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EDITORIAL

The year under review can show no striking achievements and the Governors' plans for improving the School's buildings have suffered a set-back, which will however, we hope, be only temporary. Our need for a better library had been universally acknowledged, funds had been made available to meet the proportion of the cost which represented the Governors' share, plans had been approved, tenders accepted, the Minister of Education's approval in principle received, when at the end of the Summer Term we were told that the economic situation of the country would not allow Government expenditure on projects of this kind. Requests that this decision be reconsidered have been refused, and it does appear that this very necessary improvement, urged and recommended in two Inspection Reports, must be indefinitely postponed.

Also postponed was the plan to carry out a modernisation of the Boarding House kitchen, at a cost of some £1,800, but we have now been given permission to begin this work, and it will be completed by the end of the Summer Holiday. The year was not one of unrelieved gloom however, for a new Laundry Room was built and taken into use, the Boarders' Dining Room was rebuilt and refurnished, and the external repair to the school, begun in April 1960, was completed.

Our architects are now preparing plans for the major extensions to the school scheduled for 1964, and it is to be hoped that the nation's financial difficulties will have eased sufficiently by then to allow the Governors to proceed with this exciting development.

The school lost a true friend when Mr. W. H. Armitage died. As a Governor nominated by The Old Shastonian Club, he served the school loyally and faithfully for many years. Although he lived in Yorkshire he never missed a meeting or important school function until his resignation last year, and he never tired of saying that as he owed the school so much for the happiness and health he enjoyed here as a boy, the least he could do was to repay some of the debt by serving the school as a man. He was an example to us all.

Other changes on the Governing Body were caused by the resignation of Mr. J. M. Stratton and Mr. R. H. J. Lanham. Mr. Stratton was nominated by the Wiltshire County Council as their representative. We shall miss his good humour and forthright comments. In his place we welcome Cdr. O. Leveson-Gower. Mr. Lanham was one of the representatives of the Salisbury Diocesan Council of Education. For many years his experience as a Chartered Accountant was placed ungrudgingly at the Governors' disposal, and was most valuable at the meetings of the Finance and Buildings sub-committees. We wish him many happy years of retirement in Bath. Capt. F. H. Kennedy, R. N. is to serve on the sub-committees in Mr. Lanham's place, and the new Diocesan representative is Brig. E. K. Page. The school owes a great deal to its Governors and it is good to know that there are still so many people ready and willing to use their knowledge and experience to serve the community without thought of personal reward.

SCHOOL NEWS

We welcome to the staff Mr. C. P. Monaghan who has succeeded Mr. E. A. Domony as our Woodwork Instructor; Mr. J. R. Brookes who has come to us as Laboratory Steward, a new post necessitated by the complications of our additional laboratories; Mr. E. Burton who has taken over the care of the grounds from Mr. A. E. Coombes who looked after them so well for so long. Mr. Coombes now devotes the whole of his time to his duties as School Caretaker, with Mr. S. Barter as his assistant.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Brooks on the birth of a daughter, Claire Elizabeth.

We congratulate N. P. Langley, D. G. Snook and B. D. Williamson on being granted Wiltshire University Awards, J. E. Annetts and L. J. Wyatt on being granted Dorset University Awards, R. G. Middlemas, R. Morgan and A. N. W. H. Woodward on obtaining cadetships at Sandhurst.

We should like to express our thanks to the following for gifts to the school: Mr. W. Farley Rutter and Captain F. H. Kennedy, R.N., books for the library; Mrs. L. Harrison, a quarter-size billiards table; Mr. B. L. Sims, a full size billiards table, which we have unfortunately had to store until the Boarders' Dayrooms are ready; Mr. F. Long, for two charming antique globes which will eventually find a place in our new Library.

We congratulate R. C. B. Robinson, on being made Head of School and C. Annetts on his appointment as Senior Day Boy Prefect.

TERM I, 1961

- New Boys:* S. A. Hickie Romans
J. W. Newbury Spartans
- Prefects:* R. G. Middlemas (Head Boy), R. K. Young (Senior Day Boy),
S. R. Gibbs, B. D. Williamson, F. J. Stilwell, N. P. Langley.
- Sub-Prefects:* J. W. Ridout, A. R. Deacon-Smith, R. C. B. Robinson, C. Annetts,
J. I. Goodson, C. R. Page, D. G. Snook, A. J. Sansom, J. A. M. Simpson, R. F. Leibe, R. D. Pound.

VALETE

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| M. W. Parsley | VI Sc. | Entered Term III 1955. G.C.E. 'O' 1960.
Cricket 1960. |
| W. P. Aldworth | VA | Entered Term III 1955. G.C.E. 'O' 1960.
House Colours. Proficiency Test, C.C.F. |
| E. W. A. Thomas | IVA | Entered Term III 1957. |
| B. J. Stretch | IIB | Entered Term III 1959. |

TERM II, 1961

- New Boys:* P. R. Brown Spartans
I. R. Ingrey-Counter Romans
G. W. Pople Trojans

VALETE

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| S. R. Gibbs | Up. VI Sc. | Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959,
1960; 'A' 1961. Proficiency Test,
Sergeant, C.C.F. Prefect. |
| G. F. Hayter | Up. VI Sc. | Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959;
'A' 1961. |
| M. J. Hitchings | Up. VI Sc. | Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959;
'A' 1961. House Colours. Rugby 1959,
1960, Colours 1960. Soccer 1960, 1961,
Colours 1961. Proficiency Test, Cpl.,
C.C.F. |
| N. P. Langley | Up. VI Sc. | Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959,
1960; 'A' 1961. House Captain, House
Colours. Rugby 1960; Football 1961; |

		Drew Cross-Country Cup 1959; Tovey Shooting Cup 1959, 1960, 1961. Proficiency Test, Sergeant, C.C.F. Wilts County Major Award.
J. C. Martin	Up. VI Sc.	Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959, 1960; 'A' 1961.
R. G. Middlemas	Up. VI Arts	Entered Term III 1953. G.C.E. 'O' 1958; 'A' 1960, 1961. House Captain, House Colours. Rugby 1958, 1959, 1960, Colours 1958, Captain 1959, 1960; Soccer 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, Colours 1960, Captain 1961; Cricket 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, Colours 1960, Captain 1961; Johnson Batting Cup 1960; Ramshaw Rugby Cup 1960, 1961; Drew Cross-Country Cup 1960; Davies Mile Cup 1959, 1960, 1961; Genge Fielding Cup 1961; Spry Fives Cup 1961; Sportsman's Cup 1961; Winner Senior Cross-Country 1959, 1960 (Record 1960); Dorset $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile champion 1961. Proficiency Test, C.S.M., C.C.F. Head Boy.
T. C. Norris	Up. VI Sc.	Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959, 1960; 'A' 1961. Proficiency Test, C.C.F.
C. R. Page	Up. VI Arts	Entered Term III 1953. G.C.E. 'O' 1959; 'A' 1961. Sub-Prefect.
D. G. Snook	Up. VI Sc.	Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959, 1960; 'A' 1961. Wilts County Major Award. Sub-Prefect.
F. J. Stilwell	Up. VI Sc.	Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959, 1960; 'A' 1961. House Captain, House Colours. Rugby 1958, 1959, 1960, Colours 1959; Soccer 1959, 1960, 1961, Colours 1960; Cricket 1960, 1961, Colours 1960; Sportsman's Cup 1960; Windebank Bowling Cup 1961; Russell Football Cup 1961; Senior Champion Athlete 1960, 1961; 100 yds. record 1961. Prefect.
B. D. Williamson	Up. VI Arts	Entered Term III 1953. G.C.E. 'O' 1958; 'A' 1960. Wilts County Major Award. Prefect.
R. K. Young	Up. VI Arts	Entered Term III 1957. G.C.E. 'O' 1959; 'A' 1961. Senior Day Boy Prefect.
D. C. Rendell	Lr. VI Sc.	Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1960, 1961. Proficiency Test, Cpl., C.C.F.
J. W. Ridout	Lr. VI Sc.	Entered Term III 1955. G.C.E. 'O' 1960, 1961. Proficiency Test, Cpl., C.C.F. Sub-Prefect.
J. Ryall	Lr. VI Arts	Entered Term III 1955. G.C.E. 'O' 1960, 1961.
S. G. Weall	Lr. VI Sc.	Entered Term III 1954. G.C.E. 'O' 1959, 1960. Rugby 1960. Proficiency Test, Sergeant, C.C.F.
W. G. A. Collins	VA	Entered Term III 1956. G.C.E. 'O' 1961. Rugby 1960. Proficiency Test, C.C.F.

A. W. Godeseth	VA	Entered Term III 1956. G.C.E. 'O' 1961.
N. S. Meaden	VA	Entered Term III 1955. G.C.E. 'O' 1960, 1961.
P. J. Pickard	VA	Entered Term III 1956. G.C.E. 'O' 1961. Proficiency Test, C.C.F.
D. J. Sims	VA	Entered Term III 1955. G.C.E. 'O' 1960.
J. Steadman	VA	Entered Term III 1956. G.C.E. 'O' 1961. Proficiency Test, C.C.F.
M. W. Tolman	VA	Entered Term III 1956.
B. M. Trim	VA	Entered Term III 1956.
J. W. G. Young	VA	Entered Term III 1955. G.C.E. 'O' 1960, 1961. House Colours. Cricket 1960, 1961, Colours 1961; Daniel U.14 Cup 1958; Johnson Batting Cup 1961. Proficiency Test, L./Cpl. C.C.F.
C. P. Ryan	IVa	Entered Term III 1957.
N. J. M. Le Prevost	IIIb	Entered Term III 1958.
A. F. O'Meara	IIa	Entered Term III 1959.
P. J. O'Meara	IIa	Entered Term III 1959.
P. S. Dyer	IIb	Entered Term III 1959.

TERM III, 1961

NEW BOYS

<i>Corinthians</i>	<i>Romans</i>	<i>Spartans</i>	<i>Trojans</i>
T. J. Barnes	R. Battershell	J. G. Brown	J. P. Avis
M. R. Barnett	P. Bompas	R. H. Clements	L. M. Avis
R. G. Barrett	N. W. Follett	M. K. Drayton	G. S. Brown
L. J. Edwards	T. J. Gray	P. R. Drayton	P. J. Chambers
R. C. Hughes	A. N. Gunton	R. W. Gwilt	T. C. Imber
B. W. A. James	L. A. Mitchell	G. Keirle	R. Major
D. M. Jordan	S. E. Murzell	R. P. Peel	R. J. Webster
	L. Reed	P. M. Taylor	
	R. J. Thorne.		

Prefects: R. C. B. Robinson (Head Boy), G. Annetts (Senior Day Boy), J. I. Goodson, R. F. Leibe, R. D. Pound, A. J. Sansom.

Sub-Prefects: R. Barnes, E. G. Pickford, J. L. N. Corp, B. H. Robinson, A. R. Deacon-Smith, J. A. M. Simpson, R. P. H. Harris, P. R. Jervis, R. F. Strange, C. R. Warcham, P. A. Wolstenholme.

VALETTE

R. Castle	Lr. VI Arts	Entered Term II 1956. G.C.E. 'O' 1961. Rugby 1961. John Miles Shooting Cup 1959.
P. M. Taylor	Lr. VI Arts	Entered Term III 1961.
G. W. Popple	VA	Entered Term I 1961.
P. J. Scott	VA	Entered Term III 1957.
P. A. Wolstenholme	VA	Entered Term III 1959. G.C.E. 'O' 1961. House Colours. Soccer 1960, 1961, Colours 1961; Cricket 1961. Sub-Prefect.
N. D. Weall	IVa	Entered Term III 1957.
N. J. Murzell	IIIa	Entered Term III 1959.
S. E. Murzell	Ia	Entered Term III 1961.

WINNERS OF CUPS Etc., 1961

"Minchin" Inter-House Cricket Cup	SPARTANS
"Johnson" Batting Cup	J. W. G. Young
"Genge" Fielding Cup	R. G. Middlemas
"Windebank" Bowling Cup	F. J. Stilwell
"Daniel" Under 14 Cup	T. J. Stanley
"Dennis" Tennis Cup	J. A. M. Simpson
"Ramshaw" Rugby Cup	R. G. Middlemas
"Overington" House 7-a-side Cup	Corinthians
"Rousell" Football Cup	F. J. Stilwell
"Watnough" Inter-House Soccer Cup	Romans
"Spry" Fives Cup	R. G. Middlemas
"John Miles" Shooting Cup	Cadet D. W. Brown
"Tovey" Shooting Cup	Sgt. N. P. Langley
"Wrightson" Cup	L./Cpl. R. F. Leibo
"Hallett" Swimming Cup	Trojans
"Sportsman's" Cup	R. G. Middlemas
"Drew" Cross-Country Cup	R. D. Pound
"Davies" Mile Cup	R. G. Middlemas
Senior Champion Athlete	F. J. Stilwell
Intermediate Champion Athlete	D. R. Stephenson
Junior Champion Athlete	N. C. Garfoot
"Cole" Athletics Cup	Corinthians
"Tovey" House Shield	Corinthians

LECTURES, VISITS, EVENTS OF NOTE

1961

January	21st	: Sixth Form Dance in Hall.
	30th	: Boarding Houses Inspection.
February	18th	: 1960 Speech Day (Postponed from September)
March	15th	: Confirmation: The Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Sherborne.
	17th	: Sixth Form Conference at Bryanston.
	22nd	: Lecture: Capt. Gunn-Cunningham.
	24th	: North Wales Walking Tour began.
May	6th	: North Dorset Music Festival
June	12th	: C.C.F. Inspection.
	13th	: Osiris Players: "Twelfth Night" in Hall.
	14th	: Cann Church Fete in Headmaster's Garden.
July	3rd	: Sixth Form Expedition to Franco began.
	15th	: Holy Trinity Church Fete in School grounds.
September	21st	: Lecture: Stuart Hibberd, Esq., M.B.E.
	30th	: Speech Day
October	12th	: "Pirates of Penzance," Bournemouth.
November	18th	: Dorset County Orchestra in Hall.
	28th	: "Le Malade Imaginaire," Clayesmore.
December	1st	: Instrumental Concert in Hall.
	7th	: "The Merchant of Venice," Bournemouth.
	12th	: Oxford v. Cambridge, Twickenham.
	14th	: Carol Service.
	15th	School Play, "The Pirates of Penzance."
	16th	
	17th	
	18th	

General Certificates of Education were awarded to the following boys :

June, 1961

ADVANCED LEVEL :

C. Annetts	---	---	G, PM, M.
S. R. Gibbs	---	---	P.
J. I. Goodson	---	---	EM(s), AM, P, C.
R. P. H. Harris	---	---	F.
G. F. Hayter	---	---	M.
M. J. Hitchings	---	---	C.
N. P. Langley	---	---	M, P, C. --- (Wilts County Major Award)
J. C. Martin	---	---	B.
R. G. Middlemas	---	---	F.
T. C. Norris	---	---	M, P, C.
C. R. Page	---	---	H, G.
B. H. Robinson	---	---	P, C, B.
D. G. Snook	---	---	M, P (s), G. --- (Wilts County Major Award)
F. J. Stilwell	---	---	G, M.
R. K. Young	---	---	H, F.

N.B. All subjects passed above were at 'A' Level except those followed by (s) which denotes a pass at Scholarship Level.

July, 1961

ORDINARY LEVEL :

*R. J. Burke	---	---	am.
*A. R. Deacon-Smith	---	---	am.
*I. R. Ingrey-Counter	---	---	c.
*M. W. Mitchell	---	---	am.
*C. G. Pratt	---	---	am.
*D. C. Rendell	---	---	am, p.
*J. W. Ridout	---	---	p, b.
*P. M. F. Robins	---	---	f, am.
*J. B. Ryall	---	---	cl, g.
*J. A. M. Simpson	---	---	am.
*C. J. Spiller	---	---	am.
A. J. Bailey	---	---	cl, elit, h, g, l, f, m, p, c.
R. Barnes	---	---	cl, elit, h, m.
R. Castle	---	---	cl, elit, h, a.
M. Charman	---	---	cl, elit, h, g, l, f, m, c.
B. N. Colenso	---	---	cl, f.
W. G. A. Collins	---	---	h.
J. C. Collis	---	---	cl, elit, m, a.
J. L. N. Corp	---	---	cl, elit, h, g, l, f, m, p, c.
M. I. Everitt	---	---	cl, m.
A. W. Godseth	---	---	cl.
R. Hamblin	---	---	cl, elit, h, l, f, m, p, c.
R. C. Hindley	---	---	elit.
P. R. Jervis	---	---	h.
R. F. Leibo	---	---	elit, h.
N. S. Meaden	---	---	p.
P. J. Pickard	---	---	cl, f, m, p, a.
E. G. Pickford	---	---	cl, elit.
R. D. Pound	---	---	cl, elit.
J. Steadman	---	---	cl.
R. F. Strange	---	---	cl, elit, h, g, l, f, m, p, c.
J. W. G. Young	---	---	g, f, c.

December, 1961 (additional subjects)

ORDINARY LEVEL :

*R. Barnes	.....	g, f, c.
*B. N. Colenso	.....	el, elit, h, f, m.
*J. C. Collis	.....	f.
*P. R. Jervis	.....	el, elit.
*E. G. Pickford	.....	g, m.
*R. D. Pound	.....	f.
P. A. Wolstenholme	.....	el, h.
*L. M. Aviss	.....	l, c.
*P. J. Chambers	.....	el, l.
*P. M. Taylor	.....	p.

* Subjects added to certificates already gained.

Key : A capital letter denotes a pass at Advanced Level ;
a small letter denotes a pass at Ordinary Level.

el	English Language	a	Art
elit	English Literature	m	Mathematics
f	French	am	Additional Mathematics
l	Latin	AM	Applied Mathematics
h	History	p	Physics
g	Geography	c	Chemistry

SPEECH DAY, 1961

Speech Day was held on Saturday, September 30th, in the Memorial Hall. The Chairman of the Governors, Mr. H. F. W. Holmes, M.A., T.D., presided and introduced Mr. J. R. Bradshaw, M.A., Dorset County Education Officer, who had kindly consented to present the prizes.

In his report the Headmaster spoke of the pleasure Mr. Bradshaw's presence afforded the Governors and himself. A most cordial relationship existed between the Local Authority and the School, due in no small measure to Mr. Bradshaw's support and understanding of the function of the small aided single sex school in the national system. Small schools were however expensive to maintain, and continued support must be conditional upon a high level of attainment in all aspects of school life.

It was disappointing that the building of the new library and hard tennis courts had had to be postponed, but the results of the acquisition of new laboratories, and the employment of additional teaching and laboratory staff were already apparent in the standard of work and interest in the subjects. The Advanced Level results had again been good, with a good proportion of boys going on to Universities, and three boys going to Sandhurst—a noteworthy result in so small a school. Three boys recently left, had offered themselves for ordination. The 'O' Level results were very mixed. Some were excellent and afforded great hope for the future, but some Fifth Form boys were not aware of their

responsibilities and lacked a sense of proportion in deciding the relative importance of school activities.

The academic recommendations of the latest Inspection Report had been considered and largely implemented. It had been possible to introduce a full Classics course. The games results had been well up to the high standard of previous years, with the Rugby teams having the best record. The school had acknowledged its responsibilities to the town, by placing its facilities at the disposal of several local charitable organisations. Parents, staff and boys had been largely responsible for organising and running the Holy Trinity Church Fete. The school was glad to be able to help, as it enabled them to repay in some small measure, the debt it owed to the Church, and the Diocesan Council of Education in particular for its continued support.

There had been a most welcome growth of interest in music in the school. The Orchestra was improving rapidly, the School Choir had had some success, the Chapel Choir was well known and appreciated locally.

The Headmaster then spoke of the valuable work done by Mr. Hopton, the careers master, in helping boys in the choice of careers, but emphasised that this was an advisory service, and that it depended for its success upon the co-operation of parents, who must accept some of the responsibility. He and Mr. Hopton were always ready to discuss with parents the many opportunities available to their sons.

Mr. Bradshaw, in a humorous, polished address, emphasised the importance of a sense of proportion in dealing with the problems of life to-day. It was essential to find a true sense of values, and assess all the inducements offered by reference to this. Advertisements in the Press and on Television, political blandishments, the glossy publications of industrialists, must all be viewed with a faintly sceptical eye, and their true worth ascertained. He emphasised the financial difficulties facing the smaller schools, and gave a warning that there was a growing challenge to their existence.

In proposing the vote of thanks, Mr. D. B. Briggs stressed that the University entrance was not the sole purpose of a Sixth Form course.

There were ever widening opportunities for boys of all types who were prepared to accept the self discipline enforced by the Sixth Form.

After the speeches, parents and Governors were entertained to tea, and had the opportunity of visiting a careers exhibition.

THE CADET CORPS

In 1961 we were due for our War Office Inspection and on June 12th Brigadier R. L. T. Burges, D.S.O. came on the one really wet day in a long spell of beautiful weather. Brig. Burges complimented the Corps on their steadiness on parade during the 50 minutes he spent formally inspecting; he was particularly impressed with the turn-out of the band. The training under the cadet N.C.O.'s. had to be done indoors; in spite of this the instructors showed that they were competent and enthusiastic. It was most unfortunate that 1961 should produce the worst weather for inspection day for 35 years.

We were particularly lucky with regard to the weather on Field days and on two of the three days on the full bore range. The third day in February started very well but after two details had fired, rain started and steadily got worse so that no further shooting was possible. 22 Cadets qualified as Marksmen, a very good proportion of those eligible to fire.

Camp should have been at Carters Camp, Bulford, an attachment to the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Unfortunately, this unit was ordered abroad and at the last moment we were offered space at Lydd. This was a "self help" camp. Although Home Counties District did all they could to help the greatest difficulty was the lack of suitable training areas. This added considerably to the work of Lt. M. J. Webber and 2/Lt. G. J. Hough, who did not spare themselves to make the best use of every inch available. The Camp party consisted of Lt. Col. L. P. V. Veale, Lt. M. J. Webber, 2/Lt. G. J. Hough, Sgt. Goodson J.I., Cpls. Pound, R. D., Rendell, D. C., Strange, R. F., L/Cpls. Bailey, A. J., Hamblin, R., Rodgers, A. R., Simpson, J. A. M., Spiller, C. J., Stacey, M. R., Cadets Forward, M. J., Sansom, P. J., Manuel, H. R. C., Crawford, E. J. S., Jevons, P. R., Hudson, T. B., Bailey, N. D., Jeffries, W. P. D., Webster, A. R., Farrand, J. W., Haskell, P. J., Le Prevost, N. J. M., Goddard, A. F. P., Foreman, G. R., Hudson, R. L.

At Easter Lt. M. J. Webber and 2/Lt. G. J. Hough took 10 senior cadets to Dartmoor for a week's "Arduous Training." From the two base camps at West Buckfastleigh and Hexworthy, groups of cadets undertook long "recce" patrols across the Moor—often in suitably poor weather. The cadets soon mastered the art of navigation by compass with few landmarks to aid them, and learned to overcome such natural obstacles as fast-flowing moorland streams.

Buglers were provided for Remembrance Sunday and the standard of bugling has gone up very much, thanks to the tuition of Mr. Butt.

The Tovey Shooting Cup was won by Sgt. Langley, N.P. for the third year running. The Miles Shooting Cup was won by Cadet Brown, D. W. and the Wrightson Cup for the best pass in. Cert. A. was won by L/Cpl. Leibe, R. F.

Certificate A

Basic Test

14th MARCH, 1961

*H. R. C. Manuel	M. I. Everitt	N. J. M. Le Prevost
N. D. Bailey	R. J. Farrand	I. D. Lewis
J. G. Clapham	A. F. P. Goddard	M. S. O'Connell
T. R. Coombs	P. J. Haskell	D. J. Sims
A. R. Corbett	I. D. Howell	N. D. Weall

11th DECEMBER, 1961

*D. W. Brown	J. W. Farrand	J. K. Pearce
*C. S. H. Byford	D. G. Fisher	J. W. Peel
*R. J. Head	C. F. Green	P. G. D. Ridgway
*I. Marshall	R. L. Hudson	R. J. Sharkey
*F. D. Wright	S. J. Ivins	T. G. Snow
G. J. Bradford	D. J. Jackson	P. Walder
M. Charman	C. P. Jordan	P. A. R. Welford
R. M. Evans	A. R. Milverton	C. H. Woods

Proficiency Test

14th MARCH, 1961

P. Brookesmith	R. E. Green	P. R. Jevons
C. N. Brickell	S. A. E. Hinkins	P. J. Pickard
W. G. A. Collins	T. B. Hudson	P. J. Sansom

11th DECEMBER, 1961

*H. R. C. Manuel	E. J. S. Crawford	W. P. D. Jeffries
N. Austin	I. D. Howell	A. R. Webster
N. D. Bailey		R. C. H. Ratcliffe

* With Credit.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL 1961

FIRST XI

Captain : R. G. Middlemas Vice-Captain : F. J. Stilwell

The season was one of mixed fortune, including several good wins and one heavy defeat. The match at Blandford was played in the strongest gale possible, and it was very difficult to move the ball against the wind. At Bournemouth we had the bad luck to lose our goalkeeper through injury after half an hour, the score at the time being 2—1 in Bournemouth's favour. The school turned on a good show to impress the Old Boys, on a rather uncomfortable day. During the season Trickett represented the County

XI against Sussex and Hampshire, Stilwell against Hampshire, Bristol University, Middlesex and Warwickshire, and Middlemas against Bristol University.

RESULTS

v. Gillingham School	---	H	10-1
v. Blandford G.S.	.....	A	2-2
v. Fosters G.S.	.....	A	7-3
v. Bournemouth School	---	H	1-5
v. Wimborne G.S.	.....	H	1-1
v. Fosters G.S.	.....	H	9-1
v. Old Shastonians	.....	H	4-1
v. Gillingham School	.....	A	4-2
v. Blandford G.S.	.....	H	5-5
v. Bournemouth School	.....	A	1-11
v. Poole G.S.	.....	A	1-6
v. Sexey's School	.....	H	3-3

P. 12, W. 5, D. 4, L. 3. Goals for 48; Against 41

The following played for the 1st XI (Number of games in brackets): Rodgers (11), Jervis (12), Leibe (12), Stilwell (12), Hitchings (12), Pickford (11), Wolstenholme (12), Barnes (11), Trim (8), Langley (8), Middlemas (7), Simpson (6), Deacon-Smith (5), Annetts (2), Coathup (1), Robinson R. (1), Young R. (1).

Goals were scored as follows :—

Wolstenholme 11, Hitchings 8, Langley 7, Barnes 7, Middlemas 4, Pickford 3, Simpson 3, Trim 1, Young 1. There were three 'own goals' given to us. Colours were awarded during the season to Wolstenholme and Hitchings.

<i>House Matches</i>	<i>Senior</i>	<i>Junior</i>
C v. T	3-1	3-1
C v. R	0-7	1-2
C v. S	2-3	1-5
R v. S	4-0	0-4
R v. T	1-0	13-0
S v. T	0-1	10-1

The Under 14 XI

This year's team was far better than the results suggest (half the matches were lost.) Only Poole G. S. really trounced us, and several of the games lost—notably against Gillingham and Blandford—might easily have been won with a little luck for much of the Under 14's football was good stuff and deserved better fortune.

Five of the previous year's XI—Baker, Bailey, Carey, Head, and Sturgess—were available to form the nucleus of the side.

Undoubtedly the outstanding player was Baker, the captain and centre-half. Attacking or defending, his skill, determination and sound judgment made him an excellent leader and a player of great promise. All the forwards seemed eager to score and much of their approach work and shooting was quite excellent. Indeed, had the defence been a little steadier under pressure on one or two vital occasions, the Under 14's record would make more satisfactory reading.

Be that as it may, the teams' spirit and enthusiasm were most commendable, and the majority of the games were thoroughly enjoyed. The home match with Blandford showed the Under 14's fighting spirit best when, after trailing 3—nil, they fought back to win by 4—3. The most exciting match of the season, however, was the first encounter with Bournemouth, drawn 5—5. Without exception the whole side played magnificently and good football and determined tackling soon gave us a 4—1 lead. Bournemouth were worthy opponents and by half-time had reduced this lead to 4—3. For most of the second half we hung on to a 5—4 lead only to have victory snatched from us in the closing minutes. A splendid match.

Fortunately the usual run of Easter Term illnesses affected us little and the following was the regular team :

P. Welford (Goalkeeper); R. Sturgess and R. Evans (Fullbacks); R. Head, K. Baker (Captain), R. Carey (Halfbacks); D. Brown, E. Spalek, J. Bradford, N. Bailey, and A. C. Middlemas (Forwards).

The following also played : S. Chapman, H. Manuel, N. Garfoot, J. Clapham, I. Howell, D. Scammell.

Goalscorers : Bradford (9), Middlemas (7), Bailey (5), Chapman (4), Brown (3), Spalek (3), Baker (2).

RESULTS

v. Gillingham School	—	—	H	Lost	1—3
v. Blandford G.S.	—	—	H	Lost	0—2
v. Foster's School	—	—	A	Won	5—1
v. Bournemouth School	—	—	H	Drawn	5—5
v. Wimborne School	—	—	H	Drawn	0—0
v. Shaftesbury Modern School	—	—	A	Lost	3—7
v. Foster's School	—	—	H	Won	9—0
v. Blandford G.S.	—	—	H	Won	4—3
v. Bournemouth School	—	—	A	Lost	0—6
v. Poole G.S.	—	—	A	Lost	1—11
v. Gillingham School	—	—	A	Lost	2—3
v. Shaftesbury Modern School	—	—	H	Drawn	3—3

Under 15 XI

Two matches were played towards the end of the season. The teams were selected from the following :

E. Pickford (Captain), A. Rodgers, R. Barnes, J. Corp, T. Hudson, M. Humby, P. Scott, R. Hamblin, K. Baker, J. Bradford, N. Bailey, P. Jevons, and G. Pople.

RESULTS

v. Shaftesbury Modern School	---	H	Lost	2—4
v. Sexey's School, Bruton	---	H	Drawn	4—4

Two other matches were played, against the Modern School. A first Form XI played with great enthusiasm and drew 6—6, but an Under 13's XI lost by 2—6.

CROSS COUNTRY

Approximately 90% of the school ran in this year's cross country, following the usual course across Mr. Clarke's and Mr. Baker's fields.

Corinthians Juniors did very well with three of their team, A. O'Meara (8 mins. 26 secs.), A. C. Middlemas and P. O'Meara being 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively. This made Corinthians winners in the Junior Section. The Intermediate section was won by E. Spalek (Spartans: 14 mins. 47 secs.) with R. Barnes (Spartans) second and E. Pickford (Romans) third. This section was won by Romans. D. Pound (Romans) ran an excellent race to win the Senior section in 20 mins. 58 secs., C. Annetts (Trojans) was second and N. Langley (Romans) was third. The final aggregate made Romans outright winners with 176 points, Spartans 2nd with 226 points, Corinthians 3rd with 294 points, and Trojans 4th with 355.

CRICKET 1961

FIRST XI

RESULTS : Played 13, Won 5, Drawn 3, Lost 5

This year the team, ably captained by R. G. Middlemas, assisted by F. J. Stilwell, had a very good season although the results do not reflect it. From the scores it will be seen that the three matches drawn were all ones which may have resulted in wins had there been more time. In the first match of the season, the School side were just held to a draw by Shaftesbury C. C.—the school needing just five runs with three wickets in hand when stumps were drawn. Then in the match against Bishop Wordsworth's the School's high score of 151—9 dec. appeared to

dishearten the opposing batsmen who were playing for a draw after the first wicket fell—at the close, one wicket was still to fall with the score 96—9. Two of the matches lost were to senior sides—The Agrarian C.C. mainly due to the fine bowling of Doggrell (6—19), and the Old Boys side due to a splendid hard hitting century by D. Young (103 n.o.) assisted by H. Friend (42 n.o.). The season saw one new fixture—the evening game against Broadchalke Youth Club which provided a fast, exciting game. Gulliver—a recent member of the 1st XI—returned to show some delightful strokes in his polished innings of 29. For the School, Middlemas (42 n.o.) showed just how quickly runs can be taken with good running between the wickets.

The batting of this season was much improved. J. W. G. Young was the most reliable and consistent batsman with very good innings of 59 n.o. and 42 against Fosters, but his best was against the Old Boys with 41. Middlemas had a very fine innings of 54 against Wimborne in addition to his innings against Broadchalke Y.C. Stilwell led the averages thanks to scores of 58 n.o. against Bishop Wordsworth's, 32 n.o. against Yeovil and 31 n.o. against Fosters, giving him a match average of 32. Pickford showed his promise although not scoring very many runs—he did very well after the school season was over when he played for Shaftesbury C.C.—it is hoped he will continue this progress in the coming season.

The bowling had not quite the edge of the last season—the attack missed the lead of Wilcox. Stilwell had most success but was too often wild and erratic in length and direction. His best performance was 6—16 against Clayesmore. Wolstenholme was the other opening bowler but failed to use the new ball to its best advantage—his one good spell against Gillingham resulted in figures of 5—15. Pickford proved to be more accurate and had good figures of 5—24 against Gillingham and 4—18 against Bishop Wordsworth's. Jervis, when used, had good spells of accurate slow spinners—with continued practice he could be a very useful bowler in the coming season.

The fielding was of a good standard. Farrand behind the wickets had a very good first season and with his improvement in batting, proved an asset to the side. Stilwell—the complete all-rounder—took very fine catches in the slips.

1st XI: R. G. Middlemas, F. J. Stilwell, J. W. G. Young, E. G. Pickford, R. Barnes, R. J. Farrand, R. P. H. Harris, J. A. M. Simpson, P. A. Wolstenholme, J. L. N. Corp, P. R. Jervis and C. Annetts.

The following also played :—N. D. Bailey, A. R. Deacon-Smith, R. C. Hindley, J. I. Goodson and T. J. Stanley.

1st XI Blazers were awarded to :—Middlemas, Stilwell, Young and Pickford. (These blazers are equivalent to the 1st XI full colours.)

1st XI Caps were awarded to :—Barnes, Farrand, Harris, Simpson and Wolstenholme.

RESULTS

(School scores given first)

v. Shaftesbury Town C.C.	109—7	v. 113—7 dec.	D
v. Agrarians C.C.	42	v. 173—8 dec.	L
v. Fosters School	102—6 dec.	v. 43	W
v. Clayesmore School	31—5	v. 27	W
v. Yeovil School	112	v. 78—7	D
v. Canford II	79	v. 141—4 dec.	L
v. Bishop Wordsworth's School	151—9, dec.	v. 96—9	D
v. Gillingham School	46—1	v. 43	W
v. Fosters School	125—4 dec.	v. 45	W
v. Wimborne G.S.	107	v. 108—7	L
v. Broadchalk Y.C. (20 overs)	98—2	v. 79—6	W
v. Blandford G.S.	58	v. 101—7 dec.	L
v. Old Boys XI	102	v. 208—5 dec.	L

Second XI

Results : Played 3, Won 1, Drawn 1, Lost 1

The first match against Clayesmore School was extremely enjoyable and the standard of cricket quite high. We batted first on an easy wicket and made 152 for 4 before declaring, thanks chiefly to a steady 23 by J. B. Ryall, and a very good 74 not out by R. C. B. Robinson. Clayesmore, however, managed to save the game, Kandawalla making 56 not out and the match ended when they had lost 8 wickets for 113. T. J. Stanley took 2 wickets for 32, R. C. B. Robinson 3 for 22 and P. Coathup 3 for 14.

The next game, against Canford School 3rd XI, was disappointing. Apart from A. J. Bailey who scored 20, the whole side lacked confidence. Even the running between wickets was bad and we were dismissed for 69. These were quickly knocked off by Canford for the loss of four wickets, three of which were taken by Robinson at a cost of 11 runs. Canford were much the better side.

The Old Boys' match was not very distinguished either. The Second XI batted first and scored 108, R. C. Hindley making 32. When the Old Boys batted they lost 5 wickets for 4 runs and were all out for 29. C. Annetts took 7 wickets for 9 runs, R. C. B. Robinson 2 for 12, and J. I. Goodson, 1 for 2.

Under 15 XI

Six matches were played, two being won, three lost and one drawn.

The outstanding feature of the season was the excellent batting of Stanley, who will still be under 15 next season, and in six innings scored 263 runs, being not out on two occasions. Bradford, in the match against Blandford, showed his quality as a bowler by taking five wickets for thirteen runs and Crawford kept wicket splendidly throughout the season. Club matches were always interesting and keen, but inexperience caused fright and weakness in school matches.

RESULTS

Shaftesbury Under 15	68 (Stanley 43)	Clayesmore	69 for 7	Lost
Shaftesbury Under 15	109 for 7 (Stanley 70)	Clayesmore	159 for 4 dec.	Drawn
Shaftesbury Under 15	112 (Stanley 57)	Bishop Wordsworth	115 for 9	Lost
Shaftesbury Under 15	57 for 1 dec.	Gillingham	56	Won
Shaftesbury Under 14.9	55	Wimborne	101	Lost
Shaftesbury Under 14.9	72 for 0 (Stanley 56 n.o.)	Blandford	71 (Bradford 5—13)	Won

Under 14 XI

The only fixtures for the Under 14 XI this season were home and away to Foster's School, Sherborne. The match at Sherborne was very keen. The school batted first and scored 43 (J. Farrand and I. Howell scoring 10 and 11 respectively) and were not very confident of winning when they went out to field, but some excellent bowling by Stanley (6 for 12) and Scammell (4 for 15) made Foster's struggle to get only 32.

The return fixture produced an easy win for School by eight wickets. Foster's scored 45 and the school replied with 47 for 2 (Stanley 37 n.o.). In this game Stanley took 5 wickets for only 2 runs.

Stanley captained the side, very ably supported by Scammell, Evans, Brown D., Howell, Farrand, Head, Manuel, Byford, Garfoot, and Middlemas A. C.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

It was too much to expect that the School XV, unbeaten in 1959, and losing only one game in 1960 could continue to be so successful. A succession of winning games can be an embarrassment and thus it is perhaps not a bad thing to report that of twelve matches played this season, seven have been won, four lost and one drawn. It was a disastrous season from the point of

view of injuries. Dislocated shoulders, dislocated knee caps, serious cuts over the eye, strained ligaments—we did indeed have our share of bad luck, and usually against our strongest opponents. For example, against Milton Abbey, Jervis was off the field for all but the first fifteen minutes, and Deacon-Smith was off for the whole of the second half. Against Poole, Colenso caught the ball in the first two minutes, was tackled and finished his School Rugby career at that moment. Hardly a boy came through the season without some sort of injury! Only eight boys played in all ten 1st XV matches. In spite of these setbacks, the XV played with admirable spirit and no little skill. The outsiders were young and small, the forwards powerful and lively—perhaps next season the XV will be “better-balanced.” A new fixture was against a XV labelled “Sherborne School 3rd XV” whose combined weight would surely have caused many a club side to recoil. This 3rd XV had already beaten the Sherborne School 2nd XV in at least three matches, so perhaps Shaftesbury with its limited resources did not do so badly after all. The Old Boys match was as usual, very good fun, with the Old Boys still puzzled as to why they never win, and the School side carrying off their “usual victory.” In the Portchester games we fielded an ‘A’ XV and this plan was successful in that it gave opportunities to promising youngsters to gain match experience.

The following played for the 1st XV: R. F. Leibe, P. R. Jervis, E. G. Pickford, R. F. Strange, P. A. Wolstenholme, R. D. Pound, J. A. M. Simpson, R. Barnes, L. M. Aviss, R. Castle, B. N. Colenso, A. K. Rogers, A. J. Sansom, R. C. B. Robinson, T. B. Hudson, R. Farrand, P. R. Jevons, P. Coathup, A. R. Deacon-Smith, C. Annetts, T. J. Stanley.

RESULTS

	v. Yeovil School 1st XV	.....	Home	Won	28—0
	v. Wimborne G.S. 1st XV	.....	Home	Won	20—0
	v. Bishop Wordsworth 1st XV	.....	Away	Drawn	3—3
“A” XV	v. Portchester School 1st XV	.....	Away	Won	18—3
	v. Milton Abbey School 1st XV	.....	Away	Lost	0—33
	v. Old Boys	.....	Home	Won	6—3
	v. Bournemouth School 1st XV	.....	Home	Won	27—0
	v. Poole G.S. 1st XV	.....	Away	Lost	0—29
	v. Clayesmore School 1st XV	.....	Home	Lost	0—18
	v. Sherborne School 3rd XV	.....	Away	Lost	3—14
	v. Bournemouth School 1st XV	.....	Away	Won	10—8
“A” XV	v. Portchester School 1st XV	.....	Home	Won	9—0

Points for Shaftesbury 124

Points against „ 111

The House Competition (seven-a-side games) produced some lively and skilful football and Spartans proved worthy winners.

RESULTS

<i>Senior</i>	Trojans	0	Spartans	3
	Corinthians	0	Romans	8
	Corinthians	0	Spartans	21
	Trojans	6	Romans	6
	Trojans	8	Corinthians	0
	Spartans	0	Romans	0
<i>Junior</i>	Corinthians	16	Romans	0
	Trojans	0	Spartans	23
	Trojans	0	Romans	17
	Corinthians	11	Spartans	3
	Trojans	0	Corinthians	15
	Spartans	13	Romans	0

On Saturday, December 9th, an exciting and interesting seven-a-side competition was played on the Wincombe ground. Dr. Tapper, Mr. Brooks and Mr. Webber are to be congratulated for sportingly agreeing to lead teams into such hazards. Dr. Tapper led his team through to the final, but he is reported as having walked into touch during the game in order to hide his distress. Mrs. Pickford, a keen supporter of the game, very kindly presented prizes to Leibe's winning team.

E team (Rodgers Capt.)	beat	C team (Mr. Webber)	5—0
A „ (Dr. Tapper)	„	G „ (Pickford)	9—8
B „ (Mr. Brooks)	„	F „ (Strange)	8—5
D „ (Leibe)	„	H „ (Avis)	21—0

Semi-finals

A	beat	E	9—6
D	„	B	16—0

Final

D	beat	A	19—0
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On Wednesday, October 25th, Mr. Bates and Mr. Scalbert took a large party of boys to Bournemouth to see Hampshire beat Surrey in an excellent game. On Tuesday, December 12th, Mr. Bates and Mr. Vowles took some forty boys to Twickenham to see the University match.

County Trials: The following boys were recommended to the County authorities, but because of the severe weather no games took place:—Leibe, Jervis, Avis, Rodgers, Robinson and Pickford.

Colours: Old Colour— R. F. Leibe.

New Colours—P. R. Jervis, A. K. Rodgers, R. C. B. Robinson, L. M. Avis, B. N. Colenso.

Under 15 XV

The side this season was a better-balanced side than in previous seasons, but unfortunately only moderate in standard of play. The major weakness was the defence where tackling and covering were very poor. Nevertheless the team played well enough to beat Milton Abbey 9—3, Yeovil School 20—8 and Portchester School 21—8, but lost to Wimborne 9—3 and Poole 29—0.

T. Stanley captained the side very well, ably assisted by K. Baker. The following played for the team during the season:—T. J. Stanley, K. Baker, C. S. H. Byford, E. J. S. Crawford, N. D. Bailey, R. J. Sturgess, G. J. Bradford, R. J. Head, H. R. C. Manuel, D. W. Brown, P. R. Brown, F. D. Wright, R. M. Evans, P. Walder, A. F. P. Goddard, R. E. Jackson, E. Spalek, and D. R. Stephenson.

Under 14 XV

For the first time for many years the Under 14's won their annual match with Bishop Wordsworth's School, and the score of 26—3 was a fair indication of the run of play. The following boys played:—S. G. Chapman, R. E. Jackson, R. J. Head, C. S. H. Byford, N. R. Heasman, T. J. Stanley (Captain), D. W. Brown, B. F. Smith, P. A. R. Welford, J. Magnay, P. Walder, C. P. Jordan, and F. D. Wright.

Under 13 XV

At the beginning of the term this year's Under 13's did not look a very promising combination on paper, but long weeks of hard practice against strong opposition drawn mainly from the Third Form transformed them into a well-balanced side, capable of playing good Rugby. Their team spirit was excellent, and spurred on by the prowess and enthusiasm of their captain, R. E. Jackson, they won their two School matches in fine style. The following boys played:—E. J. Mackenzie, R. J. Thorne, R. E. Jackson (Captain), N. R. Heasman, P. G. Fry, A. C. Middlemas, R. Battershell, D. C. Stuart, A. R. Coathup, T. Flower, P. Dewey, F. W. G. Wood, G. Keirle, A. H. Middlemas (Pack leader) and E. Kite.

RESULTS

v. Poole G.S.	—	—	—	A	Won	9—3
v Portchester School	—	—	—	H	Won	25—0

MUSIC

The year has been a full and varied one for the School. Perhaps the most noticeable feature now-a-days is *activity* in music rather than mere passive listening. This is a good thing, because the more we can do ourselves the more we can enjoy it.

The New Year saw rehearsals begin for a performance of Faure's Requiem. Unfortunately, they did not reach fruition, but at least they gave us an insight into another kind of music. One day we will try again!

In March a large party went to Salisbury Cathedral to hear a new version of Messiah sung by the Dorset Guild of Singers. This is another work we hope to perform ourselves one year. At the North Dorset Festival in May we were very successful. In particular we gained first place in the Senior Choir class, and against stiff opposition. We all arrived back at school afterwards not only elated with the result itself, but also very pleased to think we could now more than hold our own against more experienced schools.

For various reasons, no outings to orchestral concerts were possible this year, but by way of recompense the Dorset County Orchestra came to the School in November and gave a most enjoyable programme, while at the beginning of December, James Maddocks and June Mills gave a recital of chamber music. December also saw the annual Carol Service, a firm favourite with everyone. The standard of singing seems to rise every year, and we may be justly proud of our efforts in this inspiring service. The School's Service Choir also goes from strength to strength. We have been very lucky this year in having some fine voices in all four parts.

The Autumn Term ended with "Pirates of Penzance." This was the big effort of the year, but as it is reviewed elsewhere in this issue of the magazine it is sufficient here to record that not only was it enjoyed by all the parents and friends who came to see it, but also by the cast, whose one question after the last night was, "When are we going to do another one?" What better commentary could one have?

DEBATING SOCIETY

During 1961 the following motions were debated :—

1. That the Arts have more to offer than the Sciences (carried 14—12 with 9 abstentions).
2. That this House deplores professional sport (carried 12—3 with 6 abstentions).

3. That compulsory sport is beneficial in School life (defeated 19—9 with 3 abstentions).
4. That G.B. should ban the bomb (defeated 13—9 with 3 abstentions).
5. That immigration to this country should be restricted (carried 7—5 with 7 abstentions).

There were also two successful and light-hearted Hat Nights.

THE DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The boys and staff of Shaftesbury Grammar School gave four performances of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance" in the School Memorial Hall on Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday evenings, 15th, 16th, 18th and 19th December. Full and enthusiastic audiences enjoyed a first-class production.

The great success of the show was largely due to the hard work of two members of staff: Mr. B. G. Brooks, the producer, and Mr. G. W. Sutton, the musical director. The two memorable characteristics of this production were: the excellent voices of the principals and the singing of the choruses.

Mr. Graham Hough, a tenor of great experience, sang delightfully in the leading part of Frederic, the pirate apprentice. Mabel, the heroine, was sung and acted beautifully by Jonathan Long; and her father, Major-General Stanley, was played with great distinction by Richard Pound. These three principals were well cast and so was the Sergeant of Police, Rodney Burke, whose physique matched his voice to make the most of this comic character. Timothy Snow, too, sang well the very difficult part of Ruth and evoked the essential sympathy latent in the role.

The Pirate King was taken in true swashbuckling style by Anthony Sansom and he was ably assisted by John Simpson as Samuel, his lieutenant.

The chorus of pirates consisted of Christopher Annetts, Robin Castle, Richard Hindley, Ian Ingrey-Counter, Christopher Pratt, Edward Spalek and Duncan Tucker.

Keith Evans, Keith Abrams and John Magnay were charming and vivacious as Edith, Kate and Isabel, daughters of Major-General Stanley, but the whole chorus of daughters was outstanding in appearance and in singing. They were: Derek Brown, Alan Coathup, John Combe, Eric Goodson, Glyn Keirle, Carl Lawton, Andrew Middlemas. Moreover, they were beautifully dressed in gingham dresses and poke bonnets made by Mrs. D. Daltry.

The policemen's chorus was just as effective as the pirates and daughters. It consisted of David Fisher, John Goodson, Robin Leibe, Mervyn Mitchell, Brian Robinson, Ronald Robinson.

A full Savoy orchestra of brass, woodwind and strings played at each performance to make this a noteworthy production from overture to finale. The members of the orchestra all gave freely their services to the School.

The two admirable sets were designed and painted by scenic artists P. Wolstenholme and P. Brookesmith. The construction of sets was by John Simpson, Stage Manager, and his Stage Gang: P. Jervis, M. Beckingham, R. Sturgess, D. Stephenson, P. Welford, M. Stacey and F. Wright.

The lighting and effects—the moonlight scene was excellent—were the responsibility of Mr. G. Scalbert, ably assisted by J. L. N. Corp, P. Coathup, C. Byford, R. L. Hudson.

The make-up was by Mr. Scalbert and members of the Dramatic Society. The wardrobe mistresses were Mrs. L. Crowther, Mrs. D. Daltry and Miss B. Stow. M. Beckingham had charge of Properties and Mr. B. S. Bates was the Business Manager.

THE FILM CLUB

The Film Club has again enjoyed a most entertaining and varied selection of films. Most tastes have been satisfied, and the number of members has been maintained. An encouraging feature has been the number of day-boys who have joined us in watching the following programme: "Destry," "Operation Amsterdam," "Upstairs and Downstairs," "The Wind Cannot Read," "The Return of Don Camillo" and "Two Way Stretch." During Term III 1961 we saw "High Society," "The Red Badge of Courage," "The Man Who Knew Too Much," "Shane" and "Please Don't Eat the Daisies."

THE GARDENING CLUB

The Club is now in its sixth year, but its members are not nearly enough to keep the Club flourishing. We hope that the Spring will bring an influx of young and active members. As always, the outing to Chelsea Flower Show was well supported, but much of the real joy of gardening lies in the hard work necessary to produce vegetables and flowers. The bee-keeping section had its best season ever—one hive producing seventy-five pounds of honey and there was no swarm.

THE PRESS CLUB

The Press Club continues to function as efficiently as ever. The editor for the last year has been R. C. B. Robinson, and the Newsheet is ably written out by J. Collis. Regular contributors include J. W. Newbury, debate reporter; R. F. Leibe and P. R. Jervis, sports reporters; M. W. Mitchell and P. Brookesmith, films; and R. P. H. Harris, who contributes miscellaneous articles. The School's interest in the Newsheet seems to be increasing and a high literary standard is maintained.

R. C. B. ROBINSON.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

The Society has enjoyed a fortnightly programme of scientific films during the spring and autumn terms and thanks must be given to all those who assisted, especially to the Secretary, M. W. Mitchell, and the projectionists, J. Corp and P. Coathup. Other activities have included the production, and eventual launching, of a model hovercraft which attempted to leave the school grounds and was prevented from becoming a danger to traffic only by energetic action by the secretary. Those associated in this project were S. A. E. Hinkins, G. K. J. Chapman, P. J. Sansom and M. W. Mitchell. Early in the autumn term a demonstration of the Gestetner duplicating machine showed members exactly how their examination papers reached their final form. A motion that such a machine was an unnecessary expense was carried by twenty votes to one.

SWIMMING

Full use was made of the Town Swimming Bath in the summer term. Mr. Webber and Mr. Brooks taught about 20 boys how to swim. The Swimming Sports were held on Wednesday, July 19th, and the Hallett Cup for House Swimming was won by Trojans, with Corinthians as runners-up. Three records were broken by A. R. Coathup in the Novices (under 13) division. Two records, the Senior Crawl and the Senior Free Style, were broken by P. R. Jervis. P. Pickard and M. Stacey obtained the Bronze Cross award of the Royal Life Saving Society; and P. Coathup, the Award of Merit.

TABLE TENNIS

In spite of the arrival of a billiard table in the gallery of the Hall, table tennis has not lost much of its appeal. The increasing use of the Hall by other activities has, however, tended to restrict the opportunities for playing. J. Simpson and R. Burke

are still in charge of the equipment and we thank them for their efforts to keep it in a reasonable state of repair.

The following won the 1960/61 Tournaments :—

Senior Singles :	M. W. Parsley
Open Doubles :	R. Burke and J. Simpson
Intermediate Singles :	A. K. Rodgers
Junior Singles :	R. J. Head

YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

During the year the Club has provided instructive entertainment throughout the long winter evenings in the form of film-shows on topics of agricultural and general interest. These again proved extremely popular, and we must thank the projectionists who made them possible. C. J. Spiller is Club secretary, and until July we had N. P. Langley as Club leader and J. C. Martin, treasurer. Then we unfortunately had to lose their services. A. R. Deacon-Smith is now Club leader and M. A. L. Beckingham, treasurer.

After the examinations in the summer term, we arranged three outings. The seniors had a most refreshing visit to Eldridge Pope and Co. (brewers), of Dorchester. A large party went to the Cow and Gate factory at Wincanton, and some bloodthirsty youngsters revelled in the slaughter of pigs at Oake Wood and Co., of Gillingham. We extend our greatest thanks to these companies for providing us with such enjoyment.

C. J. SPILLER.

THE JUNIOR LITERARY AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Meetings have been held each Friday and the attendance has been excellent. Evans, B., has been an excellent secretary and he has been ably supported by the committee of three : Jordan, D., Mitchell, L. A., and Legg. The secretary has distinguished himself by his writing and reading of the minutes. The programme has been wide and varied, with charades as the most popular item of the term. Next term there will be further illustrated lectures, lecturettes, hand-bell ringing and perhaps an outing.

STAMP CLUB

The number of clubs and societies makes it very difficult to find a day and time when all can meet ; consequently, we have to meet on different days, largely by forms. Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Williams and in particular, Mr. Mozley, have sent stamps for

distribution and we are most grateful to them. Mr. Mozley must have sent so many S. African stamps that all boys should have quite good collections. He suggests that possibly other O.S. who live abroad might also help by sending stamps from their region. It is not generally realised that what is quite commonplace in, say, Singapore, would be most welcome in Form IIIA. What about sending some?

THE MODEL ENGINEERING SOCIETY, 1961

In the Spring Term of 1961 the Society's activities were limited to the building and flying of model aeroplanes. The Society, however, had an increase in ardent enthusiasts, due to the purchase of equipment in the Christmas holidays. The Society was then in full swing during the Summer Term and the first activity was a trip by four members to the Midland Area Rally at R.A.F. Wellesbourne, near Stratford. We are indebted to Mr. Vowles for this trip, since all participants benefited enormously from it. We next hired a coach and the whole Society travelled to the open day at the R.N.A.S. at Yeovil. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed himself seeing both the old and new, from a "Battle of Britain" Spitfire to the latest N.A.39. In the Autumn Term we introduced film shows to our normal building and flying programme. These were a grand success and we hope to continue them in the future. We also hope to let the younger ones run the club while the senior members do some work.

P. JEVONS

A. R. COATHUP.

THE CAMERA CLUB

The Camera Club, which has been going for over a year now, has had quite a successful season. The Physics Laboratory Prep. Room, which has been provided with blinds, is now used as a dark room and is a considerable improvement on the room under the stairs which we had to use until last July. Most of the equipment is still lent by members, but it is hoped that in the next year or two the Club will be able to provide its own equipment. Activities during the last year included film-strips, demonstrations, and two photographic outings kindly put on by Mr. Vowles. The Club now looks forward to an even better season than the last one, and hopes that it will be able to arrange an exhibition of its work in the not too far distant future.

M. W. MITCHELL.

THE GEOGRAPHY FIELD COURSE

The past year saw the first fruits of Sixth Form Geography when Annetts, Page and Stilwell took "A" Level geography examinations in June and the resultant three passes greatly encouraged those following "the guinea pigs."

In attending, with twelve others, from Guildford, Croydon, Northampton and Badminton, a geography course at Dale Fort Field Centre, Pembrokeshire, from September 13th—20th, I followed a trail blazed by the Upper Sixth the year before. The weather was decidedly erratic. It was drizzling as we arrived, but Thursday dawned clear and as we walked round the parish and made a survey of the village, it was warm and sunny, but the following day a howling gale buffeted us as we walked along the geologically-famous cliffs and sands near Marloes. The gale abated the next day during a land utilisation survey. Sunday, the rest day, was warm and sunny, as was Monday when we visited Solva, St. David's and its cathedral, and Whitesands Bay in N. Pembrokeshire, but Tuesday, when we crossed the Haven to Milford, was cloudy and windy, and our final morning reverted to overcast skies and drizzle. Many thanks must go to Mr. Barry Page, the assistant warden of the Fort, and his helpers, who were always on hand during our stay to answer our enquiries and help us.

In May, the geography Sixth, accompanied by Mr. Webber, spent a Sunday travelling around the limestone Mendip Hills and the Somerset Levels.

Among things to be undertaken in the coming year are a week's course at Juniper Hall, Dorking, for the Lower Sixth and two trips for the whole form to the Cotswolds and the Isle of Purbeck. Many thanks to Mr. Webber for arranging past and future trips, and for valiant efforts to teach us some geography.

C. R. WAREHAM.

YOUTH HOSTEL TOUR, 1961

This Youth Hostel tour of North Wales was organised by Mr. Fowles and Mr. Webber as a prelude to a continental tour of Germany and eight boys enjoyed a week of climbing, hiking and fairly good weather, visiting four hostels.

We left School on March 24th in two cars and after travelling 220 miles we were glad to reach our destination, Llanrwst in Denbighshire, after six hours on the road. This was, however, no consolation to the more lazy of us as there was still a two-mile walk to the Oaklands Hostel, pleasantly situated on the verge of

a wood. Having acquainted ourselves with the warden and signed in, we unpacked our rucksacks in the dormitories, had our first meal and were ready for an early night.

To those not familiar with youth hostelling, the hostels are only open from 5 p.m. to 10 a.m. with bed, breakfast and supper supplied. The first couple of days of our stay at Oaklands was spent climbing and hiking around the small village of Bettwys-y-coed, delightfully placed between rugged mountains and fir forests. What inspired us all was the wonderful scenery in this area, high craggy rocks, covered in tall gaunt fir trees, with small streams trickling in and out.

The second hostel, Bryn Gwynant, we reached via Conway Castle. The site of the hostel was in some very bleak countryside adjacent to a small lake with enormous mountains towering above. It was at this stage of the tour that the climax came, our ascent of Mt. Snowdon, which we accomplished in four hours, stopping on the way up to have lunch. Our reaching the summit coincided with the arrival of the first mountain train of the year from Llanberis. That particular day we trekked about 20 miles over very rocky terrain and needless to say we were not without casualties—in the form of large painful blisters. That climb gave us all a sense of having accomplished something worthwhile.

Beddgelert was where we made for next. There we met an old friend of Mr. Vowles who too was a keen outdoor enthusiast and we went to Port Tremadoc, where we intended to hike to one of the largest lakes in the district, but, having completed over half the journey, mist and rain developed and forced us to abandon the attempt and to head towards the next hostel which was at Ffestiniog. Here the scenery was noticeably different, from the majestic splendour of the Snowdonia Mountain range to the dirty landscape of the mining town of Ffestiniog, where huge grey slag heaps dominated the view. Here we met a large party from Ealing Grammar School who were on a Field course. As the last few days were wet we went into Caernarvon and Bangor and had a good look round.

Our final port of call was "Kings Hostel," Dolgellau, overshadowed by the second highest mountain in Wales, Cader Idris, where the last day was passed exploring the lower reaches.

These then were the main events of our tour. This was the first sample of youth hostelling for me and several others and many thanks are due to Mr. Vowles and Mr. Webber for arranging it and making it so enjoyable.

A. K. RODGERS.

O.B. NEWS

It is with great regret that we record the death of W. H. ARMITAGE (1895-96), A. R. WATTS (1909), A. T. SQUIRE (1921-27) and S. P. BALCHIN (1927-30). To their respective families we offer, on behalf of all Old Boys, our deepest sympathy.

KEITH JONES is now head of the English department at Ryder's School, Walton-on-Thames. STEPHEN GIBBS had just had a pleasant run across the Indian Ocean when he wrote to us; he is finding life very full and exciting as a cadet on *S.S. Quiloa*. JOHN MILLER has left Lloyds Bank, Bournemouth, and is working for United Dominions Trust as a representative. We have received some happy letters from Dr. and Mrs. TOVEY; they send their kind regards to all the Old Boys who were with them. A long and interesting letter from IAN ROSS tells us that he is on the valuation staff of the City Surveyor's Dept. in Manchester and finds the task of bringing up two lively youngsters no picnic but a great experience. We received a welcome letter from JOHN G. ANNETTS who, although he was not accepted by Southampton University, has obtained an O.N.C. in Mechanical Engineering at Westminster Technical College. He has, however, decided to study for a B.A. (Theology) at Bristol University and has been awarded a Dorset County Major Scholarship. Well done! TREVOR NOYES writes that he is enjoying life as a Student Apprentice and thinks that the "sandwich course" is the answer for anyone who prefers practical work to university. A. J. S. EVANS is at present sailing on the P. & O. *S.S. Canton* as third Radio Officer; he finds the life eminently to his taste. Weston-super-Mare for good health is the firm belief of JOHN HARRIS; he is working in the N.P. Bank there. RICHARD MOODY is a police cadet and was busy in the C.I.D. at Devizes when he wrote to us. He could not have found employment that interests him more. A. L. FILLEY has now retired from the position of power station superintendent at Jas. Williamson and Son, Ltd., of Lancaster; we wish him and Mrs. Filley a long and happy retirement. C. I. WYNDHAM has now returned to England and has started a career in commerce. ERIC WALMSLEY secured a Dorset County Major and is taking a three-year course in Theatre Design at the Central School of Art, London. He hopes that we shall see his name on a television screen in the near future. H. N. COOMBS has completed a year's course in General Agriculture at the Lackham School of Agriculture and has gained a National Certificate in Agriculture and the City and Guilds Certificate for Farm Machinery Operation and Care. He met

Mr. BAYLISS quite often while at Chippenham. J. F. H. PHELPS met 'DICKY' STACPOOLE in Police Cadet School in Kalinbushi, Northern Rhodesia. ROBIN LAWS' last letter was written in Barbados and he, his wife and baby daughter were returning to England via Jamaica. NEIL DORNING has qualified as a Dental Surgeon and tells us that COLIN is now out of the Marines and living in the New Hebrides, in the Pacific Ocean. It was pleasant to see Mr. RUSSELL TAYLOR at the Dinner in November. PETER CROCKER has been training at Taunton Technical College and hopes to go into ironmongery. PHILIP BOREHAM paid us a welcome visit and seemed to be enjoying life in the R.A.F. JACK PALMER, home from Malta, reports that he represented the R.A.F., Malta, in hockey matches in 1959/60 and was captain and secretary of his unit hockey XI. If he is as formidable with a hockey stick as with a cricket bat he will certainly have earned the respect of his opponents. IVOR THOMPSON earned a place in the 1st XI with the H.Q.I.(B.R.) Corps as an opening bowler. He finished the season with 61 wickets and an average of 7.32. He also proved useful with the bat and saved the Corps from defeat on several occasions. R. F. JARVIS is in the N.P. Bank at Windsor. N. S. MEADEN is now a Scientific Assistant at the Ministry of Aviation, Boscombe Down. D. BURT is settling to banking although he admits to making mistakes still. J. R. GALWEY returned to this country from the Cameroons in the summer of 1961. We were glad to see him at School. He has been in twenty-five countries since leaving school and met 'BARNEY' ADAMS in Singapore. KEN SANKEY spent a weekend with Dr. and Mrs. Tovey and found them in great heart. He also paid a visit to GORDON TOVEY's school at Tockington. RON CONIBEAR is getting along fine making films for a firm of manufacturing chemists in London. It was pleasing to hear from TOM HART that he and his family are happily settled in Cardiff. The insurance company for whom he is Cardiff manager is erecting there a five storey block of offices which cost a quarter of a million. The JONES brothers, R. D. C., A. B. and R. A., managed to get together at the London dinner. R. A. has now qualified as a doctor and will take up his first appointment as Casualty and Orthopaedic House Surgeon in the Bristol Royal Infirmary. A. B. is presumably on leave from Nigeria. R. D. C. became the father of a son a year ago. Other new fathers are A. J. SHARMAN (daughter), R. W. S. LAW (daughter) and MARTIN MAYNE (son).

D. P. LINLEY is returning to this area to manage the Stourhead Estate. Last year he was in the news in Bedfordshire because he constructed a grain drier that cost only £200, and

with it some 100 tons of grain were dried during the season at a cost of 10/8 a ton. D. G. SNOOK sent us an interesting and informative letter concerning his first term as an engineering student at Southampton University. The information he gave will help us to advise future intending students from the School. We have just heard that M. SYMONS has been appointed Head Student at Lackham School of Agriculture.

THE LONDON DINNER, 1962

JOHN SIMPSON organised the Dinner at The Crofton, Queens Gate, this year and reports a most enjoyable evening. Present were: J. W. Simpson, B. Crowther, K. C. B. Field, R. B. Minchin, J. W. W. Miles, A. H. Clegg, L. F. Spinney, R. A. Brennan, E. W. Bestow, T. B. Noyes, M. J. Clark, S. D. A. Johnson, M. J. Drewitt, H. Friend, D. Scott, D. F. Simpson, J. C. A. Rothery, J. Hood, J. B. Evans, F. Cliff, R. P. West, A. H. Neale, N. Friend, R. D. C. Jones, R. A. Jones, A. B. Jones, E. Walmsley, W. T. Buckland, R. Woodhouse, R. G. Middlemas. Marshall Johnson was absent with a severe cold; Wiltshire Miles had 'flu; Bob Emery's wife had 'flu; Alan Sharman had a car accident on the way up, but fortunately he was not hurt, but could not make London; John Sharman had a business appointment; and Martin Corson had an increase in family.

OLD SHASTONIAN CRICKET TOUR, 1961

The results of the three matches played over the August Bank Holiday weekend were as follows:—

August 5th v. Brook C.C.	.....	.....	Brook C.C.	179	O.S.C.	108 (N. Friend 30)
August 6th v. Brook C.C.	—	.....	O.S.C.	158	Brook C.C.	78 for 6 (N. Friend 58, M. Corson 39) Rain st. play
August 7th v. Old Witleians at Witley			Old Witleians	116	O.S.C.	108 (M. Corson 48)

Mr. R. B. MINCHIN umpired all three matches and on the Sunday was hit on the calf, sustaining a badly bruised muscle. He was particularly pleased to see C. R. WILCOX and E. G. PICKFORD as new recruits joining the veterans, M. A. TORY, HUGH FRIEND, NORMAN FRIEND, T. M. CORSON and A. J. PALMER. He further reports that F. T. GAUNTLETT is a little disappointed with the number of Old Boys who are willing and able to play in all the matches and is thinking of giving up his job as organiser of the tour. It would be a great pity if the tour was discontinued after being in existence for over forty years. Anyone interested please write immediately to F. T. Gauntlett, "Kingwood," Warmley, Godalming, Surrey, so that he can be assured early that this year he will have a goodly supply of players.

O.S. CLUB NEWS

The Annual General Meeting, 1961, was held in the School Memorial Hall on Saturday, 11th November. Mr. Brian Crowther was in the chair and the following officers were elected for 1961-62 :—

President : Mr. J. W. Simpson

President-elect : Mr. W. J. Miles

Hon. Secretary : Mr. L. J. Cole

Asst. Hon. Secretary : Mr. Brian Crowther

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

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

Committee : Messrs. A. H. Clegg, S. D. Johnson, D. F. Simpson, H. G. Hallett, M. J. Drewitt, L. F. Spinney, F. L. Bridle, W. F. Rutter, F. G. B. Young.

The 1962 Annual Dinner at Shaftesbury will be held on November 10th.

NEW MEMBERS

W. P. Aldworth, The Bungalow, Iwerne Minster, Blandford, Dorset.

P. M. Borcham, 9, Geneva Road, Kingston, Surrey.

G. A. Bundy, Quaintways, West End, Bishopstone, Salisbury.

D. Burt, "St. Anne's," Wardour, Tisbury, Wilts.

B. N. Colenso, Fair Acre, Chilworth Ring, Chilworth, Southampton.

R. Castle, 75, Penn Hill, Bedminster, Dorset.

Major J. R. Galwey, 8, Moorhouse Close, Upton-by-Chester, Cheshire.

S. R. Gibbs, Brook Cottage, Hamptworth, Landford, nr. Salisbury.

G. F. Hayter, West End, Swallowcliffe, Salisbury.

M. J. Hitchings, The Commons, Shaftesbury.

N. P. Langley, Orchard House, Maiden Bradley, Warminster, Wilts.

J. C. Martin, 17, Abbotsbury Road, Broadstone, Dorset.

R. G. Middlemas, Oke'swood House, Moreton, Dorset.

D. J. Mullins, 38, Nightingale Lane, Wardour, Tisbury, Wilts.

M. W. Parsley, 740, W. Whittier Boulevard, La Habra, California.

J. W. Ridout, Withyslade Farm, Tisbury, nr. Salisbury.

F. J. Stilwell, 3, East Street, Hindon, Salisbury.

S. Westwood, 25, Christy's Lane, Shaftesbury.

Barry Williamson, Overhills, Swallowcliffe, nr. Salisbury.

P. A. Wolstenholme, Pheasant's Lawn, 29, Bolton Avenue, Windsor, Berks.

A. Woodward, Blandford House, Blandford, Dorset.