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EDITORIAL

In April, 1958 the Headmaster will be taking over the Headship of Durham School, where he himself was educated, and he will be succeeded by Mr. Brian Crowther, at present the Senior Classics master and Housemaster at St. Bees, Cumberland. Mr. Crowther won an Open Classical Scholarship to Oxford, and after taking an Honours degree in Classics, taught in Schools of a similar status to Shaftesbury before going to St. Bees, where he has been for nearly seven years. Part of Mr. Crowther's war service was with the Queen's Own Dorset Yeomanry and there will be a number of Old Shastonians and parents who already know him. He and his wife and small daughter may be assured of a very warm welcome from the staff, boys, Old Shastonians and parents when they take up residence.

We know that Mr. Brett leaves with very strong, mixed feelings; he has come to love Shaftesbury and all Shastonians whom he has met during the past three and a half years. Of the School and Old Boys alike he will take with him nothing but happy memories. He and Mrs. Brett would like to express their sincere appreciation of the unfailing kindness and help they have always received, and hope very much to have news and visits from the many friends they have made here, in the years to come. They send their warmest greetings and best wishes to you all.

SCHOOL NEWS

We offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Williams on the birth of their son, Peter Stacey, in July.

To Mr. B. G. Bayliss and Miss June Dowland our congratulations on their marriage in August, and our best wishes for their happiness.

The new classrooms, the boarders' new washing accommodation, the oil burning system of heating and the extension to the Woodwork Room have been completed and we are all very thankful for them.

The Voluntary Works Building Fund passed the £1,000 mark late in July and a part of it has gone towards the cost of the present improvements. Our sincere thanks to all who have so generously supported this fund.

To Mr. R. B. Minchin, Mr. Peter Overington and to Miss Wrightson, our thanks for presenting three beautiful, floating trophies. The "Minchin" Cricket Cup is awarded to the winner of the Inter-house Cricket; Mr. Overington's cup was given for the Inter-house 7-a-side rugby competition, and Miss Wrightson's—in memory of her brother, Captain C. Wrightson, R.N.—for the best all-round performance by a cadet in Certificate 'A.'

Congratulations to the following:—

E. R. Walmsley on his appointment as Head of School.

Barry Johnson, Tim Cornwell and Roger Taylerson on passing into Sandhurst.

D. J. Roberts, J. B. M. Evans, S. J. Hassett, A. J. S. Pratt and P. G. Deacon-Smith on being awarded County Major Scholarships.

E. R. Cox on passing into Cranwell.

LECTURES, VISITS AND EVENTS OF NOTE

Preachers at our Special School Services have been:—

The Revd. G. K. Horlock Jones; Father Geoffrey Pearson, S.S.F.; The Revd. Gordon Hartless; The Revd. E. J. Pulman; The Rt. Revd. Maurice Key, Bishop of Sherborne; The Headmaster of Milton Abbey School, Commander R. H. Hodgkinson, D.S.C., R.N.; The Revd. Kingsley Laws; The Headmaster.

"An East End Parish"—Father Geoffrey Pearson, S.S.F.

A Hibbert Trust Lecture at Lyme Regis: The Revd. G. L. Tiarks—"The Purpose of Life."

"The Sleeping Monk"—Shaftesbury Historical Pageant, marking the opening of the new Arts Theatre in Bell Street.

Reading—Recital of English and American Literature—H. J. C. Mackarness, Esq.

"A Career at Sea"—Captain L. W. Smith, lately commanding the *Chantala*.

"The Royal Air Force"—Squadron-Leader A. R. Munday.

"National Service"—Captain D. Gittins, Royal Signals.

"Steel"—Squadron-Leader Gibson-Martin.

"Aeronautical Engineering"—S. J. Lobb, Esq.

Clifford Heap's Miniature Theatre production of "Beauty and the Beast."

The Sixth Form Dance.

A Trip to Twickenham—Oxford v. Cambridge.

"Midsummer Night's Dream"—at Salisbury.

"The Battle of the River Plate"—at Shaftesbury.

A visit to the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's Exhibition at Gillingham.

A Concert by Dora Willner and Lucy Vincent.

The following boys were confirmed on March 17th, in Holy Trinity Church, by the Bishop of Sherborne: H. A. Harris, S. R. Gibbs, P. R. T. Bowness, N. P. Langley, C. Moncrieffe, A. N. W. H. Woodward, W. M. Porritt, C. A. Matthew, C. A. Wright, M. Crofts, D. F. Grimwood, B. R. Sumsion, A. J. Steele, M. G. Parsons, J. I. Goodson, C. J. Bartlett, R. A. Benham, R. P. H. Harris, R. C. B. Robinson, M. Yeatman, P. N. Cannell.

General Certificates of Education were awarded to the following boys:—

June, 1957

ADVANCED LEVEL

J. G. Annetts	— (M, P)
E. R. Cox	— (M, p, o)
P. G. Deacon-Smith	— (M, P, C) County Major Scholarship
J. B. M. Evans	— (E, F, H) County Major Scholarship
R. W. Gibbons	— (C, Bo, Z)
C. Green	— (P, C, m)
S. J. Hassett	— (E, F, H) County Major Scholarship
A. J. Lawrence	— (M, P, C)
A. J. S. Pratt	— (M, P, C) County Major Scholarship
D. J. Roberts	— (E, H) County Major Scholarship
R. J. R. Taylerson	— (E, H)

ORDINARY LEVEL (Chemistry) *

J. R. M. Brock	N. B. Hitchings
R. Forshaw	W. H. Kaul
D. J. Green	D. P. Noyce
D. S. Halpin	D. I. M. Simpson

ORDINARY LEVEL

E. R. Cox	—	(e. lang.)
R. Forshaw	—	(a.m.)
M. A. C. Galindo	—	(f)
J. S. M. Mayo	—	(m)
D. P. Noyce	—	(a.m.)
R. J. A'Barrow	—	(e. lang, h, m)
A. R. Archer	—	(m)
D. W. F. Blandford	—	(e. lang, m)
K. Bridle	—	(e. lang, l, f, h, g, m, g.sc)
J. R. Bull	—	(m)
B. R. Butler	—	(m)
D. A. Caines	—	(e. lang, e. lit, f, m)
P. F. Clubb	—	(e. lang, f, a, g.sc)
C. Collins	—	(e. lang, g.sc)
C. J. Coombes	—	(e. lang, f, m, g.sc)
C. A. Coward	—	(h, m, g.sc)
P. R. Drew	—	(e. lit, f, g.sc)
B. Edwards	—	(e. lang, a)
A. V. Fletcher	—	(e. lang, e. lit, f, a, m, g.sc)
L. J. Fry	—	(e. lang, h)
A. R. Hall	—	(e. lang, e. lit)
M. E. Johnson	—	(h, m)
W. J. O. Jordan	—	(e. lang, e. lit, l, f, h, g, a, m, g.sc)
M. G. Lillie	—	(a, m)
J. M. Middlemas	—	(e. lang, e. lit, l, f, h, g, m, g.sc)
A. M. Milverton	—	(e. lang, f, h, g.sc)
J. A. Mouter	—	(m, g.sc)
R. A. Pike	—	(e. lang, e. lit, f, h, m, g.sc)
L. J. Pitman	—	(m, g.sc)
R. J. Queen	—	(e. lit, h, c)
T. J. Ridgway	—	(e. lang)
F. J. Roberts	—	(e. lang, e. lit, f, h, m, g.sc)
C. Smith	—	(e. lang, e. lit, l, f, h, g, m, g.sc)
D. E. Smith	—	(m)
P. J. Squires	—	(e. lang, e. lit, g.sc)
B. Stevens	—	(e. lang, e. lit, f, a, m, g.sc)
J. E. Strange	—	(e. lang, e. lit, l, f, g, m, g.sc)
C. R. P. Wilcox	—	(e. lang, f, h, m, g.sc)
M. A. B. Young	—	(h, a, m, g.sc)
J. Osbourn	—	(g.sc)

December, 1957

ORDINARY LEVEL (Additional Subjects)

R. Forshaw	—	(e. lang)
C. I. Wyadham	—	(m)
M. G. Lillie	—	(e. lang)
J. S. M. Mayo	—	(f)
A. M. Milverton	—	(e. lit)
L. J. Pitman	—	(h, g)
J. W. F. Blandford	—	(e. lit, h, g.sc)
J. R. Bull	—	(m, g.sc)
P. F. Clubb	—	(h, m)
C. A. Coward	—	(f, p)

The letters in brackets after each name represent the subjects in which passes were obtained. A capital letter denotes a pass at the Advanced Level.

E. Lang	English Language	A.M.	Additional Mathematics
E. Lit.	English Literature	P	Physics
F	French	G.Sc.	General Science
L	Latin	C	Chemistry
H	History	Bi	Biology
G	Geography	Bo	Botany
A	Art	Z	Zoology
M	Mathematics		

WINNERS OF CUPS, 1957

"Minchin" Inter-house Cricket Cup	.....	Spartans
"Johnson" Batting Cup	.....	D. I. M. Simpson
"Genge" Fielding Cup	.....	J. R. M. Brock
"Windebank" Bowling Cup	.....	C. R. P. Wilcox
"Daniel" Under 14 Cup	.....	J. Young
"Dennis" Tennis Cup	.....	D. I. M. Simpson
"Ramshaw" Rugby Cup	.....	E. R. Walmsley
"Rousell" Football Cup	.....	B. Edwards
"Watmough" Inter-house Football Cup	.....	Corinthians
"Davis" Mile Cup	.....	R. J. R. Taylerson
"Spry" Fives Cup	.....	D. I. M. Simpson
"Tovey" Shooting Cup	.....	E. R. Walmsley
"John Miles" Shooting Cup	.....	B. J. Young
Sportsmans Cup	.....	R. J. A'Barrow
Senior Champion Athlete	.....	R. J. R. Taylerson
Middle Champion Athlete	.....	D. Parsons
Junior Champion Athlete	.....	R. F. Strange
Cross Country Cup	.....	B. Edwards
"Hallett" Swimming Cup	.....	Corinthians
"Cole" Athletics Cup	.....	Corinthians
"Tovey" House Shield	.....	Corinthians

TERM I, 1957

Prefects :	D. J. Roberts (Head of School), J. B. M. Evans (Sen. Boarder Prefect), D. A. Caines, C. J. Collins, E. R. Cox, P. G. Deacon-Smith, R. Forshaw, R. W. Gibbons, C. Green, D. S. Halpin, S. J. Hassett, N. B. Hitchings, W. H. Kaul, A. J. S. Pratt, D. I. M. Simpson, E. R. Walmsley, C. I. Wyndham, G. P. Young.
Sub-Prefects :	J. R. M. Brock, C. A. Coward, M. A. C. Galindo, M. E. Johnson, W. J. O. Jordan, A. J. Lawrence, P. R. MacEnhill, J. M. Middlemas, J. F. H. Phelps, J. E. Strange.

VALETE

G. P. Young	Form VA	Entered Term III, 1950. G.C.E. 'O' 1956. Football, 1957. Colours, 1957. Prefect.
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TERM II, 1957

VALETE

J. G. Annetts	Form VIa	Entered Term II, 1956. G.C.E. 'A' 1957.
P. G. Deacon-Smith	" VIa	Entered Term III, 1950. G.C.E. 'O' 1955, 'A' 1957, County Major Scholarship. Rugby XV, 1955-6. Colours, 1955. Vice-Captain, 1956. Certs. 'A' and 'T.' Prefect.
J. B. M. Evans	" VIa	Entered Term III, 1949. G.C.E. 'O' 1954, 'A' 1957, County Major Scholarship. Rugby XV, 1953-6. Captain, 1956. Colours, 1954. Cricket XI, 1957. Cert. 'A' Senior Boarder Prefect, 1957.
C. Green	" VIa	Entered Term III, 1950. G.C.E. 'O' 1955, 'A' 1957. Certs. 'A' and 'T.' Prefect.
S. J. Hassett	" VIa	Entered Term III, 1950. G.C.E. 'O' 1955, 'A' 1957, County Major Scholarship. Rugby XV, 1955-6. Captain of Athletics, 1956-7. Prefect.
A. J. S. Pratt	" VIa	Entered Term III, 1950. G.C.E. 'O' 1955, 'A' 1957, County Major Scholarship. Cert. 'A' Prefect.
D. J. Roberts	" VIa	Entered Term III, 1949. G.C.E. 'O' 1954, 'A' 1957, County Major Scholarship. Rugby XV, 1956. Head of School, 1957.
R. J. R. Taylerson	" VIa	Entered Term III, 1949. G.C.E. 'O' 1954, 'A' 1957. Rugby XV, 1955-6. Drew Cross-Country Cup, 1955-6. Mile Record, 1957, 880 Record, 1956. Davis Mile Cup, 1956-7. Senior Champion Athlete, 1956-7. Certs. 'A' and 'T.' Prefect.
G. J. Allen	" VIb	Entered Term III, 1953. G.C.E. 'O' 1956. Certs. 'A' and 'T.'
J. R. M. Brook	" VIb	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1956. Rugby XV, 1956-7. Cricket XI, 1956-7. Football XI, 1957. Certs. 'A' and 'T.' Gengo Fielding Cup. Sub-Prefect.
J. Osbourn	" VIb	Entered Term II, 1953. G.C.E. 'O' 1956-7.
P. R. MacEnhill	" VIb	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1956. Sub-Prefect.
R. J. A'Barrow	" Va	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1956. Cricket XI, 1956-7. Colours, 1957. Football XI, Colours, 1957, Vice-Captain 1957. Rugby XV, 1955-6, Colours 1956. House Captain. Sportsmans Cup, 1957.
A. R. Archer	" Va	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1956-7. Cricket XI, 1956-7. Colours, 1957.
D. A. Caines	" Va	Entered Term III, 1950. G.C.E. 'O' 1956-7. Certs. 'A' and 'T.' Prefect.

C. J. Collins	„ VA	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1956-7. Cricket XI 1955-7, Colours 1956, Captain 1957. Football XI 1956-7, Colours 1957, Vice-Captain 1957. House Captain, 1957. Cert. 'T.' Prefect.
A. V. Fletcher	„ VA	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1957.
B. R. Butler	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1957.
P. R. Drow	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1957.
B. Edwards	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1957. Football XI 1956-7, Colours 1956, Captain 1957. Davis Mile Cup, 1955. Rousell Football Cup 1957.
A. R. Hall	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1957. Cert. 'T.'
J. A. Mouter	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1957. Football XI 1956-7, Colours 1957.
J. F. C. Nicholls	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1951.
R. J. Quen	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1956-7. Rugby XV, 1955-6.
D. E. Smith	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1957.
P. J. Squires	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1956-7. Cert. 'A.'
A. J. Wright	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1952.
H. N. Coombs	„ VB	Entered Term III, 1952. Cert. 'T.'
K. I. M. Ingram	„ IVA	Entered Term III, 1953.

TERM III, 1957

NEW BOYS

<i>Corinthians</i>	<i>Romans</i>	<i>Spartans</i>	<i>Trojans</i>
C. N. Brickell	T. Coombs	R. J. Aldworth	H. Austin
P. Brookesmith	M. J. Forward	P. Coathup	A. B. Bates
N. R. Gawler	D. Goodman	R. Farrand	P. Boreham
R. H. Kelley	I. S. Harrison	M. D. McPherson	G. K. J. Chapman
E. J. Olsen	S. E. A. Hinkins	P. M. O'Gorman	G. Dyer
R. H. Powell	M. C. Humby	A. K. Rodgers	M. A. Harris
N. D. Weall	C. P. Ryan	P. J. Scott	M. S. O'Connell
	P. C. Upton	E. Thomas	R. K. Young
Prefects :	E. R. Walmsley (Head Prefect), E. R. Cox (Senior Day Boy Prefect), R. Forshaw, R. W. Gibbons, D. S. Halpin, N. B. Hitchings, M. E. Johnson, W. J. O. Jordan, W. H. Kaul, A. J. Lawrence, J. M. Middlemas, D. I. M. Simpson, J. E. Strange, C. I. Wyndham.		
Sub-Prefects :	M. A. C. Galindo, C. R. P. Wilcox, D. J. Green, J. F. H. Phelps, C. A. Coward, T. B. Noyes, D. H. Parsley, R. G. Middlemas, A. R. J. Cranmer, W. R. Moody, C. J. Wells, J. Powell, R. A. Pike.		

VALETE

E. R. Cox	Form VIa	Entered Term III, 1950. G.C.E. 'O' 1955, 'A' 1957. Rugby XV 1955-7 Colours 1956. Senior Day Boy Prefect 1957.
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D. W. F. Blandford	„	VA	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1957. Certs. 'A' and 'T.'
J. R. Bull	„	VA	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1956-7.
P. F. Clubb	„	VA	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1957.
C. A. Coward	„	VA	Entered Term III, 1952. G.C.E. 'O' 1957. Colts Rugby XV, 1955. Cert. 'A.' Sub-Prefect.
A. M. Milverton	„	VA	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1957. Cert. 'T.'
L. J. Pitman	„	VA	Entered Term III, 1951. G.C.E. 'O' 1957.
D. J. Curtis	„	VB	Entered Term III, 1953.
M. J. Benham	„	IIA	Entered Term III, 1956.
D. Goodman	„	IA	Entered Term III, 1957.

SPEECH DAY

Once again this year the weather drove parents and Old Boys into the School Memorial Hall on July 20th when, with The Rt. Rev. Maurice Key, Bishop of Sherborne, presiding, Sir Charles Woolley, G.B.E., K.C.M.G., M.C., LL.D., presented the prizes.

In his report, the Headmaster said that he regarded the year past as one of unusual, if not outstanding, achievement. Materially it had seen the completion of many important additions and improvements to the School; in the academic sphere four boys had won County Major Scholarships, and three other boys had gained entry to the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst; on the sports field the athletic record had been quite exceptional, and it was most pleasing to note that the 1st XI had enjoyed an unbeaten season. Once again the boys had distinguished themselves at the Musical Festival, gaining fourteen awards; Colonel Veale had reported an all-time record number of boys in the Corps with full Certificate 'A'; and the Voluntary Works Building Fund had just passed the £1,000 mark.

Mr. Brett apologised for blowing the School's trumpet, but it had been his deliberate intention to do so—for two very good reasons. Firstly, a school such as Shaftesbury, of just over 200 boys, had a relatively small staff and yet tried to provide approximately the same number of teams and extra-mural societies and activities as a school twice that size, and with almost double the staff. This imposed on the smaller staff a heavier burden—a burden greatly increased by the existence of a comparatively large boarding community. The State, in deciding staff establishments, failed to recognise that fact; indeed the differentials in the recent Burnham award relating to Heads of Departments and graded posts as between big schools

and small schools had made the future staffing of small Grammar Schools infinitely more difficult. But without such a devoted staff as the School possessed, its outstanding successes would be impossible; and Mr. Brett wished to pay tribute to the way in which they shouldered their heavy, round-the-clock responsibilities.

The second reason for blowing the School's trumpet was that he firmly believed that the small, efficient, single sex Grammar School still had an important part to play in our educational system; and yet up and down the country so many such schools were losing their identity and becoming part of much bigger bilateral or comprehensive units. Mr. Brett felt that nothing of proved educational worth should be wantonly destroyed or swallowed up until it was certain that something better could replace it. He believed that these smaller, single sex schools should never disappear, if only for the reasons that there was always likely to be a public demand for them, that it could not be proved that day schools of from 700-2,000 were necessarily of greater general educational value, and that if we were to avoid the danger of uniformity we must retain variety in kind to meet a variety in need, or we should defeat the very purpose of experiment in education, and in the end there would be no parental choice left to exercise. As it was, each year saw greater uniformity and a larger number of bigger schools, a further limitation of parental choice and less competition—healthy competition—within the educational system as between different types of school and between schools of the same kind. It was as if 'the bigger the better' were the official state policy, and the chief considerations in formulating it were political, social or financial.

Finally, the Headmaster expressed the belief that a good home and a good boarding school was, for the majority of boys, the fullest education obtainable, giving them the best of both worlds. "I believe that any good school of approximately our size can establish a closer and more valuable human relationship between teacher and taught, and is more fertile soil for the development of the individual character and personality of its boys than seems possible in some of the currently popular experiments. I believe it is vitally important for this and other schools of a like size and nature that you as parents and Old Boys should keep an eye on what is going on, and that you should, when the opportunity occurs, expose and resist further unwarranted and undesirable restrictions on the freedom of choice of the kind of education and of a particular school for your children and your children's children."

Sir Charles Woolley, congratulating the school on its achievements during the year, said it had worthily upheld its traditions and great reputation. It was good to see that the spirit which animated the founders over 200 years ago was so very much alive today. It was only natural that we should be on our guard to ensure that those qualities that the school tried to bring out in the boys should be preserved. "They have every right to be preserved, and your achievements in the past warrant it," said Sir Charles. "We trust that whatever changes may be brought about in the future by circumstances, political or social, or for any other reason, they will not destroy those invaluable qualities."

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Farley Rutter, Vice-Chairman of the School Governors.

Form Prizes		Progress Prizes
<i>Form</i>		
VI	J. B. M. Evans (Arts)	S. J. Hassett
	P. G. Deacon-Smith (Science)	R. W. Gibbons
VA	W. J. O. Jordan	K. Bridle
VB	L. J. Pitman	D. E. Smith
IVA	B. J. Humphreys	J. Powell
IVB	R. A. Benham	P. N. Cannell
IIIA	J. I. Goodson	C. Annetts
IIIB	D. C. Pike	M. A. D. Hardiman
IIA	R. C. B. Robinson	C. J. Wareham and J. Young
IA	J. L. N. Corp	M. J. Benham

Special Prizes

THE HEADMASTER'S PRIZE	D. J. Roberts
THE RECTOR'S DIVINITY PRIZE	W. J. O. Jordan
MATHEMATICS PRIZE	A. J. Lawrence
THE CHAIRMAN'S MUSIC PRIZE	C. J. Wells
THE CHAIRMAN'S ENGLISH READING PRIZE	
Senior	C. J. Wells
Junior	T. C. Norris
ART PRIZE	E. R. Walmsley
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PRIZES	
Senior	W. J. O. Jordan
Junior	C. R. Wareham

For their gifts of prizes we should like to express our appreciation to:—

The Chairman ; Mrs. E. Williamson ; W. H. Armitage, Esq. ;
H. F. W. Holmes, Esq. ; W. Farley Rutter, Esq. ; Alderman

J. D. Chesterfield; A. T. Green, Esq.; C. A. Green, Esq.; Captain F. H. Kennedy, R.N.; E. H. Lanham, Esq.; Sir Hawthorne Lewis, K.C.S.I.; W. E. Summerhays, Esq.; The Rev. G. K. Horlock Jones; R. Pearson, Esq.; The Headmaster.

CADET CORPS

The Annual Inspection was carried out by Brigadier F. Stevens on June 14th. 100 cadets were on parade and a very good report was obtained.

On June 18th, 60 cadets went to the R.A.C. demonstration at Bovington followed by a gunnery demonstration at Lulworth. The arrangements were excellent and all saw many of those armaments about which one reads but seldom sees.

Owing to the camp dates not being convenient this year, we did an attachment at the Dorset Depot, 2 officers and 38 cadets attending. The weather throughout was excellent, and it was shirt-sleeve order the whole time. An excellent demonstration was given on the Chickwell range, followed by night operations. The arrival of the ration lorry proved very popular. Another day was spent at Sydling St. Nicholas and on the last afternoon there was a trip to Lyme Regis to the Air Sea Rescue Unit who took us on a trip on a perfectly glassy sea. Unfortunately, there was sea mist so the coastal scenery was not at its best. Our grateful thanks to Major H. V. Thomas and Major J. Drew and the other officers of the Dorset Depot for all the arrangements they made for our training and comfort.

On November 5th the termly shoot took place at Mere range; the standard was on the whole better than previously, yet there are still some who are not sufficiently careful about the setting of sights.

Our buglers, Sgt. Walmsley, E. R., L/Cpls. Galindo, M. A. C., Hitchings, N. B., Humphreys, B. J., and Cadet Parsley, D., sounded Last Post and Reveille at four churches on November 10th and the contingent were on parade at the local British Legion Service in the afternoon.

The Field-day on November 14th was at the foot of Spread Eagle Hill, by kind permission of Mrs. St. John Sampson.

Three demonstrations were given—Section in attack, Platoon organisation and Reconnaissance Patrol in the morning, and after lunch two platoons opposed one another and many lessons should have been learned.

Certificate 'A' results. Part I

25th March, 1957

Curtis, D. J.	Dacombe, T.	Gordon, A. A.	Grimwood, D. F.
Hitchings, M. J.	Jordan, W. J. O.	Middlemas, R. G.	Milverton, A. M.
Osbourn, J.	Parsley, C. M.	Pike, D. G.	Porritt, W. M.
Smith, S. R. S.	Staepoole, R. B.	Steel, P. D.	Young, B. J.

1st August, 1957

Badman, F. J.	Cannell, P. N.	Collett, J. A.	Gibbs, S. R.
Goodson, J. E.	Harris, H. A.	Langley, N. P.	Main, D. J.
Mayo, J. R.	Morgan, R.	Perrett, M.	Woodward, A. N.

Certificate 'A'. Part II

28th March, 1957

Crammer, A. R. J.	Hall, A. R.	Hitchings, N. B.	Humphreys, B. J.
Mouter, J. A.	Nicholls, J. F. C.	Wilcox, C. R. P.	

1st August, 1957

Jordan, W. J. O.	Langley, N. P.	Giles, P. N.	Pike, D. G.
Grimwood, D. F.	Staepoole, R. B.	Young, B. J.	Young, M. A. B.
Dacombe, T.	Middlemas, R. G.		

Promotions dated 16th September, 1957

Sgt. Phelps, J. F. H.	to be C.S.M.	Cdt. Giles, P. N.	to be L/Cpl.
Cpl. Watmsley, E. R.	" " Sgt.	" Hitchings, N. B.	" " "
L/Cpl. Wyndham, C. I.	" " "	" Humphreys, B. J.	" " "
" Forshaw, R.	" " "	" Jordan, W. J. O.	" " "
" Simpson, D. I. M.	" " "	" Middlemas, R. G.	" " "
" Middlemas, J. M.	" " Cpl.	" Pike, R. A.	" " "
" Coward, C. A. L.	" " "	" Ridgway, T. J.	" " "
" Mayo, J. S. M.	" " "	" Strange, J. E.	" " "
Cdt. Johnson, M. E.	" " "	" Wells, C. J.	" " "
" Blandford, D. W.	" " L/Cpl.	" Wilcox, C. R. P.	" " "
" Coombs, C. J.	" " "	" Wyatt, L. J.	" " "
" Cranmer, A. R. J.	" " "		

RUGBY FOOTBALL

In spite of influenza and injuries the season was most interesting and successful. No fewer than twenty-six boys played for the 1st XV in only nine matches; the fact that such a large number of adequate reserves is to be found in the School is due to the keenness of the boys and the quality of the coaching in the junior clubs.

The 1st XV played nine matches, won five, drew one and lost three. Of the matches lost, the Poole game should have

been won; the powerful "A" XV from Yeovil were surprised at the spirit and quality of the opposition; the Bishop Wordsworth XV, which should have been beaten, for various reasons seemed to upset the Shaftesbury morale. The Old Boys, reinforced by Middlemas, R. and Lawrence, provided keen opposition, and the Clayesmore match proved the most exciting of all the games played. Against Portchester at Bournemouth, our victorious team ran amok, and the disappointment on the last Saturday of term was intense, when it was learned that Portchester could not fulfil their return game at Shaftesbury.

Walmsley led the side well; Wyndham and Johnson, when playing together were a strong pair in the centre; Simpson, though a little disappointing in the early games and missing Deacon-Smith's ball-supply from the line-out, played splendidly at scrum-half. Kaul, Forshaw, Cox and Middlemas, J.M. were outstanding forwards. Cranmer, taking the place of Wyndham at full-back, shows great promise for the future.

Probably the game in which the most spirit was shown was a match in which Form V challenged Form VI. The latter won a thrilling game by 12 points to 6.

The following played for the 1st XV:—Walmsley, capt., Middlemas, J. M., vice-capt., Cox, Johnson, Wyndham, Simpson, Forshaw, Kaul, Jordan, Cranmer, Parleyse, D., Noyes, Galindo, Stevens, McGeorge, Lawrence, Strange, Halpin, Parsons, D., Middlemas, R. G., Wilcox, Green, D., Parsons, M. G., Fry, L., Alford, Grant-Evans.

1st XV Results

v. Poole G.S. 1st XV	.....	Away	Lost	9—14
v. Bishop Wordsworth 1st XV		Away	Lost	3—19
v. Clayesmore 'A' XV	.....	Away	Won	9—8
v. Wimborne G.S. 1st XV	.....	Home	Won	9—0
v. Old Boys	.....	Home	Won	9—6
v. Portchester 1st XV	.....	Away	Won	45—3
v. Wimborne G.S. 1st XV	.....	Away	Drawn	8—8
v. Yeovil G.S. 'A' XV	.....	Home	Lost	9—18
v. Poole G.S. 1st XV	.....	Home	Won	11—3

A seven-a-side competition was organised in November, so that boys should gain experience for the House matches. Eight teams played a knock-out competition, and players and a large number of spectators spent a delightful afternoon.

The following captained graded teams, the two masters' teams being finalists:—Walmsley (A), Cox (B), Simpson, D. (C); Mr. Davy (D), Wyndham (E); Middlemas, J. M. (F), Mr. Payne (G), Johnson, M. (H).

Results

A v. B	6—14	C v. D	5—13
E v. F	11—3	G v. H	11—3
B v. D	0—16	E v. G	0—6
<i>Final</i> : G v. D 11—0			

In the House Competition proper the Spartans won the Cup.

Results*Seniors*

Spartans	 12	Trojans	 3
Corinthians	 0	Romans	 16
Romans	 26	Trojans	 0
Corinthians	 0	Spartans	 8
Corinthians	 12	Trojans	 0
Romans	 6	Spartans	 8

Juniors

Corinthians	 16	Romans	 0
Spartans	 11	Trojans	 13
Corinthians	 3	Spartans	 10
Romans	 0	Trojans	 14
Romans	 0	Spartans	 6
Corinthians	 0	Trojans	 21

The Dorset and Wilts boys' County Rugby trials were held on the School pitches on December 30th. Walmsley, Middlemas, J. M. Wyndham, Forshaw, Johnson, M., and Jordan all played, but Walmsley was particularly unlucky to be put out of action early in the trials with a severe injury to his ear. Wyndham and Middlemas are to be heartily congratulated on being chosen to represent the Counties, the former playing against Hampshire and the latter against Hampshire, Berkshire, and Somerset.

COLTS RUGBY

During the first half of the season, the side was weakened through Asian 'flu and it was not until the return match with Wimborne that the team played together. A scratch side played extremely well at Claysmore and just lost a very close game. The side was not tested by Wimborne at home as 'flu hit their side on the Saturday morning and they played with only 13. At Wimborne the School played an attacking game which paid dividends. The Yeovil team proved too strong and stopped any School movements by close tackling. A final game against

Poole ended a successful season. In the forwards, Middlemas, R. (capt.), Humphries, P., Gulliver and Moors played consistently well. Behind the scrum, Trickett and Steele, A., proved a strong combination at fly-half and inside centre, whilst Cox, D., was an extremely safe full-back.

During a gap in the middle of the fixture card, the Colts played a club 3 side and won by over 20 points. This game was most entertaining but the experience of the Colts told in the end.

Colts	v. Poole G.S.	.....	Away	Lost	0—19
	v. Clayesmore Colts	.....	Away	Lost	3—6
	v. Wimborne G.S.	.....	Home	Won	25—0
	v. Wimborne G.S.	.....	Away	Won	13—3
	v. Yeovil G.S.	.....	Home	Lost	3—11
	v. Poole G.S.	.....	Home	Won	24—0
Junior Colts	v. Bishop Wordsworth	.....	Away	Lost	3—9

THE 76th UNIVERSITY MATCH

On Tuesday, December 7th, a party consisting of Mr. Brett, Mr. Bates, Mr. Davy and sixty-five boys, set off soon after assembly in two coaches bound for Twickenham. At Shaftesbury it was a wet and depressing day, and many of those left behind were glad to have stayed at home. For the Twickenham party the weather proved most kind, for there was only a slight dampness during daylight; on the return journey there was torrential rain, but by then the party had had a full day of fun and instruction.

A stop was made at Hartley Wintney on the outward journey and at Camberley on the homeward. For most of us it was a first visit to any Rugger match watched by 55,000 spectators, and on this occasion we had the special privilege of seeing the Duke of Edinburgh, who was introduced to the teams; for Mr. Brett it must have been a very real thrill to re-live the memories of 1935-37; for the rest it was thrill enough to pick out in the crowd famous personalities such as Wilfred Wooller and W. E. Tucker.

Most boys bought rosettes on arrival at the car park, and many continued to wear the Cambridge colours even in defeat. Music was played by the Central Band of the R.A.F., and all the Shaftesbury party except two stood at the Southern end. The two exceptions were Mr. Brett and Mr. Bates, who had secured seats high up in the West Stand behind the T.V. cameras.

A wonderful game was seen, and reports of the match will long since have been read—a wonderful match despite the fact that “an elaborate defensive system practised by two supremely fit teams defeated all the machinations of the attackers.” Peter Lawless once wrote an excellent book with the title “Rugby Is An Attacking Game,” but it was well worth a long journey to see a game in which “the Cambridge works had 15 Oxford spanners thrown into them.” We are all most grateful to the Headmaster for approving and to Mr. Davy for carrying out so efficiently a plan which Mr. Bates hatched when he took a party to Bath to see Somerset defeat Gloucestershire.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL, 1957

Captain : B. Edwards. *Vice-Captain* : C. J. Collins

The following boys represented the School (number of appearances in brackets):

Young, G. (11); Forshaw, R. (7); Hitchings, N. B. (11); Evans, J. B. M. (5); Cranmer, A. R. J. (10); Mouter, J. A. (11); A'Barrow, R. J. (7); Collins, C. J. (11); Middlemas, J. (11); Brook, J. (1); Cox, E. R. (4); Edwards, B. (10); Johnson, M. (11); Parsons, D. (11).

The season was moderately successful, five games being won, four lost and two drawn. The weather made it necessary to rearrange some fixtures, but only two, those at Wimborne and against the Old Boys, were cancelled. Edwards was the only colour remaining, but G. Young played so well in goal that he was awarded his colours midway through the season. At the end of the season, colours were awarded to Mouter, Collins, Hitchings, Middlemas and A'Barrow.

Of the matches lost, only that at Bournemouth against a strong 'A' XI was at all one-sided. Against Sæxey's at Bruton, A'Barrow had concussion and could take no part in the second half. The team played well together, Middlemas and Parsons forming a good left-wing combination. The wing-halves were always ready to support their forwards in attack, and on occasions even to show them how to score. During the season, Edwards played twice for the County team, and D. Parsons played for the County Under-15 team.

Results

Sexey's	.....	Home	Drawn	2—2
Blandford	.....	Home	Won	5—0
Foster's	.....	Away	Lost	1—5
Bournemouth 'A'	.....	Away	Lost	0—9
Foster's	.....	Home	Won	4—2
Sexey's	.....	Away	Lost	0—5
Gillingham	.....	Away	Won	5—1
Bournemouth 2nd XI	.....	Home	Won	4—2
Wimborne	.....	Home	Won	3—2
Gillingham	.....	Home	Lost	1—3
Blandford	.....	Away	Drawn	1—1

The Under 14 XI played 9 matches this year and won 5 of them, a satisfactory result and an improvement on last season. Middlemas, R. G. as captain, led the side well and was a tower of strength in defence.

Team : Porritt, Humphries, P., Griffin, Leibe, Middlemas, R., Pettifor, Langley, Mullins, Gulliver, Trickett, Wyatt. Also played : Simpson, Pike, D. C., Smith, Bartlett, Hargreaves, Deacon-Smith, Fry, Symons.

Results

Blandford G.S.	.....	Home	Won	8—2
Foster's	.....	Away	Lost	1—3
Bournemouth G.S.	.....	Away	Lost	1—12
Gillingham G.S.	.....	Away	Lost	1—3
Bournemouth G.S.	.....	Home	Won	4—3
Wimborne	.....	Home	Won	5—1
Gillingham G.S.	.....	Home	Won	4—1
Blandford G.S.	.....	Home	Won	8—2

CRICKET

1st XI

With eight of last year's 1st XI still at School the team promised to be a strong one and, in fact, the team was undefeated at the end of the season, although three games only were won.

Of the eight drawn games, the two most exciting matches were those that should have been won. First, there was the Clayesmore match at Shaftesbury. Clayesmore took first knock and scored 89 runs, Wilcox taking 7 wickets for 32. At the end of the last over Shaftesbury had scored 89 for 9. This situation would never have arisen had the running between the wickets been better. Secondly, there was the Foster's School match at

Shaftesbury. Foster's School batted first and Shaftesbury were set the task of scoring 134 runs in 90 minutes. We had scored 133 runs with the loss of only 2 wickets when the last over was called. The batsmen in the middle did not have the necessary experience and knowledge to strike out boldly for the winning runs even if it had meant sacrificing their own wicket. In both the Canford and Clayesmore (at Clayesmore) matches we finished in a strong position.

Archer and Jordan opened consistently for the XI and played some very good innings. Congratulations to Jordan, who was awarded the Shaftesbury Town Junior Batting Cup. Simpson, a real attacking batsman, did very well to finish top of the batting averages (29.3) since he started the season with four very low scores.

Wilcox was the outstanding bowler in the side. For a fast bowler he has an excellent approach and delivery. He was top of the bowling averages with an average of 9.2. Forshaw kept wicket well but his batting was disappointing. In the field, Gulliver, Cranmer, Brock and Middlemas did some good ground fielding and returns and made fine catches. Gulliver, who is still only 14, has shown that he is a very capable cricketer.

Collins captained the side; A'Barrow was Vice-Captain. New colours were awarded to D. Simpson, R. Wilcox, and A. Archer.

Results

- v. Blandford G.S. Home. Drawn. 23 for 8 v. 46 for 9.
- v. Wimborne G.S. Home. Drawn. 26 for 4 v. 80.
- v. Clayesmore. Home. Drawn. 89 for 9 v. 89.
- v. Foster's. Away. Won. 134 for 7 v. 56.
- v. Bishop Wordsworth. Away. Drawn. 51 for 5 v. 103 for 9.
- v. Foster's. Home Drawn. 133 for 2 v. 134.
- v. Hardy's. Home. Drawn. 105 v. 78 for 5.
- v. Gillingham G.S. Away. Won. 116 for 3 v. 113 for 7.
- v. Clayesmore. Away. Drawn. 112 for 5 v. 58 for 9.
- v. Clayesmore 2nd XI. Away. Won. 106 for 8 v. 103.
- v. Clayesmore 2nd XI. Home. Drawn. 116 for 7 v. 176 for 9.
- v. Old Boys. Home. Won. 106 v. 75.

Under 15 XI

Two matches had been arranged for this eleven, both against Clayesmore. Unfortunately the date of the first game coincided with the Dorset A.A. Championships and we had a weakened side. Clayesmore won by 4 runs: Clayesmore 117, Shaftesbury 114. In the second game, rain stopped play after Clayesmore had scored 80 runs.

Under 14 XI

The results do not reflect the real quality of the Under 14 XI. Technically they were often superior to their opponents, but runs scored win games. The most accomplished cricketer was J. Young; the most dashing batsman, J. Simpson; the most correct batsman, M. Symons; the best fieldsman, G. Trickett; and the most promising bowler, R. Robinson.

The XI was selected from: G. Trickett (capt.), J. W. G. Young, G. B. Hargreaves, J. A. Simpson, J. I. Goodson, M. W. Parsley, R. C. B. Robinson, A. R. Deacon-Smith, M. J. Symons, R. Fry, C. G. Bull, R. Barnes, G. A. Bundy, B. J. Greenwood.

Results

- v. Wimborne. Home. Won. 98 v. 53.
- v. Yeovil. Home. Lost. 28 v. 59.
- v. Bishop Wordsworth. Away. Lost. 38 v. 65.
- v. Foster's. Away. Drawn. 86 for 4 v. 62 for 6.
- v. Foster's. Home. Lost. 69 v. 124.

House Matches

Seniors : Spartans beat Corinthians. 95 for 8 v. 32.
Corinthians beat Trojans. 34 for 4 v. 31.
Corinthians beat Romans. 45 for 7 v. 44.
Spartans beat Trojans. 69 for 7 v. 68.
Romans beat Trojans. 60 for 1 v. 52.
Spartans beat Romans. 35 for 0 v. 25.

Juniors : Corinthians beat Romans. 29 for 9 v. 28.
Romans beat Trojans. 22 for 1 v. 19.
Spartans beat Romans. 70 for 5 v. 65.
Spartans beat Corinthians. 22 for 0 v. 20.
Trojans beat Corinthians. 56 v. 44.
Trojans beat Spartans. 74 v. 58.

CROSS-COUNTRY, 1957

The School Cross-Country was held over the same course as last year, on February 27th, a day of unusual warmth but typical, heavy and muddy conditions underfoot.

In the Senior Race over $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, B. Edwards (C) came first in 19m. 34s., R. Taylerson (C) second and J. M. Middlemas (C) third.

The Middle School Race was over $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles : R. G. Middlemas (C) came first in 14m. 50s., C. Matthew (C) second, and D. Parsons (C) third.

The Junior Race over $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles was won by R. Strange (C) in 9m. 45s., D. Bentley (S) came second and M. W. Tolman (S) third.

By "sweeping the board", in both Senior and Middle School events, Corinthians gained first place in the House Competition. Shield points were as follows :—

CORINTHIANS	.....	8 points
SPARTANS	.....	5 points
ROMANS	.....	3 points
TROJANS	.....	1 point

The North Dorset Cross-Country was held at Gillingham this year. Although the School, as a whole, was not so successful as in past years, some individual performances were excellent.

Results

SECONDARY : R. G. Middlemas.

INTERMEDIATE : B. Edwards, J. M. Middlemas.

SENIOR : R. Taylerson, S. Hassett, G. P. Young.

In the County meeting, held over the same course at Gillingham, the results were extremely pleasing. Our individual efforts played a large part in the success of North Dorset who won the fourteen cups.

Results

SECONDARY : R. G. Middlemas.

INTERMEDIATE : B. Edwards.

SENIOR : R. Taylerson, S. Hassett.

Unfortunately the Inter-Schools meeting had to be cancelled.
J.M.M.

ATHLETICS

The School Sports this year were held on Wednesday, April 6th. In spite of a rather cold wind, a large crowd of parents and friends of the School were present, both to watch the very keenly contested series of events and to be entertained to tea by the Headmaster and Mrs. Brett. The Cups were presented by the Mayor of Shaftesbury, Mr. J. T. Woodman.

'Qualifying' and 'heat' events were run off previous to Sports Day. Nearly every boy in the School assisted his House to the best of his ability by attempting to gain points towards the Athletics Cup. The position prior to Sports Day was :—

Corinthians	.....	248 points
Spartans	.....	247 points
Romans	.....	179 points
Trojans	.....	87 points

Sports Day Results

<i>Event</i>	<i>Junior</i>	<i>Inter.</i>	<i>Senior</i>
100 yds.	Coward (S) 13.4s.	D. Parsons (C) 11.8s.	D. Parsley (R) 11s.
220 yds.	R. Strange (C) 31s.	D. Parsons (C) 26.8 s.	D. Parsley (R) 24.4s.
440 yds.	R. Strange (C) 71s.	D. Parsons (C) 62.2s.	Taylorson (C) 56s.
880 yds.	No event	R. Middlemas (C) 2m.23.6s.	Taylorson (C) 2m.9.4s
Hurdles	R. Strange (C) 12.6s.	P. Giles (S) 12s.	Johnson (S) 16.4s.

The Open Mile was held previous to Sports Day. It resulted in a new School Record :—

1st.	R. Taylorson	4 mins. 44.2 secs.
2nd.	B. Edwards	4 mins. 48 secs.
3rd.	S. Hassett	

<i>Event</i>	<i>Junior</i>	<i>Inter.</i>
High Jump	R. Strange (C) 4ft. 1in.	Stacpoole (R) 4ft. 8ins.
Long Jump	R. Strange (C) 13ft. 5ins.	Parsons (C) 17ft. 4ins.
Shot	Tolman (S) 20ft. 11ins.	Stacpoole (R) *32ft. 2ins.
Discus	R. Deacon-Smith (S) 61ft. 10ins.	Stacpoole (R) 103ft. 2ins.
Javelin	R. Deacon-Smith (S) 74ft.	Stilwell (S) 122ft.

<i>Event</i>	<i>Senior</i>
High Jump	P. Deacon-Smith (S) 5ft. 1in.
Long Jump	P. Deacon-Smith (S) 19ft. 7ins.
Shot	Walmsley (C) *34ft.
Discus	Halpin (S) *102ft. 4ins.
Javelin	G. Young (S) 130ft. 6ins.

Relays :	Junior.	1st, Corinthians	2nd, Romans
	Inter.	1st, Romans	2nd Spartans
	Senior.	1st, Corinthians	2nd, Spartans

Senior Champion Athlete	—	R. Taylerson (C)
Inter. Champion Athlete	—	D. Parsons (C)
Junior Champion Athlete	—	R. Strange (C)

The total number of points gained by each House towards the Athletics Cup was as follows :—

1st. Corinthians	—	510 points	15 Shield points
2nd. Spartans	—	443 "	8 " "
3rd. Romans	—	297 "	5 " "
4th. Trojans	—	97 "	3 " "

Congratulations to Corinthians and to all athletes who took part. Let us hope that even greater efforts will be made to better the above performances, however formidable they may seem !

The North Dorset Schools A.A. held their annual meeting at Gillingham. Over 25 boys were entered, 18 of them being selected to represent North Dorset in the Dorset Championships.

RESULTS : NORTH DORSET

Junior : Trickett, 1st (High Jump) ; Strange, 3rd (220 yds.) ; Simpson 3rd (Hurdles.)

<i>Secondary :</i>	Parsley, D.	1st* (220 yds.)	Middlemas, R.	1st* (880 yds.)
	Stilwell	1st* (Javelin)	Parsons, D.	1st (L. Jump)
	Staepoole	1st (Discus)	Dacombe	1st (Hurdles)
	Giles	2nd (Hurdles)	Relay Team	1st.

<i>Intermediate :</i>	Wyndham	1st (440 yds.)	Johnson	1st* (Hurdles)
	Roberts	1st (High Jump)	Walmsley	1st* (L. Jump)
	Ridgway	2nd (Javelin)	Stevens	2nd (880 yds.)
	Relay Team	2nd.		

RESULTS, Dorset. The winners were :—

Wyndham* (440 yds.)	Johnson (Hurdles)
Staepoole* (Discus)	Parsley, D.* (220 yds.)
Taylerson (880 yds.)	Edwards* (1 mile)

(* New Record)

AT THE S.W. ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS :—

Parsley was 2nd.	Staepoole was 2nd.
Johnson was 4th.	Wyndham was 4th.

Edwards and Taylerson did not compete as there were no Senior events, and their times were not good enough to qualify them for the All-England Championships

MUSIC

Although we paid only two visits to the Winter Gardens, the music heard and performed was probably more varied than before. The main works in the concert conducted by Warwick Braithwaite were Haydn's "London" Symphony and the Enigma Variations by Elgar. Charles Groves conducted a popular Tchaikovsky programme which included the music from the "Sleeping Princess" and the Theme and Variations No. 3. The concert finished, to everyone's delight, with the Overture 1812.

In January, several boys took part in a concert at the Town Hall in aid of the Dorset Blind; and in March, the School won five classes in the North Dorset Music Festival with four second places and five Certificates of Merit.

Dr. Johnson brought us an interesting programme of piano and oboe music and we had the further pleasure of hearing Dora Willner singing to us again.

A small party of boys attended piano recitals by Nina Milkin at Blandford; and Rosalyn Tureck, who is regarded as the world's greatest exponent of Bach's keyboard music, at Dorchester. Boys also attended the choral concert given by the Shaftesbury Choral Society at the newly completed Arts Theatre. The choir sang works by Elgar and John Ireland, and Margaret Ledsham contributed a group of English Songs.

The boys who took part in the Speech Day Concert gave our visitors a very good evening. Not only was there plenty of variety, but every one of the fourteen choir songs was sung from memory. Form I put on three items of their own. David Pound and Richard Hindley played a piano duet, Edward Cox and John Goodson sang solos, Bernard Humphreys played pieces for the recorder and Christopher Wells, piano solos. The fifty-five strong choir ended with "Song for a Festival" by George Dyson.

THE CAROL SERVICE

The Annual Carol Service was again held in Holy Trinity Church, Shaftesbury, and followed the pattern set in previous years. The choir, processional choir, congregation and schools all had their part to play in this act of worship. The processional choir sang well in view of the fact that two treble voices broke the week before and John Goodson was too ill to sing the solo in "Once in Royal David's City." His place was taken and

admirably held by James Ridout at very short notice. The hymn was played, as was the voluntary, by Christopher Wells, who proved himself well able to take on such a responsibility.

The choir was composed of boys and girls from the two schools, who at times excelled themselves. The girls sang with great charm and clarity in their two carols, and "Past Three o'Clock" particularly showed their abilities.

The schools sang a difficult but rousing carol "Masters in this hall" with vigour, and the trebles of the Grammar School came through in their verses with clear, bright enunciation.

The readers in turn told the Christmas story which led up to the ninth lesson read by the Rector. These, together with all those who took their various parts, not forgetting the sidesmen and those responsible for the seating of the schools and congregation, may be congratulated on a further demonstration of the joy and happiness which all Christians everywhere feel at this time.

SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

ART CLUB

A number of boys this term have brought along their own craft-work and others have done modelling in plasticine with some very encouraging results. Pencil drawing of animals has been a favourite occupation for many other boys. The attendance at the Club in recent weeks has been good.

BOXING CLUB

With the 'flu epidemic early in the term and, later, the Hall not being available, the Boxing Club has only just survived. We have had three meetings so far this season. In the Easter term we take part in the eliminating bouts for the County Championships at Clayesmore School. If we are to repeat last year's successes each member must come regularly on Mondays at 4.15 p.m.

THE CHESS CLUB

At the beginning of the new school year this Club was greatly blessed by an increase in membership. We now have 15 regular members.

Our last year's secretary, D. J. Green, has unfortunately had to resign his office because of extra sixth form work.

We meet every Wednesday, at 5 o'clock, in the Headmaster's House and all are very grateful for this privilege, and also for the presence of Colonel Green and Mrs. Brett. At our meetings, any new members will always be welcome.

DEBATING SOCIETY

The first meeting of the New Year was held on Friday, January 25th, to debate the motion :—"This house is of the opinion that science and religion are incompatible." The principal speakers were C. J. Wells and D. J. Green. The motion was defeated unanimously.

On Friday, February 8th, the Society met to debate six motions of varied nature and the meeting was much enjoyed by all.

On Friday, March 8th, the Society debated the following motion :—"This house is of the opinion that this country would have profited had the United States not been discovered." The debate proved amusing; the principal speakers were C. I. Wyndham and C. J. Collins, and the motion was defeated.

On Friday, March 22nd, the motion was "That this house is of the opinion that boxing is no longer the noble art." Principal speakers were A. J. Cranmer and T. Dacombe. The motion was carried.

On Friday, March 29th, the Society held a debate with the High School—"That this house is of the opinion that it is unrealistic of the Nations of the world to have faith in the present and future role of the United Nations Organisation." Principal speakers were Miss Hilary Jones and A. J. Lawrence. The motion was defeated by 41 votes.

A meeting was held at the beginning of the new school year for the purpose of electing new officers :—

Chairman : W. H. Kaul

Vice-Chairman : C. I. Wyndham

Hon. Secretary : D. S. Halpin

Hon. Treasurer & Committeeman : J. M. Middlemas

The Christmas term proved full and at the time of going to Press only two meetings have been held.

The first, on Wednesday, 9th October, was held to debate the motion "that compulsory games ought to be abolished." The principal speakers were D. I. M. Simpson and A. J. Lawrence. The motion was defeated.

On Wednesday, the 4th December, nine motions were debated by speakers whose names were drawn from a hat. The meeting, although somewhat deplete of Senior boys, was well attended by the Middle school and proved successful and enjoyable.

In short, the Society has had a successful year and if the attendance from the Middle school is an indication for the future, this important Society should have a successful life in years to come.

D.S.H.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The staff and boys of Shaftesbury Grammar School presented Ian Hay's comedy "Housemaster" in the School Memorial Hall on December 14th, 16th, 17th and 18th. Full houses at each performance were well entertained by a fine production.

Mr. J. Norman Wescott was the producer. He had obviously well rehearsed his cast which consisted mainly of boys, some of them quite young, so that the piece was played with verve and vitality.

Besides this, Mr. Wescott started right by casting the play well. Mr. Bayliss, the only member of staff in the cast, was Charles Donkin, which was by far the longest and most difficult part. Ferocious, but kindly, Mr. Bayliss brought out not only the humanity of the Housemaster but also his dignity in the moving scene when he was forced to hand in his resignation from the school he loved.

Charles Donkin's three god-children, Rosemary, Chris and "Button" Faringdon, whose arrival in the school caused such an upheaval, were difficult parts for boys to play. Robert Griffin as Rosemary was excellent; he spoke beautifully, moved well and showed true dramatic talent. It was one of the best characterisations of a girl to be seen on the school stage for some years. Ronald Robinson's performance as the glamorous and sophisticated Chris Faringdon was not far short, however. It

was a fine piece of acting. Yet as "Button," the pigtailed, ten-year-old sister, Paul Pickard probably stole most people's hearts because he was so natural and at ease on the stage.

The fourth member of the Faringdon family, "Bimbo," the twin of "Button," was well played by David Pound, and so were the other parts of boys in Charles Donkin's House: Travers, by Robin Wilcox; "Pop", by Paul Bowness; "Old Crump", most expressively by Clive Wright; and "Flossie" Nightingale, a longer part, most competently by John Strange.

Michael Middlemas was an awe-inspiring Headmaster, the Rev. Edmund Ovington; he carried off the difficult quarrel scene with Donkin in a very convincing manner. Victor Beamish, the strenuous double Blue, who was an assistant master, was played by Andrew Clapp; Frank Hastings, another Housemaster and old friend of Donkin's, was taken with authority by Alan Lawrence; Philip de Pourville, the shy music master, was played sympathetically by Robert Gibbons; and Colin Wyndham gave an excellent portrayal of Sir Berkeley Nightingale, the cigar-smoking, wire-pulling politician who wangles the happy ending.

Richard Stacpoole brought poise to the part of Barbara Fane, the girls' Aunt; Nicholas Langley was graceful as Ellen, the maid; and Lawrence Wyatt, efficient as the Matron.

The Stage Director, Mr. G. Scalbert, supervised the construction of a delightful set and trained a stage gang, electricians and a make-up team. The Stage Manager was D. Simpson, his assistant J. Phelps; the stage staff were P. N. Giles, T. B. Noyes, and C. M. Parsley; lighting by D. S. Halpin and S. R. Gibbs; properties by M. A. C. Galindo; prompter by W. M. Porritt; wardrobe by Mrs. Brett and Miss Stow; call boy by J. W. Ridout. Mr. B. S. Bates was the Business Manager.

All concerned, both on stage and behind, are to be congratulated on a notable success.

ENGINEERING AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

This year the Society has a membership of 45, and E. R. Cox is once again secretary. During the past year a successful programme of lectures and films was organised. The topics ranged from "Meteorology" and "Hi-Fi," to a practical demonstration with a lathe by A. J. S. Pratt. It is hoped to show films on suitable topics next term, and to arrange visits to local places of interest.

E.R.C.

FILM CLUB

This Club is still thriving with the boarders giving 100% support. During the past year the Club lost C. Green who was always in demand. D. S. Halpin, T. Noyes and S. R. Gibbs have all worked hard to keep the wheels turning. During the past year a wide selection of films has been seen, including "The Titfield Thunderbolt," "Appointment with Venus" and "Morning Departure". Next term it is hoped to have "Henry V" and "The History of Mr. Polly", both G.C.E. set books.

THE GARDENING CLUB

The Club, now in its second year, is still producing fine crops which are sold mainly within the school. The Club's three original members, S. R. Gibbs, J. R. Mayo and B. J. Humphreys, each did their share of planting, tending and selling. Their efforts were rewarded and at the end of the school year the Club donated one pound to the School's Voluntary Works Fund, the rest of the profits being reserved for seed. Membership has recently been granted to W. D. Tucker and C. A. Wright.

B.J.H.

THE GRAMOPHONE CLUB

Chairman : A. J. Lawrence

Vice-Chairman : C. I. Wyndham

Secretary : W. H. Kaul

Treasurer : E. R. Walmsley

Technician : D. S. Halpin

Committeeman : R. G. Middlemas

Additional time has been found for the playing of gramophone records and it was therefore decided to hold separate meetings for jazz enthusiasts and those interested in classics. The subscription remains the same and members can attend either or both sessions. There has been a marked growth in the popularity of the meetings and the jazz library especially has been able to build up its records on the foundations laid by J. B. Evans last year.

Before leaving the school last summer, John Evans gave an interesting, if lengthy account, of the growth of jazz music and its players, which was greatly appreciated by a large audience, including two members of the staff. The position of the Club in the School is due in no small way to Evans' enthusiasm and we also have had much to thank Clive Green for with his undoubted technical knowledge.

GYMNASTIC CLUB

The 'Gym' Club has continued to meet this term, but we have been limited by the time and space available. No doubt next term we shall thrive again. New members are very welcome.

"In my youth" said the sage, "I perform with great delight
From a classification gymnastic,
A series of skill exercises each Monday night
To develop my prowess fantastic."

(With apologies to Lewis Carroll.)

THE JUNIOR LITERARY AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

This society, having been almost squeezed out of existence, has now taken on a new lease of life; it now has at least twenty active and enthusiastic members. Meetings take place in Mr. Bates' study on Fridays, and the Society's activities are very wide. Brickell is a most enthusiastic and cheerful secretary who shoulders most of the work of a small committee.

The most enjoyable evenings of the term were probably "Party Night"—the last meeting of the term, when Brooke-smith, Brickell, Coathup and Gawler won prizes, and the two lecturette nights when Chapman, Hinkins, Brookesmith, Coathup, Brickell, Farrand and Gawler talked on "Model Plane Building," "Torrey," "Flight refuelling" with illustrations, "My Experiences in Ceylon . . . the nature of the country and its people," "Printing through the ages," "Leisure hours" and "Life on a farm." Questions were invited and always well answered. The Society looks forward to an even more active term in the New Year.

THE PRESS AND PRINTING CLUB

The popularity of the great, national, daily newspapers fluctuates and *The Shaston News Sheet*, in its own little sphere, suffers in the same way. But those interested in keeping it alive are not dismayed and keep quietly and firmly to the task of a weekly publication.

W. Jordan writes the editorials and generally supervises the collection of material, but B. Stevens is taking over the actual writing of the sheet, in addition to contributing his weekly

cartoon. J. A. V. Collett has been writing the "profiles" and articles entitled "Do You Know?" B. D. Williamson has dealt with current affairs and L. J. Wyatt with sport.

The printing group has been kept busy all the year, printing fixture cards, Xmas cards, show tickets, O.S. Dinner tickets and report cards.

THE RUG CLUB

The Rug Club, now in its fourth season, continues to meet around the fire in Mr. Bates' study on Sunday evenings. Membership is necessarily limited, though a few day boys would be very welcome. Good progress has been made, and the offer to make a rug for anyone who is willing to pay the cost of materials still stands.

SIXTH FORM SOCIETY

The Society has continued to meet for informal lectures by Staff and boys, and there have been some very lively discussions arising out of the talks.

The subjects have been "Bodies and Barrows" by R. J. Taylerson, (this dealt with archaeology and more particularly the work of General Pitt-Rivers); "Marx and Lenin," "The History of Some History" and "Stalin's Rise to Power," by Mr. Hopton; "Atomic Energy" by A. J. Lawrence; "Darwin and the Theory of Evolution" by R. W. Gibbons.

STAMP CLUB

For those of slender means the difficulty about stamp collecting is that of obtaining specimens. Some may have an uncle or an aunt on some foreign soil and they generally have plenty of stamps from that region, but few from elsewhere, and although they may have some for exchange, fellow collectors always seem to have the duplicates already. The Stamp Club has been most fortunate in that an O.S. has been very kind and sent many stamps for distribution, and members desire to thank Mr. E. C. Mozley, who lives just outside Cape Town, very sincerely for his kindness.

Displays which have been shown comprise collections of Great Britain—Art in the Stamp Album—Varieties. Other meetings have been devoted to methods of improving collections and exchanges.

THE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

President : The Headmaster

Chairman : Mr. Bayliss

Club Leader : A. J. Lawrence

Secretary : R. W. Gibbons *Asst. Secretary* : P. N. Giles

Treasurer : J. F. H. Phelps *Asst. Treasurer* : R. G. Middlemas

When Mr. Jameson left, at the end of the Summer Term, we were at a loss to find a new Club Chairman, until once again, Mr. Bayliss came to the rescue. Despite his very full programme of School activities, including the leading role in the play, he consented to return to the position which he held some years previously.

On the whole, the Club has had another very successful year. It has been visited by several representatives of local firms and by the Ministry of Agriculture for the purpose of illustrated lectures and films. One of the highlights of the year was a talk by a Somerset Farmer who had recently visited New Zealand and, on his return, had broadcast and lectured on the different aspects of farming there. This meeting was primarily for members of the South and West Wiltshire Agricultural Club, but, by kind invitation of its committee, many of our members were able to attend.

During the Summer Term, visits were made to the bacon factory at Gillingham; the Forestry Commission's nurseries and forest at Warcham, and the Experimental farm at Donhead. At the conclusion of the latter visit the members were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Pickford.

In the future months, the committee hope to arrange more visits to places of interest, including Bailey Gate cheese factory and the Bath and West Show.

SWIMMING

The House Swimming Sports were held on the afternoon of Wednesday, 17th July. This year the Sports were greatly extended to include both new events and a Junior Competition.

The individual winners of events were:—*Seniors* : Crawl, Walmsley; Breast Stroke, Merefield; Plunge, Parsons, M.; Back Stroke, Parsons, M.; Free Style, Parsons M.; Diving, Parsons M. *Juniors* : Free Style, Leibe; Plunge, Scriven; Breast Stroke, Matthew; Back Stroke, Bartlett; Diving, Bartlett.

There were also two novelty events : a Balloon race for Seniors, and a Chariot Fight for Juniors. A Second Strings' Race enabled boys not in the House Teams to take part ; it was won by M. Moors.

The Junior Relay was won by Corinthians, with Spartans runners-up. The Senior Relay also was won by Corinthians, with Romans runners-up.

The results of the House Competition for the Hallett Swimming Cup were :—*Seniors* : Romans, Corinthians, Spartans ; *Juniors* : Corinthians, Spartans, Romans. This meant that Corinthians won the cup by a narrow margin from Romans.

Six boys entered the Royal Life Saving Bronze Medallion tests and all six received awards. They were :—T. Noyes, J. Powell, T. Ridgway, A. J. Grant-Evans, V. G. Humphries and R. Merefield.

SCHOOL CAMP AT CHARMOUTH

This year a party of thirty-one boys attended a school camp at Charmouth, near Lyme Regis, under the supervision of Mr. Davy and his younger brother. The camp, which lasted from September 3rd to September 10th, needed much careful planning and preparation on the part of Mr. Davy, and led to a successful start by lorry on a drizzly Tuesday morning.

At about 3 o'clock we arrived at the site which was a mile the other side of Charmouth, in a sheltered position below a wooded hill. There we met the group which cycled the journey and soon we were all busily erecting the marquee and the five other tents. Next, sites were chosen for the fire and oven, and then these were constructed ; the fire being a shallow trench with bricks and clay at the sides to support the cross-bars, and the oven, an old oil drum with the lid cut off placed over a shallow trench with an asbestos chimney at the rear, and the whole contraption built up with earth and covered with turves (crude but effective !). By the time a store of wood had been collected, our beds made, tea finished and a thousand other jobs done, it was dark and time for supper, and then to bed. For many in camp it was to be their first night under canvas, and so there was a general excitement amongst the juniors as they went to bed, and most of them continued to talk and read well past midnight. But the next day, despite the drizzle, they were all up early, as fresh and as merry as could be.

The following day the camp was in full swing and it was probably the busiest day of all. The cooks rose at 7.30 to prepare

a fried breakfast (and it was not too bad really, despite the fact that the eggs were a trifle charred!). After breakfast, the group on duty for the day started to prepare the dinner, whilst the others did various tasks, like collecting fire-wood and making clothes lines or just being useful around the camp. Also, at about 9.30 a.m. the tents were tidied and canteen was held; the latter consisted of the selling of sweets and drinks in our own miniature 'shop' which was conveniently, if not economically, kept in the senior tent! Lunch was served at 12.45 p.m. and consisted of cold beef, boiled potatoes, runner beans and gravy, and then rhubarb, dates and custard for sweet; a delicious meal to be sure (?). After a short rest to digest the meal, which for some needed quite a bit of digesting, we had various activities laid on for the afternoon; sometimes we went to the beach for a bathe and games, or else there was football, rugby, cricket, deck tennis or wide games, arranged in the camp. The evening programme was usually a continuance of the afternoon's. At 8.30 p.m. cocoa was prepared for the short sing-song around the camp fire's dying embers, before prayers, or if it was wet, it was held in the spacious marquee. After a long, hard, exciting day, bedtime at 9.45 p.m. was always welcome.

Apart from the first day's routine, which was fairly general throughout the camp, other activities were arranged. There was a gadget competition in which most people individually constructed something useful, like plate racks, clothes lines, shoe racks, washbasins' stands, cooking utensil stands, etc., and there was a small prize for the best one. Wide games were organised in which everybody went on wild chases around the camp area, trying to see whom they could catch. One afternoon the whole party undertook a walk into Lyme Regis; there, despite the drizzle and choppy seas, we had an enjoyable afternoon just shopping and wandering around. The highlight of the camp for at least eighteen boys came one evening near the end when, with Mr. Davy's brother, they went on a night hike to Golden Cap about six miles away. They started at 10.30 p.m. on a cold, star-lit night and made a line for the well-known landmark. Torches were illegal on this trek, the route unplanned, and Michael Crofts was leading the column. The route taken crossed fields, ditches, gorse patches and the seemingly untraversed parts of deepest Dorset. Near midnight, Golden Cap was at last reached and there, on the wind-swept cliff, a fire was eventually lit and a small meal prepared. In the early hours of the morning the group started to return. They took their time so as to see the sun rise at 4 a.m. and to see it light up the eastern sky with golden rays; but as they arrived at the golf course at 3, they

decided to sit down and wait for the spectacle. At 5.30 a.m. they raised their sleepy eyes and levered their dew-covered bulks from out of their sleeping places, the sandy bunkers, to see the sun shedding gentle light across the golf course. Soon they were back in camp in cosy sleeping bags, and although they missed the sunrise, their journey was well-worth the experience. On the Saturday there was a Visitors' Day when many parents, and Mr. Brett, came to see whether "little Johnny was still all right" and the conditions under which he survived. On the last night of camp we had a small sing-song in the marquee, compered by the amusing Michael Crofts; each tent put on a small sketch, and a few sandwiches and biscuits were handed round. Despite the gusty, squally weather outside, the atmosphere inside the marquee that night was really warm and friendly. These are a few of the activities that were arranged for the week and they went to make the camp a great success.

The menu was excellent, although some queer concoctions were produced! Take, for example, the Sunday menu:—"Breakfast: cornflakes, two rashers fried bacon, bread, butter, marmalade, tea. Dinner: sorry, lunch: roast beef, beans, cabbage, mashed potatoes, gravy, peaches and custard. Tea: blanchmange and jelly, biscuits, chocolate, bread, butter, jam, tea." This was really an excellent day for food, though the wasps would not leave the marmalade and jam alone, the beans had a queer mauve colouring, and the jelly would not set. But on the whole, the food was very good and everybody took his share in its preparation.

The weather at the camp could not be fairly grumbled at; it was like any other English summer, two or three really fine, hot days, when everybody could get out and enjoy themselves, and the rest wet or drizzly.

The camp was a great success, due mainly to its organisation by Mr. Davy, and I am sure that many will go again if there is another one this year.

J. E. STRANGE.

O.B. NEWS

It is with the deepest sorrow that we record the death of **Bob Parsons** (1941-46). To his wife and children, and his mother, father and sisters, we offer, on behalf of all Old Boys, our sincerest sympathy.

We received a long and interesting letter from **Derek White** in the early months of 1957. He was on the staff of No. 2 (Fighter) O.T.U. R.A.A.F. Williamtown, Newcastle, N.S.W.,

but expected to be back in England by January, 1958, with a ground job for a couple of years as he has been flying continually since he left Cranwell in 1949. Shortly after arriving in Australia he attended **Brian Hanley's** wedding in Sydney. **L. C. Dibben** is doing well as a scientific assistant in a Government department and has lately gained promotion. **D. A. Caines** is quite happy at the Dorset Farm Institute and plays soccer regularly for it. **M. E. Doggrell** seems now established as an opening bowler for Dorset in the Minor Counties Championship. He had a fairly successful season last year. Our sympathy for **A. J. Sharman** who, because of an ear infection, has been taken off flying duties, and for the present, finds himself with the Ministry of Supply. **Robin Bennett** and **M. B. Sims** are still in Germany doing their National Service. The latter had a most successful season of cricket for his unit. The Dorset Rangers visited Germany on a cricket tour last summer. Among them were **Basil Hebden** and **Hugh Friend**. When they played the XIth Brigade, the latter once again lost his wicket to **Brian Cole**, then in the Dorset Regiment, but now a student at St. Luke's College, Exeter. While **Tim Taylor** was training at Devizes, he won the Rifle Medal. He is now in Cyprus, as is **G. D. Johnson** and a number of other old boys. **A. J. Newman** is enjoying life as a student in New Zealand, where he is captain of his University Soccer XI. There are now four Old Shastonians at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst. **Lt. Col. Osborne** as an instructor in science, and Cadets **B. G. Johnson**, **R. Taylerson**, and **A. J. Cornwell**. **Andrew Salisbury** is rowing in the first eight for King's College and leading a "rather hectic" student life, while **John Evans**, also up at London, has settled down cheerfully to read History and play for his College XV. **Peter Overington** has moved from his post as an inspector of aircraft at Follands, to an A. V. Roe factory in Canada. **Ian Stratton** produced a very interesting dramatised "flight schedule" to show to his parish the Muslim lands, and Christian work there. **Charles Taylor** is now Art Master at St. Michael's College, Hitchin, and naturally being involved in the end of the term rush, was not able to visit us in July. **Ronald Conibear** after trying in vain to locate **Philip Toms** in and around the Near East R.A.F. depots, was sunning himself on Aquaba beach when up strolled another Old Shastonian **George Stacey** who had just come over from Cyprus. Among those Old Shastonians who are farming locally, **Alan Rothery** is now managing one of **John Harding's** farms at Tollard Royal, while **Chris Tozer** has moved to Whitechurch to begin the New Year. **T. G. Hunt** farming 80 acres at Sturminster with no help at all, still managed to come to the Grosvenor Dinner—after a full day. **Howard Hallett's** interest in swimming has

brought its share of responsibilities. He is now Hon. Secretary to the Somerset A.S.A. and of course, as Honorary Representative of the Royal Life-Saving Society, examines the School's candidates for awards. We were pleased to hear again from **W. J. King**, now running a newsagents in Luton, and we are glad to tell him that the Chess Club still flourishes. Those Old Boys who were at School when **Mr. H. M. Lowe** was History master, will be pleased to hear of his success in the literary world. He won £100 in a "World's Strangest Stories" competition, organised by a London evening paper, and his first novel was published last autumn. A surprise letter came from **John Musson** who is employed by a bank in Roslyn, New York, as "School Savings Manager." He served with the U.S. Army in Korea and is a member of the "British War Veterans of Long Island." On summer Sunday afternoons, they have cricket matches against various Embassy XIs. **Keith Jones** after teaching for eight years at Enfield, decided it was time for a change and is now at Old Fletton G.S. in Hunts. His wife teaches at the same school as a part-time teacher. **Charles Drake** finds his work as a Metropolitan policeman becoming more and more interesting. He is taking a course on lightweight motor-cycles, hoping thus to help his feet. He has met **Charles Philip** and **Ralph Shean** in London. During the past thirteen years **Dennis Saltwell** has been in Shaftesbury for only two days. Thus **R. Lane** was able to tell him the news concerning many old friends with whom he had lost contact. One good result—he has now joined the O.S. Club. Thanks to **John Simpson, A.M.I.E.E.**, for information concerning careers in the electrical engineering profession. The present boys need all the help they can get in choosing careers. A letter early in 1957, told us that **Keith Gosling** had married, and he and his wife were expecting an addition to the family. Believing that there are better opportunities of advancement in British Columbia, he was contemplating trying for an appointment in Canada. Unexpected, but nevertheless most pleasant visits were made during the year by **Eddie Combes** who is farming in Kenya, **Derek Coop** a Chief Petty Officer in the R.N., **Tom Williams** returned from Cyprus and now in insurance, and **R. N. Thresher** who is an architect in Ghana. The latter often meets **Ron. Bathurst-Brown**. Weston-super-Mare's gain was our loss, when **Don Parham** was appointed Assistant Town Clerk of that borough. He served the O.S. Club faithfully and well for twenty years as Assistant Secretary. We shall miss him. Congratulations to **S. E. P. Hayes**, **Gordon Sanders**, **D. Crocker**, **P. D. Christopher**, and **P. L. Cole** on their marriages, and to **B. Follett** and **G. I. Ralph** on the arrival of their first born. **Peter Cole** is now Physical Education master at Faversham

Grammar School, Kent. **Roger Upton Brown**, a fourth year technician apprentice, gained an award from "English Electric." We received a long and interesting letter from **M. J. Clark** of whom we had heard nothing for many years. He tells us that the fact that he liked the look, feel and smell of a good piece of timber, led him, after his demob. from the Coldstream Guards in 1947, to choose the timber trade as a career, and he is now the timber buyer for a London firm of timber importers.

The London Dinner was a very pleasant affair held under the Chairmanship of **T. C. Tozer**. Perhaps it would encourage others to attend in future years if they knew who were present. So here is a list:—**R. B. Minchin, J. A. Brett, R. Taylor, J. B. Evans, L. D. Brett, K. Law, R. Law, E. Bestow, D. F. Simpson, R. G. Quick, J. Franks, J. W. Simpson, A. J. Palmer, C. Dean, D. Sutton, R. A. Watkins, W. Chettleburgh, L. F. Spinney, A. J. Sharman, D. S. Scott, T. Corson, P. Hunter-Watts, W. T. Buckland, R. J. Lawrence, R. P. West, B. Johnson, P. M. Warr, M. C. W. Johnson, S. Johnson, J. Miles and L. J. Cole.** **W. Armitage** and **S. P. Burden** were prevented from coming.

The Bishop of Salisbury has appointed the **Rev. J. H. Wescott**, assistant curate of Bridport, to be Rector of Semley. Letters from **E. Mozley** in South Africa, **Roy Dickenson** in Rhodesia, **A. J. Adams** in Singapore, and **S. Gibb** in Australia, help to remind us how widespread over the earth's surface is Old Shastonian influence. Greetings and best wishes to all old boys everywhere.

Just as we are going to press **Dr. Tovey** writes regretting to report the death of **John Gardner**. To all members of his family we offer our deepest sympathy.

O.S. CLUB NOTES

The President and Committee of the Club make a strong appeal to all members to attend the Annual General Meetings. Again there were under fifty at the A.G.M. held in the Memorial Hall, on October 19th, 1957.

Mr. J. A. Brett was in the Chair and the following officers were elected for 1957-58:—

President : **Mr. T. C. Tozer.**

President Elect : **Mr. L. J. Cole.**

Hon. Secretary : **Mr. L. J. Cole.**

Hon. Assist. Secretary : **Vacant.**

Hon. Treasurer : **Mr. M. C. W. Johnson.**

Hon. Auditors : **Messrs. B. G. Young and A. T. Squire.**

Committee: Messrs. L. F. Spinney, M. A. Tory, M. E. Doggrell, W. Farley Rutter, R. B. Minchin, T. G. Hart, F. L. Bridle, F. G. Young, R. E. Hunt, A. J. Sharman.

The Chairman commented on the improvements made in the finances of the Magazine, and made a further appeal that some aid should be given to younger Old Boys in order that they could go on the O.S. Cricket Tour.

During the year, the Committee appointed Messrs. J. A. Brett, F. L. Bridle and F. G. Young to be trustees in the place of Dr. C. H. Tovey and Mr. R. B. Minchin. The sum of £100 was invested in Exeter City Corporation Stock and £75 placed on deposit in the Bank.

O.S. Cricket Tour

v. Brook. Saturday, August 3rd. Drawn. O.S. XI 138 for 8 (M. A. Tory 33, F. T. Gauntlett 32) ; Brook 121 for 9 (H. Friend 5 for 65).

v. Brook. Sunday, August 4th. Won. O.S. XI 179 (A. J. Palmer 41, M. A. Tory 25, R. B. Minchin 28, H. Gauntlett 29 not out) ; Brook 121 (R. B. Minchin 5 for 37).

v. Stoner. Monday, August 5th. Lost. O.S. XI 105 ; Stoner 106 for 1.

NEW MEMBERS

- J. A. Annetts, 45, High Street, Shaftesbury.
A. R. Archer, The Listen Inn, Cann, Shaftesbury.
D. W. Blandford, 1, Church Cottages, Shroton, Blandford.
R. Bull, Westend House, Tisbury, Wilts.
B. R. Butler, 34, Salisbury Street, Shaftesbury.
D. A. Caines, Greenlea, Holt, Wimborne, Dorset.
M. J. Clark, 53, Quick's Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19.
P. F. N. Clubb, 56, Windsor Street, Salisbury.
C. J. Collins, 54, Beaver's Lane, Hounslow, Middlesex.
H. N. Coombs, St. Brelade, Francis Way, Salisbury.
E. R. Cox, 28, Orchard Close, Fontmell Magna, Dorset.
G. G. Davis, 16, Knapp, Enmore Green, Shaftesbury.
P. G. Deacon-Smith, 35, Hunt Road, Poole, Dorset.
B. Edwards, 48, Church Street, Fontmell Magna, Dorset.
J. B. M. Evans, 209, Alder Road, Parkstone, Dorset.
A. V. Fletcher, 138, Devizes Road, Salisbury.
H. B. Ford, 2, Ashby Cottage, Duck's Hill Road, Northwood, Middlesex.
C. Green, 29, Manor Park, Redland, Bristol 6.
S. J. Hassett, Glevum, Church Road, Laverstock, Salisbury.
A. M. Milverton, 9, High Street, Shaftesbury.
J. S. Musson, 36a, Main Street, Roslyn, New York, U.S.A.
J. A. Mouter, 26, Crookhayes, Shaftesbury.
J. F. C. Nicholls, 29, Crookhayes, Shaftesbury.
J. Osborne, The Blue Cottage, St. James', Shaftesbury.
A. J. S. Pratt, 7, Victoria Street, Shaftesbury.
R. J. Queen, The Stores, Kilmington, Wilts.
K. Rawles, Vale Farm Cottages, Sutton Waldron, Blandford.
D. Roberts, St. Rumbold's Road, Shaftesbury.
D. H. Saltwell, 147, Chichester Road, North End, Portsmouth, Hants.
R. Sheen, Ilton, Motcombe, Shaftesbury.
D. E. Smith, 21, Tisbury Road, Tisbury, Salisbury.
P. J. Squires, 43, Grosvenor Road, Shaftesbury.
R. J. Taylerson, 7, Wellington Road, Parkstone, Dorset.
L. G. White, Prystock Farm, Twyford, Shaftesbury.
M. Wilmot, 10, Kingsland House, Southampton.
A. J. Wright, 57, Coppice Street, Shaftesbury.
G. P. Young, Hart Hill Farm, Semley, Wilts.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Captain A. J. Adams, H.Q. C.R.E. Singapore, G.P.O. Singapore.
P. D. Christopher, 37, Princess Road, Branksome, Poole, Dorset.
P. L. Cole, Ravenscourt Cottage, Davington, Faversham, Kent.
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