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A Message from the Headmaster

Dear Old Stocktonian,

It is a great pleasure once more to send a greeting from the present members of the School to all Old Boys everywhere. The greeting comes from a very well populated building this year, with 141 boys in the first year, and a larger total number, I have no doubt, than ever before. Mr. Lee looks dubiously at a Physics class of 28 in the first year Sixth; Mr. Boyd scratches his head over a 5a register that, at first draft, includes 40 names; and Mr. Rattenbury indicates firmly that he cannot accept any of the overflow in a 5 alpha that already numbers 36.... All potential members of the Old Boys Association of the future.

The year at School-as you will gather from the contents of this Year Book-has been full and interesting, and we have been delighted to have the company of the Old Boys, and especially the Old Boy President, Mr. D. W. Henderson, on a number of occasions. It is our great regret that the Founder President, Mr. E. Baldwin, has been prevented by ill-health from being with us more often, but we know that we have always his interest and his support in the spirit. I am pleased at some of our notable successes. Raymond Walls, our Captain of the School, followed up his Open Exhibition in Chemical Engineering at the Imperial College of Science, by a State Scholarship on the result of the G.C.E. Advanced and Scholarship Examination this summer. In the same examination, John C. Gregory (who recovered from an appendicitis operation just in time to sit his papers) was placed on the reserve list for a "State" at the early age of 17. Less academically, we may boast of a most successful Rugby season, and of the splendid running of Colin Sinclair, who, though placed sixth, was so very close to the winner of the 440 yards race in the All-England Schools' Championship.

All who did not know it already will be sorry to learn of the retirement of Mr. S. V. Morris, though they will concede that no one has ever earned it better. In the short time that I have known him, I have learnt to appreciate his great loyalty and magnanimity, and to be regularly amazed at fresh discoveries of his generosity to the School and the Association and his devices to keep these benefits hidden. The desk carrying the Old Boy's Visitors' Book stands in the School entrance—a memorial to Mr. Morris's kindness as well as to the workmanship of Mr. R. A. Taylor and the boys who helped him. We all wish him a long and happy retirement.

Every good wish to all Old Boys everywhere.

Yours sincerely, R. E. BRADSHAW, Headmaster.

A Message from the Old Boy President

Greetings to Old Boys everywhere as we go to press with another "Old Stocktonian." How the years fly by—Yearbook, Annual Dinner, Christmas, and before we know where we are we are trying to get together a team for the Cricket Match! I have quite a stack of Year Books now, and looking through them brings back many memories,—for they,— like the fortunes of the Association have seen thick and thin in a literal as well as a metaphorical sense.

Experience leads me to believe that the Year Book is eagerly received by all, and most appreciated by those far from home, for distance lends enchantment to thoughts of old friends and times past. Being so valued, does it not follow that we should all be prepared to do our little bit towards it? Remember that only you can make its continuance possible, by your subscriptions, your communications, and by your lively interest. Please then, let us hear from you wherever you may be.

Finally I would say that your greatest privilege and duty as an Old Stocktonian is to keep a kindly eye on those youngsters, who, laying aside the green cap we once wore, go out into the world and in their turn become "Old Boys." Help them by your encouragement whenever they come your way.

Sincerely yours, and with all good wishes,

D. W. HENDERSON

Please Reserve the following Dates

SCHOOL SPEECH DAY :

In the School Hall, Thursday, November 20th, 1958 at 3-15 p.m. Distribution of Prizes by SIR JOHN WRIGHTSON, Bart.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Wednesday, 26th November, 1958 at 7-30 p.m. in the School Library. (See separate Agenda enclosed with this Year Book)

THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL DINNER:

Tuesday, 16th December, 1958, in Spark's Cafe, High Street, Stockton-on-Tees, at 7-10 p.m. for 7-30 p.m. Tickets, price 10/6d. may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

ANNUAL RUGBY MATCH (Old Boys v School) :

Boxing Day 1958 (kick-off 10-30 a.m.) at Grangefield.

Those wishing to represent the Old Boys XV should contact Mr. D. L. Foulger, Grenfell House, 1 Wingate Road, Trimdon Station, Co. Durham, as soon as possible, stating position played.

A second match will probably be played against the School at the conclusion of the Easter Term, 1959. Mr. Foulger will be pleased to supply further details to those interested.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH (Old Boys v School):

Tuesday, 14th July, 1959 at 2 p.m. on the Grangeffeld Ground. Those desirous of assisting the Old Boys on this occasion are again asked to communicate with Mr. T. F. Sowler, 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees.

OTHER DATES TO BE ARRANGED :

CAROL PARTY:

This will probably take place in the School Hall on Monday, 15th December, 1958 at 7 p.m.

OPERA

The School will be presenting the Gilbert and Sullivan Opera "The Pirates of Penzance," at Grangefield in the early part of March, 1959.

FRIDAY CHOIR

The main concert of 1959 will be held as near to the beginning of the Summer Term as possible. It is hoped that the chief work will be a concert version of Purcell's opera "Dido and Aeneas."

Concerning Ourselves

WE can consider ourselves extremely fortunate in having DEREK HENDERSON as our Old Boy President for a second term of office, for he has already impressed us with his keeness and abundance of energy in matters concerning the welfare of our Association. Of quiet disposition, yet firm and resolute in handling our affairs, his efficient and untiring devotion to duty has made its mark with those Old Boys and School Staff who know him so well. In the field of social activities our President has accomplished a great deal of work, and, with the inspiration of his wife, who has played no mean part in the necessary organisation, he has imparted immense pleasure to others and at the same time gained a certain amount of inner satisfaction himself.

DURING the course of the year, the familiar face of our Founder President, EVAN BALDWIN, has not been seen regularly at our meetings. We are sorry to report that the G.O.M. is not enjoying the best of health and with our indifferent weather he has not considered it advisable to venture out too often. Needless to say, this has not deterred him from continuing his work for the Association which is evident from the interesting news we constantly receive about Old Boys all over the world. and which is written in such an intimate manner under the appropriate heading of this Year Book.

To Mr. Baldwin and his wife, we extend our sincere greetings and hopes for good health and continued happiness in the years ahead.

WE are indebted to the Headmaster, MR. R. E. BRADSHAW, for the part he has played, during his first year at Grangefield, in furthering the good relationship which exists between the School and Association. As a President of the latter, he has taken an active interest in our Committee proceedings and frequently joined us on social occasions where his natural friendliness and easy manner have already made a firm impression on us.

RELAXATION of credit restrictions by the Government of the day, might imply to some Old Boys that we are not in desperate need of their subscriptions. Our Treasurer, GEORGE LITTLE, thinks otherwise and, in fact, issues an appeal for prompt payment of all outstanding dues. We are finding it increasingly difficult to meet the cost of publishing our Year Book and it is only with monies received from special efforts organised by the Committee that we are able to produce this edition. (In this respect, special mention must be made of the recent events organised by our President and Treasurer and the profitable work in the selling of advertising space accomplished by KEN DODSWORTH).

Each year we are faced with the tremendous task of addressing and despatching more than a thousand copies of the Year Book and consequently we are very grateful to the Grangefield Boys for their assistance with the major portion of such work. Once again, our special thanks are due to MR. W. H. MUNDAY and his Staff colleagues for their contributions of School News which we are always pleased to read.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL DINNER

This was held in Spark's Cafe, Stockton, on Wednesday, 18th December 1957 and again we were indebted to Mr. John Spark for many of the

facilities provided during the evening. The number of Old Boys in attendance was 68 and they were greeted by our three Presidents, D. W. HENDERSON, E. BALDWIN and R. E. BRADSHAW.

We were happy to have a long-awaited chat with our first Old Boy President 'TED' SCHOLES of Preston, the REV. G. S. G. STOKES (1925-31) of Catterick, and 'Jubilee Scholars' A. J. SMITH and A. W. HENDERSON of Stockton and Norton, respectively.

Our principal guests were MR. E. MATTHEWS, Solicitor and Deputy Town Clerk, Borough of Stockton-on-Tees, and MR. GEOFFREY HUNTER, B.A., an Old Boy of the School.

The former, in proposing the toast of the 'Old Stocktonians' said that the type of education received at such a school as Grangefield, afforded a very good background for local government work for which there tended to be a deplorable lack of interest generally. Recalling his own education, Mr. Matthews stated that this was by no means as specialised as it was today. A boy of fifteen years had, nowadays, to decide whether to be a scientist or perhaps an accountant and was asked to specialise at an early age. He thought it was much better to give a very general education and leave the final decision appertaining to a career until later.

Responding to the toast, Mr. DEREK HENDERSON said that although we lived in an age of distorted values, one set of values remained true—the memories of one's youth and the long standing and true friendships of the Old School.

MR. G. HUNTER proposed the toast of "The School" remarking how successful it had been in preparing boys for an astonishing variety of responsible positions in life.

The response was made by the Headmaster, MR. R. E. BRADSHAW, who referred to the earlier comments of Mr. Matthews, and said that unless specialisation took place at the age of fifteen, the avenues of approach to many jobs would be closed.

During the evening, the Cricket Shield was presented by the School Captain, J. R. WALLS, to the Old Boys' Captain, MR. TOM SOWLER.

Entertainment was provided by GRAHAM REED (Conjurer) and BRIAN CAMPBELL (Guitar) and the evening's proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks from MR. JOHN CARTER.

ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

OLD Boys assembled in the School Hall together with Staff and Scholars on Monday, 11th November 1957. Wreaths were laid at the Memorials by an Old Boy and a present pupil of the School.

(The 1958 Service was held on Tuesday 11th November, 1958—too early for notice to be given in this Year Book).

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was held in the School Library on Tuesday, 26th November, 1957 when 17 Old Boys were present—a most disappointing attendance.

The Statement of Accounts for the Year Ending 30 July 1957 showed a balance of ± 642 7s. 11d. in the Life Members' Fund and a balance of ± 3 11s. 6d. in the General Fund. The largest item of expenditure was

concerned with the printing and despatch of the Year Book (£111-19-9), but against this had to be offset the sum of £26 5s. 0d. received from advertisers.

The Hon. Secretary outlined the work and activities of the Association during the previous twelve months and thanked the Officials and Committee for the able assistance received.

ANNUAL RUGBY MATCH

Old Boys v School-Boxing Day, 1957

In excellent conditions for Rugby, the annual School versus Old Boys Match took place with the latter team appearing to be much the stronger than the school team, which was weakened by injury and county calls. The Old Boys' XV was reputed to be the strongest for many years.

After winning the toss, the Old Boys kicked off and for most of the first half maintained a determined onslaught on the School goal-line. Their heavier pack performed very well in the set scrums and good service to the Old Boys' backs was set up by Brand at scrum-half and Lancaster (Northumberland county player) at stand-off. The School had better success in the loose and possession from line-out came about equal, but it was the excellent tackling of the backs which kept them out of trouble.

The scoring opened from a scrum near the school's goal line. Brand obtained possesion and by 'selling a dummy' to his stand-off he was able to run through to score an easy try between the posts. Much to the disappointment of the Old Boys this was unconverted.

From the beginning of the second half the School's attack livened up and in one forage into the Old Boys' half, Hare obtained the ball from a set scrum, passed to Boyes and before the Old Boys could appreciate the danger, Slee had taken the ball over for a try. This was unconverted.

At this point the score stood at 3 points each and both sides were pressing hard for a decider. Soon, however, the previous day's revelry began to take effect amongst the Old Boys and the School started taking the initiative.

It was a penalty kick, awarded because an Old Boy refused to play the ball, which finally clinched the game. Kennedy took the kick amid great excitment from the touchline and did extremely well to convert it. A few minutes later, the whistle of Old Boy 'Les' Thornton (who always had the play well under control) ended the match. The School emerged victors by 6 points to 3.

WHIST AND BRIDGE DRIVE Tuesday, 11th February, 1958

THERE were about 20 tables of bridge and 5 of whist in the School Hall. Unfortunately it was a very cold evening, otherwise the attendance would have been considerably greater. However, for those who ventured out and managed to survive the 'first-half' without the aid of their 'de-icing equipment,' there was some consolation at the interval when hot tea and refreshments were served by the lady helpers. This had the effect of reviving everybody sufficiently to continue the battle during the 'second-half,' at the termination of which, the President's wife, Mrs. D. W. Henderson, kindly presented the prizes.

The General Fund profited to the tune of £9 6s. 0d. which included the proceeds of a raffle held during the evening. Our special thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Little and Mr. and Mrs. Green for their wholehearted efforts in ensuing the success of this function.

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH

(Old Boys v School-Wednesday, 16th July, 1958)

This event was, unfortunately, marred by the weather, and resulted in an abandoned game. Owing to unavoidable last minute withdrawals the Old Boys' team was not complete and several substitutes had to be brought in. Play was delayed for about an hour by heavy rain and then although the wicket was so saturated as to make play almost impossible it was decided to have an "overs" match. The Old Boys batted first and put on 51 runs for 7 wickets in the allotted 22 overs, Norman Kelly being top scorer with 18. The most successful bowlers were Wanless and Matthews, and smart catches were taken by Jordan and Matthews.

The tea which followed was easily the most memorable part of the proceedings, since a further heavy downpour made a resumption of play quite impossible and the game was regretfully abandoned as a draw.

THF PRESIDENT'S COFFEE EVENING

(Thursday, 17th July, 1958)

A RECENT cartoon in "Punch" shewed a clergyman pinning up a notice referring to the garden fete.—"If wet, in the Vicarage"..... In the background, his wife could be seen in an attitude of silent prayer!

Mrs. Henderson must have prayed very hard for the beautiful day on which the Coffee Evening was held. A notice had been sent out to a large number of Old Boys in the district (our apologies if you were missed) and the response was quite gratifying. There were plenty of willing helpers, plenty of coffee and cakes, and very soon a goodly number of 'Stocktonians' with their ladies had turned out to support this little social event.

Mr. Tiesing and Mr. Downes, of the School Staff, joined the willing slaves in organising Putting and Croquet, which games were made extremely difficult and therefore more interesting by the condition of the President's turf. At the same time this offered a good excuse for those who normally profess to be expert —such as Ernie "Scotswhae-hae" Fieke, straight from Glasgow.

On a more commercial basis, the Bring-and-Buy Department was doing excellent trade and raffle tickets sold like hot cakes, so that by sunset the Old Stocktonian Funds had been considerably helped,—quite apart from the wealth of memories recalled and acquaintances renewed

Our thanks are due to those who so kindly gave support by their help and by their presence, and particularly to several Old Boys who were not able to attend but who were with us in spirit, and sent on their contributions. The Association funds benefited by £15.

GRATITUDE

WE wish to acknowledge the very fine gesture of the School in presenting an oak desk and combined cupboard to the Association. This fine piece of furniture—made by the boys, from materials kindly supplied by our esteemed friend and master, MR. S. V. MORRIS, has been placed in the entrance porchway of the School The desk will provide a permanent place for Stocktonian documents, Year Books, Minutes and other Literature which has been collected since the inception of the Association.

The design and craftmanship of this wonderful acquisition has been in the very capable hands of MR. TAYLOR, Woodwork Instructor, who has spent a considerable amount of his valuable time in its preparation.

To the last named, and all those boys who contributed to the specialized work involved in its creation, our very sincere gratitude.

RETIREMENT

News reached us during the Summer vacation, that MR. S. V. MORRIS had retired from his post at the School. Many of us will remember him as our Geography Master of years gone by and others for his friendly interest in our progress on the field of play; but perhaps not many will realise that he has quietly and unselfishly devoted many long hours to the well-being and furtherance of our Association of Old Boys. For all that he has freely given we offer our simple thanks—which we know is just how he would prefer it. To Mr. and Mrs. Morris, we wish a long and happy retirement in their beautiful Cleveland surroundings.

VISITORS' BOOK

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

OLD STOCKTONIAN BLAZER BADGE AND TIE

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

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

LADIES' EVENING 1958

AT the time of going to press, detailed arrangements have not been completed, but it is hoped that our venue this year will be THE FOX HOTEL, GUISBOROUGH, on Tuesday, 28th October. A full report will appear in our next issue, when the bar has stopped revolving!!

O.S. BENEVOLENT FUND

EXCEPT for the Bank Interest, which is given to the School in the form of a prize, no calls have been made on the Fund during the year, and the books thus show the same credit balance as in 1957 (£331 16s. 0d.)

At the beginning of the year, the accounts were audited by Mr. Harold Dodsworth (himself an Old Boy) Chartered Accountant and Secretary of Messrs. Robert Stephenson & Hawthorns, Ltd., of Darlington, and to him we are greatly indebted for his skilled assistance.

Once more, we wish it to be dearly understood that the Benevolent Fund exists to help Old Boys or present boys, and that any appeal for assistance will receive the most sympathetic consideration of the Trustees. Applications should be addressed to The Headmaster, Grangefield Grammar School, Stockton-on-Tees.

OLD BOYS HERE AND THERE

FOLLOWING on his success in the Final Examination—Part 2 of the Corporation of Secretaries, JOHN V. ADDEY (1943-9) has been elected an Associate Member of that body. As the most promising commercial student attending the Constantine Technical College, John has been awarded the Middlesbrough Chamber of Commerce Medal.

AT a meeting of the Tees Valley Water Board, ALDERMAN C. W. ALLISON, O.B.E., J.P., was re-elected Chairman, a position which he has held since 1945. At his election, various tributes were paid to the wonderful work which he had done over the years, and a Middlesbrough member of wide public experience described him as the greatest Chairman under whom he had ever served—a charming compliment to a remarkable man.

FRANK W. BAKER, Valuer, Surveyor and Estate Agent, finds relaxation from his business worries on the golf course of the Eaglescliffe Club, of which he is Captain.

When we last heard of ALAN BARKER, former cricketer, footballer and athlete, he was acting as Resident Surveyor at the Kawasaki Dockyard, Kobe, Japan. Now we learn that he has returned as Chief Estimator to his old firm, Canadian Vickers, Shipbuilders at Montreal. It is interesting to note that Alan, athough a comparatively young man, has already worked in three continents, for he was originally employed by Smith's Dock, Ltd., at South Bank.

ANTHONY I. BARKER (1947-52) was unable to attend our last Dinner owing to the fact that, with the rank of Pay Sergeant, he was then attached to the Field Survey Squadron of the Royal Engineers in Kenya. While there, he had the honour of climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, and made several trips into the bush as far as the Ethiopian and Somaliland borders, which trips gave him the opportunity of photographing and occasionally shooting the wild life.

With luck, he says, his tour should end in time for him to be able to be present at the 1958 Dinner. We look forward to meeting him there.

A. BAINBRIDGE (1946-51) is an Assistant at the Middlesbrough Central Library, and no doubt often advises his clients that 'some books are to be tasted, other to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested.'

CLIVE BELL (1947-54), who obtained an Honours Degree in Geography at Liverpool University in 1957, tells us (29-11-57) that he is now taking a one-year course in Education at London University and that he has just emerged in one piece from his first teaching practice at a school in Bow.

Two very welcome visitors to the School during the year were FRANK W. BOWEN, M.A., and JACK FARNABY.

After qualifying as a teacher, Frank taught for a time at Sowerby Bridge. In 1940, he joined the R.A.F. (Dr. BILLY INGMAN gave him his medical), was commissioned in the R.A.F. Education Corps in 1943, and while stationed at Hucknall renewed acquaintance with LESLIE ROBSON, Town Clerk of that community. After the war, he returned to the West Riding, and then joined the staff of the Stockton Technical

School, where in addition to teaching English, he conducted very successful voluntary classes in Musical Appreciation. He next moved as an assistant master to a school in Solihull-a town well known to J. H. RAGSDALE-and in 1949 became Headmaster of a School in Mansfield where the first person he met was GUY WARWICK, a gentleman of considerable importance in the firm of Messrs. Lucas, garage and car-hire specialists. Leaving Mansfield in 1953, he then moved to a bigger school at Pontefract (there he encountered ERIC FENNY, happily married and controlling a flourishing newsagent and tobacconist business). Now he is Headnaster of the Longcar Central School, Barnsley, which is one of the few remaining Selective Central Schools in the country.

Mr. Bowen, who is married and has one son aged ten, and who recalls with pleasure the facts that he once scored a try for the Brown House and once edited a Form Magazine which enjoyed a brief notoriety, wishes to be remembered to J. W. ATKINSON, B. BERRY, J. H. RAGSDALE and C. H. O'GRADY (as a very junior junior, he once hit Charles on the neck with a snowball—and lived to tell the tale).

He also inquires about Sam, the Skeleton, which, he will be pleased to hear, was conveyed with pomp and circumstance from the old to the new school, and which once was the leading actor in the Adventure of the Flagpole.

WE congratulate ERIC BROWN on his appointment as Chief Clerk of Messrs. Furness Shipbuilding Co., Ltd. Eric is, of course, well known as a member of the Old Stocktonians' Committee, but is perhaps even better known as a member of the Stockton Town Council, in which position he has the confidence of his constituents to a remarkable degree.

FOLLOWING on a three year sandwich course at the Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough, ALAN BROWNLEE (1946-51) obtained a Higher National Certificate in Metallurgy. Now, a Licentiate Member of the Institute of Metallurgy, he is (27-11-57) in the 2nd year of a B.Sc., course (Metallurgy) at King's College, Newcastle. We wish Alan every success.

JACK BRUNT, who is employed in the Physics Dept of Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd. and who devotes his leisure to playing Rugby football and tennis, was recently married to Miss Kathleen Brown, a shorthand typist with the same firm. We send our felicitations to Mr. and Mrs. Brunt and wish them every happiness.

T. O. CRISP, a Sedgefield boy, who is now a Health Officer in Kenya, has recently presented to the School Museum a python skin which has a rather gory history.

Three of the local tribesmen were taking a stroll through the bush in a rocky, hilly region when this reptile fell on one of them from an overhanging branch. Anchoring itself to a near-by tree, it then proceeded to squeeze the unfortunate victim with the ultimate intention of swallowing and digesting him. Help, however, was near at hand and in the ensuing struggle four feet of the python were neatly removed. The tribesmen then skinned the python and the skin was afterwards given to Mr. Crisp.

Beyond telling us that he screamed (a very natural thing to do under the circumstances), our Old Boy does not, however, inform us what happened in the end to the gentleman who was being squeezed. Mr. Crisp is evidently settling down in East Africa and finding his work of interest intense, and in sending the skin, he also sends his regards to Mr. Munday, who, he says, is the only one of the School Staff who will remember him.

It is with much regret that we learn that JACK W. CORNER (1900-5), who was chairman of the Scalby Rural District Council, a member of the Divisional Executive for Education and a Governor of the High School for Boys has left Scarborough to make his home at Letchworth, Hertfordshire.

·Prompting this action is the fact that he has a daughter, Rosemary, and two small grandchildren who already live at Letchworth, while his son, Desmond, who has recently been awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy by Sheffield University, is shortly to take up an important appointment at Exeter University.

We congratulate Desmond on his great success and send our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Corner for contentment and happiness in their new surroundings.

HAVING passed the Final Examination of the Institute of Hospital Administrators and having being awarded the Regional Prize, J. N. CHARLTON was appointed Senior Administrative Assistant at the Royal United Hospital, Bath, in November 1957. Mr. Charlton is, of course, one of the Old Boys who "served his time" at Stockton and Thornaby Hospital under JOHN WILKINSON. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him.

OUR sympathy goes out to LAWRENCE DAVIS, Secretary of Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co., Ltd., who has recently lost his father, County Councillor D. W. Davis. Councillor Davis, whose last public engagement was to perform the opening ceremony at the Stockton/Billingham Technical College, was for many years a member of the Stockton Town Council and a Governor of our own School—a gentleman interested in all good works, who will be much missed.

HAVING obtained his National Certificate and completed the first year of the Higher National Course, W. A. DAVIS, a draughtsman at the Furness Shipyard, went to King's College, Newcastle, in 1956 to study for a degree in Naval Architecture. He has now finished two years of his three year course and has recently obtained an appointment with a New York firm for the duration of his summer vacation, thus showing the character and initiative which were developed by attendance at an Outward Bound course during his apprenticeship. When his degree studies are completed, Mr. Davis is ambitious to secure a permanent post in America, an ambition which we view with somewhat mixed feelings since he is one of those Old Boys whom our own country can ill spare.

ON leaving School, DOUGLAS DEAN (1951-6) joined the North Eastern Electricity Board as a student apprentice and was then sent to Rutherford Technical College, Newcastle, to take a full-time course in Electrical Engineering subjects. In 1957, he obtained an S2 Certificate and is now working at North Tees "C" Power Station. G. DEWISON, who obtained his B.A. degree (Honours in French) last year at Sheffield University, has now been awarded his teaching Diploma and has been appointed to the French staff of Staveley Netherthorpe Grammar School, Derbyshire.

MALCOLM DUNCAN (1946-51), who obtained his Higher National Diploma in Mech. Engineering in 1957 and who is now a Pilot Officer in the R.A.F., was married on August 2nd to a young lady from Leeds. His best man was DAVE NASH and one of his groomsmen was CLIVE BELL and with such expert help we have no doubt that the knot was well and truly tied. In any case, we send our sincere wishes to Jean and Malcolm that throughout their lives it may be roses, roses all the way.

Somewhere about the middle of March, a Rugby football team from Cains College, Cambridge was playing a series of friendly matches in the district. With them was Henry Eden, who took the opportunity of calling at the School to present a photograph of his grandfather, the late MR. J. W. Eden, B.A., who as a teacher of French and Deputy Head will be well remembered by many of the older Old Boys.

Henry is the son of W. A. EDEN, M.A., A.R.I.B.A., F.S.A., who is architect in charge of historical buildings in London and who spoke so gracefully at our Annual Dinner three of four years ago.

In February, P. M. K. EMBLING, B.sc., Director of the Chemical Plant Division of the Power Gas Corporation, Ltd., was one of those who qualified for a 'long service' presentation.

Mike has been 25 years with his present firm and looks likely to complete another 25 years.

ON leaving School, P. D. FEATHERSTONE (1945-49) went to the Research Dept. at I.C.I. but, after two years there, he found he could no longer stand the smell. He then joined the Army (R.A.O.C.), in due course became a Sergeant and acted as ammunition examiner, etc. Following other adventures, he moved to an ammunition research unit and in 1957 was made a full Lieutenant. Now he is in charge of vehicles and kits in the "C" Depot. Central Vehicle Depot, R.A.O.C., Sudbury, Derbyshire—a job which he finds very interesting since he is concerned with every type of bulldozer, tractor, crane, excavator, plough, dumper, grader and scraper. At the same time, it is his ambition to get back to ammunition. Meanwhile, he wishes to be remembered to and would like to hear from PETER SANDERSON and CHRIS. GODDARD (Address as above).

IN what he describes as his annual report from Scotland, E. H. FIEKE (President 1953-55) laments that he has lost touch with G. A. WILSON, who has been moved from Glasgow to the I.C.I. headquarters in London, but that, while on a visit to the Royal Highland Show, he again made contact with J. F. MANN (1921-26), District Manager of a nationally known footwear firm. He also tells us that Mr. Mann's sphere of influence has now been extended to the counties of Westmorland and Cumberland where his particular brand of boots is calculated to be of service to those who climb mountains and to those who go to the rescue of the unfortunate beings who fall down mountains.

Mr. Fieke (his infectious grin must surely be an asset in his business life), who made a special journey from Scotland to lend his support to the Old Boys in their annual cricket match against the School, then goes on to describe a hilarious meeting with Old Boys in London. But for that, we refer to the paragraph about C. H. O'GRADY.

J. GILLILAND (1947-54), having obtained a General Degree at Durham University, is now taking a two-years' Honours Course in Psychology. Elected a member of the University Students' Representative Council for 1957-8, he devotes what he has of leisure to Rowing and Rugby.

JACK GILLSON, who in 1956 obtained his Higher National Diploma in Mech. Engineering, is at present doing his National Service in the R.E.M.E. corps and, with a lot of soccer and athletics, says that he is enjoying the experience. All the same, he is looking forward to February, 1959, when he will return to his job as a draughtsman at Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co., Ltd.

CONTEMPORARY with J. WILKINSON, J. CHESELDINE, W. GILBERT, R. PLOWMAN, A. ROGERS, etc. at the old Higher Grade School, TOM GRAINGER has spent almost the whole of his working life—a matter of nearly 50 years—with the firm of Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co., Ltd.

Commencing as an apprentice draughtsman on leaving school, he was sent to London in 1938 as Technical Salesman and since 1954 has acted as London Manager.

In the 1914-18 war, he joined the Kent Cyclists' Battalion along with W. CORNER, and finished up in India as a 2nd Lieut. in the Machine Gun Corps.

In the course of his many wanderings—business and otherwise—Mr. Grainger has encountered many Old Boys e.g. EDDIE THOMAS (now occupying a very senior position in the Purchasing Dept. of Ford Motors at Dagenham), COLIN BOWRON (now with Langley Alloys at Slough and living near to Stoke Poges Churchyard, immortalised by the poet Gray), JOHN BOWRON (a Solicitor at Worthing), P. V. PRINGLE (living in retirement at Dublin), while he shortly hopes to meet PAUL INGMAN in France.

Married to the eldest of the three charming daughters of the late Mr. W. Lawson, an engineer well known at Stockton and on Tees-side, Tommy has one son, who is manager of a firm in Dublin manufacturing printers' inks, varnishes and paints, and one daughter whose husband's people for many years lived next door to G. F. RODGERS (sometime Town Clerk of Kingston-on-Thames).

We are very grateful, to Mr. Grainger for his interesting letter and hope that on one of his monthly visits to Stockton to attend a work's conference, he will call to see how the new school compares with the old.

Trained at Goldsmiths College, London, ALBERT GRIFFITHS afterwards gained experience as an assistant teacher at the Bailey Street, Bowesfield Lane, Richard Hind and High Clarence Schools.

In 1940, he was appointed Head Master of Tilery Road School, and his recent retirement brings to an end nearly fifty years of fruitful service in the teaching profession. For his Tilery Road job, he was singularly fitted for he was a friendly sympathetic man, go-ahead and outspoken, qualities which made an instant appeal to all those in the immediate neighbourhood of his diocese. Further, he had a firm belief that his was the best school of all—a belief, which, as the years rolled on, was shared both by the boys and by their parents.

Always keen on sport, he was Chairman of the local Schools' Football Association for four years, while outside his work he has taken an interest in politics, (he is Secretary of Stockton Liberals), and has developed a liking for the study of Stockton's history.

On the Grange Estate where he lives, he has fathered the Estate Association almost from its inception, and both Mrs. Griffiths and himself are known as "good neighbours"—We can pay them no greater compliment than that.

JACK GUILE, Town Clerk of Grantham, tells us that he had intended to be present at our Annual Dinner last December, but that a meeting of the Grantham Housing Committee unfortunately intervened. Perhaps in the near future, he may be able to arrange with his friend HARRY CALLENDER, Town Clerk of Lichfield, to make a joint visit to Stockton in order to renew old associations—they would receive a very warm welcome.

VICTOR HARRIS, who was a founder member of the Institute of Biology, now holds the position of Overseas Honorary Secretary of that body. This title is perhaps somewhat misleading since his real job is Officer in charge of the Colonial Termite Research Unit and his base is the Natural History Museum, London, where his duties often take him abroad and he, therefore, has many opportunities of meeting members and telling them of the work of the Institute.

Vic, as he is known to all his friends, trained successively in agriculture and zoology at Durham and Cambridge Universities, and in tropical agriculture and entomology at the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture. For 22 years, he was in East Africa working on entomological problems for the governments of Tanganyika and Uganda. His publications are mainly on cotton pests, locusts and termites and also include "The History of Wicken Fen."

Recently 'The Times' asked him to write an article on termites in Europe for publication as its main "turnover" article, and his contribution was marked by that dash of humour which is so characterisric of him. Indeed, lecturing at Munich some time ago, he made a joke in German which was greatly appreciated by his audience.

Mr. Harris is a Vice-President of the Royal Entomological Society, while in his lighter moments he acts as a member of the Carshalton Urban District Council in Surrey where he lives.

In a letter to us (Jan. 1958), addressed from the Bernese Oberland, where he was on holiday, he gives us news of LESLIE HILL, who resides near him and who, two or three weeks ago, took a day off from his dental practice for the purpose of giving away his pretty daughter in marriage. He also tells us that, from information given him by one who was present at the recent PURVIS wedding, JOHN T. is looking very venerable.

Further information is that he (Vic) is hoping to attend an International Entomological Congress in London in July: that in September he expects to go to the West Indies calling in at British Honduras: while in January, 1959, it is likely that he will be at a congress in Nairobi going on from there to Uganda.

And lastly, when he is next in Stockton, he promises to give an illustrated talk on the Tropics either to a school or Old Boy audience.

IN THE last issue of the Year Book, we mentioned with pride the achievement of STUART B. HART, B.Sc.(Eng)., A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I.Mech.E., who had been appointed town planner of the State Government of South Australia—an area four times the size of Great Britain.

Now, in a leter published in an Australian paper, the following striking tribute is paid to his first year's work:—"As a real estate company concerned with various sub-divisional sales, we find ourselves greatly indebted to those who arranged Mr. Hart's appointment and to Mr. Hart himself for his helpful, sensible and always courteous service that he provides.

We have yet to meet an estate agent, surveyor or town clerk who has not been similarly impressed. In fact, the service emanating from Mr. Hart is usually found only within the realm of progressive private enterprise and certainly comes as an extremely pleasant surprise when encountered in a non-competitive Government department."

Knowing Mr. Hart as we do, we think that the tribute is well deserved, and to him we send our greetings and congratulations.

A letter from FRANK HAUXWELL, (1907-11) recalled many happy memories of Old Boys, such as HARRY KEWLEY (lately transferred from Newcastle to Manchester—British Railways), FRANK HEALD (now a Chartered Accountant in Newcastle), JACK CORNER (now living in retirement at Letchworth), JACK SAYERS (a cousin of Mr. Hauxwell), HARRY BOWERY (now presiding over the destinies of the Stockton Football Club), ALBERT GRIFFITHS (lately retired from schoolmastering), HAROLD BROWNLEE (one of the trickiest forwards the Stockton F. C. ever had.), IAN KIRBY (now a specialist in Foundry work), etc., etc.

On leaving school, Mr. Hauxwell obtained employment with the South Durham Steel & Iron Co., Ltd., at their Head Office at the then Moor Works, subsequently gaining further experience at the Malleable Works and at West Hartlepool, and rising to a position equivalent to that of Cashier.

In 1932, the great depression caused him to make a clean break from the steel trade and he then became an agent with the Royal Liver Assurance Co., where promotion came very quickly. In 1936, he was appointed Head Office Inspector of an area which stretched from Berwick to Leeds: in 1940, District Manager at Scarborough, and in 1944 District Manager at Newcastle, a position which he still holds.

In his time, he has held many honorary offices e.g. Member of the Northern Area Committee of the Industrial Life Offices, Member of the Executive of District Managers Association, while, when he was at Scarborough, he was a member of the Scalby Rural District Council.

Always interested in youth and fond of sport, he once organised a Boys' Club in Newtown, Stockton(two of its members were TOM OLVER and ARTHUR BOWLEY), the football section of whichknown as Newtown Juniors—established itself as Champions of Durham County. He also at one time captained a very successful Malleable Cricket XI and played for Thornaby C.C. Reserves when they were to the top of their section in the N.Y. & S.D. League.

Married with one son, who is employed as an Industrial Chemist in a Marine Paint Research Laboratory on Tyneside, Mr. Hauxwell confesses to a liking for gardening—but only in small doses.

Following on his B.Sc., Honours Degree in Civil Engineering at Leeds University in 1957, P. R. HELLIWELL (1949-54) is now doing hydrological work on the Swale and Esk rivers with a view to submitting a thesis for his Ph.D., in 1960. We sincerely hope he will be successful.

A Graduate of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, GRANVII, LE D. HEWITT, M.A., joined the Billingham Division of I.C.I. in 1926 as a technical officer and is now on the Directorate staff doing special duties. Interested in Welfare work, he was Chairman for three years of the junior and senior Synthonia Clubs. In 1954, he was appointed a J.P. while his long record of service with the Stockton Conservative Association, which he helped to reform after the war, has led to his holding the office of Vice-Chairman since 1950. Within recent months, he has been awarded the M.B.E.—a honour which we feel he has thoroughly deserved.

WE note with pleasure that Ernest Malcolm, the only son of MR. & MRS. E. B. HOPKINSON of Middlesbrough has recently been married to Miss Marjorie Morris of Stockton. In wishing them the best of luck, we express the hope that Hopkinson junior is just as good a man as his father.

MICHAEL HOWARD (1951-3) can hardly be regarded as a complete Old Stocktonian inasmuch as the greater part of his school career was spent at Stockton Grammar School.

On leaving School in 1953 with a County Major Scholarship, he went to Birmingham University, was awarded the Pettitt Bursary in 1955, and in 1956 graduated with Honours as a Bachelor of Law. As a result of this success, he gained a University Exhibition, and in 1957 qualified as a Master of Law.

At the end of the same year, he passed the Hilary Bar Examination, and thereby qualified for the Bar, although it will be necessary for him to eat several more dinners before he is actually "called."

As a youngster, he was an extremely promising cricketer, but he has now taken up golf and tennis, and while at Birmingham represented the University at table-tennis in a local league. Other interests are music of the classical type, while he also daubs in oils, although it is a matter for conjecture whether he will ever reach Royal Academy standard.

At the moment, he is doing his National Service with the R.A.S.C., and recently married Miss Dorothy Blair, a French mistress, who in her school days was a distinguished pupil at our Girls' School. We congratulate Dorothy and Michael and wish them all the happiness in the world.

Spurred on by his brother, W. A. HUME (1924-29), W. G. HUME (1923-28) has solved his membership troubles by paying a Life Sub-

scription, because, as he says, this will avoid our sending him constant reminders.

Mr. Hume (W.G.), who is entitled to put the letters N.D.H. after his name, was for seven years County Horticultural Officer for Worcestershire, but has now secured an appointment as Horticultural Officer for the West Midland Region of the National Agricultural Advisory Service, this region consisting of the counties of Cheshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, Worcestershire and Herefordshire. Naturally, this important job necessitates a great deal of travelling, not only inside the area but also to the London headquarters of the Ministry of Agriculture. But in a very busy life, he still finds time at Codsall near Wolverhampton to pursue his hobby of oil painting, while as a horticulturist he specialises in gardening.

AFTER taking his B.A. Degree at Oxford University, GEOFFREY HUNTER (1949-53) proceeded to Ridley Hall, Cambridge, where he is still plodding along doing academic work in preparation for ordination. To him, our Year Book is very interesting, but he says that it is too dangerous to have the Book within reach when essays are waiting to be written!

Later, we hear that Geoffrey has been successful in his examinations, and has been appointed as Ridley Hall organist during his second year.

E. HOLMES (1947-54), having graduated with Honours in Chemistry at Birmingham University in 1957, is now spending a further year there studying for a Graduate's Commerce Diploma. As for his future prospects—well, two years under the auspices of Her Majesty's Government.

A. L. INGMAN, M.Sc. (1920-0), who is now Senior Inspector of Taxes, Ist District, Middlesbrough, asks us 'if we will kindly allow him to become a Life Member of our Association.' We gladly accede to the modest request of so distinguished an Old Boy.

HAVING completed his National Service in July, 1957, G. R. JEWITT, B.A. (Hons.), who was at school from 1944 to 1951, celebrated the occasion by getting married in the following month. Now, he is teaching English at the Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Darlington. We wish our Old School Captain and his lady every happiness and every success.

MR. GAVIN KAY, I.R.A.M., so long identified with the Cecilian Glee Party and with the Cleveland Harmonic Male Voice Choir at Middlesbrough, is still carrying on with his usual concerts, etc., and wishes to be remembered to all those Old Boys, who enjoyed and benefited by his music lessons when he was a teacher at School.

Since writing the above, we learn with deep regret that Mr. Kay's second son, Kenneth, Canon (once Rural Dean and Archdeacon) of Bradford, has passed away. The sympathies and kindly thoughts of all Old Boys are with our old master.

IT WAS a happy thought to invite TOM A. KENNEDY, the oldest Trustee, to declare open the considerable extensions and amenities which have been added to the West End Bowling Club. Stockton, and it was a gracious act of Mr. Kennedy to present to the Club a silver cup for annual competitions at snooker.

By all Old Stocktonians, the genial Tom, who is the senior member of the firm of Messrs. Allan Kennedy & Co., Ltd., Constructional Engineers, Stockton, will always be gratefully remembered for the part he played in forming their Association the best part of fifty years ago.

GEOFFREY B. KENYON (1946-52) is at present at an American University, whilst JOHN T. GLEAVE, M.A., M.Ed., has recently been promoted to the position of Deputy Director of Education for Uganda. We look forward to receiving letters from them both which will tell us of their news and experiences. We would appreciate a word, too, from DOUGLAS H. BROOKFIELD who, we understand, is now residing in London after many years of service with the Foreign Office in different parts of the world.

In a letter received by TOM SOWLER, the Old Boys' Cricket Captain, we learned that J. B. HODGSON (1949-54) is now serving with the Army in Cyprus. The news was received from his mother, who resides in Norton, and she informs us that Barry wishes to apologise for his inability to turn out for the Old Boys XI.

"Hodge," as he was better known to his contemporaries, has now attained the rank of Lance Corporal and still manages to enter into the field of athletics with occasional running and jumping. Recently, he played cricket for an Army XI in Cyprus, which was successful in winning the Sub-District Cup and narrowly beaten in the Island Cup Final. Apparently, conditions are not ideal for cricket and the pitches either resemble 'a sea of mud' or are 'as hard as the rock of the Island itself."

H. C. P. V. WALLER (1933-39) now residing at 111 Vale Road, Worcester Park, Surrey, is an Executive Officer attached to the Headquarters of the Ministry of Labour and National Service, where he controls the staff who deal with vacancies for civil engineers, architects, surveyors and town-planners throughout the U.K.

Married, with three girls—the eldest of which is now progressing satisfactorily after a spell in hospital—Harold, in sending his Life Subscription, informs us that his hobbies are mainly concerned with "the local Residents" Association Committee, pottering about the garden and sampling a variety of foods in different restuarants of the West End and Soho."

With regard to the latter, we hope that Harold will be pleased to 'mark your card,' on your next visit up to Town!

The Science staff of the School are constantly cheered on their way by news of distinctions won and work done by their ex-pupils in the fields of pure and applied science. It was very refreshing, therefore, to hear from JIMMY WADSWORTH, B.A., Ph.D., now lecturing at Harvard in the Department of Romance Languages and Literature. He sends (with a welcome letter) offprints of his recently published work on L'Altercazione of Lorenzo de Medici and Filippo Beroaldo.

NEIL USHER (1953-55) who attended Wolsingham Grammar School before moving to Grangefield, has obtained an honours degree in Physics at King's College, London University, whilst E. HARBRON (1950-55) has gained his B.Sc., with honours in Chemical Engineering at Leeds University.

WE WERE sorry to lose the services of one of our keen young Committee Members, D. W. TRAIN (1949-54), who, after gaining his Ordinary National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering at Stockton in 1957, commenced a full-time course at Sunderland Technical College for a University degree in that subject.

Whilst on Wearside, David has captained the College Cross Country Team and as well as having served as Treasurer of the Student Christian Movement, he is now Chairman of the Athletics Committee.

We now learn that he has been awarded his full colours in recognition of his services to the College as a member of the Durham Universities Athletic Committee.

In sending us a Life Subscription, David kindly offers to assist the Association in any way possible upon completion of his course at college in three years time. We gladly accept—and in the meantime wish him every success in his studies.

SINCE gaining the Higher National Diploma in Electrical Engineering, J. A. SMITH (1946-51) has been elected as a Graduate of the Institute of Electrical Engineers and is at present Vice-Chairman of the Tees-side Student and Graduate Section of that body. Now married and residing at 7 Oaklands Avenue, Norton, John has recently been appointed as Technical Assistant to the Works Engineer of Dorman, Long (Steel) Ltd., Britannia Works, Middlesbrough.

IN RECENT issues of the "Evening Gazette," we have been privileged to read two articles by HORACE KING, M.A., Ph.D., and M.P. for the Itchen Division of Southampton. In the first article, Dr. King, who is the author of "Parliament and Freedom" and other works, tells of a murder in the House of Commons, when the murdered man was no less a person than the then Prime Minister. And yet, there is no mention of so notable event in the official journal of the House, since nothing is recorded there except what is carried by resolution and vote.

In the second article, he looks back nostalgically to the Christmases which he enjoyed on Tees-side as a boy, when Stockton was a great shipbuilding port, when Billingham was a mere village, when the Transporter Bridge at Middlesbrough was just going up, when the Borough Football team with Alf Common and Steve Bloomer was one of the best in the land, and when the VIth Form boys at the Stockton Secondary School were rigging up a gadget of wires and batteries and iron filings, and receiving messages without wires from the Eiffel Tower.

We always like to hear of Horace (our only M.P.), who not so long ago was speaking at a National Union of Teachers' Conference at Scarborough, where he was delighted to meet JACK CORNER, through whom he sent his kindest regards to all his old friends.

HAVING obtained a Honours Degree in Physics at King's College, Newcastle, G. LANCASTER (1947-51) is at preset doing research there in that subject. On the sporting side, he has been "capped" for Northumberland at Rugby football.

RONALD LUDBROOK, who is a Director of Messrs. Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co., Ltd., (Australia), tells us that he is looking forward to a holiday in England in 1959 and that he has booked already to and fro passages for himself, his wife, his son aged 17, his daughter aged 16, and his mother-in-law who is the mother of VICTOR HARRIS. Meanwhile,

his chief pre-occupation is what is to become, during his absence, of his small managerie of pets—a Labrador dog, a dachshund, numerous canaries, budgerigars, cockateels, and a collection of goldfish and galah.

Ronald compares an English winter most unfavourably with that encountered in Australia where there is practically no frost or snow and certainly no fogs or slush. He also informs us that French is not required in the Australian Matriculation Examination, a fact which may encourage some of the boys at English schools to consider whether emigration to the island continent would not be well worth their while.

ERIC MIDDLETON (1937-42) is now an Electrical Engineer Surveyor with the Vulcan Boiler and General Insurance Co., Ltd., Middlesbrough area. It will be remembered that Eric obtained his Higher National Certificate in Electrical Engineering (with Distinction) somewhere about 1952.

WE SEND our congratulations to ANTHONY MORRIS, who was lately married to Miss Joyce Merryweather of Thornaby. Anthony, who is chief accountant to a firm of contractors at South Shields, has represented Durham County at hockey, kept wicket for the Old Boys in their annual match against the School, and was a member of the Stockton Cricket XI which won the Championship of the N.Y. & S.D. League—Division B in 1957. His bride also shares his cricket interest, her brother, Douglas, (Captain Thornaby C.C.) being one of the finest batsmen in the district.

W. B. NODDINGS, M.Sc., (1st Class Honours in Elect. Engineering), A.M.I.E.E., joined the Central Electricity Board in London in 1928, and remained there until 1948 when the Board was dissolved by nationalisation.

He was then transferred to the headquarters of the new British Electricity Authority (afterwards the Central Electricity Authority) and became the Chief Commercial Officer. In 1957, the industry was reorganised, and he was appointed Commercial and Development Advisor to the Electricity Council, which position he at present holds.

During his schooldays, Mr. Noddings had a brilliant career, for he excelled both in his studies and on the playing fields. As a footballer (we played the Association game in those far off days) he was supreme and stood out as the best centre-forward the school ever had, Good with his head, particularly fast off the mark, with a rocket-like shot in either foot, he struck terror in the defence of every opposing school team that we met.

One of his goals, we shall always remember. At that time, he was at Liverpool University (where he had displaced an amateur international at centre-forward), and had been invited to play for Stockton F.C. which was then very strong. Play was just over the half-way line, when he pounced on the ball, was past the centre half like a flash, and when the backs began to close on him, he put in a terrific shot with his right foot, which hit the left post and came back into play. Again, he was on the ball, and before a bewildered defence could take in the situation at all, had put in another terrific shot with his left foot and landed the ball in the right corner of the net.

Pre-eminent on sports' days, he also showed promise of becoming a fine cricketer, for he watched the ball very closely, was a good bowler and was first class in the field. Outstanding as he was, it, therefore, seems a great pity that a rather serious internal injury suffered at football just after his University days, when he had joined the firm of Metropolitan Vickers at Manchester, should have caused him to give up the game altogether, while, when he first arrived in London, he found that cricket, often on rounds far away, was likely to prove a very expensive hobby. And it must be said too that he has not always enjoyed the best of health, and in this connection he cannot speak too highly of the friendship and kindly medical advice accorded to him by Dr. JOHN LIVINGSTONE who is in charge of a hospital at Hendon.

In his 30 years in London, Mr. Noddings has not met many of his old School friends, but he recalls with special pleasure an occasion when he had dinner with HORACE KING, M.P., in the House of Commons; an occasion when, at a World Power Conference in Vienna, he and R. W. RUTHERFORD (Ashmore, Benson, Pease & Co., Ltd.) beguiled the time by talking over Red House football triumphs; and a recent occasion when he visited, Mr. W. R. BALL, (once Mathematics master) who is now living with his son ROBERT, at Ilford.

In 1932, he married Miss Mary Nicholson (he describes this as the best day's work he ever did)—another of those marriages which cemented together the Boys' and Girls' schools—and she, now a suburban housewife, interested in public work and with a taste for those amenities which only London can provide, still finds a thrill in looking at Big Ben from Westminster Bridge.

C. H. O'GRADY writes as follows ;-

"E. H. FIEKE had flown down from Stirling to London to represent his firm at their Agricultural Machinery Stand (M.I.L.—I thought at first the lad had gone in for Millinery). After making contact, we enjoyed dinner at a favourite Chinese restaurant where one gets breasts of chicken and scampi as well as the usual flora and fauna, From there, we went to the Players' Theatre Club where we made a belated entrance one hour late for the show) and were admonished in a kindly way by the Chairman on Stage. However, as we marched down the aisle, there was a bellow of recognition for Ernest from the body of the hall.

And there we found GEORGE JONES (now Director of Head Wrightson Stampings Ltd.) and another Old Boy. Thereafter, we yarned on and after pithy reminisences by Mr. Jones, who had recently visited the Gargoyle night club, we finally turned to happy recollections of the Old School in Nelson Terrace. And we drank toasts to Old Friends and a merry evening was spent by all."

ALL HIS old friends will regret to hear that T. D. OLVER, M.B.E., M.Inst.GasE., who is Deputy General Manager and Production Engineer of the Manchester Group of Undertakings, N. W. Gas Board, has been seriously ill. For practically the whole of June, he was in hospital and even yet has not returned to work. Our latest news, however, is that he is gradually improving, thanks mainly to the devotion of his wife and of his son, whose medical studies are now far advanced. We send our greetings to them, and our sincere hopes that our old friend, Tot, will very soon be restored to complete health.

A PLEASANT, yet somewhat poignant, ceremony took place at a recent meeting of the Stockton and District Newsagents' Association when HERBERT OUTHWAITE and his brother, Harman, presented a medallion in memory of their father, the late Mr. Herbert Outhwaite, Senr. who was the first President of the Assolation in 1938.

It is intended that this medallion shall be worn on state occasions by the present and all future Presidents—a fitting tribute to the memory of a very respected and kindly gentleman.

NOEL PARRIS (1952-55), now serving as a policeman at a R.A.F. station near King's Lynn, Norfolk, tells us that, when he leaves the Forces, he intends to join the London Metropolitan Police. We wish him the best of luck.

WE REMEMBER JACK T. PURVIS, B.Sc., (Agri.), telling us that, when he was an Agricultural Officer in East Africa, he once shot a crocodile either in his own or his neighbour's front garden!

On his leaving Africa, Jack, along with his wife and twin daughters, settled down on a small holding at Aislaby near Yarm, where he proceeded to turn a wilderness into a business proposition. Now he has become an active member of the Stockton Urban District Council, but one of the twins has gone to Kenya, where we hope her husband will kill marauding crocodiles just as her father did before him.

FORTY-ONE years ago—he was awarded a "Long Service" medal at a recent presentation—R. W. RUTHERFORD (1914-7) joined the Power Gas Corporation, Ltd., (with its subsidiary firm of Ashmore, Benson, Pease, & Co.,) as a laboratory assistant, subsequently becoming a works' chemist. In 1926, he was sent out to Japan to deal with a specific contract and on its completion he persuaded his firm to allow him to remain there for the purpose of extending their business. In this, he was so far successful that he did not return home until 1938. In 1931 at Yokohama, he married the daughter of American missionary parents, a delightful lady, who with some rather ineffectual help from her husband, now specialises in growing rhododendrons and azalias in her garden at Richmond Road.

When he came back to Stockton, the value of his services to his firm was recognised by successive promotions to Sales Manager, Director, Technical Director, and Deputy Managing Director—the position which he now holds.

A member of the Institutes of Gas Engineering, Chemical Engineering and Fuel, Mr. Rutherford has travelled widely on his firm's business— London to Paris, Sydney to San Francisco, London to Tokyo, etc., and calculates that between 1945 and 1955 he journeyed a quarter of a million miles by air.

Keenly interested in cricket he is at the moment President of the Stockton Club, and his liking for the game has evidently been transmitted to his two elder boys (good at all sports), the first one (now at Ashmores after studying at Cambridge and London Universities) having been in the Tonbridge School XI for four seasons (two under the captaincy of M. C. Cowdray), and the second one (he obtained an Athletics blue at Cambridge this year) playing for Rossall School XI for four years (two as captain). But to the consternation of his father, the third one loathes cricket and prefers rowing and athletics.

Bob Rutherford is a quiet, unassuming, courteous kind of fellow, an Old Boy of whom any School might well be proud.

PETER F. SANDERSON (1945-50) is at present taking a General Degree Course in Physics and Chemistry at King's College, Newcastle, and, all being well, hopes to stay on there a further year to study for 'double honours' (23-11-57) In a brief note, he says, "The number of Old Stocktonians here is quite fantastic—at least I should say that the number of people I recognise as having been at Nelson Terrace while I was there is quite fantastic, though after all they were a fantastic lot!!!

What exactly does Peter mean?

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Among the 126 students (there were 476 applicants for places) who have been successful in securing entrance to the Royal College of Art, London, is RIDLEY SCOTT, who joined the West Hartlepools College of Art on leaving school in 1955.

While at West Hartlepool, Ridley was responsible for a number of cinema publicity displays illustrating films to be shown locally, while he also designed an inn sign now hanging in Stokesley High Street.

At the Royal College of Art, he intends to study graphic design.

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It is very characteristic of JIM SHARKEY, B.Sc (Physiology), M.B., B.S., M.R.C.P., all of London University, that he does not claim any great fame as a doctor. Rather does he modestly say "that a lot of people have tried to point the way and have spent a great ddal of time and energy in doing so. Humanity and understanding may do the rest in time."

Dr. Sharkey, who is a son of the late Councillor Sharkey (once a Governor of the Secondary School) was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, from 1935 onwards, and since he became qualified, has acted as Medical Registrar and subsequently as Resident Assistant Physician at his old hospital: as Medical Specialist in the R.A.M.C., with the rank of Major: and as Registrar, Cardiac Dept., again at his old hospital.

Now, he is consultant physician to the Burton-on-Trent and the Tamworth, Lichfield and Sutton Coldfield Hospital Groups.

Burton-on-Trent, he describes as lacking in architectural and cultural gems, but as offering scope for plenty of hard work of great clinical interests.

Quite lately, his wife, an Irish colleen from County Mayo, who was formerly a sister in charge of a Children's Medical Ward, has presented him with twin boys, and up to date, the nother, the father, and the infants are doing well.

With the advent of next spring, Dr. Sharkey proposes to bring his family to Stockton for our inspection—a pleasure to which we are already looking forward.

ONE OF our oldest members A. J. SMITH (1896-97) who has given his life to the Boys' Brigade movement, recently submitted a floral design to the Stockton Parks' Department to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the formation of the Boys' Brigade and the 25th Anniversary of the South Durham Battalion, of which Mr. Smith was the first President. This design was accepted and proved a great attraction in the Ropner Park during the summer of 1957.

J. B. SMITH (1949-56), who has been doing his National Service with the R.A.F. at Habbiniya, is now safely home and is taking a Physical Training Course at Loughborough College. DURING the year, an interesting ceremony took place at the Constantine Technical College, Middlesbrough, when our late President, JOHN SPARK, J.P., was presented with a gold medal by the Tees-side Bakery Students' Society in recognition of the valuable service which he had rendered to the Society for a very long time and also for acting as judge on several occasions.

Mr. Spark will undoubtedly treasure his medal for he was a bakery student himself in the Borough Polytechnic in London as far back as 1904 when this was the only bakery school in the country. Since then, bakery classes have been established in almost every large town, and those at Middlesbrough owe much to his encouragement and always willing assistance.

The University of Durham has recently appointed KEITH STEWART-SON, M.A., Ph.D., at the very early age of 32 as its first Professor of Applied Mathematics.

Winning a State Scholarship, Keith went to Cambridge University in 1942, where he obtained his B.A., class I Honours in the Mathematical Tripos, Parts I, II and III. Subsequently he was awarded the Mayhew, the Rayleigh and the Smith Prizes, and gained his Ph.D., in 1949.

Afterwards, he became a Lecturer at Bristol University, spent a year lecturing and honeymooning in America, (he married a Birkenhead lady) and then returned to Bristol as a Reader in Applied Mathematics.

He, therefore, has had a long record of great success, and his present appointment will give extreme satisfaction to his many friends and particularly to those Old Boys who in the future may be privileged to have the benefit of his ministrations.

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In our last issue, we had occasion to congratulate the STODDART twins on their success in the Higher National Diploma Exam. in Mech. Engineering, Now we learn that as a result, D. E. STODDART has been awarded the Dorman Long Medal, which is given to the most successful engineering student of the year. Both twins are at present studying for a degree at King's College, Newcastle, and their achievements will undoubtedly give the greatest satisfaction to their mother, to their grandfather (Mr. Scott), and to their uncle, T. E. STODDART, M.P.S., of Eston.

When we last heard of the REV. G. S. G. STOKES, B.A., he was Staff Chaplain to the Far East Land Forces at Singapore. Now, he is much nearer home and is Senior Chaplain at St. Martin's Garrison Church at Catterick. We have fond recollections of our Rev. Old Boy and we hope it won't be long before we see him again.

MAURICE SUTHERI, AND, the well-known Stockton solicitor, whose prowess as an all-round cricketer has had much to do with the success of the Preston C.C. (Eaglescliffe) during season 1958, has lately been elected a member of the Stockton Town Council, where his pleasing personality and sound common sense are likely, we think, to be of much value to the community.

THE MANY friends of DONALD SUMMERS, Ph.D., A.R.I.C., who now holds an important position with the Uganda Development Co., (address Tororo, Uganda) will be interested to hear that his elder son is engaged to be married to a lady who resides at Nairobi, Kenya. LAST YEAR, we recorded that J. A. TEASDALE, B.Sc., (Naval Architecture), on the approach of Mational Service, had accepted a three years' commission in the Royal Navy and was then with the rank of Instructor Lieutenant, acting as Science Master at the Dopot of the Royal Marines at Deal.

Now, having secured his release from the Navy, he has obtained an appointment with the British Shipbuilding Research Association at Harwell, and his present address is "Chinthurst," Wallingford Road, Goring-on-Thames, Reading, a lovely countryside, he tells us, which however, does not compensate for the distance from old friends.

WRITING from the R.A.F. Station, Police Section, Airduig, Timsgarry, Isle of Lewis, Scotland, A.C.I. K.S. THORNTON (1949-54) tells us that he joined the Forces for three years in July, 1957.

His future ambition is to become a member of the Civilian Constabulary.

T. H. TURNER (1945-49), formerly of Sedgefield, having completed his National Service, has now settled down to connubial domesticity at Melksham in Wiltshire and has a very good job in the Planning Office of a Trowbridge engineering firm.

We send Mr. and Mrs. Thornton our very good wishes.

To W. E. WALLS, who resides at Howden Hall, Durham Road, 1958 has been rather a momentous year, for his Shorthorn bull, Howden Victory, carried off trophies at the Stockton, Sedgefield, Durham County and Cleveland Agricultural Shows. In addition, a signal honour was paid to him when he was selected to act as a judge at the Royal Agricultural Show which was held at Bristol. Further, he was again elected to the Stockton Rural District Council and was able to greet his first grandchild—a youngster, we are led to understand, of phenominal size and intelligence.

As far back as 1903, J. W. WARDELL, A.M.I.M.M., commenced his apprenticeship in the drawing office of the Forge Works of Messrs. Head Wrightson & Co., Ltd., his work consisting of the design of colliery equipment. Later he began to specialise in ore treatment plant, so much so that he is now regarded as one of the country's leading ore-preparation engineers. In 1913, to gain further experience, he joined a firm of London consulting engineers and helped in the completion of proposals for a copper smelting extension and new ore reduction plant for the Spassky Copper Mines Ltd. in Southern Siberia, for which firm he afterwards became assistant mill superintendent. But after the Russian Revolution, he returned to his old firm as London representative of the Stockton Forge, with which he remained for the rest of his working life—first as chief draughtsman, then in succession as manager and general manager. When in 1957, the Forge Division became a subsidiary company, Mr. Wardell was appointed Managing Director, from which position he retired in January last, although he still retains his seat on the Board.

His retirement was marked by the presentation of a silver tea service, and striking tributes were paid to him for his ability, integrity and devotion to duty, and for the great contribution which he had made, to the very high position which Messrs Head, Wrightson & Co., Ltd., occupy in the engineering world. And in his reply, Mr. Wardell said,

"If I had my business life to live over again, I would wish nothing changed, neither in the firm nor in the directors. Head Wrightson and Co., is nearly 100 years old. I hope that in another 100 years it will be even more flourishing than it is now"—a hope which everyone on Tees-side will sincerely re-echo.

MR. HARRY WATSON (1900-39), well remembered by hundreds of Old Boys who were patrons of his Woodwork and Metalwork classes in the buildings at the bottom of the school yard at the old Nelson Terrace premises, tells us that he always looks forward to the Year Book with pleasurable anticipation inasmuch as it now provides one of the only links with old friends and old associations. To Mr. Watson, who is in his 83rd year and who lives at Bedford, we send our greetings and kindest regards.

Mr. ARTHUR WHITE, B.Sc., who taught Physics in the School from 1953 to 1957, is now acting in a similar capacity at the Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, where he hopes to see some Old Stocktonians soon. We can assure Mr. White that he is not forgotten at Stockton although we rather envy him his job in "glorious Devon."

THE outstanding administrative work of JOHN WILKINSON, F.C.C.S., F.H.A., for thirty years was recently recognised when at a meeting held at the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital he was presented with a nest of tables and a fitted picnic case by the Staff and with a travelling clock by the House Committee.

Mr. Wilkinson was appointed Secretary-Superintendent of the Hospital in 1928 and remained in that position until "nationalisation" in 1948 when he became Deputy Secretary of the Tees-side Hospital Managment Committee and Secretary of the House Committee control-ling three Stockton Hospitals. Under the new administrative arrangements now coming into effect on Tees-side, his position with the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital has been severed and he is now acting assistant Group Secretary of the South Tees-side Hospital Management Committe.

At the presentation, Miss Bramley, the Matron, said that he had always been a tower of strength to the Hospital, that his profound integrity and sympathy had been an example to everyone, and that the welfare of the patients and all grades of the Hospital staff had ever been his chief concern.

And referring to Mrs. Wilkinson, who received a bouquet, she described her as "the ideal wife for a Hospital Secretary"—a compliment which was even greater than the actual words suggest.

Speaking as the Chairman of the Hospital Committee, Mr. J. Claxton-Hudson recalled Mr. Wilkinson's appointment thirty years ago, and said that he had been an efficient, painstaking and entirely conscientious Secretary.

We ourselves have also reason to be grateful to our old griend, John, for he was our President from 1937 to 1949, and we could add much to the sentiments so well expressed by Miss Bramley and Mr. Claxton-Hudson.

To JOHN WILLIAMS, F.H.A., Secretary of the Ipswich Group Hospital Management Committee, has fallen the great honour of being elected Chairman of the Institute of Hospital Administrators. John, who has always shown signs of achieving greatness, received his initial training at the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital, and his success will give special satisfaction to all who know him and particularly to his friend and adviser, JOHN WILKINSON.

W. L. WILSON, O.B.E., B.Sc., M.I.Mech.E., A.M.I.C.E., is an Asisstant Chief Engineer in the Ministry of Works, and is employed on the design and construction of Research Establishments and Royal Ordnance Factories for the Ministry of Supply, of Research Establishments for the Dept. of Scientific and Industrial Research, and of Research Establishments for Atomic Weapons.

One of his special friends is G. M. HARVEY (now with the British Oxygen Wimpey Co.), who is contractors' project manager for the building of a Research Station in Cumberland.

In his leisure, Mr. Wilson, who has two fine boys (one of whom has just secured entrance to the Merchant Taylors' School) spends his time in preparing learned, scientific papers, the latest of which "The Treatment, Conveyance and Disposal of Radio-active Wastes," was submitted to an international symposium organised by the University of Durham.

In his lighter moments, he seeks to stave off old age by taking part in a game of cricket, and occasionally finds that his once big-hitting prowess has not entirely deserted him.

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By retiring from his post as Headmaster of Newtown School, Stockton, where he had been for 10 years, NORMAN WINN, J.P., as one of his teachers told us, did the only thing which had ever displeased his staff. Save for 4 years in the Royal Artillery during the 1st World War, the whole of his 40 years' service was given to Stockton children, and it is one of his proudest boasts that he knew every one of them by name, while it is certain that he took an individual interest in all of them.

For 16 years he was a co-opted member of Stockton Education Committee, he was President of the local Teachers Association for 3 years, while in 1942, he was President of the Durham County Teachers' Association. In this connection, he had attended conferences of the National Union of Teachers all over England.

At a recent presentation made to him by his colleagues in Stockton, it was said of him 'that the Teachers' Union had never had a man more loyal or forthright servant,' to which Mr. Winn replied "When I think of the friends I have made among the teachers in Stockton, in Durham County and indeed all over the world, I consider that I have got a great deal more out of my work than I have ever put into it."

Outside his educational activities he was for 10 years, a Borough Magistrate, and in this capacity his sound judgement and sane outlook were always invaluable.

Always keen on sport, he was in charge of the town team which reached the final of the English Schools' Trophy a few years ago.

In his schooldays, he was a playing member of the old Secondary School cricket and football teams, and later took a prominent part in the Old Boys' Football XI.

With his boon companions, L. MACGREGOR, P. COHEN, L. T. WINN (all alas! now dead) and R. B. WEARS, he was largely instrummental in the formation of the Old Stocktonians' Association in 1913, while his services as a Trustee of the Benevolent Fund, unseen as they have been, have been beyond all praise.

Now a Student Engineer with Messrs. Woodall and Duckham, a firm which specialises in the construction of coke ovens and gas works, ROBERT WOODS (1951-56) obtained the Preliminary National Certificate in Engineering (Distinction in Mathematics) in 1957, and is at present (22-11-57) taking the first year of a full National Certificate Course in Mech. and Struct. Engineering.

ONE OF our most interesting correspondents of recent years has been D. J. PILBROUGH, who, it may be remembered, once advised all Old Boys to emigrate to S. Rhodesia—the land of sunshine and promise.

In his latest letter, he says "The Stocktonian is the only contact I now have with old friends. It means a lot to someone overseas to keep in touch with his Old School which brings back so many happy memories."

He then goes on to tell us that he is now at University College, Salisbury; that he has passed Part I of the London University B.Sc.. (General) Examination and that he hopes to take his Final (Physics and Chemistry) in November, 1959; that he is captain of his University Football Club (Rugby) which he helped to establish; that he is Chairman of the Students' Representative Council and also Chairman of a Commission which is examining the possibilities of forming a National Union of Students in the Federation; that he visited East Africa to attend the 1st Pan-African Students' Conference; that his brother is working on the Zambesi Dam which will create the biggest man-made lake in the world.

And his last news of all is that last Christmas, when working on vacation in the Copper Belt in Northern Rhodesia, he met a man who studied at London with DEREK LYTH.

Somehow, we have got the idea that Comrade Pilbrough is a very busy man.

WE ARE glad to welcome to our Association, SAM WALLET, one of that dwindling number of boys who attended the Higher Grade School on the first day it was opened in January. 1896,

DURING the year, we caught glimpses of H. D. HARDIE (distributing the prizes at his old school at Haverton Hill: NOEL MEDLOCK (A.B.P. & Co.,—on leave from India): the daughter of Dr. J. MACGREGOR (Thirsk—on a visit to Stockton): C. J. OSBORNE, M.Sc. (Ryhope): A. RUDDICK, B.Sc., (on leave from Grahamstown University—South Africa): R. E. B. WILLIAMS (Luton).

COKGRATULATIONS to JOHN D. LOUGHRAN, M.R.C.V.S., of Wolviston who has recently been appointed Justice of the Peace.

In Memoriam

Mr. W. BAKER, M.Sc., who died on December 26th, 1957, joined the Staff of the old Higher Grade School in 1905 (he had previously had three years' teaching experience in London), and when the School attained Secondary status, in 1906, he became associated with the Physics Dept. of which the late Mr. T. Welch, M.Sc., was then the Head. Subsequently, when Mr. Welch was appointed Headmaster of Spennymoor Secondary School, he took his place and, save for a period of service as a commissioned officer in the Artillery in the 1st World War, remained in that capacity until his retirement owing to ill health in 1942, while, following the resignation of Mr. W. R. Ball, B.Sc., in 1935, he also acted as Deputy Headmaster until 1941.

Mr. Bakers' time of service coming when it did, he was able to watch the development of the School's scholastic side and play his part in its specialist organisation. So also he saw the spread of outside school activities, and here again in cricket, football, athletics and particularly in the organisation of swimming sports, he did more than his share.

As Deputy Head, he also did much to further the School's corporate life in such matters as attendance at school matches, while as a stalwart Methodist he tried to find methods to improve the assembly for prayers in the somewhat adverse conditions of the Nelson Terrace Gym.

As a man and as a member of the Staff, he was essentially reliable, kindly, tolerant and generous—a man to whom one could take one's troubles and find a sympathetic ear. Homely in manner, he enjoyed homeliness and the home-spirit. As a highly efficient teacher with a quiet manner and a keen sense of humour he believed in the work of the classroom and the discipline of the School.

By all Old Boys (he was the first Hon. Treasurer of their Association), he was held in special respect for he was always friendly and always had a word of good cheer.

He leaves a wife, and two married sons—DONALD and FRANK—both of whom are Old Boys.

OLD BOYS of an earlier generation will have happy recollections of Mrs. Birks (better known as MISS EERNIE, B.A.) who died at West Hartlepool on February 23rd 1958.

Coming to the Secondary School in 1906 as a teacher of Latin (both the boys' and girls' departments were then controlled by Mr. Prest) she remained there until her marriage in 1914 and made herself deservedly popular, not only for her ministrations in the classroom but also for her interest in out-of-school activities.

HAROLD LODGE, who died this year, joined Messrs. I.C.I. Ltd., in 1927, and for the last three years of his life was employed in the Labour Dept. of that great firm. For several years, starting in 1944, he was the very popular Honorary General Secretary of the Synthonia Recreation Club, but ill health ultimately compelled him to give up the position.

As a schoolboy, he showed every promise of becoming a great goal-keeper and this promise was afterwards fulfilled when he joined the Stockton F.C.—in fact in the years before the War he was one of the best amateur goalkeepers in the country.

In 1934, he was awarded his first "cap" against Ireland and Scotland and other "caps" came in the following years. On several occasions, he was selected to go on football tours abroad, the most ambitious of these—a six months' tour of South America—being prevented by the outbreak of war in 1939.

A quiet, self-respecting and very likeable man, Harold left a wife and two young daughters.

Squadron-Leader CHRISTOPHER B. URWIN, D.F.C., A.F.C., died at the R.A.F. Hospital at Halton near Aylesbury on 21st October, 1957, two weeks after his 37th birthday.

In February 1957, he was in a Paris Hospital with a lunginfection, from which he apparently recovered. So much so, that he was able to re-join his unit at Supreme Headquarters Allied Forces (Europe) at Fontainebleu. In June 1957, he was again in Hospitals at Halton and Midhurst (Sussex) and had an extremely serious lung operation, from which he once more seemingly recovered, only to pass away four months later without giving time for any of his relatives to be near him.

His very big military funeral was attended by officers of all the Allied Forces, many of them having been flown specially from France, and everything was done to honour the memory of a brave and gallant man.

Kit, as he was affectionately known, attended our School from 1932 to 1938, and undoubtedly left a mark on it which will long endure. Looked-up to by the younger boys, he was regarded with affection and admiration by his older contemporaries, while the Headmaster and Staff recognised the profound influence which he exercised on the spirit and well-being of the School.

Excelling at Swimming, he was School Champion in every year except the first, represented the Durham County schoolboys, played for the Synthonia Water Polo team, and was a member of the Northumberland and Durham Water Polo team against Yorkshire.

Equally renowned at Rugby football, he was Captain of the School fifteen in 1937-38 which beat every School team that it met, scoring 235 points against 15. He also played for the Durham County schoolboys, and on one occasion appeared for Yorkshire County.

Leaving school in 1938, he joined the C.I.D., Birmingham, and was immediately invited to become a member of the Mosely Rugby Club and of the Handsworth Swimming Club.

In 1940, he joined the R.A.F. first on a temporary basis but later he decided to make it his career. Having obtained his commission, he was sent to the Middle East where he was to see the whole of his war service. It was in the Middle East, too, that he met a member of the W.R.A.F., an Irish girl, whom he married at Haifa in 1946.

The story of his D.F.C. is typical of his life—he had a job to do and he did it with all his might. Flying over the Aegean Sea one night in a bomber, he saw two enemy ships below him and proceeded to sink one of them. Meanwhile, two troop carriers had appeared in the sky. Having disposed of these, he then returned to sink the second ship.

On the following night, he repeated much the same performance, and was made a Squadron Leader.

During the landing in Italy, he was very severely injured when his bomber was hit by shrapnel and set on fire, compelling him to make a forced landing in Sicily. When he was pulled out, he was found to have a fractured skull, multiple leg injuries and many burns. But although he had a large hole in his leg for the rest of his life, these injuries did not put an end to his career, and later, when he returned to England he did much stunt flying at the Farnborough Air Displays.

Squadron Leader Urwin left a wife and two little girls—one aged 7, the other 3—and apart from his own association with the School had family associations with it since his mother, his aunt (once Ethel and Florence Bennett) and his uncle (HORACE BENNETT—now a fuel technologist at Messrs. Dorman Long & Co.,) all attended at Nelson Terrace in the long ago.

THOSE Old Boys who remember the brothers DEAKIN (Alf and Sam) will regret to hear that Alf died in South Africa this year. One of the brothers—we forget which—once made history at a School Sports by running away with the mile and the half mile and aftereards remarked this his double victory was due to the fact that he had trained on oranges.

Long ago, the Deakin family (one of the girls married the late Barry Prest, the son of our first Headmaster) emigrated to South Africa, and although we have often tried to get in touch with them, we have not been able to do so.

KENNETH PEARCE died suddenly on March 1st, 1958.

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

OLD BOYS EXAM: SUCCESSES AND APPOINTMENTS

Abbreviations; H.N.D.—Higher National Diploma. H.N.C.—Higher National Certificate. End.—Endorsement i.e. other subjects have been added to the award. Ref.—Referred i.e. some subject(s) to be retaken. C. & G.-City and Guilds. G.C.E.-General Certificate of Education.

UNIVERSITY DEGREES, ETC., 1958:

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J. G. Smith

J. P. Candlin D. Church N. Forbes	B.Sc. B.A.	Ist Class in Chemistry Honours in Geography	Nottingham	U.
	B.Sc.	Ist Class in General Science	Manchester	U.

B.Sc. Honours in Chemistry E. Harbron Ridley Hall Theological Tripos Part II F. G. Hunter Cambridge U. Durham U. P. F. Sanderson General Course B.sc. Honours in Physics Royal College of B.Sc.

Science-London U. Durham U. Honours in Geology J. C. Wigglesworth B.Sc.

Passed Intermediate Law Exam in Trust Accounts D. S. Little and Bookkeeping.

Passed Final Exam. Part II, Corporation J. V. Addy Secretaries.

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M. C. Allen	H.N.D. in Struct. Engineering	
J. Bates	H.N.D. in Elec. Engineering	
H. Belbin	Management Studies	
H. G. Bell	H.N.C. in Mech. Engineering (End)	
11. 0	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering (End)	
W. D. Bell	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering (End)	
T. W. Bonnington	H.N.C. in Mech Engineering (End)	
D. Berry	H.N.C. in Chemistry	
R. Butler	H.N.C. in Elect. Engineering	
J. A. Coltman	H.N.C. in Naval Architecture	
B. Robson-Cross	O.N.C. in Naval Architecture	
K. Degroote	H.N.D. in Struct. Engineering	
J. W. Dixon	O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering	
J. I. Duce	O.N.C. in Metallurgy	
M. C. Duncan	H.N.D. in Mech. Engineering	
T. Gallacher	H.N.C. in Civil Engineering	
K. Harland	H.N.C. in Mech Engineering (End)	
J. B. Howlett-	H.N.C. in Mech. Engineering (End)	
L. R. Horner	H.N.C. in Mech. Engineering (End)	
R. Huckle	O.N.C. in Building	
J. Jamieson	H.N.D. in Elec. Engineering (Ref)	
G. B. Kenyon	H.N.D. in Mech. Engineering	
D. L. Lockwood	O.N.C. in Elec. Engineering (End)	
P. Mitchell	H.N.D. in Struct. Engineering	
S. Moore	H.N.D. in Struct, Engineering	
N. Reeves	H.N.C. in Chemistry	
C. L. Riley	H.N.C. in Struct. Engineering	
A. Robson	Management Studies	
B. Satterthwaite	H.N.D. in Mech. Engineering	
J. A. Smith	H.N.D. in Elec. Engineering	
J. A. Sillich	TING in Mach Engineering (End)	

H.N.C. in Mech, Engineering (End) O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering (End)

H. N.D. in Struct. Engineering
H. N.D. in Elect. Engineering (End)
H. N.D. in Mech. Engineering (Dist. & Prize)
J. S. Stoddart
H. N.D. in Mech. Engineering (Distinction)
H. N.D. in Mech. Engineering
H. N.D. in Elect. Engineering
H. N.D. in Elect. Engineering
H. N.D. in Mech. Engineering
H. N.D. in Mech. Engineering (Ref)
H. N.D. in Mech. Engineering (End)

AT STOCKTON/BILLINGHAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE 1957:

H.N.C. in Mech. Engineering T. L. Jones O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering R. Avre O.N.C. in Mech. Enginnering A. G. Maughan M. Porritt O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering O.N.C: in Elec. Engineering (2 distinctions) D. W. Train E. Middleton O.N.C. in Mech. Engineering (1945) O.N.C. in Elec. Engineering E. Pinder C.&G. Machine Shop Engineering (Final) P. Bell A. Daniel C.&G. Radio Servicing P. McCarthy C.&G. Carpentry & Joinery (Final) G.C.E. Pure & Applied Maths. Chemistry (Adv) J. Crawford G.C.E. Physics (Adv) G.C.E. Applied Maths (Adv) D. C. Henderson D. W. Train G.C.E. Physics (Adv) A Wrigglesworth

APPOINTMENTS ETC.

E. Brown (Councillor) Chief Clerk Messrs. Furness Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.

A Brownlee Licentiate of Inst. of Metallurgists

J H Charlton Senior Administrative Asst. at Royal United

Hospital, Bath.

G. Dewison, B.A. to French Staff, Stavely Netherthorpe G.S. Derbyshire.

W. G. Hume, N.D.H. Regional Horticultural Adviser for West Midland Region.

G. D. Hewitt, M.A. Awarded M.B.E.

G. R. Jewitt, B.A. to English Staff, Queen Elizabeth G.S., Darlington

J. D. Loughran, M.R.C.V.S.

Appointed Justice of the Peace.

H. Rigg K. Stewartson, M.A.,

Headmaster of Tilery Road School, Stockton

Ph.D. Professor of Applied Mathematics at Durham University

M. Sutherland Elected to Stockton Town Council

J. Williams, F.H.A. Chairman of Council of Institute of Hospital Administration.

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

School News

STAFF CHANGES

Mr. J. BEBBINGTON, who joined the Staff in 1956, left us at Easter to take charge of the English department of the Bradford Technical College. He will be sadly missed from staff cricket and football teams and by the Debating Society and the Choir.

MR. A. BROWN, after two years with us, moved nearer home to Tynemouth High School, where he will be the Senior P.E. Master. He too, as reports elsewhere show, is a sad loss to staff teams.

MR. S. V. MORRIS at the end of the summer term left the Staff and the profession as well. He came to Nelson Terrace when Mr. Baldwin left the teaching of Geography for administrative work, and since that time had served the School faithfully though quietly in many different ways. In particular, he has devoted himself for many years to the encouragement of cricket and of the junior rugger teams and he also kept an illustrated record of School events, especially those in which Old Stocktonians were concerned. He had long taken a special interest in Sixth Formers and in their doings after leaving school. In his retirement he will be able to pursue still further the scholarly interest in archaeology and in local history which has long occupied him and his wife, whom many will remember as Miss Cherry on the Girls' School Staff. We wish them many years of good health in which to enjoy the pleasures of retirement.

Mr. R. N. HESLOP, of Tow Law, trained in Chester and took a special 3rd year course in Science at Cambridge. He joined us in January 1958, to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Dixon on the Physics staff.

Mr. G. R. BAGLEY took Mr. Bebbington's place on the English Staff at Easter. He took his M.A., degree in English at King's College. Newcastle, and then taught at Middlesbrough Technical School.

In September we welcomed one of Mr. Morris's own pupils to fill the vacancy: Mr. C. BELL, who left School in 1954, with a Sinclair Scholarship at Liverpool University, took his B.A. there with Honours in Geography and his Postgraduate Certificate in Education at London.

Mr. R. JOHNSON, of the Carnegie College of P.E., who has special interests in gymnastics and swimming, comes to take Mr. Brown's place on the P.E. Staff.

An addition to our numbers, corresponding to the increase in the number of pupils to about 600, is Mr. M. BAMLETT, who will give varied assistance in the Junior forms. He comes from Sunderland and at Leeds he took B.A. Honours in Geography and then the Education Diploma at St. Cuthbert's, Durham.

R. M. ATKINSON (1937-44), who returned to us in 1954 as a member of staff, has added to his qualifications by taking a General B.Sc. degree of London in Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics and Physics. Heartiest congratulations on obtaining First Class Honours.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION SUCESSES 1958

Northern Universities' Joint Matriculation Board General Certificate of Education

PASSES AT ORDINARY LEVEL :

(Figures in brackets indicate the number of subjects. Many boys now gain passes in one or more subjects before reaching the Fifth Form while others study additional subjects at "O" level in the Sixth Form These figures, therefore, cannot be used as a measure of comparative achievement or ability.)

FORM 5R:

J. M. Boyes (3), S. Brennan (2), J. W. Chesney (5), R. G. Coles (1), R. E. W. Croot (5), D. L. Davies (6), M. D. S. Dunstone (2), C. T. Gillett (5), J. Glattbach (4), H. H. Hardy (4), A. E. Holman (7), I. Hutchinson (7), I. Kennedy (5), G. H. A. Knight (6), R. W. Littlefair (5), G. E. Matthews (4), K. Newton (6), B. Nicholson (4), M. W. Ozelton (6), G. W. S. Parker (7), M. R. Purnell (8), R. D. Purvis (6), N. G. Smelt, (7), P. A. Sowler (6), A. Stephenson (5), C. Storey (4), J. Turnbull (5), A. J. Van Zetten (6).

FORM 5A:

P. C. Andrew (2), R. S. Armstrong (4), C. G. Ashton (2), D. Banks (5), B. A. Bowman (2), D. R. Brown (5), A. L. Bunn (6), A. J. Carter (7), A. E. Chapman (7), T. I. Darling (6), A. Hare (5), M. C. Jacombes (2), B. Kett (1), T. D. Moore (1), D. W. Parkin (3), N. Peirson (4), T. W., Reed (3), C. Slack (2), E. Soden (8), R. J. Stanley (8), R. White (3) D. R. Williamson (4), R. C. Willis (1), C. Wilson (9).

FORM 5 Alpha:

E. Armstrong (1), J. S. Askey (6), E. Ayre (2), D. J. Barron (1), J. W. Bowlt (1), L. Calvert (2), K. Charlton (2), J. L. Clayton (1), L. Dickson (3), J. M. Fell (1), E. Hatch (3), C. Hepburn (3), F. Jackson (1), G. Kenning (3), R. M. Lake (5), B. Minto (7), S. I. Mitchell (3), R. N. Moyes (6), J. J. Percival (1), J. A. Richardson (3), R. K. Sinclair (1), D. Smith (1), G. B. Smith (2), I. Snell (1), M. Turner (5) P. H. Wood (2), I. Wright (3).

FORM 4R:

J. Beaver (6), D. G. Clark (3), P. D. Dodds (4), J. A. Ingman (6), J. K. Kirton (4),

FORM 6:

G. S. Bainbridge (1), W. A. Cowan (1), R. A. Elmes (1), J. C. Gregory (2), E. J. Hedley (1), C. Hughes (1), C. J. Liddle (2), H. W. Locksley (1), I. Sanderson (2), D. S. Scott (1), I. G. K. Scroggie (1), J. R. Walls (1), D. M. Barnett (1), T. R. Cattermole (1), M. Danby (1), T. B. Jordan (1), C. J. F. Kidd (1), A. J. Povey (2).

PASSES AT ADVANCED LEVEL:

Abbreviations: A-Art; B-Biology; C-Chemistry; E-English Literature; F-French; Geog-Geography; Geol-Geology; H-History; M-Maths.; M.M.-Maths. & Theoretical Mechanics; P-Physics; Z-Zoology, distinction.

G. S. Bainbridge (M.P.C.); A. Baldwin (M.P.); G. M. Boyes (M*.P.C.); J. B. Campbell (M.P.C.); W. A. Cowan (A.P.); J. J. Davison (MM.P.); R. A. Elmes (M.P.C.); P. Fletcher (M.P.C.); J. F. Foster (M.P.C.); J. C. Gregory (M.P.C.); J. G. Hardy (M.P.C.); E. J. Hedley (M.P.Geol); R. Heron (Geol); C. Hughes (M.P.C.); D. W. Jewitt (B.C.); A. Johnson (B.C.M.); J. P. Leighton (P.C.); A. W. Lewis (M.P.C.); J. Liddle (M.P.C.); D. F. Lloyd (M.P.C.); H. W. Locksley (MM.P.C.); J. Liddle (M.P.C.); D. F. Lloyd (M.P.C.); H. W. Locksley (MM.P.C.); D. S. Scott (Z.Geol); M. A. Newton (M*.P.C.); I. Sanderson (M.P.C.); D. S. Scott (Z.Geol); I. G. K. Scroggie (Geog. Geol.); B. D. Slee (MM.P.); F. J. Stonehouse (B); J. R. Walls (MM.P.C.); L. Wanless (M.P.C.); G. H. White (B.Geol); B. W. Wilkinson (M.P.C.); R. Wood (M.P.C.);

D. M. Barnett (Geog. Geol. H.); T. R. Cattermole (Geog. Geol.); P. L. Dunning (E. Geog. H.); J. W. Flegg (F); D. W. Hunter (E); G. L. Lake (E.H.).

CERTIFICATE IN GENERAL STUDIES:

A small number of boys were entered for this experimental examination of the N.U.J.M.B. Certificates were awarded to the following— G. S. Bainbridge. J. C. Gregory, J. G. K. Scroggie, J. R. Walls.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

J. R. Walls obtained an Open Scholarship at the Imperial College of Science and Technology; he was also awarded a State Scholarship on the results of the G.C.E. examination.

All boys passing in two subjects at Advanced Level in the G.C.E. examination obtained County Major Awards.

C. W. KING MEMORIAL PRIZE:

Founded by Old Stocktonians to perpetuate the memory of C. W. King, M.A. Jesus College, Oxford and London: Assistant Master 1908-1946, and Senior English Master for 23 years. The prize, valued at about £1 10s. 0d., is awarded annually for the best essay on a subject set by the English staff. All boys under the age of seventeen years on 31st August are eligible.

Prizewinners

1948	A. Osmund
1949	H. D. Glenwright
1950	R. D. Richardson
1951	N. McDonald
1952	P. J. Williams
1953	N. W. Forbes and D. J. Pillbrough (tie)
1954	R. E. Hallmark
1955	D. Wilbraham
1956	P. Alborn
1957	No award
1958	No award

G. G. ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL PRIZE:

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

Prizewinners

	2 reactions
1951	D. E. Stoddart
1952	C. Bell
1953	No award
1954	M. S. Hardy (Proxime accessit : D. Little)
1955	M. S. Hardy
1956	D. M. Barnatt
1957	J. C. Gregory
1958	C. L. Stabler

OLD STOCKTONIANS' JUBILEE BURSARY

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

1957 I. K. Watson

1958 J. R. Walls, G. M. Boyes, P. L. Dunning

SCHOOL OFFICERS 1957-58

Captain: J. R. Walls

Vice-Captains: D. F. Lloyd, B. W. WILKINSON

Prefects: A. Baldwin, D. M. Barnett, G. M. Boyes, W. A. Cowan, J. J. Davison, P. L. Dunning, J. W. Flegg, J. G. Hardy, M. S. Hardy, E. J. Hedley, A. Johnson, G. L. Lake, C. J. Liddle, I. Sanderson, D. S. Scott, I. G. F. Scroggie, B. D. Slee.

Sub-Prefects: G. S. Bainbridge, M. Beaver, J. B. Campbell, P. Fletcher, J. P. Leighton, C. Sinclair, P. Suthern, R. Wood.

House Captains:

Cleveland G. White Dunelm J. W. Flegg

Captain of Rugby G. Lake Captain of Tennis G. White Oxbridge G. Lake Tees J. R. Walls

Captain of Cricket G. Lake

SPEECH DAY 1957

In the absence of the Chairman of the Governors, Alderman N. Brown presided over the proceedings on December 12th, when the prizes were presented and an address given by Dr. N. C. Hunt, Fellow and Tutor of Exeter College, Oxford, an old pupil of the Headmaster.

PRIZE LIST (1956-57)

Duces of the School
Literature

History
Languages
Geography
Mathematics
Physics
Chemistry
Biology
Geology
Music
Physical Education
Art

J. N. Aufflick, N. R. Walls . I. K. Watson

M. S. Hardy
M. D. Gray
J. E. Wearmouth
J. J. Davison

N. A. Turner
D. J. Wilbraham

D. J. Wilbraham R. Bowers A. Reay E. J. Hedley

M. J. Flack J. W. Hunter

SPECIAL AWARDS:

Headmaster's Debating Prize I. K. Watson G. G. Armstrong Memorial Prize

for History J. C. Gregory

C. W. King Memorial Prize for English Not awarded

For Service to Library M. S. Hardy, A. Baldwin C.C.F. For Meritorious Service

C.S.M. J. R. Heron
Premier Cadet Medal J. C. Jones

Premier Cadet Medal J. C. Jones Old Stocktonians Jubilee Bursary I. K. Watson

FORM PRIZES:

IR: R. J. Carter, R. Blenkinsopp, T. W. W. Bailey IA: G. H. Gibson, J. F. B. Hyland, I. P. H. Jeal I Alpha: J. P. Shaw, K. L. Usher, P. H. Rigg, R. Taylor

IIR: J. B. Shaw, D. M. Bell, D. G. Robson
IIA: D. Wright, R. Mallaby, M. Blenkinsopp
II Alpha: J. Smith, G. Irvine, B. Brown

IIIR: J. Ingman, D. Clark, K. Kirton

IIIA: R. G. C. Robertson, H. Chapman, J. Walton IIIAlpha: D. Calvert, L. Purvis, J. McDonough

IVR: I. D. Aufflick, D. Smith, R. Radge, F. N. Hunter IVA: C. Wilson, K. Bunn, I. Darling IVAlpha: R. Moyes, M. Turner, G. Kenning Special Form IV Prize: E. Soden

Form V; D. A. Simpson, B. Leak, R. L. Beese, D. H. Martin, M. Crawley, C. Sinclair, D. Stelling, T. B. Jordon

Lower Sixth: P. L. Dunning, J. C. Gregory, H. W. Locksley, J. F. Foster, M. Newton

SWIMMING GALA 1958

(held at Billingham Baths on 23rd May)

JUNIOR EVENTS:

1 length breast stroke: 1. Fox; 2. Berry; 3. Dick

 Nicholson;
 Harrison;
 Parkin
 Nicholson;
 Donnachie;
 Ankers 1 length back stroke: 1 length free style: Inter House Relay: 1. Cleveland; 2. Dunelm; 3. Oxbridge

INTERMEDIATE EVENTS-

 Wright;
 Smith;
 Robertson
 Reay;
 Wilks;
 Grantham
 Smith;
 Robinson;
 Robertson 1 length backstroke: 1 length towing :

2 lengths free style:

1 length pushing tired Dodds;
 Reay;
 Wilks
 Smith;
 Crookes;
 Dodds swimmer 1 length breaststroke:

Inter House Relay: 1. Dunelm; 2. Oxbridge; 3. Cleveland

SENIOR EVENTS-

2 lengths free style: 1. Snell; 2. Kennedy; 3. Povey

1 length towing: Sanderson I.; 2. Sanderson E. W.; 3. Campbell

2 lengths breaststroke: McAleer;
 Heron;
 Leak

1 length pushing tired swimmer:

Kennedy;
 Hardy;
 Sanderson
 Povey;
 Wilson;
 McAleer

1 length backstroke: Inter House Relay: 1. Tees; 2. Dunelm; 3. Cleveland

NEAT DIVES (kindly judged by the Baths staff)

Lower School: 1. Callendar; 2 & 3 (tied) Ankers, Raper Upper School: 1. MacAleer; 2. Kennedy 3. Wright

JUNIOR CHAMPION: Nicholson INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION: Smith

SENIOR CHAMPIONS: Kennedy and McAleer (tied)

The House Championship was won by CLEVELAND with 61 points. The awards were presented by J. Anderson Esq., (Principal of Stockton and Billingham Technical College.)

ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH (Staff versus School-18th July, 1958)

THIS match was favoured with ideal weather, though the wicket was rather soft owing to previous heavy rain. School batted first and by lunch time had put on 57 for 6, thanks mainly to a good knock of 38 by Gordon Lake. On the resumption after lunch some accurate bowling by Brown and Bradshaw made scoring look difficult and the School were finally dismissed for 77, Brown taking 7 for 29 and Bradshaw 3 for 30, the former being assisted by some really brilliant catches taken by Ingham almost off the end of the bat.

The Staff innings was opened by Brown and Ingham, the latter soon falling to a catch in the slips, but Brown partnered by Bradshaw soon raised the score to 50 before the latter was well caught by Suthern at extra cover. White, the incoming batsman, had only time to make 2, not out before the School total was passed for the loss of 2 wickets Brown having made 67 not out after a fine display.

There was then just time for the remainder of the Staff team to show what they could do, and all got a little batting practice which we hope will serve them in good stead next year when Mr. Brown will, unfortunately, no longer be with us.

The teams were—Staff: Bradshaw, Brown, Ingham, White (captain), Durrant, Rattenbury, Hefford, Harper, Thornton, Bagley and Kitching. School: Lake (Capt.), Jordan, Wanless, Boyes, Kidd, Matthews, Snell, Suthern, Wilkinson, Crawley and Barnett.

SCHOOL 1st XI 1958

YET again the rain claimed most of the success of the School Cricket Season, and many matches were entirely rained off, whilst others were severely curtailed. Of the matches which were possible, the School won 2 and lost 2, including the match against the Staff, and 5 were drawn. The season, therefore, was an average one as far as bare results go, but the tempo of the games was at times extremely slow, some teams not even going for a win from the beginning.

Eight members of the XI represented, at times, various teams in the N.Y. & S.D. League, sometimes with great success, and on paper the side should have been a very effective one. Individual successes were Lake, Jordan and Hunter in batting and Wanless, Matthews and Jordan in bowling.

Best Performances :-

Batting-Lake 39 and 38, Hunter 33 and Jordan 29.

Bowling—Jordan 5 wkts for 3 runs, Matthews 5 for 9, and Wanless 5 for 18.

TENNIS

ONCE again the tennis section of the school enjoyed a highly successful season.

In the friendly matches the school generally proved too strong for their rivals from local schools.

The school suffered its only defeat in the Glanville Cup Schools Competition, where, after defeating Darlington G.S. in the first round of the competition, they lost very narrowly to Newcastle Royal G.S. in a triangular match, Leeds G.S. being the other member team.

Though the school friendly matches consist of doubles partnerships and therefore team spirit is responsible for much of the schools success, the individual performances of team members outside the school have shown the high standard of Grangefield tennis.

- P. D. Dodds recently became Durham Under 16 singles title-holder while he and A. Mason (another team member) became the Durham under 16 Doubles champions.
- G. White, the school tennis captain, also represented the Durham Colts team on several occasions.

In the school tennis tournament G. White retained the championship with a 6-3, 7-5 victory over P. D. Dodds.

The success of Grangefield tennis and its rising standard of play is undoubtedly due to keen interest which extends throughout the school, an interest which is being maintained by members of the Games staff. The school looks forward therefore to a successful season next year.

RUGBY 1957-58 SEASON

Team—G. I,ake (capt.), Wilkinson, (vice-capt.), Lloyd, Johnson, Walls (committee), Kennedy, Slee, Sinclair, Boyes, Flegg, Glattbach, Moyes, Hatch, J. G. Hardy, Minto, Scott, White, Andrews, Matthews.

The season was a most successful one for school rugby. In a total of 16 games the school won 14, drew 1 and lost 1.

The Asian 'flu epidemic wrought its destruction in the early part of the season but every match up to Christmas resulted in a victory. Amongst our opponents West Hartlepool were defeated by 13-0, Morpeth G.S. 16-3 and South Shields 12-3.

Two of our outstanding players obtained the honour of representing the county, Sinclair as a three-quarter and Lake, captain of the School XV, also captained the county side.

The Old Boys Match proved a strong challenge on Boxing Day and the school, fielding a weakened side, had to fight hard to maintain their unbeaten record.

Our first game following the Christmas vacation shattered our record. West Hartlepool, playing at home, went to an easy win by 16 pts to 0.

The remaining matches were all played away from home. Morpeth gave a strong opposition to the school but were lucky in forcing a 3-3 draw.

The list of inter-school fixtures ended with a victory over our ancient rivals at Coatham by 5-3. As far as can be ascertained this is the first occasion upon which the school first XV has defeated Coatham.

To conclude the season the Old Boys fielded their 'varsity' side against the school. Throughout the first half there were many skilful interchanges between the two sides. However, fatigue began to make itself evident among the members of that honourable team and the school eventually defeated the Old Boys by 28pts. to 0.

The school ended the season with the good analysis of 304 points for, 63 against.

Fixture			Away	Home
Wellfield G.S	 		cancelled	-
Acklam G.S	 		11-5	14-6
Gateshead G.S.	 		13-3, 22-3	23-6
Morpeth G.S	 		3-3	16-3
South Shields G.S.	 	**	27-3	72-3
Middlesbrough H.S.	 		cancelled	22-0
Bede	 4.4		29-6	cancelled

West Hartlepool G.S. . . 0-16 13-0 Sir William Turner's School, Coatham 5-3 cancelled Darlington G.S... .. cancelled cancelled (Played 16; won 14; drawn 1; lost 1; For 304; against 63.)

CROSS COUNTRY 1957-58

B. D. Slee was appointed as captain. The team lost to Acklam, Coatham and Middlesbrough before the end of the Christmas term, but many matches had to be posponed owing to the 'flu epidemic.

During the Easter term, the School narrowly lost to Acklam Hall G.S. and once more many fixtures were cancelled. In the Inter-Grammar Schools Cross Country held at Darlington, Newcastle R.G.S finished 1st and Grangefield 9th-not as creditable as hoped.

In the Annual School Cross Country Run, Dunelm surprisingly finished ahead of Oxbridge to take the cup. 200 senior boys took part and the individual winner was Brian Slee, the most successful runner of the season.

The team during the 1957-58 season, although unsuccessful, was much younger than previous years and better results are hoped for next year.

ATHLETIC SPORTS, 1958

Boys who constituted the team were :-

B. D. Slee, C. Sinclair, D. Leighton, W. B. Lake, C. Gillett, B. Smith, T. Cattermole, H. Chapman and J. McDonough.

Event	1st	2nd	3rd	Time, etc.
JUNIOR:				
100 yds. Clegg 220 yds. Clegg Hurdles Allen High Jump Docherty Long Jump Clayton Javelin Preece Relay Oxbridge		Waite Waite Glew Preece McCready Allen Tees	Glew Dick Nicholson Dick Blenkinsopp Oliver, D. Cleveland	12.5 secs. *28.1 secs. 14.7 secs. 4'4" 13'10" 84'6"
INTERMEDIA	re:			
100 yds. Hurdles 220 yds. Discus Javelin Shot High Jump Long Jump	Wishlade Turnbull Evans Stainthorpe Wright Evans Povey Wishlade	Thompson Atkinson Wishlade Brown Stainthorpe Brown Suthern Thompson	Gillis Storey Spence Povey Gibson Swainston Pearson Jackson Povey	11.4 secs. 16.5 secs. *24.8 secs. 86'1" 122'11" 39'6" 4'8" 18'1\frac{1}{2}"
440 yds. 880 yds. Relay	Chapman H. Chapman H. Dunelm	Thompson	Pearson Gillis Tees	59.8 secs. 2m.17.1 secs.
SENIOR:				
100 yds. Hurdles 220 yds. Discus Javelin	Sinclair Chapman A. Sinclair Flegg Ayre	Lowery Lake, W. B. Gillett Sanderson E. Kennedy	Hatch	10.6 secs. 17.7 secs. *23.5 secs. *120'2½" *143'7"

Glattbach

Hughes

Shot

Kennedy

34'71"

High Jump	Chapman A.	Povev	Beaver	5'3"
Long Jump	Povey	Williamson	Hatch	19'8"
440yds.	Sinclair	Boyes	Leighton	55.6 secs.
880yds.	Slee	Greenwood		2m.9.1 secs.
Mile	Lake, W. B.	Slee	Gillett.	4m.57 secs.
Relay	Dunelm	Cleveland	Tees	amile been

JUNIOR CHAMPION: Clegg (10 pts.)

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION: Wishlade (13 pts.)

* Denotes a new record

VICTOR LUDORUM: Sinclair (15 pts.)

RAILWAY CENTENARY CHALLENGE CUP: Grangefield G.S.

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP: Dunelm; 138 pts.

Oxbridge; 54½ pts. Cleveland; 53½ pts. Tees; 51 pts.

The cups and awards were presented by D. W. Henderson, Esq., President of O. S. A.

DEBATING SOCIETY

WITH J. B. Campbell as Secretary, the Society succeeded in maintaining its existence in spite of a notable lack of support from the Fifth and Sixth Forms. Seven debates and a number of meetings with a more popular appeal were held, whilst in the competition for the Headmaster's prize J. C. Gregory was placed first and J. B. Campbell second.

SCHOOL PLAY: "THE STRANGEFIELD SPUTNIK

19-21 March, 1958

This latest instalment of the remarkable history of the twin schools of Strangefield and Strangerfield afforded a good deal of innocent enjoyment directly to the 50 or so people who took part, and indirectly, so they are told, to the hundreds who came to watch them. For all, undoubtedly, the big moment was the FLASH, when The Sputnik was launched, and many thanks are due to our expert Chemist who ensured that the launching was not only safe and spectacular, but regular and unfailing. In other, less dazzling, episodes we saw many good performances from the members of the First, Second and Third Forms who provided the cast.

Between scenes, the "Acorns" Folk Dance Band and the Sixth Form Dance Band provided music which was welcomed enthusiastically by the audiences.

THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE

WE HOPE to present the Gilbert and Sullivan opera "The Pirates of Penzance" in the school hall early in March, 1959. All Old Boys, Parents and other Friends of the School will be very welcome and tickets should be available about the middle of February, and easily obtainable by any boy at the school.

THE SCHOOL CHESS CLUB

THE School Chess Club has continued to flourish; in its first season in the Tees-side 'B' League the school team finished first, winning four of its matches and drawing the other two. This included a 5-1 victory against Middlesbrough 'B', last season's champions. In the Schools League, the School won three matches and lost one.

The School Shield was again won by P. Fletcher (6R3) and the junior championship by H. Spence (3R).

The enthusiasm among the 1st and 2nd forms was most encouraging, and resulted in a very strong Junior team. The Juniors had only two matches (against Middlesbrough High School and St. Mary's), but won both of them by five games to one. I. Atkinson and I. Jeal (both 2R) deserve special mention.

Once again the team's sincere thanks are due to Mr. Boyd and Mr. Kitching for their gracious help, and also to D. M. Barnett, who has captained the School team for the past four years.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

DURING the past year the society has held weekly meetings and a number of activities have been pursued. Members have seen colour slides and films of Britain and the Continent on a number of accasions while Portrait and Enlarging Nights have proved very popular. On Sports Day, the Society held an Exhibition of black and white prints and colour slides and these were seen by a large number of people.

FRIDAY CHOIR

THE Friday Choir gave only one concert during the year—in May. A rather novel feature was that the choir sang unaccompanied throughout the evening; apart from certain items in the Carol Party every Christmas, this was the first time the choir had sung entirely on its own, and despite the incredulity of some of the members, the results were perfectly satisfactory.

The choral items were a setting of the Mass by Victoria, part-songs ranging from the sixteenth century to be present day, and a group of North Country Folk-Songs arranged especially for the Choir. We were very pleased to have two guest soloists: Margaret Taylor (soprano) who sangs songs by Schubert and Brahms, and David Barlow (piano), a lecturer in the Music Department of Durham University, who played a Brahms Violin Sonata with Mr. Downes.

Last year the choir was seriously depleted, as several key singers had left the district, and in July one or two more had to leave us; any Old Boys interested would be welcomed on Fridays at 7-15 p.m. (starting on September 26th), and we would be pleased to see as many of their friends as possible!!

The date for the Carol Party has not yet been fixed, but it will probably take place on Monday, December 15th at 7 p.m. The Friday Choir's main concert of the year will be held as near to the beginning of the Summer Term as possible, when we hope that the chief work will be a concert version of Purcell's opera "Dido and Aeneas."

THE SCHOOL CADET CONTINGENT, COMBINED CADET FORCE

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

Present Unit: 437 I.A.A. Regt. R.A. (T.A.) Norton Road Headquarters, Stockton-on-Tees.

The Contingent has been provided with a Recreational Hut through the Durham County Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association. The hut not only affords additional training facilities but has made possible an N.C.O's. room, and the cadets themselves have commendably responded by furnishing many amenities for games and recreation which their successors may enjoy and extend. The Premier Cadet Medal, for the most promising cadet other than N.C.O's was won by Cadet J. C. Jones who has since achieved the rank of sergeant.

Training, during the early part of the year, was made difficult by weather conditions, and the state of flux in our present unit made a definite training programme a problem there too. Nevertheless the older cadets persisted in their "Bofors" and Wireless Instruction and the Contingemt was able to muster a gun team for the Annual Inspection.

Six Cadets, Bowlt J. W., Clayton L., Hepburn C., Heron J. R., Jones J. C., and Mason J. R., attended the Northern Command School of Physical Training at Burniston Barracks, Scarborough, in the New Year Period; all obtained good reports and B.S.M. J. R. Heron was one of the two cadets out of the fifty five who qualified for a P.T. Course at Aldershot.

B.S.M. J. R. Heron and B.Q.M.S. Hunter F. N. had the unusual privilege of being selected for the Northern Command Course in Leadership at Otterburn. Their selection was a compliment to the Contingent and both cadets fully justified their selection.

Cadet Sergeant G. H. A. Knight attended a Course at the School of Artillery, Larkhill, and is now a competent N.C.O. Instructor on 'Bofors' and 'Twenty five Pounders.'

The Contingent has gained eight Cert. A. Certificates this year: Part II Jones J. C.

Part I Atkinson J., Bolan I., Brown I. J., Gillis J. H., Maloney H., Barton J., Swainston J.

A further examination will be held in October.

Before Camp, a detachment of sixteen cadets attended a Classification Shoot on the open range at Guisborough, where Cadet Mason R. scored seven bulls, a remarkable feat for a novice using ball ammunition for the first time.

The Camp at Gandale was an unqualified success. All cadets received special Weapon Training by regular personnel, and their performances in Field Operations, particularly their compass work at night, reached a high standard. The full day excursion to Scarborough was enhanced by the weather.

The Annual General Inspection of 4th June was conducted by Brigadier M. B. Jenkins D.S.O., supported by Staff Major D. S. Farr, T.D., who expressed themselves as unreservedly pleased with what they saw, and had no hesitation in awarding the Contingent its Certificate of Efficiency.

LAKELAND HOLIDAY

OWING to the difficulty of obtaining accommodation, the annual Easter vacation visit to the Lake District consisted of only one mixed party, which was centred, as in the previous year, at the Y.M.C.A. centre in Patterdale.

Weather conditions at the beginning of the period were anything but promising and Place Fell was successfully climbed in cloud and rain driven by a biting wind. With experience behind them of some of the worst conditions the Lakes had to offer, a party climbed frostbound Helvellyn in cloud and continuous rain, but on the third day the weather broke, which allowed time for rowing on Ullswater. Great Gable (which a senior party scaled by the High Traverse route) was enveloped in cloud, but on two extremely fine days magnificent views were obtained from Fairfield and Bow Fell (from which the younger and fitter, members paid a flying visit to Scafell Pike).

The party was led by Mr. Durrant, who has had so much experience of Lakeland climbing, and to whom our thanks are always due for his willing acceptance of the annual burden of all the paper work which these visits entail. It was a pleasure also to welcome back three Old Boys, all valuable members of previous expeditions, who proved as energetic at the table tennis table as they did on the day's tramping.

SCHOOL VISIT TO BELGIUM, 30th March-7th April, 1958

It was Sunday afternoon when the party of 40 boys and 3 masters was seen off at Stockton Station by a goodly gathering of parents. A party from our sister school set off for France on the same train, but after a night spent in very strict segregation at a London hotel, our parties went their different ways. Our day's journey was a long one, Dover, Ostend, a change of trains at Brussels and then a ‡ hour coach journey from the station at Libramont. It was dark when we arrived at Bouillon of course, and there were gasps of surprised pleasure at the floodlit Hotel Le Tyrol perched on its steep hill, while the lights of the town below and the dim shape of the Castle across the valley gave us an idea of the picturesque town we were to look down on for the next three days.

On Tuesday, we visited the interesting old castle and had a short coach tour-and a walk !- through some lovely scenery. Then on Wednesday we took a long all-day coach tour, one of the high spots of the week. This took us to Luxembourg and right across the Grand Duchy, ending with a spectacular walk down into the town of Echternach. Here we lunched, looked at the war-damaged town and the new buildings arising amid the ruins, and then walked across the frontier bridge into Germany. Then back to the coach and to Luxemburg City, our last stop before the long lap home.

Thursday saw us back in Brussels, and between then and the Monday morning, when we left, we all found many interesting and curious sights in this great city. We spent one very enjoyable day visiting Ghent (where we saw a real guillotine, as well as a rack and thumbscrews) and Bruges where we managed with a little nautical aid to complete a tour of the canals. But apart from that we spent the time exploring Brussels, its fine new buildings, especially Stations, and its narrow old streets and squares. Perhaps the most enterprising group was the one which got for itself an extensive unofficial preview of the International Exhibition.

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It will be noticed that Income Tax is shown in the General Fund Account. Our Life Members' money was in the Trustee Savings Bank and when the interest rose above £15 it was duly reported to the authorities and we were taxed on the full amount. We then learnt that the £15 allowance is for individuals only. The interest shown this year will be subject to tax. To avoid this, we have invested our money in a Building Society and interest will be paid to us tax free.

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RULES

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OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION (Revised November, 1956)

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

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

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

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

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