# The Stocktonian Year Book



1968-69

## OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

(Founded by Evan Baldwin 24th January, 1913)

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

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# Please Reserve the Following Dates

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Thursday, 28th November, 1968, at 7-30 p.m. in the Library, Grangefield Grammar School for Boys, Stockton-on-Tees, (See separate agenda, enclosed with this Year Book).

#### 43rd ANNUAL DINNER:

Friday, 3rd January, 1969, at Spark's Windsor Restaurant, High Street, Stockton-on-Tees, at 7-10 for 7-30 p.m. Dress informal. The guests this year will be Mr. M. P. Weston, captain of Durham City, Durham County and England Rugby Football XV's; and Mr. Ernest Fieke, who now lives near Glasgow, and was our Old Boy President from 1952-55.

Tickets, price 21/-, may be obtained from the Hon. Sec. of the Association, from the Hon. Assistant Secretary, Mr. B. P. Brand, or Committee Members.

#### ANNUAL RUGBY MATCHES (Old Boys v School):

Boxing Day. Kick-off at 11 a.m. Easter Vacation—Date to be fixed.

#### ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH (Old Boys v School):

A date will be fixed in July for the match, and Old Boys able and willing to play are asked to get in touch with Mr. P. E. Hudson at the School.

#### **OUR GUESTS**

Having had as our guests for the last two years men prominent in the world of Government, we welcome this year one prominent in the world of Sport. For those who "follow" Rugby Football it is obviously quite unnecessary to explain who Mike Weston is. But in case there are any who don't follow Rugby Football,—and for the record—we may state that he is the "current" Captain of England, has played for England many times, and has been one of the mainstays of County Durham for many years. We believe that the Club he plays for is called Durham City and that their ground is somewhere in the middle distance and in the general direction of the North Pole. We hope therefore to give him a warm reception when he visits us.

Ernest Fieke is very well known to many of us. He used to live in these parts and was our Old Boy President in the middle fifties — and a very good one too! Ten years ago he moved to Glasgow, and since then we have only had the pleasure of meeting him on his all too infrequent visits to Teesside. Ernest is A.M.I. Plant E., and if any of you think that is something to do with Botany, you had better come to the Dinner on 3rd January, and he will no doubt put you right on that point.

We look forward with great pleasure to receiving these two gentlemen as our guests and assure them that a very warm welcome awaits them.

## Concerning Ourselves

Jim Hewitt's three years as President of our Association are now drawing to a close, and he will hand over at the A.G.M. to the successor who will then be elected. It seems to have been a busy three years, with quite a lot going on behind the scenes. What has come to the surface has been some very well attended dinners which Jim has presided over most excellently, and the tree-planting ceremony in March, 1968. We thank him and, with our best wishes, convey the hope that we shall continue to have the benefit of his help and advice "behind the scenes."

It seems to be a year or two since we referred under this heading to the subject of subscriptions. Careful readers of the agenda for the Annual General Meeting on 28th November next will see that a proposal for the increase of the Annual Subscription to 5/- and of the Life Subscription to £3 will be put before that meeting. The Association has been running at a loss for some years, and only donations, including Mr. Baldwin's most generous bequest of £50, have saved our General Fund from going into the red. This cannot go on. We hope that the increases proposed will keep us solvent. The alternative would be to cut down considerably the present size of the Year Book, which is of course our chief expense.

The new rates, if approved by the A.G.M., cannot come into effect before 1st January, 1969, so we anticipate a mad rush to take up Life Membership before then. Payment of the first instalment of 10/- in 1968 gets you in at the old rate.

Though we are aiming to put ourselves into a position in which we do not need to beg, we are of course open to receive donations from any who feel generous!

#### TREES

All who know Grangefield will agree that the beauty of the site could be greatly improved by the planting of quite a large number of trees. Mr. Munday, on his retirement seven years ago, made a start by presenting a row of Cornish elms which stand on the south side of the field and, we are pleased to report, survive despite having been attacked when young by some neighbouring livestock. Now the Old Stocktonians' Association has presented the school with a further instalment of trees—which will ultimately number about 50—in commemoration of the distinguished careers of two Old Boys, Dr. Horace King, the first Old Stocktonian to become Speaker of the House of Commons (who will be the second?), and Sir Charles Allison, the first Old Stocktonian to be knighted.

These two gentlemen were kind enough to come to the School on the morning of Saturday, 23rd March, a cold windy day, to plant for us two of these trees, two golden weeping willows, on the lawn in front of the Dining Hall. As these grow to their full stature they will greatly enhance the appearance of the front of our building, and, we hope and believe, give pleasure to many generations of future schoolboys (and schoolgirls).

The Headmaster and our Old Boy President Mr. Hewitt welcomed a gathering of Old Boys, present boys, Staff and friends of the School, to witness the planting ceremony and to meet our distinguished guests afterwards in the Dining Hall.

Footnote—Trees planted at Grangefield seem fated to have an adventurous life. This time it is not goats that have attacked our trees, but the C.E.G.B. They have been laying a new power cable under that part of the school field. For this operation they took up the line of 32 trees. These trees—or the equivalent—will be restored to us with a guarantee of replacement if any of them die. When the row is restored we intend to extend it by adding a few more trees to use up the money remaining in the Horace King and Charles Allison Commemoration Fund.

#### EVAN BALDWIN MEMORIAL FUND

This stands, at the moment of writing, at £194 1s. 11d. This includes a little interest, but it would be nice to see it reach £200! As it is to be used for a continuing purpose it will remain possible for any one who would still like to do so to contribute to the Fund.

The first awards from the fund are to be made to N. H. Campbell for his bowling with the 1st XI during the 1968 season, and to P. Jackson for his batting. As these are both Old Boys now, it has been decided to present their awards at the Annual Dinner on Friday, 3rd January.

#### 42nd ANNUAL DINNER

The Dinner was again very successful, though the attendance was not as large as the year before.

It was Jim Hewitt's third dinner as President, and he added a great deal to the formal proceedings by his witty speech and lively introductions of the guest speakers. Sir Fife Clark gave us a speech of great interest which derived not only from his experience of men in high places, but also of life seen through the eyes of a Teesside boy a few decades ago. We were particularly glad to see and hear Denis Hardie,—to no one living is the Old Stocktonians' Association more indebted. Mr. Bradshaw in his speech referred specially to the flourishing state of Games and Music as well as Studies in the School.

We were also glad to have present the last Mayor of Stockton-on-Tees, Councillor J. Whitfield,—an Old Stocktonian.

The attendance fully spanned the 71 years of the School's life, and is given in approximate "seniority."

A. W. Henderson, F. L. Scaife, E. Dobson, J. H. Sharp, S. W. Clark, S. H. Curry, H. Bell, J. S. Gill, W. N. Little, G. D. Little, G. Goldston, H. Wilkinson, D. H. Shepherd, F. K. Hutchinson, T. H. Bulmer, F. W. Baker, T. F. Sowler, H. G. Farrington, J. B. Hewitt, M. Sutherland, R. Wynzar, F. F. Snowdon, B. K. Race, D. W. Henderson, J. Humble, A. Veitch, F. R. Bell, H. Ray, H. D. Race, H. D. Hardie, W. Dobson, M. Allen, N. Kelley, J. Whitfield, A. Fenwick, D. M. McEwen, L. Lloyd, K. G. Walker, G. J. Riddle, T. P. Bellis, B. P. Brand, D. P. Church, D. Rigg, R. M. Bland, G. White, C. Sinclair, P. A. Sowler, I. McAleer, E. Hempsey, G. R. Ward, I. Fox, P. W. Docherty, C. Howard, R. Thersby J. G. Jones, D. H. Stewart, P. Knowles, J. C. Rattenbury, M. P. Wassall, C. B. Copeland, B. Dobson, J. N. G. Heywood, I. D. Lenham, D. Nicholas A. W. Wright, J. Lightfoot, G. A. Ward, B. Turner, C. Little, R. J. Murphy, M. J. Whitfield, G. Langthorne, A. F. Malkin, C. S. Allen.

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#### THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The A.G.M. was held in the Library at the School on Thursday, 30th November, 1967, at 7-30 p.m.

The Committee and Officials elected are listed on page three of this Year Book.

The Statement of Accounts, presented for the year ended 30th September, 1967, showed an increased balance of £770-17-3d. in the Life Members' Fund, and a decreased balance of £73-4-8d. in the General Fund.

Life Membership of the Association showed an increase from 753 to 806. Ordinary Membership showed a decrease from 195 to 118. Total Membership was thus down by 24—from 948 to 924. The large decrease in Ordinary Membership results from some drastic purging of defaulters!

#### OLD STOCKTONIANS' BENEVOLENT FUND

During the period 1st January, 1967 to 31st December, 1967 a loan was made to an Old Boy to enable him to complete his professional training; the Fund paid the necessary travelling expenses to University for a boy in his final year at School; and awarded the customary bursaries to the School. The total calls on the Fund were £107 6s. 0d.

During the year a very generous donation of £7 7s. 0d. was received from R. W. Rutherford, and the interest at the bank amounted to £18 8s. 8d. Monies received totalled £25 15s. 8d. No loan repayments were made or expected during the year.

Thus on 31st December, 1967 the credit balance, as certified by our old friend Harold Dodsworth, Chartered Accountant, was £403 16s. 9d. a decrease of £81 10s. 4d. on the year's working.

By October, 1967 it became necessary for the Trustees, in view of the calls being made on the Fund, and the prevailing unsettled conditions on Teesside, to recommend to the O.S. Association that the award of bursaries to the School be discontinued for the time being. This recommendation was approved by the A.G.M. of the Association in November 1967.

In these circumstances the Trustees make a special appeal for donations, which should be sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Association, at the School, marked "Benevolent Fund." Unfortunately, to date, in the current year, none have been received.

It will be of general interest to note that since the Fund was inaugurated in 1926 grants have totalled £160 17s. 9d., loans £1100 9s. 4d. and bursaries £152 12s. 6d. Of loans only £10 has ever had to be written off as a bad debt.

#### ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

On the morning of Friday, 10th November, 1967 representatives of the Old Stocktonians' Association assembled in the School Hall with the present boys and masters of the School to pay homage to the Old Boys who were killed in the two World Wars. Wreaths were laid at the two Memorials on behalf of the School and of the Association.

#### VISITORS' BOOK

The Headmaster and Staff are always pleased to welcome Old Boys at Grangefield. A Visitors' Book is kept on or in the desk which is on your right as you enter by the front door of the School. The book and desk belong to the Association, and Old Boys visiting the School are invited to sign the book and record personal news in it.

#### OLD STOCKTONIANS' TIES

A stock of Old Stocktonian Ties is now kept at the School, where they can be purchased from Mr. Rattenbury. Prices of present lines are 10/6d. (terylene) and 3/6d, (rayon).

#### In Memoriam

WILLIAM STUDHOLME BALL of Old Compton, Denchworth, Wantage, died in November, 1967 of cancer, after six weeks' illness. His father was WILLIAM ROBERT BALL, an original member of the staff of the Higher Grade School and later Senior Mathematics Master at the Secondary School, and Senior Master from 1931-1936. His mother was also a member of the staff of the School in its early days.

W. S. Ball left school in 1922 and took an engineering degree at Liverpool University. His career was in telecommunications. He worked for more than one company manufacturing telephone equipment before the last war. During the war he served in the R.A.F. at Leighton Buzzard, being engaged on war-time developments in the telecommunications field. After the war he was employed at the Atomic Research Establishment at Harwell.

Mr. T. B. BROOKE died on 3rd February, 1968, after some months of painful illness bravely borne. We would not say "patiently borne" because his mind always remained lively and critical and the good-humoured testiness which was characteristic of him did not fit with "patience." The fifteen years of his retirement brought him many severe trials, both his own illness and his sisters', and he became something near to a recluse, being obsessed by the wish not to trouble or bother other people. But the old "Tibby" was always there, the ever entertaining talker, the flashes of wit, the chuckles, the grimaces.

The generations at Grangefield since 1952 have not known him, but we feel we cannot do better than to reproduce the article written about him in the 1953-54 Stocktonian Year Book, so that all may know who T. B. Brooke was and what he was in the life of this School.

#### CONCERNING MR. BROOKE

Probably in the whole of the history of the School, the leaving of no member of the Staff has caused such general regret among boys and Old Boys as that of Mr. Brooke who retired at the end of the Winter term.

Some of the more privileged of us addressed him as "Brookie" or simply as "T.B.," but among the irreverent he was known as "Tibby," and it is as "Tibby" that, we think, he will always be remembered.

As a boy, he attended the Stockton Secondary School between 1906 and 1910 (we recall that he, along with Harold Simpson, now an accountant in Huddersfield, and Charlie Fraser, of whom we had no news for a very long time, were the three bright stars of one particular class), while he spent one year as a teacher at Oxbridge Lane School, for the then Headmaster of which, Mr. Charles Funnell, he has always retained the warmest admiration.

Then, as the first Stockton Secondary School boy ever to enter one of the older Universities, he became a student at Keble College, Oxford, from which he emerged as an M.A. with an Honours Degree in English Language and Literature, as a Fellow of the Institute of Linguists and as a Member of the Royal Society of Literature, this last named on the proposal of the late Sir Walter Raleigh.

The First World War followed, in which joining as a Gunner in the Royal Garrison Artillery, he finished up in the Intelligence Corps with the right to carry a revolver. (Just imagine our "Tibby" prowling about the battlefields of France with a revolver—a man who many years afterwards bought a gun to destroy the rabbits which were raiding his garden at Thornaby and then hadn't the heart to shoot them because they were so pretty!)

The War over, he became a teacher in turn at Christ Church Cathedral School, Oxford, at Ripon School, at Castleford Grammar School, for a few weeks at Richard Hind School, and then in May 1924, he returned almost in triumph, to his old school in Nelson Terrace.

The Second World War came and again he desired to play a part, but this the Education Authorities would not allow, and he, therefore, had to content himself with acting as Platoon Commander of the Local Defence Volunteers at Thornaby, where later with the rank of Captain he was second in command of the "C" Company of the 9th North Riding

of Yorkshire Battalion.

Such then is a brief description of Mr. Brooke's career. But what shall we say of his 28 years as a teacher in the School? Here it can be truthfully said that no boy who entered his classes could fail to be enriched, for he possessed the supreme gift of imparting his own enthusiasm for his subject to all those whom he taught. As a musician, he also excelled, and there are many Old Boys who all their lives will recall with pleasure the musical evenings spent in his company. But of all his accomplishments what was probably most fascinating about him was his curious knowledge of all manner of odds and ends. There is, for instance, hardly a church or a building in the district, the history of which he does not know: there is hardly a field path over a very wide area with which he is not acquainted.

To his immense work for the Old Stocktonians, it will never be possible to do justice, for, as Secretary of the Association and as Editor of "The Stocktonian," he has brought a devotion which only such as he could bring.

The late Ian Hay once said that teaching is the most richly rewarded of all the professions. In Mr. Brooke's case this is certainly true, for his broad humanity, his modesty, his sense of humour, his tolerance of outlook and his general loveliness of character have earned him a special place in the hearts of all who knew him.

ELIJAH DOBSON (1902-04) died on 13th June, 1968 at the age of 76. He was a regular attender at Old Stocktonian Dinners, where he will be sadly missed.

His working life was spent almost entirely with Riley Bros. (Boilermakers) Ltd., and with the firm of Stockton Chemical Engineers and Riley Boilers Ltd. which succeded it. He had a spell of two years unemployment in the thirties when the former company had closed down and the latter not yet opened. He retired in 1957 after more than twenty years as Chief Clerk. His successor was his only son, Walter Dobson (1934-39). Mr. Dobson was a lifelong teetotaller, and Honorary Secretary of the Welcome Tent of the Independent Order of Rechabites for many years until his death. His wife, whom he married in 1918, died in 1965. The sole survivor of the family is our old friend Walter, mentioned above, to whom we express our deep condolences.

DONALD ERNEST FERGUSON (1934-39) died in hospital after an operation, on 24th March, 1968, at the age of 45.

His contemporaries at school may well remember the magazine "The Titan" produced and circulated by him and his lifelong friend Walter Dobson. On leaving school he worked first for I.C.I., then for Tarslag, but the war soon came and with it service in the R.A.F. for Donald. He served three years in India.

On returning to civilian life he trained as a joiner and eventually went in with his father into the firm of G. E. Ferguson Joinery Ltd. in Castlegate. He was a hard worker and also led a most active life outside working hours. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Stockton Rambling Club, the Teesside Scientific Group and of Mensa. He was also keenly interested (and successful) in amateur film-making.

His marriage, though extremely happy, was tragically short, since he died less than two years after his wedding. To his wife, as well as to his father and mother we express our deep sorrow at his early death.

W. IAN MORROW (1936-42), died this year at the early age of 43, leaving a wife and two children, a girl of 12 and a boy of 10. We express our sympathy with them.

He went from school to Manchester University and took his B.Sc. in Physics. He worked for the Eaglescliffe Chemical Works for a short time before joining I.C.I. in 1946. He was a Section Engineer at Billingham.

We regret to report the death at his home near Rugby of B. NEASHAM (1906-07). Mr. Neasham died suddenly on 23rd March, 1967. He was until his retirement Chief Accountant of the Billingham Division of I.C.I.

Rev. ALBERT ROBINSON (1930-37) was Captain of the School in 1936-7. He was also one of the outstanding cricketers in the school teams of the 'thirties. He went from school to Leeds University with a County Scholarship, and took his B.A. in French. From there he went to the College of the Ressurrection at Mirfield and took Holy Orders in the Church of England. He served first at Sunderland, then as Vicar at Kirby Moorside, Helmsley, Danby with Castleton and Fryup and finally at Kirby in Cleveland. After an illness he then spent two years in London, and in September, 1967 he returned to his native Teesside, to teach French at Bede Hall, Billingham Campus. On the afternoon of T. B. Brooke's funeral, in February, 1968, he suddenly collapsed in the Staffroom at Bede Hall and died almost instantly.

Those who knew him at school or in later life will remember him as a gifted young man of great sincerity and integrity, one whose death at the early age of 48 was most tragic. He leaves a widow and (we think) five children, whose grief we share.

ARTHUR JAMES SMITH (1896-7) died in hospital on 25th August, 1968. As will be seen from his dates at school, Jim Smith was one of those who attended the School when it first opened as the Higher Grade School in Nelson Terrace. His great life work was with the Boys' Brigade. For more than fifty years he was a leading active member of this movement on Teesside. For an equal length of time he was a devoted and active member of St. George's Presbyterian Church in Yarm Lane.

Jim's son JOHN was a pupil at the same school as his father, but died in 1944 while he was a prisoner of war in the Far East. The father presented and endowed the J. D. Smith prize for Oral French in memory of his son, and this will continue as an active memorial to the lives of two fine and admirable sons of the School.

The death of LESLIE J. THORNTON (School 1941-48, Staff 1954-1963) at the early age of 37 came as a great shock to all who knew him. For twenty years he was closely connected with the School. He was Captain of the School in 1947-48, and anyone who remembers that year would rate him as one of the School's best Captains. He went to Hull University where he graduated in Geography, and then to the R.A.F. to do the National Service which that generation of young men all had to do.

He returned to school in 1954 as our first teacher of Geology. When he left us in 1963 this was well established as a Sixth Form subject with the added attractions of Geology excursions, days, week-ends or weeks. He had also made very large contributions to the sporting side of School life as well as to the general organisation of School functions.

He went in 1963 with his wife and children first to Quebec and a year later moved further west into Ontario, where he found a delightful place to live and work at Gravenhurst, and used to write letters full of the delights and joys of life in Canada. This made all the more tragic the news of his death from cancer of the liver. We understand that Mrs. Thornton and the three children have returned to England and are living at Hull. To them we extend our deep sympathy in their great loss.



L. J. THORNTON, B.Sc. 1930-1968.

#### OLD BOYS HERE AND THERE

(We seem to have collected here news of over 90 Old Boys of every vintage. This has come partly from our own spy service, but also to a large extent from letters from these Old Boys. We thank them one and all for their letters, and ask others, especially those whose names have not appeared in these notes recently, to follow their excellent example and drop a line to the Secretary of the Association, or the Headmaster, or anyone at the School, to let us have news of them.)

DEREK ALLAN (1958-64), who has recently acquired both a degree and a wife, is now setting out to acquire a Diploma in Education at Bristol. We hasten to add that the order in which we have placed his acquisitions is chronological—or if you like alphabetical—nothing else.

Of the ANDREW brothers, JOHN (1954-57) has just left Doncaster to become News Editor of the Lincolnshire Chronicle; PETER is an Executive Officer at the Board of Trade; and DAVID (1955-62), who started with the N.E.D.G., went to Manchester a year ago as a Sub-Editor of the Daily Express. The Deputy-Editor who interviewed him for this post was another Old Stocktonian—of Nelson Terrace days—E. HODGSON.

J. G. ASHLEY (1962-67) has very successfully completed the first part of his apprenticeship as a Naval Artificer at H.M.S. Fisgard, in Cornwall. At the end of his time there he won several prizes, including the Captain's Prize as the best all-round Apprentice. He has also represented the Royal Navy at Basket Ball.

He has now gone to H.M.S. Caledonia at Rosyth to do another  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years training in Marine Engineering.

KEITH W. ASHMAN (1960-67), who won an open scholarship to Manchester University in 1967 was also awarded an Exhibition by Hulne Hall, Manchester, where he is resident.

PETER G. ATKINSON (1953-60) was married in September to Miss Sarah Frost at Marylebone Town Hall. He has been working as an Engineer for several years, but is now going to train as a teacher, and will then be looking for a post in a Technical College.

DENIS BALDWIN (1952-59) has taken his old school motto so literally that he has arrived in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada. There he is working in the Engineering Department of the Algoma Steel Corporation Ltd., Canada's third largest steel plant.

Denis' first impressions of Canada seem very favourable. Sault Ste. Marie is a sizeable industrial town and communications centre, on the river which links Lake Huron to Lake Superior and separates the U.S.A. from Canada. The country around is forest and lake, and air-travel is as cheap as train. In fact, it is genuine "Forest Ranger" country.

We hope that Denis will keep us in touch with his doings, whereabouts and progress!

A. I. BARKER (1947-54) has been promoted Higher Executive Officer at the new National Giro Computer Centre and has been in charge of part of the systems trials team proving the computer sustem. He was working in London until July and then he was to be working in Bootle and living in Wallasey.

From an obviously confused item in the press we learn that CHARLES BRIAN BARLOW (1951-56) has been awarded a Ph.D. We gather that he studied at the Constantine College of Technology and was awarded the degree by Sussex University. He is now in Canada, at the Department of Chemistry in the University of Alberta.

S. GORDON BEARDS (1916-20) retired in 1967 after a lifetime with Lloyd's Bank, the last 17 years as Manager of the Harrogate Branch.

RAY BELL (1931-37) has just set off for Kanpur in India, where he expects to spend over two years. We gather the trip is on business, but trust that he will manage to combine a little pleasure with it.

TOM BELLIS (1947-54)—After graduating at Sheffield Tom spent his National Service in the Education Corps (doing his basic training with the South Wales Borderers).

He is now settled back in the area, in charge of French at Rosebank High School, Hartlepool. He and his wife, a charming Scot have one youngster, a son Kevin, now aged two.

JIM BETTS (Staff 1960-62) has now left Birmingham University to become a Lecturer in Chemistry at Kingston College of Technology in Surrey.

DAVID L. BIRCH (1951-56) has been awarded the B.E.M. for gallantry in dealing with bombs and booby-traps planted by terrorists during the Hongkong disturbances last year. He is a Sergeant in the R.A.O.C. The citation records that at the height of the terrorist activities, from July to October, Sergeant Birch dealt with 200 devices, bombs and booby traps. "Not all were filled with explosives. Some were hoaxes, but nevertheless they had to be handled with great care until it was established they were harmless. His work was made even more dangerous because terrorists would plant a device to attract a bomb disposal team and then throw down further bombs from nearby buildings. He repeatedly exposed himself to danger and his calm courage was an example of gallantry of high order."

In one incident, Sgt. Birch was wounded in the chest and right leg when a bomb thrown by a Communist terrorist exploded near him as he was dealing with another bomb.

We congratulate him and express our admiration for his bravery.

A. E. BISHOP (1915-19) has sent us "Some Recollections," to be found on another page.

On leaving school he went to the office of Percy Barrowcliff in Middlesbrough, and passed his A.S.A.A. in 1929. In 1930 he emigrated to Canada to join P. S. Ross and Sons, Chartered Accountants, of Montreal, in which firm he became a partner in 1947. From 1947-1958 he organised and headed the management services division of P. S. Ross and Sons. From 1958-63 he was involved in the expansion of the firm and in the various mergers and re-organisations leading to the formation of the international firm of Touche, Ross, Bailey and Smart.

In 1963 he retired from active practice, with the following hobbies: music (particularly piano chamber music), gardening (especially partial to rose-growing, with 350 bushes), curling (teaching expatriate Scots how the game should be played!), lawn bowling (he was always somewhat biassed), and more recently daubing (he is not yet prepared to refer to his efforts as painting).

We are delighted to have these accounts of his school days and of his later days from Mr. Bishop. We send him warm transatlantic greetings and wishes for a retirement as long and happy as it will obviously be busy.

STEPHEN C. BLAND (1960-67) went from school last year to the Leicester College of Art. He has now transferred to the Manchester College of Art where they have a particularly good course in Graphics, Stephen's speciality.

We are sorry to report that ERIC BROWN (1931-36) has had another spell in hospital, nine weeks this time, from March to May. He and his sister WINNIE have both had a terrible story of ill-health and misfortune over the past few years and show great courage and character in facing their troubles. We send them greetings and warm wishes from all their friends.

WILFRED CARDNO (1913-18) retired in October, 1967 after spending his working life with Dorman Long's. He had been Engineer in charge of bridge-building in Canada, Iceland, Thailand, Portugal and New Zealand. He and his wife will be living in retirement at Woburn Sands after first re-visiting New Zealand, where their married daughter lives.

J. A. CATTERMOLE is now living at Stanmore in Middlesex and working in London for the Inland Revenue Department. Among Old Stocktonians he sees from time to time are KEN CLARK, TONY BARBER and HOWARD BEARD. The latter has retired from the Department to seek more exotic pursuits with one of the big mining concerns.

LEONARD A. CLOSE (1916-18) was hoping to attend the Old Stocktonians' Dinner in January, 1968, but he and A. M. ASHTON (1922-27) finally found it impossible to make the journey from Liverpool. We hope the next time will be lucky!

Mr. Close is retiring this year from his position as Managing Director of Associated Lead Manufactures Ltd. He is "C.Eng., M.I. Mech.E., M.I.Chem.E.," but has always regretted that—for financial reasons—he was unable to proceed from the "Sec." to the University. He rejoices that such opportunities are nowadays as much more readily available to modern youth.

He was a Territorial Army Officer before, during and after World War Two, during which he spent four years in Malta and the Middle East. He commanded a Field Squadron in the Battle of Alamein and was mentioned in despatches. He finally retired as Lieut. Col. and was awarded the T.D. with two bars.

He has also been active in Local Government, a member of Bootle Council, local and regional Advisory Committees, and the Chamber of Commerce.

Leonard Close has obviously led a very active, busy and distinguished life, and we wish him a happy and contented retirement.

A. COATES (1940-46), who lives at Newton Bewley just outside the new Teesside County Borough, is this year's Chairman of Stockton Rural District Council.

PETER COUPE (1957-65), who has just graduated in Civil Engineering at Imperial College, London, is now going to do research into Soil Mechanics at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge.

J. S. COWEN (1962-65), who has just graduated in Civil Engineering at Salford University, is now working for the Teesside Bridge and Engineering Co. Ltd. in Middlesbrough.

TOM COWLEY (1958-65) was picked in June, 1957, along with another 80 students from Loughborough and 40 women students from Bedford to represent Great Britain in a "Gymnastic Spectacular" at Expo 67 in Montreal. They went there for ten days and the show was televised for British and American T.V.

Tom was on Loughborough College first Gymnastic team in his second year (1966-67) and was appointed secretary for his final year. Loughborough won the U.A.U. Gym Championship for 1967 and Tom was picked to represent the U.A.U.

He has now completed his course and is teaching at Billingham Campus.

C. R. CUTHBERT (1960-66) was to go in October, 1968 to the West of Scotland Agricultural College. In the meantime he was working in Peebles-shire at an Animal Breeding Farm.

GEOFF DANIEL, by profession a journalist, has been achieving some eminence as a folk-singer. After winning a Northern Spotlight talent contest organised at Billingham Bowl he made two appearances at London Airport Bowl in cabaret. He does not, however, contemplate taking up singing professionally, and sings strictly for his own pleasure—as well as other people's.

IVOR DARLING is now working for Dorman Long as an Instrument and Control Systems Design Engineer, having graduated in System Control Engineering. When on Tyneside he played for Percy Park 1st XV, but now that he is nearer home he is playing for Stockton R.U.F.C.

PAUL DEE (1947-54) is to spend two years at the University of Virginia as Assistant Professor of Radiology and Director of Special Procedures. Paul, who is married and has three children, was until recently Registrar in Radiology at Newcastle. This is by no means his first overseas post, as he has spent two years in Oslo, and one in Stockholm.

JOHN R. ENGLAND (1960-65), who has just graduated in Geography at Newcastle, is now going to Nottingham University to do a post-graduate course in Town and Country Planning.

KEITH FERGUSON (1959-64) who in his day took part in several G, and S. operas writes regretting that the school has not given any of these since he left, as he would have liked to attend any such performances. Keep hoping, Keith, though we cannot say we have heard of any firm plans yet.

NORMAN L. FERGUSON (1925-30) was one of the boys who used to travel in to Nelson Terrace from Middleton-St. George by train to Thornaby every day. (Nowadays this journey is done by special bus, part of the road being now the new Stockton-Darlington dual carriageway.) Mr. Ferguson writes with considerable affection of "Billy" Ball, senior Maths master when he was at school, and Senior Master later, from 1931 1936. Some years ago Mr. Ferguson visited the "new" school at Grangefield and the contrast between the concrete yard, brick walls and streets surrounding "Nelson Terrrace," and the spacious geen surroundings at "Oxbridge Avenue" impressed him greatly.

ARCHIE FOULDS (1959-66) writes a very interesting letter from his new home in Ayrshire. When he wrote he was working, temporarily, with the Apron Services at Prestwick Airport, but he writes mostly about his life at Cambridge. After a flirtation with Moral Sciences he has switched back to Economics and Politics and achieved an Upper Second in the Part One exams. He was disappointed not to have got further into Varsity Rugby circles than a good trial, but he's to be captain of his College team in the coming season. He rows, too, for relaxation mainly, but also for bumps!

LESLIE FREEMAN (1949-54) is P.R.O. at the new Forum Theatre at Billingham. He is of course well-known locally as a journalist, and has also worked on national newspapers.

RAYMOND GEDLING (1929-34) had a brilliant Higher School Certificate result and won scholarships to both Hull and Sheffield Universities as well as a State Scholarship. However—as used to happen in those days—the financial situation of his family on his father's death was such that instead of continuing his education he went straight to work. He started in the Executive Class of the Civil Service. His quality told there, however, and after six years he was promoted into the Administrative Class,—the

top-notchers of the Civil Service, normally recruited among graduates. After that, he continued to rise in the service, and two years ago we noted his appointment to a high post in the Department of Education and Science. Now he has been further promoted, and is Third Secretary at the Treasury, one of the upper-top-notchers!

We note in the local Evening paper the statement that Mr. Gedling's links with the North-East have been long severed. One link at least remains, for he is a Life Member of ours—and we trust that the Stocktonian Year Book has been reaching him regularly! This edition brings special congratulations to him with our warmest greetings.

JAN GILLETT (1957-64), who has just graduated in Geology at Manchester, is working for Pilkington's in their Glass Fibre works at Widnes.

We note that JACK GILLILAND (1947-54) gave a lecture in Middlesbrough to the local branch of the Confederation for the Advancement of State Education. We see that the account of his speech was under the headline "Don't Blame Teacher," and hope that this startlingly original approach will have had some effect.

JIM GILLILAND (1962-64) obtained the Diploma in Art and Design of Leeds College of Art, with Second Class Honours. He is now doing a one-year teacher training course.

PAUL GRAHAM (1958-65), having gained a good honours degree in Maths at Newcastle, has now begun the course there for the Diploma in Education.

IAN GRANT (1946-51), previously at the Head Office of Martin's Bank at Liverpool ,was recently promoted to be Assistant Manager at the City Branch in Birmingham.

DAVID GRAY (1957-65), who has just graduated in Electronics at Liverpool, has been accepted to stay on there for a further three years to work for a Ph.D. His research will be connected with motion of electrons and ions in gases.

IAN GRAY (1958-65), having graduated in Maths at Manchester, is now working at I.C.I. Billingham.

J. F. GUILE (1915-22) retired at the end of April, 1968 from his position as Town Clerk of Grantham, a position which he has held for the last 25 years.

His father, the Rev. A. E. Guile was at one time Chairman of the Middlesbrough and Darlington District of the Methodist Church. Mr. Guile served under articles at Barnard Castle, and when he had become a Solicitor he served under Urban District Councils at Hucknall, Huyton and Hayes before becoming Town Clerk of Aberystwith. From there he went to Grantham, and was their first full-time Town Clerk.

On his retirement he was presented with the Honorary Freedom of the Borough of Grantham, "in recognition of the long and eminent services rendered by him to the Borough as Town Clerk and Clerk of the Peace and in countless other ways and as a mark of the high esteem in which he is held by the people of Grantham."

It is apparent that Mr. Guile has given to his adopted borough many years of devoted and valuable service and that the high tributes paid to him at the Presentation Ceremony were well merited.

He is living in retirement at 29 Gladstone Terrace, Grantham, where he will be delighted to see any Old Stocktonian who happens to be in those parts. We last saw Mr. Guile in Stockton on the occasion of the "Horace King Dinner" in January, 1967, and hope it will not be long before he comes north again.

C. C. HALL (1941-45), who has been living in Harrogate and working in Leeds on multi-storey contracts, has moved from there to Glasgow. This is the result of promotion to Cost Controller (Scotland) for Tessons the builders.

In a letter written early in the year, DENIS HARDIE (1934-39) was anticipating that his duties with Vickers-Armstrong of Barrow might take him on trips to India and the Argentine during the year. However there was no reference to such trips in his later correspondence. We gather from his gloating over the glorious summer he and his family have enjoyed at their home on Windermere that he has spent most of the year there.

We note with great pleasure that VICTOR HARRIS (1915-22), now living at Barnstead in Surrey, was awarded the O.B.E. in the New Year's Honours List.

For news of the HELLIWELL family we are indebted to their father who left Eaglescliffe in 1956 and now lives in Hoylake.

PAUL RICHARD HELLIWELL (1949-54). Degree in Civil Engineering, Leeds, followed by research and Ph.D. in Hydrology. Married and went to Aderlaide, South Australia, where he worked for three years with the state water undertaking and become an Associate Member of the Institute of Engineers (Australia). Went to Hong Kong and spent three years preparing a report on the water resources there. Returned to this country in January, 1967, by which time he had three young daughters, who have since acquired a brother. Paul is lecturing at Southampton University, and resides at Netley Abbey, Hampshire.

DENNIS RODNEY HELLIWELL (1951-56). Degree in Forestry, Bangor. Worked for two years in woodlands management in Gloucestershire, then returned to do research at Bangor and obtained M.Sc. For three years has been a senior planning assistant with Staffordshire County Council, but recently transferred to the Nature Conservancy, stationed at Shrewsbury.

DEREK MALCOLM HELLIWELL spent only one year, (1955-56), at the School before removing to Stoke-on-Trent. He also took a degree in Civil Engineering at Leeds, and is on the staff of the Yorkshire Ouse and Humber River Authority. He recently married and resides at Otley, Yorkshire.

It may be of interest to mention that their sister, Patricia, who spent two years in the Sixth at Nelson Terrace, (1949-51), married KENNETH C. SAWYER, a member of a well-known Stockton family and Old Boy of the other place. They live in Rugby, with their young son and two daughters.

J. E. HEMPSEY (1954-61) took his Ll.B. at Leeds in 1964. In 1967 he completed the Law Society's Finals, and was awarded their prize for the best performance in the Accountancy paper. He is now working in a Middlesbrough practice.

JOE HEWITT (1923-29) has now been posted to the East Riding as Assistant Chief Superintendent of the Bridlington Area Police.

JIM HEWITT (1949-54), the son of our Old Boy President, left the Royal Navy last year after nine years service. This summer, after a year's study, he landed three 'A' level passes, with 'A's in Physics and Biology, and secured admission to Newcastle University to study for a degree in Marine Biology. We look forward with pleasure to hearing of further successes.

CHRIS HURT (1949-56) has left Bishop Auckland, where he was a lecturer at the Technical College, for Bootle where he has taken up a post as Assistant Education Officer.

There has been some conflict of opinion as to whether JOHN INGMAN (1953-58) was working for the National Gas Board or the National Coal Board. This now becomes a purely academic question, as we learn that as from April, 1968, he took up the post of Assistant Registrar of King's College, London. We understand that his younger brother, RICHARD is in the U.S.A. as a Mechanical Engineer.

J. JAMIESON (1949-54) spent the first six years after leaving school serving his apprenticeship as a draughtsman at Ashmore Benson and Pease. He gained his H.N.D. in Mechanical Engineering at Constantine College in 1960. He describes the next four years as his "itchy feet period,"

in which he had four jobs, ending in the lucrative field of contract draughting. Finally in January, 1965 he went overseas, as Design Engineer in the Blast Furnace Department of the Steel Company of Canada at Hamilton, Ontario. This lasted  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years till in September, 1967 he decided to try production. He "forsook his collar, tie and white shirt for lunchpail and shovel," under the title of "practiceman in the open hearth." He is in fact training for supervision from the bottom up. He is at present First Helper on an open hearth furnace and will eventually end up as a Melter in charge of several furnaces.

Jim sees quite a lot of JOHNNIE WALTON (1947-54) and has also met REX HARRISON from Norton (about 1952-57).

Finally he offers help and a welcome to any Old Boys who are contemplating moving to Canada. His address:— Apartment 104, 390 Guelph Lane, Burlington, Ontario, Canada.

D. A. JOHNSON (1955-63) took his B.Sc. (Econ.) (London) in 1966 from what was then the Bradford C.A.T. He then went to the University of Essex at Colchester and took an M.A. in Political Behaviour in 1967. He then returned to Bradford, where he has a post with Blackburn, Robson Carter and Co., Chartered Accountants. He married Kay Lancaster, a former Head Girl at Grangefield.

J. GLEN JONES (1956-61) reaped the reward of six years study when he obtained his B.Sc. with Honours in Mechanical Engineering from the C.N.A.A. He had alternated spells of full-time study at Constantine College with spells of work at Ashmore's combined with continuing Evening Class study. He is now working as a Design Engineer at the same works, now owned by Whessoe's. In April, 1968, he married Jean Currie, an ex-pupil of Grangefield Girls' School. For many years Glen has been a good singer, and he has recently joined the Tuesday Choir.

BARRY KEANE (1955-63) spent the year 1967-68 on the Staff of Grangefield Girls' G.S. He has now joined the Durham County police force under the new Graduate entry scheme.

We note with interest and some surprise that DR. HORACE KING, whose multifarious activities are known to all of us, has found time to write a play, "Peter Wentworth" which was recently broadcast on B.B.C's. Radio Four. The play is a political tragedy set in the reign of Elizabeth the First.

J. R. LAMBERT (1928-32) spent 30 years, before, during and after the war in the R.A.F. He is now back in Civvy Street, and is Teaching Mathematics at the College of Further Education in Kidderminster.

DAVID W. LANE (1961-63) went from school to Shenstone College of Education, and successfully completed the three year course, with a Distinction in 1966. He then went to Norwich, where he has been teaching Maths since September, 1966.

IAN D. LENHAM (1958-65) has completed his three year course at the City of Birmingham College of Education, and has been awarded his Certificate with a credit in Education.

DAVID S. LITTLE (1949-55) is still living at Formby and working for Skelmersdale Development Corporation. He has now been promoted to Deputy Chief Legal Officer.

Spare time activities include the Chairmanship of the Formby Choral Society (of which he is a Founder Member). Entered the Choir in its first Competition this year, the Lancashire County one and was awarded first place .He plays the flute accompanied by his wife (who sings in the Liverpool Phil. Choir). In return he accompanies her when she plays the Cello. He is also Chairman of the Skelmersdale Band of N.A.L.G.O. Also has a growing interest in Crown Green Bowling.

Whilst idling in the garden recently he was surprised to be greeted by CHRIS HURT (1949-56) who is now Assistant Educational Officer with Bootle Corporation and is living at Formby.

GEORGE D. LITTLE (1916-18) retired as Court Usher with the Stockton Magistrates' Courts at the beginning of May this year. He has moved out to Great Ayton, where he lives at 52 Wainstones Close.

George is, of course, an ex-President of the Old Stocktonains' Association, and has indeed held most of our offices. The Association owes him a great debt of gratitude, and we wish him a long and happy retirement.

W. N. LITTLE (1917-20) was the 1967-68 President of the Stockton Brethren.

We were pleased to receive a letter early in the year from Dr. J. A. LIVINGSTON, and surprised to see the Singapore postmark on it.

He writes—"I retired from my post in the Health Service last August, and not wanting to spend the remainder of my days in an arm chair, I accepted an appointment as ship's surgeon on a vessel operating in the Far East. My wife has joined me out here, and already I've visited many ports ranging from Thailand, Malaysia, Borneo, Hongkong and Australia. I must say it is a very pleasant way to spend one's retirement, and we are enjoying every moment. Despite all we've seen, and despite her present difficulties, England for us is still the best place in the world. There is tremendous unrest in Asia and it will be many a long day before there is the peace and tranquility of England."

We admire Dr. Livingston's enterprise, and hope that after enjoying his spell of life on the ocean-wave and in the footsteps of Conrad we shall see him again in our green and pleasant land. L. H. MEDLOCK has now moved from Maltby in Cleveland and is living at Durham. He is a full-time Lecturer in Foundry Subjects at Gateshead Technical College.

C. B. MELTON was awarded (in March 1968) a B.Sc. Degree of the Council for National Academic Awards. He studied for this at Sunderland Technical College.

Dr. HENRY G. MILLER has been appointed Vice-Chancellor of the University of Newcastle upon Tyne as from 1st October, 1968.

Dr. Miller went from school to Newcastle to read medicine, after which he held house appointments at the Royal Victoria Infirmary. He then spent a year at St. Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, followed by a year at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, London.

After two years as medical registrar at the R.V.I. he joined the R.A.F. as a neurological specialist, and returned in 1947.

He was appointed a part-time lecturer in the University in 1949, and became Dean of the Faculty of Medicine in 1965. From 1963-1966 he was Public Orator of the University of Newcastle.

Viewers (if there are any among our readers) will have seen him as a forthright and forceful commentator on medical questions.

With one possible exception, Dr. Miller's appointment is the Honour of the year among Old Stocktonians. We all applaud the choice and heartily congratulate him.

FRANK MOSES (1933-38), whose mother was for a spell recently a School Governor, has made a career as a Post Office Engineer. He was at St. Anne's-on-Sea for several years, but now works in London and lives at Leigh-on-Sea.

R. HAYDN NEAL (1955-62) has completed his period of graduate training with the English Electric Company at Stafford, and has now joined their outside commissioning department. Here he has varied prospects before him—he gives as examples of their work—a cement factory in Seville, steel mills on Teesside and a nuclear power station on Anglesey.

J. A. NICHOLSON (1931-37) has been with the Admiralty since he left school some thirty years ago. He has served in many places at home and abroad, including Singapore and Bermuda. He is married, has two children and has recently moved from Portsmouth to Headquarters in London. MALCOLM OZELTON (1953-60) has moved from the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis to California, where he is working in the Laboratories of the Northrop Corporation near Los Angeles. He is doing research in Physical Metallurgy for this firm which is building a large part of the controversial Boeing 747 giant jet plane. He and his wife (and the family they expect to have by then!) plan to return to England about the end of 1969. In the meantime they are finding life in California a tremendous experience and have already travelled over wide areas of the Western U.S.A., as well as visiting Expo 67 last year.

TERENCE M. PARKER (1953-55) was, from 1965 till this year, Physical Education Advisor to the Shropshire Education Authority, living near Shrewsbury. He has now taken up a new post as Outdoor Pursuits Advisor to Edinburgh Corporation.

We are indebted to ERIC BROWN for drawing our attention to a very interesting item in the "Northern Echo" about HARRY J. PICKLES (1903-06), who was our Old Boy President in 1919-20.

Harry has recently celebrated his golden wedding, and we congratulate him and Mrs. Pickles on this and send them our warmest greetings.

During these 50 years Mr. Pickes has set his inventive mind to work on many problems and has registered scores of designs at the Stationers' Hall in London. Some of these are household gadgets, others have been adopted by heavy industry.

His most lucrative invention was a design for a valve-balancing gear, which was used throughout the world in the steel industry. Among his other ideas used by industry have been a special crane for erecting gasholders, intricate gears for generators, and a turning device for hot steel bars in rolling mills.

Harry has had his disappointments too. He had great hopes for a clot-free fountain pen, but the advent of ball point pens scotched this one. He also invented a page-turning mechanism for musicians, but the unfortunate habit of musicians in learning their scores by heart meant that there was not much demand for this either.

Mr. Pickles is now working on a "Mechaleidoscope," which is similar to a kaleidoscope, only more complex. This, he says, could be adapted as a teaching apparatus in metallurgy.

IAN PRAGNELL (1964-66) went in October, 1967 to Sunderland College to do an external degree of Newcastle University in Civil Engineering.

R. PRITCHARD (1958-65) is now teaching at Frederick Nattrass School, Stockton.

HARRY RAY (1932-37), who was Stockton's Housing Manager until the end of March, became Deputy Director of Housing for the new County Borough of Teesside on its inauguration. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Housing Managers, an Associate of the Royal Society of Health and is honorary Secretary of the Northern Counties branch of the Institute of Housing Managers.

JAMES E. RENNIE, C.B.E., who was at S.S.S. in the nineteen-twenties writes with special affection of his memories of Evan Baldwin.

Mr. Rennie has now been for ten years Chairman of the Potato Marketing Board which controls the £70-80 million crop. He lives in Scotland, but flies up and back to London about three days a week throughout the year. There his dealings on the political side bring him into contact with Ministers of Agriculture rather than Speakers of the House of Commons, but he is always hoping to meet Dr. Horace King.

Mr. Rennie's duties bring him on occasion to Teesside—last year he officially declared open the Smith's Crisp Factory at Peterlee, and went to Stokesley Show to judge horses, so it is well on the cards that those who knew him may see him around one day.

DAVID ROBSON (1955-62), who spent several months each in Germany and Israel doing post-graduate study in Architecture, has now taken his M.A., with double Distinction. He won the Fletcher Prize at University College, London, for the best architectural student of the year. He is now working with the London Architects, Yorke, Rosenberg and Moser.

J. SANDERSON has now retired from British Council service, and taken up residence at Dawlish in South Devon, where we wish him a long and pleasant retirement.

DAVID S. SCOTT (1956-58) has left Plymouth and is now living at Crewe, where he is Lecturer in charge of the new Geology Department at the Cheshire College of Education.

LEN SEWELL (1935-40) writes from an address in Hollywood, at one time the most "romantic" address in the world! He remembers sitting for his School Certificate in 1940 at Nelson Terrace (or was it at Ragworth?). He is still busy with exams, and this summer took his finals at California State College, and gained his B.Sc. in Business Administration (Accounting, Commercial Law) cum Laude, on which we heartily congratulate him.

He has accepted an appointment with the United States Treasury Department, and expects to be auditing corporate income taxes in the Los Angeles area. If incomes in the Los Angeles area live up to the reputation they have in England, this should keep him busy!

Len writes with appreciation of the Year Book, and we in our turn greatly appreciate the friendly and informative letters sent by him and other Old Boys, far and near.

COLIN STABLER (1954-61), whom we last met on the touchline of an Old Boys' Frosty Boxing Day Soccer Match, writes from a most exotic address in Mexico. "I've been lucky enough to have been sent out to this beautiful coast of the Gulf of Mexico on the pretence of work. This involves geological investigations of the oilfields here and the training of the geologists of the sole Mexican state-owned oil company Petroleos Mexicanos, and will probably take a few years. Part of this time I hope to spend in Mexico City."

We trust that Colin is now sufficiently sun-drenched and sombrero'd for the British Olympic team to be astonished how well these Mexicans talk English!

DAVID H. STEWART (1957-63) is, we learn, shortly to be married, on which we congratulate him. He is at the Sunderland Branch of the National Provincial Bank, and at the end of 1967 he completed the necessary exams to become an Associate of the Institute of Bankers.

LESLIE STILL, formerly Chief Librarian in the Urban District of Billingham, is now Deputy Librarian in the new County Borough of Teesside.

DAVID TATCHELL (1957-64) has just graduated in Mechanical Engineering at Imperial College, London, and is returning there to study for a higher degree, with a scholarship from the Science Research Council.

RUSSELL THERSBY (1956-64) graduated at Dundee University this year, and has now returned there to take up a research appointment in Numerical Analysis, leading to a higher degree. During his four years as an undergraduate at Dundee he founded the University Orienteering Club, became President of the University Ski Club and was invited to captain the Scottish Universities Ski Club and organise the British Universities Ski Championships in 1968.

C. T. THOMPSON (1956-63) is working for Henry Williams' of Darlington, a firm specialising in railway equipment. He is in the electrical signalling department. At the same time he is working for his H.N.C. at Constantine College.

IAN C. THOMPSON (1958-65), having recently graduated in Computer Science at Manchester, is now working at Borehamwood, near London, for Elliott Automation as an Aerospace Engineer. His work involves logic design control of aircraft approaching airports.

Having been fortunate enough to be in an excellent position to witness his graduation, we now send him our warmest congratulations in print!

KENNETH TINKLER (1958-65) has been appointed to take charge of the Physical Education at Shildon Boys' Secondary School.

MALCOLM TURNBULL (1957-65), B.Sc. (Dunelm), is now to study Architecture. We congratulate him on his engagement to Janet Armstrong, who (as we are informed by our Whitehall correspondent) is the daughter of Sir William Armstrong, Permanent Secretary to the Treasury.

PAUL WADDINGTON (1960-67) has been accepted at the London Polytechnic for a General Honours Course in Science.

G. MARTIN WARNER (1957-64), having achieved a B.Tech. degree at Bradford, is continuing his training with Smiths Industries Ltd., Aviation Division, at Cheltenham, as a graduate apprentice. He is studying methods of improving the training of girl operators in the electronic production unit at Smith's. He finds this quite a change from his previous work which was mainly concerned with the new Smith's series 6 Autopilot and Flight System.

We trust that the dangers of studying girl operators will turn out not to be more serious than those of studying automatic flight.

J. L. WARNOCK was Captain of the School in 1944-45. On leaving, he went to what is now the University of Hull, and after having his College career interupted by two years' service in the army he graduated B.Sc. Honours in 1951. Then he had two further years in Hull, with British Industrial Solvents. In 1953 he went out to Northern Rhodesia as a chemist with Mufulia Copper Mines Ltd., with whom he has since remained He has been promoted several times and is now Refinery Superintendent. He returned to England late this summer—though we doubt if he recognises the season—and has gone for a three month course to the Administrative Staff College at Henley. During his time in Africa, Northern Rhodesia has become the independent country of Zambia (as every schoolboy knows). His wife is an ex-pupil of the old S.S.S., and they have three sons, two of whom are at Boarding School in Rhodesia.

D. P. WILLIAMS (1955-63), who has been doing post-graduate research at St. Andrews for the last two years, has now been appointed Assistant Lecturer in Bio-Chemistry at the same University.

W. L. WILSON (left in 1927) who is Chief Engineer of the Ministry of Public Building and Works, and who received the O.B.E. in 1954, was awarded the C.B. in the Birthday Honours of 1967. (Old soldiers please note that C.B. means Companion of the Bath.)

By this somewhat roundabout route Mr. Wilson sends us a message for Dr. Horace King, hoping that his engineers, who are responsible for the maintenance of the House of Commons, give satisfaction to Mr. Speaker and his fellow-members!

Writing forty years after leaving school Mr. Wilson finds that several members of staff still loom large in his memory—he mentions Messrs. Crockett, Baldwin, Eden, Nicholson, Baker, Dumble, Armstrong, Laverick, King and Upton. We hope he will be able soon to visit the school's no longer "new" home.

RICHARD WIMBERLEY (1954-62) went from school to Ushaw College to train for the Roman Catholic priesthood. He has now just completed a three year teacher-training course, having taken a break from his seminary studies in order to gain more experience before going on for the priesthood. He was to take up a teaching appointment in September.

PETER WIMBERLEY (1955-62) obtained M.B., B.S., and L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S. in 1967, after five years of study at King's College, Hospital London. From there he went to Dulwich Hospital in South-East London to work as a House Physician.

As a medical student he elected to spend a month in Copenhagen to broaden his experience. This indeed he did, and as evidence he adds that in March, 1968 he was to marry a Danish nurse. The wedding was to be in Denmark, but the young couple planned to live in England.

This was in the future when Peter wrote, but we hope that knot has by now been securely and happily tied!

DAVID G. WINN (1946-51) is now an Executive Officer with the Ministry of Transport in Birmingham.

#### BERT BISHOP (1915-19)

#### SOME RECOLLECTIONS (50 years later)

In 1918 (or was it 1919) the Australian Expiditionary Force Cricket team (I recall Warwick Armstrong the captain and Gregory the demon bowler) visited West Hartlepool to play against a Northern England team. The majority of the sixth form (a small group in those days) decided that our presence would enhance our education but we were doubtful if our form master (Mr. Eden) would subscribe to this view to the extent of giving his prior approval to our absence from school. So we took the day off "without leave" and, of course, had a wonderful time. The following day each of us arrived at school with identical notes from father reading "Please excuse......'s absence from school yesterday." It worked!

At a school performance of "Twelth Night" Vic Harris took one of the female parts. The production was fully costumed and "wigged," but you can imagine the re-action of the audience when Vic made an entrance "Sans" wig. He acted as if he had been unfrocked when he discovered the cause of the hilarity.

In recalling Evan Baldwin I remember being in his class the day his wife presented him with a daughter. Never had E.B. looked so proud. I also remember him as an umpire at the Cricket Club Reserve XI matches while I was perched in the Score Box making those hieroglyphics in the book which I suspect were handed down from the Egyptians. Perhaps this was my initiation into the science of statistics.

I also recall the humour and at times the biting wit of Mr. C. W. King (Cuthbert William to us) who on one occasion wrote the following lucid remarks on one of my term reports:—"He would do well if he would take the subject seriously." Remarkably I remember that I did and I did!!

On one occasion I was being playfully chased up the stairs at Nelson Terrace by C.W.K. Coming on the fourth corner I spied a shadow and we both slowed down to a sedate walk to pass—who but Mr. Eden. Another recollection—C.W.K. as pianist playing Debussy.

To some of us it was beyond the call of patriotism in World War I to have to study geography under a lady teacher. In fact one student (yes, yours truly) was banished on more than one occasion to study outside the confines of the class-room.

Another call to patriotism came in an appeal to Form V boys to assist on local farms in the summer holidays. Having volunteered I hied myself on a bicycle to a farm (it proved to be a market gardeners'). Having read about farm customs I arrived at 6 a.m. to find not even a mouse stirring.

Eventually I was led to a field which I was commanded to weed by hand. In a week the only respite was on a day when it rained (Oh! to be in England when it rains only one day a week) which day I was assigned to the rhubarb shed where I was directed to move rhubarb roots from one end of the shed to the other. From this time my future career as a Chartered Accountant was assured.

I wonder who can be critical of present day youth on recalling events of 50 years ago?

What a pity safety razors were not invented in 1915. Mr. Prest's hand, which was so steady when it came to disciplinary affairs, frequently failed him with an open bladed razor with consequent varied facial decorations at assembly.

#### TOM'S JOTTINGS

We had a long and interesting conversation the other day with Ian (Little Mac) McAleer. He joined Head Wrightsons in 1958 and left in March, 1967 for the wide open spaces of Canada. In Montreal, and again in Minneapolis, U.S.A., he met Dr. Malcolm (Big Mac) Ozelton. On another occasion he encountered Dr. Andrew (Jim) Carter at the World Fair. Little Mac stresses that Jim was resplendent in his best suit, a topical joke, one which escapes all but his immediate contemporaries such as Peter Sowler (Research and Development, C. A. Parsons Newcastle) and Clive Wilson (Grangemouth). Paroxysms of mirth greet this statement no explanation of the amusement has ever been vouchsafed to the writer of this note. Maybe we shall hear from Andrew himself. Ian McAleer returned to this country in time for the Old Boys' Dinner last year. He is entering Sunderland College of Education in September, 1968 for retraining as a teacher.

Eric Soden phoned the other day. After completing his course at Southampton University he disappeared, literally, into the blue for he is flying with the R.A.F. He has now returned to Leeming from out in the long grass. He is fit and well and provided that flying duties permit, expects to meet all his old cronies at the Dinner in January.

Friends of A. J. van Zetten (Zutt) will be interested to know that he married a girl from his old college, and that they now have a little boy. He is mining in Zambia and expects to return to Newark later this year. There is always a shakedown bed available in Hartburn, John, as there always used to be, if you care to renew old friendships at the Dinner this winter.

The Bush Telegraph has been active and informs us that Ronald Moyes, and Peter Dodds are both "down under" in Australia. If this note catches the eye of either globe-trotter we hope to hear further news of either of them.

David Nicholas, after obtaining a First in Architecture, is now completing his training in London, and is sharing a flat with Brian Dobson (degree in Chemical Engineering). Brian has obtained an appointment with Mobil Oil. His many lady friends, and they are of all ages, fully expect to see him appear on the well-known T.V. series this winter. The slight confusion with Mogul Oil seems to offer no difficulties to his admirers.

Ian Lenham has completed his course at Birmingham Training College and is teaching at Solihull, Rumour has it that the attractions of the area are not entirely confined to education.

Keith Bellwood has given up his temporary activities of brickslinging and gravel-shovelling. After completing his Teacher Training in Bristol he has taken up an appointment there. Methinks there are other attractions at Bristol too.

John Farrington joined Power Gas after graduating. He has been on site, with minor interruptions, for the past fourteen months at the Humber Refinery near Immingham. This he tells me is being built for the Continental Oil Co., Ponca City, Oklahoma. He is complete with large black beard. Peter Mackie had better look to his laurels, or should we say his beard. There is serious hirsute competition from John.

Alan White has, for some time, been with C. A. Parsons (Transformers) at Heaton. He has taken up a new appointment with Bruce, Peebles (Transformers) of Edinburgh.

Tom Sowler has achieved the rather rare distinction of having a letter read from the Floor of the House of Representatives, U.S. Congress. He corresponds fairly regularly with a number of Californians, one of them being a cousin, the Hon. Bob Wilson M.C., one of the Republican Party leaders in Congress. Some of Tom's remarks were considered to be of sufficient interest to be of note to Congress. For the Old Stocktonian record his letter appears in "Congressional Record (E 1725), Proceedings and Debates of the 90th Congress, Second Session."

William (Bill) Bellairs has reached the ripe old age of 83 and still retains his sense of humour. Many a time he has remarked, jokingly, that he hoped to have a good obituary in "our" magazine. Well this time the joke is definitely on him. We have decided that it is much better that Bill should have the pleasure of reading this little tribute whilst still very much alive, for when all is said and done we reckon he has a good seventeen years left in him to reach his unbeaten century. Bill started at "our" school in 1897. By the early twenties he was a keen bowler, being Secretary and later President of the Cleveland and South Durham Bowls League. In those far off days he made frequent visits to Doncaster and never failed to bring back with him a packet of Doncaster Butterscotch for his young admirer (the present writer). Mr. Bellairs has been Secretary of Pickerings Lifts Ltd. since June, 1928, and a Director of that firm for twenty years until his recent complete retirement. He has been a Governor of the Ropner Home for thirty years, and has served on the Board of Referees of the local Employment Exchange. Bill is of the real rare stuff of which Old Stocktonians are made. We wish him many more years of retirement.

#### STAFF NOTES

The Staff in July, 1968 consisted of:-

R. E. Bradshaw (Headmaster), J. G. Rattenbury, R. B. Wright, J. J. Durrant, D. J. D'Arcy, T. K. Whitfield, F. N. Tiesing, R. A. Taylor, J. Ingham, K. V. Stedman, H. O. Stout, W. Wilkinson, J. D. Charles, C. Sinclair, J. J. Byrne, H. Horsman, P. E. Hudson, B. Nicol, R. Kitching, B. P. Brand, D. G. Bell, J. R. Walton, A. J. Carter, H. T. Reay, Miss V. Covell, J. Russell, J. J. Green, J. Crowder, J. E. Bainbridge, R. K. Bingham C. D. Wakeling, L. E. Haworth, K. Black, V. W. Watton, P. H. Spight.

Mr. R. E. A. Willmer left us for an appointment at the Constantine College at Christmas, 1967, and was replaced at Easter, 1968 by Mr. K. Black, who came to us from Ferryhill Grammar-Technical School, Mr. Black is a Darlington man, went to Queen Elizabeth G.S., and then to Durham University where he gained his B.Sc. and his University colours for Association Football.

At Easter, Rev. G. C. Birch left us, having been appointed Vicar of St. Oswald's in Middlesbrough. In his place came Mr. V. W. Watton, a native of Oldham, who took his B.D. at King's College, London. He has taught in West Ham and Middlesbrough; and is married with one child.

Mr. A. J. Carter left Grangefield in Summer, 1968, and has taken up an appointment at Marlow on the Thames. His place on the Physics Staff has been taken by Mr. P. H. Spight, who went to school at Harlow in Essex and took his B.Sc. in London. He spent three years at I.C.I. Terylene Works at Wilton, and then decided to go into teaching. He went to Hull for one year and took his Post-Graduate Certificate in Education. He is married and has two children.

Mademoiselle Janine Viot of Firminy was our Assistante during the year 1967-68. We hoped to see her replaced in September by Mademoiselle Marie-Suzanne Egea. Her arrival, however, has been delayed, but we hope to welcome her later in the term.

One of our recent Assistantes, Mademoiselle Suzanne Verdera was married on 20th July to Mr. Douglas Atkinson of Ponteland College of Education. The couple are to live in Hexham. We wish them all happiness and prosperity.

News has reached us during the year of the deaths of two former members of the Staff both of whom were Old Boys of the School, T. B. Brooke and L. J. Thornton. It is sixteen years since Mr. Brooke retired, and few of the present staff remember him—all with great affection. Mr. Thornton left us five years ago and was still a young man, so that his death came as a great shock to us all. We would like to record our deep sympathy with Mrs. Thornton and their three children.

Miss Lynn Bage, whose name was mentioned in last year's Stocktonian as our new secretary, became Mrs. Lynn Prest soon afterwards, and subsequently (and consequently) left us—for the best of reasons. We are indeed sorry to lose her, as she was (and is) a most pleasant person and a most efficient secretary.

With the increase of office work natural in the world of today, we now have two full time secretaries—Miss Lynn Robson (previously shared by us with the Girls' School) and Miss Margaret Hughes.

### SCHOOL EXAMINATION SUCCESSES

(N.U.J.M.B., G.C.E. Examinations, June, 1968)

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

VI ARTS:-

N. H. Campbell Scripture Knowledge, History.

K. M. Hornby General Studies. C. W. Hugill R. E. Hull General Studies, English, Economics, English, Art. R. D. Ing Art, Music. K. Jackson Geography, Economics. P. E. Jackson History, Geography, Economics. French, German (S2). K. McCormick K. D. MacMillan General Studies, Economics. D. G. Penson French. B. K. Reynolds Economics. D. Robinson History, Geography, Economics. D. J. Scott English, Latin, French. General Studies, History, Economics. C. Simpson N. C. Spence P. H. Stock General Studies, English. German. J. Sutherland Economics, French. C. Thompson R. P. Waite General Studies, Geography, Economics. Economics. W. Warrener D. Wright Geography. English, French. VI SCIENCE:-General Studies, Economics (A), Maths (A) P. O. Argyle (S2), Further Maths (A) (S2). C. J. Beeston Maths (A), Physics, Geology. General Studies (A), Maths, Physics. M. J. Blades General Studies (A), Physics, Chemistry, Biology (A).
Maths, Physics, Chemistry. J. Blakey J. M. Brown J. D. Callender C. F. Calvert J. D. Cameron Maths, Physics, Chemistry. Geography, Art, Physics. T. R. Cowan

Maths (A), Physics (A), Chemistry (A) (S1). Physics, Chemistry, Biology (A). General Studies (A), Maths (A) (S1), Further J. D. Crowther Maths (A), Physics.

General Studies, Maths, Physics. Maths, Further Maths, Physics. K. J. Downie I. Elener K. Fryer Physics, Chemistry, Biology (A). D. J. Gibson Maths (A), Physics (S2), Chemistry. K. D. Haigh Maths, Physics.

General Studies, Maths, Physics. A. Harley Maths (A) (S2), Further Maths, Physics (A), R. Hewitson A. C. Jones General Studies, Maths.

S. Kirk G. Langthorne Maths, Physics (A), Chemistry.

Maths, Physics. J. K. Little General Studies (A), Maths, Physics (A) (S2),

Chemistry (A) (S1).

D. Mackin General Studies (A), Maths, Physics, Chemistry.

A. F. Malkin Maths (A) (S2), Further Maths (A), Physics (A).

N. P. Marsh Biology. Maths, Physics, Chemistry. A. Moody

C. Plummer

C. Moule Maths, Physics, Geology. J. M. McClemont General Studies (A), Maths, Physics, Chem-

istry. C. L. Neal Maths, Physics, Engineering Drawing. K. Nichols General Studies.

Maths, Physics.

T. Pollard

General Studies, Maths, Physics (A), Chemistry.

A. M. Postgate

Physics, Chemistry, Biology.

A. M. Postgate
I. W. Reynolds
P. Riley
General Studies, Maths, Physics.

A. M. Postgate
Physics, Chemistry, Biology.
General Studies, Maths, Physics.

J. K. Roberts
J. M. Robinson
Maths.
Art, Engineering Drawing.

R. Scott Physics I. M. Soulsby Maths.

A. T. Spence Maths (A) (S2), Further Maths, Physics.
M. Spendley General Studies, Maths, Further Maths,

D. G. Thurlwell Physics.
General Studies.
Biology.

D. Walker Maths, Engineering Drawing.

D. G. Willmer General Studies, Maths (A) (S1), Further Maths (A) (S2), Physics (A).

#### PASSES AT ORDINARY LEVEL:

(Figures in brackets indicate number of subjects).

#### FORM 4 R.

J. C. Dilworth (8); A. D. M. Johnston (1); C. P. Morgan (7); M. J. G. Moses (1); P. G. Walker (1).

#### FORM 5 R.

S. Collinson (5); C. J. Durrant (9); G. Fullerton (6); J. R. Hall (3); C. D. Hopper (9); P. M. Kaufman (4); A. J. Legg (1); D. Lonsdale (8); F. S. McClemont (9); N. A. McEwen (9); J. F. Mooney (5); J. Morton (9); M. Roberts (6); Stephen Robinson (8); Steven Robinson (9); R. A. Still (6); D. Taylor (6); S. Terry (8); K. E. W. Wallace (7); D. A. Watt (9); C. E. Webb (9); P. Webster (9); B. Winter (8); S. Wood (8); R. Young (9);

#### FORM 5 X.

S. C. Beaumont (6); A. Brennan (8); M. D. Brown (6); I. A. Carter (7); R. W. S. Cockrill (5); J. R. Cowan (7); M. I. Davies (2); P. Davison (4); G. F. Deehan (9); J. B. Ditchburn (2); M. D. Ellis (6); P. A. Frost (2); R. Glover (3); P. D. Harris (2); D. Husband (8); J. Kiddle (3); P. J. Kirby (7); C. G. Lord (4); M. N. Miller (5); E. M. Patterson (2); P. Pottage (10); J. S. P. Robson (8); I. Stansfield (8); D. Ward (6).

#### FORM 5 Y.

R. Allison (4); K. Ayre (2); G. Boston (4); M. Brown (4); P. R. Bruce (8); F. A. Cannon (6); B. E. Carlton (4); J. G. Cook (8); S. Cossins (7); D. P. Cummings (6); J. M. Dinsdale (4); B. Dixon (1); R. A. Easby (4); P. A. Egglestone (1); G. M. Featherstone (3); S. S. Forbes (7); J. Forrester (4); P. Goring (4); N. L. Hallett (8); S. Hunter (3); D. L. Lewis (8); D. R. Marshall (5); K. A. Nellist (7); R. G. Newton (5); L. K. Porter (5); K. T. Richardson (1); G. D. Robson (9); W. J. Stewart (7).

#### FORM 5 Z.

B. A. Beddow (5); D. N. Campbell (1); A. R. Davison (1); J. P. Dobson (2); A. Elliot (3); D. Jennings (3); G. J. Kennedy (2); K. F. Lewis (1); R. J. Matthews (3); E. Oglesby (3); D. Raybould (4); L. B. Ross (2); K. Smith (1); I. Stockport (2); M. L. Thompson (5); A. Ward (7); B. F. Ward (6).

#### SCHOOL LEAVERS FROM FIFTH FORM

A. J. Legg C. G. Lord

M. N. Miller

I. Stansfield

R. W. S. Cockerill

M. R. Brown

D. Lumley E. Paterson

F. Cannon B. E. Carlton J. Forrester

P. A. Egglestone

D. Marshall K. T. Richardson

B. Dixon

B. A. Beddow A. R. Davison D. Jennings K. F. Lewis

R. S. MacFadzean

R. J. Matthews E. Oglesby P. H. Phillips D. Raybould K. Smith M. Ward

S. L. Murphy M. Thompson, (1967) J. Jones (1967)

I. H. Stout

J. R. Hall P. Davison D. N. Campbell

FROM FIRST-YEAR SIXTH:

M. Lloyd K. Hunter

P. Stockport P. Gatenby A. Johnson

FROM LOWER FORMS:

J. Dilworth I. Anderson Commercial Apprentice, Head Wrightson Technical Apprentice, Rolls Royce, Derby.

Work experience-accepted Houghall Agricultural College.

Trainee Accountant, A. J. Barker, Middlesbrough. Trainee Accountant, Teesside Local Government. Clerk, Halifax Building Society.

Clerical Officer, Civil Service.

Technical Apprentice, Head Wrightson. Technical Apprentice Smart and Brown, Aycliffe.

Technical Apprentice, Shewell and Co. Darlington.

Laboratory Assistant, I.C.I.

Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Co. Trainee Clerk, Sedgefield R.D.C. Architects Dept.

Engineer Officer Cadet, Merchant Navy. Apprentice Plumber, I.C.I. Apprentice, Dorman Long.

Apprentice, Whessoe.

Junior Clerk, Teesside Local Govern-Trainee Surveyor, Bole and Partners.

Junior Clerk, Tarmac.

Technical Apprentice, Power-Gas. Assistant to Accountant, A. J. Barker. Apprentice Plater, Newton Construc-

tional Engineers. Apprentice Metallurgist, Dorman Long. Electrical Fitter, Fenny's Brushes.

Civil Service. Clerical Assistant Civil Service.

Stockton-Billingham Technical College. Stockton-Billingham Technical College. Stockton-Billingham Technical College.

Laboratory Assistant, Dorman Long's. Architectural Technician, R. Cowan and Partners. Sales Division, National Coal Board. Middlesbrough College of Art.

Middlesbrough College of Art.

Manchester Grammar School. Radio Apprentice, Teesside Airport.

#### LEAVERS FROM SECOND OR THIRD YEAR SIXTH:

C. S. Allen C. J. Beeston M. J. Blades

J. Blakey

J. M. Brown J. D. Callender C. F. Calvert

J. Cameron N. H. Campbell

A. H. Cohen J. W. Collins T. R. Cowan

J. Crowther K. J. Downie

I. Elener K. Fryer D. J. Gibson

K. D. Haigh A. Harley

R. Hewitson K. M. Hornby C. W. Hugill

R. E. Hull R. D. Ing K. Jackson P. Jackson I. M. James

J. M. James A. C. Jones S. Kirk G. Langthorne

J. K. Little D. Mackin

J. M. McClemont

K. McCormick N. P. Marsh A. F. Malkin A. Moody C. Moule C. L. Neal

K. Nichols

L. M. O'Neill C. Plummer T. Pollard A. M. Postgate I. W. Reynolds

P. Riley

J. K. Roberts D. Robinson

J. M. Robinson

Pembroke College, Oxford, Chemistry. Newcastle University, Civil Engineering. Nottingham College of Technology, Civil

Engineering. Newcastle University, Medicine.

Newcastle University, Medicine.
Newcastle University, Electrical Engineering.
York University, Chemistry.

Aston University, Behavioural Science. Newcastle University, Chemistry. Chester College of Education, P.E.

Oxford College of Technology, Hotel Catering Newcastle University, Medicine.

Dublin University, Mathematics.

Sunderland Technical College, Electrical Engineering.

Sheffield University, Mathematics.

Royal Holloway College, London, Zoology. Nottingham University, Physics and Chemistry.

Leeds University, Civil Engineering.

Nottingham College of Education, Education (Physics).

Sheffield University, Mathematics. Kirby Technical College, Middlesbrough.

Wolverhampton College of Technology, Economics.

Manchester College of Art, Art and Design. St. John's College, York, Education (Music).

Loughborough College of Education, P.E. Essex University, Economics.

Legal and General Insurance Company. Van Mildert College, Durham, Chemistry. Newcastle University, Mining Engineering. St. Catherine's College, Oxford, Chemistry. Sheffield University, Physics.

Leeds University, Electrical and Electronic Engineering.

Cardiff University, German.

Lancaster University, Mathe Eatics.

Leeds University, Chemistry

Newcastle University, Mechanical Engineering Staffordshire College of Technology, Electrical Engineering.

City of Birmingham College of Education,

Education (General Science). Camegie College, Leeds, P.E. Hull University, Physics.

Durham University, Chemistry. Aston University, Pharmacy.

Bangor University, Biochemistry and Soil Science.

Van Mildert College, Durham, Physics. Constantine College, Chemical Engineering. Nottingham College of Education, Education (Economics).

Manchester College of Art, Art and Design.

D. J. Scott R. Scott C. Simpson

A. G. M. Smith I. M. Soulsby A. T. Spence

M. Spendley J. Strachan J. Sutherland

C. Thompson

D. G. Thurlwell

D. Urquhart R. P. Waite D. Walker W. Warrener D. Willmer

D. Wright

Ulster University, Russian.

Bede College, Durham, Education (English).

Sheffield University, Mathematics. Durham University, Physics.

Hull University, Economics. Hull University, Law.

South Teesside Hospital Board,

Administrator. Bede College, Durham, Education (Physics).

Midland Bank.

University College, London, Mathematics.

Liverpool College of Commerce, Law.

(Gaps indicate our ignorance!)

#### UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE AWARD

C. S. Allen won an Open Exhibition in Chemistry to Pembroke College, Oxford.

#### UNIVERSITY DEGREES

News of the following successes has reached the school:—

D. A. Simpson (1952-9)

C. B. Barlow D. G. Robson

P. D. Wimberley D. Allan (1958-65)

E. M. Burgess (1959-66)

G. N. Barlow

P. A. Bell (1958-65) P. S. Coupe (1957-65)

P. Crossley (1961-64)

J. Cowen (1963-65) B. Dobson (1958-65)

J. R. England (1960-65)

J. Gillett (1957-64)

P. Graham (1958-65)

J. Gilliland (1962-64)

D. R. Gray (1958-65)

Ph.D.

Ph.D. in Chemistry.

M.A., Architecture, double distinction, London.

M.B., B.S., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S.

B.A. Hons. Class II Uper Division in English, Cambridge.

B.A. Hons. Class II Upper Division in History, Cambridge.

B.Tech. Hons. Class II in Chemistry and Administration, Loughborough. B.A. in English and Philosophy, Sussex.

B.Sc. Hons. Class II Upper Division in Civil Engineering, Imperial College, London.

B.A., Hons. Leeds.

B.Sc. in Civil Engineering, Salford.

B.Sc. Hons., Class II in Chemical Engineering, Newcastle.

B.A. Hons., Class II in Geography, Newcastle.

B.A. Hons., Class II in Geology, Manchester.

B.Sc. Hons., Class II Upper Division in Mathematics, Newcastle.

Diploma in Art and Design, Class II. Leeds.

B.Sc. Hons. Class II Upper Division in Electronics, Liverpool.

I. J. Gray (1958-65)
J. R. Hardwick
K. Hodgson
P. Hartley (1957-64)
J. G. Jones (1956-61)
M. J. Lewis (1957-64)
P. Magee (1958-65)
M. W. Mackinnon (19
C. B. Melton
D. Nicholas (1958-65)
S. Patterson (1958-65)
K. Prosser (1958-65)

P. Rigg

G. A. Rowden

J. C. Rattenbury (1958-65) J. P. Shaw

R. Thersby (1956-64)

I. Thompson (1958-65)

M. Turnbull D. G. Tatchell (1957-64)

R. Thwaites G. M. Warner (1957-64)

M. P. Wassall (1958-65)

B.Sc. Hons. Class II Upper Division in Mathematics, Manchester.

B.D.S., Newcastle. B.Sc., Durham.

Diploma in Business Studies, Manchester. B.Sc. (C.N.A.A.), Hons. in Mechanical

Engineering, Constantine College. B.A. Hons Class II in Modern Lang-

B.A. Hons Class II in Modern Languages, Cardiff.

B.A. Hons. Class II in Geography, Newcastle.

M. W. Mackinnon (1963-65) B.Sc. Hons. in Economics, London. C. B. Melton B.Sc. (C.N.A.A.), Sunderland Technical College.

B.A. Hons. Class I in Architecture, Bristol. B.Sc. Hons. in Economics, Hull.

B.Sc. Hons. Class I in Metallurgy, Birmingham.

B.Eng. Hons. Class II Upper Division, Sheffield.

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#### SCHOOL PRIZE DAY-2 nd November, 1967

Alderman Foster-Glass took the chair at the last Prize Giving to be held under the Stockton Education Committee. Councillor J. M. Scott, M.A. ex-Mayor of Thornaby and former Senior History and Economics Master at the School, now Head of the Department of Liberal and Cultural Studies at the Stockton-Billingham Technical College, presented the prizes.

#### PRIZE LIST, 1966-67

Form Prizes-

T. P. Dalton, P. M. Evans, P. A. Armstrong.A. Harper, D. J. Mellor, M. R. Johnson.

1Z A. Turner, P. Smith, P. A. Storr.

2LA D. Chesser, J. R. Allen, C. J. Beaumont.

2LB
I. M. Wilkinson, C. J. Pounds, C. Henderson.
2G
B. J. Baker, M. A. Makin, G. Hindmarsh.
3R
J. C. Dilworth, R. D. Dean, C. P. Morgan.
3A
C. R. Chappell, C. J. Hugill, M. G. Lawson.
3a
N. G. Reynolds, R. G. Mowbray, P. Kiddle.
C. D. Hopper, P. Webster, J. Morton.
G. F. Deehan, A. Brennan, P. Pottage.

J. G. Cook, S. Cossins, K. A. Nellist.

G.C.E. "O" Level Prizes-

M. Bissett, B. L. Collin, A. Fletcher, D. J. Goldsbrough, B. Graystone, J. R. Greenhalgh, C. E. Hall, C. N. Hall, D. P. Hunt, P. I. B. Johnson, D. J. Kelley, P. E. Mason, A. M. Russell, E. Thompson, R. Webb, A. H. Williams, C. J. Williams.

#### Lower Sixth-

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P. O. Argyle, J. D. Cameron, J. D. Crowther, D. J. Gibson, J. K. Little, A. F. Malkin, T. Pollard, A. T. Spence, D. G. Willmer.

Upper Sixth-

C. S. Allen, C. Ault, R. D. Brown, M. G. Denny, D. M. Eltringham, L. Fawcett, R. Ferguson, G. Good, P. Hiley, D. L. Hodgson, J. M. James, A. Kett, F. R. Lamplugh, R. Leitch, A. P. Lynas, C. A. R. Lyth, R. G. Moody, G. S. Reeve, J. C. Robson, K. Turner, M. J. Welch, R. P. Wootton

#### Special Prizes-

C. W. KING MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR ENLGISH: D. J. Goldsbrough. G. G. Armstrong Memorial Prize for History: D. P. Hunt.

HEADMASTER'S DEBATING PRIZE: D. G. Thurlwell.

LIBRARY PRIZE: I. W. Reynolds.

J. D. SMITH MEMORIAL FRENCH PRIZE: B. L. Collin.

MAGAZINE SCIENCE PRIZE: B. S. Clark.

Music: S. Buckton.

OLD STOCKTONIAN BURSARIES: G. A. Ward, C. T. Little, G. Good, A. P. Lynas.

DUX OF THE SCHOOL: C. T. Little PROXIME ACCESSIT: K. W. Ashman.

# SCHOOL OFFICIALS, 1967-68 Captain of the School—A. F. Malkin Vice-Captains—G. Langthorne and C. S. Allen

Senior Prefects: P. O. Argyle, C. J. Beeston, J. Blakey, C. Calvert, T. R. Cowan, K. J. Downie, D. J. Gibson, K. D. Haigh, A. Harley, C. Hugill, J. M. James, J. K. Little, C. Moule, L. M. O'Neill, T. Pollard, I. M. Soulsby, J. Sutherland, D. G. Willmer, J. D. Crowther, R. Hewitson, D. G. Penson, R. P. Waite.

Junior Prefects: M. J. Blades, D. A. Burton, I. Elener, K. Fryer, D. J. Goldsbrough, D. Mackin, J. M. McClemont, K. D. MacMillan, C. L. Neal, K. Nichols, A. M. Postgate, P. Riley, A. T. Spence, N. C. Spence, J. M. L. Strachan, M. A. Thurland, R. J. Thurland, D. Urquhart, A. M. Williams, C. J. Williams.

Captain of Rugby Football—C. Calvert Captain of Cricket—L. M. O'Neill Captain of Tennis—D. G. Willmer

#### HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIPS 1967-68

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

|                | Cleveland | Dunelm | Oxbridge | Tees |
|----------------|-----------|--------|----------|------|
| Debates        | 3         | 5      | 2        | 1    |
| Athletics      | 1         | 3      | 2        | 5    |
| Tennis         | 3         | 1      | 2        | 5    |
| Cricket        | 1         | 5      | 3        | 2    |
| Cross-country  | 2         | 1      | 3        | 5    |
| Basketball     | 5         | 2      | 1        | 3    |
| Table Tennis   | 2         | 5      | 3        | 1    |
| Swimming       | 1         | 3      | 2        | 5    |
| Rugby Footbal  | 1 2       | 3      | 1        | 5    |
| 7-a-side Rugby | 1         | 5      | 3        | 2    |
| Music          | 3         | 1      | 5        | 2    |
| Totals         | 24        | 34     | 27       | 36   |

Champion House: TEES

#### OLD BOYS RUGBY

#### Boxing Day, 1967-

For the first time in many years it was possible to play rugby—though the pitch was almost waterlogged.

The Old Boys won quite easily, 22-0, though this was mainly due to county calls on the school team. Five players—key positions of scrumhalf, stand-off, hooker, prop and wing three quarter—were selected for the county 18 group on the next day.

I am assured by the Old Boys' players that if the opposition had been stronger, they would have risen to the occasion!—This was gasped out unconvincingly.

There were only two injuries to players prior to the match and it must be a near record that 13 selected players actually turned out! Geof. Crossley had an arm injury and Dave Young, who has played for University College 1st XV this season, stepped in—just as his brother Ray stepped into the School team at the last minute! Graham Rayner was injured on the previous Saturday and his brother Dave decided he would star.

The match was quite open considering the conditions and if the school had been quicker on the ball when it was dropped (not surprisingly!) the match would have been much closer. John Henderson (Joe) scored the first try in the corner in spite of two attempts to barge him into touch. Geof. Good, the school star kicker of the previous seaxon and this year's captain, missed this conversion but goaled the next and then conceded the kicking to Colin Cuthbert (one superb kick from 15 yards out, in the middle!) Tony Walker (one surprising miss!) and David Rayner (one number five iron shot which successfully cleared the bar from a penalty).

To David Rayner also falls the everlasting dishonour of his usual party trick—beating two or three men on a postage stamp—and then letting go of the ball as he dived over the line. Graham would never have done that (nor the party trick said Dave!). Another devastating tactic involving Dave—a multiple dummy scissors—aided by the rest of the three quarter line! He took the ball on the left, dummied his way to the right, screaming and offering the ball, all the time beat the last defender on the outsideand then fell over!

On the more serious side, the Old Boys kept the game very open and ran with the ball at every opportunity. John Moore, Malcolm Parker and Roger Atkinson combined with the three quarters on many occasions, whilst Tony Walker and Colin Cuthbert actually made an overlap during several second-half moves.

Our referee was David Darling of the Durham Society who gave up a couple of hours leisure to see fair play. Our thanks to him for a job well done.

The Old Boys' Team was:—
Geof Good (Capt.), Dave Rayner, Clive Skilbeck, Lol Douglas, John Henderson, Dave Young, Ian Fox, Roger Atkinson, John Moore, Malc. Parker, Tony Greenhalgh, Colin Cuthbert, John Harrison, Brian Waller, Tony Walker.

For the record, the score was: Old Boys 22, School 0, and the scorers for the Old Boys were:-

Tries—Henderson (2), Fox, Young and Parker.

Conversions: - Good (1), Cuthbert (1).

Penalties:-Rayner (1).

#### Easter, 1968-

Unfortunately this game had to be cancelled because the ground was too hard. There had been no rain for almost three weeks and in order to contact players, a decision had to be made two days before the game. As usual in these circumstances—as soon as the game was cancelled—it rained!

Even if the game had gone on, either ourselves or Stockton 1st XV (or both!) would have been weakened. Stockton Rugby Club had a fixture at Redcar in a four team, fifteen a side tournament. As holders of that trophy they had to compete and as usual most of the Club 1st XV are Old Boys of the School. To end on a happy note; Stockton retained the trophy and enjoyed the rugby.

Don't Forget . . . . .

..... There are two matches each year and they are arranged for your benefit!-Help the organisers by letting them know if you are available and your address the week before the game(s).

#### 1st XV RUGBY, 1967-68

Yet another successful season was enjoyed by the 1st XV, losing only two matches out of the fourteen fixtures which they were able to play.

Seven of our players represented the school on the county side, they being; Calvert, Langthorne, Soulsby, M. Roberts, A. J. Roberts, M. Thurland and R. Thurland. Langthorne captained the county side on several occasions and Calvert was given a North of England Trial.

The top scorer was Calvert with 110 points amassed by some splendid kicking and top try scorers were Collins with 19 tries, R. Thurland with 12, and M. Thurland with 11.

The first team regulars were: A. T. Roberts, J. Collins, R. Newton, M. Thurland, R. Thurland, M. Roberts, C. F. Calvert (*Capt.*), G. Langthorne, I. M. Soulsby, E. Thompson, L. Porter, P. Argyle, D. Urquhart, C. Moule, R. Cowan and B. Winter.

A very useful squad of reserves consisted of Young, D. M. Hall, Robson, Waite and Wilson.

| Rooson, wa | itte and wilson,               |       |               |
|------------|--------------------------------|-------|---------------|
| Results-   | Morpeth<br>Archbishop Holgates | Lost  | 5—11<br>22— 9 |
|            | Henry Smiths                   | Won   | 25- 0         |
|            | Bede Hall                      | Won   | 10-3          |
|            | Acklam Hall                    | Won   | 6-0           |
|            | Scarborough H. S.              | Drawn | 6-6           |
|            | Sir William Turners            | Won   | 18- 5         |
|            | Bede G. S.                     | Won   | 69-0          |
|            | Acklam Hall                    | Won   | 14-3          |
|            | A. J. Dawsons                  | Won   | 53-0          |
|            | Sir William Turners            | Drawn | 11-11         |
|            | West Moor                      | Won   | 16-0          |
|            | Darlington H. S.               | Lost  | 6-8           |
|            | Hartlepool G. S.               | Won   | 23-0          |

Played 14 Won 10 Lost 2 Drawn 2 Points for 284 Against 66

GRANGEFIELD G.S. 2nd XV RUGBY REPORT-Season 1967-68

Throughout the season, the team was stoically led by Don Robinson, who also assumed the unenviable task of leading the pack. Despite several team changes during the course of the season, the team won eight out of the fourteen matches played; four matches were lost—all by narrow margins; one match was drawn; and the remaining match was abandoned after half a minute, to allow the 1st XV access of the only pitch in a fit state to be played on—needless to say there had been no score.

During the season, several players formed an effective nucleus of the team; they were:—the aforementioned Robinson, an enthusiastic prop or lock; Bob Scott, an active wing forward; Dick Hewitson, a good centre threequarter; his centre partner, the hard running, hard tackling, invaluable Keith Jackson; John Sutherland, an elusive stand-off half who was courageously served by scrum half John Phillips; Ray Young, a very fast, match winning winger; Alan Smith, who occupied a wing-forward position, despite starting the season with a cracked collarbone, and collecting a nasty eye injury later; Ray Waite, a "seasoned campaigner," but nevertheless a first-class prop; Terence Wilson, who (with his feet), occupied the hooker's position for every match; John Robson who was an efficient back and line-out man, had a set-back when he cut his eye, but overcame this; David Hall, a reliable full back, who turned wing forward with great success during the last matches of the season.

Many others who fought for places deserve a mention; Gaz Hanrahan, Bri Collin, Steve Hunter, John Cook, Trev, Pollard, Col. Simpson, Bill Stewart, Charlie Hall and Andy Williams. As can be seen, enthusiasm was one thing the team did not lack—many reserves played for the 3rd XV, which had a short season, and provided a game for the enthusiastic reserves.

The 2nd XV played many hard games, probably the best being against Morpeth (won), Acklam G.S. (lost—twice) and Scarborough—(also lost) where the team played with 13 men for a good deal of the match. In all matches, the team gave its best, but sometimes, had to reluctantly admit defeat.

Second team rugby is still the "poor relation" of 1st XV rugby, as far as skill is concerned, but this last season saw an increase in enthsiasm in 2nd XV rugby which holds well for future 2nd XV teams.

Thanks to all members of staff concerned with helping the team during the season.

Results—Away v Morpeth; won 16-9, Home v Archbishop Holgates; lost 3-8; Away v Stockton Colts, won 32-19; Home v Henry Smiths, won 11-3; Home v Bede Hall, won 11-6; Away v Acklam G.S., lost 11-19; Home v Durham School, won 14-0; Home v Scarborough, lost 6-9; Away v Coatham drew 11-11; Away v Acklam G.S., lost 6-11; Home v Middlesbrough H.S., won 6-0; Home v A. J. Dawsons, won 33-0; Home v Darlington, lost; Away v Hartlepool, won.

#### U. 15 RUGBY, 1967-68 SEASON Played 13, Won 10, Lost 3.

With P. Gardiner as the captain the team had a good season. Hedley and Chester represented the county.

Top scorers were Cinnamond, 56 pts; Fawcett 54 pts; Gardiner 36 pts.

In the Morpeth seven-a-side Competition the team reached the semifinal. They were defeated by a strong Middlesbrough side 13-3.

#### SCHOOL CRICKET-FIRST ELEVEN RESULTS

4th May v Guisborough Grammar School— Guisborough 66 all out (Downie 5-21—wicket off first ball of season) Grangefield 68-2 (Sutherland 48 n.o.). Result—win by 8 wickets.

18th May v Friends' School, Great Ayton—Grangefield 111-6 at full time (O'Neill 49 n.o. Kayes 43). Great Ayton 48-6 at full time (Webster 4-18). Result—Draw.

22nd May v Hatfield College— Grangefield 84-4 (O'Neill 25, Jackson 23). Hatfield 82-9 (Webster 3-10). Result—Draw.

25th May v Hartlepool Grammar School— Grangefield 117-6 (Jackson 63, Webster 25). Hartlepool Grammar 91 (Downie 7-8). Result—Win. 1st June v Eston Grammar School— Grangefield 77-6 (O'Neill 22, Jackson 27). Eston Grammar 69 (Sutherland 6-3). Result—Win,

15th June v Yarm Grammar School— Grangefield 62 (Sutherland 28). Yarm Grammar 55 (N. Campbell 6-3, Webster 3-23). Result—Win.

26th June v George Stephenson Grammar School— Grangefield 97 (N. Campbell 41). George Stephenson Grammar 94 (Webster 6-38, N. Campbell 3-46). Result—Win.

6th July v Stockton Grammar School— Stockton Grammar 20 (N. Campbell 5-0, Sutherland 4-3). Grangefield 21-0. Result—Win.

#### **UNDER 14 CRICKET**

Cancellations reduced the team's fixtures to three matches. A moral victory was achieved over Guisborough. This was followed by a narrow defeat at the hands of Stockton G.S. In the final match Wellfield were dismissed for nine runs, Grangefield winning by ten wickets.

The team, capably led by Lockwell, produced good batting displays right down the order. The bowling lacked penetration. Next season's team should once more be a strong one, with several key players still available.

#### ATHLETICS, 1968

DIARY—
Annual Athletic Sports, 23rd May.
Durham County Senior School Sports, 25th May.
Stockton Schools Sports, 28th May.
Durham County Area Sports, 16th June.
English Schools Championships, 6th July.
Grangefield v Hartlepool v Billingham Bede, 12th July.
Form Relays, 19th July.

#### SCHOOL SPORTS RESULTS— JUNIOR—

| JUNIOR-                             |             |               |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| FIRST                               | SECOND      | THIRD         | PERFORMANCE |
| 80 yards—<br>Hood (T)<br>150 yards— | Swales (D)  | Simpson (W)   | 11.0 Secs.  |
| Booth (D)                           | Bister (T)  | Beadle (T)    | 19.0 secs.  |
| 330 yards—<br>Booth (D)<br>Hurdles— | Buckle (T)  | Bister (T)    | 47.3 secs.  |
| Buckle (T) High Jump—               | Cook (D)    | Armstrong (T) | 14.1 secs.  |
| Hood (T)                            | Gardner (O) | Bell (C)      | 4'10" (Rec) |
| Long Jump—<br>Gardner (O)           | Buckle (T)  | Kreczak (O)   | 14'11"      |
|                                     |             |               |             |

| Shot—<br>Hood (T) | Miller (D)     | Laverick (C)  | 36'4"     |
|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------|
| Relay—<br>Tees    | Dunelm         | Oxbridge      | 57.2 Sec. |
|                   | Junior Champio | n—Hood—15pts. |           |

| INTERMEDIATE-                           |               |                |               |
|---|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| FIRST                                   | SECOND        | THIRD          | PERFORMANCE   |
| 100 yards—<br>Pearson (T)<br>220 yards— | Gardiner (O)  | Beattie (O)    | 11.7 secs.    |
| Pearson (T)<br>440 yards—               | Hindle (D)    | Douglas (C)    | 26.4 sec.     |
| Gardiner (O)<br>880 yards—              | Beattie (O)   | Dilworth (T)   | 59.5 sec.     |
| Smales (D)<br>Mile—                     | Thompson (O)  | Webster (D)    | 2m. 21.2 s.   |
| Smales (D)<br>Hurdles—                  | Cinnamond (D) | Thompson (O)   | 5m. 15.5 s.   |
| Makin (C)<br>High Jump—                 | Cameron (D)   | Chester (D)    | 13.1 sec.     |
| Cleveland (C)<br>Long Jump—             | Hedley (C)    | Goldthorpe (D) |               |
| Gardiner (O) Triple Jump—               | Beattie (O)   | Douglas (C)    | 18'0½"        |
| Beattie (O)<br>Shot—                    | Pearson (T)   | Gardiner (O)   | 35′2″         |
| Hedley (C) Discus—                      | Ayres (C)     | Brown (O)      | 36'0"         |
| Hannah (C) Javelin—                     | Greaves (C)   | Chester (D)    | 94'1½"        |
| Pearson (T)<br>Relay—                   | Marshall (D)  | Birch (O)      | 127'11" (Rec) |
| Oxbridge                                | Cleveland     | Tees           | 52.0 sec.     |

#### Intermediate Champion-Pearson 18 pts.

| SENIOR-                               |                 |                |              |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| FIRST                                 | SECOND          | THIRD          | PERFORMANCE  |
| 100 yards—<br>Young (T)<br>220 yards— | R. Thurland (T) | M. Roberts (D) | 10.7 sec.    |
| R. Thurland (T) 440 yards—            | Collins (D)     | M. Roberts (D) | 25.0 sec.    |
| Collins (D)<br>880 yards—             | Latimer (D)     | M. Thurland (T | ) 58.2 sec.  |
| Edwards (T) Mile—                     | Russell (D)     | Mooney (C)     | 2m. 21.1 s.  |
| Jones (O)<br>Hurdles—                 | Webb (O)        | Mooney (C)     | 4 m. 59.2 s. |
| Young (T)<br>High Jump—               | Latimer (D)     | Roberts (T)    | 18.8 sec.    |
| Leitch (T) Long Jump—                 | R. Thurland (T) | Kiddle (D)     | 5′4″         |
| Newton (O) Triple Jump—               | M. Thurland (T) | Wheatley (T)   | 17′0″        |
| Young (T)                             | Newton (O)      | Roberts (D)    | 39′9″        |
| Shot—<br>R. Thurland (T)              | Porter (D)      | Collins (D)    | 32'71"       |

| Discus—<br>Young (T)    | Moule (D)        | Winter (D)     | 109'31"   |      |
|-------------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------|------|
| Javelin—<br>Stewart (D) | Thompson (C)     | O'Neill (C)    | 128′3″    | 1000 |
| Relay—<br>Tees          | Dunelm           | Cleveland      | 47.8 sec. |      |
|                         | Victor Ludorum—Y | oung-20 points |           |      |

First—Tees (122 pts.); Second—Dunelm (86 pts.); Third Oxbridge (74 pts)

School athletics activities commenced with the Annual Sports on the 23rd May Tees became House Champions for the third successive year with a total of 122 points. Only two records were broken—both in field events. In the junior high jump Hood broke the record by 3° (4'10") and Pearson threw the Intermediate Javelin 2' more than the previous record (new record 127'11").

In the Durham County Senior Sports the school team did better than for some years finishing sixth out of 31 schools. The only schools to achieve more points were—Billingham Campus (1) Washington (2), Darlington (3rd) West Hartlepool (4th) Peterlee (5th). Noteworthy performances were achieved by Makin, Junior 100 yards; Hindle, Junior 220 yards; Smales, Junior 880 yards; Young, Inter hurdles (record), R. Thurland, Senior 220 yards; Jones, Senior Mile. The Junior Relay Team (record), and the Intermediate Relay Team.

In the Stockton Schools Sports the School once more provided most of the winners who were to represent the area in the areas championships. R. Young won the Intermediate Hurdles (record), A. Makin the Junior 100 yards and the Junior Relay team including Makin, Hindle and Douglas also won. R. Young and A. Makin were selected to represent Durham County in the National Championships Where R. Young successfully defended his "Nationals" title once more notching a record (13.7 secs.).

The junior forms triangular match has now become a regular feature of the athletics calendar, and this year the school successfully competed against Hartlepool and Bede Hall. Winners included Wild (440 yards), Rayner (220 yards), Douglas (triple and long), Makin (100 yards and 220 yards), Smales (mile), Gardiner (100 yards), Beattie (triple and long jump) 3rd year relay and 4th year relay.

The inter form relays once more took place on the last morning of school term and the results were as follows:—

| Sprint Relay—<br>First            | SECOND | THIRD | PERFORMANCE  |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-------|--------------|
| First Year—<br>1Z                 | ix     | 1Y    | 59,9 sec.    |
| Second Year—<br>2LA               | 2LB    | 2G    | 54.2 sec.    |
| Third Year—<br>3G<br>Fourth Year— | 3LA    | 3LB   | 50.7 sec.    |
| 4R                                | 4A     | 4X    | 50.7 sec.    |
| Medley Relay—<br>First Year—      |        |       |              |
| 1Z                                | 1X     | 1Y    | 4 m. 51.6 s. |

| Second Year—<br>2LA               | 2LB | 2G      | 4 m. 52.2 s. |
|-----------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------|
| Third Year—<br>3G<br>Fourth Year— | 3LA | 3LB     | 4 m. 11.5 s. |
| 4R                                | 4A  | 4 alpha | 4 m. 13.5 s. |

FIRST TEAM BASKETBALL

The season 1967-68 proved to be one of the most successful seasons for many years for the team. Although we did not enter the Teesside League we managed to arrange many friendly matches which proved to be of a higher standard. An example of this was the match against the Old Boys which we won 60-53. Entering three tournaments the team carried off two trophies and were beaten finalists in one. In the Bede Tournament the school side were beaten in the final by Bede after a week in which they played five fixtures in seven days. In the Darlington Tournament we avenged our previous defeat by the All-England Finalists, namely Bede, to take the trophy. Finally to the climax of the season, the North Eastern Championship Final, against Peterlee Meteors. After being behind for most of the exciting and entertaining game Grangefield produced their final sprint to win the trophy by 40-33 and so crown a very satisfying season.

Thanks from the team to Mr. Green and all the support we received during the season.

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COLOURS AWARDED TO:-

Whitecross (Captain), Thompson, Young, M. Roberts, Newton. HALF COLOURS—R. Thurland and Porter.

TOP-SCORERS-

Young-252 points, Whitecross-92 points, M. Roberts-78 points.

#### U. 15 BASKETBALL, SEASON 1967-68

The team won every match it played in the south area, the biggest win being over Newham Grange at home by 102-2.

In the semi-final of the County Cup, an under-strength team was narrowly beaten by Bede Grammar, Sunderland, by 44-39.

Players who played throughout the season are:-

Gardiner (Captain), Marshall, Greaves, Hedley, Webster, Douglas, Makin.

#### OLD BOYS BASKETBALL

A magnificent, successful, enjoyable season. Look at our record—Played 14, Won 13, Lost 1.

We were defeated unfortunately in the Semi-finals of the N.E. Area Challenge Trophy (we won one of the 'legs' of this match).

We did, however, win one trophy for heading the Teesside League and medals are to be presented. The trophy is held by J. Moore a most able skipper last season. His wholeheartedness was an inspiration to the team. We now feature in Division One and Division Two of the Teesside League so players, experienced or otherwise are very much in demand.

Congratulations again to all who helped to make this such an enjoyably successful season.

#### SCHOOL TENNIS, 1968

Once again, the school tennis team had only a moderate season. It started off well with good wins, but was knocked out of the Glanville Cup in the First Round by Ryhope. Later in the season, the team suffered its two defeats in friendly games, by Darlington and Coatham.

The team for most of the matches consisted of J. Phillips and D. Willmer, R. Newton and N. McEwen, A. Copeland and L. Porter.

The second team did not play many matches, but did well to lose only one match, against Coatham. C. E. Hall, C. N. Hall, D. Chesser, D. Cummings, B. Collin, C. Dilworth played for the second team.

#### SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY

The senior cross-country team had mixed fortunes during the season 1967-68. Several of the previous year's runners provided the backbone of the team, with some newcomers, notably Jones, providing surprises. The season started badly, with six consecutive defeats at the hands of very strong teams such as Sedgefield police cadets and Q.E.G.S., Darlington. After this, however, victories were recorded against Acklam, Stockton G.S., St. Mary's College, Middlesbrough police cadets, Durham School and Eston. Thus the results at the end of the season read.

P. 17, W. 7, L. 10.

Besides this, the team put up a creditable performance under terrible conditions in the North-Eastern Grammar Schools' Championships, coming fifth from an entry of seventeen schools. Jones ran well to be placed tenth, as did Cossins and Webb, who were eighteenth and twenty-second. Jones, Ing, Latimer, Campbell, Russell and Scott were selected for the Stockton team which was placed second to Sunderland in the county championships by a margin of only eight points. Jones went on to represent the county in the national championships.

The team looks forward once more to a successful year, especially as Purcifer, who was third in the county championships, is now a lower sixth member of the school.

We should like to thank Mr. Hudson and Mr. Russell for their (sometimes unwelcome!) encouragement.

Captain: Latimer, Secretary: Russell. Full Colours: Jones, Campbell, Latimer, Ing. Half Colours: Scott, Russell, Willmer, Fryer.

#### SWIMMING

The school has not been as successful as last year but maintained a good record in the galas entered. We competed in the Stockton Club and Stockton Civic Galas—our first year team gaining two second places in the free-style relays and Peter Hood winning the U.13 freestyle championship.

In the Schools' Gala we were beaten by St. Bede for both the "most points scored" trophy and in the U.15 freestyle relay—the latter after an unlucky draw—an outside lane. For the first time, this gala was a prelude to a Teesside Schools Gala and the local organisation, the Stockton District of the Teesside Schools' Swimming Association, sent a team which included two of our swimmers—Rodney Blackburn in the 13-16 age group Backstroke and Ind. Medley, and Colin Webb in the same events at 16-19 age groups. Rodney Blackburn swam extremely well but was just beaten by opponents a year older. Colin Webb not only won his two events in this gala easily, but went on to win the County backstroke title and finished close in the Individual Medley.

Colin Webb was the outstanding swimmer last year. He competed for the No. 1 division of The English Schools' Swimming Association (Northumberland, Durham and Cleveland) at the Schoolboy National Championships held in October (1967) at the International Pool, Leeds. He did extremely well to reach the final of the 100 metres backstroke and finished fifth, after turning with the leaders. His speed over the first 50 metres was rewarded during the medley relay. He helped the No.1 division to the fourth place and was awarded a national standards certificate for beating the "standard" during his leg of the relay.

The school continues to support the Personal Survival Tests. These are designed to give a person confidence in the water, under difficult conditions. The highest award, the Gold, is well worth gaining and several of the boys have managed it this year.

 Awards gained—
 1967
 9 Gold
 14 Silver
 23 Bronze

 1968
 7 Gold
 16 Silver
 15 Bronze

Footnote to Swimming-OCTOBER-

We now have a national champion in the school! One of our newcomers in the first form, Peter Ball, won the 110 yards breaststroke event for 11 year olds at the National Age Groups' Championships.

#### SWIMMING GALA

The School Gala was held on Thursday, 11th July in the old pool! This in fact is definitely the last time we shall use the old bath for our gala as the new pool is due to be opened within a month or two of writing (September).

Tees house once more were the victors with Dunelm second and Oxbridge third. The individual champions were:—

Senior—Webb (Oxbridge)
Intermediate—Blackburn (Tees)
Junior—Hood (Tees)

| Resul | ts—<br>STROKE— |  |                 |              |
|-------|----------------|--|-----------------|--------------|
| Jun.  |                | Cooke (D)                                | Slater (C)      | 16.9 sec.    |
| Int.  | Blackburn (T)  | Chester (D)                              | Cleveland (C)   | 32.7 sec.    |
| Sen.  | Webb (O)       | Carlton (D)                              | Philips (T)     | 47.5 sec.    |
| BREA  | STSTROKE—      |  |                 |              |
| Jun.  | Kirkwood (C)   | Storr (T)                                | Kayes (D)       | 21.7 sec.    |
| Int.  |                | Chester (D)                              | Cleveland (C)   | 36.7 sec.    |
| Sen.  | Webb (O)       | Kiddle (D)                               | Collin (T)      | 60.5 sec.    |
| FREES | STYLE—         |  |                 |              |
| Jun.  | Hood (T)       | Cooke (D)                                | Kitching (C)    | 14.1 sec.    |
| Int.  | Chester (D)    | Blackburn (T)                            | Makin (C)       | 29.5 sec.    |
| Sen.  | Webb (O)       | Carlton (D)                              | Hall (T)        | 45.4 sec.    |
| DIVI  | NG—            |  |                 |              |
| Jun.  |                | Cooke (D)                                | Slater (C) & Ri | chardson (O) |
| Int.  | Blackburn (T)  | Chester (D)                              | McDonald (O)    |              |
| Sen.  | Young (T)      | Carlton (D)                              | Webb (O)        |              |
| RELA  | YS             |  |                 |              |
| Jun.  | Tees           | Cleveland                                | Dunelm          |              |
| 100   |                | 7. |                 |              |

Jun. Tees Cleveland Dunelm Int. Dunelm Oxbridge Tees

Sen. Tees — — — — — — — House Championship—Tees 66 pts., Dunelm 48 pts., Oxbridge 24 pts.

#### MUSIC NOTES

It is pleasant to recall past conflicts in tranquillity. This must also be a feeling shared by many tortured quavers generated by the school orchestra and now languishing listlessly amid the music of the spheres.

It has been a busy year, more and more aspirants climb higher up the greasy pole thoughtfully provided by the Associated Board—facilis descensus Averno! The orchestra is now grown so large that it seems unlikely that there will be room for an audience next Easter, which may be held by many to be a good thing! A performance of the first movement of Haydn's "London" Symphony was probably the most ambitious venture to date. The brass section continues to grow and we now have a french horn (Flanders and Swann) which seeks a player. The only instrument now lacking is a bassoon (wealthy philanthropists please note!)

A major event in the calendar was the completion of Mr. Reay's harpsichord which arrived just in time to make a bow at the Easter concert, a further increment to Mr. Reay's musicianship and industry.

The choir continues to flourish, about one hundred and fifty strong which continues to rend the heavens with Handelian choruses.

The usual events were well received—The Carol Party which was graced by the young ladies from "next door"—our Carol Service, held in the Brunswick Street Church, and graced again by the good offices of Mr. Meffin. The Easter concert was held again on two evenings and proved successful. Only one major hitch occurred when it seemed that one of the trumpeters was preoccupied by another piece of music, however, subsequent autopsy revealed that a valve had stuck.

The House Competitions this year came under the genial sway of Mr. A. R. Knight (music organiser for Bradford), whose comments were brief and pointed, a fact which endeared him to all concerned. He declared himself impressed by the general level of musical attainment and bestowed a special level of approbation on the last string quartet, the like of which he had never heard before.

It is fairly obvious that the level in music-making is generally higher. This is fairly indicated by the Associated Board results (below). This year there have been about seventy entries (some boys taking three grades in one year!!). There have been only five casualties.

I should like to thank the many boys who have endued the music of the school with their "tears, toil, and sweat." They should not be deterred by the fact that immigration figures have increased in direct proportion to their efforts. Thanks are also necessary to the visiting staff, that quiet group of dedicated men whose thinning hair and weathered features tell their own story.

#### Associated Board Results-

THEORY OF MUSIC-

Grade I C. Stedman.

Grade V C. Beaumont, H. Cleveland, J. Dale, S. Goldthorpe, J. Knott, P. Hood, S. Mannings, G. Neal, A. Harper, P. Smith,

A. Stephenson.

VIOLIN-Grade II

Grade I C. Adams, P. Bibby (Merit), A. Newton, S. Taylor.

B. Formanuik, S. Henderson (Merit), D. Kreczac (Merit),

P. Sanderson.

Grade III S. Reed.

Grade IV J. Dale, P. Hood, S. Race, P. Kramer,

Grade V A. Cowan, A. Johnston. Grade VI D. Kirton (Merit).

VIOLA-

Grade II I. Bell, MacKay. Grade III

I. Gardiner. E. Hindle, S. Sexton. Grade V

CELLO-

Grade I D. Beal.

Grade IV D. Mellor, K. Curtis. Grade V C. Beaumont, K. Porter.

CLARINET-

D. Brookes, N. Smith. J. Knott, G. White. Grade III Grade IV

Grade V P. MacDonald, P. Mason.

OBOE-

Grade III P. Summersgill (Merit).

FLUTE-

M. Horne, R. Horne, A. Malkin (Distinction), K. Riley. Grade III I. Robertson.

Grade IV

TRUMPET-

Grade III H. Cleveland (Merit).

#### THE ORCHESTRA

Driven by Mr. Horsman's enthusiasm, the orchestra continues to flourish and has entered its fifth year of existence. It has grown in numbers, it has extended its range of instruments, and we assume from the mounting number of passes in the examinations set by the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music that it has increased in musical skill and maturity. It now consists of a full string section, clarinets, flute, oboe, trumpet and trombone players making a total of forty-two instruments.

Works studied and prepared by the orchestra during the year were the Minuet from the fortieth symphony by Mozart, a Rondeau by Bach, the first movement from Haydn's "London" symphony, and a Pavane by Arbeau.

The orchestra played on Speech Day, accompanied the school choirs and audience at the annual Carol Party, gave the first public performance of the Trumpet Concerto by Mr. Horsman at the Easter Concert, and competed against many rival attractions for the attention of parents and friends on Open Day.

We must once again thank staff, parents and friends for their constant help, and encouragement in our pursuit to make music.

#### EASTER CONCERT, 1968

On the third and fourth of April performances of the Easter Concert were given in the School Hall before large and appreciative audiences. In the two opening items on the first evening the Choir and Orchestra seemed rather hesitant, both gaining in confidence after the interval.

The Orchestra gave a memorable rendering of the first movement of Haydn's "London" Symphony, in which the progress achieved over the past year was quite evident. The choir sang lustily throughout the evening, compensating with vigour for a certain lack of tone, particularly from the trebles. The Junior Choir and the Choral Group added to the evening's enjoyment with competent performances. Of the solo items, while none was less than adequate, this contributor gained greatest pleasure from the promising oboe playing of P. Summersgill, the piano and cello playing of D. Ing and K. Porter respectively, and from the fine performance of the Rondeau from Bachs' B Minor Suite, by C. Durrant.

Everyone concerned is to be congratulated on providing such worthwhile entertainment, not least the Ringmaster who conducted proceedings with his inimitable mixture of groans, beams and grimaces at his charges, liberally interspersed with off-beat humour.

#### SCHOOL MUSIC FESTIVAL, 1968

The story has been told (there are no prizes for telling us by whom) of how, after the tiny state of Athens, augmented—if that word is appropriate here—had wiped up a huge Persian force at a place called Marathon, the Persian king in his annoyance—to put it mildly—detailed a slave whose sole function it was, every day, after dinner, to whisper in the king's ear, "O sire (they talked like that in those days) "forget not the Athenians." We do not know what the slave thought of his life's work;

nor the reaction of the king. Nor do we know—to get back to the Music Festival—what were the thoughts of one Mr. H. Horsman when, on Semi-finals day, he heard sixty Junior Soloists, one by one, sing a Trad. number called "The Cool Kellure." No doubt he perked up when the Junior Violinists played non Stop, echoed a sigh when the Junior Clarinet

was Longing for Spring; but with what joy must he have heard from het last House Choir "The Long Day Closes."

We thank very sincerely Mr. A. Knight, Schools' Music Organiser for Bradford, for undertaking so capable and informatively the judging of the Finals, on 4th July; and we thank the many boys who by their skill and/or effort made memorable many moments in the day.

#### Results-

Vocal, Junior—G. D. Neal Violin, Junior—B. Formanuik Viola, Junior—Gardner Violin, Open—C. Durrant Cello, Open—D. Mellor Piano, Open—S. Collinson Clarinet, Open—Knott Trumpet—S. Buckle Vocal Group—Oxbridge House

Neal Vocal, Senior—K. Hornby
manuik Violin, Intermediate—Kramer
Viola, Open—Hindle
ant Cello, Junior—D. A. Beall
Piano, Junior—D. Mellor
son Clarinet, Junior—Summersgill
Flute—Riley
String Quartet—Cleveland House
thouse Choir—Oxbridge House
Composition—S. Collinson

#### TUESDAY CHOIR

The choir can report good progress in the shape of two highly successful concerts this year.

The first presented music by Handel and Mozart—The Foundling Hospital Anthem of the former and Mass No. 7 in B Flat by the latter. We had the excellent services of Misses Barbara Lilley and Eva Dawson for this concert and we are happy to see the immense success of these young vocalists in recent competitions.

The Easter concert was delayed until May this year when the choir performed Magnificat by Pergolesi and Stabat Mater by Astorga. The ensemble of these items was given extra sparkle by the use of the haprsichord recently built in the school workshops.

In both these concerts we must extend grateful thanks to Margaret Eglington and "old boy" Derek Henderson for assembling an excellent chamber orchestra.

#### TABLE TENNIS CLUB

This has been a successful year. The highlight was when two Durham County players visited the school for a coaching session, which was attended by many members of the club and was a great success. Though the club's membership has decreased from 82 to 50, the standard of play has improved—especially in the lower school. This year the junior championship was added to the senior house championship, Dunelm being the winners. The senior champion was D. Taylor of 5R, and the junior champion was M. Lee of 2LA. During the next school year we hope to put a team into the newly-formed Teesside Schools Table Tennis League.

After founding the Table Tennis Club, and running it for three years, Mr. D. G. Bell has decided to leave it in order to concentrate on his Natural History Society. Many thanks are due to Mr. Bell for his fine work in organising the club. Mr. J. R. Walton has kindly agreed to take over the reins.

#### NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The Natural History Society, continuing its programme of encouraging an intelligent interest in the countryside and its conservation, had a membership of 70 for the 1967-68 session. Twenty main meetings were held, covering a wide variety of topics and activities, with talks, films, slides and quizzes. Weekly competitions were held throughout the year, each one bringing a prize of wildlife stamps, post-cards, pencils, booklets etc. to the lucky winner.

Two excursions—one to the north Durham coast and one to Wittonle-Wear Nature Reserve and Lower Teesdale—initiated members into some of the basic principles of wildlife ecology, conservation and identification. There is no room here for even a list of all the things noted on these excursions, but we might just mention that the beautiful Witton-le-Wear Reserve showed what can be done with a disused gravel-works, while a Kingfisher carrying a fish was an example of one of the rarer species which such reserves do so much to protect.

The finale of the year's activities came on the school Open Day, when the N.H.S. undertook to supply all the refreshments in room 4, in aid of the World Wildlife Fund. Members and their parents supplied nearly all the food and drink—tea, coffee, home-made ginger-beer, sandwiches, cakes, biscuits—and the demand was so great that only a few broken biscuits were left by 3-30. The proceeds of this hard work were £13 17s. 2d. which, added to the £13 2s. 10d. raised by members' individual and group efforts throughout the year, made a commendable contribution (£27) to the vital work of the W.W.F. The Brooke Bond tea-packet scheme still flourishes and the school has now collected 32,000 packets, representing a donation by Brooke Bond of £32 to the Fund. Thanks are certainly due to all who helped, and who will help next year.

The main prizewinners 1967-68 were as follows:— Wildlife Conservation—M. Horne, R. Horne and M. Pearson (2G), for their staff car-washing in aid of the World Wildlife Fund.

Attendance-A. Nicholson (1Y), who attended every meeting.

Special Study-B. Coldbeck (4R), for his work on the House Martin.

Wildlife Stamp Collection—B. Coldbeck (4R), for his series of wild bird stamps.

As always, Mr. D. G. Bell guided all N.H.S. activities.

#### CHESS CLUB

The year 1967-68 was a record one for the club with one hundred fully subscribed members. This number could have been higher but many people had to be turned away because of lack of sets, despite the purchase of twelve new sets at the start of the season.

The club was once more represented in the Tees-side Schools' Chess League and had a fair measure of success. The senior team was second with ten points gained by winning five of the six games played. The junior team came third in the junior league winning four and drawing one of the seven games played to gain nine points.

A new innovation which we hope will become regular, was a match played by the senior team against Grangefield Girls'. This resulted in a victory for the G.G.S. Boys by six games to nil.

With the large number of First Form members it was necessary to hold a First Form tournament as well as the traditional junior and senior ones. The First Form tournament was won by I. Mackay of 1Y, the junior tournament by S. Goldthorpe of 3LA, and the senior tournament after a long delay was eventually won by Roberts of the lower sixth, much to the chagrin of the senior team, none of whom reached the Final.

The chess club extends its grateful thanks to Mr. A. J. Carter for his supervision of the club and wishes him all success in his new post "down south." The chess club would also like to thank Mr. Charles for the use of his form-room during the last year. To Mr. Bainbridge who is taking over the club we would extend a warm welcome and our best wishes.

#### THE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

Under the Chairmanship of Mr. J. D. Charles, the Literary and Debating Society enjoyed an immensely successful year.

At long last, a constitution has been drafted and put into operation. The committee consisted of the Secretary, Mr. D. G. Thurlwell, Messrs Hugill, Collin, Mason, Mooney and Dean and of course the Chairman.

The Annual Balloon debate was once again potent with mirth and wit generally coming from the direction of Mr. Jimmy Saville (Mr. Stout). Chairman Mao (Mr. Wakeling) and Uncle Bert Downadrink (Mr. D'Arcy) Mr. Stout alias Saville was saved but, unfortunately, certainly not owing to their lack of verbosity, Messrs. D'Arcy and Wakeling were cast out.

Mr. Haworth took over the responsibility of the Literary department of the Society and the outcome was a hugely successful session of "One minute please" and a "Quasi Animal, Vegetable, Mineral" competition.

The Headmaster's Debating prize was yet again won by Mr. D. G. Thurlwell which makes Society history as this is the third time running he has won it.

Dunelm under the able leadership of Mr. Russell and Mr. Williams won the House Competition and the runners-up were Cleveland under the leadership of Mr. Mooney and Mr. Thurlwell.

The formal debates were exceedingly popular with over 100 members at one, and prominent speakers included Mr. Thurlwell, Mr. Hornby, Mr. McCormick, Mr. Mooney, Mr. Hugill, Mr. Mason, Mr. Russell and Mr. Williams, Miss Venn and Miss Morrish were prominent speakers from the ladies' side, and Mr. Carter, Mr. Rattenbury, Mr. Wakeling, Mr. Haworth and Mr. Bingham from the staff.

Motions debated 1967-68 were:-

"This House considers China to be a threat to Civilization."

"This House supports Censorship."

"Bearing in mind the present economic situation, the War in Vietnam, and General De Gaulle, This House would welcome the legalisation of soft drugs."

"This House believes that the North East's Cloth Cap image is all for the

best."

"This House supports the Record of the Present Labour Government."

"This House would welcome co-education."

"This House would refuse to aid underdeveloped countries."
"This House would improve the position of Sixth Formers."

"This House disaproves of the present standards of morality."

"This House would get its hair cut."
"This House prefers to ignore God."

"This House supports the Governments Present Policy on Immigration."

"This House regrets the present Divorce Bill."

"This House regrets."

"This House believes that you should do unto others, before they do unto you."

"This House objects to examinations."

#### GEOLOGY FIELD WEEK, EASTER, 1968

A party of seven geologists led by Mr. Sinclair and aided by Mr. Brand spent a week studying the geology of North-East Yorkshire based at Filey.

The first day travelling down to Filey provided us with our first "hammering" with minor avalanches in a Staxton Bank Chalk quarry. After visiting Flamborough Head and Sewerby, the party eventually reached Filey and our accommodation for the next few days. After our first day in the field we were able to "see" Filey after copying up our field notes.

Fortunately the second day remained fine and a pleasant walk was enjoyed across the Chalk Cliffs, eventually descending to the chalk bottom to be greeted by Terebratula. Whilst having lunch on a "pill box" we were entertained by a member of the party playing "canute" to the waves—without success! By the afternoon we had reached Filey Brigg. We drew it, hammered it, dodged waves, and found the "doodles."

Gristhorpe to Scarborough were examined the next day with some time spent examining a plant bed and also collecting gem stones in Cornellian Bay.

The next day's luxury of a coach ride was pleasant, but not until we had been forced to climb Hackness Hill. However, the glorious weather was enjoyed and a pleasant lie in the sun and stretch in Newtondale followed. Kirkham Abbey overflow was sketched and the party lost some of its members in a wood for a while.

Our last day included Robin Hoods Bay to which we descended by way of Ravenscar. After collecting and identifying fossils we made our way back up the steep cliff. The two "old uns" of the party arriving at the top first.

Our thanks go to Mr. Sinclair and Mr. Brand for making the journey possible and enjoyable.

#### HOWTOWN '68

During January this year 15 members of the then U.15 rugby team, led by Mr. Russell went on an outward bound course in the Lake District. During our ten days stay we were taught the basics of orienteering, mountain rescue, hill walking, hostelling and skiing by Mr. Barrett and his staff at the centre. Also at the centre were boys and girls from Barnard Castle who joined us on the course.

Up at 7 a.m. and in bed by 10 p.m. was the order of the day. Most of the day was spent around the centre or out on expedition. Three hours in the evening were left to write up our log books and recreation.

Thanks to Mr. Russell and the staff at the centre for a memorable and enjoyable course.

#### FLORENVILLE 1968

A group of rather more than thirty, led by Messrs. Horsman, Bingham and Haworth again made Florenville the centre for a two-week stay in the Ardennes.

Despite the challenge afforded to the translator by "Aux Gais Lurons," it was felt that the food was excellent, though the Whitbread mats proved to be a hoax.

Orval, Bouillon and the French border were the subject of half-day excursions, the baths and bowling alley being remarkably popular at other times.

Wild boar were studied on a full day trip to Vianden, similar visits being made to Luxembourg City; the underground caves at Han; Dinant; E chternach, and Coo, where a number of the party took to go-karting. The torture chamber at Beaufort castle provided temptations.....

In true post-card idiom, we had a hot, dry first week and a wet second one.

A little time was available on the return journey in Brussels and Bruges—fortunately, few could by now, thanks to devaluation, afford the lace. Finally, Blankenberghe provided a comparative study for those familiar with Blackpool.

Return journey and Customs were both remarkably smooth.

#### CHOOSING A CAREER

The choice of a career is one of the most important choices that anyone makes, and it is also one of the first important choices of our lives. A wrong choice can mean misery for life. For most of our boys the time of decision comes late in the fourth year or early in the fifth, since for many careers applications must be made by the February before 'O' level, and it is important that all the relevant factors should be considered.

To begin with, a boy must learn to know himself, and this is never easy. He must recognise the importance of his physical make-up. Many boys wearing spectacles fail to appreciate that they can never be air pilots or deck officers; and the uniformed services are not the only types of employment where strict physical tests are applied.

Academic fitness is more difficult for most boys to measure, and many boys tend to be too optomistic about this. Here the opinions of teachers is usually very valuable, as teachers can usually compare their pupils with others of the same age.

How do we choose our career from those that are available? It is foolish for boys to leave school and enter employment which offers no recognised training for a permanent career. Such boys or men are the first to suffer when employment is difficult to find.

Once this is understood the boy should make his own decision. He would be wise to seek as much advice as possible, but he must remember that what suits one person does not necessarily suit another, and most people need more satisfaction from their work than the money that they earn. A Careers Master or Youth Employment Officer is reluctant to suggest a career, as a boy may thus be started on a life-time of misery, but few people have more information at their finger-tips about the careers available, and boys should make full use of this information before coming to a decision. The Youth Employment Service is in a particularly good position to advise whether employers are likely to keep promises to their trainees, and their advice should always be sought.

For many of our boys 'O' level is just the first step towards a higher full-time education, first in the sixth form, and then in one of the numerous Universities, Polytechnics, or Colleges of Art, of Commerce, Technology, or of Education. Mr. Ingham has an up-to-date library of information on these courses and can advise boys on how to make the best of the opportunities available.

Finally, boys should consult their parents at all stages while making this decision. Parents are anxious that their boys should achieve the best careers that are open to them, and they are usually willing to make sacrifices for that end, but it is grossly unfair to present your parents with an accomplished decision which either rejects their generosity, or takes it for granted.

#### TEESSIDE BOYS AND GIRLS EXHIBITION

Two of our boys, Alastair Pirrie and Stephen Croft, now both in 4R, turned tycoons to organise the first ever Teesside Boys and Girls Exhibition on record in July, this year.

To do this, they approached 20 firms, of which only one refused (because of a previous engagement), and asked them to put on a display to demonstrate the ultra modern equipment which was used in Teesside in recreation, industry, engineering, and the newspaper syndicate.

The boys' efforts brought praise from an old boy of the school, Dr. Horace King, Speaker of the House of Commons, in a letter to them both. He said he was delighted to hear about the project and wished it every success.

Amongst the firms approached successfully were I.C.I., British Titan, Head Wrightson, Dorman Long, Tennets, Martin's Bank, and the

Evening Gazette.

As the great day, July 6th, drew near the boys appeared on B.B.C. Television, Jack de Manio's morning radio programme "To Day." North-East News, and in every National Newspaper except one, as well

as several local papers and finally, at 2-30 p.m. on Saturday afternoon, 6th July, Elmwood Community Centre's doors opened and the opening ceremony was made by Alderman F. T. Webster, M.B.E., after which two thousand people surged in to enjoy a five hour display which had taken over six months to prepare. An opinion poll taken showed the most popular displays to be the G.P.O. Tele-Communications Department's stand showing Telephones from the nineteenth century, crank handled telephones, to World War II Field 'Phones, right up to date with the ultra modern "bleep" 'phones of the 20th century. The Evening Gazette's display entitled "The story of a Page," incorporating modern advances in journalism, electronic equipment, Block and Anderson's fantastic calculating and duplicating machinery, and a display on plastics and dyes by British Visqueen and British Titan Products. Mr. Johnson, Assistant Manager of Martin's Bank, told one of the boys as their huge bill counting machine was moved into their lorry, "This exhibition has been most worthwhile to us. We would not have missed this chance for the world," and neither we suspect, would the boys.

We humbly apologise to 47 of our Life Members, many of them of long standing, whose names were omitted en bloc from the list of Life Members published last year. The names and addresses which follow should come between pages 65 and 66 of the 1967-68 Year Book.

| A. S. Brown      |                 | 27 Barnard Avenue, Stockton.                                       |
|------------------|-----------------|--|
| D. Brown         | (1945-50)       | 8 Cambrian Road, Billingham.                                       |
| E. H. Brown      | (1931-36)       | 24 Linden Avenue, Stockton.  |
| I. Brown         | (1945-49)       | 12 Jameson Road, Norton.   |
| I. R. Brown      | (1959-66)       | Bog Hall Farm, Sedgefield.   |
| J. S. S. Brown   | (1954-61)       | 15 Stanhope Road, Stockton.  |
| L. Brown         | (1931-38)       | 7 Ripley Road, Stockton,   |
| M. T. Brown      | (1959-66)       | 14 Burford Avenue, Stockton.                                       |
| S. Brown         | (               | 29 Lyndhurst Drive, Sevenoaks, Kent.                               |
| T. J. Brown      | (1955-60)       | Bog Hall Farm, Sedgefield.   |
| A. Brownlee      | (1946-51)       | 42 Cumberland Crescent, Billingham.                                |
| S. Brunskill     | (1934-39)       | Bellmere, Sylvestre Street, Mansfield,                             |
| S. Diuliskiii    | (175+57)        | Notts.   |
| J. Brunt         | (1942-49)       | The Hawthorns, Bassleton Lane,<br>Thornaby.                        |
| H. Bulman        |                 | 6 Pagarel Drive, Dudley, Worcs.                                    |
| T. H. Bulmer     | (1922-27)       | 32 Grange Avenue, Stockton.  |
| A. D. Burdon     |                 | 59 Redhill Road, Roseworth, Stockton.                              |
| S. R. Burdon     | (1934-39)       |  |
| E. M. Burgess    | (1959-65)       |  |
| R. W. Burnand    | (1919-23)       | c/o Head Wrightson and Co. (S.A.),<br>P.O. Box 1034, Johannesburg. |
| D. G. Burton     | (1956-63)       | 35 Glaisdale Avenue, Stockton.                                     |
| W. Bush          | (1,20,00)       |  |
| E. V. Cable      | (Staff 1949-56) | 23 Weardale Avenue, South Bent,<br>Whitburn, Sunderland.           |
| A. Callender     | (1955-62)       | 14 Glaisdale Avenue, Stockton.                                     |
| B. Callender     | (1958-65)       | 13 Rydal Road, Stockton.   |
| H. J. Callender, |                 | Harlequin, Christ Church Lane, Lich-<br>field, Staffs.             |
| D. T. Calvert    | (1955-61)       | 5 Rochdale Avenue, Roseworth,<br>Stockton.                         |
| J. B. Campbell   | (1951-58)       | 11 Grantham Road, Norton.  |
| R. Campbell      | (1961-63)       | 16 Raven Lane, Norton.   |
| K. Campoen       | (1701.05)       |  |

| N. Carr           |           | 27 Doric Avenue South, Frodsham,<br>Near Warrington. |
|-------------------|-----------|--|
| A. J. Carter      | (1953-60) |  |
| J. A. Carter      | (1555 00) | 37 Bellerby Road, Hartburn, Stockton.                |
| J. K. Carter      | (1937-42) | 72 Rimswell Road, Fairfield, Stockton.               |
| J. A. Cattermole  | (1937-42) | 34 Coledale Drive, Stanmore, Midd-                   |
| J. A. Catterniole |           | lesex.   |
| S. C. Chandler    | (1917-19) | Lindisfarne, Kirby Road, Great Brou-                 |
| er an obtainmen   |           | ghton, Stokesley.                                    |
| T. H. Chandler    | (1911-14) | 10 Hall Drive, Acklam, Middlesbrough.                |
| A. E. Chapman     | (1953-60) |  |
| G. D. Chapman     | (1951-56) | 9 Elmwood Road, Eaglescliffe.                        |
| J. Cheseldine     | (1751-50) | The Anchorage, Ramsey, Port-E-                       |
| J. Chescianie     |           | Vullen, Isle of Man.                                 |
| G. W. Christie    | (1924-28) | Coniston, Frith Road, Adlington,<br>Kent.            |
| D. P. Church      | (1948-55) | 12 Westerleigh Avenue, Fairfield,<br>Stockton.       |
| E. G. Church      |           | 16 Seamer Grove, Hartburn, Stockton.                 |
| D. R. Clark       | (1956-63) | 57 Upsall Grove, Stockton.                           |
| E. Clark          | (1927-34) | 5 Jesmond Grove, Hartburn, Stockton.                 |
| J. B. Clark       | (1945-50) | 13 Birkley Road, Norton.                             |
| K. Clark          | (1928-33) | 113 Cassiobury Park Avenue, Watford,                 |
| K. Chirk          | (1720-33) | Herts.   |
| K. E. Clark       |           | 1 Borrowdale Grove, Eaglescliffe.                    |
| M. Clark          |           | 113 Cassiobury Park Avenue, Watford,                 |
|                   |           | Herts.   |

#### NEW LIFE MEMBERS, 1st OCTOBER, 1967—30th SEPTEMBER 1968

K. W. Ashman

(1960-67) 10 Palm Grove, Stockton.

| K. W. Asimilan  | (1300-07) | 10 I allii Glove, Stockton.            |
|-----------------|-----------|--|
| G. A. Beresford | (1960-67) | 6 Kerr Crescent, Sedgefield.           |
| M. R. Hughes    | (1959-66) | 10 Reeth Road, Hartburn.               |
| C. T. Little    | (1960-67) | 19 Bishopton Road, Stockton.           |
| R. H. E. Hill   | (1960-67) | 50 York Road, Weybridge, Surrey.       |
| F. R. Lamplugh  | (1960-67) | 18 Oxbridge Lane, Stockton.            |
| D. Gardiner     | (1964-67) | 60 Greylands Avenue, Norton.           |
| T. Boyes        | (1955-60) | 9 Osborne Road, Stockton.              |
| C. R. Cuthbert  | (1960-66) | 9 Northumberland Grove, Norton.        |
| G. Knott        | (1922-27) | 17 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn.       |
| F. R. Bell      | (1931-37) | 1 Auckland Way, Hartburn.              |
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|                 |           | New Fetter Lane, London, E.C.4.        |
| I. Fox          | (1956-63) | 113 Junction Road, Norton.             |
| C. B. Clark     | (1959-66) | 56 Kingsley Road, Stockton.            |
| I. R. Pragnell  | (1964-66) | 1 Carlton Avenue, Billingham,          |
| J. Jamieson     | (1949-54) | Apt. 104, 390 Guelph Lane, Burlington, |
| J. Janicson     | (1545-54) | Ontario, Canada.                       |
| B. F. Nicholson | (1937-44) | Overside, Wellington School, Somerset. |
| A. N. Rigg      | (1958-64) | 46 Fairfield Road, Stockton.           |
| B. J. Lowther   | (1958-66) | 11 Linton Avenue, Marton, Middles-     |
| D. J. Loweller  | (1)50 00) | brough.                                |
| J. Heward       | (1946-51) | 3 Clements Rise, Greencourt, Norton.   |
| R. H. Neal      | (1955-62) | 41 Kingsley Road, Stockton.            |
| K. Nichols      | (1961-68) | 28 Dunmail Road, Stockton.             |
| R. P. Wooton    | (1960-67) | 4 Kingsley Road, Stockton.             |
| R. Thersby      | (1956-64) | 34 Grosvenor Road, Stockton.           |
| A. T. Foulds    | (1959-66) | 3 Thornwood Drive, Irvine, Ayrshire.   |
| a. I. Poulus    | (1939-00) | J Hornwood Dilve, Hvine, Ayisine.      |

| (1961-68) | 66 Darlington Lane, Norton.  |
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| (1961-68) | 15 White House Road, Billingham.   |
| (1961-68) | 39 Romsey Road, Stockton.  |
| (1933-38) | 4 Victoria Road, Stockton.   |
| (1961-67) | 4 Victoria Road, Stockton.   |
| (1960-68) | The Anchorage, Sadberge Road,<br>Middleton St. George.                     |
| (1961-68) | 11 Lynmouth Road, Norton.  |
| (1959-68) | 6 Raby Road, Stockton.   |
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|---------------------|---------------|--|
| T. R. Cowan         | (1961-68)     |  |
| R. G. Moody         | (1960-67)     | 100 Darlington Road, Stockton.   |
| R. S. MacFadzean    | (1962-67)     | 99 Londonderry Road, Stockton.   |
| P. Riley            | (1961-68)     | 46 Greenvale Grove, Fairfield.   |
| D. J. Scott         | (1962-68)     | 47 Mayfair Crescent, Eaglescliffe.   |
| L. O'Neill          | (1961-68)     | 12 Fulthorpe Road, Norton.   |
| A. M. Postgate      | (1961-68)     | 50 Ashton Road, Norton.  |
| C. L. Neal          | (1961-68)     | 41 Kingsley Road, Stockton.  |
|                     | aff 1964-68)  | Heredith, Lower Beeding, Horsham,  |
| 411                 |               | Sussex.  |
| W. Warrener         | (1966-68)     | 51 Parliament Street, Stockton.  |
| M. Spendley         | (1961-68)     | 15 Dunedin Avenue, Stockton.   |
| W. J. Stewart       | (1962-68)     | 13 Rue Paul Bert, 62-Calais, France.   |
| J. Blakev           | (1961-68)     | 17 Moorside Crescent, Fishburn.  |
| M. J. Blades        | (1961-68)     | 3 Elmwood Grove, Stockton.   |
| K. Fryer            | (1961-68)     | 16 Albert Road, Eaglescliffe.  |
| I. Elener           | (1961-68)     | 36 Durham Street, Stockton.  |
| D. G. Willmer (1961 | and 63-68)    | 26 Greylands Avenue, Norton.   |
| C. Hugill           | (1961-68)     | 14 Manor Place, Stockton.  |
| J. W. Collins       | (1961-68)     | 111 Arlington Street, Stockton.  |
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#### ADDRESSES WANTED

Every year a few of the 900 plus Year Books which we send out to Old Boys are returned marked "gone away." With some of these Old Boys we manage to re-establish communication. We lose touch with others for years on end.

Below is a list of those whose Year Books we are unable to send to them this year because we have no address which will reach them. We shall be very glad to receive information about them from anyone who can supply it.

H. Allan, H. E. Allison (1937-42), R. H. Archer, G. W. Bailey (1932-37), J. C. Barker, B. E. Barclay, T. Birchall (1942-47) T. F. Blenkiron, F. W. Bowen, W. Bush, E. M. Burgess, R. G. Coles, W. J. Cragss, H. Douthwaite, D. Elliott (1941-46), B. W. Fenner, C. Grant (1945-46), T. W. Harding (1943-50), E. J. J. Hardy, J. E. Harland, F. W. Harvey (1931-37), A. Hutchinson, R. C. Hutton (1952-57), D. B. Idle, C. A. Joice, N. S. Leng, L. Lewis, D. W. Meek (1949-56), K. Murray, B. D. Money, B. Napier, A. E. Nettleship, G. Ord, N. Parris (1952-55), J. H. Peacock, T. W. Peters, R. W. Ransome (1934-39), G. W. M. Scott, J. A. Scott, W. E. Scott, J. Shepherd, K. Slater, A. Smithard, Rev. S. G. S. Stokes, W. Teasdale, G. Thompson (1948-55), D. W. Train, A. J. Van Zetten, R. S. Wade, J. B. Walker, C. Waller, H. C. V. P. Waller, G. L. Walton, J. Walton, I. K. Watson (1950-57), J. E. Wearmouth (1950-57), C. M. Wells (1934-39), C. H. Willoughby (1947-54), G. A. Wilson, A. W. Wynn (1930,40), T. D. Yeats.

#### A WORM'S EYE VIEW OR SOMETHING OF OXFORD

The Headmaster asked me to write an article, or a "letter from Oxford," describing my first impressions of the University when I went last year. Unfortunately I cannot remember them.

What impressions I had were probably not typical anyway, because I did not arrive in term time. My parents were on holiday and I did not like the thought of looking after myself, and my brothers, at home, so I turned up at Oxford a week before term.

Individually, the people I met in those few days were extremely friendly, always inviting me to drink coffee, tea, play table tennis etc.,

That was probably because some people feel sorry for the pathetic little freshmen, and a freshman turning up at college early was a bit of a freak. There was at least a hundred undergraduates there but no freshmen that I knew of. I said they were friendly "individually" because at meal times and in the evenings they tended to coagulate into their own circle of friends, leaving me to dash around, looking at Oxford on my own.

On the Thursday, all the other freshmen arrived, with their parents, wearing suits and looking freshly scrubbed. I was no longer regarding myself as a freshman with the others and they did not take me for one, probably because I had resorted to my usual scruffy, or, euphemistically, casual, clothes.

I think my overall impression of the first few weeks of term was of a rather solitary bustling activity, doing everything new and novel. I decided University life could be extremely lonely, if you let it be. Nobody knew anybody else very well, and, if you sat in your room moping about, nobody would come and drag you out of it. I suppose that applies to any University, probably more so, because Oxford is split into small colleges and hence is not so big and impersonal.

Perhaps on second thoughts my impression of the first few weeks of term time were not really untypical of anyone going to University for the first time.

C. T. L.

#### MORS AGRORUM VENIT

Just off the track it stands, Below the road, an oasis among trees, Surrounded by wood and green, Lying, decaying, in the grass.

Who knows what engines have borne its bulk; The Flying Scotsman on her record run, Or an unknown coach from Cardiff to Cardigan?

Who knows its illustrious past ..... And who cares?

Just as its memories disperse, The country sheds its population, Towards the towns of higher wages, Towards the avaricious bustle. The town advances, eating up the green acres, To excrete monotonous streets of sardine houses: A convenient way of living.

The children have no grass on which to play, The Mothers no garden in which to spend the summer day, Their fate is all too similar: Streets in which to lose their way,

And rises in prices and cuts in pay.

Is this a way in which to live? A slow paralysis of our senses; The automation of our children, The slow death of rural simplicity.

STEPHEN ROBINSON.

#### DIRECTION

I Alike in every way, Changing but never still, I move around within myself, Unable to seek a kill.

This is the start of freedom, Of an endless search for lust, Up to the sky my eyes float, And down again, for they must.

The sign on the wall is pointing, But as I look, it moves From left to right, then east to west And I remain confused.

Conscious of mouldy attitudes, I try to discover a brook Where babbling tears can find happier years, but I am just there to look.

II Seeing myself in a mirror Is like turning my eyes to the door To understand a reflection Is subtlety, nothing more.

> I look inside and smile around At the letterings on the wall It's time for bed and downward dreams— I hear the trumpets call.

I see a line, a train of thought, And everything else you see; But look! I'm there between the rails, Murmuring to get free.

But this is a rhyme, a poem of sorts, And a way of expressing grief, A means of developing discontent, But it tells of the death of relief.

For life is a succession of yesterdays; It revolves around the middle— Why?

P.O.A.

"Destiny is that which comes to us from within; we are bound by fate."

Again I stop and turn And search the darkness Like a city, on the beach.

Again I wait and yearn Watching the tide's Slipping from my reach.

And now I'll walk the hill Towards the town, its lights.

I will find love there A kiss, perhaps, or a scar.

I'm left, now, alone. On the seaboard. He is going; his feet have delved and pushed the wet sands, and they have slid, swallowing his trace. He stops and turns. Is he searching the darkness, searching me, a darkened city swarming on the beach? A ship's light far out flashes palely, startling him to focus. Waiting and yearning, how many times he has waited and yearned: passing through the noising darkness he watches the flow, the tide's recession o'ertumbling the beach debris. He watches, stretched above the waves.

Razor shells of cellophane blue turning in the tide, hurrying, bustling shells, clattering pebbles chased by the tide's rising petticoats: ceasing to silence. Far out, the low surge begins. Wind pushed, the wave moves in the heavy water, restless against the wind, lifting the water upon its back, leasing it again.

Ah! Tired! So tired am I of glimpses and the empty beach. A shell, empty; for he has gone and left me a horn of seasound. From out of me comes a persistent hiss: vanity: for far out is the wavegrowl. A white twisted shell, emptying myself in a curl.

When he is here then, no matter what happens or doesn't happen, what pain or terror then, it is proper. Yes, he would say that: proper. But then he goes and leaves me, when there is nothing but me, and that me is not an "I" but a "me," for he once filled me: then it was me, and I knew not me for he was, oh, all, and we rode upon the beach and over the hills. And screeching and wheeling upon the air's currents, gulls. Beneath the skudding clouds and over the clear sea.

He is searching for a way, Away among the town's lime-streaked buildings. Or watching the gutter stream after a rain. He guesses the truth. But a way or a life he misses, so he yearns and pulls away or pushes thrusting deep in anger in desperation trying to get but he gets it not. Soon he will know the way when he remembers from whence he came, the life when he knows me.

Yes, I've waited for him for so long and then when he was born and I felt sure that now he must be coming. And all those dreams I had about him. And pains, unreal, like a cramp. It's different now. No, not what I expected, but, yes, that doesn't matter. No More dreams, but memory, and a pain like agony like never before, since I was formed in that night, awoke in that day as he left me. Now I remember.

Three by three, horses flee from beneath the pale silver-scarred sky; leaving a sinking sun to be dragged now it has run by their harnessed brothers into the abyss.

The lights of night are carried away by the rain,
At last across the darkness the levin of pain wounds the voice: and all was still quivering, until:
Surging a surge and a wave breaks white on the darkness.

Comes down, laying down the night to shed her pale light and flashes of the morn o'er the mountains.

By the changing tide
Still we meet and gaze together
Over the sea like a mirror of the morn.
You, I, we ride upon the horses:
You upon the horse of womanhood:
I upon the horse of manhood,
For the third has wings
And mounts upon the sky
To the Sun, there to be, consumed.

#### MEDITATION

Obscure and alone it seems the undulating ground so bare broken only by the modern trace of man in his quest for peace transport breaks the tranquility horses plodding here there bored to tears I fear chewing their life away.

#### CLASSROOM

Human skulls gently still others moving some dying turning minds to future joys but speaking of the past and little. flicking over page and page lost in literature all the while till the boredom flies away and happiness prevails.

G.W.

ANON.

#### ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1968

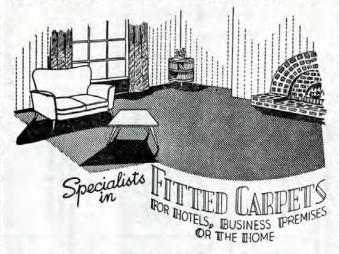
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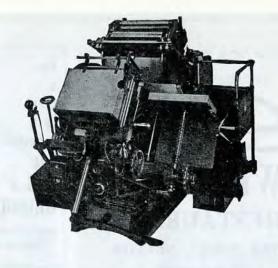
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#### OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

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

#### RULES - (Revised November, 1960)

- 1. The Name of the Association shall be the "OLD STOCKTONIANS." The Old Stocktonians aims at continuing friendships and preserving that spirit of comradeship which ought to exist among those who have been educated at the same school. These aims are to be achieved by means of social, recreative and educational pursuits.
- 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.
- The Annual Subscription shall be Four Shillings (4/-) payable on the 1st January each year. For the first year only after leaving school the subscription shall be 2/6d.

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

All Life Subscriptions shall be paid into a separate account at the bank, out of which there shall be transferred annually into the General Fund such sums as the committee shall determine, not exceeding 1/6d. in respect of each Life Member.

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

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

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