boys should contact Mr. W. A. DAVIS, 16 Balmoral Avenue, Billingham.

RELIGIOUS SERVICE (JUBILEE YEAR) :

To commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the opening of the School (1896 - 1956), a Service will be held in the Boys' Hall at Grange-field on Sunday, 15th January, 1956 (2.30 p.m.). All Old Boys, their wives and friends, and the Staff and pupils of both Schools are invited to be present. A further invitation is extended to Old Students of the Girls' School. Further details will be announced in the local press nearer to the actual date.

FRIDAY CHOIR :

The Choir will perform extracts from all six parts of Bach's Christmas Oratorio in the Parish Church, Stockton-on-Tees, on Monday, 16th January, 1956 (7.30 p.m.). *Soloists*: Joan Hancock and Cecil Lackey. *Organist*: Cyril Maude.

OLD STOCKTONIANS' ANNIVERSARY BALL :

Thursday, 19th January, 1956, in the Maison-de-Danse, Stockton-on-Tees (9 p.m. to 1 a.m.).

This Dance is to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the opening of the School. Music will be provided by Jack Marwood and his Orchestra. Tickets, price 12/6, including Buffet Supper, may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary or any of the following :

E. H. FIEKE, ESQ., 19 Sutherland Grove, Norton-on-Tees.

J. A. CARTER, ESQ., 13 Imperial Crescent, Norton-on-Tees.

L. J. THORNTON, ESQ., 52 Roseberry Road, Norton-on-Tees.

Come along and enjoy the fun ! Spot Prizes.

Late Transport available. Reserve YOUR tickets NOW ! (Order Form enclosed with this Year Book.)

"MERRIE ENGLAND" :

The School hopes to stage *Merrie England* shortly before Easter, 1956. (Dates not known at time of going to press.)

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH (Old Boys v. School) :

Thursday, 19th July, 1956 at 2 p.m. on the School ground. Old Boys wishing to play are again asked to communicate with TOM SOWLER at 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn. (In view of this being Jubilee Year, the Headmaster has kindly invited the Old Boys' Eleven for Lunch at the School.) Tea will also be available for Old Stocktonians, their wives and friends during the afternoon.

From the Editor's Chair

It was pleasing and gratifying to learn that ERNEST FIEKE, in spite of a temporary decline in health at the time, accepted the Old Boy Presidency for a third session. We are happy to record that his recuperation was soon complete and that before long he was pursuing his duties with increasing vigour.

The forthcoming Anniversary Ball, at which we hope to renew many old acquaintances, first came into being at the instigation of our President.

In addition to his many obligations within the Association, Mr. Fieke is a regular visitor at Grangefield and takes a personal interest in the various functions held during the School year.

In fact, he is seen so frequently on the School premises, that many youngsters have a dreadful feeling that the School Attendance Officer is on the prowl again! How mistaken they are! Inwardly, he feels like one of them . . . outwardly - well, he's just AN OLD BOY.

"Excess of expenditure over income" is a phrase which may haunt those least interested in finance, so one can, therefore, readily understand the nightmarish look on the face when our Treasurer, GEORGE LITTLE, scans the list of unpaid subscriptions each year. How relatively simple his task would be if every Old Boy, now in possession of *The Stocktonian*, would make a special effort to remit any outstanding monies to him!

The volume of work which confronts Mr. Little throughout the year is of a large order and we often marvel at his willingness to cope with the situation so speedily and efficiently. We hope for an early reversal of this "adverse balance of payments".

We were extremely sorry to learn that EVAN BALDWIN was compelled, through indifferent health, to stay indoors for several weeks during last winter. The fine, sunny weather, however, which was soon to follow, seemed to bring a new lease of life for this "Old Warrior" and before very long he was "on the warpath again" hunting out Old Boys, here there and everywhere, and eventually extracting from them much of the news that is printed in the following pages of our Year Book.

We are indebted to MR. C. L. HALL, MR. W. H. MUNDAY and all their Colleagues of the Staff for keeping us posted of current events at Grangefield. Without their help and co-operation, the link between School and Association would not be as strong as it is today.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL DINNER

The 1954 Dinner was held in Spark's Cafe, Stockton, on Tuesday, 14th December. Once again we were most grateful to Mr. John Spark for many of the facilities provided on this occasion.

At first, our enjoyment was marred by the news that Mr. Fieke, Mr. Baldwin and Dr. Kinnes were unable to be present through illness.

The number of Old Boys in attendance was 77 and they were greeted by Mr. Little (Acting Old Boy President in the absence of Mr. Fieke) and Mr. Hall, the Headmaster.

We were happy to renew the acquaintances of E. Scholes (First President of the Association, 1913 - 14), H. Pickles and H. Lodge - to mention only a few - and it was good to see the familiar faces of father and son in E. Dobson (1902 - 04) and W. Dobson (1934 - 39).

Our principal guests were Mr A. T. S. Zealley (Director I.C.I.) and Councillor L. H. Smith (Chairman of Billingham Urban District Council).

Mr. G. D. Little in his opening remarks, stated that it was the wish of the Association, that those who were prevented from attending due to indifferent health, would soon make a rapid recovery. It was hardly necessary, he said, to introduce the guests, who were so widely known and had accomplished so much in the Tees-side area. A special welcome was extended to the two Vice-Captains of the School, David Church and Arthur Smart and Mr. Little hoped that they would soon join the great family of Old Boys.

In proposing the toast of the "Old Stocktonians", Mr. Zealley said that he was delighted to be amongst friends of an Association and School with which he had had many personal contacts. During the time of the Presidency of Alderman Allison (1931 - 34) and the Head-mastership of Dr. Kinnes, it had been his pleasure to become a Governor of the School. Referring to Mr. Baldwin as a very great gentleman from a great School, he hoped that he would soon recover from his illness.

Mr. Zealley went on to say that 188 Old Boys were at present employed by I.C.I. Ltd. and many of these held eminent positions. The ever growing list of Old Boys' successes, which appeared in the Year Books, was most amazing and the Association and School should be proud of such a fine record.

There was a great need at the present time for more "technical men" in industry, but first of all these people had to be trained at a School where they received a broad education. Schools such as the Grammar School provided this education, and they were responsible for supplying the need which existed for young men widely trained and cultured before they began specialising for their career.

The Schools should also persuade men to take up technological careers. There was a great joy in pursuing such a career in modern industry. It was intensely absorbing, and Mr. Zealley did not think that a man could have a more satisfying or delightful life.

Councillor Smith, an Old Stocktonian himself, proposed the toast of "The School". His memories of schooldays were not always happy but on the other hand, not necessarily dreadful! However, he owed a lot to those who had given so much assistance and guidance in the educational world. It was pleasing to note that the School continued to advance in its achievements, in spite of present day controversial talk about the younger generation.

In the Country, today, the biggest essential was for those people who were prepared to accept responsibility, and it was only right and proper that those who showed initiative should be given something in return for their endeavour.

In responding to the toast of "The School" Mr. C. L. Hall, Head-master, thanked the previous Speaker for his remarks about the School and hoped that Old Boys would take advantage of the opportunity of visiting Grangefield whenever possible. As a newcomer to this area he was honoured to have been accepted into the fellowship of Old Students. During the past year at School it had been a pleasure for him to see Mr. Brooke back in harness as a "stand-in" master.

After a short interval, Mr. T. B. Brooke presented a Cricket Shield to David Church, one of the two Vice-Captains of the School. The Shield, he said, had been fashioned out of the wooden frame of the Old Boys' War Memorial, and he was pleased to announce that each year it would be presented to the winners of the Old Boys' versus School Cricket Match.

Entertainment followed in the form of community singing and the evening's proceedings came to a close with a vote of thanks from Dennis Foulger - the youngest member of the Committee.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was held in the School on Thursday, 21st October, 1954, when twenty-three Old Stocktonians were present. The Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 30/9/54 showed a balance of £487 3s. 1d. in the Life Members' Fund, and the balance of £25 18s. 0d. in the General Fund. The Treasurer's Report was adopted.

Mr. Baldwin stated that no call had been made on the Benevolent Fund during the Year, the amount at the Bank being £343 4s. 7d.

Mr. H. D. Hardie, Hon. Sec., gave a resumé of the work of the Association during the previous year, and thanked the Officials and Committee for their co-operation and helpfulness during his term of office.

Proposed by Mr. J. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. D. H. Shepherd, a motion calling for an amendment to Association Rules was carried unanimously. The following words were added to the end of existing Rule 3: "AND THE COMMITTEE SO ELECTED SHALL BE EMPOWERED TO CO-OPT ADDITIONAL MEMBERS".

ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

Old Boys assembled in the School Hall together with Staff and Scholars at the Armistice Day Service on Thursday, 11th November, 1954. Wreaths were laid at the Memorials by an Old Boy and a present pupil of the School.

ANNUAL RUGBY FOOTBALL MATCHES

Old Boys versus School

This year two matches were held: the first, on Boxing Day, the second on Monday, 28th March, 1955.

The first game was played under very good conditions, resulting in a fast, close contest. The Old Boys were again well held by the School in the first half (score 3 - 3). However, in the second half the Old Students had more possession of the ball and finally won by nine points to three, a good run through by Nicholson being spoiled by his crossing the dead-ball line.

The "official" game of the year was spoiled by the inability of the Old Boys to turn out a full team. The fitter School Team, playing a more open and vigorous game, triumphed by 21 points to 6 - a well deserved victory. It is to be hoped that next year, more Old Boys will come forward to ensure that a full team is turned out - if only as a matter of courtesy to our hosts, the School.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH

Old Stocktonians v. The School - Thursday, 14th July, 1955

The Old Boys seem to have relinquished honours, in this fixture, to the School. This year it was difficult to raise a team, and only ten, including a reserve, managed to arrive for the game.

Scores were closer this year. The School batted first and cannot be said to have built a score by steady team-work. Six of the eleven were removed without scoring, and the wiles of W. Tennet with the ball were too much for most of the players. Gordon Lake, a Fourth Former and the youngest member of the side, however, took all the bowlers in his stride, and scored 28 not out. He and Rosser made 40 of the School total of 66. The Old Boys, on the other hand, spread their runs more evenly and only two failed to score, but they were unable to reach the School total by ten runs.

With the Old Boys continuing to fail in this way, it is rumoured that a proposal may be made that the Staff v. Old Stocktonians might be a better match, for the former, at least, managed to draw with the School. Probably such a fixture would not prove an attraction to the School generally and would be better played out of School hours.

Old Boys' Team : G. Armstrong, H. G. Farrington, J. B. Hodgson, C. Kendall, C. Raine, T. F. Sowler (Capt.), W. Tennet, B. R. White, D. Williams, H. Williamson.

(Next year - Jubilee Year - will it be possible for the Stocktonians to turn out their First Eleven in a match against Stockton or a side gathered by Mr. Baldwin, with proceeds for an agreed charity ?)

BOWLS MATCHES

This year the weather proved much kinder and we were able to arrange two fixtures with the West End Bowling Club (on a home and away basis). Both matches proved to be very popular (in spite of the Old Boys not being in a winning vein) and it is hoped that this will become an annual event. George Gowthorpe at 49 Yarm Road, Stockton (Tel. 68241) is still anxious to hear from "Budding Drakes"!

OLD STOCKTONIAN TIE

Ties (Black ground with diagonal stripes of Green, Pale Blue and Gold) may still be purchased from Messrs. Blackett & Son Ltd., High Street, Stockton - price 8/6.

OLD STOCKTONIAN BLAZER BADGE

Following a preliminary announcement last year, about 30 Old Boys expressed a desire to possess badges in the event of a design being approved. We can now state that a firm order has been placed with Messrs. H. & W. Martin, Tailors, 51 High Street, Stockton, for manufacture of the badge, but unfortunately delivery cannot be effected before about the end of November. Those members who made application to the Hon. Sec. are asked to make their purchases direct from Martins later this year. It is expected that the cost of the badge will be about two guineas.

ABOUT FINANCE

The balance in the General Fund at 30th September, 1955 (see details on following pages) shows that Members' subscriptions are not what they might be. Our annual appeal brings very little response in comparison with the number of Members on our books. It is therefore, with some reluctance that, in future, we shall have to remove the names of those who are three years in arrears with subscriptions, and of course, this also means that their copies of the Year Book will not be forthcoming. The remedy lies in the hands of defaulters themselves.

The Life Membership roll has increased by 40 during the year and this is considered to be a very satisfactory state of affairs. Can this figure be surpassed in the forthcoming year? The capital standing to the credit of the L.M. Fund is only slightly decreased each year, since the accrued interest practically offsets any transfer to the General Fund.

During 1953-4, a few Life Members (who joined at the original rate of 25/-) remitted an extra five shillings, thus bringing their subscription up to the present level of thirty shillings. Last year, however, the response to our appeal was negative.

Perhaps we may count on further support in the coming months. We are still the willing recipients!

BENEVOLENT FUND

Since the last issue of the Year Book, two small calls for assistance have been made on the Fund and both were regarded sympathetically by the Trustees.

At the moment, the Fund has a balance of £331 16s. 0d. with one rather large loan still to be repaid, and since, during the last seven or eight years, the calls on the Fund have been few and far between, the Trustees have unanimously decided to suggest to the General Meeting that, while keeping the capital sum ready for eventualities, the Bank interest should be given to the School as an annual prize, this to be known as the "Old Stocktonian Prize" and to be allocated at the discretion of the Headmaster.

Applications for assistance from the Fund should be addressed to:

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

DELVING INTO THE PAST! (MORE EXTRACTS FROM PREVIOUS YEAR BOOKS)

Thirty years ago :

- (a) N. E. GREEN elected Hon. Auditor (a "regular" ever since).
- (b) J. SPARK elected Member of Durham C.C. Became Governor of School.
- (c) Benevolent Fund inaugurated.
- (d) School Speech Day revived, after lapse.
- (e) School won Centenary Cup at Railway Athletics Meeting.
- (f) C. H. O'GRADY collected sixteen of the thirty-three points with which his House won Swimming Cup.
- (g) Poor state of Cricket Ground referred to (is History repeating itself?).
- (h) W. H. BOUCH graduated B.Sc. and took up employment abroad. (Still overseas, and corresponds at regular intervals.)
- (j) J. W. WARDELL appointed Chief Draughtsman, Head, Wrightson's Forge. (Still with that Company and was a Speaker at one of our recent Dinners.)

Twenty years ago :

- (a) W. R. BALL retired. (Last member of the original 1896 Staff.)
- (b) School Roll - 330 pupils. Sixty-six sat School Cert., of which 57 passed, with 26 Matriculations.
- (c) "Fifty-five persons of quality" attended Annual Dinner. W. A. STAINSBY toasted (and roasted!) our School. Come again soon, Bill!
- (d) REV. F. H. BRITTON, B.A. graduated M.A. and ordained Priest. (Always offering his services to School and Association whenever required.)
- (e) T. F. SOWLER graduated B.Sc. Nowadays Captain of Old Boys' Cricket Team and active Member of Committee.
- (d) D. J. BAIRD of Rochester, N.Y. was reported to have visited E. J. BATTY of Chigago, Ill. (Is the U.S.A. Branch of our Association still in existence?)
- (e) Mention of threat to "seat" of ALD. C. W. ALLISON (Past President). (Still interested in the welfare of Stockton and recently broadcast on the town's future.)
- (f) The name THIRLWELL appears in our news. (One of the early scholars and responsible for recent photographs in the Year Book.)

School News

ATHLETICS

The athletic season, if not outstanding from the point of view of record breaking, was notable for two reasons: (a) the pleasantness of the competitions, combined with the spirit of the competitors, (b) the entry in the Durham County Grammar School Sports for the first time.

Valuable experience was gained by the team in the County Sports. Many of the boys had never seen a cinder track prior to this competition and all found the surface somewhat strange after hard grass tracks. A very young side, however, emerged 11th out of a field of 22 Grammar Schools. This must augur well for future teams, as it is now intended to enter the competition annually.

The Tees-side Inter Grammar School Sports - held this year at Coatham, a triangular match with Acklam Hall and Sir William Turner School - held at Grangefield, and a very pleasant Sports Day completed the programme.

As almost all of last season's athletics team are available this year, the School is looking forward to the coming season with pleasant anticipation.

Full Colours were awarded to: P. Dickenson (Capt.), J. D. Welford, A. McFarthing, D. Wilbraham, J. Andrew, M. Burdus.

SPORTS DAY RESULTS

(18th July, 1955)

JUNIOR:

100 yds.	1, Lowery. 2, Turnbull. 3, Povey. (12.4)
220 yds.	1, Gillet. 2, Harries. 3, Nevison. (29.9)
Hurdles	1, Knight. 2, Chapman. 3, Turnbull. (13.4)
H. Jump	1, Hunter. 2, Chapman. 3, Parker. (4' 2")
L. Jump	1, Lowery. 2, Hepburn. 3, Stephenson. (15' 4")
Javelin	1, Kennedy. 2, Ayre. 3, Brennan. (88' 9", record)
Relay	1, Cleveland. 2, Tees. 3, Dunelm. (59.8)

INTER:

<i>Hurdles</i>	1, Code. 2, Sinclair. 3, Brownlee. (16.8)
100 yds.	1, Andrew. 2, Fawcett. 3, Campbell. (11.3)
220 yds.	1, Andrew. 2, Goodier. 3, Sinclair. (25.5)
440 yds.	1, Andrew. 2, Sinclair. 3, Leighton. (57.8)
880 yds.	1, Roberts. 2, Slee. 3, Cattermole. (2 m. 16.3)
<i>H. Jump</i>	1, Lloyd. 2, Poole. 3, Heald. (4' 7")
<i>L. Jump</i>	1, Goodier. 2, Wood. 3, Campbell. (16' 11")
<i>Javelin</i>	1, Hodgson. 2, Scott. 3, Teasdale. (124', record)
<i>Discus</i>	1, Teasdale. 2, Walls. 3, Hodgson. (78' 10")
<i>Shot</i>	1, Teasdale. 2, Campbell. 3, Walls. (35' 0")
<i>Relay</i>	1, Dunelm. 2, Cleveland. 3, Oxbridge. (1 m. 48.5)

SENIOR:

100 yds.	1, Dickenson. 2, Welford. 3, Reay. (11.3)
220 yds.	1, Dickenson. 2, Reay. 3, Welford. (25.5)
440 yds.	1, Hutton. 2, Wilbraham. 3, Dickenson. (60.3)
880 yds.	1, Wilbraham. 2, Jackson. 3, Boddy. (2 m. 23.2)
<i>Mile</i>	1, Jackson. 2, Fleming. 3, Boddy. (5 m. 15.0)
<i>H. Jump</i>	1, McFarthing. 2, Dickenson. 3, Walker. (5' 2")
<i>L. Jump</i>	1, Reay. 2, Walker. 3, Wells. (18' 3")
<i>Javelin</i>	1, Merrifield. 2, McFarthing. 3, Wilson. (143' 6", record)
<i>Shot</i>	1, Burdus. 2, Logan. 3, Blenkey. (40', record)
<i>Discus</i>	1, Welford. 2, Dutton. 3, Burdus. (98' 2", record)
<i>Hurdles</i>	1, Welford. 2, McFarthing. 3, Walker.
<i>Relay</i>	1, Cleveland. 2, Dunelm. 3, Oxbridge. (1 m. 46.0)

JUNIOR CHAMPION: Lowery (10 points).

INTER CHAMPION: Andrew (15 points).

SENIOR CHAMPION: Dickenson and Welford (14 points).

Prizes presented by the Town Clerk, J. B. Haworth, Esq.

ROWING

In June, rowing was added to the "out-of-school" activities. The number of members of the Club is unfortunately very strictly limited owing to the shortage of equipment, the School not having any boats, oars, etc., of its own. The Tees Amateur Rowing Club have kindly loaned two boats for limited periods on five evenings each week. Of course, the School would prefer to have its own boats and oars; but must first wait patiently to see if the present strong enthusiasm lasts. Later, it is hoped to adopt the conventional symbol of crossed oars; for the present, it is a matter of being content with crossed fingers.

RUGBY

The 1954-55 season opened with the expectation that Grangefield would be one of the strongest Rugby schools in the county. Little opportunity was given to prove or disprove this. The very severe winter resulted in approximately half the fixture list being abandoned, and only in about six of the remaining fixtures were conditions not made extremely difficult by frost, snow or mud.

Many of last year's Senior team, are however, still at School, and as these notes are written it is with confidence that the new Season is awaited.

In Junior spheres the "Under 15" Durham County Town Cup was retained by default, since the finalists of the Northern Section of the County did not appear. This was most unfortunate since the "Under 15's" were very confident of retaining the trophy entirely by merit.

As the teams have improved, so the School has continued to improve its fixture lists. Last year, South Shields High School were welcomed; this season, Morpeth Grammar School appears for the first time amongst our opponents.

Full Colours of the Season were awarded to: J. D. Welford (Capt.), D. Wells (Vice-Capt.), K. Boddy, R. Hare, M. Stayman, A. Reay, D. Church, N. Forbes, J. Garnett.

SWIMMING GALA

(Held at Billingham Baths on 27th May, 1955)

JUNIOR

1 Length Breast Stroke : McAleer, Dodds, Clark. (32 secs.)
1 Length Free Style : Harries, Kennedy, Wilson. (27.8 secs.)
Neat Dive : Kennedy, McAleer.
Relay : Tees, Oxbridge, Dunelm. (103.8 secs.)

INTER.

1 Length Breast Stroke : Johnson, Shepherd, Youldon. (27.8 secs.)
1 Length Free Style : Hodgson, J. B., Leak, Hodgson, K. (21.3 secs.)
1 Length Back Stroke : Hodgson, J. B., Leak, Swanston. (22.6 secs.)
1 Length Towing Partner : Shepherd, Hardy, Campbell. (40.5 secs.)
1 Length Pushing Partner : Shepherd, Eley, Speight. (37.2 secs.)
Neat Dive : Hughes.
Relay : Cleveland, Tees, Oxbridge. (96.6 secs.)

SENIOR

2 Lengths Breast Stroke : Blenkey, Hare, Wright. (56 secs.)
2 Lengths Free Style : Blenkey, Hare, Wright. (41.8 secs.)
1 Length Back Stroke : Blenkey, Hare. (21.6 secs.)
1 Length Towing Partner : Boddy, Wells. (51.6 secs.)
1 Length Pushing Partner : Wells, Peacock, Boddy. (40 secs.)
Neat Dive : Hare, Peacock, Robson.
Relay : Cleveland, Dunelm, Tees. (92.6 secs.)

JUNIOR CHAMPION : I. McAleer. INTER CHAMPION : B. Shepherd.
SENIOR CHAMPION : A. Blenkey.

HOUSE CUP POINTS

Tees 63, Cleveland 48, Oxbridge 41, Dunelm 27.

The Prizes were presented by J. Crawford, Esq., Durham County Organiser for Physical Education.

CRICKET

The 1955 Cricket season was undoubtedly a memorable occasion for the School. The record book shows that only two matches were lost by the 1st XI and in each case revenge was attained. The great impression that the season left, however, was one of pleasant matches played in beautiful summer weather - a perfect combination! Perhaps the outstanding examples of these conditions occurred on those days when the Staff struggled gamely for a draw, and, later in the evening sunshine as the Old Boys' wickets kept falling inexorably until there were none to follow, and Grangefield retained the Cricket Shield.

As with the Rugby and Athletics teams, most of these boys still remain with the School to carry their prowess into next season and, in some cases, for quite a number of seasons.

Full Colours were awarded to : A. Spears (Capt.), J. Rosser, K. Boddy, D. Dutton, S. Watson, T. Parker, D. Church, G. Lake, A. Smart.

LAKELAND OUTING

For several years a party of boys from the School has visited the Lake District during the Easter Vacation. The main activity during the holiday has been walking, with some occasional scrambling, and it is very noticeable that boys who have attended once are nearly always keen to do so again.

Last year, the project was further extended by the inclusion of a party from the Girls' School. The younger personnel stayed at a Guest House of the Holiday Fellowship on the shores of Coniston Water, whilst the older members stayed at the Fellowship's Mountain Centre at the head of the Langdale Valley. Leaders were Mr. and Mrs. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Whitfield, Miss Patterson, Miss Wright, Miss Rutter, Miss Johnson, Mr. A. White, Mr. Durrant and Mr. P. O'Neil (an Old Boy). Walks were arranged for each day and mountain panoramas were viewed from such points as Esk Hause, Bowfell, Langdale Pikes, Crinkle Crag and Coniston Old Man.

Social activities included barn dances, whist drives and table tennis.

Such visits are never without incident. An account of one of them, which took place at Langdale, follows

It was a rather wet and boisterous afternoon and the party had returned early to find a warm and inviting stove in the common room. Wisps of smoke passing the window suggested that perhaps a good meal was in the course of preparation, but the keen of nostril were soon convinced, that the odour, far from being that of savoury cooking, came from within the room and was more suggestive of burning - the acrid smell of wood burning - in fact, floor boards burning!

Orderly evacuation followed, and Mr. A. White investigated. His findings were that the heat of the stove had set fire to the floorboards underneath. After appropriate contortions he was able to indulge in the rare luxury of discharging a real fire extinguisher! Members resumed their activities, but after only a quarter of an hour it was necessary to apply a second extinguisher. This had no more lasting effect than its predecessor and finally it was deemed better to douse the whole area with water and to put out the stove.

Hungry, as always, with exertions, the party settled down to the evening meal. It was now the turn of the keen of ear. "A fire engine!" they proclaimed, and indeed, racing madly up the Langdale Valley, was the red monster from Ambleside, its bell being answered by the ringing echoes from the surrounding hills. Apparently the warden had telephoned for advice and the Ambleside Fire Brigade, realising that this opportunity was too good to be missed, had come with maximum efficiency prepared for the worst.

The firemen did not seem unduly disappointed to find that there was no fire. They departed silently, leaving behind a most hilarious party, for the keen of eye had perceived that on their helmets lay dust!

"PRINCESS IDA"

This year's production was extended to three performances, and proved to a full house each night. As last year, almost a quarter of the School - Staff and boys - were involved to a greater or lesser degree - and, as usual, those back-stage seemed to get as much "kick" out of the show as the protagonists, and they certainly contributed as much to its success.

More of the costumes were home-produced this time, and were an artistic improvement and a great financial saving. The School is greatly indebted to the sewing party of mothers and friends who worked (and gossiped ?) for so many Thursday afternoons.

After two Gilbert and Sullivan productions, the benefits to the School, both tangible and intangible are manifold – a great deal of pleasure for performers and listeners, improvements and additions to the stage, an increase in the stock of costumes, and the discovery of a good deal of latent talent – often in unexpected quarters.

(Next year's production : *Merrie England* by Edward German.

"EVERYMAN"

This straight play was attempted in addition to the annual production of pantomime and opera. A modernised and shortened version of the fifteenth century morality play of *Everyman* was chosen, as being appropriate to the Lenten season, and as offering the further advantages of brevity, a small cast, and freedom from problems of production and finance.

The Girls' School, who were themselves considering producing the play, willingly shelved this project to co-operate most whole-heartedly in a joint production, which it is hoped will be the precursor of many others. Certainly, this "mixed" undertaking proved enjoyable for those taking part.

To avoid interference with the term's major dramatic enterprise, the production of *Princess Ida* at Easter, *Everyman* was presented in February, first to those attending a sixth forms' Conference arranged by the S.C.M., and then to a Parents' meeting. Subsequently, the production went on tour, to Bishopton, Thornaby Parish Church, Newtown Methodist Church, and Linthorpe Parish Church. Presenting the play under such diverse circumstances, whilst attempting to convey its meaning and message, gave scope for versatility and adaptability – and for a cheerful willingness that was never lacking.

"THE STRANGEFIELD WORM"

The Junior Forum presented for the third year running a "Pantomime" at the end of the Christmas term, 1954. This once more represented some of the weird goings on at the twin schools of Strangefield and Strangerfield. It is obvious that if Lambton and Sockburn have their Worms, Strangefield cannot be outdone. So the Christmas Fare became, for once, a diet of Worms. A peculiarity of the Worm was that it would not turn; yet everything that came its way was rapidly turned into worm. In the end it was so big it was enough to frighten a Horse.

Although much that occurs in a show like this is soon forgotten, it is notable that the "Atomic Acid" used with deadly effect in one of the scenes made sufficient impression on some young minds to appear in answers to the following term's chemistry exams!

It can be claimed that those who took part enjoyed their bit of fun, while the audiences at the three performances had a good laugh. Proceeds went to the Stage Fund, the object of which is to make the platform in the School Hall convertible into a Stage.

FORTHCOMING PRODUCTION OF "JULIUS CAESER"

In 1956, the School is going from the ridiculous to the sublime in entertainment, by presenting *Julius Caesar*. At the time of going to press, nearly everything remains to be done. However, it is hoped to give a lively and spirited performance of this exciting play.

Note: It is with sorrow that the School has to contradict the rumour that the services of John Gielgud, James Mason, Marlon Brando and Hedy Lamarr have been secured for this production.

THE FRIDAY CHOIR

This year's Parish Church performance followed the pattern of previous years - two works of contrasted style. Beethoven's *Mass in C* proved to be a highly satisfactory work for a quartet of soloists usually employed as a semi-chorus in contrast to the more massive writing for full chorus. The ensemble work of the soloists - Miss Pat Green, Mr. Cecil Lackey and Mr. Fred McIntyre - reached a very high standard indeed and was well matched in vitality and polish by the choral and orchestral work.

The second work, Vaughan William's *Benedicite*, was distinguished by some glorious singing by Miss Green, fine choral work and highly competent playing of a difficult orchestral score.

As in past years the orchestra was led by Mrs. Florence Wilson, the organ played by Mr. Cyril Maude, and the piano continuo by Mr. Maurice Beaver, to whose services as accompanist at rehearsals the choir owes so much.

The choir now numbers some sixty voices, but Mr. White would welcome more. Rehearsals are held in the Boys' Hall from 7.45 to 9 p.m. each Friday. Next year's work is to be Bach's *Christmas Oratorio*, for performance during January, in the Parish Church.

THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

This has enjoyed a year of steady expansion and development. The strings have been reinforced by recruits from the string classes, and the double bass (which Dr. Kinnes so kindly bequeathed to the School when he retired) is being assiduously practised in a secluded corner of a Lab., and should re-appear next session. The wood-wind section now boasts three flutes and three clarinets, and further additions are shortly anticipated. We hope also to achieve an oboe in the near future. Two trumpeters are leaving after giving good service but one or two younger boys have acquired instruments and should be ready to blow their first disciplined notes in company very soon.

Meanwhile, as always, a cordial invitation to rehearsals is extended to any instrumentalists among Old Boys - Wednesdays at 4 p.m. in the Library.

One final point of interest is that seven members of the School Orchestra are also members of the Durham County Youth Orchestra, a large number from any one School.

CHRISTIAN UNION

Following a lapse of some eight months, the activities of the Christian Union were revived during June, 1954, and regular meetings were held throughout the subsequent school year. These meetings took the form of Bible studies at which one of the senior Christians (though on occasions the Juniors had their chance) prepared brief and pertinent comments upon a selected passage of Scripture, following which those present discussed any problems arising therefrom or fired questions

about aspects of the Christian faith to the Speaker. These meetings are not held for a critical discussion upon the authorship of various biblical books, but rather that those with Christian experience might help younger Christians or any inquirers with problems and show them the worth of the Bible.

Weekly prayer meetings were held in the Library and these, though poorly attended, bore fruit in the continued interest shown by some Juniors. In an attempt to gain access to a greater number of boys, monthly meetings were held with outside Speakers, who included an Oxford Graduate in Law, an Old Boy of the School, a local Lay Preacher, a representative of the Inter Schools Christian Fellowship, and members of the Eric Hutchings Crusade, when the numerical peak of over 120 was reached. In addition, parties went to the Crusade and to relays from Billy Graham's Glasgow meetings.

The Secretary (D. C. Lawson) and Treasurer (D. G. Smith) endeavoured to carry out their duties reverently and efficiently while Mr. Lindsay proved a valuable help as adviser and expositor.

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

With I. K. Watson as energetic Secretary, the Society carried on much as usual during the Autumn and Spring Terms. There was less enthusiasm for political discussion than in the past, and even for the "General Election" on May 26th, not all the parties could find a Candidate from amongst regular members. Under the Chairmanship of the Headmaster, a large audience heard a very witty speech from R. Wrightson (IVR) who aspired to succeed G. Riddle in the Seat (as Progressive Imperialist), an earnest statement of Liberal faith from I. K. Watson, a speech from G. Lawson in support of the Conservative, D. V. Matthews (IVA), a Communist manifesto from P. Atkinson (IIIR), a Labour appeal by N. S. Collingwood (VR) and a Progressive Trade Unionist harangue from C. K. Wright (VR).

The return of the Conservative Candidate by a large majority announced at 1 p.m., showed the rest of the Country what course to follow.

At the meeting on the 25th February, the Rev. G. Anders acted as judge in the competition for the Headmaster's Prize. There were no fewer than twelve Speakers and the general level was as high as ever. J. E. M. Boland was declared the prize winner for his speech in favour of the motion: "That this House resents the social obligation to attend the musical, histrionic and terpsichorean performances of its friends".

A month later Messrs. Riddle, Hunter, Murray and Lyth were welcomed to a well-balanced Old Members' debate.

Apart from these special occasions, the Society met to discuss T.V. and the Light Programme, Town versus Country, Science and Happiness, the Victorian Sunday, and the closing of the Art Exhibition at Preston Hall. B.B.C. frivolities such as Blarney, One Minute, Please, and What's my Line?, were also indulged in.

THE SCHOOL CADET CONTINGENT (*Combined Cadet Force*)

Officers:

O.C., I. C. Collingwood, Major (Green Howards), B.A. (Hons.), Birm'm,
2/I/C., D. J. D'Arcy, Lieut. (R.A.), B.A. (Hons.), Liverpool.

The most important event of the year was the Annual General Inspection by the War Office, represented by Colonel F. K. Barnes, O.B.E., Assistant Director of Services Training, who stated in his general report:

"A well-commanded and administratively sound contingent. The turn-out and bearing on parade were a credit to the boys. I have rarely seen a keener unit, both the Officers and the boys are enthusiasts."

He recommended the engagement of a Permanent Staff Instructor for the unit, and the early provision of a .22 range in the school grounds.

The Contingent now possesses its own Hut, Armoury, Clothing and Equipment Stores, controlled by Cadet C.Q.M.S. J. Wishlade, with the help of Company Clerk, Cadet Cpl. P. Dawson. The Q.M.'s work was reported as particularly commendable. Such work offers a practical training in administration that rarely falls to a sixth-form boy anywhere.

C.Q.M.S. J. Wishlade had the exceptional privilege of attending the Sovereign's Passing-out Parade at Sandhurst on 28th July, 1955.

The Officers attended a course at Catterick Camp in January, designed to put them in close touch with the latest aspects of National Service training. Every School-leaver with his National Service in front of him, who will take the trouble to consult one of these Officers, and to heed his advice, should avoid irrevocable blunders as regards choice of Service and choice of Arm in that Service. Later, Lieut. D'Arcy went on attachment to the Green Howards Depot at Richmond, and the O.C. attended a Tactical Course at Queen Elizabeth's Barracks, Strensall. Both Officers have seen considerable Foreign Service and devote much time and trouble to keep themselves en-rapport with military matters.

The Annual Camp this year, at Gundale, was attended by a record number of Cadets and was favoured not only by fine weather, but by a first-class training programme, rounded off by a series of brilliant demonstrations organised by the 1st Btn. South Lancs. Regt and the technical arms of the Royal Signals, Royal Engineers and Royal Armoured Corps. The high-lights included an exhibition in Aerobatics by a squadron of Air Force instructors from Worksop, and a most realistic demonstration of a combined attack by tanks and infantry. Other experiences, that few Cadets will ever forget, were some thrilling Night Operations with Grimsby Cadets, the visit to the Tattoo at York, and a glorious day at Scarborough.

Musketry: Grangefield Cadets did surprisingly well to return three marksmen, three first-class and seven second-class shots when they fired their Classification Tests on the Open Range, as in the Regular Army. Their prowess in this respect was confirmed when their Field Firing Section was placed eleventh in an Open Competition at camp in which thirty-three schools took part.

The following details are also notable:

CERT. A. PART II (Section Leading):

Sgt. Bland, R. M., Cpl. Dawson, P. T.

CERT. A. PART I:

Cadet Ellis, D., Cadet Heron, J. R., Cadet Morton, D., Cadet Scott, B., Cadet Stonehouse, F. J., Cadet Taylor, A. F., Cadet Turner, M. G.

These examinations have now been standardised and the possession of a full Cert. A. denotes the capacity to hold N.C.O. rank in National Service.

Premier Cadet Award. (1954 - 5) C.O.'s Gold Medal awarded to the most promising cadet of the year, exclusive of N.C.O.'s. This was won by Cadet, now Cpl A. Reay.

Course in P.T. at Burniston Barracks, Scarborough (13th to 20th April, 1955). Cadet Cpl. Bowers, R., Cadet Cpl. Reay, A., Cadet L./Cpl. Dixon, G. W., Cadet Wilson, I., Cadet Merrifield, G. D.

All received excellent reports ; Cadet Merrifield's was outstanding.

Recruitment. It is advisable for a boy to join the Contingent at the beginning of his third year. The Officers do not desire to expand their establishment in mere numbers, but rather to create a small, yet highly efficient body of cadets with full Cert A. This not only qualifies cadets for rank in the Contingent, and virtually for rank when they do their National Service, but makes possible a nomination by the C.O. for interview by a War Office Selection Board, with a view to Sandhurst, and a Regular or Territorial Commission.

Cadets who pass out of the Basic Section by obtaining a full Cert. A. are posted to an Army Section, a Technical Section, an R.A.F. Section, or Royal Navy Section. Arrangements for appropriate training in such arms can be made with local units. There is no need for any boy who intends to join the Air Force or the Royal Navy for National Service Training or as a Regular, to seek facilities for pre-service training outside the School C.C.F. Contingent.

STAFF CHANGES

MR. D. AMBROSE, who joined us in September, 1953, to help with both Handicraft and Physical Education, was appointed Games Master at Sowerby Bridge Grammar School in January, 1954.

He is succeeded by MR. G. G. BANKS who came to us in April, 1955, from Tynemouth Grammar School.

During the Spring Term we were again delighted to have MR. T. B. BROOKE with us and also to have the valuable assistance of REV. G. ANDERS, B.Sc.

MR. F. N. TIESING, B.Sc. (Lond.) commenced duties in September, 1954, as Head of the Biology Department.

MR. J. J. BYRNE joined the Staff in April to take a special interest in the Junior School. He was already better known to many boys in the lower forms than the present Staff, as he had been for the last three years at Holy Trinity School, Stockton.

At the end of the Summer Term MR. G. LINDSAY, who succeeded MR. L. WHITE in the Workshop in April, 1954, leaves us to take up an appointment at the Whinney Banks Modern Secondary School, Middlesbrough. During his comparatively short stay at Grangefield he had taken an active interest in the Christian Union and has also done a great deal of work for other Societies, and especially on the adaptation of the Assembly Hall platform for stage performances. Mr. Lindsay has been succeeded by MR. R. A. TAYLOR, A.B.I.C.C., of Huddersfield.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION SUCCESSES, 1955

General Certificate of Education

(Figures in brackets denote number of subjects)

ORDINARY LEVEL.

Form VR :

M. Atkin (5), P. Bedingfield (4), M. Brown (6), M. Burdus (4), S. Collingwood (3), A. Craggs (4), T. Eden (1), T. B. Fawcett (2), L. Freeman (2), J. Fryett (2), D. E. Gray (1), M. D. Gray (3), R. Hare (1), J. Logan (5), P. McWilliams (1), T. Oliver (3), R. Peacock (4), J. B. Smith (3), M. Stayman (4), J. Wearmouth (3), C. Williams (4), G. Woodley (2), C. Wright (5).

Form VA :

D. Balbach (3), A. Ball (6), D. M. Battye (3), R. Bland (5), B. Boddy (2), R. Bowers (5), W. Bowman (3), F. Barton (4), J. Clark (5), E. Cooke (5), J. W. Dixon (6), A. B. Damain (7), D. Ellis (5), J. Fairless (2), R. Harbron (4), P. Kitching (5), D. C. Lawson (4), A. Loynes (7), N. Mackey (2), G. Merrifield (1), W. Milne (4), A. Reay (6), R. T. Reed (6), E. Strike (4), J. Wade (7), J. H. Walker (4), D. F. Watson (3), I. Williams (8), T. Wilson (5), A. Coombs (4), B. R. A. Hutchinson (3).

Form V Alpha :

D. Bailey, (3), R. Blakey (5), B. Brogden (2), L. Battle (1), J. Crawford (6), C. Davison (3), G. Dean (5), G. Fleming (3), K. M. Hall (1), P. Hingley (3), J. Hunter (4), R. H. Jackson (5), G. Lawson (4), D. Matthews (4), K. Mawston (1), P. Mothersdale (2), N. C. Parris (1), B. Patterson (4), K. Ridden (1), A. Wright (3).

Form IV R :

J. R. Andrew (1), G. S. Bainbridge (3), A. Baldwin (1), D. M. Barnett (1), G. M. Boyes (5), J. B. Campbell (4), T. R. Cattermole (1), W. A. Cowan (1), R. A. Cullingford (1), J. J. Davison (5), D. Dean (1), J. W. Edmunds (1), J. W. Flegg (1), P. Fletcher (4), I. W. Goodier (6), J. G. Hardy (5), M. S. Hardy (6), E. J. Hedley (4), D. R. Helliwell (5), D. W. Jewett (1), B. Lawson (1), D. Linskey (1), D. F. Lloyd (2), D. B. Slee (3), J. Snowball (1), J. R. Walls (5), B. W. Wilkinson (2), P. Wood (1).

Form III R :

H. W. Locksley (2).

(Since subjects may be taken in more than one year and either in the summer or autumn examinations, the above is not an indication of the total number of subjects in which candidates have passed.)

Lower VI :

J. Auffleck (2), G. Belshaw (1), J. Bingham (2), Blenkey (1), Boland (2), R. M. Hallmark (3), C. Hart (3), Hutton (2), Rosser (1), D. G. Smith (1), D. Spears (2), Waller (1), I. K. Watson (5), D. Wilbraham (3), D. Little (1), N. Turner (2).

ADVANCED LEVEL :

D. Church (*English, Geography, History, with Distinction in History*), Dickenson (*History*), A. Forbes (*Maths., Chemistry, Physics*), G. Garnett (*Maths., Chemistry, Physics*), Harbron (*Maths., Chemistry, Physics*), G. E. Hutchinson (*Maths., Chemistry, Physics*), D. E. Hutchinson (*Maths., Chemistry, Physics*), P. M. Jackson (*Maths., Chemistry, Phys.*), D. Lea (*Chemistry, Physics*), I. Parker (*English, History*), A. M. Sayer (*Geography, History*), Shaw (*English*), A. Smart (*Maths. (2 subjects), Physics*), Thompson (*Chemistry*), Usher (*Maths. (2 subjects), Physics, Chemistry*), J. C. Wigglesworth (*Geography, Maths., Physics*), B. R. A. Hutchinson (*Art*).

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.
- 1955: D. Wilbraham.

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.
- 1954: M. Hardy (Proxime accessit: D. Little).

CAPTAIN OF THE SCHOOL (1955-6): D. Wells.

DEPUTY CAPTAINS: R. E. Hallmark, J. D. Welford.

D. P. Church (Deputy Captain 1954-5) was awarded the Essay Prize by the Stockton and Thornaby Rotarians and this was presented by the Borough Treasurer at the End of the Year Service, which was addressed by the Rev. I. D. Edwards, M.A., Vicar of Norton.

OLD BOYS HERE AND THERE

At a recent presentation of "long service" awards to those connected with the firm of Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co. Ltd., a smiling W. GILBERT had the honour of presenting a gold watch to a smiling Dr. Rambush, Managing Director (43 years), and the photograph taken on the great occasion is one of the nicest we have ever seen.

To Mr. Gilbert himself with 47 years' service was given a chiming clock, while among other Old Boys who exceeded the 40 mark and received the appropriate awards (we do hope we have missed nobody out) were H. BULMER, C. W. CUSSONS and J. W. R. WILLEY.

We congratulate all these gentlemen who have brought honour to themselves and to the Association, and we congratulate the great firm which has recognised their integrity and their loyalty in such a practical way.

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After leaving school, W. L. WILSON (1923-27) served his apprenticeship as an engineer with Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd. at Billingham, where he obtained experience in the Civil, Mechanical and Research Drawing offices and in the Workshops and Research laboratories. Meanwhile, he pursued his evening studies at Stockton and later at Middlesbrough (where he was successful in gaining a Whitworth Prize), and finally completed his degree - B.Sc. Honours (Eng.) - at the Regent Street Polytechnic, London.

In 1936, he left Tees-side to join the Ministry of Works, where he now holds the position of assistant chief engineer and where he has been responsible for the designing and construction of high explosive plants, prisoner-of-war camps, open cast coal preparation plants, and since 1945 of atomic factories at Harwell, etc., for the study of which he spent some time in Canada.

Mr. Wilson, whose string of qualifications continues to grow, for he is now entitled to put O.B.E., B.Sc. (Eng.), M. I. Mech.E., A.M.I.C.E. after his name whilst he is also the holder of a Coronation Medal, confesses that beyond his wife (a London lady), his two small boys and his garden, he has no hobbies, yet his papers on "Heating and Ventilation in Atomic Factories" given to the Institute of Heating and Ventilating Engineers) and on the "Handling and Treatment of Liquid Radio-active Wastes" (so erudite that none but a Civil Engineer could understand what he was talking about) have received the most favourable notices in the technical press. Likewise, in what he calls the Indian summer of his cricket career, he played in an inter-departmental match a year or so ago, and his contribution of 20 in five balls (the last of which got him out) not only brought victory to his side but proved beyond doubt that his former big hitting power still remains.

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In a very "newsy" letter received by us at the beginning of the year, J. S. GILL (1916-18) recalls with pleasure the members of the School staff of his time and dwells somewhat wistfully on those "who were boys when he was a boy". Particularly does he make mention of the School football team with W. B. NODDINGS at centre forward, T. D. OLVER at inside left, JOCK BULMER at outside left, and himself at inside right, which then played on a field adjoining Raby Road.

On leaving school, Mr. Gill became an electrical fitter at the Malleable Works, but a year or two after his apprenticeship was finished, he joined the Post Office Engineering Dept. at Middlesbrough, and now, with a record of 30 years' successful service, ranks as Area Efficiency Engineer (Telephones).

Married in 1926 to a very musical lady, he has two sons who inherit the maternal talent, one having a handicraft business in Southport and the other being an incorporated accountant with Messrs. Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. of Middlesbrough.

Perhaps our old friend Stanley will some time bring his musical trio, already well known in Darlington where he resided for eight years, to entertain us at our Annual Dinner.

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Few of our Old Boys can have led such an active and useful life as JACK CORNER (1900-05), who immediately on leaving school became a Junior Clerk in the Goods Dept. of the L.N.E. Railway at Stockton, and who now, as Chief Clerk and Cashier with the British Railways at Scarborough, is shortly due to retire with a half century of service to look back upon.

In the formation of the Old Stocktonians' Association in 1913, he took a prominent part, was elected a member of the very first Committee, was Captain of the Tennis Section in 1914 and won the Tennis Tournament in that year, whilst he also played with distinction for the very strong Football Section about that time.

Service in the First World War followed, during which he was badly wounded in the head.

Since he left Stockton for Scarborough, he has found many outlets for his energy and enthusiasm. He is a J.P., was formerly Chairman of the Scalby Urban District Council, of which he is now Chairman of the Finance Committee: he is Chairman of the Scarborough Branch of the United Nations Association, Vice-Chairman of the Scarborough and District Boy Scouts' Association, and Vice-President of the Scarborough branch of the British Railways St. John Ambulance Association.

And whether as Churchwarden, Sidesman or member of the Parochial Council, he has rendered valuable services to the churches to which he has been attached, and politically has done much to further the cause of Scarborough and Yorkshire Liberalism.

Mr. Corner has two children - a boy who after a brilliant school and university career (Grenoble, Oxford, Sheffield) - M.A., B.Phil. (Oxford) - is now a lecturer in Economics at the University College of North Staffordshire - and a daughter who was an assistant mistress at a public boarding school at Letchworth, Herts., married the Director of Music there (he is a minor county cricketer), and now has a son aged 16 months.

And this small boy, so his charming wife informs us, has become the most fascinating of all Jack's preoccupations.

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In the last issue of the Year Book, we were pleased to congratulate RONALD LUDBROOK on his appointment as a Director of Power Gas (Australasia) Ltd. - the Melbourne subsidiary of the Power Gas Corporation of Stockton.

In a letter which we received from him, he tells us that with his family he is now nicely settled down in the southern continent, hints that the descriptions of the Australian climate which were given at School were not entirely correct, and waxes eloquent on the wonders of his new garden with its wide variety of fruits and flowers. He also reminds us that the Olympic Games are to be held in Melbourne in 1956, and that he is contemplating buying tickets immediately for fear none may be available later.

It is, however, distressing to report - a fact which will excite the sympathy of all Old Stocktonians - that Ronald's father-in-law, Mr. Harris, who with Mrs. Harris had accompanied him to Australia, died six months after his arrival there.

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It is some time since we were favoured with a letter from W. V. HARRIS, M.Sc., A.I.C.T.A., M.I.Biol., F.R.E.S., F.Z.S., who after 25 years in the Colonial Agricultural Service is now Senior Principal Scientific Officer with his headquarters at the Commonwealth Institute of Entomology, British Museum (Natural History), South Kensington. But his brother-in-law, Ronald Ludbrook (mentioned above) tells us that Mr. Harris, probably in pursuit of his beloved "Termite" research, has recently visited West Africa and Germany, and further that he has ambitions to become a member of the Urban District Council at Sutton, Surrey, where he at present resides.

There is further evidence, however, that the genial Victor is alive, for in the *New Commonwealth* - issue 28th October, 1954 - under his name (he is quoted as a leading authority) appears a beautifully illustrated and extremely readable article entitled "The war on white ants".

On his retirement a year or two ago from the post of Senior Officer in the Colonial Agricultural Service, Tanganyika, JOHN T. PURVIS, B.Sc., bought a small-holding at Aislaby near Yarm, and there with his wife and pretty twin daughters – one training to be a nurse and the other training to be a domestic science teacher – he is now happily settled down.

Recently we were privileged to look over his estate and were amazed not only at the structural improvements which almost single-handed (except for the help of his wife who is a host in herself) and in so short a time he had brought about but also at the great variety of produce which he was sending to the market. It will not be long, we consider, before "Hillcrest" becomes a model small-holding.

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One of the most interesting personalities who took part in the Old Boys v. School cricket match was DR. D. WILLIAMS (1932-38) who is in charge of the research laboratories at the Urlay Nook Chemical Works (now known as the British Chrome and Chemicals).

At School, Don, as he is known to his friends, got his colours for Rugby football, was Tennis champion, while in his final year, he was Dux of Physics and was awarded the Pemberton Scholarship at Durham University.

He, however, preferred to read Chemistry at Owen's College, Manchester, where in addition to appearing as one of the House fifteen and captaining the Tennis team, he found time to get a First Class Honours degree.

In 1941, under a scheme sponsored by the Government with the intention of training scientists for work in connection with radar, he went to the George Holt Physics Laboratories at Liverpool University where he studied under such celebrities as Professor Chadwick, Dr. Roberts, "Nobby" Rotblatt (of television fame), and T. G. Pickavance, who is now in charge of the cyclotrons and high voltage machines at Harwell.

Leaving Liverpool, he was commissioned in the signals branch of the R.A.F.V.R., saw four years' service in India, took part in General Wingate's second expedition into Burma, and in real story book fashion married a Queen Alexandra's military nurse who nursed him.

In 1946, with the rank of Flight Lieutenant and with a mention in despatches to remind him of his air force career, he returned to Manchester University where he gained the Dalton Chemical Scholarship and obtained the qualifications of M.Sc. and Ph.D., the subject of his research being the colloidal properties of clays.

Then in 1949, having fulfilled all the hopes which his father (then Joint Managing Director) told us years ago he cherished for him, he arrived at the chemical works, at Urlay Nook.

Dr. Williams is still fond of tennis, he has an occasional swim, he makes electronic gadgets, he hopefully tries the Urlay Nook fertilizers on his garden. But his chief relaxation nowadays is answering the numerous questions, repairing the toys and joining in the games of his two small girls and two small boys. And what better relaxation could he desire?

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To T. D. OLVER, M.B.E., M.Inst.Gas.E. (1917-21) recently fell the honour of being introduced to H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh, who was opening the new Compression Station in connection with the East Lancashire Gas Grid.

Mr. Olver, who is probably best remembered by Old Stocktonians as the finest batsman the Stockton Cricket Club ever had, served his apprenticeship as a draughtsman with Messrs. Craig, Taylor and Co., Shipbuilders, Thornaby, but on the closure of that firm obtained an appointment at the Stockton Gas Works. From there, ever advancing, he moved to the Gas Dept. at Burnley where he ultimately became Deputy Engineer and General Manager and where he captained the town cricket XI in the Lancashire League, thence as Engineer and General Manager at Warrington. Finally, in 1950, he obtained the important appointment of Production Engineer to the North West Gas Board, Manchester Group of Undertakings, which include the cities of Manchester and Salford, and the boroughs of Stretford, Altringham, Wilmslow and Knutsford.

Mr. Olver has one son, Michael, who after a very successful career at Lymm Grammar School, now intends to study medicine at University College, London.

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After leaving School, C. KENDAL (1933-39) proceeded to Manchester University where he obtained a B.Sc. (Tech.) Honours degree in 1942. War Service with the Royal Engineers followed (he attained the rank of Captain), and then in turn he held appointments with the Tees Valley Water Board, the Darlington Corporation and the Thornaby Corporation. In 1952, now an Associate Member of both the Institution of Civil Engineers and the Institution of Municipal Engineers, he became an assistant Lecturer in Structural Engineering at the Stockton Technical College and has lately moved to the Constantine Technical College at Middlesbrough as Lecturer in Civil Engineering.

Colin, who has some claims to be known as a cricketer, has two children, a girl approaching six years of age, and a girl still in the perambulator stage.

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It is with much pleasure that we welcome another clergyman to our ranks in the person of P. H. GOODERICK who was lately ordained by the Bishop of Wakefield.

Leaving school, Peter went to St. John's College, Durham, and afterwards served as an officer with the R.N.V.R. Following demobilisation, he proceeded to Downing College, Cambridge, where he graduated with honours in Modern Languages and Theology before going to Lincoln Theological College to complete his studies. Now, as the Rev. P. H. Gooderick, M.A., he is attached to Brighouse Parish Church.

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In letting us have his Life Subscription, F. HUDSON, F.B.O.A., who is associated with B. F. STURMAN, F.B.O.A., F.S.M.C., in the firm of Sturman, Liddle & Co., Ophthalmic and Dispensing Opticians, says that "he has been meaning to send the cheque for the last twelve months". He then goes on to tell us that he would like to see us, provided we do not recall any of the more lurid episodes of his early youth. And in the last line of his letter, he apologises for something we know not what - it may be his handwriting!

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Quite recently, we were delighted to renew our acquaintance with W. J. CRAGGS, a Sedgfield boy, who well over forty years ago (1907-11) was one of the shining lights in the School football team. The passing of time has wrought little change in the genial Billy, who, still unmarried, now presides over his own flourishing grocery and newsagent's business at 78 High Street, Stockton.

Immediately on leaving school, A. S. BROWN (1913-17) joined his father's business as an Auctioneer and Estate Agent. In 1922, this business was amalgamated with that of Mr. James Dodds under the well known title of Messrs. James Dodds and Brown. Now, in 1955, the two original partners are no longer with us, but their two sons, Mr. Graham Dodds and Mr. Arthur S. Brown, still remain to carry on in that courteous and helpful way which was such a characteristic of their fathers.

Arthur, who was elected a Fellow of the Institute of Auctioneers and estate Agents in 1928 and has long been a member of its Council, was recently installed as Chairman of the Northumberland and Durham branch of the Institute - an honour which is well deserved and which we feel will give pleasure to all who know him.

A busy man, he is a Rotarian and an ardent bee-keeper, while he also professes a liking for golf. But probably he has found his greatest pleasure in the success of his elder son, Allan, who lately has passed the Final Examination of both the Auctioneers' and Estate Agents' Institute and the Chartered Surveyors' Institute.

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Apprenticed as a plumber to the late Mr. F. W. Atkinson, H. GRIFFIN (1916-20) soon obtained his First Class London City and Guilds' qualification, and then, on the death of Mr. Atkinson in 1933, took over the business as senior partner in conjunction with Mr. Jack Arnold. Since those days, the firm of Messrs. Arnold and Griffin, Plumbers and Electricians, has gone from strength to strength and has earned an enviable reputation for sound and reliable work.

In the plumbing world, Mr. Griffin, is of course, very well known. For eighteen years, he was Head of the Plumbing Department at the Technical College at Hartlepool, while he now enjoys the unique distinctions of acting at the same time as President of the Stockton Master Plumbers, President of the Northern Federation of Master Plumbers, and, greatest of all, President of the National Institute of Plumbers.

But apart from this, he has given his services freely and willingly to many good causes. Until quite recently, for instance, he was Senior Circuit Steward of Stockton Methodists - a position now held by another esteemed Old Boy, F. L. SCAIFE: he is on the Board of Governors of the local Y.M.C.A.; he is Hon. Treasurer of the Cleveland and South Durham Institute for the Deaf and Dumb.

A first class craftsman himself, a kind and considerate employer, a man of infinite zest and variety, a really good fellow - Harold is all these and more.

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In a letter addressed from Billet 7, 2 (P.S.C.O.) Wing, 107 M.U., R.A.F., Kasfareet, M.E.A.F. 15, L.A.C. J. B. TOWL refers to the many delightful memories which he still has of his old school and mentions particularly his first detention "awarded" by Mr. Brooke and also the inimitable reading of *Pickwick Papers* by the same gentleman. He then goes on to congratulate the boys whom he knew on their successes and looks forward to April, 1956, when, with military service over, he hopes to be accepted as a candidate for the Methodist ministry.

A very nice letter indeed and it is with real pleasure that we send our greetings and best wishes to Mr. Towl.

FRANK NICHOLSON (1948-52) is at present studying for a B.Sc. degree in Horticulture at Wye College, Ashford, Kent, where one of his fellow students is Maureen Walls, the daughter of Old Boy, W. E. WALLS. It is needless to say that we wish both of them every success. Perhaps ere long, when their goal has been attained, they will be good enough to give us their expert advice as to least back-aching method of getting rid of weeds in our garden.

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Within recent months, two Old Boy architects have greatly distinguished themselves. In the first place, D. McINTYRE, A.R.I.B.A., who is consulting architect to the Dean and Chapter of Durham Cathedral, has been responsible for the design of new churches at Newton Aycliffe and at Roseworth, Stockton, and has also been in charge of repairs to the tower of the old church at Billingham.

In the second place, the very handsome new Rimswell Hotel at the Fairfield end of Stockton was designed by R. COWAN, A.R.I.B.A.

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Among the scientific lectures given in Middlesbrough during the early part of 1955 was one entitled "Welding in Shipbuilding" given by H. D. HARDIE, M.I.W. (1934-39), who is assistant shipyard manager with the Furness Shipbuilding Co. Ltd., and who also acts as the highly respected and most efficient Hon. Secretary of our Association.

Another lecturer - subject "Work Study" - was F. R. CURRY, B.Sc. (Eng.) (1931-6) who has lately been transferred from Wilton to the I.C.I. main offices in London.

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In lighter vein, GEOFFREY HUNTER, who intends to become a clergyman and is now a student at Oxford University, recently gave a talk to the local Rotarians on his experiences during a camping holiday in Norway, under the title of "Flat-feet and Blisters". Evidently Geoffrey possesses some of the humour of his father and some of the charm of his mother.

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An Old Boy in whose future we shall take a great deal of interest is D. LITTLE, who has lately been articulated to the Town Clerk of Stockton and who for the next few years will attend Law classes at King's College, Newcastle.

David is the son of GEORGE D. LITTLE, President from 1949 to 1952, Hon. Treasurer since 1952, and one of the real stalwarts of the Old Stocktonians.

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A Stockton woman, who had been blind from birth, and her husband, who had lost his sight in an accident when he was an apprentice in a fire-work factory, depended on their golden retriever, Gilda, to guide them when they set out to go anywhere. But Gilda died. It was then that H. OUTHWAITE, who has a newsagent's, etc., business in Yarm Lane, stepped in. Immediately he launched an appeal for funds, which ultimately reached the amazing total of more than £240. So that, now, a new guide dog has been purchased for the blind couple and provision has been made for helping other blind people. Good old Herbert!

Among Old Boys, it is doubtful whether anyone has earned such general respect and affection as JOHN SPARK (1897-1902), who, on leaving school, joined his father's bakery and confectionery business which then consisted of the one shop in Bishopton Lane. In 1904, he went to London to study at the Borough Polytechnic where he obtained the City and Guilds' Certificate in Bakery and Confectionery, and spent the next three or four years in acquiring trade experience in Derbyshire, Scarborough and London before returning to his old Polytechnic to add the Advanced Certificate to his qualifications.

In 1911, the first branch shop was opened in Middlesbrough, to be followed in subsequent years by numerous branches, some with café attached, scattered over the principal towns on Tees-side, while in 1939 the beautiful Daylight Bakery, erected in Bishopton Avenue, Stockton, set a seal on the fame of Messrs. Ralph Spark & Sons Ltd.

Such in brief is the story of the progress of the business, the principal partners of which are now our two Old Boys, JOHN SPARK and GEORGE SPARK. But the story does not end there. Like their father the late Alderman R. Spark, who was one of the finest gentlemen we have ever known and who was Mayor of Stockton in 1921 and again in the Coronation Year of 1937, his sons have shown a really live interest in everything that pertains to the public weal. In 1943, John became a J.P., while in 1953, after several years as a Councillor, he was elected an Alderman and remained so until a few months ago.

Following his father and his grandfather, he acted as Hon. Treasurer of Paradise Row Methodist Chapel, their joint service of eighty years stretching over the whole life of the Chapel: he is Chairman of the South Durham Deaf and Dumb Institute, ex-President of the local Boys' Brigade, and a Governor of our own Secondary Grammar School. We think, however, that his main interest has always been for the care of the sick, for, for a long time, he was Governor of the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital and at the moment is a member of the Management Committee of the Cleveland Group of Hospitals, and, as Chairman of the Committee and a man with eight grandchildren, makes the Children's Hospital in Durham Road his own particular hobby.

Thus as a business man and as a private citizen, it can truly be said that he has stamped his personality on Tees-side. But even yet we feel we have not done him justice, for our John is one of those rare individuals who prefers to do his good deeds by stealth and without advertisement - and those good deeds are many and the memory of them will live long in the hearts of men.

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D. J. PILBROUGH, who writes to us from Southern Rhodesia, and to whom we wish every kind of luck, sings the praises of that country and advises anyone, who can raise enough money to pay the fare, to pack his bag and come there. "You don't know what you are missing, believe me!" He then tells us that he is working as assistant assayer for the London and Rhodesian Mining and Land Co. Ltd. (the owners of the largest gold mine in Rhodesia), that he is receiving a "fantastic" salary, that he already owns his own car, and that he has ambitions to get a B.Sc. degree.

Finally he gives his impressions of his new country as follows: "South Rhodesia is a young country with plenty of opportunities for immigrants who wish to get on in the world. A person arriving in the Colony and expecting everything to be easy going is, however, soon disillusioned.

This is a country of wide open spaces with many regions still unexplored and one has to go only ten miles from the centre of Salisbury, the capital, to become lost in the bush. Places of great beauty abound, e.g. Victoria Falls, Inyanga (a mountainous district near Umtali) while the Zimbalue? Ruins and the Wankie Game Reserve attract many visitors.

The weather is, for the most part, kind, and we usually have a good idea what to expect. Winter, as we understand it here, means chilly mornings and evenings, a hot sun all day and no rain. It is in summer when the rains come, but preceding them from about the middle of September to the middle of November, we experience an extremely hot, dry period. The heat is not unbearable, however, because of the lack of moisture in the air, but at times during the rainy season before a storm breaks, it can be very oppressive and "sticky".

The natives of Rhodesia are a source of interest for the newcomer. Each household has its own native servant or servants and it is, therefore, easy to study their habits. The average native is very like a child in his ideas and has very little initiative. It is quite common to see natives cycling to work and wearing coloured paper hats long after Christmas is past while shops selling football stockings must do a roaring trade. Given a job to do, a native will go about it in his own leisurely way and cannot be hurried. A repetition job is ideal for him, but anything that requires thought is often quite beyond him.

House "boys" and garden "boys" live in their own hut (provided by the "baas" or "bwana") which is usually situated at the bottom of the garden, well away from the house. Here they cook their "skafu" (usually pronounced "scoff") on open fires, and chatter away to each other when the day's work is done. The bwana must by law provide one pound of meat and an adequate amount of mealie-meal (crushed maize) each day for each native, who receives his wages at the end of every month.

The roads of Rhodesia are a sight worth seeing. The main roads are for the most part good wide surfaces of tarmac, but where they have not been completed, there are two strips of tarmac about a foot wide placed so that the near and off-side wheels of any vehicle run on the respective strips. Once off the main roads, one encounters bush roads which are best described as "dirt tracks".

When visiting Salisbury or Bulawayo, one is struck by the cleanliness and absence of smoke. There are no coal fires and all heavy industries are to be found on a special industrial site away from the city. Avenues of brilliant flowering trees add colour and shade, and above them tower large buildings, some in the class of skyscrapers.

To live in Rhodesia, I have found, is to live in a land of sunshine, a land of clean cities and wide open spaces, a land of tobacco farms and gold mines, a land of good living.

Great Britain, with its fogs, freeze-ups and dismal drizzle is no longer for me. So come to Rhodesia, help swell the Empire and enjoy a place in the sun!"

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A. W. HENDERSON writes congratulating us on the excellence of the last Year Book. As one who presented himself as a scholar (along with J. L. W. RODGERS and P. V. PRINGLE) on the first opening of the Higher Grade School in 1896, he was particularly interested in our extracts from Previous Year Books. Happy at the thought that we are establishing a tradition, he seems most concerned that we cannot go back further than 40 years!

A. WALKER having completed his National Service in Korea and colourful Japan returned home this summer almost reluctantly.

K. MURRAY (1946-53) informs us that he is studying Honours French, at University College, Durham. Now in second year, but 1955-6 will be spent as "assistant" somewhere in France.

J. B. HEWLETT (1943-48) is now serving with R.E.M.E. in Korea, and has encountered at least one Old Boy in that far off land.

We understand that F. WARD (1945-52) is now working hard for Finals B.A. (Hons. English Language and Literature) at Sheffield University.

After leaving school (1947-52) ARNOLD ROBSON worked for a year on a Dairy Farm near Sedgefield, later proceeding to take a course in General Agriculture at the School of Agriculture, Houghall, Durham. Now studying for the Scottish Diploma of Agriculture at the West of Scotland Agricultural College in Glasgow.

A letter received from D. J. JOHNSTON, R.A.F., Titchfield, states that he is now back home from a casualty evacuation trip to R.A.F. Hospital Changi in Singapore. In following the affairs of the School in the local Press, with great interest, he goes on to say that he does not entirely approve of the formation of an Army Cadet Force at the School. As in his old days at Nelson Terrace, he feels that boys have quite sufficient to occupy their minds with classes all day and homework in the evenings!

It was most interesting to hear from R. B. WEARS (1902-06) who recalls his visit to Mr. Baldwin's home on New Year's Eve, 1912, to discuss with others of "a rapidly dwindling band" the formation of an Old Boys' Association. Of ten present that evening, he believes there are only five alive today. His memories of 40-odd years ago grow dim, and he goes on to say that perhaps the actual documentary evidence of that historical meeting might be produced to refresh his mind.

P. V. PRINGLE in enclosing his Annual Subscription informs us that it does not seem fifty-seven years since he left the School in Nelson Terrace to commence work as an apprentice draughtsman with Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd., Thornaby. How the years fly!

Serving as a Midshipman with the Blue Funnel Line, FRANK J. A. SCOTT (1950-1) has travelled to Malaya, Indonesia, China, Japan, Australia and the Continent.

ALAN BROWNLEE (1946-51), we understand, is undergoing a three year study course in Metallurgy at Constantine College, Middlesbrough. At present with Dorman, Long and Co. Ltd.

B. P. BRAND (1947-54) is at present reading Science at Hatfield College, Durham.

Our congratulations go to DR. D. O. OLIVER (Edin.) who married Miss M. Hardie at Edinburgh on 4th August, 1955.

JOHN W. MILNER (1947-54) is now at Durham University (University College) studying Physics and hoping to take an Honours Degree in that subject.

In Memoriam

When Mr. BREMNER retired in July, 1948, after twenty-nine years' service at Nelson Terrace, the *Old Stocktonian* commented that he was "Fortunate in having good health in which fully to enjoy his well-earned leisure".

Dis aliter visum. This hope was not fulfilled for more than a short time and after two more years of illness, blindness, and partial paralysis he died in the General Hospital at Sedgefield, early this year.

He had an unusually quiet manner in the class-room but this did not mean that he lacked confidence in himself, mastery of his subject or control of his class. Quite the contrary; his command was such that he seldom needed to raise his voice. He could, however, make the most hardened sinner uncomfortable when driven to express his contempt for the culpably slapdash or incompetent. He did not suffer fools gladly and had both a sharp eye and a sharp tongue for the absurdities and injustices of officialdom and for any form of sham or humbug. He did not set himself to attract on first acquaintance, but, as we came to know and take him as he was, his solid commonsense and complete integrity made their deepening impression on pupils and colleagues alike.

We regret to announce that DR. J. R. KINNES died on 4th May, 1955. Since his retirement owing to ill health at the end of the Summer term in 1953, our late Headmaster has suffered greatly and in the end his passing was not entirely unexpected.

Dr. Kinnes came to us in 1929 after he had gained teaching experience at the Royal High School, Edinburgh, at Gordon's College, Aberdeen, at Poitiers University (France), and later at Dunfries Academy where he was Head of the Modern Languages Department.

Educated at the Lycée, Poitiers, and at Poitiers University, he was at Edinburgh University, where he gained his half-blue for boxing, when war broke out in 1914. Immediately he joined the Interpreters' Corps, and, when this was disbanded, was posted to the 1st Battalion (Royal Scots) with whom he served in France as 2nd Lieutenant until he was wounded in 1915.

During his later service with the French army, he was again wounded, and as Captain with the General Staff near the end of the war, he was wounded for the third time, gassed and taken prisoner.

Returning to Edinburgh after the war, he gained First Class Honours in Modern Languages, and was awarded a Ph.D. for original work on literary criticism.

As Headmaster of Stockton for twenty-four years, he was a prominent member of various outside societies and organisations, and was a past President of the Rotary Club, of U.N.O., of the Caledonian Society and of the Modern Languages Association, in all of which his felicity of expression gained him many admirers.

In School, he took a special interest in music and the arts, and the profundity of his scholarship was marked by his library of 5000 books.

Essentially he was a kind man and a thoughtful man as far as the interests of his staff and boys were concerned. At one of our Old Stocktonian Dinners, Dr. Armit of Wilton (I.C.I.), who served with him in the trenches, said that Dr. Kinnes was the bravest man he had ever known. We have no cause to doubt this for, always suffering as he did from the effects of the war, he yet carried on with fortitude, courage and cheerfulness right to the very end.

W. M. JEWITT, M.P.S. (1896-1900), who died on 27th March, 1955, had the distinction of attending the old Higher Grade School when it was first opened in January, 1896, and was a member of the original Committee of the Old Stocktonians' Association. Serving his time with a Stockton chemist, he afterwards broadened his professional outlook at Shipley and Stockport before returning to his old employer in Stockton. From 1912 to 1948, he acted in turn as Manager of shops belonging to the same owner in Middlesbrough and Darlington, but in the latter year he acquired the Darlington business, which is now carried on by two of his three sons.

"Will," as he was affectionately known to all his friends, was a singularly charming personality and endeared himself to all those with whom he came into contact.

In the 1954-55 issue of the Year Book, we were privileged to write a few paragraphs about T. H. HEAVISIDES, A.M.I. Mech.E. (1898-1901), in which we spoke of his successes as an engineer, as a teacher of Evening Classes, and as a cricketer.

Now, it is our sad duty to record that our old friend of fifty years passed away on Christmas Day, 1954. For some considerable time, he had not enjoyed the best of health. But on the last occasion we saw him - this was a few days after he had returned home from the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital - he was quite cheerful and recalled with humour and relish many of the incidents of his school, his working and his cricketing days. He also took special pleasure in introducing us to his young grandson, who it was quite evident was the pride of his life.

Harry was a great character and a real personality, and as such he always had our unstinted affection and admiration.

To MAURICE SUTHERLAND, the sudden death of his wife, who was best known to many of us as Beatrice Skinner (an old pupil of the Girls' Secondary School), will come as an irreparable blow. Maurice, who is rapidly making his way as a solicitor, is now left with one small boy, and the thoughts and prayers of all of us will go out to both of them in their grievous loss.

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of ALAN HARBRON (1943-1949), at the tender age of 23 years.

He died in hospital on 6th July, 1955, following an operation.

To the relatives of these, our old friends, whom we shall see no more, all Old Stocktonians, very respectfully, tender their deepest sympathy.

OLD BOYS' APPOINTMENTS AND SUCCESSES

- John V. Addey, National Certificate in Commerce.
- T. W. Bennington, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- Derek Berry, National Certificate in Chemistry.
- Francis Botham, National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- Arthur S. Brown, appointed Chairman of the Northumberland and Durham branch of the Institute of Chartered Auctioneers and Estate Agents.
- Henry Bulman, awarded A.M.I.Mech.E. : Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering endorsement in Mechanics of Fluids.
- E. R. Callender, O.B.E., M.R.C.V.S., President Elect of British Veterinary Association.
- John B. Clark, National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- W. J. Cowley, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering endorsement in Engineering Metallurgy.
- Ronald Davies, Higher National Certificate in Metallurgy.
- J. R. Ditchburn, Higher National Certificate in Elect. Engineering.
- John A. Dumain, National Certificate in Mech. Engineering (distinction in Maths.).
- Peter M. K. Embling, B.Sc. (Eng.), appointed Divisional Manager, Chemical Plant Division, Power Gas Corporation Ltd.
- Arthur Fenwick, Higher National Certificate in Elect. Engineering endorsement in Mathematics : National Certificate in Elect. Engineering endorsement in Applied Heat, Light and Sound.
- Brian Fenny, Final City and Guilds' Certificate in Carpentry.
- J. S. Franklyn, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering endorsement in Mechanic of Fluids and Heat Engines.
- John Goodier, M.A., appointed Headmaster of Frederick Nattrass Secondary Modern School, Stockton.
- Harold Griffin, M.I.P., R.P., L.C.G.Inst., appointed President of the National Institute of Plumbers.
- John B. Hall, Ordinary National Certificate in Metallurgy.
- David Hamer, G.C.E. pass in Chemistry (advanced level).
- Keith Harland, Higher National Diploma in Mech. Engineering.
- Granville D. Hewitt, B.A. (Cambridge), appointed J.P.
- Charles Ingman, appointed Divisional Director, General Contracts Division, Power Gas Corporation Ltd.
- Norman Kelley, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- Colin Kendall, B.Sc. Hons. (Tech.), A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I.Mun.E., appointed Lecturer in Civil Engineering, Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough.
- Lawrence J. Kirk, Higher National Certificate in Elect. Engineering.
- Sidney Knowles, appointed Headmaster of Roseworth Junior Mixed School, Stockton.
- Brian Laing, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- Francis G. J. Morris, elected Town Councillor for Station Ward, Stockton.
- Kenneth Reed, G.C.E. Pass in Physics (advanced level).

- Peter F. Sanderson, National Certificate in Chemistry.
- Ronald W. Shaw, Higher National Diploma in Struct. Engineering distinction in theory of Structure and Surveying.
- Kenneth Spring, National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- J. P. D. Steadman, National Certificate in Mech. Engineering endorsement in Principles of Electricity; Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering endorsement in Mechanics of Fluids.
- W. A. Stockdale, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- Henry Stocks, Higher National Certificate in Elect. Engineering.
- Raymond G. Tash, National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- Alan Thompson, National Certificate in Chemistry.
- Harman Wadsworth, National Certificate in Mech. Engineering.
- Harry Walker, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering. endorsement in Industrial Administration.
- Charles M. Wells, Diploma in Management.
- J. C. Wigglesworth, awarded Pemberton Scholarship, Durham University.
- W. L. Wilson, B.Sc. (Eng.), A.M.I.Mech.E., A.M.I.C.E., awarded O.B.E.
- Gordon W. Christie, Staff appointment with the Department of A.C.A.S. Intelligence, Air Ministry.
- F. A. McLellan, B.Sc. (London).
- J. T. Gleave, M.A., M.Ed., Appointed Assistant Director of Education for Uganda.
- R. Walker, A.S.A.A., A.I.M.T.A.
- H. A. Waistell, Grad. I.E.D.
- Rev. G. S. G. Stokes, B.A., C.F., appointed Staff Chaplain, G.H.Q., Far East Land Forces, Singapore.
- T. M. Williams, Higher National Certificate in Mech. Engineering. At present 4th Engineer with Bolton S/S Co. Ltd.
- Rev. F. H. Britton, appointed Vicar of Burnopfield.
- J. S. Goodchild, with R.E.M.E., Benghazi; winner of Benghazi Singles Tennis championship.
- S. Rowbotham, appointed Headmaster of Kirton County Primary School (Holland) - Lincolnshire. County Council.
- D. A. Wheatley, Pilot Officer, R.A.F., Middleton-St-George.
- K. Watson, Passed final L.D.S. Part I - Liverpool University.
- G. S. Self, appointed Sanitary Inspector, Seaham Urban District Council.
- J. Fenwick, Grad. I.Mech.E. At present engaged in work study and supervisory training, I.C.I. (Billingham Division).
- J. A. Teasdale, B.Sc., appointed part-time Lecturer in Naval Architecture at Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough.
- J. C. Barker, Training Officer, Jaguar Cars Ltd., Coventry (responsible for all student and apprentice training within the Company).
- D. J. Pilbrough, Gold and Copper Assayer with London and Rhodesian Mining and Land Co. Ltd., Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.
- H. E. Allison, Grad. I.E.E. Assistant Electrical Engineer, Kent County Council.
- H. Walker, Grad. I.Mech.E., Junior Technical Engineer, Dorman, Long Ltd., Middlesbrough.

* The "technical" successes refer to session 1953-4.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

(Year Ending 30th September, 1955)

H. E. Allison	45 Adelaide Road, Gillingham, Kent.
R. K. Aycliffe-Jackson ..	29 Malvern Rd., Shipton Mallet, Somerset.
A. D. Burdon, M.P.S. ..	59 Redhill Road, Roseworth, Stockton.
S. C. Bragg	30 Bromley Road, Stockton.
J. Cheseldene	The Anchorage, Port-E-Vullen, Ramsey, I.O.M.
R. A. A. Dodds, A.S.A.A.	8 Salisbury Terrace, Stockton.
A. Fenwick	
J. A. Green	14 Cliff Road, Appleton, nr. Warrington, Lancs.
G. Gowthorpe	Meadowfields, High St., Castleton, Yorks.
G. H. Griffiths	Geology Dept., Durban Deeps Mining Co., Roode Porte, Transvaal, S. Africa.
R. Ireland, B.Com. ..	61 Wetherby Road, Harrogate.
R. Ludbrook	54-56 Elgin Street, Carlton, N3, Victoria, Australia.
D. Livingston, O.B.E. ..	"Questmede," The Avenue, Sunnymead, Wraysbury, Bucks.
Rev. A. Robinson, B.A.	The Vicarage, Danby, Yorks.
L. J. Thornton	52 Roseberry Road, Norton.
Rev. F. H. Britton ..	Burnopfield Vicarage, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
J. S. Franklin	2 Cumberland Grove, Norton.
D. J. Johnston, L.A.C. ..	S.S.Q. Staff, R.A.F., Tichfield, nr. Farn- ham, Hants.
J. T. Gleave, M.A., M.Ed.	P.O. Box 263, Kampala, Uganda.
G. M. W. Scott	15 Thornhill Square, Caledonian Road, London, N.1.
G. S. Self	41 Windsor Road, Seaham, Co. Durham.
J. C. Barker	18 Lion Fields Ave., Allesley, Coventry.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

(Year Ending 30th September, 1955)

F. Alcock	40 Hall Drive, Acklam, Middlesbrough.
C. Bell	17 Dorset Crescent, Billingham.
H. C. Bowron, A.C.A. ..	22 Jesmond Grove, Stockton.
I. Brown	24 Hazel Road, Stockton.
G. W. Christie	Coniston, Frith Road, Adlington, Kent.
J. Corner	10 Woodville Avenue, Newlands Park, Scarborough.
W. J. Craggs	70 High Street, Stockton.
T. F. Dawson	26 Kings Tce., Wolviston, Co. Durham.
J. Fenwick	64 Brendon Crescent, Billingham.
J. S. Gill	11 Malvern Drive, Acklam, Middlesbrough.
E. Greenwell	93 Stokesley Crescent, Billingham.
J. J. Henderson	273 Hilmorton Road, Rugby.
F. Hudson	2 Buttermere Avenue, Middlesbrough.
F. H. Hughes	47 Osborne Road, Stockton.
H. W. Iley	8 Thames Avenue, Thornaby.
G. Jones	27 Greylands Avenue, Norton.
R. Manistre	9 Newham Grange Avenue, Stockton.
K. Murray	28 Laurel Road, Stockton.
B. Neasham	Aingarh, Old Road, Billingham.
F. Nicholson	Tees Villa, Aislaby Road, Yarm-on-Tees.
S. North	38 St. Peters Road, Stockton.
H. Piercy	2 Conifer Crescent, Billingham.

T. Reed	3 Sandmartin Lane, Norton-on-Tees.
W. M. Reyer	8 Downholme Grove, Stockton.
J. W. L. Rodgers	82 Skirbeck Road, Boston, Lincs.
A. Smithard	Tees View, Eaglescliffe, Stockton.
W. Stanford	38 Hind Street, Stockton.
D. E. Stoddart	11 Austin Avenue, Stockton.
J. S. Stoddart	11 Austin Avenue, Stockton.
J. A. Teasdale	55 Belasis Avenue, Haverton Hill.
W. Tennet	24 Cheviot Crescent, Billingham.
W. H. Wade	11 Rugby Road, Stockton.
A. Walker	1 Moorside Crescent, Fishburn, Stockton.
H. Walker	1 Moorside Crescent, Fishburn, Stockton.
R. Walker	13 Neile Close, Romanby, Northallerton.
D. Wanless	1 Leven Street, Haverton Hill.
R. E. Ward	13 Reeth Road, Stockton.
P. W. West	31 Sycamore Road, Fishburn, Stockton.
A. Williams	8 Hartburn Lane, Stockton.
J. Wright	160 Condamine Street, Balgowlah, N.S.W. Australia.
J. S. Franklin	2 Cumberland Grove, Norton.
D. E. Lyth	5 Kingsley Road, Stockton.

NEW ORDINARY MEMBERS

(Year Ending 30th September, 1955)

G. Dewison	44 Greenwood Road, Billingham.
B. P. Brand	5 Laurel Road, Primrose Hill, Stockton.
K. Heald	32 Rosslare Road, Roseworth, Stockton.
G. Lindsay	Staff.
J. E. White	Staff.
S. V. Morris	Staff.
R. Boyd	Staff.
A. White	Staff.
W. A. Miller	Staff.
H. J. Hutchinson	40 Stokesley Crescent, Billingham.
A. Stubbs	19 Appleton Road, Stockton.
R. Gillespie	8 St. Pauls Street, Stockton.
W. A. Ward	128 Arlington Street, Stockton.
T. A. Geipel, B.Com., A.C.A.	"Lynwood," Elmwood Road, Eaglescliffe.
J. Bates	45 Greta Road, Stockton.
J. W. Addey	40 Hallfield Road, Stockton.
F. McClelland	7 Worsall Grove, Hartburn, Stockton.
H. Almond	Ex-Staff.
W. Benzies	
G. R. Smith	24 Gloucester Terrace, Billingham.
R. Hutchinson, G.I.Mech.E.	35 Chatsworth Road, Billingham.
H. W. Price	32 Linden Avenue, Stockton.
N. Price	32 Linden Avenue, Stockton.
R. B. Ellis	
K. R. Dawson	130 Central Avenue, Billingham.
E. Edwards	41 Gloucester Terrace, Billingham.
W. H. Dixon	18 Radstock Ave., Roseworth, Stockton.
K. Wrench	7 Conifer Crescent, Billingham.
D. N. Davison	26 Fishburn Terrace, Fishburn.
N. Mackay	11 Stokesley Crescent, Billingham.
T. B. Fawcett	15 Junction Road, Norton.
T. Oliver	105 Bishopton Road West, Stockton.

J. Fryett	7 Grosvenor Road, Stockton.
L. Freeman	6 Wooler Crescent, Billingham.
N. Parris	34 New Road, Billingham.
G. Woodley	7 Chepstow Close, Billingham.
M. Atkin	31 Cobden Street, Stockton.
T. Eden	28 Grangefield Road, Stockton.
R. Hare	48 St. Bernard Road, Stockton.
M. Burdus	Beehive Inn, Fishburn.
K. M. Hall	21 Mitre Street, Stockton.
P. Mothersdale	7 Prudhoe Avenue, Fishburn.
J. Crawford	5 Cowpen Lane, Billingham.
M. Brown	37 Northcote Street, Stockton.
R. H. Jackson	1 Cheviot Crescent, Billingham.
E. Shaw	4 Church View, Sedgefield.
T. M. Parker	46 Castlereagh Road, Stockton.
E. B. McCulloch	10 Pulthorpe Road, Norton.
J. E. Garnett	73 Derwent Street, Norton.
J. E. Hutchinson	6 Canberra Grove, Hartburn, Stockton.
D. Church	12 Westerleigh Ave., Fairfield, Stockton.
G. Thompson	4 Wynyard Street, Tilery, Stockton.
G. E. Hutchinson	19 Lime Grove, Fairfield, Stockton.
D. J. Lax	50 Greylands Avenue, Norton.
D. G. Bailey	8 Archer Road, Middleton-one-Row.
K. Mawston	7 Cambrian Road, Billingham.
A. N. Sayer	13 Stanhope Road, Stockton.
P. Dickenson	6 Insula Cottages, Bishop Middleham.
N. Usher	9 Weardale Place, Stockton.
H. Wright	3 Adderley Street, Stockton.
A. Smart	37 Spring Lane, Sedgefield.
C. K. Wright	52 Melrose Avenue, Billingham.
J. F. Clark	8 Kings Terrace, Billingham.

(For those Members 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 full list will, therefore, appear in the next issue of the Year Book, 1956-7).

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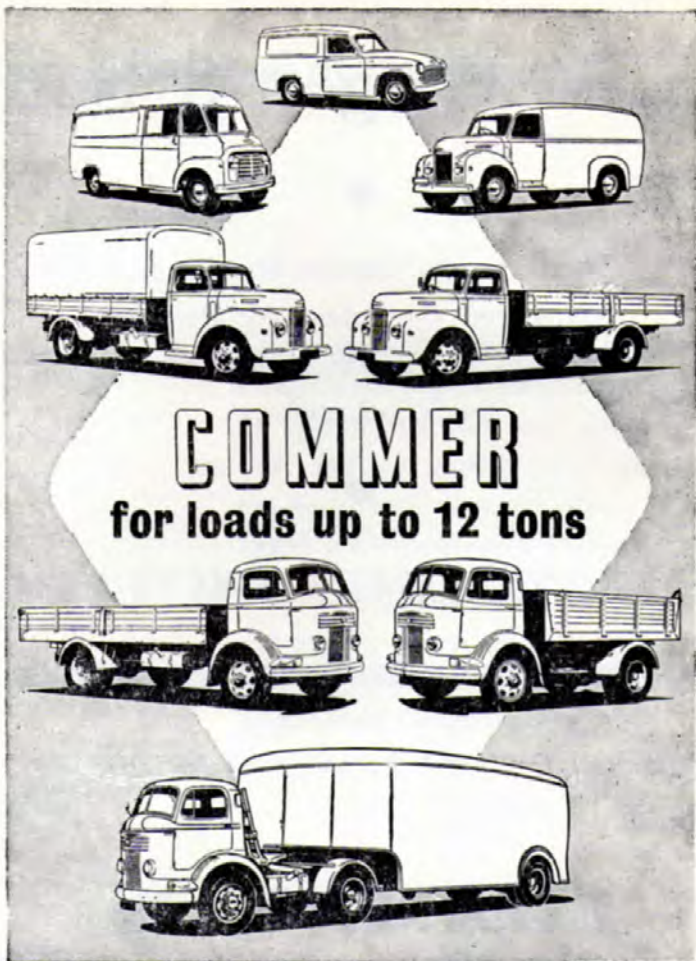
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		LIFE MEMBERS							
<i>Income</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward 1/10/54 *	..	455	3	1	To General Fund	17	5	0
Bank Interest	12	19	3					
New Life Members	61	0	0	Balance 30/9/55	511	17	4
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* Includes £10 /5/10 T. B. Brooke Fund.		529	2	4			529	2	4
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		GENERAL FUND							
<i>Income</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward 1/10/54	..	25	18	0	Insurance - President's Badge		10	0
Profit on Annual Dinner		18	0	Year Book	56	4	10
Ex Life Members' Fund	17	5	0	Wreath - Armistice Day	1	5	0
Bank Interest		4	9	Postage	2	16	11
Subscriptions	27	0	0	Balance	10	9	0
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		71	5	9			71	5	9
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C. W. KING AND G. G. ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL FUND

<i>Income</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward 1/10/54	..	112	4	9	Prize Money paid	3	2	0
Bank Interest	3	2	1	Balance 30/9/55	112	4	10
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		115	6	10			115	6	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 October, 1954)

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, and the Committee so elected shall be empowered to co-opt additional members.

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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