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Year Book



1965-66

OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

(Founded 24th January, 1913)

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING :

Wednesday, 8th December, 1965 at 7-30 p.m. in the Library, Grange-field Boys' Grammar School, Stockton-on-Tees.
(See separate agenda enclosed with this Year Book)

40th ANNUAL DINNER :

Thursday, 16th December, 1965, in the Queen's Hotel, Stockton-on-Tees, at 7-10 p.m. for 7-30 p.m. Dress Informal. (Tickets, price 18/6, may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary).

ANNUAL RUGBY MATCH (Old Boys v School) :

Boxing Day, 1965, (kick-off at 11 a.m.) at Grangefield. Those wishing to represent the Old Boys XV should contact Mr. B. P. Brand (School Staff), stating position played. A further fixture will probably be arranged during the Spring of 1966, when similar contact should be made.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH (Old Boys v School) :

Tuesday, 5th July, 1966, at 2 p.m. on the Grangefield Ground. Those desirous of assisting the Old Boys on this occasion are again asked to communicate with Mr. T. F. Sowler, 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees. (Tel. Hartburn 2286).

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Concerning Ourselves

We were particularly pleased that HARRY RAY, in spite of his many other activities, was able to accept the Old Boy Presidency for a third term of office. The sterling work which he has accomplished for the well-being of the Association over a period of many years is greatly appreciated by those who have come into close contact with him and it is fitting, therefore, that this honour has been bestowed upon him once again.

Our Honorary Treasurer, Jim Harrison, wishes to extend his personal thanks to those Old Boys whose handsome donations to the General Fund helped to overcome a difficult period, but quite rightly emphasises that prompt payment of annual subscriptions is essential if we are to continue to produce a Year Book of this magnitude in future years.

Because of commitments in other directions, our Honorary Secretary has not been able to devote as much time to Association affairs as he would have wished, and it should be appreciated that the bulk of the work involved in producing this edition of the Year Book has been accomplished by our Old friend, Evan Baldwin—ably assisted by Gordon Rattenbury at the School.

MR. SPEAKER

As this Year Book goes to press the expected news has become official, and we proudly announce that the House of Commons unanimously elected an Old Boy of Stockton Secondary School, HORACE KING to the high office of SPEAKER of the HOUSE OF COMMONS, on Tuesday 26th October, 1965.

We have not yet had time to consider what celebration of this important event we may make as a School or as an Old Boys' Association, but we do—as unanimously as the House of Commons—offer to Horace King our sincerest congratulations and express the conviction that in him the House and the Country have a Speaker who will uphold the highest traditions of our Parliamentary System—including, may we hope, the tradition of willingness to change.

Those of us who make up the present Grangefield Grammar School are well aware that we cannot claim any share in the 'production' of Dr. King, but we trust that he will understand our inclination to bask in the reflected glory! To very many boys of the school, past, present and future, the name and career of Horace King are and will continue to be an inspiration.

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39th ANNUAL DINNER

The 1964 Dinner was held in the Queen's Hotel, Stockton-on-Tees, on Thursday, 10th December, and was attended by 35 Old Boys. Our principal guests were the Mayor of Stockton, Councillor Leslie R. Lewis, and the Chairman of Billingham Urban District Council, Councillor Kenneth Bates. This was rather a unique occasion inasmuch as two Old Boys of the School were in attendance as heads of the civic affairs of two neighbouring towns, a situation which would probably never arise again in view of the proposed plans for a single tier authority for Greater Tees-side.

Mr. Harry Ray presided and the School was represented by Mr. R. E. Bradshaw (Headmaster) as well as the reigning School Captain and two Vice-Captains.

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was held in the Council Chamber of Stockton Town Hall (by kind permission of the Council) on Thursday evening 26th November, 1964 when 11 Old Boys attended. Mr. Harry Ray was elected Old Boy President for a Third term of office and Messrs. J. J. Davison, G. R. Smith, C. Sinclair and R. Wynzar were newly elected to the committee.

The Statement of accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1964, showed a balance of £694 0s. 5d. in the Life Members' Fund and a balance of £16 19s. 4d. in the General Fund.

Membership of the Association was as follows :—

Life Members	—	713
Yearly Members	—	190
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OLD STOCKTONIANS' BENEVOLENT FUND

THE credit balance of £423/1/10 on December 31st, 1963, was increased during the year 1964 by very generous donations from Messrs. A. M. Ashton, G. Beard and P. G. Dee (his second donation), totalling £10, and by interest, totalling £17/0/7.

The only expense against the Fund was £12, this representing the value of prizes given to the School.

Thus on December 31st, 1964, the credit balance was £438/2/5 as certified by Harold Dodsworth, Chartered Accountant, to whom our thanks are again due.

The Benevolent Fund exists for the benefit of Old Boys and Boys still at school. Appeals for assistance or even advice should be made to the Headmaster at the School.

The Trustees would welcome donations (the last donation was No. 373) which should be sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Association marked **Benevolent Fund**.

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ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

MEMBERS of the Association again congregated in the School Hall, together with Masters and boys, on the morning of Friday, 6th November, 1964 to pay homage to those Old Boys who gave their lives in the cause of freedom. Wreaths were laid at the two Memorials by representatives of the School and the Association.

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VISITORS' BOOK

THE Headmaster and Staff are always pleased to welcome Old Boys at Grangefield. The Visitors' Book is prominently placed on the Association desk in the entrance porchway of the School, and should be utilised for recording news of general interest, past or present activities, and business or professional success relating to members.

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OLD STOCKTONIAN BLAZER BADGE AND TIE

BLAZER badges, available in navy blue or black cloth ground, can be purchased from E. S. Maxwell, 1 Norton Road, Stockton-on-Tees.

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OLD BOYS HERE AND THERE

We are greatly indebted to the "Evening Gazette," the "Stockton Express" and the "Sunday Telegraph" from the columns of which we have largely quoted.

JOHN ADDISON (1945-51), who obtained an Advanced Level Certificate in English and French and who played for the School in the Annual Rugby match against the Old Boys in 1951, qualified as an Associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute in 1963 (A.C.I.I.) and is now working as an Inspector for the Royal Insurance Co. Ltd., Middlesbrough.

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G. N. BARLOW (1955-63) is now at the Loughborough C.A.T., studying for a degree in Business Studies.

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During the summer holidays, we received a postcard from STAN BARNETT (now Deputy Headmaster at Ragworth School, Stockton) telling us that he and his wife were at Istanbul. Later, we learned that they had travelled through Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece, making their way by coach and sleeping in a tent by night—not, we may say, our idea of spending a holiday but then we reflect that Mr. and Mrs. Barnett are old and tried campaigners.

News of their boy, MARTIN BARNETT, now married, is that he and a fellow scientist have recently had published in "The Canadian Geographer" an article with the title "The significance of Glacial Lake Naskaupi in the Deglaciation of Labrador Ungava." Martin, as we have said in previous Year Books, took an Honours Degree in Geography and Geology at London University in 1961, was appointed to the Research Staff at McGill University, Montreal, and spent his first nine months in a Sub-Arctic Research Lab. at Schafferville, Prvince of Quebec. In the next three months, he with one assistant studied glaciology in country practically unexplored, the only means of communication being by air. He then returned to McGill University as an assistant lecturer, obtained his M.Sc. qualification and was one of 12 scientists, who were appointed by the Canadian Government Dept. of Mines and Technical Surveys to work on the Arctic Ice Cap in the north of Baffin Land. Still later, he was made a Technical Officer by the same Government Dept. and has just returned to Ottawa (his base) from yet another Arctic sojourn.

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We offer our congratulations to Councillor KENNETH BATES, B.Sc.—a lecturer at Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough, and last year's Chairman of Billingham Urban District Council—whose thesis on various aspects of Physics has gained him a M.Sc. of the University of Durham.

At the same time, he has been selected by Mr. Crossman, the Housing Minister, to serve on the Clean Air Council.

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We are deeply grateful to our old friend, GEOFF. BEARD, who for the second time has sent us a very generous donation to the O.S. Benevolent Fund.

JOHN BEAVER (1953-7) has completed his course for the Post Graduate Certificate in Education at Oxford; has got married; and has departed with his wife to Canada, where he has been appointed to a teaching post at the University of Saskatchewan, in Regina. There he hopes to do research and take a higher degree.

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P. A. BELL, (1958-1965) in enclosing a Life Subscription informs us that he is at present studying for his Arts degree at the University of Sussex.

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COLIN BOWRON, M.A., who we believe left Nelson Terrace in 1939, is now Managing Director of Langley Alloys in Slough. Married, with three children and now living at Benfield in Berkshire, he devotes a good deal of his leisure time to sailing and is an active member of the Royal Ocean Racing Club. Unless our records are incorrect, we cannot find his name in our membership register, and would suggest that it is not too late to become a 'lifer'!

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MICHAEL BOYES, now on the staff of the Technical High School at Tunbridge Wells, playing for the town of his adoption on Saturdays and Sundays, made over 1,000 runs (including three centuries) during cricket season 1965.

Formerly, he was a valued member of the Stockton C.C., of which Club he topped the batting averages (First eleven) in 1958-59-62. In 1965, while he was on holiday, he made a very welcome re-appearance on the Grange Field and in one innings made 50.

In winter, he now plays Rugby for Crowborough.

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J. B. CAMPBELL (1951-8) is now working as a Water Engineer for the Northallerton and Yorkshire Dales Water Board.

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N. CARR (1939-44)—who now lives at 27, Doric Avenue South, Frodsham, Cheshire—left Billingham ten years ago and at present is a Computer Systems Investigator at the new Mond (I.C.I.) Division at Northwich.

Previous to this, he was Deputy Accountant at the I.C.I. Oldbury Works, near Birmingham.

While he was at Birmingham, he occasionally saw MIKE SIZER and now regularly comes into contact with C. W. BISHOP who also works at Northwich.

Every year since leaving it, he makes trips to Billingham to see his friends and relations, but has not yet found time to make a pilgrimage to the Grangefield G. S. which in his day was a kind of promised land.

IN February, 1965, PETER COUPE won an exhibition to the Imperial College of Science to study Civil Engineering.

We are now extremely pleased to hear that the Civil Engineering Scholarship Trust has awarded him a three years Scholarship given by the North Eastern Section of the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors.

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HAVING failed in the 11-plus examination in 1950, JOHN CRAWFORD attended the Billingham South Modern School for two years and was then transferred to the Grangefield Grammar School where in 1955 he obtained a School Certificate, O Level, in Six subjects.

During the next three years, he was employed by Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd. and used his day-release to secure an 'A' level Certificate in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry at the Stockton/Billingham Technical College in 1958.

In the same year, he was admitted to one of the colleges associated with London University and in 1961 was awarded an Honours Degree in Chemistry.

There-after, he was engaged in research at the same college and, in June 1965, was notified that he had gained a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry, the title of his thesis being "Quantitative Studies of the transesterification of some phosphorus esters."

Since then, he has held an appointment with the British Petroleum Co. at Sunbury-on-Thames, in Middlesex, his work being concerned mostly with process research with a strong chemical engineering bias.

Our Congratulations to John who seems to have a very bright future before him.

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M. C. CRAWLEY has been awarded the degree of Ph.D. by the University of Durham, for a study of Woodland Rodents. The title of his thesis is "Studies on the Movements, Population Dynamics and Food of APODEMUS SYLVATICUS (L.) and CLETHRIONOMYS GLAREOLUS SCHR."

Dr. Crawley is now going to New Zealand to study the ecology of deer at the New Zealand Government Research Station.

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VICTOR CROFT, who, we note, obtained a very good School Certificate in 1948, afterwards worked in the metallurgical department of Messrs. Dorman, Long & Co. Ltd., and, while he was with that firm, attended classes at the Constantine Technical College, where he was awarded a Higher National Certificate.

He later became a student at Sheffield University, obtained a B.Sc. (tech.) degree with special honours in fuel technology and chemical engineering in 1959 and was lately awarded a Ph.D.—a highly creditable achievement.

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E. CROOT (1953-60) has recently gone to London to take up a post with B.B.C. Television at Alexandra Palace, where he will be editing news films.

THE Stockton firm of Messrs. G. Fordy & Son, Public Works Contractors, which enjoys an enviable reputation on Tees-side for its high standard of craftsmanship, was established between 60 and 70 years ago, although there were builders in the Fordy family long before that.

The present head of the firm is GEORGE LAWRENCE FORDY (affectionately known as 'Laurie' among all his friends) who is following in the footsteps of his father, the founder of the firm, and who has a son, Malcolm, who is already taking some of the burden from the shoulders of his father.

Among the many big contracts which the Fordy firm has already undertaken are the building of the Stockton Hippodrome: of the fine Catholic Schools in Bishopton Road and the equally fine school in Fairfield Road; of a Supermarket at Ormesby: of the Offices in Yarm Road, once occupied by Metropolitan Vickers: of the beautiful Housing Estates, finished or in preparation, at Fairfield, Billingham and Norton.

Their latest contract is for the building of a new six storeyed Y.M.C.A. at Stockton with Sports hall and squash courts, the architect for which is, happily enough, RONALD COWAN and partners.

Mr. Fordy, who recently sent a very handsome donation to the O.S. General Fund, was President of the Stockton and District Building Trades Employers' Association in 1950-1 and again in 1960-1: was President of the Northern Counties Regional Federation of Building Trades Employers in 1954: and is at present a member of the Committee of the Ministry of Public Buildings and Works and Deputy Chairman of the Architects, Builders and Quantity Surveyors Joint Committee, of which the Chairman is DONALD McINTYRE, A.R.I.B.A., who used to sit in the next desk to him at school.

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THAT keen Gilbertian Sullivanian D. FRANCIS writes from Exeter, where he is a student at the University. He has become an enthusiast for ball-room dancing, and indeed won a place on the University team for the championships held last February. As his parents have now left this part of the country for Portsmouth, he is unlikely to be in Stockton very often in the future.

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KEN FURPHY, who once played as an amateur for Everton Football Club, passed on from there to Runcorn in the Cheshire League, after which he did excellent work as a playing manager in turn for Darlington and Workington.

He now acts as a playing manager for Watford and this year introduced a novel form of pre-season training by taking his men fell-walking and crag-climbing in the Lake District.

Two or three years ago, the Football Association paid Mr. Furphy a great compliment by sending him on a ten-week tour of Rhodesia and Nyasaland during which he visited numerous schools and colleges giving the boys expert coaching in football.

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C. GILLETT (1953-60), after taking his Post-Graduate Certificate in Education at Redlands Training College, Bristol, has now gone to New York, where he is doing post-graduate study for an M.A. in Education at Columbia University. There he has had a visit from ARTHUR CHAPMAN who is also doing a post-graduate course in the U.S.A.

JOHN GILLIS, who lives at Billingham, has gained the Theological Diploma and has been made an Associate of King's College, London.

After leaving school, he attended classes at the Stockton/Billingham Technical College, and it is now his intention to take a teaching appointment at Sawtry in Huntingdonshire for two years, following on which he will be ordained at Lincoln as a priest in the Church of England.

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HAROLD GRIFFIN—who is a Fellow of the Institute of Plumbing, a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Plumbers, a Freeman of the City of London, Chief Examiner in Plumbing for the City and Guilds of London Institute, Member of the Advisory Board to the City and Guilds, Associate Member of the Society of British Engineers—was President of the National Institute of Plumbing in 1956-7 (he is now Treasurer of the same body) and during 1964-5 is the National President of the Federation of Plumbers and Domestic Engineers (Employers).

Nearer home, he is Trust Secretary of Hartburn Methodist Church, a Past Circuit Steward and Chairman of the Governors of the Stockton Quayside Mission and Men's Homes.

And in addition, he is Hon. Treasurer of the South Durham and Cleveland Association for the Deaf: and member of the Board of Governors of Stockton Y.M.C.A.

Here is another Old Boy who has attained national status in his own particular business and who by his other interests which all concern the public welfare, has gained the respect and admiration of all who know him.

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DURING the year, our Hon. Secretary, H. DENIS HARDIE, was elected a Vice-President of the Cleveland Scientific and Technical Institution, Middlesbrough: he attended an International Shipping Exhibition at Oslo, Norway, and there helped to display a model of the Furness Shipbuilding Yard, showing all the vast improvements which had been made within recent years: he hob-nobbed with Mr. Roy Mason, Minister of State for Shipping—a visitor to Haverton Hill—who was quick to congratulate the yard and its management on these improvements; he took a prominent part in the prize-giving to a number of outstanding apprentices—the hope for the future: and last of all, he gave a very comprehensive address to the Billingham Rotarians in which he traced the history of the Furness Shipbuilding Co. from its foundation in 1918 to 1966 when the greater part of the old yard would have disappeared or been merged into what would ultimately become one of the most modern Shipyards in the world.

It is fitting that such an address should have been given to a Rotary body which is made up of members representative of every walk of life and it is fitting that Denis who started as a shipyard draughtsman and is now a Director and Shipbuilding Manager should have given it.

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MALCOLM HARDY (1951-8) writes from Turku in Finland where he has spent the last two years. He has now been appointed lecturer in British History, Social and Political Institutions in the Department of English of the University of Turku. He expects to be in Finland for two or three more years.

F. HARWOOD, B.Sc., spent 2 months at the University of Michigan, with a temporary post as a Soil Chemist.

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P. G. HAWKINS (1953-60), who took 1st Class Honours in French at King's College, London in 1964 is now at the Ecole Normale Superieure in Paris, working on a thesis on the modern poet Paul Fort.

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We offer our warmest congratulations to CLIFFORD HEPBURN, who has been awarded a First Class Honours Associateship in Gas Engineering at the Royal College of Advanced Technology, Salford.

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We offer our warmest congratulations to HORACE KING, M.P. for the Itchen Division of Southampton, Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons since 1964, who was made a Privy Councillor in the Birthday Honours of 1965.

A Norton boy, who was deemed to be 'a bit of a genius' at the old Secondary School, he obtained a First Class Honours Degree at King's College, London in 1922 and supplemented this later on by M.A. and Ph.D. qualifications (the last named for Shakespearean research).

From 1930-47, he was Head of the English Dept. at Taunton's School, Southampton and from 1947-50 was Headmaster of Regent's Park Secondary Modern School in the same town. Meanwhile he had entered politics as a County Councillor for Hampshire to become leader of the Labour group and later an Alderman. In 1950, he was elected Member of Parliament for the Test Division of Southampton and, as has been said above, is now Member for the Itchen Division.

Mrs. King, too, whom he met at King's College and who had previously graduated in English at Cambridge University, is also a politician. For 34 years, she has been a member of Southampton Town Council, was Mayor of Southampton in 1952 and has a specialised knowledge of public health and hospital work.

Horace himself is a man of many parts. He is particularly fond of music, is a skilled performer on the piano, organ and piano-accordion and, as a matter of interest, he was once a member of a dance-band: during the late war, he wrote a number of war songs by selling which and by arranging hundreds of concerts, he made thousands of pounds for war charities: he has edited an edition of Homer for Schools and has written other text books: he has also been responsible for a book on parliamentary procedure with the title of 'Parliament and Freedom': and, as a great believer in Anglo-U.S.A. friendship, has given a yearly series of lectures, supplemented by countless television appearances, in the Deep South of the U.S.A. on such subjects as "British Parliamentary History," "British Foreign Policy," "English Literature."

We send Horace our greetings and hope to address him soon as "Mr. Speaker."

GORDON LAKE, who is now Hon. Secretary of the Stockton Cricket Club, was top of the First Eleven batting averages in 1961 and 1964, and celebrated season 1965 by making his first century—100 not out v Normanby Hall—in the N.Y. & S.D. League, 'A' Division. Other noteworthy scores were 83 not out (v. Darlington R.A.), 58 (v. Thornaby), 55 (v. West Hartlepool), 45 not out (v. Saltburn), the last named being considered his best innings, since he went in first and was still there at the end.

Previously, his only century was made for the Pelicans, a Darlington-based touring team.

Gordon who also plays Rugby for Stockton, is a very good sportsman, highly esteemed by the younger generations of players.

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DAVID S. LITTLE (1949-55) has recently changed his address and is now residing at 21 Woodlands Road, Formby, Liverpool. On October 1st, 1965, he was appointed Principal Solicitor to the Skelmersdale Development Corporation, Lancashire.

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HUGH LIVINGSTON, who is a qualified Chartered Secretary and Company Accountant, has for more than 20 years been Secretary and accountant to the Hoggarth Shipping Co. Ltd., of Glasgow, which with its associated companies was once the biggest tramp shipping business in the United Kingdom.

But for the last few years, Mr. Livingston's work has been more concerned with the private affairs of the members of the Hoggarth family—family trusts, income tax and sur-tax returns, farm accounts—and generally acting as guide and comforter.

For some time, he was a part-time Lecturer on Insurance Accounts and Finance at what is now part of the Strathclyde University, and in his last two or three years there was able to point to the 100% success of his examination students.

Ultimately, however, ill-health compelled him to give up the job and he now spends what leisure he has in playing bowls (in turn President and Secretary of his Club) or in taking part in an occasional game of bridge.

He has two daughters, one of whom is Accountant to the British Council, the other a Lecturer in Speech and Drama.

With his letter, Mr. Livingston also sends us a very generous donation to the O.S. Benevolent Fund, for which we are extremely grateful.

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D. LLOYD (1951-8) is working at Ashmore's as a Design Engineer.

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DURING the year, a photograph in the press showed us that E. D. LOFTHOUSE (who acted as Toastmaster) was present at the Annual Dinner-Dance of the Middlesbrough and District Grocers' Association, while another photograph showed him and his wife at a similar function of the Stockton and Thornaby Grocers' Association.

We have since learned that the two Associations are now merging and that one of the last acts of the S. and T. body was to make Eddie an honorary Life Member.

A Sedgefield boy, Mr. Lofthouse has for a great number of years carried on a grocery and cafe business there, but he has made his mark far beyond Sedgefield, for in 1937, he was made President of the Stockton and Thornaby Grocers' Association: in 1942, he was elected a member of the National Council of Grocers: in 1949, he acted as President of the North-Eastern Council of Grocers Association: while in 1951, he was appointed a member of the National Parliamentary Committee meeting in London—one of 17 members representing 45,000 grocers.

No small achievement, we think, for one whose business is in a country village.

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IN April of this year, we were delighted to receive a postcard from RONALD LUDBROOK (Director and General Manager of Messrs. Davy-Ashmore Ltd., Australia), who was then on a cruise which took in Japan, Hong-Kong, Guam, Manila, etc.

In August, we were even more delighted when we encountered him on one of his brief visits to Stockton. On this occasion, he was accompanied by his son, who, we thought, possessed the same charm of personality as his father.

In the course of conversation, Ronnie, who is based on Melbourne, gave news of his brother-in-law, DR. VIC HARRIS, who has earned fame as an entomologist, and of JACK WRIGHT, who is a sort of business rival since he represents the interests of Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd., in Australia and is based in Sydney.

Jack and Ronnie often lunch together since, although the two cities are 600 miles apart, a Boeing 727 jet aeroplane will do the journey in an hour.

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C. MOORE (1951-6) has graduated in Chemistry after attending the Royal Institute of Chemistry 'Sandwich' course at the Constantine College of Technology for the past few years. He will probably now be doing research for a Ph.D. at Keele University.

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P. MOTHERSDALE (1950-55) has recently taken up an appointment in the Development Laboratory of Westool Ltd., Bishop Auckland.

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WHEN we heard from KEITH R. NESBITT (1957-63) in January, 1965, he was studying Geography and Geology at Advanced Level at the Stockton/Billingham Technical College, and was Hon. Secretary and a regular playing member of the Rugby XV there.

Now, from September 1965, he is a student at the Shenstone Teachers' Training College, Birmingham, where we wish him the very best of luck.

We are indebted to Mr. A. C. Nevison of 72, Hastings Avenue, Merry Oaks, Durham City, for giving us the latest news about his son, WILLIAM NEVISON, who gained a General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) in 1961 and who was a School Prefect in 1960-1.

After leaving school, he was selected for entry as a Cadet to the R.A.F. College, at Cranwell in October 1961, at which college he was awarded his colours for soccer, was in the cricket 2nd XI, and took an active part in tennis, squash, swimming, mountaineering, and—probably as a relaxation from more strenuous sports—jazz.

In late 1964, with the Reviewing Officer Air Chief Marshall Sir Walter Cheshire, he was one of 40 flight cadets who passed out of the College with permanent commissions in the General Duties (Flying) Branch of the R.A.F. as pilots and navigators.

Since then, he has been doing an advanced navigation course at Stradishall, Suffolk, and expects to be posted to Germany (Canberra Bombers) on the completion of the course.

Lately, he was selected to play in a trial soccer game for the R.A.F. Command. Unfortunately, on the day before the game—very much to his disgust and disappointment—he broke his wrist in a rugby match.

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KEITH NEWTON sends from Hamilton, Ontario, a post-card of 'Enchanting Bermuda' which he visited in March, playing hockey for Canada's touring team. He found this a most delightful—and victorious—week-end trip!

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ONCE a year, we see JACK T. PURVIS, B.Sc. (Agric.), who spent a considerable part of his life in East Africa, showing the natives how to deal with cattle pests, etc.

Now, with the help of his busy wife, he has turned a wilderness of a small holding at Aislaby, near Yarm, into a profitable business, and yet finds time to act as Vice-Chairman of the Stockton Urban District Council.

Of his twin girls, one is Head of the Domestic Science Dept. at Newham Grange School, Stockton-on-Tees: the husband of the other once held an appointment in East Africa but is now with the I.C.I. (Agriculture Division).

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WHILE he was still at school, PETER HUGH RIGG (1956-63), the son of our old friend, HARRY RIGG, now Headmaster of Tilery Road Boys' School, was awarded a five years Bursary by Messrs. Associated Electrical Industries, Ltd. Manchester.

At the end of his school career, Peter obtained an 'A' level Certificate in General Studies, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Physics, and then spent a very enjoyable and instructive year with A.E.I. gaining practical experience by handling actual machines in the Training School and an insight into manufacturing problems during his periods working on the shop floor.

As a result of his year's performance, his Bursary was confirmed and he is now studying for a Mechanical Engineering Degree at Sheffield University (three years), after which he will return to A.E.I. to complete his course.

A very attractive Bursary scheme of which Peter, now a Life Member of our Association, is certain to take full advantage.

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DAVID G. ROBSON (1954-61) won 1st Class Honours in Architecture at the Bartlett School of Architecture, University College, London. He is now spending a year abroad, 6 months in Israel, followed by 6 months in Germany, after which he will return to London for further post-graduate study.

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R. W. RUTHERFORD, Managing Director of the Power Gas Corporation, Ltd. (and associated Companies) has just retired owing to protracted ill-health.

Joining the firm as a lab-boy well over 40 years ago, he subsequently became a works chemist.

In 1926, he was sent out to Japan to deal with a special contract and was so successful in furthering the firms business that he remained there until 1938.

On his return home, the value of his services was recognised by successive promotions to Sales Manager, Director, Technical Director, Deputy Managing Director, and finally, six years ago, to Managing Director.

A member of the Institutes of Gas Engineering, Chemical Engineering and Fuel, Director of Nuclear Chemical Plant Ltd., he has travelled widely, and his pleasant personality, quiet courtesy and sympathetic understanding of his fellow-men have brought him friends in many parts of the world.

At Stockton, he is particularly well known and, if we say that he is loved by all, we can pay him no greater tribute.

We wish him a speedy return to health and many happy years.

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WE congratulate JOHN SANDERSON, who was awarded an O.B.E. in the last New Year's Honours.

John obtained an Honours Degree in English at Durham University about 1926 and afterwards supplemented this qualification by a B.C.L. of the same University.

For some years, he was in turn on the teaching staffs of Oxbridge Lane and Newham Grange Schools, Stockton, but, after the outbreak of the 2nd World War, he joined the forces and served as a R.A.F. officer in the Middle East.

In 1944, he joined the British Council (Education) and under its auspices worked in Persia, Uganda and Sierra Leone, in the last named place of which he has been for six years.

He married a Stockton lady, Miss Rene Waterhouse, who, we think was once on the staff of Stockton Library and whose parents live in Oakdene Avenue.

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IN March, 1965, the services of FRANK L. SCAIFE, who for 50 years had been Organist and Choirmaster at Brunswick Wesleyan Church, were recognised by a celebration dinner at which, in addition to various presentations, many striking tributes were paid to him.

Of these tributes, possibly the one that Frank would appreciate most was that of the minister, the Rev. Dr. J. Newton, who said " He has always been kind, considerate, courteous and good-humoured: he has brought harmony not only on the key-board but also among the members of the choir."

It was these same qualities which made Mr. Scaife so popular and successful when he was Gas Manager at Stockton and when he was a member of the Stockton Cricket Club, of which, when his playing days were over, he became President and one of the Ground Trustees.

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T. SHELLEY (1924-28), has been appointed Manager of Barclays Bank Ltd., Bordesley Branch, Birmingham.

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WITH the cost of his place at the Annual Dinner, JOHN H. SHARP, now a member of the O.S. Committee, also sent a generous donation to the General Fund—a gesture which was much appreciated by our Hon. Treasurer.

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FOLLOWING a year at Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough. J. P. SHAW (1956-61) is now taking the Diploma Course in Electrical Engineering Technology at Rutherford College, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

We wish him the best of success.

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CONGRATULATIONS; to COLIN SINCLAIR (1952-9) who played for Durham County in the Rugby match against the Border Counties, and to OWEN TURNBULL (1954-61) who is to play in the Cheshire match.

IAN BROWN remains our Senior and most consistent Old Boy representative on the Durham County Rugby XV, who were finalists in last year's County Championship. ARTHUR CHAPMAN is presumably trying out American Football in the States!

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NO-ONE is more welcome at the Old Boys' Annual Dinner than A. J. SMITH, who is one of the dwindling few who attended the old Higher Grade School on the first day it was opened in January, 1896.

In a long and very useful life, Mr. Smith has devoted the greater part of his leisure to the Boys' Brigade and the Stockton Presbyterian Church and all Old Stocktonians will join us in sending him their greetings and very good wishes.

CONGRATULATIONS to N. G. SMELT on his marriage at All Saints' Church, Fulham to Miss Judith Kilford, in March of this year.

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C. L. STABLER (1953-61), after graduating with 1st Class Honours in Geology at Birmingham University in 1964 (where he was awarded the 'Panton Prize') joined a London firm of geological consultants to the oil and gas industry.

In November 1964, he was elected a Fellow of the Geological Society.

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A fortuitous meeting at the Lichfield Grammar School Speech Day last December brought together two distinguished Old Boys hitherto unknown to each other—HARRY CALLENDER, Town Clerk of Lichfield, and HAROLD STEPHENSON, Senior Assistant Director of Education, Staffordshire.

In 1932, Harold Stephenson obtained his Higher School Certificate, among others who were successful at the same time being TOM SOWLER, MAURICE SUTHERLAND and ALAN WALTON, each of whom can fairly claim to have made his mark in his particular profession.

After leaving school, he went to the University College of Hull and in 1937 obtained an Honours Degree in English Language and Literature.

Then in succession, he held teaching appointments at Oxbridge Lane Boys' School, Stockton (1937-40); in the R.A. Education Corps (1940-6); and as Senior Lecturer in a Training College for men at Cheltenham (1946-51).

From 1951-61, he was Administrative Assistant and Assistant Director of Education of Staffordshire and received his present appointment in 1961.

Harold is now a Life Member of our Association and with his subscription was good enough to send us a very generous donation to the O.S. Benevolent Fund.

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PROFESSOR KEITH STEWARTSON has been made a Fellow of the Royal Society for his contribution to the Boundary Layer Flow associated with the movement of bodies through compressible and incompressible fluids.

In 1936, then a pupil at Haverton Hill School, he was placed 61st in the 11-plus examination for the old Stockton Secondary School where the entrants were limited to 60 and he was admitted only because one of the successful candidates fell out.

At the Secondary School, he was Dux in 1941-2, distinguished himself in the School Certificate exam in 1941 and in the Higher School Certificate in 1942, as a result of which latter success, he was awarded a State Scholarship to Cambridge University.

At Cambridge, he gained a B.A. First Class Honours Degree in the Mathematical Tripos, Parts i, ii and iii; was awarded the Mayhew, the Rayleigh and the Smith prizes; and was adjudged to be one of the University's best mathematicians—this shortly after his 19th birthday.

During the 2nd World War, he left the University to join the R.A.F. but returned after the conclusion of hostilities and in succession was awarded his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees, the latter for research on Supersonics.

He afterwards lectured at Bristol University, from there passed on to Durham University where he was Professor of Mathematics for six years, and is now Goldsmith Professor of Mathematics and Deputy Head of the Mathematics Dept. at University College, London.

Professor Stewartson does research work for the U.S.A. army and in 1962 spent six months at the University of Wisconsin.

Professor Stewartson, is, we believe, the first of our Old Boys to be elected F.R.S.

This would undoubtedly rank as the 'Honour of the Year' for our Old Boys in any year except that which saw the Deputy Speakership of the House of Commons come our way!

Professor Stewartson—journalistically but correctly described as 'one of the nation's top brains'—is not forgetful of his early days at Nelson Terrace and in the building near Norton Green to which the school was evacuated in January, 1940.

Writing in reply to the Headmaster's congratulations, Professor Stewartson says:—

"Naturally I am delighted and thrilled by the honour done me, but at this time I cannot help remembering the way in which firm foundations for my career were laid at Stockton Secondary School. I have very many happy memories of my time there and of many devoted teachers who helped to start me off on the right track. In particular I owe a deep debt of gratitude to Mr. Laverick and Mr. Stone who encouraged and fortified an early interest in mathematics, to Mr. Munday who got me through the Previous examination at Cambridge almost by brute force, and to Mr. Armstrong who provided direction and drive at a vital stage in my development."

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C. B. STOREY (1953-60), a graduate of Hull University, was recently married to Miss Caroline Mary Roberts in Stockton. We wish them all happiness and success.

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To mark his retirement from active cricket, MAURICE SUTHERLAND was recently presented with a Silver Bowl by the members of Preston C.C.

Maurice joined the village Club as a boy of 15 in 1930 and for 32 seasons was a very valuable asset—whether as bowler, batsman, fielder and sometimes as captain of the First XI.

Popular among his fellow players, he was also well liked by his opponents for he brought an enthusiasm and love to the game and was one of those who counted a match well lost provided it had been played in the right spirit.

Happily—and this will give him an immense amount of pleasure—his son, John, shows every sign of following in his father's footsteps as a cricketer, for, playing for Stockton Juniors against Middlesbrough Juniors in the final of the North Yorkshire and South Durham knock-out Cup Competition, his 75 not out did much to bring victory to his side, and already, although only 17 years of age, he has played for Stockton C.C. 1st Eleven.

Maurice is a local Solicitor, a Town Councillor, and Chairman of Stockton Labour Party.

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G. TRENHOLM (1951-6) has completed research studies for the degree of M.Sc. at the Constantine College of Technology, and will shortly be presenting his thesis. He will then return to I.C.I. (H.O.C.) where he has obtained a post in the Research Laboratories.

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ERNEST WADSWORTH, who is now Deputy Headmaster at Newtown School, Stockton-on-Tees, flying both ways, spent his summer holidays with his brother JIMMIE, whose address is 439, Pearl Street, Reading, Mass., 01867, U.S.A.

During the holiday, marked by high temperatures and a drought which ended with a terrific thunderstorm, the two brothers went to Quebec by road, then up north through the Laurentide National Park to Lake St. John and then back to Reading—a journey of 2,500 miles. Another trip took them into Maine where they stayed in the Blue mountain area and saw the equipment at Andover for sending messages to Europe via the Satellites—Telstar I and II and now Early Bird.

Brother James, who obtained his Higher School Certificate in 1933, afterwards distinguished himself by getting a First Class Honours B.A. degree in French at Hull University College and then spent a year in France under a Board of Education Exchange. It was during this period that he met an American lady who later became his wife.

In the Second World War, he served in turn with the Green Howards and the Intelligence Corps, and on its completion went to the U.S.A. where he obtained M.A. and Ph.D. qualifications in Romance Languages at Harvard University, of which University he was for a time on the staff.

Subsequently, he held appointments at Queen's College, Flushing, at Pennsylvania State College, and is now a full Professor at Tuft's University which is situated not far from Boston and Cambridge U.S.A.

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GRAHAM WALKER (1961-63) has commenced a technical apprenticeship with Dorman Long (Steel) Ltd., and recently passed his first year O.N.C. examination.

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WHEN we heard from TOM WHITING, B.Sc., F. Inst. Met., in 1947, he was Chief Metallurgist to Messrs. Guest, Keen & Nettlefold, Ltd., Birmingham.

Seven years later, we learned that the Canadian Government had appointed him consultant metallurgist to the Royal Canadian Navy.

Now, in a letter dated June 25th, 1965, he tells us that he has returned to his old firm and that he is Technical Adviser to their New Zealand branch, his duties consisting of the control of metallurgical and chemical processes with an insistence on the high quality of the products.

His address is 96 Bradbury Road, Howick, Auckland, New Zealand, to which address we shall shortly send our Greetings and Good Wishes.

IN our last issue, we noted that DAVID P. WILLIAMS (1955-62), whom we now welcome as a Life Member of our Association, was studying for a General Degree at Chelsea College, S.W.5.

Now we are interested to learn that 'he has recently acquired a splendid little vintage Austin Seven, resplendent in crimson and ivory, complete with brass klaxon, which fits very snugly in Chelse's semi-ecentric environment.'

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IN an address to the Billingham Rotarians, NORMAN WINN, J.P., speaking as an ex-School Headmaster and a Magistrate of 18 years standing—said that he thought there were occasions when the birch would be a useful deterrent and added that, if it were known that the birch was there to be used, it would do away with quite a lot of crime.

In reply to the criticism that magistrates were often old men, he replied that such men very frequently had more time to give to what was sometimes a very arduous job, while he rejected the idea—frequently expressed—that the Clerk of the Justices was the real power in the courts by saying, "I can assure you that such is not the case. We (the magistrates) decide on the verdict and the sentence quite independent of the Magistrate's Clerk."

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J. YOULDEN (1953-7) is now at Newcastle University, studying for a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

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In Memoriam

MANY hundreds of Old Boys will be sad to hear of the death this year of Mr. S. V. MORRIS, at the age of 68.

Mr. Morris was of the generation which went straight from school into the Army in the First World War. Subsequently he graduated at Liverpool University and taught for some years in Scotland before coming to Stockton in January 1932 to take charge of the teaching of Geography (in succession to Mr. Evan Baldwin) in the Secondary School in Nelson Terrace.

Mr. Morris gave, of course, long and distinguished service in the classroom, but was also a most devoted helper with games. At an age when most men are content to relax, he could be seen on Saturday mornings on the 'new' playing field at the 'new' school, valiantly striving to keep up with the lions of the under 13 team.

Mr. Morris had many intellectual interests, two of them being in the early history of Stockton, and in the people who in an earlier age lived on what are now the North Yorkshire Moors.

Mr. Morris was greatly interested in the Old Boys Association and on his retirement in 1958, he presented the desk which stands in the School entrance hall and contains what he used to call "the archives." The Old Boys Committee held a farewell dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Morris in the 'Fox' at Guisborough, a most pleasant occasion.

Mr. Morris married in 1940 Miss Irene Cherry, the Geography mistress of Stockton Secondary School for Girls. On his retirement, Mr. and Mrs. Morris left their home at Hutton Gate and went to live near Grange-over-Sands. In 1963 Mr. Morris had to go into Hospital for a major operation and while he was in the hospital his wife died very unexpectedly and suddenly. Mr. Morris himself moved into Grange-over-Sands, where he died earlier this year.

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BASIL J. BARKER, who left school about 1931 with a good School Certificate, spent the last 27 years of his working life with Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd., where he rose to be Chief Estimating Clerk.

His death in December 1964, at the early age of 50 after a very painful illness caused great regret to his wide circle of friends, among whom he was deservedly popular.

He left a widow, a daughter who is still at the Grangefield Grammar School for Girls, and a son who has just left his father's old school to enter the Teachers' Training College at Middlesbrough.

LIKE Ted Scholes and Frank Walker, FRED BEARDS, who died on August 3rd, 1965, after a long and painful illness, was a member of the Committee when our Association was formed in 1913.

For the greater part of his working life, Fred was associated with Messrs. Dorman, Long & Co. Ltd., and, when he retired in 1954, occupied the position of timekeeper to the Electrical Dept.

Outside his work, he was a stalwart of Yarm Road Wesleyan Church where he had held many official positions while he always took a keen interest in gardening, cricket and football.

A man of a lovable and kindly disposition, he was never happier when he was doing little jobs for other people and his passing, with his Golden Wedding celebrations only five weeks ahead, caused intense sorrow among all those who were privileged to know him.

He left a widow nee Rhoda Plowman who with her sister, Lizzie, and her brothers Bob (he died a few years ago) and Arthur (now in Ontario, Canada and a Life Member of our Association) once attended the old School in Nelson Terrace, while Doris, a sister of Mr. Beards, and his two brothers, Raymond and Gordon, were also pupils at the same school.

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AFTER leaving school, WALTER H. J. CORNER (1903-7) was for some time a Junior Clerk in the Stockton County Court but spent by far the greater part of his working life in the service of the London and North Eastern Railway from which he retired in 1956 with the rank of Chief Outwards Clerk of the Middlesbrough Goods Station.

He afterwards took up a part-time job with Messrs. J. D. White Ltd., Thornaby, but was compelled to give up work there in 1960 owing to increasing blindness.

On the outbreak of hostilities in 1914, he joined the Royal West Kent Regiment and spent the war years on the N.W. Frontier of India and in Afghanistan, rising to the rank of Sergeant, and for some time acted as Instructor to a Punjab Regiment, himself being the only white man there

In the 2nd World War, he was a Lieutenant in the Home Guard. After his final retirement in 1960, his health gradually deteriorated and he died in hospital on March 1st, 1965.

He was a very loyal member of our Association from the very beginning, he at one time played for the 2nd XI of the Old Boys football team, and it was a real pleasure to see him at the Celebration Dinner a year or two ago. He was a quiet, gentlemanly kind of fellow, one who made hosts of friends and kept them, a member of a particularly happy family circle.

He leaves a widow nee Lucy Bowron of very happy memory, and two children, one Audrey, married with one child—the other Michael, a draughtsman with Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd., who has made quite a reputation for himself both with the Stockton Hockey Club and the Eaglescliffe Golf Club.

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NOEL E. GREEN, who died on June 10th, 1965, had a record of service with the Old Stocktonians that, we think, few Old Boys will ever be able to equal.

His name first appeared in the Year Book of 1914, he had been Auditor of the Accounts since 1924, Vice-President since 1924, and a Trustee of the Benevolent Fund since 1931.

After leaving school, he was in the offices of Messrs. Richardson & Duck's Shipyard (now defunct) at Thornaby, but later held an appointment in the Distribution Dept. of Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd., from which he retired in 1957 after 30 years' service. It was at Billingham that he was a regular member of the Synthonia Bowling Club for which he was a very good performer.

In the 1st World War, he joined the R.A.M.C. and was sent to Salonica where he was attached to the Serbian Army. There he was awarded the Croix de Guerre with Bronze Star 'for the finest qualities of courage and coolness during the bombardment of his hospital when a number of people were killed.'

It is characteristic of Noel that very few even of his closest friends were told about this award, for he was essentially a modest man, quiet and retiring. But he was also a loyal and trustworthy fellow to whom our Association will always owe a great debt of gratitude.

He leaves a widow—nee Muriel Rose—once a star in the old Secondary School Days.

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WHEN OUR Association was formed on January 24th, 1913, the 140 or so Old Boys who were present at the General Meeting had no hesitation at all in electing Mr. E. SCHOLES as their 1st President.

At that time, TED, as he was to be known ever afterwards, after a London training, was managing the well-established family fruit, fish and game business which was situated in the High Street, where the Globe Theatre now stands. He, therefore, was well known to a great number of people.

At that time, too, he owned the fastest motor cycle and side-car in the district and this may also have counted in his favour at the meeting.

As President, he held office for the whole of 1913 and until the outbreak of war in 1914, and during the whole of this time, the Association buzzed with activity. Sections in Engineering: in Rambling, Cycling and Camera work; in Tennis, Swimming and Football: in Civics and Debating: in Physical Culture—each with its Secretary and Committee—were arranged: there were occasional picnics and cricket matches in Summer—dances, socials, lectures smoking concerts in winter.

We do not say, of course, that Ted was responsible for all these activities, but a large share of the credit must go to him for he was a born leader, had a particularly attractive personality, possessed a strong sense of humour and a boundless store of enthusiasm.

After the war, during which he saw service as a commissioned officer, he disposed of his Stockton business and for some time held shares in the Globe Theatre, then in succession was Manager of a Government Fruit Research Station at Chipping Camden in Gloucestershire; Manager of the Co-operative Poultry Products, Ltd. at Virginia Water, Surrey: and for many years, area representative of Shell Motor Spirit at Preston and elsewhere.

Since he left Stockton, we had seen him only on odd occasions, the last being at the Celebration Dinner when he found a real pleasure in once again meeting a few of his friends of 50 years ago.

Six years ago he lost his wife: some years before that he had lost one of his two daughters: the last two or three years of his life were marked by seizures—always borne with the greatest courage—which gradually incapacitated him and he died in hospital on June 17th, 1965, leaving a married daughter with two girl children with whom he latterly spent a good deal of his life.



FRANK WALKER, who died suddenly in a nursing home at Windsor on February 2nd, 1965, was a very active member of the Committee when our Association was formed in 1913.

In 1904, he became an apprentice in the Drawing Office of Messrs. Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd. and—except for service in Gallipoli, France, Greece and Germany during the 1st World War—remained with that firm until he retired in 1955.

In 1936, he became Chief Draughtsman and was responsible for the drawings of the Mahommed Ali Barrage Gates, Swing Bridge and Floating Caissons at Singapore.

During the 2nd World War, he was busy with the design of Tank Landing Craft and Pluto Drums.

In 1945, he took out a patent for welded Dock Gates and negotiated the first order for gates from Calais.

In 1946, he began work on Aluminium Research and moved from Tees-side to London as Technical Director of Head, Wrightson Aluminium Co. Ltd. At London, he was concerned with the De-Haviland Propellor Test Tunnel, but what was probably the high-light of Mr. Walker's career was the building of the Aluminium Alloy Bascule-Bridges at Hendon Dock, Sunderland and at Aberdeen—an entirely new idea which was watched with interest by engineers all over the world.

In his more youthful days, Mr. Walker played cricket for Thornaby II and retained his interest in the game during the whole of his life, while for a long time he acted as Hon. Secretary of the Thornaby Congregational Church and later, when he moved south, as Hon. Secretary and Deacon of the Congregational Church at Iver, Buckinghamshire, where he lived.

As an engineer with a genius for invention, Mr. Walker's reputation stood very high; outside his work, he was not less esteemed and countless friends will mourn the loss of a simple and kindly character who was always ready to extend a helping hand to those in difficulty.

He leaves a widow—his son, then training to be an engineer, died in 1933—and a married daughter, a qualified Home Economist, who won a travelling scholarship and has recently—along with her husband, a banker—been visiting the South Pacific islands to see the work of Home Economists there.

To the relatives and friends of these, our Old Boys, we extend our respectful sympathy.

We will remember them.

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School Notes

STAFF NOTES

Five members of Staff left the school during or at the end of the School Year, 1964-5. As there are now 34 on the Staff, this represents a fair degree of stability.

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Mr. Ratcliffe was the first to go, taking up an appointment at the Constantine College after Christmas. In place of him we welcomed Mr. B. K. Bills, a Graduate of Hull University, who came to us from Cleethorpes.

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At Easter, Mr. R. Johnson left us for a County appointment at Durham. We do not know if he will be chiefly remembered for his sterling work on the Rigger Field—both at Grangefield and at Norton; for the excellence of the School Gymnastics Teams under his training; for his valiant efforts for the Staff Cricket Team; or for what might be vaguely called his 'social' accomplishments. But he certainly will be remembered with affection and gratitude by several generations of Grangefield boys.

Mr. Johnson's successor, Mr. J. F. Thomas, did not officially arrive till September. But we saw a good deal of him in the Summer Term and he is already well established. He came to us direct from Bede College, Durham.

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In the Summer we lost three of our members, Mr. N. D. Heads, who went to High Wycombe to become Senior Science Master in a Modern School; and Messrs. D. E. Cawley and A. Wilkinson who went to I.C.I. to become Work Study Officers. Mr. Heads' chief legacy to the school is perhaps a thriving Cycling Proficiency Club, but he has also actively participated in Operas and Basketball and coached the fencing in Shakespearean battle scenes! Mr. Cawley was the producer of the G. and S. Opera performed in 1964, the 'Yeomen,' while Mr. Wilkinson during his one year at the school started a Folk Song Society which by its continued popularity appears to have filled a need.

Our best wishes go with all these most congenial colleagues.

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We have been fortunate in obtaining the services of three excellent replacements for these gentlemen.

The first to appear, and in any case the first by courtesy, was Miss Valerie Covell who has come, as our first full-time lady member of staff, to replace Mr. Wilkinson. She is teaching French, and introducing German in the Sixth Form. Miss Covell is an old girl of our sister school—for which reason we give her a special welcome—and a graduate in German and French of Reading University.

Mr. R. H. Mays, who takes Mr. Heads' place, is a Middlesbrough man who did his training and some teaching in London. He did National Service in the Far East. His sporting interests are wide, but he is particularly devoted to cricket.

Mr. J. E. D. Whysall comes to us from Trinity College, Dublin, of which University he is a B.A., Though he has spent the last nine years in Ireland he is a native of Norfolk. His main interests lie in the direction of debating and politics—which makes him an appropriate successor to Mr. Cawley.

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Wedding bells have rung this year for two members of Staff—Messrs. D. G. Bell and P. A. Sedgewicke. We repeat in print the sincere wishes for their future happiness which were expressed at the time.

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We also add congratulations—rather belated by now—to our school secretary, formerly Miss Audrey Bell, and now for 12 months Mrs. Tremewan.

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We recorded last year that the school was then given the privilege of sheltering within its walls for a year an Assistante rather than an Assistant. The powers that be must have decided that we liked Mademoiselle Colette Ollier and treated her well, for this year they have again sent us a young lady, Mademoiselle Suzanne Verdera, as Assistante. We welcome her cordially and hope that she will enjoy her stay in the Frozen North.

We welcome for the Autumn Term Mr. T. W. West who has come to us from Middlesbrough to help with the teaching of English.

SCHOOL NOTES

The 'generation' of First Formers who came to this school in September 1958, a large number of whom left our Sixth Form in Summer 1965, were the local representatives of the famous 'Bulge,' those born in 1946-7, who have been swelling the numbers of all educational institutions up and down the country.

We had confidently expected that with their departure the extreme pressure on our accommodation might be a little eased. We were therefore not a little surprised to find that the number of boys in the school in September 1965 is 621, compared with 619, recorded in last year's Stocktonian Year Book, for September 1964.

Sixth Form numbers, at 137, are down surprisingly little; and the First-year sixth, 69 strong, has only been exceeded by the 'bulge'—two years ago. The 'bulge' A level entry in July 1965 numbered 80.

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This departing generation has, not unexpectedly, produced a record College and University entry. Old Boys of a few years' standing may be surprised to learn that this year 42 boys have gone direct from Grangefield to University Courses, a further 7 to Colleges of Advanced Technology which now rank as Universities, and yet another 8 to other Colleges where they will be taking Degree Courses. Add to these figures: 7 who are going to Colleges of Education, and a further 5 going to other Colleges for full-time specialised training, and you have 69 boys leaving the Sixth Form to pursue full-time courses of Higher Education.

To put these numbers in perspective, we might mention that ten years ago in 1955, 18 boys only were entered for G.C.E. 'A' level exams!

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Two interesting details of the University entry are: that for the first time one of our boys, Peter Bell, is going to the new University of Sussex, of which one of our Old Boys, A. E. Shields, is Registrar, and that another of our boys, Graham Hill, is one of the very first entry of students at the brand new University of Warwick.

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The future of Grangefield under 'Reorganisation' still remains undecided. Old Boys who are no longer resident in Stockton may not know that the Education Committee has adopted in principle a plan for reorganising Secondary Education in the town on something like the 'Leicestershire Plan,' involving 'Junior High Schools' for all pupils up to the age of 13 or 14, followed by transfer to 'Senior High Schools.' The application of this plan has not yet (so far as we know) been worked out, so we have no idea how the school will be affected. At this stage, it would probably be wise not to indulge in guesses!

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In the meantime, plans are under active consideration for a new building, to be situated north of the Dining Hall, which will include a Language Laboratory. This follows on the adoption of an Audio-Visual French Course, which was first used with the First Forms which arrived in September 1964.

END OF TERM EVENTS, CHRISTMAS 1965

The 'Traditional Pantomime' 'The Strangefield Worm,' will be performed in the School Hall on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 16th, 17th and 18th December. Tickets available later in the term from the school.

The Annual Carol Party, a joint event with Grangefield Girls' School, will be held on Monday, 20th December. Booking for supper necessary in advance.

A Carol Service will be held on Tuesday, 21st December, in Stockton Parish Church.

The School End of Term Dance will be held in the School Hall on Wednesday evening, 22nd December.

The Old Boys' Rugger Match will be played (weather permitting) on the morning of Monday, 27th December.

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SOME EVENTS (mainly Extra-Curricular) OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

AUTUMN TERM, 7TH SEPTEMBER—18TH DECEMBER :—

23rd Sept.	Visit of the Band of the King's Shropshire Light Infantry.
5th Oct.	Visit of the 'Troupe Francaise' in "Le Cid."
13th Oct.	Mock Election.
10th Nov.	Prize Day.
12—13th Dec.	Exhibition of Paintings in the School Hall.
15th Dec.	Carol Party.
17th Dec.	Carol Service in Holy Trinity Church.

SPRING TERM, 4TH JANUARY—9TH APRIL :—

7th Jan.	Distribution of G.C.E. Certificates.
29th Jan.—5th Feb.	Mid-year Examinations, 5th and 6th Forms.
4th March	Parents' Meeting (Sixth Formers).
16th March	Parents' Meeting (Fourth Formers).
19th March	Visits to I.C.I. Research Laboratories and to Ship Launching.
25th March	Visit to British Titan Products.
7th April	Old Boys' Rugby Match.
8th April	School Concert.

EASTER HOLIDAYS :—

A party spent a week at Langdale in the Lake District.

A party spent a week at Blankenberghe in Belgium.

SUMMER TERM, 3RD MAY—22ND JULY :—

31st May—29th June	Advanced Level G.C.E. Examinations.
2—29th June	Ordinary Level G.C.E. Examinations.
10th June	Town Sports.
22—30th June	School Examinations.
1—2nd July	Music Festival.
6th July	Old Boys' Cricket Match.
5—16th July	Excursions—to the Farne Islands, the Roman Wall, Tynemouth, Pickering, Malham, Durham University.
14th July	Athletic Sports.
16th July	S.C.M. in Schools Conference.
19th July	Open Day.
21st July	Swimming Gala. Staff Cricket Match.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS :—

A party spent a fortnight at Florenville in Belgium.

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SCHOOL EXAMINATION SUCCESSES
(*N.U.J.M.B., G.C.E. Examinations, June 1965*)

ADVANCED LEVEL :—(A) indicates pass at highest grade. Results in Special Papers shown in brackets : S1—Distinction. S2—Merit.

VI ARTS :—

K. W. Aspinall	Geography, Economics.
C. Barber	History, Geography, Economics.
P. A. Bell	English, Art.
W. K. Bellwood	Geography, Geology.
S. M. Booth	English, Economics, French.
E. M. Burgess	General Studies, English, History (A), (S2), Economics.
S. P. Caygill	English, History, Economics.
A. Coats	History, Economics (A).
T. Cowley	Geography.
P. R. Cowperthwaite	English, History, Economics.
D. S. Corney	English.
G. Crossley	English, History, French.
M. Ditchburn	History, Economics.
J. R. England	History, Geography (S1), Economics.
D. Farlow	French.
D. N. Halliday	History, Geography, Economics.
T. Heap	English, Geology.
G. D. Hill	History, Geography, Economics.
J. G. Hindmarsh	History (S1), Economics (A).
P. D. Mackie	General Studies (A), History, Economics.
N. M. Mackinnon	English, History, Economics.
P. Magee	Geography, Economics, Geology.
J. Mills	General Studies, English, History, Economics.
S. O'Boyle	Geology.
L. S. Patterson	General Studies, History, Geography, Economics.
R. L. Prichard	French.
D. W. Sharp	English, History, Economics (S1).
K. W. Tinkler	Economics.
S. J. Williamson	Geography, Economics.
A. Wilson	Geography, Economics.

VI SCIENCE :—

J. Beeston	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
D. A. Clubley	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
G. B. Coates	Physics, Chemistry, Biology.
J. S. Cowen	Maths, Physics.
D. A. Curson	Physics, Chemistry (S2), Biology.
B. Dobson	Maths (S2), Chemistry.
B. C. Docherty	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
P. C. Duckett	Physics, Geometrical and Engineering Drawing.
A. Dunthorne	Maths., Physics (A), Chemistry.
J. Ewart	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
A. Fawcett	Maths (A), (S1), Further Maths., Physics.

P. Graham	Maths. (S1), Further Maths., Physics (A).
D. R. Gray	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
M. P. Hatton	Maths. (A), Further Maths., Physics.
C. J. Helliar	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
J. Henderson	Chemistry, Biology.
J. N. G. Heywood	Art, Physics, Chemistry.
P. R. Hingley	Geometrical and Engineering Drawing.
P. Jackson	Physics, Geometrical and Engineering Drawing.
P. Knowles	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
I. D. Lenham	Maths., Physics, Biology.
P. E. Marwood	Maths., Further Maths., Physics.
D. W. Oliver	Maths., Physics.
E. W. Otterburn	Maths., Physics.
B. Parkin	Maths., Physics, Geology.
A. Pottage	Maths., Physics, Chemistry (S2).
K. Prosser	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
J. B. Ramsden	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
J. C. Rattenbury	Further Maths.
R. I. Richardson	Maths., Physics, Geometrical and Engineering Drawing.
M. J. Ross	General Studies, Maths., Physics, Chemistry
D. R. Row	Maths., Further Maths.
K. T. Rowbottom	Maths., Physics, Chemistry.
P. N. Sanderson	General Studies, Maths., Further Maths., Physics.
C. E. Skilbeck	Physics, Chemistry, Biology.
R. L. Smith	Economics.
L. E. O. Stephens	Maths., Further Maths., Physics.
J. A. Strachan	Maths., Physics.
K. L. Taylor	Maths. (A), Physics (A), Geometrical and Engineering Drawing (A).
J. E. Tinsley	Maths. (A) Physics (A) (S2), Chemistry (A)
T. C. Thompson	Maths. (A), Physics, Chemistry.
C. E. Thornton	Physics, Chemistry, Biology.
M. Turnbull	Geography, Geology.
B. Turner	General Studies (A), Maths. (A) (S2), Physics (A), Chemistry (A) (S1).
M. P. Wassall	Maths (A), Physics.
J. E. Wilson	Biology.

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PASSES AT ORDINARY LEVEL :

(*Figures in brackets indicate number of subjects*)

FORM 4 R.

C. S. Allen (8).

FORM 5 R.

R. R. Aucutt (8); C. Ault (9); J. Beall (8); W. G. Bettinson (4); P. Davies (1); M. G. Denny (9); L. W. Douglas (7); D. M. Eltringham (8); G. Good (9); A. N. Haile (6); P. Hiley (8); K. Jackson (7); J. M. James (9); M. P. James (7); F. R. Lamplugh (7); A. P. Lynas (7); C. A. R. Lyth (9); T. G. McGeown (6); R. G. Moody (9); M. Parker (6); G. S. Reeve (9); J. M. Reid (5); D. H. Richmond (4); J. C. Robson (9); D. J. Scott (8); D. Seddon (4); P. D. Waddington (7); R. P. Waite (5); M. J. Welch (7); J. Whitmore (6); R. J. Wilson (9).

FORM 5 X.

G. A. Beresford (5); B. N. Braithwaite (5); M. J. Date (2); M. J. Emmerson (7); A. Griffin (1); A. R. Harrison (4); P. A. Ivison (2); D. A. Jeavons (8); P. S. Jones (6); J. Lightfoot (5); I. Lloyd (1); D. P. Lynch (4); N. P. Marsh (2); G. McLean (6); R. J. Murphy (3); B. G. Plaister (1); D. T. Pool (6); I. W. Reynolds (5); D. J. Richardson (5); M. Richardson (6); E. Short (2); J. Sutherland (7); P. A. Taylor (7); C. R. Thompson (5); R. J. Walker (8); G. A. Ward (6); M. R. Wareing (1); M. J. Whitfield (1); R. P. Wootton (9); D. Wright (4).

FORM 5 Y.

J. Ainsley (7); C. Barkess (5); S. C. Bland (6); W. N. Bond (3); R. D. Brown (9); I. H. Bruce (9); D. Chisman (4); P. G. R. Davidson (5); D. Etherington (9); J. G. Evans (3); L. Fawcett (9); R. Ferguson (5); S. R. Freeborn (4); C. Gibbons (4); A. Grainger (5); S. Gray (8); R. H. E. Hill (6); D. L. Hodgson (9); K. M. Hornby (2); P. H. Ingham (7); D. S. Ingledew (4); G. W. James (3); R. Klincke (4); G. Langthorne (7); S. D. Leed (4); P. L. Mash (3); J. Raybould (6); R. J. Robinson (6); J. L. Still (2); K. Turner (5); G. Wilson (3).

FORM 5 Z.

C. F. Calvert (5); D. T. Earle (3); D. Ferguson (1); P. Green (2); R. E. Hull (3); I. R. Hunter (1); S. Knowles (5); A. Laverick (2); G. Muirhead (1); D. Whitfield (1).

SIXTH FORM (Supplementary Subjects).

G. D. Barker (1); A. Coats (1); P. W. Sharp (1); G. Brown (1); M. T. Brown (1); C. B. Clark (1); J. L. Collin (1); A. T. Foulds (1); G. Gregson (1); G. A. Hodson (1); B. J. Lowther (1); W. S. Lynas (1); R. Murray (1); A. Naylor (1); I. R. Pragnell (1); N. Smiles (1); P. A. Smith (1); B. Waller (1); J. M. Waller (1); D. Yarrow (1); C. J. Graham (1); D. F. Jones (1); W. G. Smith (3); K. W. Stephens (1).

SIXTH FORM SCHOOL LEAVERS, 1964-5.

A List, complete and accurate as far as we have been informed, of what they are doing now, and where.

D. J. Allan	St. Catharine's College, Cambridge, English.
K. W. Aspinall	Northallerton County Hall, Trainee Welfare Officer.
C. Barber	St. Peter's College, Saltley, Birmingham, Education
G. D. Barker	Middlesbrough Day Training College, Education
J. Beeston	Van Mildert College, Durham, Mathematics and Physics.
P. A. Bell	University of Sussex, English and American Studies.
W. K. Bellwood	Redland Training College, Bristol, Education.
S. M. Booth	Winterton Hospital, Trainee Mental Nurse.
S. P. Caygill	Manchester College of Commerce, Economics.
S. Clapham	Peterhouse, Cambridge, Economics.
D. Clubley	Liverpool University, Chemistry.
G. B. Coates	Leeds University, Zoology.
A. Coats	Newcastle University, Economics.
P. S. Coupe	Imperial College, London, Civil Engineering.
J. S. Cowen	Salford, Royal C.A.T., Civil Engineering.
T. Cowley	Loughborough College, Physical Education.
P. Cowperthwaite	Manchester College of Commerce, Economics.

D. S. Corney	Leicester College of Art, Pre-Diploma Art Course.
D. A. Curson	Guy's Hospital, London, Medicine.
M. Ditchburn	Birmingham College of Commerce, General Arts.
B. Dobson	Newcastle University, Chemical Engineering.
B. C. Docherty	Edinburgh University, Chemistry.
P. C. Duckett	A London College of Technology, Civil Engineering.
A. Dunthorne	Birmingham University, Physics.
J. R. England	Newcastle University, Geography.
J. Ewart	I.C.I.
P. Graham	Newcastle University, Mathematics.
D. R. Gray	Liverpool University, Electronic Engineering.
I. J. Gray	Manchester University, Mathematics.
R. Hallett	Saltburn U.D.C. and Constantine College, Municipal Engineering.
D. N. Halliday	I.C.I.
J. N. Hardwick	I.C.I.
M. P. Hatton	Newcastle University, Mathematics.
T. Heap	Didsbury Training College, Manchester, Education.
C. J. Helliar	Liverpool University, Mechanical Engineering.
J. Henderson	Leeds University, Agriculture.
J. N. G. Heywood	Wimbledon College of Art, Theatrical Design.
G. D. Hill	University of Warwick, Economics.
P. R. Hingley	Ewell Technical College, Surrey, Building.
P. Jackson	I.C.I.
P. Knowles	Birmingham C.A.T., Metallurgy.
I. D. Lenham	Birmingham Training College, Education.
P. D. Mackie	London School of Economics, Economics.
N. Mackinnon	Portsmouth College of Technology, Economics.
P. Magee	Newcastle University, Geography.
D. J. Martin	Manchester University, Chemical Engineering.
P. E. Marwood	Leeds University, Electrical Engineering.
D. Nicholas	Bristol University, Architecture.
S. O'Boyle	Hollins College, Manchester, Hotel Management
D. W. Oliver	Willesden Technical College, Civil Engineering.
E. W. Otterburn	Bradford C.A.T., Mechanical Engineering.
D. J. Owen	Civil Service, Middlesbrough.
B. Parkin	Birmingham C.A.T., General Science.
L. S. Patterson	Hull University, Economics.
K. Prosser	Birmingham University, Metallurgy.
J. B. Ramsden	Imperial College, London, Electrical Engineering.
J. C. Rattenbury	Manchester University, Civil Engineering.
R. I. Richardson	Leeds University, Mechanical Engineering. (not confirmed)
M. J. Ross	Imperial College, London, Physics.
D. R. Row	Barclay's Bank, Barnard Castle.
K. T. Rowbottom	Loughborough C.A.T., Industrial Chemistry.
P. N. Sanderson	British Aircraft Corporation, Bristol, for 1 year, followed by 3 years at Queen Mary College, London. *Thick Sandwich* Course in Aero- nautical Engineering.
P. W. Sharp	Cardiff C.A.T., Law.
P. R. Steer	Imperial College, London, Chemistry.
L. E. O. Stephens	University College, London, Mechanical Engineering.

J. A. Strachan	C.A.T. (Northampton or Salford?) Civil Engineering.
K. L. Taylor	Nottingham University, Civil Engineering.
I. C. Thompson	Manchester University, Computer Science.
C. Thornton	Liverpool University, Botany.
K. W. Tinkler	Neville's Cross College, Durham, Education.
J. E. Tinsley	Imperial College, London, Aeronautical Engineering.
P. M. Trotter	Manchester University, French.
M. Turnbull	Hatfield College, Durham, Geology.
M. P. Wassall	Imperial College, London, Physics.
S. J. Williamson	Lanchester College of Technology, Coventry, Law.
A. Wilson	Mid-Essex College of Technology, Chelmsford, Law.
J. E. Wilson	S.-E. Essex College of Technology, Dagenham, Zoology.
A. Wright	Imperial College, London, Physics.

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UNIVERSITY DEGREES

*News of the following successes has reached the School :
1964—*

P. G. Hawkins	B.A. Hons. Class I in French, King's College, London.
C. Moore	B.Sc. (London) in Chemistry, Constantine College.
R. Radge	B.Sc. in Civil Engineering, Dundee.

1965—

M. Crawley	Ph.D. in Biology, Durham.
J. Crawford	Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry, London.
V. Croft	Ph.D. Sheffield.
T. W. W. Bailey	B. Sc. Hons. Class II Upper Division in Engineering, Newcastle.
B. M. Carr	B.A. Hon. Class II Upper Division in Geography Liverpool
J. Dover	B.A. Hons. Class II in Business Economics, Nottingham.
P. Gillis	A.K.C. (Diploma in Theology), King's College London.
F. Harwood	B.Sc. in Chemistry and Psychology, Hull.
R. N. Lake	B.Sc. in Engineering, Newcastle.
R. Lumley	B.Eng. Hons. Class II in Electronic Engineering, Sheffield.
B. Markovic	B.Sc. Hons. Class II Upper Division in Chemistry, Manchester.
A. Mason	B.Sc. Hons. Class II in Economics, Manchester.
D. G. Robson	B.A. Hons. Class I in Architecture, University College, London.
J. B. Shaw	B.Sc. Hons. Class I in Mechanical Engineering, Imperial College, London.
O. Turnbull	B.Sc. Hons. Class II Upper Division in Civil Engineering, Liverpool.
P. R. White	B.A. Hons. Class III in English, Cambridge.
T. A. Whittingham	B.Sc. Hons. Class II Upper Division, in Physics, Imperial College, London.

SCHOOL PRIZE DAY—10th November, 1964

Alderman J. Foster Glass, J.P., took the chair, and the prizes were presented by the Rev. Canon H. E. W. Turner, D.D., Van Mildert Professor of Divinity, University of Durham.

PRIZE LIST, 1963-4

FORM PRIZES :

1 X	C. Durrant, A. Brennan, G. Deehan.
1 Y	J. Morton, M. N. Miller, G. Fullerton.
1 Z	C. E. Webb, Steven Robinson, W. R. Sanderson.
2 LA	D. A. Burton, C. J. Williams, D. J. Goldsborough.
2 LB	P. Argyle, B. Graystone, D. Jackson.
2 G	R. S. McFadzean, D. Pinkney, P. Stockport.
3 R	D. J. Gibson, J. K. Little, C. S. Allen.
3 A	T. R. Cowan, M. J. Blades, G. Cowley.
3 ALPHA	I. M. Soulsby, A. Spence, M. Goodenough.
4 R	R. Moody, C. A. R. Lyth, F. R. Lamplugh.
4 A	R. P. Wootton, D. A. Jeavons, J. Sutherland,
4 ALPHA	L. Fawcett, I. H. Bruce, D. M. Etherington.

G.C.E. 'O' LEVEL PRIZES :

J. D. Smith French Prize—S. W. Lynas.

C. W. King Memorial Prize for English—D. C. Atkinson.

FORM PRIZES :

D. C. Atkinson, J. Bailey, I. Black, M. Brown, I. R. Brown, A. G. Charlton, A. Foulds, C. T. Little, M. O'Hara, C. H. T. Row.

LOWER SIXTH :

J. R. England, A. Fawcett, P. Graham, J. Mills, K. L. Taylor, J. E. Tinsley, B. Turner.

SIXTH FORM PRIZES :

GENERAL STUDIES : D. J. Allan, P. A. Bell, K. Burns, M. R. Hansell, P. A. Hartley, J. C. Rattenbury.

ENGLISH : D. J. Allan.

ECONOMICS : S. Clapham.

PHYSICS : K. Burns, D. G. Tatchell.

FRENCH : P. M. Trotter.

TECHNICAL SUBJECTS : J. Gilliland.

HISTORY : S. Clapham, P. J. Haigh.

MATHEMATICS : I. J. Gray.

CHEMISTRY : P. R. Steer.

GEOLOGY : J. C. Rattenbury.

LIBRARY : P. Graham.

G. G. ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR HISTORY : E. M. Burgess.

HEADMASTER'S DEBATING PRIZE : N. W. Dunstone.

OLD STOCKTONIAN BURSARIES : T. McCarthy, J. D. Robson, L. K. Parnaby, R. Harwood.

DUX OF THE SCHOOL : J. G. Collin.

PROXIME ACCESSIT : T. McCarthy.

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UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE AWARDS

D. J. Allan—Open Exhibition in English to St. Catharine's College, Cambridge.

P. S. Coupe—Open Exhibition in Civil Engineering to Imperial College, London.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS, 1964-5

Captain of the School : (September to January) D. J. Allan.

(January to July) P. Graham.

Vice-Captains : B. Dobson and R. Hallett.

Senior Prefects : P. A. Bell, P. S. Coupe, P. R. Steer, P. M. Trotter, S. Clapham, D. A. Curson, I. Gray, J. C. Rattenbury, C. E. Skilbeck, C. E. Thornton, A. W. Wright, P. R. Cowperthwaite, D. Clubley, J. Henderson, B. Parkin, D. J. Martin, E. W. Otterburn, G. Crossley, S. Patterson, G. B. Coates, B. Docherty, I. D. Lenham, J. B. Ramsden, B. Turner, M. Ditchburn, S. P. Caygill, C. J. Helliard, J. R. England, P. C. Duckett, W. K. Bellwood.

Junior Prefects : S. O'Boyle, M. Turnbull, S. Williamson, M. P. Hatton, M. J. Ross, D. R. Row, K. T. Rowbottom, K. L. Taylor, W. S. Lynas, J. Moore, D. J. Young, A. Coats, J. E. Tinsley, G. Rayner, C. Cuthbert, K. Prosser, D. C. Atkinson.

Captain of Rugby Football : M. Turnbull.

Captain of Cricket : G. Crossley.

Captain of Tennis : M. Turnbull.

HOUSE CAPTAINS :

Cleveland : D. J. Allan, P. Graham.

Dunelm : M. Turnbull.

Oxbridge : J. Moore, J. Henderson.

Tees : P. A. Bell.

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HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1964-5

Points :—1st, 5; 2nd, 3; 3rd, 2; 4th, 1.

	Cleveland	Dunelm	Oxbridge	Tees
Rugby	1	5	3	2
7-a-side Rugby	1	4	2	4
Cross-Country	3	2	1	5
Debates	5	0	2	3
Basketball	1	5	3	2
Chess	5	2	1	3
Music	3	2	5	1
Athletics	1	2	5	3
Cricket	1½	5	3	1½
Tennis	1	5	2	3
Swimming	1	5	2	3
Gymnastics	3	2	1	5
Totals	26½	39	30	35½

Champion House : DUNELM

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RUGBY FOOTBALL, 1964-65

The school XV had a very good season with the loss of only 2 games and 1 drawn. As usual a good start was made with the first 6 wins totalling 224 points. The defeats were both low scores, that at Acklam being 3—0, just after the school holidays!

	Pts.					
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
1st XV—	18	15	1	2	438	103
2nd XV—	16	14	1	1	333	60

The school was represented on the county side by Bell, Trotter, Crossley and Henderson of whom Trotter was selected to play for the North of England but was unable to do so. Turnbull captained the 1st XV side and Curson was vice-captain.

Oliver captained the 2nd XV.

Outstanding players of the season were Trotter, Curson and Henderson with Moore kicking well as ever during games he played.

Colours were awarded to Moore, Henderson, Turnbull, Skilbeck, Rayner, Crossley, Bell, Waller, Hill, Trotter, Cuthbert, Graham, Langthorne and Curson.

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OLD BOYS' RUGBY—1964-65

As Boxing Day was a Saturday, the first of our matches had to be cancelled through lack of support. Frost would have prevented play (as usual!) so the faithful band who have turned up in previous years, in spite of the season's goodwill, were spared the chagrin of a last minute cancellation.

The Easter Match was played in April and even here, a clash with the Stockton—Middlesbrough Match, meant a weakened team. To add to our troubles (I'm glad to say!) Ian Brown and Owen Turnbull were playing in a Representative match at Durham City.

The Old Boys, sad to say, lost the encounter 24—16, but the match was characterised by the desire of both sides to play open rugby—fitness and "wind" permitting! The day was damp and murky and this resulted in mistakes by both sides. The fact that the school was more efficient at exploiting these was a major reason for their victory.

The game opened with a flurry of scoring, after which both sides settled down. The Old Boys' forwards were superior, their half backs more dangerous and Henderson, who had scored an early try, was closely marked. As a result the School were doing well to hold the Old Boys to a lead of 13—11 at half-time.

After the interval the Old Boys were immediately on the attack and scored a further try. The School lost David Curson with a broken collar bone and this misfortune acted as a spur to the pack and, with the Old Boys tiring somewhat, the most exciting phase of the game began.

Skilbeck at times bemused the defence and Henderson penetrated it! Although possession was running short, Ian Fox and David Rayner were still dangerous and only good covering prevented an Old Boys' score.

In this phase, the school added 13 points, the Old Boys' cover appearing very tired compared with still mobile School pack.

It is interesting to note that John Henderson chipped an ankle bone in mid-February playing soccer, missed playing for the North of England, (and England?) and had only just returned to rugby.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS, 1965

Competitions in which members of the school took part :—

- 29th May —Durham Grammar Schools Championships.
10th June —Stockton Schools Championships.
16th June —Grangefield Grammar v Darlington Grammar v
Guisborough Grammar.
19th June —Durham County Schools Championships.
28th June —Tees-side Schools Under 14 Relay Competition.
15th July —School Sports.

In the County Grammar Schools Sports, M. Hatton was 2nd in the Senior Shot and 6th in the Discuss. I Pragnell was 3rd in the Senior 440 yards. G. Langthorne was 5th in the Javelin and Wetherell 2nd in the 880 yards in the Intermediate age group. G. Reid was 2nd in the Junior Long Jump, R. Thurland reached the final of the 100 yards, and the relay team came 2nd. R. Young in the Junior age group won the 80 yards Hurdles, setting a new county record. In the Under-13 age group, Gardiner was 3rd in the High Jump.

In the Stockton School championships once more we did extremely well, winning the relay cup, Field events Cup, Middle Distance Cup, and Boys' Shield.

In a Junior forms triangular match against Darlington and Guisborough, after leading for most of the events, the school narrowly lost by 3 points to Darlington. Final scores Grangefield 110 points, Darlington 113 points, Guisborough 54 points.

In the County Schools Championships Hatton, Raybould, Wetherell and Young were the school's best performers.

Grangefield retained the Middlesbrough Relay Trophy, R. Thurland fighting all the way to the finish. Team—R. Blackburn, G. Reid, M. Thurland and R. Thurland.

English Schools' Championships—no representative!

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ATHLETIC SPORTS, 1965

After being postponed from the previous day to give the ground a chance to recover from three days heavy rain, the Sports were held on St. Swithin's Day, which turned out to be one of the chilliest days of summer.

New records were established by M. P. Hatton in the Senior Shot, by Underwood in the Inter Triple Jump, by Ashley in the Intermediate Mile and by Young in the Junior Shot.

Oxbridge won the House Championship, scoring most points both in Track and Field Events. They clinched their success by victories in two of the three relays.

In the individual competition, last year's Victor Ludorum, M. P. Hatton, won the Shot and Discus, was second in the 100 and 220 and third in the Long Jump. But I. Pragnell, with victories in the 220, 440 and High Jump and second place in the Triple Jump, narrowly defeated Hatton and became the new Victor Ludorum. Last year's Junior Champion, M. Thurland, won the Intermediate Championship, and the new Junior Champion was M. Roberts.

RESULTS :

JUNIOR—

1st	2nd	3rd	Performance
80 yards :			
Roberts (D)	Gardner (O)	Winter (O)	10.1 secs.
150 yards :			
Roberts (D)	Gardner (O)	Wood (C)	19.7 secs.
330 yards :			
Winter (O)	Newton (O)	Mooney (C)	47.6 secs.
Hurdles :			
Young (T)	Walker (C)	Philips (D)	12.3 secs.
High Jump :			
Stansfield (O)	Gardner (O)	Loney (T)	4ft. 5 ins.
Long Jump :			
Roberts (D)	Stansfield (O)	Newton (O)	13ft. 5 ins.
Shot :			
Young (T)	Newton (O)	Winter (O)	42ft. 1 in.
Relay :			
Oxbridge	Tees	Cleveland	57.1 sec.

Junior Champion : M. Roberts

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INTERMEDIATE—

1st	2nd	3rd	Performance
100 yards :			
M. Thurland (T)	R. Thurland (T)	Blades (D)	11.6 secs.
220 yards :			
Wetherell (C)	Collins (D)	R. Thurland (T)	26 secs.
440 yards :			
Wetherell (C)	Collins (D)	M. Thurland (T)	56.5 secs.
880 yards :			
Ashley (C)	Latimer (D)	Wilmer (C)	2 m. 22.3 secs.
Mile :			
Ashley (C)	Wennington (D)	Wilmer (C)	5 m. 34.7 secs.
Hurdles :			
Marshall (D)	Urquhart (O)	Atkin (T)	12.3 secs.
High Jump :			
Challis (O)	Edwards (T)	Dutton (D)	4ft. 5½ ins.
Long Jump :			
M. Thurland (T)	Reid (C)	Collins (D)	16ft. 4 ins.
Triple Jump :			
Underwood (T)	Collins (D)	Reid (C)	35 ft.
Shot :			
Moule (D)	Ashley (C)	Soulsby (D) Goodenough (T)	41 ft. 1 in.
Discuss :			
Moule (D)	M. Thurland (T)	Blackburn (C)	109 ft. 9½ ins.
Javelin :			
Underwood (T)	Murphy (O)	Marshall (D)	123 ft. 9 ins.
Relay :			
Tees	Dunelm	Cleveland	52.1 secs.

Intermediate Champion : M. Thurland

SENIOR—

1st	2nd	3rd	Performance
100 yards : Harbron (O)	Hatton (D)	Aucutt (O)	11.1 secs.
220 yards : Pragnell (O)	Hatton (D)	Harbron (O)	24.5 secs.
440 yards : Pragnell (O)	Waller (D)	Reid (C)	57.1 secs.
880 yards : Robertson (T)	Richardson (O)	Parker (C)	2 m. 10.6 secs.
Mile : Robertson (T)	Richardson (O)	Yarrow (T)	5 m. 14 secs.
Hurdles : Clark (O)	Ward (T)	Raine (T)	20 secs.
High Jump : Pragnell (O)	Seddon (T)	Richardson (O)	5 ft. 2 ins.
Long Jump : Reid (C)	Seddon (T)	Harbron (O)	17 ft. 4 ins.
Triple Jump : Reid (C)	Pragnell (O)	Clark (O)	37 ft. 1½ ins.
Shot : Hatton (D)	Clegg (O)	Langthorne (C)	41 ft. 2 ins.
Discus : Hatton (D)	Raybould (C)	Foulds (O)	97 ft. 10½ ins.
Javelin : Raybould (C)	Foulds (O)	Langthorne (C)	146 ft. 9 ins.
Relay : Oxbridge	Cleveland	Tees	48.5 secs.

Victor Ludorum : I. Pragnell

<i>House Points</i> :	Oxbridge	108 points.
	Tees	83 points.
	Dunelm	74 points.
	Cleveland	67 points.

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BASKETBALL

Under 18 Basketball—

The Under 18 team once again entered the Tees-side Junior League and with reasonable success were runners up.

In the K.O. Cup provided by this league in which the school have been beaten finalists for the last two years the school team were eventually eliminated by Joe Walton's B.C.

The Senior Team also entered the National Championships and the North East Area Championships with only little success, being eliminated in both cases by Sunderland Bede G.S. and Sunderland Juniors.

However, revenge was sweet when the school team won both the North East's Grammar School Tournaments at Darlington and Bede Grammar School—defeating Bede in the Semi-final and Final respectively—only one other Grammar School has completed the double in the history of the tournaments.

Just reward for hard work and dedication —John Moore after National trials was selected to play for the North of England.

Played	Won	Lost	For	Against
22	18	4	891	586

Under 15 Basketball—

A reasonably satisfactory performance in which this team, perhaps overshadowed by the success of its predecessors, finished half way up the South Durham Schools League Table. Soulsby, Whitecross and Goldie represented the South Area which won the Durham County Tournament.

Under 14 Basketball—

After a late start the Under 14 team justified the confidence placed in it. In a 14 team tournament held at Grangefield—the embarrassing position materialised when both the 'A' and 'B' teams reached the final—the 'A' team being successful—some indication of their playing strength for 1965/1966.

Old Boys—

Finishing slightly below halfway in the Tees-side Senior League the O.B's. enjoyed a measure of success. Accent was on enjoyment, but the games were at least played heartily which gave the O.B's. team a reputation for hard if not altogether skilful play.

Once again they are still looking for potential talent and all contributions would be gratefully received.

Many thanks must go to Mr. Green and Mr. Heads, who has now left the school, and Mr. Thomas, together with those who have at any time given assistance.

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CRICKET SEASON, 1965

On paper the school side appeared extremely strong, the majority of players having had previous experience with the first XI. Yet the season was to turn out to be one of the poorest on record.

Played 13 : Won 3 : Drawn 3 : Lost 7.

The batting, which had appeared to be the sides's strength, sadly let the side down, and the recognised batsmen only seemed to strike form on different occasions. Often Young's stalwart batting held the side together, and Sutherland, Crossley and Bailey turned in a few reasonable scores. Bailey and Still bore the brunt of the bowling, and Mackinnon, Cuthbert and Davies also bowled well, Crossley proving an effective shock bowler. Tail-end batsmen proved not only to be the scourge of the school bowlers, but the batting strength of the opposition.

Colours were awarded to Young, Good, Bailey, Sutherland, Cuthbert and Still, and half-colours to Davies.

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UNDER 14 CRICKET (Season 1965)

The Under 14 team had a reasonably good season under the captaincy of A. Roberts, winning and losing 4 matches.

The team had 3 very convincing wins, all at home against Wellfield (28, 32—5), St. Mary's (112—3, 31) and Stockton G.S. (91—2, 18).

We had one very exciting win at home against Guisborough, when the team won by 3 runs with four balls to go (64,61).

We lost 2 matches at home to West Hartlepool G.S. and Eston G.S. and we lost 2 matches away to Acklam and Middlesbrough H.S.

Newton (54—17—82—23), Thompson (34—8—87—14) and Argyle (39—13—89—14) were the 3 main bowlers. P. Phillips also bowled well (17—5—49—9).

Newton, A. Roberts and M. Roberts batted well for the team.

All the team's thanks are due to Mr. Ingham, Mr. Ellison and the games staff for arranging practices and matches for us.

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SCHOOL v STAFF, 1965

Following the ancient tradition, the school batted first on a day graced with sunny weather. According to the new system devised by Mr. H. O. Stout, the total number of overs was restricted to 50.

The school started slowly at the rate of 5 runs per over, Mr. Thomas restricting the scoring by the doubtful tactic of chucking the ball hard into the ground. However, the rate soon picked up when Crossley and Cuthbert came together with an entertaining, if not classical, stand of 96 in about half an hour. Crossley ended up with 109, being cunningly run out, whilst backing up at the non-strikers' end, by Mr. Stout, after all attempts to run him out by more gentlemanly means had failed dismally. Cuthbert was somewhat amazingly run out by a mighty throw from Mr. Davison on the boundary. The school declared at 206 for 6 in 25 overs.

The staff replied with 133 for 6 in 25 overs, of which Messrs. Davison and Cawley contributed 68 and 26 respectively. After Young's first over had revealed the deadly nature of the pitch, the school batsmen took it in turns to bowl slowly, the match ending in an amicable draw.

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SCHOOL v OLD BOYS—Cricket

The game was played at Grangefield on a warm, but overcast 6th July, and Crossley, the school captain, having won the toss, decided to bat first. He was no doubt influenced by the rather portly appearance of the Old Boys, and gambled that they would tire in the field.

Young and Good opened for the school, but Young soon fell, well caught at slip by Stayman off Featherstone. Bailey and Good kept the score moving at a brisk rate until Good was bowled for a very creditable 31, and eventually Bailey fell to a good catch by Whitton for 35 having had some "lives" in his innings.

Crossley and Sutherland Junior continued to punish the Old Boys' attack and it was particularly amusing to see Sutherland junior beautifully cover drive Sutherland senior for four. After a bright 20 from Davies the School declared at 139 for 8 and were feeling more than confident during the tea-interval.

Stayman and Riley opened for the Old Boys, but Stayman, possibly suffering from over-indulgence during the interval, got a "tickle" to a ball from Still and was well caught at the wicket for 5. A brave decision by the umpire, who got the full benefit of "the N.Y. and S.D. League stare." Glattbach paid a fleeting visit to the wicket but also left rather quickly and the score was 22 for 2. However, Riley and Pinder pushed the score along and then Featherstone and Pinder put the Old Boys in a very good position till at 93, Pinder left for a splendid 48. Featherstone followed after a useful stand with Whitton and the Old Boys were 118 for 5, well poised to win. Bailey then took two quick wickets and with the score at 123 for 7, Whitton and Gray slowly built up the total to 138 when Whitton was bowled. Two to score with two to fall.

Addison now came to the wicket, after being heard to say "Just like you Maurice, sending me in, in the middle of a hat-trick!" However, his fears were not well founded because on his first ball the umpire was unsighted and could only give not out to a confident appeal for a catch at the wicket.

Gray quickly hit off the remaining runs and the Old Boys were home—just.

SCORE SHEET :

School—

Young	ct. Stayman	b. Featherstone	0
Good		b. Dunstone	31
Bailey	ct. Whitton	b. Glattbach	35
Crossley	run out		15
Sutherland Jun.	ct. Featherstone	b. Glattbach	19
Davies	not out		20
Cuthbert	ct. Stayman	b. Glattbach	0
Waller	st. Addison	b. Stayman	3
Still	ct. Glattbach	b. Pinder	2
Kean	not out		0
Downie	did not bat		
		EXTRAS	14
Total for 8 wickets declared			139

Old Boys :

Stayman	ct. Good	b. Still	5
Riley	ct. Cuthbert	b. Still	28
Glattbach	ct. Downie	b. Still	5
Pinder		b. Still	48
Featherstone	ct. Sutherland	b. Crossley	15
Whitton		b. Bailey	24
Dunstone		b. Bailey	3
Yates		b. Bailey	0
Gray	not out		10
Addison	not out		0
Sutherland M.	did not bat		0
		EXTRAS	4
Total for 8 wickets			142

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Featherstone	6	1	9	1	Cuthbert	6	0	39	0
Yates	5	0	14	0	Still	11	0	44	4
Gray	5	0	27	0	Bailey	11	0	44	3
Dunstone	6	2	15	1	Crossley	51	1	11	1
Sutherland M.	6	0	20	0					
Glattbach	5	0	21	3					
Stayman	2	0	6	1					
Pinder	2	0	13	1					

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SCHOOL TENNIS TEAM

With several school team players leaving in 1964, there were some new faces in the team for the 1965 season.

The team was ably led by M. Turnbull, and supported by F. Kane, P. Duckett, P. H. Ingham, C. B. Clark and D. Yarrow, with M. Emmerson and G. Gregson as very competent reserves.

The school suffered a narrow defeat at the hands of Durham Johnston in the first round of the County Cup, and was defeated by Royal Grammar School, Newcastle, after a close fought match in the Northern Area final of the Glanville Cup.

The team was successful in many of its friendly matches, and, all told, it was quite a successful season.

School Colours were awarded to : M. Turnbull, F. Kane, P. Duckett, P. H. Ingham, C. B. Clark and D. Yarrow.

With the new players gaining added experience, the 1966 season promises to be a successful one.

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CROSS-COUNTRY

The season started well with two wins over Acklam Hall G.S., but then a series of losses began which extended to Christmas. Because of injuries, lessons, and interviews, the school never managed to field its strongest team. On the Spring term, however, with a full team, three of the four matches were comfortably won. This made a total of 5 wins in 13 matches, two of which were triangular.

Unfortunately, the school did not attend the North East G.S. race at Riding Mill because of bad road conditions.

At the County Championships at Easington, Wetherell was 12th in the Intermediate race, and, in the Senior event, Smith was 14th, Yarrow 17th, and Robertson 21st. Wetherell subsequently ran for Durham against Northumberland, Cumberland and Westmoreland, in a triangular match.

Yarrow, Richardson, Clark, Robertson, Smith, M. Cowperthwaite, P. Cowperthwaite, Wetherell and Rattenbury were consistent team members, with support from Ewart and Parker. Wetherell of the 4th form, deserves much credit for his excellent performances.

Full Colours :— D. Yarrow, G. Robertson, P. A. Smith, M. Wetherell.
Half Colours :— C. B. Clark, M. Cowperthwaite, P. Cowperthwaite.

SWIMMING GALA, 1965

The Swimming Gala, attended as usual by the First and Second Forms was held in Stockton Baths on the morning of Wednesday, 21st July. It resulted in an overwhelming win for Dunelm House, whose swimmers won six of the twelve events and took six second places. They also won two of the three relay races.

RESULTS—JUNIOR EVENTS—

1st	2nd	3rd	Time
<i>Back Stroke :</i>			
Webb (O)	Porter (D)	Young (T)	15.3 secs.
<i>Breast Stroke :</i>			
Webb (O)	Pearson (T)	Gardner (O)	19.8 secs.
<i>Free Style :</i>			
Webb (O)	Chester (D)	Porter (D)	14.5 secs.
<i>Diving :</i>			
Chester (D)	Porter (D)	Young (T)	
<i>Relay :</i>			
Dunelm	Tees	Oxbridge	63.5 secs.
<i>Junior Champion : C. Webb.</i>			

RESULTS—INTERMEDIATE EVENTS—

<i>Back Stroke :</i>			
Collins (D)	Millward (C)	Petch (T)	39.3 secs.
<i>Breast Stroke :</i>			
Petch (T)	Collin (T)	Murphy (O)	43.9 secs.
<i>Free Style :</i>			
Collins (D)	Smith (T)	R. Thurland (T)	31.2 secs.
<i>Diving :</i>			
Town (O)	Lloyd (C)	Smith (T)	
<i>Relay :</i>			
Tees	Dunelm	Oxbridge	63 secs.
<i>Intermediate Champion : J. Collins.</i>			

RESULTS—SENIOR EVENTS—

<i>Back Stroke :</i>			
Hatton (D)	Clark (O)	Gibbons (D)	55.9 secs.
<i>Breast Stroke :</i>			
Hatton (D)	Klincke (D)	Collin (T)	63.1 secs.
<i>Free Style :</i>			
Hatton (D)	Gibbons (D)	Clark (O)	49.2 secs.
<i>Diving :</i>			
Klincke (D)	Gibbons (D)	Etherington. (C)	
<i>Relay :</i>			
Dunelm			

Senior Champion : M. Hatton.

<i>House Points :—</i>	Dunelm	81.
	Tees	36.
	Oxbridge	30.
	Cleveland	7.

SCHOOL GYMNASTICS REPORT, 1964-65

The senior team proved the best of all the school gymnastic teams and consisted of P. Bell, R. Smith, T. Cowley and J. Clegg. Having reached the Durham County Gymnastics finals, the team suffered an unfortunate setback when Smith had to withdraw halfway through the competition because of injury. However, Bell, and Clegg were placed third and fifth respectively, both being selected to represent Durham County against Loughborough College. The team made up for this ill-luck by later winning the North Eastern Amateur Gymnastic Championship, Clegg coming second, and Bell third.

There proved to be a shortage of good gymnasts in the junior teams, and there was little success in this department apart from R. Young who did well to reach the finals of the Durham County grade II championships, and also to gain third place in grade III of the North Eastern Amateur Championships.

Five senior boys had the honour of representing Great Britain in Vienna, and in their absence the school senior gymnastics champion was Douglas. The second—third form champion was Young, and the first form champion was Barrow. These three were all members of Tees house, who subsequently won the House Gymnastics Competition.

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REPRESENTATIVES OF GREAT BRITAIN

Five gymnastic teams from the whole of Great Britain were chosen to represent Great Britain in a Gymnaestrada, held in Vienna, summer 1965. Five boys from our school : P. Bell, R. Smith, J. Clegg, G. Barkess and V. Creed were among those chosen for the North-Eastern Counties display team.

After a journey by rail and boat, lasting thirty hours, we finally reached Vienna. After a great deal of hard work, the standard of gymnastics produced by our boys was extremely high, unlike that of the food provided, which was also small in amount. Conditions for our performances were made considerably more difficult by the tremendous heat, once recorded at 90° F. in the shade.

Nevertheless, we had quite a lot of spare time, and visited many wonderful buildings, statues, and monuments in the fine old city, using trams or the underground railway for conveyance. One fact which was rather disappointing was that the "Blue" Danube was actually a murky grey colour. All our boys took advantage of free tickets to see both American world champion trampolinists, and Russian world agility champions, all of whom put on fantastic displays.

Looking back, taking everything into account, especially the joyous celebrations of the final night, almost everybody in the whole party appeared to enjoy the trip a great deal.

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MUSIC NOTES

This has been a busy year for the Music Department. We have a choir of over 100 members and an orchestra of some thirty players.

There have been opportunities for both to show their prowess. The Annual Carol party (which was well attended) took place on December 16th and, on the following day, a Carol Service was given in Holy Trinity Church. We were fortunate in having the services of Mr. A. Bainbridge, the church organist, who is an old boy of the school.

A school concert was held on April 8th when the choir and orchestra performed to a large and most appreciative audience. Perhaps the highlight of the evening was a comic quartet (organised by S. Lynas).

The climax of the year's work has been the House Music Competitions which took place on July 1st and 2nd. There were over 100 entries and the music master, who judged the semi-finals had the doubtful pleasure of hearing the same song 58 times! Mr. J. W. R. Taylor, County Music Organiser, who judged the Finals, declared himself well satisfied by the standard and scope of activities which included House Choirs and String Quartets. The winning house was Oxbridge.

The growth of instrumental players during the year has been particularly pleasing. At the time of writing we have 22 violinists, 3 viola players and 5 cellists. There are also the beginnings of a fine woodwind section. This is a promising start and one hopes that in a year or so Grangefield may be able to boast the presence of a really good school orchestra.

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SCHOOL CONCERT

On Thursday, April 8th, 1965, a large audience gathered in the school hall to hear a concert performed by the newly formed choir and orchestra. It was soon obvious that a great deal of hard work had been put into this presentation. The large choir was first class and well trained. During each piece they gave their best, and must be congratulated for watching the conductor at all times. For such a young orchestra they too, performed well, although at times lack of practice showed itself. However, one must remember that it has only been in existence for about 6 months, and with this in mind they tackled some difficult pieces with enthusiasm and success. All the solo artists performed very well, and it would be difficult to single out any one person, although one or two might well have done encores. Perhaps one more vocal solo in place of an instrumental solo, would have obtained a more even balance.

Altogether I'm sure a very enjoyable evening was had by all, and that many people are looking forward to the next such concert. Finally, Mr. Horsman can be congratulated on being able to extract so much musical enthusiasm in the short time he has been at the school.

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HOUSE MUSICAL FESTIVAL, 1965

This year's Music Festival seemed inevitable, owing to the great impetus given to the school's activities in the field of music by our new music-master, Mr. Horsman, and the large number participating was a obvious sign of the results of his efforts. The semi-finals were held on July 1st, and Mr. Horsman adjudicated, beginning with the seemingly—impossible task of judging sixty-five performances of the Junior Vocal test-piece, 'The Cool Kellure.' The subsequent classes decreased in size, but the enthusiasm shown by the school remained constant, a level

certainly maintained and perhaps increased on the following day, when Mr. J. Taylor (no stranger to this school) adjudicated the finals. Large and Loney tied for first place in the Junior Vocal Class. Hornby winning the Senior Vocal Class with a very 'beery' performance of the drinking song, 'In Cellar Cool.' The number of contestants entering the classes for stringed instruments was an enormous increase on last year's figure, Walker winning the Junior Violin Class, Durrant the Open Violin (with the highest score of the day—93); Newton and Sexton the Viola; and Porter the 'cello. There was a similar increase in the number of wind-players, and each performer gave a worthwhile interpretation of his respective test-piece. Hansford and Lynas won the Woodwind Class, on clarinets, and Loney on trumpet the Brass Class. 'A Dulcimer Tune' by Thomas Dunhill and the opening section of the Sonata in C minor by Mozart formed the diet for the Pianoforte Classes, Sanderson gaining first place in the Junior Class, Malkin in the Senior Class. The House Quartets played enthusiastically, a mood sustained in the House Choir renderings of 'O who will o'er the downs so free?' and 'O come, ye servants of the Lord.' The day's proceedings were rounded off by a combined effort of the House Choirs, as the School Choir, in its piece de resistance, 'Who shall win my lady fair?'

It is pleasing to note that the audience on both days remained both tolerant and enthusiastic, qualities similarly ardent in the adjudicators' reports. We were most grateful to our two adjudicators for their praiseworthy efforts in what is inevitably a tedious task. We hope that we can look forward to the repetition of the Music Festival in subsequent years.

The Festival was won by Oxbridge, Cleveland being second, Dunelm third, and Tees fourth.

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FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY

This new addition to the ranks of Grangefield School Societies proved, initially, to be a great attraction, playing to packed houses in Room 12 for the first two meetings. As members discovered just what Folk Music is, the numbers dwindled to a hard core of dedicated enthusiasts, the majority of them sixth-formers. Grangefield now has its own Folk-singing trio, which has already reached a standard of performance and versatility which would put many better-known Folk-singers to shame.

Meetings have taken place approximately once a fortnight, and have consisted of talks, record evenings and live performances. It is gratifying to be able to report that the latter have been the most successful, with vigorous, if not always tuneful, audience participation in choruses.

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NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The school Natural History Society had a very successful year with a record total of 78 members—numerically probably the most popular society in the school! It is also gratifying to note that members come from a great variety of forms, from first to sixth.

The shilling a term subscription has not, in this age of the affluent school-boy, deterred new or renewed membership, and the money accrued has certainly been put to good use. A number of sumptuous new books has been added to the society's library, which now contains 66 volumes, and the excellent monthly magazines "Mainly About Wildlife" and "Wildlife Observer" have been acquired for members' quiet perusal in the dinner hours. In addition, the cost of excursions, being subsidized from the society's funds, has been kept to a minimum, and several prizes were awarded.

Slide and film shows formed the basis of many meetings, but there were also talks and competitions. A new feature was a very popular knock-out quiz on natural history, held in the autumn term. The winning team—or 'group' to sue the modern idiom—was The Otters (Hughes 61 Sc. b, Allen 4 R, and Morton 2 LA). Four very successful excursions were made: to North Gare and to South Gare in October, and to the Tees estuary and to the Farne Islands in July. The year's points winner was J. Morton 2 LA, who was awarded a 15/- prize: membership of the R.S.P.B. for 1966.

A notable event was the launching of the society's own magazine 'The Hobby,' though only two issues have so far appeared. The most momentous event, however, for the society's chairman, Mr. D. G. Bell, was his marriage on June 5th. Members presented him with their best wishes and a very recherche German beer mug. It is not anticipated that either getting married or getting a beer mug will noticeably interrupt his successful organising of the society's activities, and we all look forward to another interesting year with an even bigger membership.

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THE CHRISTIAN UNION

This year saw the re-opening of the Junior Christian Union, which received considerable popularity and continued, every Wednesday, throughout each term. Outings for the juniors were organised, and it is hoped that in the coming year, more 'special meetings' (film strips, 'sound' strips, and visiting speakers) will be organised.

The full Christian Union met on alternate Fridays, when visiting speakers came. Although numbers were generally small, the society is by no means exclusive, and new members or even occasional 'visitors' are always welcome to attend meetings.

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THE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

Under the Chairmanship of Mr. J. M. Scott the Literary and Debating Society enjoyed a successful session. The Committee of Messrs. Cowley, P. Lynas, Harbron, Turner, Steer and Caygill with Mr. Allan as Secretary, organised not only a series of debates which attracted large audiences, but also a mock "General Election" which was won by Mr. Ditchburn of the "Dependent" Party. The large audiences were in some measure due to the regular attendance of members of the Girls' School, and Miss Jobling was co-opted on to the committee.

The annual Balloon Debate was held in the hall. Messrs. Horsman, D'Arcy and Cowley as J. S. Bach, Al Read and 'an Irishman' amused the large House before 'the Irishman' was saved by an overwhelming majority.

The House Debating Competition was won by Cleveland, with Tees runners-up.

The Headmaster's Debating Prize, won by B. Turner, was judged by Mr. G. J. Riddle; to him, and to Mr. Scott, we express our thanks.

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THE MOCK ELECTION, OCTOBER 1964

A fortnight of propaganda speeches followed by a lot of pencilled crosses on pieces of paper—the School Election provided a miniature version of the Nation-wide contest. There was a little excitement in the school playground on several occasions, and it seemed that at least one of the candidates had studied the speeches of the Postmistress General in 'The Apple Cart.' But Good Fun was Had by All, and the opinion was expressed that Age for Age, the campaign compared favourably with the National Campaign.

The 'Dependent' Candidate was certainly not lacking in ideas, originality and enterprise, and it was no doubt these features of his campaign which won him his victory. The little 'Dependent' would seem to imply that he was above all in favour of the extension of Hanging, but in fact this was one of the few proposals he did not make.

The result of the voting was :—

Ditchburn, Michael (Dependent)	146
Gray, Ian (Conservative)	126
Thornton, Clifford (Liberal)	108
Brown, Ian (Sixth Form Freedom Fighters)	84
Burgess, Robin (Labour)	53
Steer, Paul (Negotist)	31

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CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club can once again report a successful year. The Senior and Junior teams each came second in their respective leagues, and in a Schools' Chess Congress held at Grangefield the School came second.

Turner and Ingham played for the County Team.

Mr. Ratcliffe left at Christmas, and the Club wish to thank both him and Mr. Carter who is in charge of the Club now.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

This society held its usual programme of meetings throughout the year. Several meetings were devoted to the viewing of members' colour transparencies, while Kodak filmstrips were found most instructive. Two portrait sessions were held this year, one each in the Easter and Summer terms.

The highlight of the year's activities was again the exhibition on Open Day. This year parents and visitors saw an excellent exhibition of colour transparencies by Mr. C. J. Parkin, an old boy of the School and former secretary of the Photographic Society.

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THE MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB

The club was re-formed almost three years ago and has since continued with a nucleus of six or seven keen builders. The main interest centres on control-line models, and club-night nowadays is often taken up with actual flying.

This last year has been a good one from the point of view of enthusiasm, and there is rarely a dull moment :— Pib Johnson losing a chuck glider in a nettle patch, John Davies, David Walker and Richard Webb, "almost" pranging models each week!

There have been two highlights during the year :—both in the summer term.

Open day saw the club give its record display of elementary stunt flying and as this was more efficiently performed than the previous year, it was well supported. (Press coverage was given in the local paper!).

The summer term's subscriptions were used to finance a chuck glider competition—which never took place.

The gliders were built from plans drawn up by Ian Douglas and proved so successful that all but one or two were lost on test flights.

A club "Power duration" model is being built this year and one member is determined to have a radio controlled plane!

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RAILWAY SOCIETY

Since the activities of the society were last reported in the 1963-64 Stocktonian, it has enjoyed two successful seasons of trips and meetings.

During the past two years, the society has been managed by G. A. Hodson as chairman, G. McLean as secretary, and J. Ainsley as treasurer, ably supported by a committee of form representatives. Indoor meetings were held regularly, varying from quizzes and discussions, to photographic exhibitions, with contributions from many members of the society. The society contributed as usual to the two school open days, the latter being enlivened with some railway recordings, reverberating from the school record player.

Many visits were held to various railway installations throughout Britain, including depots at Manchester, Darlington, York, Newcastle, Hull, Leeds, and Edinburgh. The highlight of last years season being a week long excursion to Scotland, in the summer holidays.

During the past two years however, the membership of the society has declined somewhat (due no doubt to the dieselisation of British Railways). The committee would like to point out that the society is run entirely for the benefit of boys of the school, and any interested boy is only too welcome at any meeting of the society.

ROAD SAFETY AND CYCLING PROFICIENCY

This year a group of boys, all now qualified instructors, coached twenty-seven younger boys for the Cycling Proficiency Test. All passed; seventeen obtaining 90%, thus qualifying for the 'Knights of the Road' award. This was a great tribute to those instructors who gave much of their spare time, wrote their own Instruction Manual, and also devised and organised the whole course. Philip North deserves mention for his enthusiasm and hard work.

The school Road Safety team captured the Stockton Schools' Shield for the second time running, while the Town Team was composed entirely of Grangefield instructors, captained by David Haigh. This team reached the semi-final of the Northumberland and Durham competition, only to be defeated by a Tynemouth team.

Mr. Heads who founded and controlled the Cycling Proficiency Club left the school this summer. The success of the club was mainly due to his energy and the enthusiasm he aroused for safe cycling. The work he began will be continued and it is to be hoped that many Grangefield boys will derive benefit from the facilities offered by the club.

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' ANONYMOUS '

"Anonymous," a single-sheet magazine, was the brain-child of D. J. Allan. Under the guidance of an Editorial Committee consisting originally of D. J. Allan, C. S. Allen, W. S. Lynas and B. Turner it ran for 7 issues at 1d each between January and July 1965, peak circulation being about 800, including the Girls' School, payment generally being made in advance.

The original idea of the magazine—that it should consist of contributions from outside the Committee—was in general not realised, though the idea of dedicating pop records to various members of Staff caught on throughout the School!

We wish to thank all who helped in the production of the Magazine including the Form representatives and the Secretaries in the Boys' School, certain members of the Staff for their tolerance under fire, and contributors from the body of the School.

"Anonymous" was significant in that it showed that it is possible to run a successful School Magazine, so the best of luck to anyone else who wants to try!

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LAKE DISTRICT GEOLOGY FIELD WEEK—EASTER 1965

A party of 12 geologists led by Mr. Sinclair, and aided by Mr. Ellison spent a week studying geology in the Lake District based at Keswick.

The first evening was spent settling in, enjoying our first meal, and seeing the sights of Keswick!

The following day (Saturday) the party led by Mr. Nuttall from next door, toured the Lake District in a bus becoming familiarized with the surroundings.

On the Sunday, however, the course swung fully under way and during the day we climbed Skiddaw, a mountain of the modest height of 3,053 ft. On the summit of the peak the sun was far from shining, in fact, we suffered squally snow showers and a howling gale which claimed the hat of T. Heap which was last seen heading towards Carrock Fell.

The Monday found the party visiting the Calder Hall Power Station and studying the St. Bees sandstone. The day was enjoyed by all, as very little walking was needed.

Tuesday proved to be very interesting with the volcanic series under close inspection near the village of Stonethwaite. Some steep climbing was called for which resulted in big appetites for the evening meal.

The penultimate day found us beside Lake Windermere looking at, and hammering at, the strata at Skelgill. As the weather was good everyone was in high spirits and the day passed quickly, however, not without the loss of O.Boyle's watch.

The last day entailed a considerable walk in order to see the Carrock Fell Complex. An old quartz mine provided most of the interest. On the descent Mr. Sinclair had difficulty in preventing an avalanche, but the good sense of the boys prevailed and the Lake District breathed again.

All the boys would like to thank Mr. Sinclair and Mr. Ellison for their good and hard work in making the course so enjoyable.

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BELGIUM—EASTER 1965

The coach left school on Maundy Thursday evening en route for London via the A.1. The news, earlier that day, had promised huge traffic jams at Wetherby and Baldock but fortunately, or otherwise, we arrived in Trafalgar Square at 3-30 a.m. A somewhat astonished member of the Metropolitan Constabulary was heard to remark "Why are that lot here at this time of morning," or words to that effect.

After an early morning tour of the City and the West End the party breakfasted in Leicester Square where Mr. Tiesing joined us. A quick run to Dover followed, and then we sailed on the "Konigin Fabiola" to Ostend to arrive at 4 p.m. An hour later we were established in our hotel, "La Brise" on the promenade.

Easter Saturday was cool and showery but a number of Sport Halls with their multiplicity of electronic artillery attracted much attention and money. Brussels, on the following day, was fairly quiet most people had gone to the coast. We visited the Atomium, the Palais de Justice and the "Grande Place" before heading home via Alost to see the beautiful sand carpets.

Monday afternoon saw the party in Bruges where the fittest amongst us climbed the bell tower to have the deafening experience of hearing the chimes at close quarters. Ghent, an historical city, will be remembered for the magnificent Van Eyck triptych of "The Adoration of the Lamb," and the old castle of the Counts of Flanders where a rustic guillotine was on display.

On Wednesday we crossed the frontier into Holland to Walcheren where, at Middelburg, a miniature of the island was laid out. But it was too wet to stay long. On Thursday we filmed the activities of some of the members as a part record of what we had seen with Ditchburn, Creed, Legg and Johnstone playing outstanding parts.

We left the hotel on Friday morning after saying "Au Revoir" to Madame and the staff who had looked after us well and arrived in Dover at 5 p.m. to be met by H. M. Customs. From the boat a number of messages, in bottles, were thrown overboard and some of us have received letters from people in Belgium and France.

We travelled along the "quicker" M. 2. to London and had an evening meal in Leicester Square before heading north via the A 1 to Stockton. We arrived about 4-15 a.m. and some brave parents had come to school to collect their offspring.

There is no doubt that many of us made new friends and had a wonderful holiday.

On behalf of the party I would like to thank Mr. Horsman, Mr. Tiesing and Mr. Walton for making this trip possible and enjoyable.

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FLORENVILLE, 1965

The facts of the matter are that a party of boys from this school visited Florenville in southern Belgium early in the summer holidays of 1965; that they were accompanied by Messrs. Horsman and Tiesing; that they had a thoroughly good time; and that they are very grateful to all concerned.

These facts are first established because they do not appear too clearly in the following entertaining fiction based on the trip, contributed by one of the 'victims.'

SCHOOL TRIP, BELGIAN. 1965 SUMMER

Report by one J. S.

After a journey of many hazards, seasickness, dirty wayside cafes and insomnia, thirty-three weary bored and very exasperated boys stumbled off the bus. (This excludes the masters as they have no human feelings, being teachers). After announcing their presence, the voyageurs crawled to their respective rooms, braving the dangers of the unknown depths of "Au Gai Lunon." These dangers consisted of gas poisoning which might effect an individual while obeying nature, or choking to death due to the rather thick layers of dust found in the drawers and such places. But one thing saved them and that was the food which was excellent and cheap. Another thing to cheer them was the presence of hot and cold (running!) water.

Various trips were made; the most pleasant being to "Coo" and the most noticeable to Han (pronounced "On") and Vertidun. On one of the trips most members of the party learnt the full meaning of "a shaggy dog story"!!!! It still amazes me why a rather plump body was not found on the road between Luxembourg and Florenville.

Days on which there was no trip, were spent either window shopping, perhaps sight seeing (Florenville's sight seeing is limited) or swimming. On one occasion the Semois was noticed to rise considerably due to a large mass entering the water.

The people on a whole are not as clean as could be accepted (certain notices making this obvious) Public places were often unkept and pretty sights are spoilt by this, which was a pity.

The people, as most continentals, were friendly and co-operative.

I, with the rest of the party would like to thank our drivers, Jim and Cyril (of good Yorkshire stock), and the patience of the masters (who you must remember are not human). who had to dealing with such people as the " Mouse " and that Australian " Digger " plus the unforgettable other members of that unforgettable group.

That is the end of a report by J. S.

P.S.—This book cannot be sold in U.S.S.R., Formosa and Belgium (and perhaps many other places) due to the copyright situation.

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The Nursery, viewed from the highest point in the village, is in the centre of the middle distance.

ITALIAN VENTURE

During the summer holidays two sixth-formers, John B. Hall and Ian R. Brown, visited Italy as members of a work team organised by the Save the Children Fund.

" When we heard of the proposed S.C.F. work camp earlier in the year, through the Headmaster, we decided that we would like very much to participate in the excellent work done by the Fund. However, it was to cost each of us £50; we later discovered that the Fund also paid a similar sum; for the three weeks we were to spend away. To cover this the school made a fine effort. We were given a very handsome amount by the Prefects from the proceeds of their dance, the entire school brought in old woollens which were sold to a local merchant, in all 5,000 pens were distributed throughout Stockton by members of the school, and the Young Farmers' Club, of which Ian is a member, also helped out with a grant.

We should gratefully like to thank all those who gave us such splendid financial and moral support, for without them we would have been unable to consider the venture.

We met the rest of the party in London at the air terminal. Together we flew to Rome, by Comet 4, where we stayed the night in an hotel. After dinner we were told that the following morning we were to set off for a small village in the mountains, called Roccasicura where we would spend the following two weeks."

" Roccasicura is in the south of Italy in the province of Campobasso. Its population today is 1,095 and in many ways it is typical of a Southern Italian village. There is no industry; so a quarter of the male working population migrates, under nine-month contracts, to the industrial areas of Western Europe. As a result, the women and the rest of the community are left to carry on subsistence farming to supplement the money sent by the men working abroad. Wheat, to provide flour, is the chief cereal grown, although some oats and barley are produced for animal fodder, and millet, maize and potatoes are also grown.

Even though cultivation is carried out by cultivator tractor, the difficult terrain necessitates laborious hand harvesting. In addition to low yields, the sub-division of property on marriage makes farming more inefficient. The potential of the district in terms of sheep and cattle farming has not yet been fully realised.

Water conservation is non-existent, springs being the sole supply, and, although the area is drought-ridden, two public fountains in the village run continuously. Except in the private gardens and small vineyard areas, irrigation is uncommon and in most cases unpractical. Because of this, a two-year crop rotation is necessary, with wheat one year, followed by a fallow year to conserve the small amount of moisture in the land.

Roccasicura differs in one respect from the majority of villages in Southern Italy—it has a forward looking and vigorous Mayor, who holds an official position in Rome. He sees the need for progress to be made slowly and with the full approval of the villagers, and to this end he instituted public meetings at which the villagers discuss the decisions taken at council meetings. This has to some extent counteracted the southern villagers' resentment of authority and ensures the approval of the majority.

Education is limited to a primary school, a compulsory secondary school housed in inadequate temporary premises, and a nursery school staffed and mainly run by the Save the Children Fund, in a building officially opened by the British Ambassador in April of this year.

The repair of this building was the object of this year's S.C.F. work camp, which consisted of 24 young men from all parts of Britain under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Mourton, the S.C.F. organisers in Italy.

After four years of blueprints, the building was completed in 1964. The original tender had been £12,500, but rising costs had made the builders cut corners. One coat of paint had been used, instead of two, the steel railings had been left bare, the plumbing had been inefficiently installed, and the electrical system was so crude that it was dangerous.

Inefficient planning made no provision for stairs between the two storeys, and, when this was rectified, the area occupied was about as large as a good sized room. During the first winter of construction, the cellar, which was to house the boiler for the central heating system, became flooded and a crude run-off drainage system had to be installed. Thus we found the nursery in a dilapidated state after only four months' use.

After a day's preliminary inspection we decided to split the party into four groups, one responsible for the garden, one for the outside railings, one for the shutters and windows, and one for the interior.

The six boys in our dormitory decided to improve the garden and playground. The latter consisted of sharp stones held together by a thick bed of weeds which was not, however, thick enough to cushion the falls of small children.

Laborious hand weeding, much helped by some weed killer, was the first chore, and then the stones were piled, ready for crushing to a more suitable size. The crushing was carried out by volunteers under the direction of a wizened old man with metal teeth. The antique crusher was belt driven from the village tractor and periodically backfired, showering stones all over the playground. The stones were wetted to keep down the dust and one boy, carried away by enthusiasm, poured a jug of drinking water, which had been handed to him, on the heap.

Every shutter was removed and planed until it fitted correctly. The flaking paint was removed, and, after the many cracks had been filled, each shutter was sanded and repainted. A total of 64 frames and 2,548 slats were dealt with, spontaneous bursts of energy ensuring that the schedule was completed.

The outside-railings group had perhaps the most boring job. They removed the rust with poor quality wire brushes and applied a coating of anti-rust compound, followed by a coat of grey gloss paint which dried to give a lovely matt finish!

Interior repairs and decorations were undertaken by the fourth group, who repaired the plasterwork, painted the doors and all the interior, and put the plumbing and electrical systems to rights.

The manhole cover of the surface water drain was merely a convenient sized rock, and the manhole itself, built of light breeze block was already caving in. The two of us made a new manhole cover, upon which we inscribed our nicknames "Max and Binns 1965."

We then knocked out the top three feet of the manhole and used reinforced concrete to make a surround strong enough to be a permanent support for a two-and-a-half hundredweight cover and to bear vehicles which might pass over it. The job was a complete success.

This is a brief resume of the work done by the party, which could have been done, under adequate supervision, by the Italians themselves at far less expense.

One of the main difficulties of the S.C.F.'s work is the virtual indifference of the majority of the people. They would be quite content to carry on receiving charity, and it is only by example and teaching that they will learn to help themselves and need only financial and not physical help.

The nursery school which we helped to repair attracts children by the prospect of two main meals a day. The mothers help to clean up and cook and soon begin to discuss homecraft, hygiene, and health with the teachers. This idea of informal discussion reaches the men, who become more ready to accept the advice of the agronomist and the veterinary surgeon, and so the influence spreads.

The mayor emphasised this in his final address to the group, and the Prefecto of Campobasso, to whom we were presented, said that international friendship among young people could prevent war.

We enjoyed our stay in Roccasicura immensely, where, besides working upon the nursery, we met and helped the villagers in the fields and where, also, we made many friends. On the return journey we spent two days in Rome, where we did as much sight-seeing and exploring as was possible. From here we flew home to England, where it was still raining.

Apart from furthering S.C.F. work in Italy, this visit was for both of us a unique experience which we will remember in the years to come.

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BUNDLES OF HAY

In a field of green sea,
stacked like building-blocks, these solitary sages
wait
in pacts, alliances, and neutralities,
and wait,
red, black, and white,
German and Jew
still wait.

In a field of brown sea,
these managers of power silently discuss,
and
wait to be dragged and shuffled, pulled and hustled
by Fate,
and the farmer,
and the farm-hands,
and Fate.

In a cold, black wagon,
these politicians, stacked bale upon bale and bale,
wait.

Not for all their treaties and manifestos
can they
escape the force
of cruel, hard Fate,
but wait.

Stacked in a grey stall,
united they discuss this tax and that war and
wait,
for their time is drawing close, they too must feel
the impersonal force of
Fate :
and can only wait,
still wait.

E.M.B.

SEASCAPE

The moon, like a water-lily floating freely,
Wanders through the velvet sky
Dripping streaks of invisible warmth
That are dissolved in the silent sea
And scatter in the quick darkness.

The sea creeps stealthily upon the glistening quartz
And purring contentedly
Draws back, then impassively returns
To quench once more its lust for sand,
And satisfied breathes in again.

The cliffs in their huge bleakness rise lofty and calm,
For ever keeping their watch
Over the still expanse of the sea,
That seems to have no beginning, no end,
But flows into eternity.

And for an ir retrievable instant in time
Sea is land and land is sky,
Complete, as one, and I too am joined
In an inexplicable union
With these primeval elements.

The sun creeps softly over the grey horizon:
Morning has come to the world;
A trumpeting trawler blunders past,
Splashing flames of surf on the still, blue sea,
And a lonely gull flies overhead.

E.M.B.

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NIGHT

As the dull street-lamp flings its mournful beam
Across a myriad of stars
Reflected in the rain water,
A grey skulking tomcat slides across the wall
To its new-found alley-nook shelter.

In the black stark pines overhead an owl
Gives forth its pathetic lament,
Discordantly out-of-tune
With the chime of the steeple-wall clock
Heralding the slow incessant march of the moon.

A gust of wind picks up the torn newspapers
And carries them with itself
Along the dark still road—
Some catch on a lamp-post, struggle, and are off again,
Until all are lost in the darkness and the biting cold.

Houses illuminated by iridescent glows
In the mist seem like vague ghosts
Suffocating—
The lights flicker slowly out, yielding to the power of darkness,
For who dare tell what the night will bring?

E.M.B.

OBSERVATIONS—I

I watched a spider on my window make its web
Spinning and weaving its silken strands into a delicate
maze of grey
I watched him work there day by day

Strange how that creature, so small and delicate,
resembles and portrays our way of life
His emotions like ours; content, joys, fear and strife.
and the struggle for existence

Like our life also, so vulnerable
to death or ruin
The days of work (like our years)
removed by the flick of a duster
But for him no fellow sheds compassionate tears.

II

Have you ever been with one of those people,
Who insist on conducting a one sided conversation?

They talk and talk and chatter and chatter
About things that really don't matter,
And you listen with growing impatience.

Nouns and verbs become unmeaning sounds
This verbal effluence, its own design confounds,
And your patience becomes like the sword of Damocles.

D.J.T.

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AND STILL NOT AN EPITAPH?

Glass enclosure, un poco loco
(A little mad in Spanish),
The special virtuoso flair
For images of sound.

These are what he evoked,
The lyric dreamer left some years ago,
Fame and police beatings
And the thought of the next hour's sweating.

Then the needle and the lights
That cut through thick smoke—
To reach his flying hands stabbing
Little shapes of beauty from the long planes.

This man is hatless and coatless
And suffering to death
From being hatless
And coatless too often.

Too often, when his demons
Rode him down cold avenues
His lungs gave up before
His hands or soul did.

It must be hard to know
You've fought so hard to gain so little.

THE WALL

You are very young :
You can walk round it,
Climb over it, run along it—
Until it gets too high.

It adds new dimensions to the street,
Makes ever-varying channels of routine and excitement,
It seems to set you on one course,
Yet still beckons another.

You are older :
You cannot realise how
Stark and rigid a shape
Could have created such patterns.

No longer over and along now,
Only in, out, or beneath.
It needn't even be there,
And it is always too high.

A.G.C.

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IN FLIGHT

By the pure, still waters of mossy rills,
Through glades of turning chestnut trees,
Across the fields now showing only yellow stubble,
It runs,
In flight
Across the main road,
Through the farmer's cobbled yard,
Along the cinder path by the old railway,
In desperation jumps the fence :
But fails,
And falls,
And lies,
Momentarily stunned
Now it knows it will die;
Soon the fangs of bloodthirsty hounds
Will tear its feeble body to shreds.
Yet there is hope;
A gap left unmended in the rotting fence
Leads to freedom :
Once more
Across the fields it bounds
To live, to die another day.

Nigel Harbron.

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WE PLOUGH THE FIELDS . . .

The shining sickles rape the golden corn,
Which falls in sheaves of broken beauty to the floor.
The poppies once which danced amid the golden waves
Lie strangled now, tortured in their disturbed sea.

The hills in silent beauty stand
And watch in awe the dread assault.
The autumn breeze murmurs its mild protest,
And mice, now homeless, run in quick confusion.

The afternoon is ageing now,
The fields of green are still;
The bleating of the sheep has stopped,
And dusk creeps down the hill.

The greying hills, so still and soft,
Stare, perturbed yet calm.
The harvest is gathered;
The sheaves of summer gone.

F. Kane.

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NO DAWN AT MIDNIGHT

The sirens scream
And through the town
The Darkness starts to fall.
People run worried to their homes;
The new wives sob;
And pale-faced men set on their trail
To Glory . . .
And to Death.
There is no hope of dawn;
No dawn at midnight,
No golden dawn through clouds of grey.
And Death is all around us:
Day is Death,
And Life is Death . . .
And Death is all.

F. Kane.

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THE BREAKFAST

Bent Jack Chimneystack stumbled
stooping from his draughty door,
upon
the Hedgehog,
who was shuffling by,
whistling privately between his teeth
to keep away the morning cold.

The former, gladly
hailed the latter,
and,
humbly,
invited him
to breakfast
as he had not already
eaten.

"How strange" they both remarked
between spoonfuls of porridge

"How strange . . . this silent cold . . . this callous frost ."

"How strange" both added,
scraping their plate nearly clean,
so as to appear
quite satisfied, and
well brought up.

Then Jack Chimneystack observed the time of day and
remembered things.
His guest quite fittingly did the same and
graciously
took his leave.
"How strange" and "Good-day"
They nod and part.

S.L.

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THE ARAB
(an action poem)

The Arab
Lives in a tent
Rides ponies
Eats cous-cous.

His name is often Abdul.

S.L.

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NEW LIFE MEMBERS

T. McCarthy	(1956-64)	33 Spennithorne Road, Stockton.
P. M. Trotter	(1957-65)	26 Buxton Gardens, Billingham.
P. S. Coupe	(1957-65)	Netherleigh, Darlington Road, Stockton.
I. J. Gray	(1958-65)	7 Osborne Road, Stockton.
L. Gray	(1925-31)	7 Osborne Road, Stockton.
J. D. Robson	(1957-64)	9 Waltham Avenue, Stockton.
B. Callender	(1958-65)	13 Rydal Road, Stockton.
H. D. Race	(1932-7)	19 The Avenue, Fairfield, Stockton.
A. Wright	(1958-65)	16 Bentinck Road, Fairfield, Stockton.
J. R. England	(1960-5)	1 Burnside, Peterlee.
B. Docherty	(1958-65)	97 Harlsey Road, Stockton.
J. C. Rattenbury	(1958-65)	65 Harlsey Road, Stockton.
K. W. Aspinall	(1958-65)	5 Driftwell Drive, Fairfield, Stockton.
P. A. Bell	(1958-65)	1 Auckland Way, Hartburn, Stockton.
B. D. Money		6 Burnside Avenue, Bearsden, Glasgow.
W. A. Hume	(1924-29)	12 Wearview, Frosterley, Bishop Auck'nd.
P. H. Rigg	(1956-63)	46 Fairfield Road, Stockton.
D. S. Gathergood	(1957-64)	41 Hampton Road, Stockton.
J. Gilliland	(1962-64)	44 Station Road, Sedgfield.
J. Addison	(1945-51)	26 Westbrooke Ave., West Hartlepool.
H. Stephenson, B.A.	(1926-33)	'Cote Ghyll,' 32 Greenfield Rd., Stafford.
C. L. Stabler	(1953-61)	9 Roseberry Road, Norton.
J. N. Ormandy	(1957-64)	11 Grinton Road, Hartburn, Stockton.

NEW ORDINARY MEMBERS

P. R. Steer	(1958-64)	82 Bishopton Road, Stockton.
D. J. Owen	(1959-64)	54 Wheeldale Avenue, Billingham.
D. Atkinson	(1957-64)	32 Victoria Avenue, Norton.
R. Hallett	(1958-65)	29 Station Road, Norton.
D. Nicholas	(1958-65)	8 Mowbray Road, Norton.
S. J. Williamson	(1963-5)	4 Autumn Grove, Fairfield, Stockton.
A. Dunthorne	(1958-65)	8 Emsworth Drive, Eaglescliffe.
K. Bellwood	(1958-65)	19 Collins Avenue, Norton.
P. R. Cowperthwaite	(1958-65)	16 Grosvenor Road, Stockton.
R. Prichard	(1958-65)	23 Lime Grove, Fairfield, Stockton.
P. Sanderson	(1963-5)	6 Malvern Road, Stockton.
C. J. Helliar	(1959-65)	1 Aldbrough Close, Fairfield, Stockton.
D. Clubley	(1958-65)	52 Lealholm Grove, Fairfield, Stockton.
P. D. Mackie	(1958-65)	20 Richmond Road, Stockton.
B. Dobson	(1958-65)	16 Melville Street, Stockton.
G. Wilson	(1959-65)	70 Commondale Avenue, Stockton.
G. Flintoff	(1960-65)	6 Commondale Avenue, Stockton.
I. Thompson	(1958-65)	2 Durham Road, Sedgfield.
J. E. Tinsley	(1958-65)	107 Durham Road, Stockton.
J. Ewart	(1962-65)	1 Bracken Road, Fern Park, Stockton.
M. P. Hatton	(1960-65)	10 Hurworth Road, Croft, Nr. Dar'ton.
R. I. Richardson	(1958-65)	22 Westfield Crescent, Stockton.
K. T. Rowbottom	(1958-65)	139 South Road, Norton.
M. P. James	(1960-65)	1 Orchard Close, Over, Winsford, Ches.
J. B. Ramsden	(1958-65)	31 Raby Road, Stockton.
P. Knowles	(1958-65)	91 Fairfield Road, Stockton.
J. S. Cowen	(1963-65)	97 Bishopton Road, Stockton.
J. Beeston	(1957-62 and 64-5)	182 Bishopton Road, Stockton.
P. W. Sharp	(1958-65)	10 Middleham Road, Stockton.
J. N. G. Hewwood	(1958-65)	14 Loweswater Crescent, Stockton.
P. Magee	(1958-65)	32 Stanhope Road, Stockton.
T. Cowley	(1958-65)	47 Laneside Road, Stockton.
G. D. Hill	(1958-65)	20 Oulston Road, Stockton.
K. W. Tinkler	(1958-65)	31 Mary Terrace, Bowburn.
C. Barber	(1963-65)	9 Redmire Road, Stockton.
C. E. Skilbeck	(1958-65)	57 Grange Avenue, Stockton.
L. E. O. Stephens	(1958-65)	97 Bishopton Road West, Stockton.
G. B. Coates	(1958-65)	8 Mill Lane, Norton.
P. Graham	(1958-65)	160 Ragpath Lane, Roseworth, Stockton
J. Henderson	(1958-65)	52 Station Road, Sedgfield.
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M. J. Lewis	(1957-64)	1 Bright Street, Stockton.
K. Ferguson	(1959-64)	33 Buchanan Street, Stockton.
A. N. Rigg	(1958-64)	46 Fairfield Road, Stockton.



ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1965
LIFE MEMBERS' FUND

<i>Income</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward 1/10/64	694	0	5	General Fund :—			
Interest	15	11	7	Interest	15	11	7
Life Members' Subs.	45	10	0	Levy (743 Members at 1/6d.)	55	14	6
				Balance	683	15	11
	<u>£755</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>£755</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>

GENERAL FUND

Balance on 1/10/64	16	19	4	Year Book	189	8	0
Bank Interest	2	0		Printing	8	9	5
Annual Members' Subs.	9	18	6	Postage	8	1	4
Donations from Members	23	3	0	Envelopes	2	8	1
Advertising in Year Book	53	11	0	Annual Dinner (Net)	8	13	10
School Donation to Year Book	62	19	0	Wreath (Old Boy)	1	0	0
Ex Life Members Fund :—				Insurance	10	0	
Interest	15	11	7	Balance	19	8	3
Levy	55	14	6				
	<u>£237</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>11</u>		<u>£237</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>11</u>

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

Balance on 1/10/64	120	0	6	Prize Money Paid	3	0	0
Interest	4	13	1	Balance	121	13	7
	<u>£124</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>		<u>£124</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>

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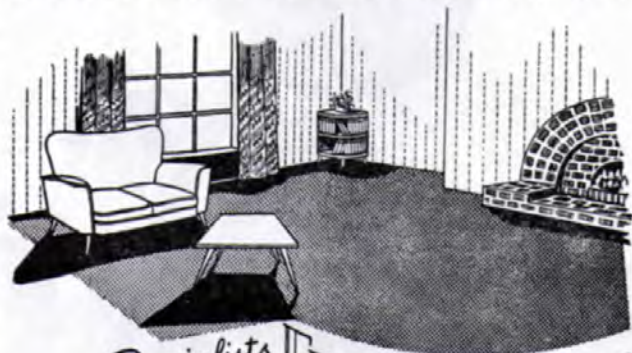
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OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

(Founded 24th January, 1913)

An Association of Old Boys of Grangefield Grammar School, Stockton-on-Tees, formerly known as Stockton Secondary School, and originally as Stockton Higher Grade School.

RULES — (Revised November, 1960)

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, one of whom shall be Senior Vice-President.
 - (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 October or November 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 Four Shillings (4/-) payable on the 1st January each year. For the *first year* only after leaving school the subscription shall be 2/6d.

In lieu of an Annual Subscription a Life Subscription of Forty Shillings (£2-0-0) may be made. (*This may be paid by a maximum of four equal instalments in consecutive years.*)

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 sums as the committee shall determine, not exceeding 1/6d. in respect of each Life Member.

Any Member who left School fifty years ago, or longer, shall be permitted to retain Membership of the Association for life, without further obligation.

7. The rules of the Association can be altered only at the 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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