The Stocktonian Year Book



1960-61

OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

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A Message from the Headmaster

Dear Stocktonians,

The greetings from the School this year come with greater spirit than ever, which is not surprising as they come from more people than ever. Total numbers at the moment are 654 of whom 106 are in the 6th form. The Staff too, very fortunately has increased, and even the School buildings, by the addition of a metalwork room; but the accommodation, alas, increased more slowly than the population, and our morning assembly is crowded to the doors.

The public examination results will be found on a later page, but I should like here to mention the very fine Advanced and Scholarship result that brought a State Scholarship to G. Hutton the Captain of the School, and the parallel excellence of I. D. Aufflick who had denied himself a "State" by the simple expedient of winning one a year earlier. In the Spring, K. Shaw had also done very well in winning an Open Scholarship in Chemistry at the Imperial College of Science, and Hutton, too,—as a prelude to his "State"—in winning an Open Exhibition.

A most successful athletic year is also recorded in this Magazine and Year Book. There may be a mild dispute as to whether the Rugby or the Tennis really deserves first mention, but the excellent performance of the Athletics team and the clean sweep of the County Senior competition by our Gymnasts cannot be ignored.

We are delighted to welcome Old Boys to our School games and other events at any time. Notices of these occasions can be found in the following pages and I do urge all of you who are free to do so to visit us.

> Yours very sincerely, R. E. BRADSHAW (Headmaster).

A Message from the Old Boy President

Greetings to all Old Boys everywhere,

For almost more years than I care to remember it has been my privilege and my pleasure to receive the Year Book into my home and to read its contents from cover to cover. I know that the same delight has been felt by Old Boys, and their families, not only here in Stockton, but in almost every corner of the globe. I cannot recollect evil being said of any man between its pages. What a great pity the influence of the "Old Stocktonian" does not reach out into diplomatic circles!

As this message will be read by the parents of many boys still at School, may I appeal to them to encourage their sons to respect and help this Association. Though we exist to assist the School by keeping alive the friendships which were made there in former years, it cannot be too strongly emphasised that our Benevolent Fund has helped Scholars, both past and present, through difficult times. We, the officials of the Association, believe in it and its work. We feel sure you must agree with us.

May I, as President, express the hope that each and every Old Boy who reads and enjoys this Year Book will search his conscience, and his pocket, for his subscription?

Only by prompt and regular support can we carry on.

My best wishes to you all,

Yours sincerely, TOM F. SOWLER, (President)

Please Reserve the tollowing Dates

SCHOOL EXHIBITION:

To be held in the School on Thursday 17th November, 1960 at 2-30 p.m.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Wednesday, 30th November, 1960, at 7-30 p.m. in the School Library. (see separate Agenda enclosed with this Year Book).

SCHOOL PANTOMIME:

A so called "pantomime" entitled "Alec in Strangefield" was given in the School Hall at Christmas 1952. A revised and enlarged edition is to be presented by members of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Forms on Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th December, 1960, at 7-15 p.m. each night. Tickets (price 2/- and 1/-) will be available at the School about the end of November. All Old Boys and other friends of the School who may fancy a reminder of the "Happiest Days of their Lives" will be especially welcomed.

THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL DINNER:

Wednesday, 21st December, 1960, in the Vane Arms Hotel, High Street, Stockton-on-Tees, at 7-10 p.m. for 7-30 p.m. Tickets (price 14/-) may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Our principal guests will be DR. W. IRWIN (Consultant Radiologist, South Tees-side Hospitals Group) and A. S. STAINSBY, Esq., (An Old Boy and Editor of the Darlington and Stockton Times.)

ANNUAL RUGBY MATCH (Old Boys v School)

Boxing Day, 1960, (kick-off 11-00 a.m.) at Grangefield. Those wishing to represent the Old Boys XV should contact Mr. D. L. Foulger, 1 Wingate Road, Trimdon Station, Co. Durham, or Mr. L. J. Thornton, School Staff, as soon as possible, stating position played. A further fixture will be arranged for Tuesday, 21st March, 1961, when similar details will apply.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH (Old Boys v School.)

Tuesday, 11th July, 1961, 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 Cres., Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees, or with Mr. G. G. Lee at the School.

Concerning Ourselves

After three years of unfailing and devoted service to the Association, we were rather reluctant to accede to the request of Mr. D. W. Henderson in connection with his retirement from Presidential Chair. However, we can consider ourselves fortunate that his wealth of experience will still be available to us in his capacity as a Member of the Committee.

To the new Old Boy President, TOM F. SOWLER, we extend our warmest greetings. Mr. Sowler has been actively associated with the Old Boys' Committee for the past seven years during which time he has proved to be an enthusiastic worker for our cause and has achieved a great deal of personal satisfaction in reviving and successfully leading the Old Boys Cricket Team in their Annual fixture against the School.

It was with mixed feelings that we received news last Autumn, of thr resignation of Mr. George D. Little from the office of Honorary Treasurer due to his responsibilities at home and his current commitments with other important voluntary work. We were extremely sorry to learn that his wife, at that time was not enjoying the best of health and sincerely hope that her recent improvement is maintained. The work accomplished by Mr. Little in his capacity as a "prewar" Committee Member for several years, as Vice President (1947-49), as President (1949-52) and as Hon. Treasurer (1952-59) will long be remembered by those of us who came into regular contact with him.

We are happy to record that G. D. L. is still an active serving member of Committee and it is gratifying to know that his counsel and guidance in association affairs is available to us at any time.

To his successor, Mr. T. B. Farnaby, who has been actively associated with the Committee for the past eight years, we extend a warm welcome, well-knowing his personal capabilities in matters concerning finance. Keeping our "heads above water" is a difficult task these days but the inevitable burden which is imposed on the Treasury can be eased considerably by regular payment of annual subscriptions. We look forward to receiving the loyal co-operation of all members on this important matter.

Whilst on the subject of finance, reference must be made to the fact that your Committee is recommending an increase in subscriptions to the next Annual General Meeting. Details of the proposed changes will be seen in the accompanying agenda enclosed with this Year Book.

It is with great reluctance that this step has had to be taken, but if we are to continue to publish the "Stocktonian" on the present scale, then we need greater financial backing to offset the increased costs of printing. Should these amendments to the appropriate rule receive the necessary two-thirds majority of those present at the Meeting, then the changes in rates of subscription will be effective from 1st January, 1961,

It therefore follows that notification of any amendments in this respect can only be made with the posting of the Year Book next Autumn, and we therefore issue an appeal to all our members to send an extra donation with their current subscription to the equivalent value of the likely increase. Similar contributions from Life Members will also be greatly appreciated.

It is with regret that we have to report that many members are in arrears with their yearly subscriptions, and, unless their support is forthcoming we shall have to delete their names from the register and cease to forward any future copies of the Year Book. We intend to be very firm about this and can only issue this final appeal. The Association and School officials have accomplished a great deal of work throughout the year in preparing the publication for YOUR benefit.

More that 1500 copies have been posted both at home and abroad this year......and we didn't forget YOU, did we?
But have you remembered your commitments?

PLEASE ACT NOW AND SEND YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IMMEDIATELY WITH THE ENCLOSED FORM.

Our special thanks are again due to the strenuous efforts of Mr. E. Baldwin who has provided much of the information in the following pages relative to the news of Old Boys: to Mr. K. Dodsworth for his work appertaining to advertisments; to the Headmaster, School Staff and boys for their interesting contributions and for the usual services rendered in addressing envelopes and delivering locally.

Owing to the high cost of publishing this Year Book, and the necessary limitations of space, it has not been found possible to include the full list of members names and addresses this year. Consideration will be given to this matter for the 1961-62 Edition.

In the meantime members are requested to notify any change of address to the Hon. Secretary in order that correct records may be maintained.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER

The 1959 Dinner was held in the Vane Arms Hotel, Stockton-on-Tees, on Thursday, 17th December, when 45 Old Boys attended. Our principal guest was MR. C. ROBSON (Director, Power Gas Corporation Ltd. and Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co. Ltd.) who was welcomed by the Old Boy President, Mr. Tom F. Sowler and the Headmaster, Mr. R. E. Bradshaw. The Founder President, Mr. Evan Baldwin was again indisposed through indifferent health and the Old Boy President expressed a wish, which was endorsed by all present, that an early return to good health would soon be forthcoming.

In proposing the toast of the Association, Mr. Robson referred to the need for religious education in the schools as a means of combatting and overthrowing the threat of communism. One might wonder what this had to do with Schools and Old Boys Associations but he, himself, felt that education both in the home and in the school would decide the future of the nation. There was a distinct danger that success in improving the material lot of the majority of people had made us too assured for ourselves.

Mr. T. F. Sowler responded to the toast and also proposed the Royal toast.

The toast of "The School" was proposed by Mr. H. Ray a member of the Committee and Mr. R. E. Bradshaw, Headmaster, responded.

Mr. G. D. Little, until recently Treasurer of the Association, was presented with a pen and pencil set in recognition of his services in that capacity by Mr. D. W. Henderson, Past President.

Thanks to all who assisted during the evening were proposed by Mr. K. Dodsworth.

OLD STOCKTONIANS BENEVOLENT FUND

DURING the financial year ending on December 31st, 1959, the fund benefited by the final repayment of a loan granted to an Old Boy a few years ago, by a donation made by the same Old Boy, and by Bank Interest. On the other hand, a grant was made to a parent of a boy at School, while the usual Old Stocktonian prize was shared by four boys in the upper forms.

Thus on December 31st, 1959, the Fund had a credit balance of £432 7s. 7d. Once more, we wish to emphasise that the Benevolent Fund exists to help Old Boys and present boys, and that any appeal for assistance—whether in the form of a direct grant or of a loan—will receive the most sympathetic consideration of the Trustees.

Applications should be addressed to the Headmaster, Grangefield Grammar School, Oxbridge Avenue, Stockton-on-Tees.

ANNUAL RUGBY MATCH

Old Boys v School-Boxing Day, 1959

- School XV Callendar, Evans, Hunter, Turnbull, Tinkler, Chapman, Davies, Radge, Dodds, Wilkinson, Leak, Robertson Moyes, Glattbach (Capt.), Turner.
- Old Boys XV Hodgson B., Tarren, Sinclair, Hatch, Kennedy, Quinn, Boyes, Wilkinson, Billsborough, Welford R., Shaw, Minto, Newton (Capt.), Welford D., Gibb.

The School were weakened by the omission of the two County Players, Gillett and Wilson, and by the very heavy conditions, to which the Old Boys team was much better suited.

The Old Boys kicked off with the railway at their backs. It was now that the School played their best rugby of the game, despite good tackling by the Old Boys, the back row in particular.

As time wore on the Old Boys gained the ascendancy, and half-way through the first half Kennedy forced his way over the corner. Although the kick was missed, the try had a demoralising effect and further tries were added by Hatch, Quinn and Tarren (who scored as a result of his increasingly notorious "One Run"). Sinclair kicked two goals.

The Schools' lone reply was a penalty by Chapman, the ball being very greasy and a difficult object for equally greasy boots.

Despite the conditions, however, a good game was enjoyed by both players and spectators, the latter being a considerable body in the light of the prevailing weather conditions.

One of the lasting impressions left by this match was that a regular Grangefield Old Boys team would be quite a formidable force in senior rugby circles.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH

Old Boys v School-12th July, 1960

For this match a strong O.B. eleven had been recruited but the very wet conditions made it advisable to cancel the match in good time. Better luck next year we hope?

(The following Old Boys volunteered to play :-

Messrs. J. Addison, C. Jackson, N. Kelley, M. Sutherland, H. Williamson, G. Lane, L. N. Riley, A. Morris, D. Barnet, M. Stayman and T. F. Sowler.)

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was held in the School Library on Monday evening, 30th November 1959, when 18 Old Boys attended. Mr. Tom F. Sowler was elected to the position of Old Boy President and Mr. T. B. Farnaby to that of Hon. Treasurer. Messrs. B. N. Bate, G. Firman and J. Harrison were newly-elected to the Committee to fill the vacancies created through resignations and changes of office.

The statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1959, showed a balance of £661 19s. 5d. in the Life Members Fund and a debit balance of £19 13s. 0d. in the General Fund.

ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

MEMBERS of the Association again congregated in the School Hall, together with Masters and boys on the morning of Wednesday, 11th November, 1959, 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.

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.

OLD STOCKTONIAN BLAZER BADGE AND TIE

BLAZER badges, available in navy blue or black cloth ground, can be purchased from Messrs. H. & W. Martin, 51 High Street, Stockton, (price 35/-).

Ties are obtainable from Messrs. Blackett and Son Ltd., Stockton, (Art Silk: 8/6d.; Terylene: 12/6d.)

OLD BOYS HERE AND THERE

AFTER 12 years' service on Hospital Management Committees, ALD. C. W. ALLISON, C.B.E., J.P., recently declined re-nomination as a member of the North Tees Committee.

The Alderman, as is well known, has many commitments and has given and still gives a prodigious amount of his time and thought to the big reservoir developments of the Tees Valley and Cleveland Water Board. In this connection alone, it must be a source of quiet satisfaction to kim to know that his immense efforts are so much appreciated not only by the great industrialists but also by the general public.

JACK H. BANNER, M.I.MECH.E. (1935-39), who is a representative of the International Machinery Division and whose permanent address is Grace y Cia, Casilla 107 D, Santiago, Chile, bemoans the fact that in all his travels (he has been in Chile since 1952) he has never met anyone from Stockton.

Chile, he describes as 'the England of South America'—a country 3000 miles long with an average breadth of 100 miles, with the towering Andes overlooking all—a country with an agreeable, truly democratic people and with a very comprehensive social security plan.

Naturally, with such a long coastline, there are great variations of climate, but that at Santiago is pleasant and comfortable.

The greater part of Mr. Banner's business travels is by aeroplane and his week-end recreations are mainly golf and horse riding. Sea bathing however, is a chilly experience owing to the presence of the cold Humboldt current.

Despite its apparent inaccessibility (the country is, however, only 25 flying hours away from England), Chile gets a surprising number of visitors, and our Old Boy has been privileged to see such diverse personalities as Ike, Princess Alexandra, Lord Chandos, Duncan Sandys, James Stewart and Stirling Moss. In addition, he is a member of the Prince of Wales Club which was formally opened by the Duke of Windsor in his more princely days.

We thank Mr. Banner for his most interesting letter and hope he will write to us again.

FATHER GUY BRAITHWAITE, O.P., S.T.L. (1938-44) joined the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) in 1950, and was ordained priest at Blackfriars, Oxford, in 1956. Completing his theological course there, he gained the degree of Lector in Theology in 1958. From February 1959, he has been teaching in a seminary for African priests in Natal (South Africa), and warns us that since he is situated about 20 miles from the nearest pillar box, future despatches may be a bit infrequent.

We send our greetings to him and assure him that even an occasional letter will be appreciated.

For many years, we have not had any news of W. L. BOUCH, B.Sc, who formerly lived at Eaglescliffe. But a letter from his father (late Headmaster at Eaglescliffe) tells us that W. L. now resides at Corscombe House, Corscombe, near Dorchester: that he is a Director of Ibcon (International Business Consultants): and that of his four children, Shirley is married to a District Commissioner in Kenya, Colin has just taken hls final Medical examinations, David is training in Business Accountancy, and Philip is still at Wellington School, Somerset.—altogether a very distinguished family.

ON leaving School in 1910, T. HAROLD BROWNLEE commenced his career as a draughtsman, a career which was interrupted in 1915 when, as a youth of 19, he joined H. M. Forces.

In the 1st World War, he went through most of the big battles, including those on the Somme, with no more than minor mishaps and rose to the rank of Lieutenant in the Artillery.

The war over, he joined Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease and Co. Ltd., where later he was transferred to the estimating department, and on March 11th, 1960, following on the award of a silver watch in 1945, was presented with a gold wristlet watch to mark his 40 years' association with the firm.

Outside his work, Mr. Brownlee, known as "Diddler," which gives some indication of his style of play, excelled as a footballer. Except for a short period with Bishop Auckland, he was connected for 20 years with the Stockton F. C., the greater part of which as an inside-left of both charm and distinction. As such, he played all over England and Wales and in France and Belgium. Twice he appeared against the Corinthians: three times he received County honours. Only injury prevented him from winning an Amateur Cup Medal while he was in the XI which won the Northern League Benevolent Bowl (twice) and the Northern League Challenge Cup.

Harold is now a happy family man with two married daughters and five grandchildren, and he confesses to a liking for gardening, is interested in social and charitable work, and spends an occasional week-end in visiting famous gardens, halls, castles, etc.

AFTER six very happy years (1951-57) at the Old School, JOHN H. CODE is now a member of the staff of the Midland Bank, Ltd., and in his spare time is studying for the exams of the Institute of Bankers.

Having survived the perils of the Old Boys v School Rugby football match, he has recently paid his Life Membership Subscription so that in future years he can take part in the match with an easy conscience.

AFTER eleven years as a Sanitary Inspector attached to the Sedgefield Rural District Council, T. O. CRISP served for three years as a Health Officer in Kenya. Now he has secured an appointment with the World Health Organisation and has been sent to Afghanistan where one of his duties will be to assist the Kabul municipality to set up a health service.

By a peculiar coincidence, Mr. Crisp, who is accompanied by his wife (a former Stockton and Middlesbrough teacher) and his seven year old son, already has connections with Afghanistan, for one of his grandfathers was born on the North-West frontier of India and the other won a medal in the fighting for the famous Khyber Pass.

In a letter to Mr. Munday, whose Latin he has never forgotten, K. B. CROSBY tells us that he left school in 1935 and went to Kelham Theological College from which he joined the R.A.F. After the war, he was awarded a General List permanent Commission and for the last $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, as a full blown Squadron Leader, has been responsible for aircraft recovery at Changi, Singapore.

Mr. Crosby, who is married with three children, has now been posted to Stanmore, Middlesex.

We welcome him as a Life Member, would like to see him sometime, and hope that his difficulty of finding English schools for his children have already been solved. The career of FRED. R. CURRY (1931-36) has indeed been an eventful one. Having served his apprenticeship as a mechanical engineer at Messrs. Furness Shipbuilding Co., Ltd., and incidentally having obtained a Degree in Engineering by part-time study, he moved on in turn to Messrs. Courtaulds in Lancashire and then to a firm of Management Consultants, before coming to Wilton to specialise in Work Study. Later, he was transferred to the Central Work Study Department at the I.C.I. Head Office in London with the express purpose of setting up a Planning Section. Now (that is within the last year or so), he has been appointed Senior Planning Engineer of a new I.C.I. project, similar in make up and character to the Wilton works, which is arising on a 1500 acre site on Severnside near Bristol.

In his new appointment, Fred seems to have settled down very quickly. A house was obtained without a great deal of difficulty, his two boys were at school on the day after they arrived in their new home while the work's staff already on the spot were both friendly and helpful. Further, the Old Vic at Bristol, which is affiliated to the London Old Vic, is a great attraction to both Joan, his wife, and himself, for they have always been interested in the live theatre.

We send our sincerest congratulations and our very best wishes to Mr. Curry—we feel he will regard it as a privilege and an honour to be in at the beginning and to have a share in making a great project grow

Known affectionately to all his friends as Charlie, C. W. CUSSONS (1904-7) played football for the Higher Grade School in the school league of that time, and afterwards served for 49 years as a draughtsman in the offices of Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease and Co., Ltd., by which firm his retirement on September 30th, 1959, was marked by the presentation of a Television set.

A stalwart of the Norton Cricket Club, which he first joined in 1910, he was awarded the Crosby Cup as the most improved player in the Club in 1914, became a member of the first XI of which he was later made Captain, and, until he gave up cricket in 1945, was the inspiration and Captain of the Second XI. Now, he is proud to serve on the General Committee and on the Management Committee of the Norton Cricket Club Trust.

But renowned as he was as a cricketer, he was probably more renowned as a hockey player both for the Norton and the Durham County Clubs. For the latter, he appeared on 21 occasions and scored on an average one goal per match. As a centre-forward, he was ubiquitous, his shooting from all positions was deadly, and it was rarely that any defence succeeded in keeping him in subjection. Now, as a tribute to his former prowess and to his character, he is a Vice-President of the County Hockey Club and a member of the Selection Committee and the Committee of Management.

Mr. Cussons has one son who is on the staff of the National Provincial Bank at Bradford and who has himself played hockey for Durham County and for Buckinghamshire.

He has also a small grandson who is already being trained to follow on in the family tradition.

On his retirement, the Managing Director of Messrs. A.B.P. and Co., Ltd., described Mr. Cussons as "one of those men who seems to be perpetually young, one of those who form the core of Ashmore's—and indeed of Stockton." We leave it at that.

In a recent company reorganisation of the Power Gas Group in Stockton, what in past years has operated under the name of the Power Gas Corporation, Ltd., will have as its two wholly owned subsidiary companies, Ashmore, Benson, Pease and Co., Ltd., and Power Gas Engineering, Ltd., Henceforth, L. DAVIS will act as the Secretary of the three companies and in addition will be in charge of an export department in the parent company to look after the commercial aspects of overseas contracts.

Other Old Boys who are concerned in the reorganisation are R. W-RUTHERFORD, Director of the Power Gas Corporation, Ltd., and Managing Director of Power Gas Engineering Ltd.: P. M. K. EMBLING, Director and General Manager of Power Gas Engineering Ltd.: C. INGMAN, Director of Power Gas Engineering Ltd. and Divisional Director of both the General Contracts and Petroleum Plant divisions of this company.

We extend our congratulations to these of our Old Boys who are indeed helping to make Tees-side the hub of the North East coast. (The above information is derived from "Concord," September—October, 1959—the very interesting house magazine of the Power-Gas Group).

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WE are much indebted to I. DENNEY (1940-6) who very kindly sends us an illustrated brochure dealing with the work done at the P.A.M.E. T.R.A.D.A. Research Station at Wallsend, where he has been employed for the last 10 years, and where in March, 1959, he was appointed Senior Photographer in charge of the Photographic Department.

The mystic letters denote the 'Parsons and Marine Engineering Turbine Research and Development Association,' the name Parsons being included in memory of Sir Charles Parsons who did so much towards the development of the turbine, and our Old Boy's appointment is evidence of the ever increasing importance of applied Photography in all kinds of industry.

Mr. Denney tells us that he has not yet been able to visit the Grangefield G.S., but a warm welcome awaits him whenever he finds the opportunity to come and see us.

In these days, ERNEST H. FIEKE (1924-28) is a very busy man for in a letter to the Hon. Secretary, dated 27-XI-59, he says that pressure of work prevented him from being present at the School v Old Boys cricket match and then adds "I was actually in Stockton two weeks ago arriving at 1-30 a.m. and leaving at 7 p.m. on the same day so that I could be on my way to Thurso (at the extreme north of Scotland) on the following day."

But even during this short visit, he found time to call at the School to collect his nephew and have a chat with Mr. Munday.

In his declining years, Ernest has started playing golf and already has a silver bauble on his sideboard as a token of his prowess, although he modestly confesses that he won it by a series of flukes.

Newly introduced oxygen equipment on an ambulance summoned from the Thornaby depot was the means of saving the life of E. L. GEAREY of Yarm who was taken ill while attending a meeting of the local sick club. When the ambulance arrived, the condition of our old friend, Teddie, was very serious indeed, but the immediate administration of oxygen enabled him to reach Stockton and Thornaby Hospital, where, we are pleased to say, he afterwards made a good recovery."

IN September, 1960, JACK GRAINGER, along with another gifted amateur artist, held an exhibition of paintings at the Preston Hall Museum, Eaglescliffe.

Of the 59 works on display, Mr. Grainger was responsible for 32, which dealt mainly with scenes on Tees-side. Among these, a far stretching area of moorland as seen from Buttertubs pass and an impression of Billingham I.C.I. as seen from a cornfield were probably the most striking, but each picture had its own particular charm and attraction.

We congratulate Jack, who is on the staff of Stockton Library, on a thoroughly good show.

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COMMENCING with the firm of Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co., Ltd. in 1907, and, save for an interval of seven years, remaining there for the rest of his life and since 1937 occupying the position of London office manager, TOMMY GRAINGER has just retired, and, so we understand, is now seeking a house within easy reach of Stockton.

Speaking at a presentation which was made to our Old Boy, the Chairman of the Company said that, although Mr. Grainger had been in an office for over 20 years, he was first and foremost an engineer of the calibre that formed the backbone of a great industrial firm. His success in London had been due entirely to his personality for few had ever seen him ruffled or unco-operative or unwilling to give all the help he could. It was people of his equable temperament who engendered a happy company and organisation.

We have known Tommy for more years than we care to remember and we cordially endorse all the good things that the Chairman had to say about him.

THE last time we saw HERBERT HALE, who left school in 1931, was in 1947 when he was an engineer at Messrs. Head Wrightson and Co. Ltd.

During the last war, he was a commissioned officer in the Royal Engineers ultimately rising to the rank of Major, and part of his time was spent as a Staff officer with the Ministry of Supply where he was concerned with the production of military railway bridges, floating pontoons and mulberry harbours.

After he was demobilised, he was invited by the same Ministry to return as a civilian engineer with the consequence that he is now an established civil servant and is responsible for the production of all the Army and Air Force requirements of civil engineering plant (tractors, excavators, crushers, pile drivers, etc.), cranes and mechanical handling equipment, internal combustion engines, snowploughs, runway sweepers and railway essentials. Naturally, such a job involves visits to the firms which are making the equipment and attendance at conferences in either civilian or military research and design establishments, while as a member of a group of experts in N.A.T.O. he has had the opportunity of being present at meetings in practically all the European capitals.

Mr. Hale, another of the many Old Boys, who has had the good fortune to marry a lady "from next door," has two children, a small girl aged 9, and a boy aged 12, now at a Grammar School and already asking the question, "Why must I learn Latin?"

At his home at Great Bookham, Surrey, he has a large garden which he cultivates when he is not pre-occupied with cine-filming and taperecording.

One of his great friends is HARRY HOBSON whom we hope he will persuade to join our Old Stocktonian brotherhood.

In sending his Greetings and Good Wishes, our former Headmaster Mr. C. L. HALL, B.Sc., B.Sc. (Econ.,) who left us to take up a similar position at Bury Grammar School, apologises for his absence from our Annual Dinner and tells us that his son Peter, (himself an O.S.) has passed his G.C.E. in eight subjects.

Later news of Mr. Hall is that he has been appointed Head Master of the Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Darlington where he took up duty in September, 1960, and where incidentally he will have two Old Stocktonians, R. S. THOMPSON, B.Sc., M. Ed.: and G. R. JEWIT, B.A. on his staff, J. W. MILNER, B.Sc., another O.S., has since joined Mr. Hall's Staff.

We convey our congratulations to him and hope that his nearness to Stockton will enable him to renew acquaintance with many of his old friends there.

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An appointment of particular interest to Old Stocktonians is that of H. D. HARDIE who, at their first meeting of the new session was elected Chairman of the Tees-side branch of the North-East Coast Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders.

Denis is, of course, shippard manager of the Furness Shipbuilding Co., Ltd., and, despite his preoccupations with the building and launching of 40,000 ton tankers, yet finds time to act as Hon. Secretary of our own Association.

To his new appointment, we feel sure he will bring to bear all those many good qualities which never fail to inspire our greatest admiration.

AFTER serving his apprenticeship at Messrs. Pickerings, Ltd., ARTHUR JAMES HENDERSON (1928-33) spent some time at Messrs. Head, Wrightson and Co., Ltd., and then moved on to the Malleable Works of Messrs. South Durham Steel and Iron Co. Ltd., where he held various posts from foreman to assistant plant manager. However, at the close of the war the plant closed down and he then went into the fabrication department drawing office, where he was in charge of the estimating for welded fabrications.

Now, he is supervisor at the Consett Iron Co's Derwenthaugh works at Blaydon-onTyne and wishes to be remembered to our former President, DEREK HENDERSON.

IN a recent address to the Billingham Rotary Club, GRANVII,I,E D. HEWITT, M.B.E., J.P., M.A., himself a member of Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd., spoke of the first coming of that great firm to Billingham and of its subsequent effects on what was once a mere village, paid a tribute to the pioneers who made possible the early growth of the undertaking, and dwelt on the tremendous progress which has been made in recent years.

"40 years ago," said Mr Hewitt, "on the spot where the factory is to-day, there were level fields which were being farmed and the old farm still stands in the middle of the factory site."

We are glad Mr. Hewitt mentioned this, for to us it is a touch of real romance. But isn't the whole of the I.C.I. a romance—one of the great romances of industry?

WE are delighted to welcome as a Life Member (he very generously sends us £2 owing to the depreciation of money) STANLEY ERNEST HILL (1917-20), who emigrated to Canada in 1948.

Mr. Hill, who is the twin brother of LESLIE HILL, now carrying on his profession as a dentist at Sutton, Surrey, confines himself to telling us that "he is now settled down and quite at home—married with two sons, one of whom has already graduated with the intention of becoming a teacher."

We should appreciate it if he would send us further news of himself and his family.

SINCE we last heard from the Rev: F. G. HUNTER, B.A., who is a Curate at Bury, he has obtained his M.A. degree and has been ordained priest at Manchester Cathedral.

Of 'old friends,' the only ones whom he has seen are our old Headmaster, Mr. HALL, and KEITH MURRAY, who is teaching French at Normanton G.S., but on a recent visit to Stockton (his parents have gone to live at Sunderland) he was delighted to meet Mr. S. DUMBLE and Mr. T. B. BROOKE.

Generally, Geoffrey finds work at Bury both full and rewarding.

As evidence of the very high esteem in which he is held by devotees of the photographic art, G. NORMAN JEFCOAT was appointed President at the last general meeting of the Norton Photographic Society, this following on his election as Vice-President of the Northern Federation.

Further evidence of the great reputation which Mr. Jefcoat enjoys is afforded by the fact that he acted as one of the judges at a recent stereo colour transparencies exhibition organised by the Stockton Photo-Colour Society, this exhibition attracting 428 entries from pretty well all over the world.

HAVING spent much of his time since leaving school in different parts of the world, during which he met KEN FIRMAN in Vienna and DAVE HAMER in Malta, DENNIS J. JOHNSTON (1945-50) has for the time being settled down in the Technical Service Dept. of British Titan Products, Ltd., which he describes as a nest of Old Stocktonians. For there among others, he has renewed acquaintance with FRED HUSBAND, ALAN WELLS, ALAN WILSON and BARRY YATES. Incidentally, he has played soccer for the works' team, but has recently decided to return to the handling code and has had some good games with the Stockton/Billingham Technical College XV.

To Dennis J., however, the wanderlust has come again and he hopes to join the Falklands Islands Survey some time in 1960 for a short sojourn in the Antarctic.

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HAVING served his apprenticeship as a fitter and turner at the Forge Works of Messrs. Head Wrightson & Co., Ltd., NORMAN KELLEY (1935-39) left that firm in 1947 to become a marine engineer with the Blue Funnel Line. There, he remained until 1951, after which he served as a mech: eng: designer/draughtsman at Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease and Co., Ltd., and later at Messrs. I.C.I., Ltd.

In 1957, he joined the staff of the Stockton/Billingham Technical College and is still there as an assistant lecturer in Machine Shop Engineering.

Throughout his after-school days, he has continued with his part-time studies and now holds a marine engineering certificate, a London City and Guilds Inter: Machine Shop Engineering Certificate, and both the Ordinary and Higher National Certificates (with endorsements in Mech: Engineering) so that he is now within reach of qualifying as an A.M.I. Mech. E.

Except during the years when he was away at sea, Norman has been a member of the Norton Cricket Club since 1935 and actually played for the first XI when he was a boy at School. At first, he was chosen as a bowler and in his second first team match took 5 Normanby Hall wickets for 45. But his greatest bowling feat (a mounted inscribed ball is evidence of this) was 4 wickets in 5 balls—including the hat trick—against Redcar in 1942. In 1941, he was awarded the Crosby Cup as the most improved player in the Club: in 1950, he made his highest first XI score (92 v Stockton), while his 139 against Saltburn in 1951 is still the highest score for any Norton II player.

But 1960 has probably been one of his best seasons, scores of 85, 75 not our, 74 not out, 69, 51, 50—all for the first XI—testifying to this.

Generally, we should describe him as a happy cricketer—one who takes the smiles and frowns of fortune with the same infectious grin.

He is happily married to Violet, the sister of Harold Stephenson, captain and wicket-keeper of Somerset C.C.C.

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WE have pleasure in congratulating DAVID S. LITTLE (1949-55), who, at the earliest possible age, passed the Law Society's Final Examination in March, 1960, and was admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court on July 1st, 1960.

On leaving School, David was articled to Mr J. B. Haworth, Town Clerk of Stockton, attended Law classes at King's College, Newcastle, and studied for the six months previous to his final examination at a Law School at Guildford.

He now holds an appointment as Assistant Solicitor to the Middlesbrough Corporation.

Congratulations also to David's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. LITTLE, who celebrated their Silver Wedding on August 24th, 1960.

And once more congratulations to Mr. G. D. LITTLE (well remembered as a former President and Hon. Treasurer of our Association) who was recently appointed as Hon. Secretary of the Stockton Ruri Decanal Conference for the fourth Triennial period.

In the second Test match between the West Indies and the last visiting England team, EUGENE L. ILOVD acted as one of the umpires (the only Old Stocktonian ever to occupy such a position) and on the first day had occasion to warn Hall, the West Indian fast bowler, for his persistent short-pitched bowling.

The incident caused much discussion and recently, when Eugene, looking bronzed and fit, was on leave in Stockton, we ventured to ask him to give us the full details. But he was entirely non-committal (a wise trait in an umpire) and preferred to talk about other of his cricket experiences. From this, we gleaned that he acts as umpire in local matches pretty well every week-end during the season, but is frequently called upon to officiate in matches of greater importance e.g. West Indies v Pakistan and against E. W. Swanton's XI.

For the West Indies cricket celebrities, he has the greatest respect and admiration, and it is quite evident—good mixer that he is—that he likes and gets on well with the more ordinary people of the islands.

Mr. Lloyd—still a young man—has been in Trinidad since 1942, and holds the position of head instrument engineer for Texaco Trinidad Inc

Married to a Blackpool lady, he has one son who is at present studying Economics at McGill University, Canada.

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RONALD LUDBROOK, who is a Director of Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease and Co., Ltd., (Australia) has very kindly sent us a cheque for two guineas to help us to defray the Debit balance on the General Fund for 1959-60. We are very appreciative of Ronald's gesture and respectfully suggest that it is an example which might well be followed by other of the older Old Boys.

Some time during the year, we required a photograph enlarging (not one of our own, of course) and were recommended to try Marriott who conducts his business on the top story of a building near the United Bus Services premises in Stockton High Street.

At first, we imagined we were going to renew acquaintance with W. R. T. MARRIOTT (once a pharmaceutical chemist but now a clergyman in London), but instead we met his brother, J. T. MARRIOTT (once a draughtsman but now a photographer).

Mr. Marriott specialises in industrial photography and is in great demand among local and outside works and businesses. But from what we saw in his studio he is also an expert at colour photography, and has an inscribed ribbon showing that he won a prize in 1959 at a convention of the Photographic Society of America held at Louisville, Kentucky.

At the same time, he is not averse to taking a wedding group or even a photograph of your latest twins.

As to our enlargement, he made a splendid job of it.

OUR sincerest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. JOHN M. MILLAR (Mrs. Millar was one of the very attractive ladies "from next door" in the Nelson Terrace era) who celebrated their Silver Wedding in October, 1955. Congratulations, too, on the success of their son, David, who qualified as a doctor at Edinburgh in 1956 (M.B., Ch.B.) and is now Senior House Officer at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, and congratulations once again on the arrival of their first grandchild (a son to David, July

8th, 1960).

WE congratulate BRIAN MINTO, who has been named as the outstanding student of the year at Durham Agricultural School and has been awarded a Scholarship tenable at any college or university. We also wish him the greatest success in the future.

In enclosing his Life Membership Subscription, PHILIP MOTHERS-DALE (1950-55) tells us that he obtained his Ordinary National Certificate in Mining Engineering in 1958 and is now studying for an Ordinary National Certificate in Elect: Engineering at Durham Technical College. Our good wishes go to him.

WE very much regret to report that LEONARD MYERS, A.C.I.S., who is Assistant Staff Manager at Wilton (I.C.I.) has for some months been very seriously ill.

Joining the Supply Dept: at Billingham in 1926, he was transferred to the Secretarial Dept: (Staff) in 1935, promoted to Staff Officer in 1943, transferred to Wilton in 1946, and promoted to his present position in 1955.

A very quiet, courteous, consciencious gentleman, he is one of those who inspires affection wherever he goes, and it is the fervent hope of all who know him that he will soon be restored to complete health.

We have two very welcome letters from C. H. O'GRADY. With the first, he encloses a large photograph of Princess Margaret (with Mr. Armstrong coming coyly behind) looking very lovely as she carries a bouquet supplied by O'Grady, the Kilburn florist.

In the second, he tells us that he (representing "Interflora") has recently acted as one of the judges in a competition to decide "The Personality Girl for 1960" among the G.P.O. Telephonists and Telegraphists of Greater London.

Since there were 460 entrants, we feel certain that Mr. O'Grady must have had a fine time, although he explains that while it is fairly easy to choose for looks and beauty, it is a difficult job to decide whether the lass has any personality.

But the greater part of his second letter is about fishing and here he grows lyrical about the fish that got away—" I had been catching a lot of grayling which were greedily taking flies before the trout could get a look in. Then there came a bite just like that of a heavy trout, whereupon I straightened my rod in the approved fashion and a salmon burst out of the water, jumped perpendicularly its own height and fell back with a resounding splash which made my companion think I had fallen into the river. Then, with my rod bending like a bow, the fish shot towards the bank and suddenly it was no longer on the hook.

In the intense excitement of that 40 odd seconds I felt I had lived through a lifetime. But the fact that the salmon got away did not matter a great deal for, if one caught every fish that was hooked, the thrill would be gone from fishing."

Charles is a bit of a philosopher.

In previous issues, we have spoken of the prowess as a medium-paced spin bowler of the REV. A. ROBINSON, B.A., who is Vicar of Danby and Castleton. Since both villages run teams in the Whitby and District League, it was necessary for him to decide to which village he would give his services. Finally, a compromise was made by which he would play for Danby and Castleton in alternate years.

Generally, the cricketers of both villages have got the idea that their Vicar always bowls best after conducting a wedding and this idea is supported by the fact that one of his greatest achievements—9 wickets for 16 runs— fell to him on a Saturday when he had carried out his clerical duties at two weddings. As the Vicar jocularly remarks "I had been drinking toasts rather liberally and was seeing the stumps twice as wide. I just couldn't miss."

As has been stated in a previous issue of the Year Book, R. W. RUTH-ERFORD spent 12 years of his life in Japan engaged in building up Power-Gas business.

Towards the close of his stay, a new Japanese firm—Mitsubishi Kakoki Kabushiki Kaisha—came into being and with this firm Mr. Rutherford immediately established a working arrangement which has steadily grown through the years.

This year, the Japanese firm celebrated the 25th Anniversary of its formation and invited Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford to attend the festivities a signal honour both to our Old Boy and his wife and a glowing tribute to the high esteem in which Power-Gas is held.

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At the Stockton Methodist Eisteddfod, FRANK L. SCAIFE—once a pillar in the gas world, an ex-president and one time player of the Stockton Cricket Club, and organist of Brunswick Wesleyan Church—was placed first in the hymn tune (harmony) competition, and must have derived a great deal of pride and satisfaction from the fact that his son, who is conductor of the Church Choir, was placed second in the same competition.

A. E. SHIELDS, M.B.E., M.A. (late Registrar of Grahamstown University, South Africa), who took up his duties as Registrar of the new University College of Sussex on January 1st, 1960, is now nicely settled down with his family in a house at Brighton. Meanwhile, his office is in an old country mansion situated in a lovely park 250 acres in extent about 4 miles from Brighton, and it is in this park that the new University designed by the famous architect, Basil Spence, will ultimately be built.

As Mr. Shields says, "I am kept very busy with a new set of problems, those involved in getting a new University established from nothing at all. At the moment, I am acting as a kind of Clerk of Works and Assistant Architect (we do not expect to have any students until perhaps the autumn of next year), but I regard it as a great privilege and responsibility to be in from the beginning and to watch the birth and growth of what I hope will be a great University College.

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ONE of our oldest members, A. J. SMITH (he was a pupil when the old Higher Grade School was first opened in January, 1896), whose long and distinguished connection with the Boys' Brigade movement has been noted in past Year Books, has lately been presented with an electric fire in recognition of the completion of 50 years as an office bearer in the Stockton Presbyterian Church.

The motto of Mr. Smith, the name of whose son appears on our 2nd World War monument, has always been "Service."

WHEN in his Liverpool home, E. SMITH (1926-31) receives his Year Book, it is always a sign for his wife to tell the children to get their tea by themselve since father is going to be busy.

For many years, 'Ted', as he is more generally known, has been General Manager of Messrs. William Neill and Sons at their Parr Works, St. Helens, where his chief interest has been in Structural Engineering. Within recent months, however, for the same firm, he has developed a Building and Civil Engineering Dept., which has already shown every sign of being successful.

In his business life, he often meets fellow Old Stocktonians e.g. MONTY ASHTON and BOB WILLIAMS, both of whom were once colleagues of his at the Furness Shipbuilding Yard, while recently at Harrogate he was delighted to have a chat about old times with R. PURNELL.

JOHN A. SMITH (1946-51) migrated from the Old School in Nelson Terrace in June, 1951, and thus was a Grangefield Grammarian only for about three weeks.

Becoming an electrical apprentice at Messrs. Dorman, Long and Co., Ltd., he made a good start but later developed rheumatic fever which severly handicapped him for the next year or two. However, in 1957, as a result of a sandwich course at the Constantine Technical College, he obtained a Higher National Diploma in Elect: Engineering and celebrated the occasion by getting married, appropriately enough to a young lady from the Girls' Dept: next door. This was followed by his election as a Graduate of the Institute of Elect: Engineers.

Not content with this, he then obtained the Higher National Certificate in Mech: Engineering with endorsements in Industrial Administration and has now been elected a Graduate of the Institute of Mech: Engineers.

At the moment, he is at the Britannia Works of his old firm and ranks as Technical Assistant to the Group Works Electrical Engineer. As to the future, he hopes to do some part-time teaching at one of the local Technical Colleges.

We congratulate our friend, John, on what we regard as a very noteworthy achievement.

WE have a letter from G. F. S. SMITH, a member of the Tax Inspectorate, who complains that owing to a change of address, (the notification of which, he says, may never have reached us), he has never received any Year Book since 1956-7. However, we learn that he is now serving at Sheffield 4th District, and has renewed acquaintance with R. GARDNER (1925-31) who, following his transfer from West Hartlepool, is H. M. Inspector of Taxes at Sheffield 5th District.

We send our cordial greetings to both gentlemen.

In our last issue, we reported that G. R. SMITH (1949-54) and his friend, CLIVE ALLEN, having each obtained the Higher National Diploma in Struct: Engineering, were contemplating taking a Degree Course in Engineering at King's College, Newcastle, but that difficulties in securing deferment from National Service were standing in the way.

We are now delighted to learn that these difficulties have been overcome and that both Old Boys are already studying Civil Engineering at Newcastle.

In a characteristic letter, G. R. ('Esque') tells us that his love for Rugby football is still unabated, congratulates the School XV on a magnificent season, and expresses the hope that, when they leave school, they will join his own Club at Billingham.

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FEW men have made a greater impact on the business and everyday life of Stockton and district than JOHN SPARK (1897-1902).

Head of a great bakery and confectionery firm—a former County Councillor, Town Councillor and Alderman—a prominent Liberal and stalwart of Methodism—a Justice of the Peace—President of the local brauch of the Mentally Handicapped Children Association— Chairman of Stockton Deaf and Dumb Mission—member of the local Income Tax Commissioners, of the Advisory Committee of the National Assistance Board, of various hospital management committees—Governor of our own Grangefield Grammar School—some time President of the old Stocktonians and of the Stockton Cricket Club—these are only a few of the many interests to which, modestly and without any ostentation, he has given his care and attention. And in these activities, he has been fully supported by his wife, whose special hobby is Old Age Pensioners.

So during the year 1960, we find him opening a rally of the N. E-League of the Hard of Hearing at North Ormesby: as President of the North Tees League of Friends switching on the first television to be presented to the Sedgefield General Hospital: opening a sale of work for a Girls' Training Corps at Norton: judging the bread and cakes at a Tees-side Bakery Exhibition at the Middlesbrough Town Hall: opening a small exhibition of paintings at the Hippodrome Theatre, Stockton, at which he had one of his own paintings on view.

For at the age of 73, Mr. Spark has acquired a new interest and is attending an evening class in painting taken by Art Master, Mr. K. V. Steadman, in our own School.

A long deferred ambition of LESLIE STILL, who is the enterprising librarian at Billingham, was at last realised when a new branch library was opened on the Roseberry Estate.

With a stock of about 14,000 books, an effort is being made to encourage the reading habit especially among the many children in the district

Leslie, by the way, is in charge of the excavations which are going on at Low Grange Farm (just off the lane linking Wolviston and Cowpen Bewley) in the hope of proving that an ancient barn was part of a 13th century manor of the Prior of Durham.

In presenting their degrees to DAVID and JOHN STODDART on Graduation Day, the Rector of King's College, Newcastle, said that he failed to remember another occasion when he had conferred First Class Honours degrees on twin brothers.

We ourselves think that it was almost a unique occasion at any university, and we consider that the Stoddart twins have brought great distinction to themselves and to their relatives, to their School, and to Messrs. Head, Wrightson and Co., Ltd., with which firm they were apprenticed.

For the next three years, they will continue their studies in Mech: Engineering at Newcastle with a view to obtaining the degree of Ph.D., John working on 'stress analysis' using the Pegasus Digital Electronic Computor, and David on 'the theory of pulsating gas flow.' Afterwards they will return to Messrs. Head, Wrightson and Co., Ltd.

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As evidence of the increasing part which Old Boys are taking in political affairs, we note that, at the Annual General Meeting of the Stockton Liberal Association, ALBERT GRIFFITHS was appointed General Secretary and Councillor ERIC BROWN, Press Officer.

Another interesting appointment was that of Councillor MAURICE SUTHERLAND (already one of the two Vice-Chairmen of the Stockton Labour Party) who was elected political education officer. Maurice has also been accepted by Transport House for inclusion on the panel of prospective candidates. Does this mean that at some time in the future we are likely to have another M.P. among our ranks in addition to Dr. H. M. KING, thrice elected member for the Itchen Division of Southampton.?

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SAVE when he was placed 2nd and Reserve to a Royal Show Champion at the Great Yorkshire Show, "Howden Victory," the home-bred Dairy Shorthorn bull, which is the pride and joy of W. E. WALLS has had uninterrupted success, winning 1st prizes at the Stockton, Durham County, Cleveland, Sedgefield, Darlington and Stokesley shows.

When he is not attending to his farm or "showing" his now very famous animal, Mr Walls is in great demand as a judge at cattle shows all over England and Wales. In 1958 (a great honour, this) he officiated at the Royal Show at Bristol, in 1959 at the National Bull Progeny Competition (a task which took 8 days and involved travelling 2,500 miles), while in 1960 he has had engagements in Shropshire, Warwickshire, Yorkshire Nottinghamshire, Lancashire and London (Dairy Show)

Besides this, he gives much time to the Stockton Rural District Council, he is the member for Durham County on the National Council of Young Farmers' Clubs, he is one of the three members who represent Yorkshire, Durham and Northumberland on the National Shorthorn Cattle Society in London, and, of course, he is the Secretary of the Stockton Agricultural Show.

And in his spare time, when he has bedded down and said "Good Night" to "Howden Victory", he views all the cups, silver spoons, medals, etc., with which his home at Howden Hall, Durham Road, is already filled and wonders where he can put his prizes for 1961.

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At the front of a calendar for 1960 issued by Messrs. Edward Appleby, Ltd., the well known Stockton printers, etc., is a coloured picture of two former celebrated shops situated in the High Street near the Red Lion Hotel. The first shop, No. 58—a printing office—was acquired by Mr. Thomas Appleby in 1846 and remained in the hands of members of that family until 1929, when the business was moved to larger premises in Prince Regent Street: the second shop, No. 59, was occupied from 1819 to 1858 by John Walker, Chymist and Druggist, who invented the friction match.

The calendar in itself is rather an unusual one and is a great credit to the firm who issued it, but to Old Stocktonians the chief interest lies in the fact that on the back is an account of the life of John Walker, by J. W. WARDELL, the Chairman of the Stockton Branch of the Historical Association. It is needless to say that the account is marked by the same painstaking and meticulous research which was so characteristic of Mr. Wardell's "A History of Yarm."

But it is sad to find that out of an achievement which could well have brought him a fortune, Mr. Walker made practically nothing owing to the fact that he neglected to patent his invention.

A very welcome letter from Mr. HARRY WATSON, who for a long time has lived with his son. ERNEST, at Bedford, tells us that he has now passed his 84th year and that he still has fond recollections of the happy years when, as instructor of Woodwork and Metalwork, he was with us in the old premises at Nelson Terrace.

Nowadays, he spends his summer playing bowls and in the winter he goes back to his beloved bench and tools.

Our affectionate greetings to him.

WITH a very interesting letter from R. B. WEARS, who seems to have fallen in love with the historical associations of Norwich where he has lived for the last few years, are enclosed the minutes of the first two meetings of the Rambling Section which was one of the many Sections which were formed when our Association came into being well over 47 years ago.

At the first meeting (January, 1913), Mr. Wears was elected Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, with Messrs. L. V. Pringle, C. Fraser, A. E. Lax and W. Jewitt (the last two named have since passed away) on the Committee: the yearly subscription was fixed at 6d., and rambles were arranged to Leven, Wynyard, Hutton Gate, Seaton Carew, Eston Nab, Middleton-one-Row together with a trip up (or was it down?) the river Tees.

At the second meeting (October, 1913), the Hon. Treasurer submitted his accounts for the season which showed an income (subscriptions) of 7/6 and an expenditure of $3/6\frac{1}{2}$ (all postage), leaving the Section with the very healthy credit balance of $3/11\frac{1}{2}$. Happy memories!

Two photographs, which recently appeared in the "Gazette," had a special significance for Old Stocktonians. In the first, JOHN WILKINSON, F.C.C.S., F.H.A. (1903-7) was shown unveiling a plaque to commemorate the opening of an extra unit to the Stead Hospital at Redcár.

In the second, he was shown receiving a television set which was presented to him to mark his retirement after 32 years of hospital work.

From 1928 to 1948, he was Secretary-Superintendent of the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital: in 1948, he became Deputy Secretary of the Tees-side Hospital Management Committee and Secretary of the House Committee controlling three Stockton Hospitals: since 1958, he has acted as the Deputy Group Secretary of the South Tees Hospital Management Committee.

Mr. Wilkinson, who was a member of the Institute of Hospital Administration (Newcastle area) for nine years and who will always be remembered as the President of our Association from 1937 to 1949, will, we think, carry into his retirement nothing but happy memories, for he made his work his hobby and endeared himself to all who knew him.

THOMAS F. WOOD (1945-49), after spells with the Wear and Tees River Board and with the Manchester Corporation, is now employed as an engineering assistant by the Brandon and Byshottles Urban District Council.

Incidentally, Thomas has a wife and small son about a year old.

ROBERT WOODS (1951-56)—still with Messrs. WOODALL and DUCK-HAM—is at present at Scunthorpe where his firm is building a coking

HAM—is at present at Scunthorpe where his firm is building a coking plant for Messrs. Richard Thomas and Baldwins. In his leisure, he is taking a Building and Surveying Course at the local Technical College.

MARRIED, with a small son T. D. YEATS, whom we are pleased to welcome as a Life Member, is now a lieutenant in the regular army on Air Despatch duties and is stationed at Witchfield, near Swindon, in Wiltshire.

OUR congratulations and very best wishes go out to JAMES GRAHAM, JNR., on his marriage in March to Miss Elizabeth Rambow, a very pretty dental receptionist and nurse from Acklam.

Judging by the smiles of both bride and bridegroom on the great occasion, we feel certain they are assured of a happy marriage.

JUST after Christmas last year, we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. and Mrs. JOHN GREEN. Mr. Green is now a representative of a Fibrex Glass firm at St. Helens and lives at Huyton, near Liverpool.

As a sign of his business prosperity, he was smoking a large Havanna cigar, and was just as effervescent and just as likeable as ever.

THE year 1960 has not been a fortunate one for NORMAN WINN, in that, following a severe operation, he spent several weeks in hospital. We are now able to report that, although he still has to go very carefully, he is getting about fairly comfortably.

OUR congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. IAN KIRBY on the birth of a daughter: to Mr. and Mrs. H. RAY on the birth of a daughter: to Dr. and Mrs. J. SHARKEY on the birth of a daughter.

The sympathies of all Old Stocktonians will go out to G. BRANN on the death of his father: to Mr. T. B. BROOKE on the death of his sister: to F. R. CURRY on the death of both his father and mother: to the BROTHERS WADSWORTH on the death of their mother: to P. V. PRINGLE on the death of his wife.

R. HELLIWELL is enjoying the Forestry course at Bangor.

THE REV. S. G. S. STOKES, B.A., Chaplain to the Forces serving in Kenya, may be surprised to read on another page that one of his recent organists is now in charge of music in the School.

JIMMY WADSWORTH, B.A., Ph.D., Shaking off the dust of Harvard, has taken on an appointment at Queen's College, Flushing, and his address is now 2 Brentwood Road, Woburn, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

D. S. SCOTT in a recent letter informs us that he is commencing his final year in the Geology Honours School at Sheffield University.

A brief note from R. ELSWORTH (1920-25) informs us that he is now residing at Underdown, Pottersway, Laverstock, Salisbury, and is still engaged at the Microbiological Research Establishment, Porton, Wilts. In the course of official duties he recently met W. L. WILSON (at the Ministry of Works) which was their first meeting for about 25 years! The gossip revealed that O'Grady's Flower Shop in or near the Edgeware Road is still one of the sights of London.

B. P. BRAND (1947-54), following his National Service, is now back at Hatfield College, Durham. taking his second year examinations. Occasionally he 'turns out' for Billingham R.U.F.C. and wishes to remind D. WELLS that his leg is still sore as a result of playing rugger for the Old Boys against the School on Boxing Day 1954.

GLIMPSES OF OLD BOYS—ANTHONY BARBER, said to be making great progress in the Inland Revenue Dept. at Somerset House: R.J. BALL (Ilford), a postcard in our letter box told us he had made a lightning visit to Stockton without seeing us: W. A. EDEN (Harpenden), up north for a wedding: W. B. NODDINGS (London), visiting relations in Stockton, rapidly losing his hair: J. T. PURVIS, member of the Stockton R.D.C., resisting the idea of turning the whole Tees-side into one County Borough: T. SEDDON, playing for the Durham County Hockey Team: ALAN SPEARS, hitting a six for Stockton C.C. 2nd XI: G. LESLIE WALTON, now a Bank Manager at Blackpool, asking for the address of an Old Boy friend, now alas! not with us.

In Memoriam

To those of the younger generation of Old Stocktonians, the name of Mr. W. R BALL, B.Sc., will convey little. But to the older Old Boys, it will bring back many fragrant memories, for Mr. Ball was one of those immortals who made up the staff when the old Higher Grade School was opened in 1896. For almost 40 years (he retired in 1935 and was Deputy Headmaster for his last 4 years), he was a master in the school and watched it develop in turn to a mixed Secondary School and finally to two Secondary Schools-one for boys and one for girls. Throughout his long stay, he made himself very acceptable both to his pupils and to his fellow members on the staff, for he was of equable disposition, kind and courteous in everything that he did. As a teacher of Mathematics and allied subjects, he was methodical and painstaking, and there are countless of his old pupils, now widely scattered and many of them holding very responsible positions, who will readily testify to his professional skill ,to his very pleasant manner and to his real sympathy with them in their difficulties.

After he retired, his wife and he went to live at Langholm in the Cheviot country, but after the death of the former he resided with his younger son at Ilford, London.

He left two sons, William and Robert, both of whom are Old Boys of the School.

By the death of HARRY DRINKEL in the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital on December 20th, 1959, Thornaby lost one of its best known citizens. A Labour member of the Town Council since 1945, he was elected an Alderman in 1952, acted as Mayor from 1951 to 1953, and represented the Council on many and varied outside organisations.

A member of the Thornaby Education Sub-Committee and sometime Vice-Chairman, he was a Governor of the Robert Atkinson School from 1946 and Chairman of the Governors since 1955.

For well over 50 years, he was employed by the Stockton Co-operative Society, and, when he retired in 1956, held the position of building and funeral furnishing manager.

A shrewd and capable business man, his genial and kindly temperament commended him not only to his friends but also to many people of widely different political views.

A widower since 1957, he left six sons and two daughters'

AFTER a comparatively short illness, RYDAL ELLIS died on February 14th, 1960, a few days before his 55th birthday.

On leaving school in 1921, he joined the tailoring and drapery business which was founded by his father in 1905, and fron 1928 was a partner with his brother, HORACE, in the same business, leaving it to serve in the Royal Navy on H.M.S. Berwick from 1940 to 1945. Outside his business, he was a member of the Tees-side Golf Club and a Brother of the Whitwell Lodge of Freemasons.

A lively, laughing kind of boy with a heart of gold, he retained these same qualities when he became a man. As a life member of our Association and proud of it, he never tired of talking of his schooldays, and, generous to a fault, he was always among the first to respond to any call which was made for his assistance.

He left a wife and a daughter who is studying Pharmacy.

Mr. GAVIN KAY, L.R.A.M., died in the Carter Bequest Hospital, Middlesbrough, on March 15th, 1960, at the age of 83.

Described by a local paper as "A Grand Old Man of Music," he was probably best known for his long connection as conductortutor of the Cleveland Harmonic Male Voice Choir (53 years) and
of the mixed voice Cecilian Glee Society, the latter of which he
founded in 1920. But his interests extended far beyond these,
and musical societies, church and school choirs all over Tees-side
owed much to his guidance and inspiration. In fact, Mr. Kay
regarded music as one of the joys of life, and did his best to bring
that joy to the greatest possible number of people.

For 30 years, ending in 1951, he was Music Master at our own School and few Old Boys of his time will ever forget his untiring enthusiasm, his unfailing geniality and his ever present kindness.

Mr. Kay left five sons and a daughter—all musical—especially the eldest, Mr. Gavin J. Kay, who was a musician in his own right.

In magazines dated 1913 and 1914 respectively, we find photographs of the School football teams and seated in the outside-left position is W. H. MORROW, described elsewhere as "very fast and a good shot." Yes, Billy was a fine footballer, and a fine lad, too, for whether on the playing fields or in the class room he inspired confidence, was absolutely trustworthy, and set an example which all might do well to follow.

When we knew him best, he lived at Whinney Hill Farm. Afterwards, when he moved to Eaglescliffe, we saw him only occasionally. But the passing years did not seem to alter him at all—he always remained the same quiet, unassuming and extremely modest fellow that he was at school.

His working life was spent in the chemical trade, first at Stockton and for the most part at Urlay Nook, where by sheer merit he rose to be a Director of the British Chrome and Chemical Co., Ltd.

A country boy by birth, his hobbies savoured of the country—gardening, flower and agricultural shows, point to point meetings.

He died suddenly in March, 1960, and left a widow, two sons (one of whom is an Old Boy), and two grandchildren.

G. HARRY WOOD died in hospital on June 12th, 1959, after an attack of coronary thrombosis, aged just short of 59.

A member of a much respected Norton family, he served in the Northumberland Fusiliers in the 1st World War, and afterwards entered the Civil Service (Inland Revenue Dept.) where he was stationed in turn at Middlesbrough and Welshpool (Montgomeryshire). Later, he was promoted to Inspector of Taxes and moved to Leeds. A further move took him to Darlington where he lived for the last $3\frac{1}{2}$ years of his life.

At school he played both cricket and football, and added hockey and gardening as other of his interests in his earlier business days. But throughout the whole of his life, his principal hobby was probably reading.

As we remember him, he was a boy of both character and personality, a boy who stood out among his fellows. Of a lovable and pleasant disposition, he had the gift of making friends and the rarer gifts of keeping them.

He leaves a wife to whom he had been happily married for $17\frac{1}{2}$ years.

To the relatives and friends of these, our Old Boys, who are no longer with us, we send our affectionate sympathy.

OLD BOYS EXAM: SUCCESSES AND APPOINTMENTS

(news of the following successes by Old Boys have reached us. We should be pleased to hear of other successes.)

UNIVERSITY DEGREES 1960.

Aufflick J. 2nd Class Honours in Chemistry at Bristol.
Burton, F. N. 2nd Class Honours in Economics at Hull.
Goodier, I. 1st Class Honours in Chemistry at Durham.
Hutton, R. C. 2nd Class Honours in Geology at

Birmingham.

Stoddart, D. 1st Class Honours in Engineering at Newcastle.

Stoddart, J. 1st Class Honours in Engineering at

Turner, N. A. 2nd Class Honours in Chem: Engineering

at Birmingham.

Watson, I. K.

Wearmouth, J. E.

Wilbraham, D.

2nd Class Honours in English at Leeds.

2nd Class Honours in Geography at London.

1st Class Honours in Chem: Engineering at London.

Of the above Old Boys, F. N. Burton is to do post-graduate research at Manchester University: R. C. Hutton is returning to Birmingham University to take an M.Sc., degree: D. and J. Stoddart are to do post-graduate work at King's College, Newcastle: J. E. Wearmouth is to take a Diploma in Town and Country Planning at Manchester University: I. K. Watson is going to Wesley House, Cambridge for three years in preparation for entering the Methodist Ministry.

LAW SOCIETY 1960

Final Exam:

D. S. Little.

TECHNOLOGICAL SUCCESSES 1959

H.N.D.—Higher National Diploma: H.N.C.—Higher National Certificate: O.N.C.—Ordinary National Certificate: End—Endorsement i.e. other subjects added to the award.

CONSTANTINE TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Allen, C. M. H.N.D. in Mech: Engineering H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) Bailey, G. W. Bowman, T. W. Clark, J. B. O.N.C. in Metallurgy H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) H.N.C. in Elect: Engineering Coulson, T. O. H.N.C. in Elect: Engineering—Prize H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) Davies, G. Harland, K. Horner, L. R. Instone, H. J. H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) Kelley, N. H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) McGraw, G. H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) H.N.C. in Elect : Engineering-Prize Pinder, E. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. A. Spring, K. H.N.D. in Mech: Engineering H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering H.N.C. in Struct : Engineering H.N.C. in Mech: Engineering (End.) Stockdale, W. A.

STOCKTON/BILLINGHAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE:-

Chamberlin, R.	O.N.C. in Chem. Industries
Crank, D.	O.N.C. in Mecm. Engineering
Davison, C.	O.N.C. in Cheh. Industries
Dixon, W. H.	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering
Harbron, R.	O.N.C. in Mech. Enginneering
Jones, G. F.	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering
Mackey, N.	O.N.C. in Elect. Engineering
Middleton, B. C.	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering
Oliver, T.	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering
Peacock, R. A.	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering
Porritt, N.	H.N.C. in Mech. Engineering

LONDON CITY AND GUILDS EXAMINATION:-

Daniel, A.	T.V. Servicing (Final)
Forster, W. E.	Machine Shop Engineering (Inter)
Gair, T. R.	Gas Fitting (Final)

G.C.E. ORDINARY LEVEL EXAMINATIONS:-

(figure denotes number of Subjects)

L. Dickson (2), W. Lake (1), A. McCarthy (1), C. Moore (1), B. Scott (1), J. Scott (1), F. B. Shepherd (1), F. J. Stonehouse (1), C. Taylor (1), C. Quinn (1), R. Wrightson (1).

G.C.E. Advanced Level Examinations:-

A. Baldwin (3), C. B. Barlow (2), B. Easton (3), R. V. Bradley (3), J. R. Fox (1), C. Gale (1), I. Gelder (1), W. Lake (2), A. McCarthy (2), C. Moore (2), I. Sanderson (3), J. Scott (1), F. B. Shepherd (2), P. Wood (2), R. Wrightson (3).

OLD BOYS' EXAM : SUCCESSES AND APPOINTMENTS

APPOINTMENTS:

- D. M. Allison, B.Sc. . . Staff of Acklam Grammar Sc'l., M'brough. W. H. Coates, B. Sc. . . Joint Manageing Director British Chrome and Chemicals Ltd
- G. L. Fordy .. President Stockton Master Builders & Allied Trades G. Gowthorpe .. Commercial Director Head, Wrightson, Machine Co.,
- H. Griffin, F.I.O.P., R.P., A.M.Inst. B.E., London City and Guilds Institute, Freeman of the City of London.
- P. Helliwell, Ph. D. . . Important Government post in South Aust.
 T. W. Hopkinson . . Associate Member of Royal Society of Health
- G. Jones ... Managing Director Head, Wrightson Stampings Ltd.
 F. Laws, B.A. ... Art critic for the "Guardian"
- J. W. Milner, B. S.C. Staff of Queen Elizabeth G. S. Darlington
- A. E. Purnell .. District operating Superintendent—Wakefield,
- H. Rigg Justice of Peace—Stockton
- N. A. Turner, B. Sc. Technologist to the Shell Refinery at Stanlow.

We should be grateful if Old Boys would make a point of advising Mr. W. H. Munday, Grangefield Grammar School, Oxbridge Avenue, Stockton-on-Tees or Mr. H. D. Hardie, 17 Castleton Avenue, Linthorpe, Middlesbrough, of any examination successes or appointments, etc.

School News

STAFF NOTES

By an inexcusable mistake these Notes last year omitted to mention the departure of two members of Staff and the coming of their successors. The compiler apologises to them and to the Editor and hastens to make good the omission.

Mr. J. E. WHITE had come to Grangefield when we first took possession of the new buildings and field. He made the most of the opportunities thus provided and the results of his efforts in all branches of his department are to be seen in the records of the various School teams during the past few years. His colleagues will miss a vigorous personality in whose neighbourhood it was not easy to stagnate. He left us at Christmas, 1958, to take charge of Physical Education at H.M's Borstal Institution at Lowdham Grange, near Nottingham.

Mr. I. C. COLLINGWOOD succeeded Mr. T. B. Brooke and lost no time in carrying out the project that was nearest his heart—the establishment of a contingent of the C.C.F. For some time by himself and later with the support of Mr. D'Arcy he developed the activities of the contingent with a single minded devotion and industry, all the more remarkable to those who knew of the burden of anxiety he was at times carrying concerning his wife's health. He took with him our sincere good wishes that his years of retirement may be many and happy.

In January, 1959, we welcomed Mr. P. E. Hudson and Mr. B. Nicol, and this belated notice at least enables us to speak of them now as almost old friends. Mr. Hudson came from Forest Fields Grammar School, Nottingham, where he went after training at Loughborough College. To fill the gap left by Mr. White was not likely to be an easy task but Mr. Hudson has proved himself equal to it and is justified in looking back with satisfaction and forward with confidence.

Mr. Nichol had been Senior English Master in several Secondary Modern Schools before joining us. He took his B.A. in English, French and Music at Sheffield in 1948 and the Diploma in the following year. To his initiative we owe yet another School society—the Model Railway Club, whose activities are recorded on another page.

July 1960 saw the departure of three younger masters. Mr. R. N. Atkinson, Vice-Captain in 1944, who had returned to his own School in its new home at Christmas 1953, served with great success in the Mathematics Department. He encouraged the Rowing Club, though it failed to survive the departure of its few early enthusiasts, and he took part in several of our continental excursions. His chief hobbies are reported to have been foreign languages and examination passing. We hope he will still find time to pursue them whilst serving as Head of the Maths Department at Durham Johnston Grammar School.

Mr. R. M. Heslop left us to take charge of the Science teaching at the Richard Hind Secondary Technical School. He had come to us in 1958 and had made himself useful in many ways, both in the classroom and outside, showing an active interest in the Chess Club and the Photographic Society, and was ever ready to assist a colleague in trouble with a tempermental car. We congratulate him on his appointment and also on his marriage during the summer.

Mr. D. W. Downes, whom we had shared with the Girls School since 1957, moved to Sunderland to take charge of music at the Monkwearmouth Grammar School. During his stay his main interest outside the classroom had, of course, been the boys' choir and the Friday Choir. His own fine musicianship as violinist and pianist as well as that of his friends from Newcastle was always at the service of both Schools—indeed, we hope that there will still be many occasions when he and his wife will not find the journey back to Stockton too far for them.

In September we welcomed five new members of staff. Mr. J. Betts, a Stocktonian but from the other School, took a 1st in Special Studies Chemistry at Leeds in 1957 and has since then been engaged in research in Physical Chemistry under Professor Dainton. His keenest interest was devoted to the Student Christian Movement and to the Cross Country Club in which he captained the 3rd team for three years.

- Mr. G. D. Hughes is a Durham-Johnstonian who took his degree in Mathematics at Kings College, Newcastle, and the Diploma in London and then taught for two years at the Counthill Grammar School, Oldham. He enjoys tennis in the summer and in the winter stargazes either in the cinema or the observatory.
- Mr. W. F. Ullyart, who comes to assist in both the Handicraft and the Art departments, is a Gateshead man. He trained at Bede College before going on to Loughborough. His first allegiance is not to Rugby but he will be a welcome accession to the Staff Cricket XI.
- Mr. J. D. Shute is a Ryhope man and took Honours in Music at Durham, followed by the Diploma in Education there. National Service took him, in the Royal Army Educational Corps, to Kenya for two years. He will more than take Mr. Downes's place, since we shall not be sharing him with the Girls' School, though we hope the happy co-operation of the past will continue.
- Mr. D. Bell (to be distinguished from Mr. C. Bell and Mr. D. G. Bell already with us) took his B.Sc. at King's College, Newcastle, and has come to teach Physics and Mathematics.

But, having played for the Durham University XV, he will be able to give welcome assistance also on the Rugby field.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION SUCCESSES N.U.J.M.B., G.C.E. Examination, July 1960

ADVANCED LEVEL :

I. Aufflick	MTM (with distinction), C.P.
A. K. Bunn	MTM. P.
A. J. Carter	M,C,P.
A. Chapman	Geol., P.
I. W. Chesney	Z.
D. Clark	GS, MTM, P.
E. Croot	GS.
I. Darling	C,P.
D. Davies	M,C,P.
P. D. Dodds	M,C,P.
J. M. Dunn	C.P.
C. Fletcher	P.
A. Holman	GS, C.
F. N. Hunter	GS, M,C,P.
I. Hutchinson	Geol.
G. Hutton	GS, M,C (with distinction), P.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION SUCCESSES (Continued)

T. D. Kinnis C.P. K. Kirton B. N. Leak R. E. Moyes GS, M,C,P. GS, M,C,P. GS, M,C,P. B. Nicholson MTM, P. M. W. Ozelton M.C.P. G. Parker Geol, M,P. GS, M,P. MTM, P. MTM, P. M. Purnell R. Radge M. Rea K. Shaw M,C,P. N. Smelt M,C,P. GS, M,C,P. D. A. Smith GS, M,C,P. E. Soden P. Sowler M,C,P. R. J. Stanley C. B. Storey M. Turner GS, P. GS, Geol, P. Geol, P. A. J. van Zetten C. Wilson M,P. M.C.P. D. Banks G,H. C. Gillett GS, G.H.Econ. GS, G,H,Econ. GS, E.F.L. J. Glattbach P. E. Hawkins G. H. A. Knight GS, G,H,Econ. J. Malone E,F. B. Money E,H. K. Newton GS, G.H. Econ.

GS-General Studies at A. level;

MTM—Maths & Theoretical Mechanics;

PASSES AT ORDINARY LEVEL :

(Figure in brackets indicates number of subjects)

FORM 4R:

T. W. W. Bailey (7), M. Berry (7), R. J. Carter (8), P. L. Haynes (7), J. F. B. Hyland (8).

FORM 5R:

D. A. Andrew (6), D. Askey (5), R. C. Atkinson (6), B. M. Carr (8), R. A. Clubley (7), P. J. Duncan (5), D. F. Francis (8), G. E. Good (5), M. Hardy (4), F. G. Harwood (6), G. E. Holligon (6), B. Keane (8), B. F. Kinnis (3), R. Lumley (6), M. McBurney (4), R. H. Neal (6), G. Phillips (6), D. S. Rayner (8), H. J. Spence (5), M. J. Travers (7), M. J. T. Wainwright (6), E. Weatherall (5), P. Wishlade (5). FORM 5A:

G. Barlow (3), P. Beese (4), I. Bell (1) M. Blenkinsop (5), T. A. Cartwright (2), E. D. Cooper (6), T. Easton (7), G. Flack (2), N. Gardner (5), P. Green (5), R. Harbison (1), G. Irvine (6), A. Jackson (4), D. Jones (7), I. Jones (6), J. Lowe (1), J. Lupton (1), A. McLean (4), M. Mallaby (7), B. Melton (6), R. Moore (4), C. Mustard (4), G. Pearson (3), T. Reay (2), J. Smith (3), N. R. Smith (8), J. Suthern (4), G. Ward (1), G. Wilkinson (5), H. Wilkinson (2), D. P. Williams (6).

FORM 5Alpha:

J. Atkinson (3), A. Barker (6), J. C. Bell (4), T. J. Brown (4), A. Callender (6), B. Cameron (4), H. L. Carr (2), A. E. P. Coates (3), C. M.

Crowther (5), L. Danby (2), B. J. Dawson (4), G. H. Farnie (6), N. A. Hedley (6), G. Hopper (6), W. G. H. Hudson (6), P. Kell (3), H. C. Maloney (4), P. R. Ord (3), G. Prest (2), S. G. Ratcliffe (4), J. G. Rayner (1), D. L. Shaw (2) D. M. Simpson (2), D. Smiles (5), C. Spinks (3), L. J. Wallis (2), D. C. F. Williams (5), M. Wilson (5), D. Wright (5).

FORM VI (1):

N. G. Benzies (1), L. I. Collinson (1), D. Graham (2), J. E. Hempsey (1),
J. McDonough (2), A. B. Marshall (1), A. Mason (1), D. Morton (1),
P. C. Rogers (1), G. Rogers (1), G. Smith (1), D. Tinkler (1), D. Wild (1).

FORM VI (2):

Malone (2), J. W. Chesney (1), C. Fletcher (1), G. Hutton (1), M. Turner (1), D. Williamson (2), A. J. Carter (1), P. S. Dodds (1), R. M. Lake (1), B. Nicholson (1), M. Rea (1), K. Shaw (1), P. Sowler (1), A. Van Zetten (1), C. Wilson (1).

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE ENTRANTS 1960

The following list of boys leaving to go to Universities and Colleges is as complete and accurate as we have been able to make it. Corrections and additions to the information given here should be sent to Mr. Rattenbury, at the School.

NAME	COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	SUBJECT
D. Aufflick	Selwyn Coll., Cambridge (1961)	Mathematics
D. Banks	City of Leeds Training Coll.	Education
K. Bunn	Leeds University Electric	
A. Carter		cal Engineering
A. Chapman	Loughborough Coll. of P. E. Phys	sical Education
D. Clark	Glasgow University	Mathematics
D. L. Davies	Manchester University Pa	per Technology
J. M. Dunn	Loughborough Coll. Tech. Chemic	cal Engineering
C. Fletcher	King's Coll. Newcastle	Medicine
I. Glattbach	Manchester University	Economics
P. Hawkins	King's Coll. London,	French
F. Hunter	St. Andrew's University	Chemistry
G. Hulton	King's Coll., Newcastle	Chemistry
T. Kinnis	King's Coll., Newcastle	Medicine
K. Kirton	Derby Tech. Coll. Railw	ay Engineering
G. Knight	Liverpool University	Economics
B. Leak	Imperial Coll., London	Metallurgy
R. Moves	Imperial Coll., London Mini	ng Engineering
K. Newton	Hull University	Economics
B. Nicholson	Leeds University	Engineering
M. W. Ozelton	Birmingham University	Metallurgy
G. Parker	Bristol University	Geology
N. Peirson	Harper Adams Agric. Coll. (1961)	Agriculture
R. Radge	Sheffield University	Engineering
M. J. Rea	Loughborough Coll. of Technolog	y Engineering
K. Shaw	Imperial Coll., London	Chemistry
N. Smelt	Imperial Coll., London Electric	cal Engineering
D. Smith	Sheffield University	Chemistry
E. Soden	R.A.F. Coll., Henlow	Engineering
P. Sowler	Sheffield University Electric	cal Engineering
C. Storey	Hull University	Geology
A. J. Van Zetten	Leeds University Mini	ng Engineering
C. Wilson	Birmingham University Ci	vil Engineering
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RECENT LEAVERS WHO ARE GOING TO UNIVERSITIES:

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I. K. Scroggie	Hamilton University, Ontario	Geology
P. Atkinson	Manchester University	Engineering
W. B. Lake	Chester Training Coll.	Education
M. Pritchard	Matlock Training Coll.	Education
T. B. Jordon	Leicester University	Economics
M. Danby	King's Coll., Newcastle	Economics
J. Flegg	Bede Coll., Durham	Education

C. W. KING MEMORIAL PRIZE:

Founded by Old Stocktonians to perpetuate the memory of C. W. King, M.A., Jesus College, Oxford, and London: Assistant Master 1908-1946, and Senior English Master for 23 years. The prize, valued at about £1 10s. 0d. is awarded annually for the best performance in English in G.C.E. at Ordinary level.

> 1948 A. Osmund H. D. Glenwright 1949 R. D. Richardson 1950

N. McDonald 1951 1952

P. J. Williams N. W. Forbes and D. J. Pillbrough (tie) 1953

R. E. Hallmark 1954 1955 D. Wilbraham

1956 P. Alborn No Award 1957 1958 No Award

1959 H. C. Brown B. Carr 1960

G. G. ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL PRIZE:

Founded by Old Stocktonians in memory of G. G. Armstrong, M.A., M. Litt, Armstrong College, University of Durham; Senior History Master, 1921-48. The prize, valued at about £1 10s. 0d. is awarded annually for the best essay on a subject set by the History Staff. All boys under the age of seventeen years on 31st August are eligible. The winner also holds the silver cup presented by Mrs. Armstrong.

Prizewinners

1951 D. E. Stoddart

1952 G. Bell No Award 1953

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

1955 M. S. Hardy D. M. Barnett 1956 J. C. Gregory 1957

C. L. Stabler 1958 H. C. Brown 1959

1960 B. Keane

OLD STOCKTONIANS JUBILEE BURSARY

J. C. Wigglesworth R. E. Hallmark 1955 1956

I. K. Watson 1957

J. R. Walls, G. M. Boyes, P. L. Dunning 1958 C. J. Liddle, C. Sinclair, C. Hughes, M. Newton 1959

1960 G. Hutton, F. N. Hunter, K. Newton, J. K. Kirton

SCHOOL OFFICIALS 1959-1960

Captain: G. Hutton

Vice-Captain : F. N. Hunter

Prefects: I. D. Aufflick, J. M. Boyes, A. J. Carter, A. Chapman, C. Fletcher, C. Gillet, J. Glattbach, P. Hawkins, R. Lake, R. E. Moyes, K. Newton, B. Nicholson, K. Shaw, D. A. Smith, P. E. Dodds, D. Davies, K. Kirton, G. H. A. Knight, M. Purnell, M. W. Ozelton, C. Wilson, C. Stabler.

Sub-Prefects: E. Croot, I. Hutchinson, N. Smelt, C. B. Storey, D. Williamson, M. Turner, D. Banks, R. G. C. Robertson, J. McDonough, H. Chapman, D. Wild, D. G. Evans, W. Nevison, O. Turnbull.

House Captains:

Cleveland: D. Davies Dunelm: A. Chapman Oxbridge: M. Turner Tees: J. Glattbach

Captain of Rugby: J. Glattbach Captain of Cricket: F. N. Hunter Captain of Tennis: A. Mason

SPEECH DAY 1959

The Vice-Chairman of the Governors presided at the prize giving on 27th November, 1959. The address was given by Mr. J. A. Petch, M.A.,

PRIZE LIST :

FORM PRIZES

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P. A. Bell, D. J. Allan, B. Dobson.
I. J. Gray, A. Dunthorne, J. Grieveson.
J. G. Rattenbury, D. Nicholas, P. E. Marwood.
P. R. Steer, M. P. Wassall, C. A. Scott. 1v

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J. Gillett, R. B. Brighton, G. McWhinnie, G. Connelly. 2 lb J. E. Pollard, V. L. Conquest, R. Harwood, M. Clark. 2 la P. M. Trotter, J. G. Collin, R. Edmundson, K. Burns.

3 alpha J. G. Farrington, J. L. Caygill, P. T. Larkin.
3a J. A. Dick, C. T. Thompson, M. Morton.
3r R. I. Carter, J. F. B. Hyland, T. W. W. Bailey, M. Berry.
4 alpha G. P. J. Irvine, W. G. M. Hudson, A. Barker.
4a E. D. Cooper, J. Atkinson, R. J. Moore.
4b D. C. Robson, I. B. Shaw, T. A. Whittingham, P. D. Wimberley.

4r D. G. Robson, J. B. Shaw, T. A. Whittingham, P. D. Wimberley

5 alpha D. Wild, W. A. Arrowsmith, A. Irvine.
5a P. Bingham, J. M. Buston, H. Chapman.
5r C. L. Stabler, J. C. Jones, W. Nevison, A. White.

LOWER SIXTH:

J. Beaver, J. Glattbach, K. Newton, M. W. Ozelton, G. W. S. Parker, C. Wilson.

SPECIAL PRIZES:

Library B. Nicholson, A. J. Carter Services to the C.C.F. B.S.M. G. H. A. Knight O.C's Medal for Premier Cadet Cadet P. T. Larkin G. G. Armstrong Memorial Prize for History H. C. D. Brown C. W. King Memorial Prize for English Handicraft Prize

Headmaster's Debating Prize " Ideal School " Essay

(Council for Visual Education)

Northern Architectural Association Prize 1959

Old Stocktonian Bursaries

H. C. D. Brown H. Chapman

C. J. Little D. G. Robson

K. A. Ridley C. Hughes, C. J. Liddle,

SIXTH FORM PRIZES:

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Art	K. A. Ridley	Geology C. Sinclair	
Biology	M. Crawley	History C. J. F. K	idd
Chemistry	A. W. Lewis G. Hutton	Languages J. W. Fleg	g
Economics	T. B. Jordan	Mathematics I. D. Auf	flick
		K. Shaw	
Engineering Drg.	D. Baldwin	Physics I. D. Auf C. J. Liddl	
Eng. Literature	Not Awarded	Mathematics & Theoretical Mechs M. A. Newt	
Geography	Not awarded	Dux of the School M. A. New	vton

SWIMMING

The Annual Gala was held at the Billingham Baths on June 9th, with the following results:

JUNIOR:

1 length back stroke	1.	Wilson,	0.;	2.	Rayner,	T;	3.	Hallett,	D.
1 length breast stroke								Crossley,	
1 length free style	1.	Wilson,	O;		2. Allen,	C;		3. Bruce,	C.
Neat Dive	1.	Wilson,	O;	2.	Parkin,	O;	3.	. Hanson,	C.

INTERMEDIATE:

2 lengths back stroke	1.	Nicholson, C; 2. Parkin, O; 3. Harbron, O).
2 lengths breast stroke).
2 lengths free style	1.	Nicholson, C; 2. Donnachie, O; 3. Mundell, D).

SENIOR:

Neat Dive	1.	Callender	r, (C; 2	. Smit	th,	O;	3.	Jackson,	D.
2 lengths backstroke	1.	Smith, C);	2. R	oberts	on,	T.	3.	Purnell,	0.
2 lengths breast stroke	1.	Smith, C);	2.	Ange	11,	D.		3. Leak,	T.
2 lengths free style	1.	Smith, C);	2.]	ones,	0;	3	R	obertson	T.

RELAYS:

Tunior	1. Cleveland.	2. Tees	3. Dunelm.
Intermediate	1. Oxbridge,	2. Cleveland	3. Dunelm.
Senior	1. Tees	Oxbridge,	3. Dunelm.

JUNIOR CHAMPION: Wilson (Oxbridge) 18pts.

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION: Nicholson (Cleveland) 10pts.

SENIOR CHAMPION: Smith (Oxbridge) 18pts.

House	POINTS:	1.	Oxbridge	66 points
22222	2 22/12/1	2.	Cleveland	39 points
		3.	Tees	30 points
		4.	Dunelm	18 points

SCHOOL CRICKET TEAM

THE school team had a short but successful season. They lost only one match, the first, against St. John's College, Durham. They beat Stockton Grammar, thus avenging last year's defeat, West Hartlepool G.S. twice, and Acklam Hall G.S. Acklam had not scored less than 100 before this match but on this occasion did not even reach 40, the School winning by 63 runs.

Top of the batting averages this year was Glattbach and of the bowling Ozelton, who had an average of 4.6 runs per wicket.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH

(Staff versus School-19th July ,1960)

As the weather was rather unfavourable the start was delayed until after lunch in the hope that conditions would improve. Contrary to the usual custom, the Staff were allowed to bat first. In little over twenty minutes half the side were out for a meagre eleven runs, the wickets being shared by Hunter and Ozelton with one run out. A good innings by Mr. Johnson however soon made the total look more respectable. Further useful contributions to the score were made by Mr. Hudson with 9 and Mr. Durrant with a gallant 18 not out, while Mr. Ingham discouraged the opposition bowling for a full three quarters of an hour in which time he added three runs. The total of seventy was reached after ninety minutes batting, the wickets being shared among six different bowlers.

Glattbach and Ozelton opened the School innings and quickly put on 15 runs before both fell to the bowling of Mr. Johnson. Then began a very promising partnership between Hunter and Boyes, but a change of bowling was successfully made and with some straight good length deliveries Mr. Bradshaw soon dismissed both batsmen for only one run. McDonough and Waite who followed them, however, proceeded to play bright and forceful cricket and the game was almost won by the time Waite was well bowled by Johnson for 27, the highest individual score of the match. School won by five wickets.

Bowling honours for the Staff were shared by Messrs Johnson and Bradshaw.

The teams were:

STAFF: Rattenbury, Scott, Phillips, Nicol, Johnson, Jackson, Ingham, Hudson, Durrant, Bradshaw (captain) and Bagley.

School: Glattbach, Ozelton, Boyes, Hunter (captain), McDonough, Waite, Spinks, Jackson, Storey, Davies and Reay.

TENNIS

By the end of July the School Tennis team had completed yet another very successful season. The team was unbeaten in all its friendly matches and for the second year running it won the County Cup. The team also won the Northern Area Final of the Glanville Cup and went to Queen's Club to compete against three other teams in the final. The team finished third, beating Solihull G.S. 3-0, losing to Millfield 2-1 and to St. Paul's 3-0. The school also had two second team matches, both against St. Mary's G.S. Middlesbrough, which were won fairly comfortably.

During the summer two of the tennis team had many individual successes. P. D. Dodds won the Durham Junior Singles Championship and the West of England Junior Singles Championship. A. Mason won the Northumberland Junior Singles Championship and together, Mason and Dodds won the doubles at Northumberland and at Durham. These two were also runners-up in the final of the National Schoolboys Doubles Championship at Queen's Club. Their opponents in the final of the Durham Championships were the team's second couple, G. N. Barlow and R. W. Wearmouth. This shows the high standard of play in the team. Both Mason and Dodds have played for the County Senior Team and Dodds represented Durham at County Week.

The team looks forward to another successful season in 1961, since only one of its members has left school.

The team throughout the season was:

1. P. D. Dodds A. Mason (Capt.)
2. G. N. Barlow
3. J. E. Hempsey
R. W. Wearmouth
B. Money

TRIP TO LONDON FOR THE FINAL OF THE GLANVILLE CUP 1960.

For the second successive year the school team had won through to the final of the Glanville Cup at Queen's Club in London, and our hopes were high for an improvement upon last year's display. From our experiences the previous year, the night to be spent in London was as eagerly anticipated as the actual tennis final itself, and it was in light vein that we left Stockton. Arriving in the capital we soon found our lodgings—the massive Central V.M.C.A. Hostel building in the West End. Then we dispersed to amuse ourselves for the rest of the day, one or two of our members first taking advantage of the swimming pool in the hostel. In the evening the majority visited a show or the cinema, at the risk of bankruptcy, and then returned to the hostel for an early bed.

The next morning we rose early to reach Queen's Club by ten o'clock. Our thoughts were now concentrated upon the match, and it was with interest that we noted our opposing teams, especially the fact that Millfield had out a "weak" team. But any hopes we had that Grange-field might take first or second place quickly dissappeared. However, a good fight was put up, and third place meant an improvement upon the previous year. It had been a very pleasant trip "down for t'cup," a pleasure not at all dispelled by our performance. For, as we are so rightly told, it is "not to have won, but to have taken part," and with a night in London thrown in there was no ground for complaint.

RUGBY 1959-60

TEAM:— J. Glattbach (Capt.), A. Chapman, C. Gillett, D. Evans, F. Hunter (Committee), Marshall, Turnbull, Callender, Mason, A. Davies, Wilson, Jones, Dodds, Radge, Wilkinson, Leak, Moyes, H. Chapman, Turner.

TOF SCORERS:— Chapman 80 points Evans 60 points (20 tries) Glattbach 23 Gillett 21 Turnbull 18 In school matches the school played and won 14 games.

This was probably the school's best-ever season with no defeats in the normal fixtures. At Christmas the Old boys won, but away victories over Morpeth and Coatham, and a home win against Dame Allan's were impressive. A new and very popular idea was a Nottingham tour in the Easter Holidays. After an easy win in their first game, the school lost the other two. perhaps feeling the strain of three matches in four days.

Several members of the team represented the county, Wilson, Gillett, Evans and Chapman played for the schoolboys, Wilson going on to the final North of England side in the trial for the National team. These four players and Moyes also played for the under 18 side.

The team showed its liking for open rugby by capturing the Durham 7-a-side title at the first attempt, beating Gosforth 9-6 in the final at Billingham, although several first-choice players were absent in Exeter on a Geology trip.

As Durham Champions, the school qualified to meet the Northumberland champions, at Hexham and comfortably beat a very strong side 18-0.

THE UNBEATEN RECORD :

	HOME	AWAY
Acklam Hall G.S.	13-5	24-0
Morpeth G.S.		6-5
A. J. Dawson G.S.	30-0	
Dame Allan's S.	12-5	
Gosforth G.S.	27-0	
Gateshead G.S.		14-6
Bede G.S. Sunderland	18-0	
South Shields G.T.S.	26-0	
St. John's College	42-3	
W. Hartlepool G.S.		24-8
Coatham G.S.		9-0
Darlington G.S.		12-0
Middlesbrough H.S.		25-0
POINTS: For — 282		
Against — 32		

In the house competitions, Oxbridge were senior champions, Dunelm Intermediate, and Oxbridge also junior champions.

SENIORS:	Oxbridge	bt.	Cleveland	6-3
	Oxbridge	bt.	Dunelm	14-8
	Oxbridge	bt.	Tees	45-0

Cleveland bt. Tees 27-5 and Dunelm 25-6

Tees (w.o.) bt. Dunelm (Scr.)

There was also a House 7-a-side competition on the last day of term, there being a separate competition for each year.

RESULTS:	1st year	Oxbridge (bt. Dunelm in final 29-0)
	2nd year	Oxbridge (bt. Cleveland 13-0)
	3rd year	Cleveland (bt. Oxbridge 24-0)
	4th year	Dunelm (bt. Oxbridge 14-3)
	5th-6th years	Cleveland (bt. Tees 15-0)

CROSS-COUNTRY

Not particularly successful in school matches, Grangefield had four runners in the County teams. Gillett, Purnell, and Newton (seniors) and Usher (under 15). Other regular runners were Chapman H., Hempsey, Calvert, McBurney, Soden, Turner, McDonough and Turnbull ran once.

Gillett won the senior Cross-Country title from H. Chapman (2) and Turner (3).

ATHLETICS

GRANGEFIELD had a strong track team this year, but performances in field events could have been better. There were three major competitions—two County Championships, and the Tees-side meeting.

Gillett won the 440 event each time, Wishlade broke the county record in the High Jump at Houghton-le-Spring in the under 17 age group with a jump of 5 feet-9½ ins. Williamson jumped 20 feet to win the long jump in the Tees-side sports. The relay team of Smelt, Williamson, Turnbull and Gillett won at the meeting at Durham Johnston. At Darlington, with Wishlade replacing Smelt, they won again. Knight had a first and three seconds in his hurdling events. Gillett (senior 440) Knight (senior 200 yards hurdles) and Wishlade (under 17) were picked for the county schoolboys.

For the first time, the school entered the Northumberland and Durham Championships. Chapman won the Junior High Jump and was second in the Open (over 19) pole vault. Gillett won the junior 440, equalling the record of 51 seconds, and was second in the 220. Williamson was second in the Junior long jump. The relay team of Gillett, Turnbull, Williamson, and Knight, won the Junior relay in record time with 45.5 seconds.

ATHLETIC SPORTS 1960

Fine weather favoured us on July 14th when Mr. J. Mallaby J.P. came to present cups and certificates as follows:—

JUNIOR EVENTS:

Event	1st	2nd	3rd	Time etc.
JUNIOR EVI	ENTS:			
Long Jump	Clapham O.	Graham C.	Gregson C.	15' 8"
High Jump	Ramsden T.	Carr C.	Dockerty T.	4' 31"
80 yards	Clapham O.	Graham C.	Booth D. (rec)	9.3 secs.
150 yards	Clapham O.	Booth D.	Graham C.	18s. rec.
Hurdles	Bell T.	Carr C.	Gregson C.	11.9s. rec.
Relay	Oxbridge	Tees	-10/2011	57.7 secs.

Junior Champion: Clapham (Oxbridge)

INTERMEDIATE EVENTS :

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Long Jump	Morton T.	Waite O.	Stephens D.	16' 6"
High Jump		Ellerker T.	Partridge O.	4' 91"
Pole Vault	Docherty T.	Preece D.	Fox C.	7' 1"
Javelin	Waite O.	Howes C.	Robinson T.	111' 5"
100 yards	Clayton O.	Waite O.	McCready C.	10.9 secs.
220 yards	Clayton O.	Waite O.	Shaw D.	24.8 secs.
Hurdles	Clegg O.	Shaw D.	Allan D.	11.6 secs.
Discus	Shaw D.	Walker D.	Greenhalgh T.	93' 11"
Shot	Clegg O.	Walker D.	Shaw D.	32' 9"
440 yards	Morton T.	Usher C.	Clegg O.	59.5 secs.
880 yards	Donkin D.	Usher C.	Hanson C.	2m. 26.5s.
Relay	Oxbridge	Dunelm	Cleveland	56.7 secs.

Intermediate Champion: Waite (Oxbridge)

SENIOR EVENTS:

High Jump	Chapman D.	Wishlade D.	Knight C.	5' 21"
Long Jump	Williamson D.	Wishlade D.	Turnbull T.	14' 9"
Pole Vault		Callender C.	Smith O.	7' 4"
Hop/Step/	A STATE OF THE STA			
Jump	Williamson D.	Knight C.	Turnbull T.	38' 3"
Discus	Wilson T.	Glattbach T.	Travers C.	104' 114"
Shot	Glattbach T.	Evans D.	Pearson O.	34' 91"
Javelin	Callender C.	Hunter T.	Purnell O.	119' 10"
100 yards	Williamson D.	Turnbull T.	Wishlade D.	10.3s. rec.
Hurdles	Chapman D.	Knight C.	Jackson D.	14.4s. rec.
220 yards	Gillett D.	Turnbull T.	Wishlade D.	24 secs.
440 yards	Gillett D.	Callender C.	Pearson O.	54.5 secs.
880 yards	Storey O.	Williamson D.	Chapman C.	2m. 23.7s.
Mile	Purnell O.	Hempsey D.	Mason O.	5m. 20.3s.

Victor Ludorum: Williamson (Dunelm)

Railway Centenary Cup-Relay Race: Grangefield (47.5 secs.)

House Championship:	1.	Dunelm	104	points
	2.	Oxbridge	88	points
	3.	Tees	67	points
	4	Claveland	54	nointe

LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

ONCE again, vivified by an enthusiastic secretary, P. Hawkins, the Society completed a session of varied activities, interrupted by the General Election. The Grangefield constituency, as usual, led the country and returned R. Smith, the Conservative candidate. Subjects debated included Jazz, the result of the General Election, the funeral of Santa Claus, Britain's increasing dependence on America, and, in company with the Girls' School representatives, the emancipation of men.

The Society became a "Tall Story Club" for one evening and enjoyed a team impromptu-speaking competition on another. The now familiar Staff balloon debate found three most unlikely passengers: Pasternak, Toulouse-Lautrec and Monty! Mr. Rattenbury stood up for his comrade-in-arms and Mr. Harper for his Comrade, but Mr. Stedman's eloquence gained a respite, if not immortality, for the artist. The Staff also provided an enjoyably light-hearted session of Animal, Vegetable and Mineral, when with Mr. Scott as question-master, Messrs. D'Arcy, Bagley and Stedman identified or mis-identified a number of objects with Grangefield connections or of Grangefield provenance.

In the competition for the Headmaster's prize, Mr. J. Cain, Headmaster of Stockton Grammar School, kindly acted as judge and awarded the prize to D. G. Robson, who had spoken on the motion: "That this House is opposed to the possession of nuclear weapons by Germany."

We particularly wish to thank various members of Staff who assisted during the session, especially during the absence of the usual chairman.

£1 1s. 1d.—PSHAW'!

AFTER one or two false starts, the drama society was recalled to existence to give a performance of Shaw's "The Devil's Disciple." Rehearsals began early in February, and by the end of that month the cast had been definitely settled for the fifth time. By the beginning of March it was generally accepted that the play would actually reach the school hall, though the confidence of Room 10 was sadly shaken by another necessary reshuffle of the cast. However, by this time, Mr. Ingham, who had kindly volunteered to act as stage manager, was busily collecting ormolu clocks, brass sconces, and horsehair sofas; Mr. Taylor was constructing reversable, centre-pivoted, double-battened flats, and detachable, double-fronted fireplaces; and Mr. Stedman was making sure that the audience would at least have something worth looking at, if the audience ever had the opportunity of looking at any thing.

It was only during the last week and a half that the producer and his friends realised that the difficulties so far experienced were as nothing compared to those which now confronted them. Indeed, the fact that nobody seemed to be coming to watch the play was a comfort rather than otherwise. But a few more boys to fill last minute breeches—a few more helpful suggestions from a few more members of staff—and it was felt that perhaps steps should be taken to hire the costumes!

Swiftly the day of the dress rehearsals came. Unfortunately, the costumes didn't, but no-one turned a hair, for by now the centre of interest had shifted to the newest recruits to the cause—the sound effects department. Midnight struck at all hours of the day; rain hissed spitefully at a sensitive cast; a bugle quavered, soldiers tramped; frightening crowds of angry people yelled from that little box. It seemed our troubles were over: Hawkins, that Devil's Disc-jockey, was on our side.

Next day the costumes were found, reluctantly delivered, and we were in business. All-in-all that dress-rehearsal was bad enough to satisfy the most superstitious producer. Even the sound effects department were seen to exchange anxious looks, and sent for Mr. Tiesing. No-one would believe the work put in on the day of the performance: no-one could guess at the number of crossed fingers as the curtain went up on the first night, before an audience not half as full of the friends of the producer and his friends as the producer and his friends might have wished

They need not have worried. As is often claimed, and sometimes happens in these cases, the performance was almost in the nature of an anti-climax. Everything—well, nearly everything—went well. True, there were one or two little upsets; but these incidents, the thought of which would have given the producer nightmares a week before, were now happy little misadventures, the humorous anecdotes of the future ("Do you remember when Trotter.....?)" For the first time in three weeks the stage manager, who had been off his food, relaxed, smiled, laughed; though it is feared that his face will never be as bright as the pullover on that occasion.

On the last night, flushed with success, the producer ventured to the back of the hall to observe part of the performance. There, his self-esteem was almost shattered by the audible, if indistinct, dissatisfaction of one critic, who sat ostentatiously too near the exit; but being a charitable man, he decided that this lone abstainer from the general applause just didn't appreciate Shaw.

It wasn't the actors' fault. They did things for Shaw even that astute man hadn't the wit to think of. Mustard, as Pastor Anderson, enjoyed every moment, and courageously ignoring the subtleties of the part, went straight to the heart of his bluff reasonableness. Mason R. a real find who not only dwarfed his colleagues but made the scaffold seem rather small, did a difficult job excellently. Hill G., a second-former of tender years, had what was probably the hardest task of all, in the role of Mrs. Anderson, but his intense nervousness only added to the beauty of his performance. As the mother nobody would like to have, Hempsey, who, incidently, found an original use for sellotape, was convincingly querulous and almost frighteningly bitter. The part of Philip Wood was successfully under-played by General Burgoyne, in dazzling-white breeches, with complete assurance. The supporting roles were admirably and enthusiastically executed by boys who will reach even greater heights in future productions.

The Evening Gazette thought it all very good.

THE FRIDAY CHOIR

The annual concert of the Friday Choir was given in the hall of Grange-field Grammar School for Girls on May 13th, 1960.

Mr. Downes, who has directed the Choir for the past three years, conducted it on this occasion for the last time, and the concert consisted almost equally of choral and orchestral works.

The Choir sang the motet "Jesu, priceless Treasure" by J. S. Bach, a group of four North Country folk songs, including a special arrangement for the Choir by the conductor of "Blow the Wind Southerly," and a setting of the 100th Psalm by Vaughan Williams. An excellent 12-piece string orchestra was led by Mrs. Florence Wilson and played a Purcell suite arranged by Barbirolli, followed by Mr. Downes's own composition "Music for Strings: 1956" and Mr. Downes joined Miss Daphne Nicholson in a performance of Bach's Concerto in D minor for two violins and strings.

The Choir's weekly rehearsal is held every Tuesday evening and new members from amongst Old Stocktonians are always very welcome, particularly, as usual, tenors!

COMBINED CADET FORCE

1960 has been a centenary year for the Cadet Forces and to mark the occasion the C.C.F. presented to H.M. The Queen an illuminated Commemoration Book, one page being contributed by each school Contingent in the country. At a Royal Parade at Buckingham Palace in July the presentation was made to H. M. who afterwards inspected all the Cadets present, representing all C.C.F. School Contingents and A.C.F. County Detachments. Cadet/Sgt. J. C. Jones and Cadet/Bdr. T. J. Brown was selected to represent Grangefield both there, and at the service which followed in Westminster Abbey.

As part of the Centenary celebrations all Annual Inspections scheduled for 1960 were cancelled, thus depriving C.C.F. training of perhaps its most important stimulus. None the less, the Contingent has had an active year.

Cadets Brown, Banham, Larkin, and Oliver attended a course at the Northern Command P.T. School at York during the Christmas holidays, and Cadet/Bdr. Brown became, at Easter, the first member of the Contingent to attend the Army P.T. School at Aldershot.

Gunnery of one kind or another attracted attention.

437 L. A.A.Regt., R.A., organised training at Norton in L.A.A. Gunnery, which was well attended in view of the incidence of examinations, while seven cadets visited the School of Artillery at Larkhill during the Easter holiday to learn, or in some cases to revise, the intricacies of Field Gunnery.

The Easter period also saw a party of Cadets enduring (?) Exercise "Hardtrack" which began in the Helmsley area and proceeded at varying speeds and by devious routes, some Roman, and others, just as old but not in such good repair, to the Esk Valley near Egton Bridge.

Numbers attending Annual Camp—held "Out of Command" for the first time since 1956—were smaller than usual, but those who travelled to West down on Salisbury Plain were favoured by the weather and spent an enjoyable week. Perhaps the highlight was a display by the Army Air Corps at Middle Wallop which included various types of light aircraft, helicopters of apparently all shapes and sizes, inflatable and collapsible aeroplanes and parachute drops of men and stores. By no means the least of many interesting sideshows was a "Kart" circuit on which the more intrepid drivers displayed not inconsiderable talent in conducting these machines round their permitted three laps.

During the period after the camp Cadet/Sgt. Jones was distinguished by being one of only five cadets from Northern Command selected to attend the "first-ever" C.C.F. Course in radio and electronics specially arranged by R.E.M.E. at Bordon, Hants.

Serious training was not neglected and during the year, the Basic Test was passed by Cadets Atkinson, Connelly and Smith while Cadets Coates Danby, Flack, Hall, Irvine, Larkin, and Smith all passed the Army Efficiency Test.

The Premier Cadet Medal was awarded to Cadet (now L/Bdr.) P. T. Larkin, and the award for services to the Contingent to B.S.M. G.H.A. Knight.

THE RAILWAY SOCIETY

At the General Meeting held on 22nd September at Newham Grange School, the amalgamation of the Grangefield Grammar and Newham Grange Schools' Railway Societies was consummated by the chairman, Mr. Bamlett, who is the founder of both Societies. The Secretary, D. Williams (5A) and the treasurer, I. Midgeley (5A), were both re-elected and P. Rigg (4R) was elected assistant secretary, G. Ward (5A) being elected Grangefield representative on the Committee.

An evening meeting was held on 1st October, when a display of photographs was given. In all about 200 photos, were shown by Williams, Rigg E. Cooper, R. Hallet, D. Martin, and G. McLean.

A trip to Darlington was organised by Mr. Bamlett on 31st October, when many interesting things were seen. After a good day's "spotting," nearly all returned on the 3-15 diesel.

The annual quiz was held on 20th November, and was won by McLean (1Y) who narrowly beat Martin (2LA).

The annual trip to Doncaster was held on 19th December. Many interesting things were seen, including the first two L.N.E.R. "Pacifics" to be scrapped (60503 "Lord President" and 60505 "Thane of Fife"). In spite of bad weather and lateness of trains all 20 got back safely and in good spirits.

On January 27th the Public Relations and Publicity Officer gave a

film show at Newham Grange.

A Photograph Competition was held in February, the senior prize being won by Williams and the junior prize by Martin. An Exhibition was held on 27th February, in which the winning photos were given a place of honour.

On June 2nd a talk on "Modernisation" was given by the assistant secretary. Various schemes were described, ranging from Dieselisation to L.T. modernisation of the Metropolitan Line, and from modern station designs to Britain's first Travolator (at Bank Station on the Waterloo & City Line, Southern Region). A quiz was part of the meeting and B. Duncan won the prize.

Many thanks are due to Messrs. Boyd, Heslop, Kitching and Tiesing for acting as judges in the Photograph Competition.

THE MODEL RAILWAY CLUB

THE Model Railway Club was revived last October, and has provided an opportunity for fifteen or more enthusiastic modellers to come together and exchange ideas. The focal point has been the club's own lay-out, made up of 2-rail 00 gauge track, around which "Milly" and various other locomotives could make their fitful journeys through numerous home-made line-side models in varying stages of equilibrium.

On Sports Day the indifferent weather conditions assisted the club in attracting vast crowds to the exhibition in the hall. Here the Club's own layout and five other lay-outs belonging to various members were displayed by an augmented club, to form the climax of the year's activities.

GRANGEFIELD PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

INTEREST in the above society has grown considerably during the last twelve months, and the usual attendance at the Society's meetings, in the Biology Lab. is now about 30.

The programme last year included several instructive lectures, aided by slides and filmstrips from Kodak Ltd. and Ilford Ltd., frequent displays of colour transparencies taken by members of the Society, and a very enjoyable talk by Mr. J. T. Marriot, an old boy of the School, who is now a commercial photographer in Stockton.

On Sports Day the Society had its 3rd Annual Exhibition which again took the form of a display of colour transparencies, accompanied by a tape-recorded commentary with background music. Shows were held at half-hourly intervals during the afternoon and the total audience was about 500.

On July 19th the Society had its first outing, to Knaresborough, and, despite the depressing weather encountered there, some worthwhile results were obtained, mainly with the help of "flash."

CHESS

THE Chess Club can again report a successful season. The School team were top of the Tees-side 'B' League, drawing one match and winning the rest. We had achieved this two seasons ago, but last season finished only half way up the table.

In the Sunday Times National Schools Competition we beat teams from Durham, Middlesbrough, Scarborough and Newcastle before being knocked out by Edinburgh Royal High School.

The Senior and Junior Championships were won by Smith (63) and Clark (3LB). Robinson (1Z) was the First Form champion.

Smith and Fletcher both played for the Durham County Team while these two players, together with Holman, played for the County Junior team.

Smith won the Northern Counties Junior Championship, represented England Boys in the Glerney Cup matches, and finished equal second in the national Boys Championship.

We are grateful to Mr. Morley for his interest in the Club.

BIRD CLUB

The close of the summer term ended the second year of the school Bird Club, organised by Mr. D. G. Bell. There was a full programme of meetings, based mainly on the "quiz" system of increasing the knowledge and wisdom of participants in the field of ornithology. A few games and talks, the latter illustrated by Mr. Bell's own sketches, were also included. Despite the keenness of a few members, it was disappointing that so many meetings were poorly attended; more support would have encouraged a more ambitious programme, and also provided extra funds. It is proposed next year to widen the scope of the club into a "Natural History Society," in the hope of attracting more members.

The yearly prize was won by S. B. C. Jones (4A) with P. New (3LA) a close second.

HISTORICAL EXCURSION

A party of more than ninety boys from the First Form visited some of North Yorkshire's historic buildings during the summer term.

Starting with the Carthusian Mount Grace Priory, where an increasing amount of interesting material is on view each year as a result of the activity of the Ministry of Works, the party moved on to Byland Abbey. Picnic lunches were eaten in inclement weather at Helmsley Castle, and the excursion was completed by the visit to Rievaulx.

ROMAN WALL EXCURSION

DURING the first week of the Easter Vacation a school party of fifteen boys and three members of Staff visited the Roman Wall for a four day period. The party was lucky in having Mr. Harper who explained many points about the construction of the wall, its camps and milecastles.

The party first of all visited the old settlement at Corbridge and then stayed overnight at Acomb Youth Hostel. The next day was spent at Chesters and later moved on to the Youth Hostel at "Once Brewed." This involved a rather tedious trek along the Military Road, but in the evening it was refreshing to leave the road and walk along the wonderfully preserved stretch on the crest of the "Whin Sill." This overlooks Crag Lough where the countryside is wild, undulating and unspoilt and gives one some idea of the formidable task which faced the builders of the wall.

Many interesting observations were made and at Housesteads one was able to see the ruts made by Roman chariot wheels in the stone, similar to those found in Rome itself.

The school party included Mr. Harper, Mr. Tiesing and Mr. Durrant.

SCHOOL TRIP TO PARIS AND TOURS, EASTER 1960

A party of 30 boys and three masters set off for France by the midnight train from Stockton station on the 6th of April. The majority arrived back, aftera chilly night journey from London, on Good Friday morning. In between we had travelled six or seven hundred miles, south to the Loire by train, boat, and coach, and seen a fair slice of Northern France, through Normandy to the Ile de France and on to Touraine. It is an area rich with some of the world's famous buildings, the Cathedrals of Paris and Chartres, and the Châteaux of Versailles, Chambord, Blois and Chenonceaux. These we saw and others, and the modern buildings of Paris and the rebuilt town of Tours.

Our hotel in Paris was near the Bastille, and this proved a convenient centre and starting point for exploring Paris. Paris showed a notable increase in the number of cars circulating through the streets at a speed showing no decrease at all; and tremendous activity in building and rebuilding huge blocks of flats. Through all this we picked our way to Notre Dame, the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre, the Sainte Chapelle and others of the famous sights of Paris, craning our necks, climbing the spiral staircases, and clicking our cameras. The party contained a good number of photographic experts, and an excellent record of the trip was made in colour transparencies.

The three-day trip to Tours gave us a glimpse of the provincial France. We saw no startling scenery, as our route lay mostly over the flat plains to the south of Paris; and the Loire Valley which we followed from Tours to Orleans was pleasant, but with few wide views. But we did see vineyards, and were taken through an underground wine store, and we saw villages and country roads and the countryside of France, so different in many ways from that of England.

Hudson, unfortunately, was ill, and spent two days in bed. But even he seemed to have enjoyed the week. So we can hope that all the party will realise that this is only an introduction to France, and will use their experience as a starting point from which to go on to many enjoyable and worthwhile visits in later life.

TRAINS-IN TWO MOODS

IN THE DIESEL

Seated we were in carriage,
Thirty or more of us, when
Being tired of scanning the features
Of odd-looking women and men,
We were all of us looking at nothing
And thinking of nothing, unless
You except the young man in the blazer
And the girl in the dark blue dress.

These two alone were talking, And none of us thought it shame To sit there and blink at each other As if to sit still were a game. All our unnatural silence Was drowned in the rattle and roar Of the train, till in Billingham station We drew to a halt once more.

The sheltering din has vanished, The veil from our shame's withdrawn, Monstrous foredooming quiet Heaps on us scorn upon scorn. Holding our breath we blushed scarlet, None dared a word have spoken, Till the train in its pity started Again, and the spell was broken.

ON DARLINGTON PLATFORM

"They also serve who only stand and wait," I murmured, for my train was very late. Then, from the window, half a moment later, There leant a sad-faced man, the Pullman waiter, A better moral you may now observe: "They also wait who only stand and serve."

(NEK)

ON WEARING SCHOOL UNIFORM

The colour and the style are out of date,
The modern "trend" has simply been thrown out;
It follows old convention, is sedate,
And will not please the modernist, no doubt.
Liberty is in every schoolboy's blood,
And wearing that which he has always hated
Makes him suppose protesting does him good
When all his rights are thus being violated
By being made to dress in such a way.
But prim convention is not always wrong,
And clothes like ours are smart, one has to say,
And secretly we're proud that we belong
To the school whose badge and colours we are wearing,
Its patient and enduring motto bearing.

(T.H.C.)

THE LYKE WAKE WALK

THE Lyke Wake Walk deserves the same interest from this magazine that it has received from the local press over the past months, now that several "Stocktonians" have successfully completed it. Description of this classic test of endurance and map reading should not be necessary for regular readers of the Evening Gazette but it is included here for those with less catholic reading habits.

The walk was devised by farmer, broadcaster, and "Chief Dirger" Bill Cowley to cover the main watershed across the North York Moors from the T.V. booster above Ingleby Arncliffe to the hotel at Ravenscar, a distance of 45 miles, and has to be completed inside 24 hours. It was originally used by Ancient Britons for their funeral processions, and their graves still remain today as useful navigational aids on the tops.

In addition to the book which has been written about the walk, there is also a mediaeval poem "The Dirge" devoted to it, and a piece of music—Benjamin Britten's Serenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings.

The route cuts south of Chop Gate, climbs up to Brotton Head, the highest point on the moors, and then follows the old railway across the top of Bransdale, Farndale and Rosedale and the white boundary posts from White Cross to Hamer. The section from Hamer to Ravenscar is the worst, and entails the crossing of the Wheeldale Moor (5 miles of waist deep heather) and Fylingdales Battle Area.

Though in the past the walk has beaten whole platoons of soldiers (support parties and all) 7 members of the school have completed it inside the time and thus became "dirgers" (Pas a pas on va bien loin).

Our first success was in May when Comrade Chucka completed the course solo.

Then at 12-45., on June 4th, Grangefield's own Baden Powell set off with four other Gillwells, an hour behind a party which included our now departed teacher of Mathematics, and went on to complete the walk in 22½ hours. Their route entailed quite a lengthy detour, because the War Department ranges were in use, and they spent the night at a support camp at Wintersgill.

The 7th stalwart set off at 5 p.m. on the same day (chosen because of the length of daylight) with a boy from Doncaster. They set off to walk through the night, but were forced to sleep out after getting lost at 1-30 a.m. Early the next morning, it seems, they split up after disagreement over the route, one taking all the water, the other all the food, Our friend from Stockton finished the walk, damp and hungry, in 20½ hours, after falling in at least one beck and being caught in the Battle Area by an irate Range Commandant. He claims not to have heard from the Doncastrian since!

Mention must also be made of two other members of the 6th form who reached Jugger Howe before having to give up.

PARTY MANIFESTO 1960

Q. Do you support Nationalisation, sir?

A. Er, without evading the purpose of the question, in a sense, yes, and no. Nationalisation, to utilise the generally accepted interpretation of the expression, is only acceptable, within of course certain arbitary limits, to a society whose integral purpose is one of—shall we say—dualistic valuation, on a preconceived basis of common ideological fulfilment. Consequently, we must not—indeed we cannot—have, to any degree of refinement, a differential system of gradation, whose dilatory

amendments are unsuited to both constitutional and quasi-moral disturbances, inasmuch as our present economic and sociological conduisments do not, for all practical intents and purposes, allow premature evaluation, or otherwise, of existing anomalities.

But, on the other hand—and here I wish to make my opinions perfectly understood—we must never, categorically never, endeavour, to reach such a pitch of undulating anonymity, that the conglutination of our disseminated forbearance should be enough—indeed more than enough—to upset the established principles governing the aforementioned criteria.

Without dwelling on this important topic any longer than conjugate appropriations dictate, I should like to point out, that notwithstanding post-primordial objections in this direction, Current obligations can never suffice as intermediary and contingent qualifications to our altruistic purposes: and so, to conclude, I say this: We shall never nationalise unless we consider it necessary to do so—we will certainly not carry forward any measures contrary to the expressed declaration of the people, unless we think it in their best interests for the Party to temporarily ignore public opinion.

(D. WILD).

AUTUMN

Autumn, the season ensuing summer. In North America and Canada it is called the Fall, the name given by the Quakers and non-conformists who first inhabited North America. It is easy to see why.

The trees in this country are now endowed with a new golden brown robe, part of this robe being hustled away from time to time by sharp gusts of wind and depositing this new found glory on the surrounding Countryside.

The towns are different; clouds cover the sky; all the buildings look grey and drab. Thick, warmer clothing is taking the place of fine summer clothing.

Everywhere, as the arc of the sun gets smaller in the southern sky the, hours of daylight and twilight stealthily creep in like a leopard stalking its prey.

Chill winds take the place of summer breezes, and the warm summer nights give way to frosty evenings, mist enthralled.

Bright fires sparkle again in the grates and extra blankets — even hot water bottles or electric blankets—are added to the beds. Winter colds are back again, although some people have not got rid of their summer ones yet.

Cricket finished long ago in summer; now crowds flock to see rugby or soccer matches instead.

The last of the harvest has been collected in and stacked in barns by now. But in some fields the harvester still remains with half the cereal cut and the rest flattened by wind and rain.

The birds that are still with us, and have not migrated, and at the moment are having a terrible and very trying time. They are getting a brand new suit, but to get it they must first get rid of their present one. Therefore they are looking rather shabby, with some new and some old feathers.

Now that the summer holidays are over, in the evening the family sit round a blazing fire with all eyes hypnotically glued on the T.V. In the darkness outside, the winds howl and the rain beats upon the windows and the odd chimney pot, T.V. aerial or slate takes rather unsuccessfully to wings. Inside, the occasional disgruntled grunt meets with another travelling in the opposite direction. The people, or rather the children, think not of the past holidays but of the Christmas ones to come.

D. Nicholas (3LA)

Junior Corner

CONTRASTS

D'ye really enjoy the City life, The bustle, the crowds, the din? It's not for me, that hectic life, Cramped, and all boxed in!

The beaten track, the horse and plough, The hedge, the field, the tree, The open road, the jaunty road, Where everyone is free:

The road that leads to meadows green, To rivers, streams and springs, To woods, to hills, to happiness, Where every throstle sings—

That's the road for me, my lads, That's the road for me, Where everyone is glad as day, And everyone is free.

(D.A.)

THIS WEATHER!

It always rains when you want to go out, On a picnic, hike or trip When t'was perfectly fine but an hour ago, When you had nothing to do but sit.

And have you ever noticed, When to sun-bathe you begin, No sooner have you stretched out flat, Than the sun goes in.

And when you want to fly a kite, That wind will always stop, And when you would a-sledging go, The snow will turn to slop!

This weather is intolerable It's very plain to see, We might as well just stay indoors, It would appear to me!

(D.A.)

A BOY'S DREAM

I dreamt I was a cricketer, And batting up at Lords, And very soon my century Appeared upon the boards.

I knocked the bowlers to and fro, The slow, and fast as well; And then the boys' behind the rails Began to shout and yell.

The bowler then came up to bowl, I knocked him for a six; And then I heard a feeble voice, "Wake up, it's half-past six."

(ANON)

SMALE BOYES LAMENT

(The curious spelling in this recently discovered fragment suggests either that the School game is more antique than we thought, or that our author had already suffered some of the damage—perhaps cranial—that he feared.)

At Graungefeld we playe a gayme That startles everich eye, For folkes walken often layme When they have played Rugbye

To please our Captayne, who did begge Our team to score a trye, My beste freend he lost his legge, Mine enemie his eye.

Decree, mine mastere, some sweet gayme Somedele less keene and rough, I dreed leste I be halte or layme Because I am not tough.

(ARTHUR ROBERTS.)

GOING OUT WITH THE FISHING BOATS

The village in which I stayed for my holidays had a small harbour from which, every morning but Sunday, three or four fishing cobbles went out to catch crabs and lobsters. One of the fishermen, whom I got to know quite well, said that I could go out in his boat when they left the next morning at about half-past five.

Accordingly, at five o'clock the next morning I dressed and made my way downstairs, feeling cold, sleepy, and strangely empty inside. I had been afraid of oversleeping, but on feeling the chill of the night I thought that that would have been preferable to setting forth at that unearthly hour in the morning, and that the least I could do was to return to bed there and then. I drank some half-warm tea from a thermos, but, finding that it did not mix with the enptiness inside, I found my wellingtons, picked up my coat, and set off to the harbour.

Outside all was so quiet that the bang of the door as it shut behind me shook the chill air alarmingly. I half expected this to awaken the whole village, but on listening all I heard was the mournful crying of a lonely gull circling endlessly overhead, and the dull crash of the waves rushing over the rocks behind the house. Thus reassured, I proceeded up the path trying to stop my wellingtons making such resounding thumps on the concrete. The iron gate produced an echoing clang which careful manipulation of the latch did nothing to minimise. The cold made me shiver as I set off along the road, accompanied by a series of semi-rhythmical thumps from my wellingtons.

On coming to the end of the row of houses I was able to see the sea and noted, inwardly slightly annoyed, that it was calm. I had always thought that I would never be sea-sick. When I noticed how calm the sea was compared with its usual state, I felt as though it was suggesting that it needed to be calm for me: a silly thought.

I went towards the kipper sheds, where the smoke from the smoking kippers drifted lazily from the vents in the roof, leaving black smears on the red tiles, and then fell confusedly into the road, to be played with by the gentle breeze. I walked through the smoke and started down the hill to the harbour.

The harbour was enclosed by two concrete piers, one topped at its end by a squat concrete bridge, upon which once stood a crane for loading the boats with the whinstone which came down from the quarry on overhead wires to be shipped away. These piers, the north and the south, jut out from opposite sides of a small indentation in the rocky coastline, where a little stream runs down to the sea. From the piers, the sand and stones rise gently to where the boats stand high and dry. Just behind the boats, the road comes down a short steep hill, beside the kipper sheds, from the main part of the village at the south side, and rises again, in a similar fashion, to the north, where it runs inland, whilst on its seaward continuation a row of houses stands overlooking the harbour. At lowest ebb the sea almost leaves the harbour dry, but as the tide rises the semi-circular lip of sea just inside the piers enlarges filling the harbour. The small waves, only large ripples, spread from between the piers in huge crescents, which whiten on the grey stones just below the bows of the boats. Where the road curves up above the harbour to the south it is bounded on the seaward side by a stone wall, whilst on the other side stands the black stone wall of the kipper sheds which opens at the bottom of the hill in a door into which the crabs are taken from the boats.

As I came down the hill I saw more gulls circling and gliding over the harbour. I walked over to the wall; the boats were still there; I was not too late.

At the bottom of the hill a wedge of more brightly-illuminated road came from the door and betrayed a light inside, for it was not yet fully daylight. The sun had not yet risen, and in the grey of the morning the light just made its impression on the road outside, I turned towards the door.

As I entered, I was greeted by one of the fishermen, who stood just inside the door with his foot on a box of bait. In answer to his question, I affirmed that I had got up in time, and agreed that it was a fine morning. Then I looked round and saw that only one other fisherman out of about a dozen had so far arrived. Leaning on the doorpost, I waited. Shortly, the rest started to arrive, in ones and twos, coming down the hill from different directions. A car arrived, bringing three of them from a neighbouring village.

Soon a general move was made to set off. The bait was carried down to the boats, and tipped into boxes inside. Several barrels were carried down and put in the boats. Oil skins were dumped in.

The boats were all similar, being about thirty feet long, built with a flattish bottom at the stern so that they could be drawn onto the stones. About one third of their length from the stern they were very low, standing perhaps four and one half feet high, but leaving very little freeboard, perhaps two feet, when they were at sea, so that the crab pots could be handled easily when they were drawn out of the water by the winch in the stern. They were screw driven by inboard paraffin or diesel engines.

I walked down to the boat, put my coat in and, finding nothing to do, climbed in. Someone took some buckets from inside the boat and walked down to the sea to fill them. He returned and, carefully perching one on the rocks, threw the contents of the other along the outside of the boat. The other bucket of water was similarly distributed so as to wet the inside of the boat. Why; I never found out.

Meanwhile a line of logs had been laid in front of the boat to act as rollers when the boat was pushed in. Two logs had to be left in the water so that the boat would slide right in. As the rollers were made of wood and would float, someone had to stand holding two logs to drop them in front of the boat as it rushed into the water. These preparations were completed and the men gathered round the boat to push it in.

I then realised that I was standing right in the middle of everything, and I felt rather silly at having nothing to do. I simply stood there watching. At the given word everyone, except me-a state which I felt rather acutely-started to push the boat. The stones scrunched and the boat started to move. It came to a lip in the stones left by the tide; the front dipped slightly and then plunged down with a rush and a thump on the stones, gathering speed. The bows reached the water; the logs were dropped with a splash, and she surged into the water, rapidly losing speed. One of the fishermen, precariously perched on the stern, clambered in. More and more slowly she moved over the water, yet never stopping, whilst the V of ripples widened from the stern. The fisherman took a long boat hook and put it down into the water. It seemed to go down until it would disappear, but it found the bottom. A long steady push and it seemed to move along the boat. Slowly it was raised from the water, carried to the other side, for another long push. The boat edged back to the shore and grounded. The pole was laid in the boat, and the fisherman climbed out of the boat, taking with him the chain from the stern. As a small wave lifted the boat, he pulled hard, and she ran aground where he left her.

The other fishermen were not yet ready, being busy closing the shed or collecting together the logs.

Eventually they were ready and entered the boat. She was shoved off and the rudder fixed. The lid was taken from the engine housing, revealing the red painted engine with its small instrument panel. The starter was pressed; a cough; a deafening roar and the needles in the instrument panel jumped over the scales, and quivered with the vibration which shook the whole boat. As the engine throbbed, the needles followed its speed with their movements. The propeller was put down out of its casing in the floor of the hull. A large rusty lever was pulled, and, with the engine chugging slowly, we moved off. We moved gently across the harbour between the piers. The brass-headed throttle lever with its dab of white paint, in evidence of a careless brush stroke, was pulled; the din grew, the wake lengthened, and the piers receded behind us with increasing speed.

As we approached rougher water, the bows began to rise and fall in the green swell. They rose and hung, then dropped with a crash, hurling, from under where I stood, huge sheets of foam, which sparkled in the light of the sun as its golden crescent rose over the distant horizon.

A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

Only thirteen years old and I was going to the continent on a ship! "Won't it be smashing," I thought and, though there were many days to wait, I was itching to go. Every night when I went to bed I mentally crossed off one day and calculated the number of days and hours remaining, after assuming the time of going on board.

As the day drew nearer, I experienced a change of sentiments. As I lay in bed I wondered if I would make a fool of myself-a laughing stock -by being sea-sick. My imagination ran loose, and I became nervous at the thought of sinking ships. How would I survive? I could not swim! I assured myself that under the circumstances I would very quickly discover how to swim. The wreck was now an actual fact to me. There I was, sittingin a life-boat, with the white-crested waves foaming around and the low, dark clouds glowering down on me, while the lightning flashed, the thunder rolled, and the strong, gale-force wind lashed spray into my face with stinging fury. I could not decide whether I was wearing a life jacket over a large coat or a large coat over a life jacket. Perhaps I should not wear a large coat at all, for it might pull me underwater before I had reached the lifeboat, A shipwreck was not a shipwreck to me un'ess the sea was littered with people, masts, barrels and pieces of wood. So I hung onto a mast which appeared under my arm, and was eventually picked up by men in a life-boat. Nobody was drowned, of course, so we all sat in the boats, and my interest waned as sleep took over.

These somewhat sleepy and erratic thoughts were produced, no doubt, by the stimulus of a new experience and, perhaps, too many pirate stories and the like. However, my dominating feeling during daytime was of impatience at the slowness of time, and excitement at the prospect of seeing the inside of a ship and feeling its motion on the waves. Of course I had been on other ships, but they were only of the pleasure steamer status and this was different. "All the way to the Continent—super!" I thought (and said, no doubt) I could almost hear the throbbing of the engines, though these imaginary engines were a good deal different from the real thing which I experienced later.

We were now considering what to take with us, or rather, the others were. I was not interested in that part of going away, and was more of a hindrance than a help, no matter how hard I tried. Even my sister, who was then eleven, took more interest in this practical side of matters. However, we were all excited. Even Mam and Dad, who had been on ships before (but not for a holiday), were flustered with excitement. Their expectations were "grown up" and not as erratic as mine, and their excitement was better controlled. Even so, Dad was dispatched to the bank to get some foreign money long before he actually needed to go.

At last passports and other formalities, which I vaugely thought rather unnecessary, were dealt with, and we were ready to go. News came that the ship had been held up with engine trouble, I was disappointed, and destined to be even more so, for the next news concerning our ship was that it was to be put into dry dock for a complete overhaul. Another ship was to be sent, but it would take a few days to reach port. I now had half-dreams at night before I went to sleep of being stranded engineless in the middle of the North Sea.

The interminable days of waiting terminated. The news came without warning. The ship was leaving the next night and we had to be on board at about four o'clock in the afternoon. We were ready to go, and the embers of our multitudes of feelings and thoughts were once more kindled into flames. "Oh, this is great! We're going at last. I wonder what it will be like?" Eagerness and misgivings mixed in my mind.

Nervousness was now gaining the upper hand as the last few things were packed. It was not fear which caused this, but anticipation of the unknown and the strange; the sort of feeling one has when starting a new school.

The next day there it was,, much bigger and majestic than I had imagined, the ship which was to take me to the Continent and back. The long black bows towered above me, and were surmounted by the white superstructure, which seemed unbelievably high for a ship. The moment for going on board had come. A "boy" took our luggage and we went up the gangway on to the deck. I tried to suppress my excitement, and to look as though I had lived on a ship all my life, but I do not think that I was very successful.

Our cabins were wonderful. I very soon found my life jacket and tried it on so that I knew how to manipulate it if there was an emergency. I think I almost learned the ermergency instructions by heart, and as yet there was not enough water beneath the ship for it to sink. All this was done in fun however, as I just wanted to "get to know" the ship.

Everything was of interest. Out on deck we could see ships of all kinds, sizes, and shapes. Tugs towed barges past our ship. Where were they going? What was in them?" Oh, look at that ship there; it's Russian. Look at this one; it's right down in the water at the back and almost out on front." "What a big crane!" "Look how deep the holds are." Our interest was unbounded. We were enthralled by the most simple things, and any thoughts I had of sinking were banished to the back of my mind. How could such a big, solid ship like this sink because of a few paltry waves? Impossible! I dismissed the idea with scorn, and it slunk away with its tail between its legs, muttering of revenge. Its revenge came when a small launch passed at high speed leaving a trail of large bow waves. Our ship gently lurched against the quay. The idea of sinking ships came back in triumph as I wondered what big waves would do if a little launch could do that. However, I am not really given to morbid thoughts, especially when there are interesting activities going on about me, so the triumphant return was really of no consequence.

Tea-time came, with the new experience of ordering whatever I wanted from the menu. Then the moment for which I had been waiting arrived. The tugs had come, and there was great activity about the ship. Sirens blew at frequent intervals, ropes were unfastened from the quay and others were fastened to the tugs. Boo-Boo! The siren of our ship bellowed forth its message to the tug, which answered with three short, sharp, high-pitched "pips." We were moving! "We're going! Hurray!" Joy and excitement rang in our voices. We gazed at the riverside as it slipped silently past, and exchanged waves with people on shore. Soon the river widened and the tugs left us.

The steady hum of the engines increased in volume and the whole ship vibrated slightly as we surged down the river. The bow wave increased as we entered the open sea. Already the ship was travelling almost at top speed, and as I looked over the side at the water rushing past I was thrilled by the feeling of the power and irresistible strength of this metal monster.

As we entered the sea we ran into a swell where the river water met the sea water. It was rather heavier than the captain had anticipated, as he told us afterwards. However, by this time it was very late, and we went to bed. The ship rolled and pitched and tossed all night, and at times I had difficulty in clinging to my bunk. I lay awake fighting sea-sickness, for I considered people would think me weak and joke about me if I succumbed. I lay on my back feeling the slow rythmic motion of the ship. Left.....down.....right.....up.....left.....downright......up. When the ship was rising I was pressed on to the bunk, and when it was perched on the top of a wave my inside felt as though it was leaving by my mouth. I wondered if it would ever stop as I felt my resistance slowly weakening. In the distance there was a terrific crash. The rolling of the ship had caused a cupboard full of crockery to fall over. My thoughts of sinking, strangely enough, were now almost non-existent, my only desire being to see if I could walk about without clinging to everything within reach. I climbed out of bed and accelerated across the cabin into a cupboard, after which I swayed drunkenly down the new slope, narrowly missing a small table on the way and skidding to a halt a foot away from the opposite wall. "This is smashing," I said to my self as I levelled out after an uncontrolled dive, and thought of Jack Hawkins in "The Cruel Sea." I soon became accustomed to the movements of the ship, and, satisfied, I climbed back into bed again.

I woke up in the morning, and found that there was no land in sight and the ship was not rolling too much. The sun was shining, and we were all looking forward to a pleasant trip. My confidence in the ship was firmly established, and all I wanted was a slight storm in daylight, so that I could see the wayes!

(B.F.)



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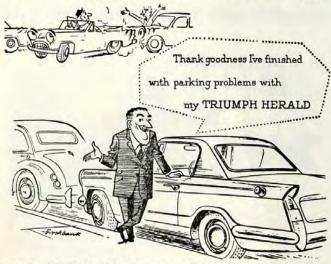
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OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION (Revised November, 1956)

- 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.
- Members will be encouraged to form sections for specific activities, but must first obtain the approval of the committee of management.
- 6. The Annual Subscription shall be Two Shillings and Sixpence (2/6) payable on the 1st January each year. For the first year only after leaveing school the subscription shall be 1/-.

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

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