WELLINGBOROUGH GRAMMAR SCHOOL 1st XI., 1953.

R. PEACOCK  W. PRIEST  J. HYDE (Capt.)  J. A. WHIFFING  J. BUCKBY
SCHOOL NOTES.

Head Prefect: D. W. Barber.

Second Prefect: D. Priestley.

Prefects:

Congratulations are offered to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Huddart on the birth of a son.

It was with regret that the School said farewell to Mr. L. J. Jay at the end of the Summer Term. Mr. Jay joined the Geography Staff six years ago, and gave of his best to the School in that time. He was particularly active in promoting a thriving Stamp Club, and showed a keen interest in School Rugger and Cricket. We wish him all success in his new post.

The School has welcomed to the Staff this term, Mr. D. J. Riach, M.A., St. John's, Cambridge, to teach Geography, Mr. G. W. Cooksey, M.A., Manchester University, to teach English, and Mr. D. C. Clutterbuck, B.Sc., London University, to teach Biology.

We wish Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Clutterbuck all happiness and prosperity on the occasion of their recent marriage.

An unfortunate omission from last term's magazine was a notice of the gaining of two English Caps by Mr. J. Butterfield last season. Apologies are tendered, and we hope to see this brilliant performance repeated or surpassed this season.

Considerable progress has been made this term with the new science rooms. It would appear that they will make a handsome and welcome addition to the School.

Lectures given this term were by Mr. D. E. Ellis, lately U.N. Liaison Officer in the Phillipines, to the Sixth Forms on U.N. work with special reference to the World Health Organisation, and by S/L. Grace to the Fourth Forms on entry into the R.A.F.

A party from Va. visited the Wellingborough Iron Works this term.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of many contemporary School Magazines.
OBITUARY.


ENTRANTS.

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R. Knight
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P. G. L. Wrightson

IVc.
F. Vickerman

LEAVERS.

S. Peter’s Hall, Oxford.
Charing Cross Hospital Medical School.
Leicester University College.
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C. P. Daniels  ...  G.C.E. Ordinary 1951. Armstrong Whitworth.
Arts  ...  R. Clarke  ...  G.C.E. Ord. 1949: Adv. 1951: County Major Scholarship. Sheffield University.
J. A. Whiffing  ...  G.C.E. Ordinary 1951. H.M. Forces.
W.D. Cox  ...  G.C.E. Ordinary 1952. E. Ward Ltd., Wellingborough.
Lower VI.  A. H. Brook  ...  G.C.E. 1953. Midland Bank Ltd., Wellingborough.
P. R. Ingram  ...  Macfarlane, Carman Ltd., Finedon.
B. W. Gautrey  ...  G.C.E. 1953. Engineering, W.U.D.C.
B. L. Sherwood  ...  Carpentry and Joining.
Va.  ...  R. J. Peacock  ...  G.C.E. 1953. S. Hunt, Printer, Rushden.
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E. A. Smith ... G.C.E. 1953.
Merchant Navy.
B. T. Tapp ... G.C.E. 1953.
County Education Office.
J. F. Tobin ... G.C.E. 1953.
Clark & Co., Rushden.
T. C. Wadsworth Brooklands Aviation.
J. M. Wills ... G.C.E. 1953.
Wills, Rushden.
G. Lawrence ... Forestry, Sywell.
P. Patrick ... Transferred to Maidenhead.
B. R. Tomkins ... W. G. Norman, Baker and Confectioner.
R. J. Myrton ... G.C.E. 1953.
James & Sanders, Accountants.
C. M. Cornwell Transferred to Dewsbury.
D. T. Howe ... Transferred to Welwyn.
D. G. Jones ... Transferred to Bournemouth.
R. B. Davis ... G.C.E. 1953,
Northants. Constabulary.
C. R. Adams ... Transferred to Hitchin.

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ADVANCED LEVEL.
JUNE, 1953.

Capital letters indicate Passes at Advanced Level.
Small letters indicate Passes at Ordinary Level.

R. Blackwell ... E H G econ
J. T. Boyce ... E f sp econ
S. W. Brown ... E L H econ
R. Clarke ... F (Distinction) SP 1
L. Clipstone ... L F SP
W. D. Cox ... e f a
A. B. Crawford ... L F (Dist.) SP (Dist.) russ
A. R. Evans ... E SP f 1
C. B. Johnson ... L
N. R. Redman ... E G a econ
N. Rich ... E F SP econ
W. Sherwood ... E F A
P. S. Valentine ... H G e
M. F. Wakelin ... E F SP
P. F. Waller ... SP e f 1
R. Westcott ... E F SP 1 russ m
J. A. Whiffing ... F e sp 1
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*D. W. Barber ... PM AM PH CH 1
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R. Cottingham ... ZOO ph ch bot
J. W. Downing ... CH
*R. M. Hall ... PH CH ZOO bot
D. A. Harris ... bot zoo
*M. Hornsey ... PH CH BOT ZOO eng. lang. 1 f m
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AWARDS.
C. B. Johnson  Open Exhibition in Modern Languages at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge.
A. Towers   Goldsmid Scholarship in Engineering at University College, London.
J. A. Norris  Revis Scholarship in Mathematics at Nottingham University.

STATE SCHOLARSHIPS.
A. B. Crawford  A. Towers  B. J. Tyler
D. Priestley

COUNTY MAJOR SCHOLARSHIPS.
R. D. Boyd  T. J. Collis  N. Rich
S. W. Brown  M. G. Horne  W. Sherwood
R. Clarke  J. Hyde  M. F. Wakelin

THE SECOND-HAND SHOP.

It is felt that many boys and parents are insufficiently aware of the value which this School Service affords. In the course of the average school career, there are many occasions when it is necessary to replace P.T. and Games Kit which has been outgrown. The shop exists to minimise the expense of such replacements, and avoids the needless waste of merely discarding such clothing.

Second-hand kit is bought and sold at prices which are listed below.

P.T. or Rugby Shorts  2/- pair
P.T. Vests or Rugby Jerseys  2/- each
Rugby Stockings  1/- pair
Rugby Boots  5/- to 10/- pr. according to size and condition
Cricket Boots  5/- to 15/- pr.
Cricket Flannels  7/6 to 15/- pr.
Cricket Sweaters  5/- to 10/- each
School Caps, Scarves, Ties, and one or two Blazers and Raincoats are also in stock.

Many of the above items in stock are in almost new condition, having been used perhaps one season only, and all are serviceable. Items of clothing are laundered before sale. At present there are more of the smaller sizes in stock, but if full use is made of the scheme, by selling discarded items and buying larger sizes, it should be possible to obtain most requirements throughout one’s school career.

It is suggested in particular that, as far as possible, requirements for the coming Cricket and Rugby seasons are obtained towards the end of the Easter and Summer Terms.

The shop is opened on two or three occasions each week and is at present situated in Room C.
RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Hon. Secretary : D. T. Stevens.

The 1st XV. this year has had a most disappointing record. After all allowance is made for the number of injuries which have never allowed us to field a full team, many of the matches have been lost by too large a score. This has, in the main, been due to weakness in defence, the tackling often being very half-hearted, and of this fault forwards and backs are equally guilty. Determined, low tackling is essential. The backs in attack have played well at times, but there has been a lack of confidence and too much hesitant running, which have cost us a number of tries. The forwards have scummed well in the tight in spite of being out-weighted, but loose scrums have been another weakness.


The following have also played : T. A. Field, R. Westcott, R. Brown, J. M. Shawley, C. R. Turner, M. J. Raven, C. C. Saddington.

The 2nd XV. also suffers from weakness in tackling, but they have played some good games, and there has been much good individual play.


The following have also played : M. E. Rogers, M. J. Cherry, R. Miles, M. J. Howes, N. Rich, N. R. Clayton, B. A. Bailey, J. D. Terry.

The Under 15 XV. has had the disadvantage this season of a light pack, and the absence of two really fast wings has caused a certain limitation in attack. The value of a quick heel in the loose, especially near the opponents' line, must be learned, and the passing can still be improved. Tackling, however, has been good; there has been some determined running in the centre, whilst the halves have usually played well. The forwards have been excellent in the loose and have made up in spirit what they have lacked in weight, yet the games won have been those in which they have been on equal terms in size and able to supply a good share of the ball to the backs.


The Under 14 XV. has so far lost only two matches. The team can play brilliantly at times, but too often mars such good
play by resting on its laurels. The three-quarters, individually quite good, do not always combine as well as could be expected, with the result that attacks are often "one-man" efforts. The forwards have knitted together into a formidable unit and by hard play have often overcome their handicap of lack of weight.


The following have also played : A. T. Murton, D. A. Sparkes, E. W. Hilton, R. E. Smith, M. J. Busby, N. J. Harris.

The Under 13 XV. has played three matches and shows promise. The forwards have played well in lineouts and set scrums, but in the loose they have not combined. The backs do not get moving quickly enough, and hold on to the ball far too long, but show signs of improving these faults.


The following have also played : G. M. Parnell, J. G. Greenhalf, M. Tye, G. C. Willey, D. T. Howe, B. A. Clarke, M. England.

The following played in the Northamptonshire Grammar Schools County Trial : M. I. Beeby, W. Priest, J. W. Downing, R. J. Allen, G. T. Ridge, D. T. Stevens ; and W. Priest was chosen for the County XV.

Thanks are expressed to all those, both Masters and boys, who have helped in various ways with the organisation of the School Rugby.

Results.

| Sept. 19 | Under 14 XV. v. Kettering G.S. | Away | Lost | 22—11 |
| Oct. 3 | Under 14 XV. v. Rushden Tennyson Rd | Away | Won | 14—12 |
| " 7 | 1st XV. v. Kettering G.S. | Home | Lost | 25—3 |
| " 10 | 2nd XV. v. Kettering G.S. | Home | Won | 11—3 |
| " 14 | Under 14 XV. v. Deacon's Peterboro' | Away | Won | 34—0 |
| " 17 | 1st XV. v. Bedford Mod. Sch. 2nd XV. | Home | Lost | 15—0 |
| " 20 | 2nd XV. v. Northampton G.S. | Home | Lost | 18—0 |
| " 20 | Under 15 XV. v. Northampton G.S. | Away | Lost | 18—0 |
| " 24 | Under 14 XV. v. Oundle School 2nd XV. | Away | Lost | 35—0 |
| " 24 | Under 14 XV. v. Oundle, Berrystead House | Home | Won | 6—3 |
| " 24 | 1st XV. v. Old Boys | Home | Lost | 34—0 |
| " 24 | Under 15 XV. v. Bedford School | Home | Lost | 27—3 |
| " 28 | Under 14 XV. v. Bedford School | Home | Lost | 9—8 |
| " 28 | Under 15 XV. v. King's, Peterborough | Away | Lost | 27—0 |
| " 28 | 2nd XV. v. King's, Peterborough | Home | Lost | 12—0 |
| " 28 | Under 15 XV. v. King's, Peterborough | Home | Lost | 11—6 |
| " 28 | Under 14 XV. v. King's, Peterborough | Home | Drawn | 0—0 |
First Round, October 26th.

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House Matches.

1st XI.

This last season has not been a discouraging one even though the matches won numbered only two. We only lost one match and many of the drawn games finished up more in our favour than against us. It was a young team and, generally, throughout the season they played with a fine spirit, never letting the opposition get completely on top, except in one instance, and always going all out for a result. It was not their fault that on several occasions they failed to achieve their object.

During the second half of the season Stevens suddenly came into his own as a batsman, showing a dour defence when required, but when attacking, revealing a good variety of scoring shots.

Yet, undoubtedly the best performer of last season was R. J. Wills, still under 15, but revealing a grasp of the game and an understanding of the finer tactical points seldom seen in a youngster. His best performance was his 9 wickets for 17 against Deacon's
School at Peterborough, and it was most unfortunate that his superb effort did not bring him the coveted 10.

Many of these young players gained valuable experience last season and we can look forward to next season with confidence.

The following represented the 1st XI.: Hyde (Capt.), Priest, Redman, Evans, Stevens, Peacock, Wooding, Whiffing, Wills, Abbott, Buckby, Hunt, Thompson, Sherwood and Parker.

1ST XI. RESULTS (second half of season).


v. Kettering G.S. 1st XI.  Drawn.
   W.G.S. 96 (Whiffing 15, Abbott 13, Evans 13).
   Kettering G.S. 70 for 5 (Stevens 4 for 22).

v. Deacon’s, Peterborough.  Won.
   W.G.S. 95 (Stevens 33, Hyde 18, Evans 12).
   Deacon’s 60 (Wills 9 for 17).

v. Old Cytringanians.  Drawn.
   W.G.S. 97 for 6 dec. (Peacock 17, Stevens 34 not out, Wooding 16).
   Old Cytringanians 76 for 8 (Wills 5 for 26).

v. The Masters.  Drawn.
   The Masters 148 (Mr. Davies 50 (ret.), Mr. Wrenn 25, Mr. Jay 15).
   W.G.S. 145 for 5 (Evans 60, Stevens 50).

1ST XI. AVERAGES.

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HOUSE MATCHES.

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THE MASTERS MATCH.

The Masters batted first, the innings being opened by Mr. Nicholas and Mr. Davies. The School started well with an early wicket, but, helped by some bad fielding, a spate of fast scoring followed administered by Messrs. Davies, Sparrow, Butterfield, Wrenn and Jay, Mr. Davies remaining longest for an entertaining half-century. After Mr. Jay’s wicket had fallen the innings soon closed, the total realizing 148.
The School were given the same time to make the runs. The School had to get these runs faster than in any previous match in the season. Stevens and Evans opened and both scored half-centuries in good style, batting nearly one hundred minutes for their 112 partnership; this scoring was fast but it had to be increased towards the end for a positive result. Peacock, Priest, Wooding and Wills followed with some strokes of rather unconventional quality in order to score quick runs.

The match finished with the School 3 runs in arrears and 5 wickets to fall.

UNDER 15 XI.

The Under 15 XI completed a successful season, winning 6 matches out of 10 with 2 drawn. In the last two matches, and particularly in that against Bedford Modern, excellent bowling was supported by some forcible and very forthright batting. Thus was brought an exciting victory against Bedford by scoring 76 runs in under the hour.


Colours were awarded to: R. Brown, R. Byford, A. J. Carvell, M. R. Dilley, P. J. Thompson.

RESULTS.


June 30th. v. Oundle. Lost
Oundle 138 for 4 dec.
W.G.S. 75 (Carvell 50 not out).

July 8th. v. Bedford Modern. Won.
Bedford 73 for 8 dec. (Dilley 4 for 31, R. J. Wills 3 for 30).
W.G.S. 76 for 2 (Byford 24 not out, Thompson 28 not out).

July 22nd. v. Kettering G.S. Won.
W.G.S. 95 for 5 (Byford 42, Brown 21).
Kettering 27 (Thompson 6 for 11).

ATHLETICS.

Our Athletic Fixtures last term were completed with the Triangular Match against Northampton and Kettering Grammar Schools at Northampton on July 14th. After an exciting contest Kettering were first with 144 points, the School scoring 121 points and Northampton 119 points. Good performances were recorded by Barber, Field, Boyd, Miles, Rice, Fensome, Rigby and Nevett. The last named broke the School Record for the Long Jump, Middle, with a fine effort of 18' 4½".
Barber and Miles represented Northants. in the Schools’ Inter-County Athletic Championships at Uxbridge on July 17th—18th.

All members of the Athletic Team will be expected to resume regular evening training as from the beginning of next term.

SWIMMING SPORTS.

WILBY LIDO, JULY, 1953.

Our swimming this year suffered a late start owing to poor weather but with a good week prior to the Sports, for the completion of the Distance Swimming, and a fine day on the 21st, there was some good swimming on the whole.

The Dragons took a clear lead with the points awarded for Distance Swimming, and the Sports showed from the very start that they were going to improve their lead considerably. Each House ought to follow their example and make sure that every swimmer available completes his maximum distance. As an early reminder for next year here are the points awarded for the respective distances.

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Gryphons and Stags fought for second place up to the closing Relays, which give a generous number of points for 1st place, but the Lions were not given the opportunity to be anything more than good losers.

RESULTS.

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**HOUSE NOTES.**

**DRAGONS.**

*House Masters:*

Mr. C. A. Pine, Mr. A. E. Sparrow, Mr. C. J. H. Ward,
Mr. A. Leftwich.

*Head of House: M. I. Beeby.*


We would like to welcome all new Dragons and hope they will
do their utmost to maintain and strengthen the reputation the House
holds in the School.

In last term's Cricket Competition, though every Senior Match
was lost, the games were thoroughly entertaining from every point
of view, and no sleep was apparently lost on our being placed fourth.
As was expected, the House Swimmers carried off the Cup for the
fourth consecutive year and it looks as if it will remain in our possession for many years to come.

In the First Round of the Rugby Competition our Seniors, a very unbalanced team, played very well but lost to a keen Stags side. In the Second Round the Seniors won their game partly by individual efforts, and the Juniors backed them up by winning theirs too, putting us in the running for the Cup. We must congratulate Dalby on his keen, efficient and effective management of the Junior Team.

The House is well represented in the School 1st XV, the following being regular players: Beeby, Field, Smith, Thompson, Shawley, and Boyce. Beeby and Field were picked for the County Trial, the former being chosen as a reserve, whereas Field had to drop out injured.

At the beginning of term the following appointments were made: Vice-Head of House: T. A. Field. Rugby Captain and Vice-Captain: M. I. Beeby, T. A. Field. Junior Rugby Captain and Vice-Captain: J. Daldy, P. Robinson. Music Conductor: R. Sherwood.

In conclusion we would like to offer the compliments of the coming season to all Dragons, past and present.

GRYPHONS.

House Masters:
Mr. J. E. Dunning, Mr. T. G. Cook, Mr. Riach.

Head of House: D. W. Barber.

House Prefects:
B. J. Tyler, A. R. Evans, R. Westcott, W. Priest.

Since the Summer Edition of this Magazine two Cups have been contested for, the Cricket and the Swimming Cups.

In the Cricket Competition several good performances were noted. In the Seniors, Priest, Wooding and Brown maintained some good batting and were ably supported by the bowling of Evans and Abbott. Two promising cricketers, J. Sharman and D. G. Jones, upheld the standard of play in the Juniors.

For the third year in succession we came second in the Swimming Competition after some great efforts by Wigzell and our Swimming Captain, D. Sharman.

At the time of writing two rounds of the Rugby Competition have been played. In the first round, against the Lions, the Seniors were narrowly beaten, and the Juniors unfortunately lost too. The second round against the Stags suggested a hard task, but this time the Juniors played much better Rugger and won. The Seniors, however, failed to press hard when they held the advantage and gaps in our defence proved fatal.

Special mention must be given to W. Priest who has been selected to play for Northamptonshire Schools' against Warwickshire and we wish him the very best of luck.
LIONS.

House Masters:
Mr. R. V. S. Ward, Mr. J. H. Butler, Mr. J. Butterfield.

Head of House: G. T. Ridge.


House Prefects: C. R. Turner, R. J. Allen, R. Blackwell (Secretary).

Since the last Magazine was published we completed our victory in the Cricket Cup by a draw with the Stags Seniors in the final round. However, before the end of the term the Swimming Competition was held and we did not do so well, finishing fourth, a performance which has become far too regular in this Cup.

At the end of term we said goodbye to Whiffing, Redman and Towers and we wish them every success in the future.

At a House Meeting at the beginning of this term, G. T. Ridge was appointed Head of the House in succession to J. A. Whiffing. Ridge also became our new Rugby Captain with Tunney as Junior Captain.

The only inter-house events this term have been the first two rounds of the House Rugby Cup. In the first round we had a double victory over the Gryphons and were the competition leaders. However, our hopes of winning the Cup received a severe blow when both the Seniors and the Juniors were beaten by the Dragons in the second round. To win the trophy outright we must take 10 points from the Stags and the Dragons must lose at least 5 to the Gryphons.

We congratulate all Lions who won General Certificates of Education at Ordinary or Advanced Levels in the Summer, and we wish good luck to those attempting to do so this Christmas.

In conclusion may we wish all Lions a Merry Christmas and Good Luck in 1954.

STAGS.

House Masters:
Dr. A. Jackson, Mr. H. C. Phillips, Mr. J. W. Davies.

House Captain: D. Priestley.

House Prefects:
D. Priestley, P. A. D. Mayes, J. W. Downing, G. Jolley,
D. A. Harris (Secretary), D. T. Stevens, P. F. Waller.

At the end of last term the Stags held the Rugby Cup, Henson Relay Cup and the Appleby Music Cup. We were second in the following Cups: Cricket, Mile, Athletic and Cook Cup for Dramatics. The Stags were third in the Swimming Cup, P.T. Cup and Bradshaw 100 yards Cup.

At the beginning of this term a House Meeting was held at which D. A. Harris was appointed Secretary. D. T. Stevens was appointed Rugby Captain with J. W. Downing as Vice-Captain.
In the Junior Section C. S. Fensome was elected Rugby Captain with D. W. Luck as Vice-Captain. P. F. Waller was elected House Prefect, D. A. Harris and G. Jolley being automatically appointed on becoming School Prefects.

On the sports field so far this term two rounds of the House Matches have been contested. In the first round we won the Senior game against the Dragons. The Junior game was fairly successful when it finished drawn, each side scoring 8 points. In the second round the Stags met the Gryphons. The Senior game proved successful for the Stags because we beat the Gryphons. We lost the Junior game, however, by the narrow margin of one try, the only one scored.

We congratulate all Stags who were successful in their General Certificate of Education at the Advanced and Ordinary Level, especially our Captain on obtaining a State Scholarship, and we wish the best of luck to all those Stags who are entering examinations soon, or are leaving School.

We welcome all the new boys into the Stags House in the hope that they will prove of value to the House, on the field and in other competitions, and not merely act as spectators.

Finally, we extend Hearty Good Wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all Stags.

PARENTS’ COMMITTEE.

The Annual Meeting of the Parents’ Committee was held in the Library on 29th September, 1953, when new members were welcomed. Arrangements were made for the holding of three Whist Drives, two of which have been held, resulting in a profit of £10-6-8, the other will be held on 2nd February.

£30 was voted for Stage Lighting and £25 for Rolling Stock for the Railway Club.

Arrangements were also made for the Parents’ Meeting on 27th October, and provisionally for Parents’ Day, 1954.

SCHOOL DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

The Dramatic Society will, this year, present “Morning Departure” by Kenneth Woollard. The play will be produced by Mr. J. W. Davies, assisted by Mr. G. W. Cooksey. The following is the cast:


Lt.-Cdr. Stanford, D.S.O., R.N. (Captain of S.14) ... J. W. Downing
Lt. Manson, R.N. (First Officer) ... G. T. Ridge
Lt. Oakley, R.N.V.R. (Navigation Officer) ... B. R. Clayton
Lt. McFee, R.N.R. (Engineer Officer) ... B. H. Whitney
Petty Officer Barlow ... R. W. Edwards
Leading Seaman Hillbrook ... R. Miles
Stoker Marks ... A. J. Carvell
Stoker Snipe ... C. A. Clarke
Able Seaman Higgins (Mess Orderly) ... J. Betts
MEMBERS OF THE SHORE STAFF.

Commander Gates, R.N. ("N" Submarine Flotilla) ... P. A. D. Mayes
Commander Whately, R.N. (Salvage Ship, Devonport) ... J. D. Terry
Captain Fenton, R.N. (Salvage Officer, S. & S.E. Areas) R. G. Allen
Captain Marshall, D.S.O., R.N. (D.N.S. Admiralty) ... C. R. Turner
Brackley (Civilian Clerk in D.N.S. Office) ... J. M. Warwick
Telephone Operators (Day) ... R. Sherwood
(Night) ... C. Fordwood

GYMNASTIC CLUB.

Of the four displays given last year the Club considered the most important one to be the very last, before the whole School. What could be more frightening? We had to call in all our reserves, for injuries prevented some of our star performers taking part, and they rose to the occasion.

The weather was fine. In this respect we were lucky, for it had rained considerably on previous displays. The preliminary exercises proved only what everyone felt, very nervous. With the agilities came confidence and in the box work every boy excelled himself. It was a pleasing finish to a hard term of practice.

This term we have lost many of our original team but there is a good selection of newcomers who will soon be proficient and will soar above the standard set last year.

LIBRARY NOTES.

We are very grateful indeed to P. J. Hawkins (1935-40) for the gift of 50 books of travel. They make a very fine and welcome addition to the Library. We are very grateful too, to Mrs. D. Perkins, one of the School Governors, for the gift of an interesting collection of facsimile manuscripts, mostly letters from famous people in English history, also to B. O. Elmore (1940-46) and P. R. Bilsborough for the gifts of books.

The Library has had a large number of borrowers this term from all the Senior Forms. The Assistant Librarians have carried out their duties very well.

Readers are reminded that books should be returned promptly and handled carefully.

Recent additions include:

- Diole, Philippe ... The Undersea Adventure
- Hinshelwood, C. N. ... The Structure of Physical Chemistry
- Lattimore, O. ... Mongol Journeys
- Albee, R. ... Alaska Challenge
- Maillart, E. ... Cruises and Caravans
- Hunt, Brig. Sir J. ... The Ascent of Everest
- Two more volumes of the Oxford History of English Literature.

A total of 94 volumes.

C. Brereton is Secretary of the Library Committee.

JUNIOR LIBRARY.

M. J. Cherry is Junior Librarian this year.

Gifts of books to the Junior Library would be very welcome.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

At the General Meeting at the beginning of term it was announced that our Chairman, R. Cottingham, wished to resign. The resignation was accepted and D. A. Harris was unanimously elected to take his place. A new Secretary, C. J. Green, was elected.

This term we have changed our meetings from Thursday to Tuesday, and have been busy in Room 14, teaching our new members to develop, print and enlarge. Some new equipment was purchased because we have six new members and our equipment was not sufficient. Mr. Parish gave a lecture on films on November 17th.

We welcome any boys interested in photography to join us on Tuesday evenings.

MUSIC NOTES—AUTUMN TERM, 1953.

The Senior and Junior Choirs are preparing for the Carol Service of Nine Lessons and Carols to be given in the Parish Church on Monday, 14th December. There are several new members in the Senior Choir and it always takes time for the Choir to settle down again after the summer upheaval. However, it is hoped that it will sound like a Choir and not a body of individual singers—the team spirit is essential.

The senior string players, who have been making excellent progress, have been rehearsing Haydn's Toy Symphony in preparation for performing it at the High School Speech Day next term. Five new boys have begun to learn the Violin and they must persevere until they are over the initial difficulties. It is hoped to resume orchestral rehearsals at School next term in preparation for the Annual Music Recital.

The Recorder Group has not met for some time, owing to lack of practice time and lack of enthusiasm. Its place has been taken by a chamber music group.

MALE VOICE CHOIR.

Now in its fourth year, the Male Voice Choir still flourishes, and has performed at a variety of functions in Wellingborough and the district. The standard of performance has been quite good, in
spite of the lack of time available for rehearsal and the small number of members. A few more volunteers from the Senior School would be more than welcome.

PUPPET CLUB.

We have started rehearsing for our new show, and are producing this year the pantomime "Jack and the Beanstalk." Although presenting one or two minor difficulties, such as the size of the giant’s head, and the construction of the miraculous golden goose, it is hoped that the play will prove popular.

A number of first, second and third formers has helped to swell the Club, and they are to produce a Nigger-Minstrel Act, using the somewhat battered "Taxi," now renovated, and much beautified by new paint work.

A member of the Club has once more dragged the inevitable puppet skeleton from its coffin, and this will be presented with other variety items. A pet elephant, complete with howdah, also makes its first appearance this year.

Our first appointment is on December 2nd, and as we are all working hard, we hope for another successful season.

RAILWAY CLUB.

A General Meeting at the beginning of term elected R. A. Leaton as Secretary and B. H. Whitney as Treasurer for the year.

The model railway has already made excellent progress this term in the hands of many new and enthusiastic members. We are now approaching the limits of our extensions as the Hall will hardly hold us now. Much, however, remains to be done.

Our Annual Tea and Film Show will be held on the last day of term, December 18th.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

Officials.

President: The Headmaster.

Chairman: B. A. Ward. Vice-Chairman: P. J. Richardson.

Secretary: D. F. Johnson.

Committee:

Mr. Holmes, B. A. Ward, P. J. Richardson, D. F. Johnson,
R. O. Knight, W. Priest, D. W. Barber.

All but two of the scheduled lectures have been given at the time of writing, the meetings being held on Wednesdays. The attendances have been satisfactory and the standard of the lectures high.

The lectures included two Biological subjects, "The General Aspects of Heredity" by R. O. Knight, and "Evolution" by P.
Murdin, and a very interesting paper by D. R. Moreton on “The Solar System.”

The following Lectures have been given:—

- R. O. Knight ... “The General Aspects of Heredity”
- W. Priest ... “Frozen Foods”
- A. Mason ... “The Internal Combustion Engine”
- T. A. Field ... “Riddles of Science”
- P. Murdin ... “Evolution”
- M. Thorneycroft ... “The Telephone”
- D. R. Moreton ... “The Solar System”
- M. E. Rogers ... “The Gas Turbine Engine”

6TH WELLINGBOROUGH SCOUT TROOP.

We little expected last term that we should spend our Summer Camp at Billing. The weather ruined the Oxfordshire site, and at Billing it greeted us with a thunderstorm, but rain or no rain, we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. Perhaps to avoid backaches when lighting fires in the rain the P/L’s set everybody on to the job of hauling timber and mud for an altar fireplace. The work paid dividends, the cooking was excellent and everybody passed the First Class Test in axemanship.

We congratulate the Camping Competition Team on bringing back the Gilbey Cup again. Fox led a patrol consisting of M. R. Smith, Hunt, Wilson, May and Drage.

Wilson now has his Second Class Badge, and several are now beginning First Class work.

Our Seniors, R. Allen and C. Hughes are now assisting the newly revived 9th Wellingborough Group.

Room 17 did not prove large enough for this year’s Jumble Sale, and the adjoining cloakroom was used as a shoe shop. We are grateful to Mr. Lightfoot, Miss Bavin, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Leftwich and Mrs. Parish for their help in transporting, sorting and selling the goods, which realised the fine sum of £20.

Already a new tent has been ordered in readiness for our increasing numbers. We still have room for a few recruits from the First Form.

STAMP CLUB.

The new term found us without the services of Mr. Jay, who left at the end of the Summer Term. This gap in our ranks has been filled by Mr. Branson, who, although not himself a philatelist, has expressed a genuine interest in the Club’s activities. Mr. Branson has been more than successful, especially amongst the Juniors, in his campaign to swell our rank and file, as is shown by the number of shining new faces on Monday evenings.
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sombrero which unravelled on the way home hung as ropes to remove the hats of Swiss Officials—Grindelwald with its "marathon" attempt to reach the glacier.

For a "mention" we select anonymously the boy who wouldn’t wash, the boys who enlivened the difficult parts of our mountain walks with "don’t forget to turn left" and "I wouldn’t like to come here on a bike," and by name—Leaton, West and Warren for reaching the ice (charge 5/-), Attley for a swim in a glacier lake, Stevens for being bitten by a trout and Priestley for accepting so well a continental embrace in exchange for a bouquet to a Hotel proprietress.

The money and our holiday went too quickly. We left our fine Swiss food and comfortable hotels with regret and laden with souvenir walking sticks, cow-bells and musical boxes we returned, this time via France.

French railways made amends to some extent in supplying "luxury" coaches and a record-breaking journey back.

SIXTH FORM VISIT TO THE POTTERIES.

On Friday, September 25th, a party of Sixth Formers and two Masters left the School by bus on a visit to the Potteries. We stopped for a break at Lichfield and arrived at the five pottery towns at 1.30 p.m. The party was divided into two groups. One group went to Messrs. Copeland, the makers of Spode Pottery, the other visited Messrs. Doulton, the makers of Royal Doulton ware.

At Copeland’s the china section was inspected in preference to that of the pottery. Amongst the processes examined were those of the initial shaping of the utensil on the turning wheel, the firing kilns, and the hand decorating of the finished article; the showrooms provided the prime interest.

Those of our Dartw who visited the Royal Doulton works were first shown around the magnificent showrooms. Here we saw many examples of the bone china made there by the firm. Our guide demonstrated the strength of bone china ware by dropping a plate on the floor and treading on it. We were shown some almost priceless specimens and some of the "Flambé" pottery made only by Doulton’s by means of a secret process. We were told that bone china contained only fifteen per cent. of china-clay and over fifty percent of bone.

We were then taken round the works and were first fascinated by craftsmen throwing the clay on the mould when making plates and dishes. The process of slip-moulding, by which hollow china dolls are made, was explained to us. The liquid clay or slip is poured into a plaster cast of the doll and left for several hours. Water is absorbed from the slip in contact with the cast and only the shell solidifies, the remainder of the slip is then poured out. We were then shown how the pottery is glazed and the gas furnaces in which the china is fired three times. Finally we were taken to the department where the china was decorated. We were surprised
to find that one person completed the whole design on pottery which had many different colours, and that only men painted the faces on the small china dolls whilst the women painted the bodies. During our tour the guide emphasised the fact that none of the Doulton ware is mass produced.

D. W. Barber thanked our guide and then we returned to our 'bus. After picking up the rest of the party, which presented some difficulty, we started for home, again stopping at Lichfield.

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EXCHANGES.

Further opportunities for exchange with French boys will occur at Easter or in the summer holidays. Those exchanging at Christmas will already have made application, but boys are strongly urged to discuss at home the possibility of an exchange at Easter or in the summer, and to give in their names as soon as possible, in any case not later than 8th March for Easter, and 1st June for the summer.

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OLD GRAMMARIANS' ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Geography Room at the School on 13th October, 1953.

Our President, Mr. H. A. Wrenn, was unable to attend and in his absence the chair was taken by Mr. I. J. Nicholas who, on behalf of the Headmaster, thanked the Association for giving prizes to boys winning the Reading Tests.

The Secretary, Mr. R. P. Crawley, reported that membership had increased by 49 members to a total of 372. At 31st August there were 195 life members and 177 annual subscribers, including 49 School Leavers. He briefly mentioned the work of the General Committee during the year to which Mr. D. B. Pratt and Mr. P. H. Norman were co-opted, and the formation of a London Area Branch.

A financial report for the year ended 31st August was presented by the Treasurer, Mr. D. G. Stratton. This revealed £79-3-7 excess of income over expenditure, increasing the balance in the Accumulation Account to £433-14-11. Mr. Stratton stated that the Memorial Fund had been increased to £256-2-11 and cash in hand and at bank amounted to £128-18-10. The meeting thanked Mr. Stratton for his work as Association Treasurer, a position from which he wished to resign in view of his duties as Rugger Secretary.

Mr. G. C. Addis, Chairman of the General Committee, expressed his pleasure on the financial position of the Association and hoped that the year's rate of increase in the number of members would be continued and bettered during the next year.
The Rugger Club was stated by Mr. Stratton to have made progress during the year and to possess a good playing strength for the coming season.

The New Year’s Eve Ball and the Annual Dinner were reviewed by Mr. Tuck who commented on the poor attendances at both events. His Committee were making enquiries regarding the use of the Swanspool Pavilion.

The Tennis Club had had a successful season on the hard court at Wollaston. Attempts to obtain regular use of a court in Wellingborough had failed.

In his report on the work of the Sports Field Committee, Mr. Addis stated that the General Committee had agreed to his Committee’s recommendations concerning the future development of the field. An estimated cost of £1,000 would be incurred in preparing enough ground to accommodate two Rugby pitches and a cricket wicket.

Representing the Rushden Area Committee, Mr. Martin said that he had been unable to form a nucleus of Rushden Area Members who would be willing to assist in social activities.

The formation of a London Area Branch was announced by the Secretary who read a report by Mr. Hanger who had expressed his willingness to organise meetings of Old Boys living in the London Area. They had already held one meeting and would be getting together again on 25th November. Any O.B. in that area would be welcome.

Suggestions to attract Old Boys to an Open Day during the summer of 1954 were put forward at the meeting. These included an Old Boys XI. v. a School XI. cricket match, a dance, tennis tournament, art exhibition and a dramatic programme. The meeting approved the idea of the event.

Following a discussion on the quality and design of the Association Badges and Ties, the General Committee were instructed to explore the possibility of improving them. The meeting closed after two-and-a-half hours business.

Election of Officers and Committee was as follows:

- **Hon. Secretary**: R. P. Crawley, 21, Broad Green, Wellingborough.
- **Hon. Asst. Sec.**: P. J. Hawkins, 8, London Road, Wellingborough.
- **Hon. Treasurer**: M. C. C. Knowles, 107, Gr. Park Street, Wellingborough.
- **Hon. Auditors**: F. B. Fair and J. Darnell.
- **Committee**: W. K. Abbott, 191, Northampton Road, Wellingborough.
  - G. C. Addis, School House, Finedon.
  - G. Bean, 54, Lister Road, Wellingborough.
  - R. J. Brown, 56, St. Andrew’s Crescent, Wellingborough.
  - B. Drage, “Risdene,” Gillitt’s Road, Wellingborough.
  - A. Malin, 68, Gr. Park Street, Wellingborough.
  - M. Martin, 20, Pemberton Street, Rushden.
  - G. C. Neville, 29, Kings Road, Rushden.
  - A. O’Connor, 1, Nene Road, Higham Ferrers.
  - B. R. Phillips, 48, Eastfield Road, Wollaston.
  - D. B. Pratt, 103, Gold Street, Wellingborough.
  - E. E. Tuck, 147, Westfield Road, Wellingborough.
Since the A.G.M. the General Committee have elected Mr. Addis as Chairman, Mr. Tuck as Vice-Chairman and co-opted Mr. B. W. Gautrey, 61, Thomas Street, Wellingborough.

RUGBY REPORT.

The season so far has been notable for the strength of the playing membership of the Club. In past seasons it has often been the reverse and the unfortunate match secretary has found it very difficult to continue to raise two teams.

Fortunately that period has been safely passed and now we can afford the luxury of reserves. We do feel that there is an upsurge of spirit amongst the members of the Club.

The social activities of the Club continue to flourish and our Annual Sausage and Mash Supper has again been arranged.

This season the New Zealand touring side are the visitors to these shores, and it is hoped that our allocation of international tickets will enable us to organise the Club Outing to Twickenham on 30th January, 1954.

The results of the games played to date are as follows:

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BADMINTON CLUB.

This is now the third season of a good strong Club. We have a lot of new faces and most of the old ones.

Nothing spectacular has occurred so far, but we have now got to the stage when we have to have a cup of tea to sustain us through the evening.

We hope to play some friendly games with other clubs during the season. Our playing night is still Mondays, 7.15. If any Old Boy is interested, we will welcome him, 5/- down, and 1/- per night.

The tea is free ! ! ! !

NEWS OF OLD BOYS.

D. Law had a Senior Rugby Trial for Oxford this term.
G. Coles has captained Oxford University "A" XI. at soccer.
R. Shawley plays for St. Peter's Hall 1st XV.
N. R. Redman is on National Service in the R.A.S.C.
N. R. Jackson is working for a leading Liverpool Insurance Company.
P. T. Eden is on National Service in the R.A.O.C.
D. M. Henley has been commissioned as Pilot Officer, R.A.F., and is serving in Northern Ireland.
W. A. Warner, now in the R.A.F. on National Service, has passed his Finals B.Sc. (Eng.) London University.

R. Wallis is commissioned in the R.A.D.C. and has been serving with a Field Ambulance in Korea.

G. P. Beardley is working for the Pharmaceutical Chemist qualifying examination.

M. J. King has passed his Final Part II. examination and is now graduate M.I.C.E.

P. E. Tompkins has been awarded a Class III. Degree in Physics at Nottingham University.

G. Hunter has obtained the National Association of Goldsmiths' Diploma in Retail Jewellery.

G. M. Ford has been elected as an associate of the Royal Aeronautical Society.

D. S. Law and C. P. Daniels are now making frequent appearances for the Saints.