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## ***Editorial***

The difficulty of compiling and presenting any school magazine inevitably stems from the fact that its readers are as varied in age as in interests. A senior boy will smile with smug satisfaction at the photographs, observing complacently his immortal achievements in the field of sport, whilst many a distant Old Boy will look for news of his now-aged school friends. Parents will plough through the vast variety of activities with confused bewilderment.

But surely a school magazine should be more than a record of recent successes and events? Whatever the article, the authors should attempt to be both interesting and constructive. The "Forum" has expanded and this year even a Member of Staff has had the opportunity to express his views.

The amount of change in the School which the magazine reflects is valid only if it means construction and not destruction. Attacking the Establishment for no tangible reason is useless. We need change but let us ensure it is for the better. All over the world young people who have become dissatisfied with the Establishment are resorting to violence to achieve their ends. There are only three ways of reacting to a society which needs to be altered. Revolution, the essence of which is speed and force, is one way. But, as history has so often shown, once force is used to establish ideas, however beneficial, it must continue to be used to maintain them. Escapism is another. Anyone can opt out of society, but this refusal can, at the best, be very frustrating and is completely selfish. Finally, there is evolution, the democratic means—working within the existing framework, retaining the essential and discarding the useless. This is the least attractive, but if more young people do not choose to follow its less spectacular path, Society will be violent and insecure for some time to come.

Applying these principles to school life, we need to be more responsible in our actions. Some of the year's society reports have shown an awareness of the School's failings—our failings—but also a determination to put them right. Let us revive our sense of corporate responsibility. Let us, now and again, put ourselves last and our school or society first. Let us be justly proud of both.

# School Notes

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The deaths of Mr. Truman and Mr. Way during the year caused great sadness to us all and we extend our sympathy to their wives and families. Tribute to them follows these Notes. We also learned with deep regret of the sudden death of Len Pike (1931-6), who was a founder member of the Bath and Bristol branch of the Old Boys' Association. Employed at the Bristol office of Shell-B.P., he was a keen scouter and was Hon. Treasurer of the 256th Bristol Troop. He and his wife were enthusiastic members of the Bath and Bristol Branch. We join with his friends in Bristol in extending deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

In September 1967 Mr. Brown joined the Maths. Department and we wish him a long and happy stay with us and a speedy recovery from his recent illness. Mr. Scott left us at the end of the Easter term to take up a Lectureship in the Training College at Crewe. We thank him sincerely for his many services to the school and wish him and his wife every happiness in their new surroundings. Mrs. Morgan took over his time-table for the summer term, joining Mrs. Southern who had earlier become a member of the Staff to assist with the teaching of History and Geography. At the end of the summer term we said goodbye to Mr. C. S. Davies who is to assume the post of Lecturer at the Memorial University of St. John's (Newfoundland) and to do research in Chemistry towards a Ph.D. We thank him for his contribution to the School and our good wishes go with him and his wife.

Speech Day next term will be on Friday, October 18th, in the Guildhall.

## O B I T U A R Y

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### Mr. A. C. TRUMAN

Members of the Staff who were once his colleagues, boys now in the Fifth and Sixth who were taught by him, and Old Boys in many parts of the world have been saddened by the news of the death of Mr. A. C. Truman. He died peacefully in his sleep during the night of December 21st/22nd, 1967, three years and eight months after his retirement from the position of Deputy Headmaster.

Mr. Truman came from his native Derbyshire thirty-eight years ago to the old Plymouth Corporation Grammar School to teach Chemistry, in which subject he held a First-Class Honours degree. In 1936, he was transferred to Devonport High School and at once established a reputation for devoted teaching and for the highest standards of schoolmastering which the years enhanced. In 1938, he was appointed Senior Chemistry Master and, in 1956, he succeeded Mr. R. Ferraro as Deputy Headmaster. In the twenty-eight years that he was on the Staff, Mr. Truman's interests and

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activities were wide; he was, for example, a Housemaster during the war-time evacuation to Penzance and was, for some years, the Master in charge of cricket. Moreover, Mr. Truman had considerable influence in a wider sphere than the school, through his enthusiastic work for the I.A.A.M. In 1935, he helped to form the Plymouth Branch of the Joint-Four Committee and acted as its Secretary for twenty-one years. He served continuously on the Advisory Committee of the Education Authority from 1939 to 1956. No schoolmaster in Plymouth has ever done more for his profession than Mr. Truman; and the courage with which he overcame the disability resulting from the severe stroke which he suffered during the 1961 Easter holidays will live long in the memory of all who knew him. The School once more offers its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Truman and to their son, John.

### **Mr. W. H. WAY**

The death of Mr. W. H. Way, a few short months after his retirement last summer, following a teaching career of forty-three years, came as a great shock to boys, staff and parents alike.

Mr. Way, who was born in mid-Devon, was educated at Tiverton Grammar School before proceeding to Bristol University in 1920 where he graduated and qualified as a teacher in 1924. He held posts at Burmaston College, Derbyshire, Gt. Yarmouth Grammar School and Taunton's School, Southampton, before joining us in September 1944, during the period of evacuation in Penzance where he and his wife helped in the running of Mount Prospect Hotel, a hostel for some sixty boys.

Soon after the school returned to Devonport in 1945, Mr. Way undertook two tasks which made a great contribution to school life. He became Treasurer of the Parents' Association and proved to be a shrewd and faithful guardian of its resources through more than twenty years till his retirement. He also became Careers Master and was largely responsible for creating and expanding the Careers Department. Countless boys have benefited from the information collected and the advice given by Mr. Way and have cause to be grateful to him for their chosen career.

In spite of his efforts for the school as a whole, it is for his human qualities that "Whip" Way will be best remembered, particularly by junior boys. During their early days in the school they were re-assured by his fatherly presence and they will recall his fund of anecdotes of the countryside and smile at his threatened "Fifty lashes, bring your own salt!" long after they have forgotten the mathematics he tried to teach them.

Apart from his teaching, Mr. Way had a great interest in mechanical things and was an expert repairer of watches and clocks, frequently providing his colleagues with a diagram drawn on the back of an envelope to explain how "it" works.

To Mrs. Way who, knowing the ultimate outcome, nursed her husband with indomitable spirit and courage, and to his sons, Michael and Christopher, who were most attentive to their father, we have expressed our sincere sympathy.

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## SPEECH DAY . 1967

In his Annual Report, the Headmaster, battling jovially and gallantly against the inadequacies of the microphone system, outlined to the packed Guildhall audience some of the many outstanding successes of the past year. A large number of boys had represented Plymouth and Devon in practically every sphere of sport; the school was particularly proud of the achievements of A. Davis, who ran for Great Britain in International Athletics, and Gibbons and Morbey who sailed for England in Poland. Many boys obtained Duke of Edinburgh Awards and Queen's Scout Badges. For the second time, Devonport High won the Devon Public and Grammar Schools Sports—the only grammar school ever to have done so. The School also won the Devon Schools Sailing Championships and the Horley Chess Cup for the fourth successive year. But proficiency at sport was coupled with a remarkable academic record: seven boys gained Open Awards and some fifty had taken up university places. Dr. Cresswell ended his report by paying tribute to Messrs. Angus and Way who served the School loyally for many years.

The Deputy Lord Mayor, Alderman R. A. Hearl, who presided, spoke about the benefits of the new teacher training college to be built at Plymouth. The guest-speaker, Vice-Admiral C. P. Mills, chose to talk at length about patriotism. He urged the boys to choose a career which exercised their ability and was of benefit to mankind.

Proposing a vote of thanks, Alderman L. F. Paul, Chairman of the Education Committee, emphasised the folly of making any changes in the grammar school status of Devonport High in view of "the excellent achievements of this great school". He was seconded by Councillor R. V. Morrell and the School Captain, P. B. Evans.

Items by the Choir and Orchestra provided a pleasant diversion from the speeches and the first performance in public of a work written by Mr. Farrow was well received by an appreciative audience. K.W.S.

### *"The Crimson Coconut"*

People go to a play to be entertained, and everybody enjoys a comedy! This year's curtain raiser was an amusing farce, "The Crimson Coconut", by Ian Hay. John Byrne and Michael Horrell comically portrayed the two foreign anarchists, the Gliserinskys, who wanted to destroy the Bank of England. Clifford Cox and Paul Henderson played Nancy and Mr. Jabstick, her father, respectively. Nancy's boyfriend, Jack Pincher C.I.D., was Michael Russel. Richard Selley played the senile, dim-witted old waiter, Robert. The way in which he dealt with the bomb and the equally troublesome anarchists was the most amusing part of the play.

All good bombs, like the coconut, must explode, and the audience were constantly craning their necks to see where exactly the bomb was. All the stage effects, like the standard of acting itself, were extremely good. If the "Crimson Coconut" was performed to make people laugh and to pave the way for "Androcles", then the cast and Mr. Clayton certainly succeeded.

N.T.

## “Androcles and the Lion”

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The climax of weeks of mysterious rehearsals under that bearded leader, Mr. Clayton, came with the Dramatic Society's production of "Androcles and the Lion". This was a wise choice since "Androcles", with its mixture of naivety, human failing and Shavian humour, provided the group with a chance to entertain the audience whilst improving their acting. Mr. Clayton wisely concentrated on establishing the personalities of the important individual characters. This provided a unifying theme for the serious speeches which preach Shaw's doctrine. But the contrast between the Christians and the soldiers was never effective, mainly because the former were too feeble in their movements. Fortunately the true emphasis of the play does not lie here.

The play opened with a Prologue in which Virginia Hale as Megaera successfully portrayed Androcles' nagging wife. Androcles himself provided an exacting task for Barry Fleet who sometimes had difficulty in identifying himself completely with the childish but likeable character. But he improved as the play progressed and his scenes with the Lion (Timothy Swale-Jarman) were particularly entertaining.

The essence of the first act is the Lavinia-Captain relationship. Daphne McKenzie's quiet portrayal of the free-thinker, Lavinia, was impressive and her studied change in movement and tone of voice captured every varying mood. Graham Terry's Captain was dignified and reserved and his build helped to create the romantic hero. Perhaps he was too stiff to succeed completely. Brian Harvey gave a short but convincing portrayal of the dissolute Roman nobleman, whilst Ross Morrell, in a similar rôle as the debauched and weak-minded Spintho, was suitably cringing and self-centred. In strong contrast, David Pinwell's stentorian tones compelled obedience from everyone and his pungent remarks made him an "Alf Garnett" of the Roman Army. Ferrovius was another commanding figure and David Couch's stern appearance reinforced his religious zeal. Yet, true to the play, he was most natural when later he forsook the cross for the sword.

Shaw's play is concerned with Imperialism and so it was fitting that Alan Murray's very successful portrayal of the Emperor should dominate the play, providing a climax to the good acting of the rest of the cast. His gesture and tone captured exactly the dissolute blindness which conveys so clearly Shaw's criticism of Imperialism. Obviously the outstanding performance!

"Androcles'" success was founded upon teamwork and this was apparent backstage under Mr Osborne's management. Mr. George's setting was, as usual, effective and authentic. Thanks are due to Mr. Attewell and to the Ladies' Committee for their invaluable work. "Androcles" was another success for the actors that Mr. Clayton has trained from the Junior School, and in congratulating them all we look forward to next term's production of "The Tempest".

S.N.W

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# C A R E E R S

The School year 1967/68 has seen a reorganisation of the Careers Department due to the advent of a file index system for careers literature which was produced by the Central Youth Employment Executive and the Careers Research Advisory Council. The work of labelling and refileing has been going on steadily during the past three terms and a stage has, at last, been reached at which it is an easy matter for any boy to find quickly for himself the most up-to-date information on virtually any career he wishes to know about. To supplement the information available in the booklets and pamphlets, the School has close links with the Youth Employment Officer as well as with the banks, insurance companies, industrial and business concerns in the neighbourhood, and with local firms of accountants, architects, surveyors, etc. As a result, no boy need find himself ignorant of the opportunities available either locally or nationally—the Careers Room is open each lunchtime and I am always happy to arrange to discuss matters with any boy who wishes to see me.

In the local press last term was published a letter which suggested that the pupils from grammar schools were somewhat restricted in their choice of careers compared, for example, with some of the more recently established secondary schools. It might be of interest, therefore, to publish the statistics of the 101 boys who have left from the fifth and sixth forms of D.H.S. during the school year 1967/68.

To: University (Science 19; Arts 18)	37	Student Apprenticeships	
Colleges of Further Education	5	(Post 'A' Level)	3
Insurance .. .. .	1	Management Training	
Banking .. .. .	5	(Post 'O' Level)	2
Accountancy .. .. .	3	Merchant Navy ..	2
Surveying .. .. .	1	Civil Service Clerical	1
Civil Service Executive ..	6	Technical Apprenticeships	
Librarianship .. .. .	1	(Post 'O' Level)	8
Management Training		H.M. Dockyard	11
(Post 'A' Level)	2	H.M. Forces	3
Police .. .. .	2	Others .. .. .	8

## ***The Swimming Sports***

Although Raleigh were in an unassailable position in the St. Levan Shield, they did not approach these sports apathetically and indeed there was a close contest between them and Drake. The lead changed hands at one point, but Drake came out eventual winners.

Four new records were established and individual cup-winners were:

Under-12 Didymus	Under-15 Kneebone
Under 13 Williams and Tooley	Under-16 Davies
Under-14 Hodges	Senior Job

We must thank Mr. Stone for deputising for Mr. Vanstone in organizing the Sports, and all others who contributed to this enjoyable afternoon.

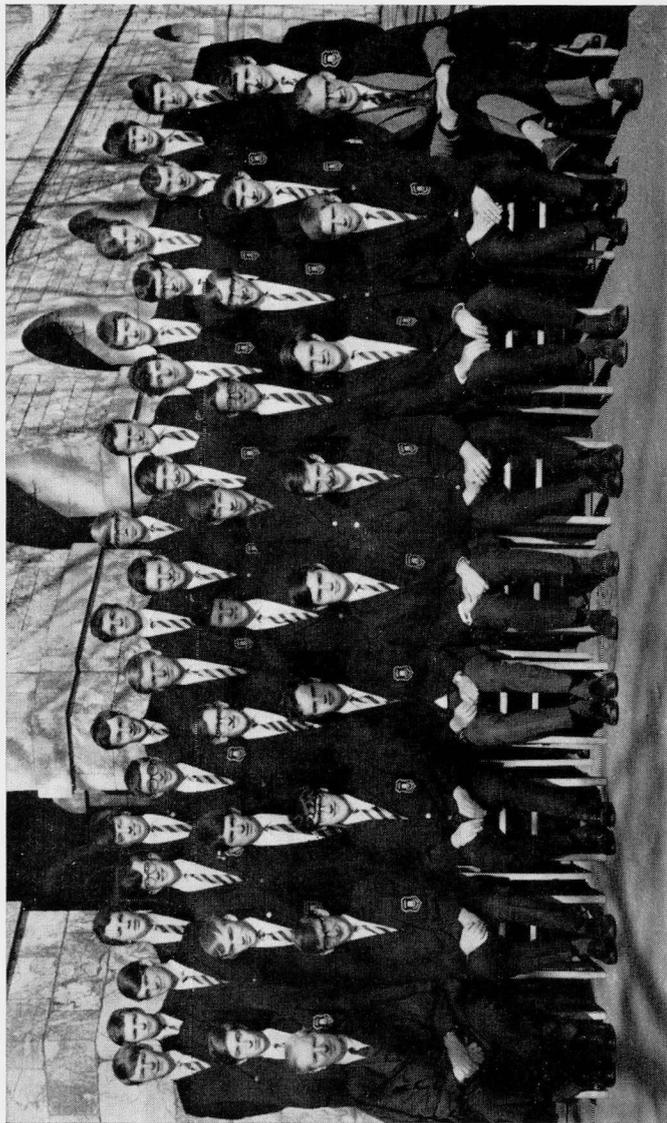
R.M.

## ***Praefecti Valete***

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- K. C. BALL. Gilbert House Captain; Science Society (Secretary). St. Catherine's College, Cambridge (Mechanical Science).
- D. J. BERDINNER. Choir; Orchestra. Selwyn College, Cambridge (Music).
- J. E. COLLINS. House Speech Captain; Head of Printing Group; Librarian. Selwyn College, Cambridge (Philosophy).
- P. B. EVANS. School Captain; Editor of School Magazine; School Librarian; Chairman of Literary and Debating Society; House Speech Captain. Open Scholarship Pembroke College, Cambridge (Economics).
- P. FITCH. Cross-Country; Librarian. Reading (Food Science).
- I. L. FOX. House Soccer Captain; 1st XI Soccer (Vice-Captain); Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award. Warwick (Law).
- P. J. N. FROWDE. School and House Athletics Captain; 1st XV.; All-England Athletics Championship; Cross-Country. St. Luke's College.
- S. B. GREEN. House Swimming Captain; 1st XV. Hotel Management.
- J. V. HATCH. House Speech Captain; Sailing Club; Choir. Reading (Food Science).
- I. G. HOCKING. House Athletics Captain; Cross-Country Team. Goldsmith T.C.
- R. HORE. Southampton (Botany).
- K. J. HOWARTH. Sailing Club Captain. Manchester (Mechanical Engineering).
- M. R. JAMES. 2nd XV (Vice-Captain); House Athletics. Insurance.
- P. C. JARROLD. Raleigh House Captain; 1st XI Cricket; 2nd XI Soccer; School Athletics. Southampton (Mechanical Engineering).
- J. L. LOWE. School Vice-Captain; Grenville House Vice-Captain; House Speech Captain; Scouts. Aberystwyth (Bio-Chemistry).
- P. D. MARTIN. School Cross-Country (Secretary); School Athletics; House Athletics Captain; Scouts. Reading (Computer Science).
- J. R. L. ORCHARD. 1st XV Captain; 1st XI Cricket; Queen's Scout; Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award; Athletics. Reading (Cybernetics).
- G. PEARN. Choir. Imperial College, London (Civil Engineering).
- K. ROE. Gilbert House Vice-Captain; 1st XI Soccer (Captain); House Soccer (Captain); A.T.C. Bristol College of Commerce.
- C. SEARLE. Gilbert House Secretary; School Chess (Captain); House Cricket and Chess (Captain). Sussex (Electronic Engineering).
- G. K. SIMPSON. School Vice-Captain; Grenville House Captain; 1st XV (Vice-Captain); 1st XI Cricket (Captain); House Rugby and Cricket (Captain). Liverpool (Hispanic Studies and French).
- R. H. SYMONS. Drake House Captain; Chairman of the Debating Society; Librarian. Liverpool (Hispanic Studies and French).
- M. C. TRUGG. Athletics Team; Science Society. Hull (Electronics).
- R. M. WALTERS. House Cross-Country Captain. Articled Accountant.
- T. A. EDWARDS. Sixth Form Project (Chairman). Retail Management.
- R. C. SAWLE. Cross-Country (Captain); Athletics (Secretary). Whitelands T.C.

(Careers in many cases subject to examination results.)



PREFECTS 1967-68

*Back row (left to right):* R. J. Jenkins, P. J. N. Frowde, K. Roe, C. Searle, D. G. Axworthy, D. J. Berdinner, K. W. Stevens, P. C. Jarrold, H. B. Beake, I. L. Fox

*Second row from front:* B. J. Ireland, R. S. Foster, J. C. Chapman, R. Hore, T. A. W. Edwards, D. R. O'Leary, P. D. Martin, R. M. Walters, I. F. Rickard, M. R. James, P. G. Williams

*First row from front:* J. V. Hatch, C. J. Luckraft, S. F. Findisley, C. R. Mercer, K. R. Trethewey, M. Hancock, R. C. Sawle, A. Stander, S. N. Wyatt, G. Pearn

*Front Row:* Mr. H. Mallinson (*Senior Master*), R. H. Symons, K. G. Ball, J. L. Lowe (*School Vice-Captain*), P. B. Evans (*School Captain*), G. K. Simpson (*School Vice-Captain*), S. B. Green, J. R. L. Orchard, Dr. J. L. Cresswell (*Headmaster*)



# House Notes

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## DRAKE

In 1968, the juniors in Drake House reached their zenith, the seniors their nadir. Had it not been for the lack of House spirit in the upper school Drake would have been in a very good position for the St. Levan Shield, since the juniors triumphed in almost every event, but their attempts were constantly thwarted by the inevitable fourth position in the seniors.

This is especially disappointing because of the work and time put in by all the captains. R. H. Symons proved himself a House Captain of extraordinary drive and ingenuity particularly in his attempts to make the Christmas Charity the success it was. All the other sports captains worked hard to field teams, but the most unfortunate was the Speech Captain, K. Trethewey, now House Captain, who, despite all his efforts, constantly met with determined opposition from various sections of the House. Fortunately the event which gave us second place in the St. Levan Shield, the Swimming Sports, was the result of a combined effort by both Senior and Junior schools. Perhaps next year the Senior School will put the House before themselves and put much more effort into the House activities.

This year is tinged with sadness for Drake House since this is Mr. Nicholas's last year as House Master and penultimate year in the School. For twenty-one years he has been Housemaster and by never ceasing to show a constant and avid interest in the activities of the House, of which he was very proud, he has given the House members the encouragement needed to achieve the best results.

The finest gift that Mr. Nicholas has left to Drake House is that of democracy. Drake is by far the most democratic of all the Houses and this is due to Mr. Nicholas's belief that the House should be run by its members and not by the Housemasters. Consequently, the House elects all of its captains by a free vote and never have I known any of the captains elected to prove failures.

It is always expected that kind things should be said about a person when he leaves a position whether they are felt or not. I can assure Mr. Nicholas that Drake House is genuinely thankful for all he has done in the past and is very sorry to see him leave; we can only hope that his successor will continue the same high standard which he has set and to him we extend our warmest greetings.

What indeed could be a better welcome for our new Housemaster or farewell gift to Mr. Nicholas than for Drake to win the St. Levan Shield in 1969?

A. W. MURRAY, *Secretary*

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## GILBERT

After last year's mediocre performance, it has been encouraging to see the upsurge of determination and enthusiasm that has taken place this year, particularly in the junior section of the House.



tively. In the Speech Contest we lost second place by half a point but due to the system of points allocation it cost 4 points in the House Championship.

Under Green's captaincy we came first in the Rugby Championship. Much credit must also go to Hoyle who led the juniors to a thrilling 3-0 win over an extremely strong Gilbert side in the very last match of the championship. We came first in the Soccer with Fox as captain, our senior side winning every match with ease. We won the Sailing Competition again, thanks largely to Gibbons. Jenkins captained an unbeaten Senior Cricket side in which there were six players with 1st XI experience. We came second in the Cricket Championship by one point. In Athletics, we went from first place last year to last place this year and it is quite clear that the only way for Grenville to do well, short of producing another Davis, is to amass a huge number of Standards. We finished the year with the Swimming Sports in which various circumstances deprived us of several of our senior swimmers. We came third and praise must be given to Didymus and Kneebone who were individual champions.

Thanks must go to Mr. Warren whose encouragement and advice were always available and also to the whole body of prefects who conscientiously organised the teams. Let us hope that Grenville can adapt themselves better to the new events next year and improve a couple of places on this year's position of third.

G. K. SIMPSON, *Captain*

## RALEIGH

At last, for the first time in over a decade, Raleigh has won the St. Levan Shield. It is depressing to be in a House for several years knowing full well that whatever is done the House will still fail, especially when one realises that it was a lack of enthusiasm as much as talent which was holding us back. However, this year we had both the ability and (thanks to Peter Jarrold's excellent leadership) the desire to win.

Our congratulations go to the Athletics, Cross-Country, Speech, Chess, and Rugby teams, all of which came first in their particular events, and to the Swimming and Cricket teams which both managed creditable seconds. The Soccer and Sailing teams had the will to win, but unfortunately lacked the skill.

Winning a competition is a combined effort and the reason Raleigh succeeded this year was that the whole House made an effort. For example, on Sports Day we already had a substantial lead over our rivals by virtue of the Standards we had acquired. The revised system of scoring for the St. Levan Shield has meant that a much wider cross-section of the House were able to contribute to our success through such events as the Speech Contest. In passing, I should like to point out that Raleigh had no more assistance from the English staff this year than any other House.

Finally I should like to thank the House prefects and deputy prefects and, of course, Mr. Warn—without whose efforts things might have been very different!

R.S.F.

## SPORTS DAY . 1968

In ideal weather conditions, fifteen records were broken and another two equalled. Of these, all but one came from boys in the junior school, and the prospects for the future, therefore, appear extremely good.

The star of the afternoon was undoubtedly K. Griffin, who became the first boy in the history of the school to gain all his standards and break four records. This outstanding young athlete set up new records in the under-14, 100, 220, and triple jump; for the third successive year, Griffin also established a new long jump record, beating the old record by nearly a foot. In the same age group, R. Selley and I. Towlson each created two impressive new records.

The Victor Ludorum Cup was shared by P. Frowde and S. Tindsley, while the Treseder (senior runner-up) Cup was won by A. Parsons. Raleigh won the House Shield comfortably, and, in a very exciting finish for second place, Drake just managed to scrape home by two points from Gilbert.

Other winners were:

- Under-15 Championship Cup: L. Elliott (20½)
- Under-14 Championship Cup: K. Griffin (30½)
- Under-13 Championship Cup: M. Ball (21)
- Under-12 Championship Cup: P. Bishop (21½)

We were honoured by the presence of the C.O. of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Lt.-Col. Mitchell, who presented the awards, and our thanks go also to all others who contributed towards making this such a memorable occasion. R.M.

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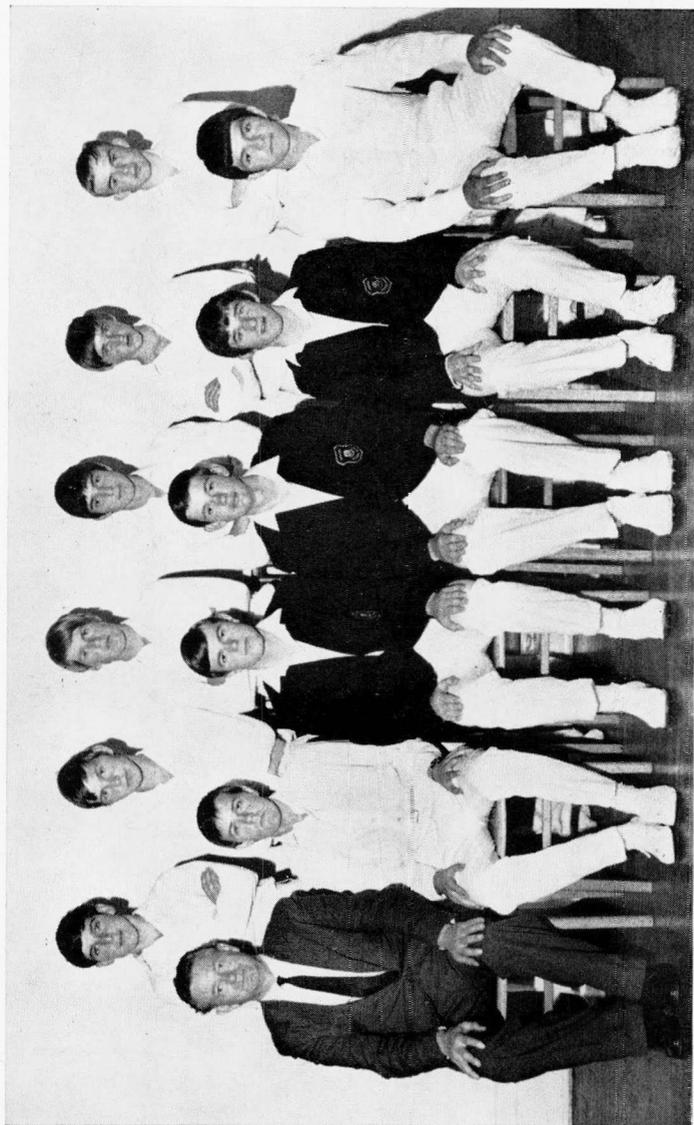
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*Middle row (standing) :* J. G. C. Ash, G. L. Dawe, S. J. Hawkins, A. Frowde, G. Waugh, R. C. Goddard, R. T. W. Harris  
*Sitting :* Mr. W. Nash, P. D. Martin, S. F. Tindsley (*Vice-Captain*), P. J. N. Frowde (*Captain*), R. C. Sawle (*Hon. Secretary*)  
A. Parsons



1st XI CRICKET 1967-68

Back row (left to right): F. W. Prosser, R. C. Skinner, P. J. Mercer, K. J. Hyatt, J. G. C. Ash, C. J. Luckcraft  
Front row: Mr. F. Wayne, A. Ferrett, G. Waugh (Hon. Secretary), G. K. Simpson (Captain), G. A. Luff (Vice-Captain), S. F. Tindsley

## *The Music Society Concert*

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A neat arrangement of "Full Fathom Five" opened the Annual Concert held in the School Hall. However, the choir were unable to strike unison with ease and the somewhat abrupt ending surprised the audience. In two more songs later in the programme, they were rather patchy and obviously under-rehearsed. Three movements from "Handel's Water Music" proved a stiff test for the orchestra. Lack of cohesion marred the beginning, but they improved as the work progressed. Two items for strings followed. In marked contrast to the slow and meditative style of Handel, the lively first movement of "Bach's Double Violin Concerto" gave Willows and Bentley a chance to show their skill. The understanding between the two enabled them to interpret the piece confidently. Trethewey's solo on the guitar was a welcome variation and he was able to show the audience his versatility and skill. Despite the mistakes, the overall effect of this difficult programme was very pleasing. The second and third movements of "Mozart's Clarinet Concerto" provided the highlight to the first half of the evening. Chapman showed a professional command of the instrument as he took the audience through the varied moods of a very entertaining piece.

The second half of the programme opened with music that was in a much lighter vein. A lively rendering of "Capriccio in D Minor" written by Downing, a member of the orchestra, was followed by Three Madrigals. This group belied the secondary position that everyone was ready to accord it and captivated the audience by the freshness and enthusiasm of its singing. The group with the glorious name of First Year Melodica, Harmonica and Glockenspiel completed an amusing departure from the more serious concert items.

A composition by Mr. Farrow, expressively entitled "Short Wind", was the prelude to the last item of the evening, a Cantata of travel entitled "Highways". The first song provided a rather slow but effective beginning which was developed by a polished performance of the second, "Pilgrim's Way". The next three offered extreme contrast in variety of tone and range. The soloist, Trethewey, made excellent use of a good voice. The last two songs rounded off in a gentle and melancholy manner what was undoubtedly the climax of the evening. The choir redeemed its earlier failures with a performance that captured exactly the mood of each song.

The audience's enthusiastic appreciation rewarded the performers for their hours of practice. Thank you Mr. Farrow for a memorable evening!

S.N.W.

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## *The Speech Contest*

This year Mr. Whitfield took active measures to still the perennial imputations of favouritism in the Speech Contest. This did not, however, prevent Raleigh from winning outright, followed by Gilbert, Grenville and Drake in that order.

As ever, the real work took place not on the day, but during the weeks beforehand, when masters and many of the senior boys helped in coaching the competitors. A new system of training enabled all houses to benefit from the sage instructions of all members of the English staff. The high quality of the coaching was especially evident in the choral speaking, where the teams produced individual and effective interpretations of an unusual poem.

In the duologues, the audience was entertained by subjects ranging from germ warfare to a metaphysical parable of temptation, while the original poems revealed unplumbed depths in the upper school. Prepared speeches on such subjects as "Schoolmasters" were lively, if inevitably traditional for the most part, but in the sixth-form speech, Evans and Foster met again in a titanic battle on the subject of "War". Such was their eloquence and passion that even the very able Mrs. Warn, adjudicating, was unable to judge between them.

P.J.G.

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## *The Norway Trip*

Last August, a party of twenty-nine went to Norway for a fortnight. While six of the more experienced Scouts went off on their own, the rest of us camped for a week at Voss. On journeys to and from this base, we stayed at three different Youth Hostels, and spent one night each way on the Bergen Line's S.S. *Leda*.

The highlights of this holiday were a day's outing to the Sognefjord, a hike up to the snow-line among Norway's impressive mountains, a cable-car trip and daily excursions to Norway's places of scenic beauty.

The main setback was the weather. Although it was not cold, each day had its share of rain. The summer was Norway's wettest for twenty-nine years, but this did not really dampen our enjoyment of the holiday.

We are greatly indebted to Mr. Attewell for the months of preparation which made the trip so successful, to Mrs. Attewell for her encouragement and medical attention, and to M. Cooper, whose services as A.S.M. proved invaluable.

The test of a good holiday is whether it is worth repeating. This one certainly was.

M.V.

# ***Out of School Activities***

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## **THE AERO-MODELLING CLUB**

The formation of the Aero-modelling Club has met with an overwhelming response, particularly from the junior school. A dance was organized to raise funds for a radio-controlled glider which is being built. It is hoped that this expensive project will be completed next term under the guidance of boys from the fourth and fifth forms. We thank Mr. Brown who has supervised the work this year.

R.G.

## **A.T.C.**

This year the Squadron has met with considerable success in several spheres. Flt./Sgt. E. C. Foster has won a Flying Scholarship and an exchange visit to America. We have won the Falcon Trophy for the best squadron in Plymouth, the Plymouth Wing Athletics Trophy by a massive margin, and the Proficiency Shield for the highest average percentage for A.T.C. exams. The Squadron has done very well in cricket and has not yet lost a match. W/O Roe has won a certificate of good service to the Squadron presented by the Duke of Edinburgh. It is with deep regret that we have to report the passing of F/O Bungay who was killed when his Shackleton crashed in the Indian Ocean; we are very grateful to his parents for donating a cup to the Squadron to be presented to the best individual cadet. We did very well in the Sir Alan Lees Trophy, coming third in the southern region. Our thanks go to Flt./Lt. Warren, our Commanding Officer. We feel sure that the Squadron will soon be in possession of the Sir Alan Lees Trophy once again as the Squadron has a very enthusiastic and talented junior section.

K.R.

## **BADMINTON CLUB**

The Badminton Club, which is for sixth formers only, meets on Mondays and Thursday lunch hours. One match has been played, a combined team with Plymouth High School beating Plympton Grammar by 5 games to 4.

Thanks must go to Mr. Nash for provision of the net and gymnasium, and to Mr. Warn, the master-in-charge.

I.H.

## **CHESS CLUB**

This year our Chess teams proved their worth in both city and county competitions, gaining the Devon Under-15 Trophy and being runners-up in the Devon Under-18, the Plymouth Under-18 and Under-15 Trophies. Both the senior and the junior teams had impressive records: the seniors won 20 matches, drawing two and losing only two, while the juniors won 13, drew one and lost one.

Several members of the team achieved success on their own account, many of them representing the county. Finch was runner-up in the Ballard

Trophy while Gross became both Plymouth and Devon under-18 champion. The Christmas Congress saw a number of good results by boys from this School.

The Dinner-time Club prospered under the directions of Searle. Both teams have taken part in a number of friendly matches with the Technical College, Plymouth High, St. Dunstan's and Devonport High for Girls.

Crossley, Gross and Searle were awarded full-colours, Leworthy half-colours. The junior and senior teams were captained by Finch and Searle respectively. Thanks, as always, are due to Mr. Adams and Mr. Milton for their support and help.

This coming year we shall be able to field an almost unaltered senior team and look forward to revenge on our perennial rivals—Plymouth College.  
P.J.G.

### THE CHRISTIAN UNION

In these apathetic times, when schoolboys are all "too busy doing nothing" or else unable to think intelligently, School Societies are usually poorly attended. In this respect, the C.U. has shrunk almost to insignificance in recent years. However, this year we have attempted to alter our stereotyped way of thinking and some measure of success has been achieved. A C.U. should never be a meeting for Christians alone and accordingly this year has seen the welcome attendance of several boys who are not committed Christians but who, nevertheless, have a responsible attitude to life.

In the first term we were helped by some very able speakers to examine the Christian beliefs. The spirit of challenge we tried to inject resulted in a confrontation between Humanism and Christianity which increased the respect for both sides. Then we began to study the application of Christian principles to contemporary problems. "The Church in Society" and "Christianity and Crime" were typical meetings but perhaps one of the most successful was a combined meeting with Notre-Dame which was concerned with the work of the Bath St. Mission. This must be the ultimate test of our Christian Theory. The year ended with a challenge to the Debating Society on the motion, "The Church has no relevance to modern life." A rewarding attendance witnessed a resounding defeat of the motion.

There is a desperate need in the Church to become more involved in society and less concerned with inward-looking problems. Equally the young members of society must face life responsibly. In both we need to think, discuss and learn. It is hoped that the C.U. may continue to unite both roles in this school.  
S.N.W.

### LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

*Deb. Soc. Rep., D.H.S. (Boys)*

Dear Sir,

Yours is one of the worst attended of all School Societies. It would seem that the worst advertisements for debating are (your) debaters with their short, but nevertheless nauseating, speeches. But there would seem to be a deeper reason for the lack of support than the poor quality of debates:

people are no longer gripped by logical discourse. This may seem a strange thing to say in view of the student protests taking place all over the world, but, in fact, the reasoned argument has been surpassed by the slogan. The argument as to whether or not there is any conceivable alternative to the use of force to counter force becomes "Ban the Bomb" or "Yanks go Home."

Hence I was not surprised to find that such issues as "Force cannot be justified" and "We cannot afford subsidies for the Arts" commanded the attention of no more than twelve out of a school of seven hundred. Neither was I surprised (although I was frightened) to observe that you had no regular members from the "Science" side. Perhaps they are more objective about Porton Down than we mere artists.

Of course, the inter-school debates were well attended: but since these consisted mainly of boys making one-line smart remarks in order to impress their girl-friends I did not think that they fulfilled any useful purpose. A debater may approach every problem with an open mouth, but surely this is better than ignoring such issues completely.

Yours resignedly,

R.S.F.

## JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

We began the year rather uncertain as to whether a series of debates would be successful, but the enthusiasm and drive of our members, particularly the first-formers, changed doubt into delight as each debate turned out better than the previous one.

By far the best supported of our items were the inter-school debates. These were held twice each with Stoke Damerel and Devonport High for Girls, and once each with Plymouth High and St. Dunstan's.

We discussed a varying range of subjects all of which were well received, and we hope that next term even more boys will attend our meetings.

Finally I would like to thank the committee (Scoble, Wood, Lawrence and Runnalls) for their fine example and also Mr. Bowden for his invaluable assistance.

I.F.R.

## THE LIBRARY

This School is fortunate in possessing one of the largest school libraries in Plymouth. Its extensive resources provide boys with a wonderful opportunity to enlarge their experience. But, unfortunately, this year has reaffirmed that the boys of D.H.S. have not yet learnt the value of reading. The Junior School's attitude to the library seems to vary from avid scrutiny of Punch cartoons to the pleasing hobby of baiting the librarian on duty. The Senior's use of the library is confined almost exclusively to examination requirements. They have apparently failed to appreciate the difference between knowledge—the accumulation of verifiable facts from an encyclopaedia—and wisdom—the ability to make judgements based upon experience.

Yet reading is an essential element in experience. Everything that a boy reads makes an impression upon him, influencing his decisions and reactions. The more he reads poor material that encourages sentimentality

and a lax, unthinking acceptance of experience, the less he will be able to make responsible decisions.

No one should read solely as a means to an end, whether that end be passing 'A' Levels or broadening his experience. The latter is a by-product which reading brings but boys should be encouraged to read primarily because they want to. In an exciting search to quench their thirst for knowledge they become more fully individual.

It is in this respect that we in the library have failed to counter the pressures caused by the present educational system. Next term we intend to make a greater effort to encourage more intelligent and spontaneous reading. We appeal to the School to accept our efforts and to reap the benefits of true reading.

S.N.W.

#### GYM CLUB

This Club has met every Friday after school, and is confined to the Junior School. It is hoped to extend the membership to the fourth-form, but the number of boys has to be restricted to about thirty. Several boys have reached a high standard of performance, and the whole Club put on the very successful Chair Trick Display at the Garden Party.

#### WEIGHT TRAINING CLUB

This activity takes place every Monday after school, and is open to the Senior School only. It is hoped that more boys will join, since this activity gives them the necessary strength training for all sports: this applies not only to boys in School teams, but also to those who find their general development below average.

#### THE ST. LEVAN PRESS (School Printing Group)

In practising the art of printing, boys learn to appreciate more fully the importance of communicating information logically and coherently. The elaborate care and thought which is devoted to producing any printed literature inevitably creates an all-important ability to select and criticize reading matter wisely.

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K.W.S.

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## THE RAMBLING CLUB

Despite the promise of the Club's display at the last Garden Party, it has been less active this year because of foot-and-mouth restrictions and bad weather.

The autumn term saw two most successful hikes in the usual tradition of adequate organisation, and bad weather. The first was from Bittaford to Yelverton, via the Erme valley and Duck's Pool: the second went from Princetown through Hexworthy and the Dart valley to Buckfastleigh.

For the organisation, thanks are due to Mr. Dodd, and to the leaders, Hancock and Evans. Although a year ago the Club's survival was endangered by lack of members, lively propaganda directed at the fourth and fifth forms resulted in an increase in membership, and it is likely that next year will see a revival in the Club's fortunes.

J.C.C.

## THE ROAD USERS' SOCIETY

The Road Users' Society has been formed for owners of motor vehicles in order to improve driving standards and provide assistance with maintenance. Although Mr. Davies, who has helped enormously this year, is leaving, we hope that meetings will start next year under the guidance of Mr. Bowden.

I.H.

## SAILING CLUB

This year the School Sailing Club led by Howarth and Pike have again managed to race very successfully. Notable successes can be attributed in the main to Hatch and Langmaid who have been well placed in the Tuesday points series and in the Saturday races.

The competition for the Helmsman's Trophy produced one of the most closely fought contests for several years, resulting in Morbey winning the trophy, with Ratcliffe and Bailey being placed second and third respectively.

We thank Mr. Collenette and Mr. Davies for their help in encouraging all members to race regularly, and Mr. Southern and Mr. Brown who enable members to sail on Saturday mornings. We are sorry to lose Mr. Davies, and shall most certainly miss his enthusiasm and encouragement. We all wish him well in the future.

A.F.

## SCIENCE SOCIETY

It is customary to start this report by congratulating the Society on having the largest membership of any in the School. However, mere numbers mean nothing if many members take no part in the activities, and this has regrettably been the case in recent years, since people have paid the membership fee only to be able to write "Science Soc." on their U.C.C.A forms. We can only hope that future years will see a decline in this practice.

A vigorous branch of the Society has been the Electronics Club, under the expert and enthusiastic guidance of Mr. Milton, which has this year undertaken several ambitious projects.

Lectures have been always interesting and often enlightening if sometimes confusing, and we must thank Mr. Angus for returning to give a

fascinating talk on "Chemiluminescence", and Mr. Hurrell, the naturalist and broadcaster, for his annual talk which has become a regular highlight of our year.

There have been visits to the firms of Bellows Valvair, Ranco, and Fine Tubes Ltd. We thank the Masters who accompanied these parties, and especially Mr. Poole, the treasurer, for his guidance and encouragement throughout the year.

A.S.

## SCHOOL SCOUT TROOP

After an enjoyable camp on Exmoor last summer, it was not long before we again ventured on to Dartmoor. Both teams in the "Abbot's Way" walk completed the very damp, difficult course. In October, we did extremely well in the Scouts' Cross-Country Championship but the foot-and-mouth epidemic held up Ten Tors training and prevented our annual New Year pilgrimage to Believer. Once restrictions were lifted, however, training began in earnest.

At Easter the troop held a four-day camp at Clearbrook, and by Whitsun the Ten Tors team felt ready to meet almost anything the moor could offer. The team members, D. Ball, P. Ireland, R. Taylor, A. Crossley, G. Young and N. Taylor were surprised and delighted when they arrived home first.

This has been our first year in a new Scout organisation. New uniforms appear every week and new, well-earned badges soon follow. We have, for the second year in succession, won the Scouts' Sport Trophy, but we have lost Mr. Attewell. We are deeply grateful for all his help and hope he will not sever his close ties with the Troop. M. Cooper and P. Martin must also be sincerely thanked for their tireless assistance, without which we could never have functioned properly.

Patrol Leaders: N. Taylor, D. Ball, P. Ireland, A. Crossley.

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## *The Tennis Club*

The Club has had rather an unlucky season, having been plagued with cancellations and bad weather.

At the opening of the season we were knocked out of the Plymouth Schools' Cup by the holders, Plymouth College, but then gained a convincing 5-1 victory over H.M.S. *Fisgard*. Two of our best performances were against St. Luke's when we improved on the "clean sweep" defeat of last season with scores of 2-7 and 3-6.

The tennis team this year has consisted of varying combinations of Willcocks (Captain), Craig, Williams, Bailey, Bentley, and Dawe, together with Grove and Palmer. Next season we look forward to maintaining the same team.

As always we are indebted to Messrs. Collenette and Tamblin for their assistance, and also to the Ladies' Committee of the P.T.A. for supplying teas at home fixtures.

L. WILLCOCKS, *Captain*

## The Athletics Club

On Sports Day; Raleigh came first and Drake beat Gilbert for second place in the very last relay. The most outstanding performance was by K. Griffin who made history by breaking four records for the first time.

We did well in the Devon Public and Grammar School Sports and the Plymouth School Sports which were held on the same day. Fifteen boys represented Plymouth in the Devon School Sports and six went on to represent Devon in the S.W. Championships. Frowde, Lightfoot, Gruitt, Towlson and Griffin were selected for the all-England Championships.

In the match against H.M.S. *Fisgard*, we came out on top in a very close match, Martin doing particularly well in the three miles. The School recorded a 20-point win against Truro. There has been tremendous enthusiasm in the junior school. The first year had convincing victories against Plymouth College and St. Boniface College; Didymus did very well in pole vaulting 6 feet. The second year beat St. Boniface and drew with Tamar. The third and fourth year teams had easy victories against Tamar. The inter-form sports were won by 1N, 2N, 3S and 4B. An unusual feature was the three relays from each form.

In conclusion, we thank Messrs. Nash, Stone and Ace for all their work in training and organisation.

R. C. SAWLE, *Hon. Secretary*

## The Cricket Club

An extremely wet summer made this a disappointing season, depriving teams of practice and causing the cancellation of many fixtures. This hindered the 1st XI, which, however, was strong both in bowling and batting with such players as Skinner, Luff, Waugh and Simpson, the captain. Waugh's performance against St. Boniface was one of the highlights of the season. The fielding also reached a high standard. In the annual School *v.* Staff match, a third-wicket partnership of 116 between Luff and Waugh enabled the school to declare at 146 for 3. The Staff started briskly but finally succumbed for 58 all out.

The 2nd XI, ably captained by Mercer, had an enjoyable season, though without a great deal of success.

The Colts XI, efficiently captained by Bennett, had an unbeaten season, and only rain prevented a really outstanding record. Bennett, Douce and Hoyle reached the final Under-15 Devon trial, and the first two were selected for the county side.

The Junior XI, captained by Towlson, had a poor season, and was frequently deprived of the services of Griffin, the side's best all-rounder. Congdon and Ramsay both showed considerable potential. Hope for the future lies in the promise of a very keen group of 2nd form boys and the performance of the 1st year XI, captained by Bolt.

Once again we thank the hardworking Ladies' Committee of the P.T.A. for the excellent teas, and Messrs. Wayne, Clayton and Horwell for their enthusiastic coaching of the teams, and also all the other masters who have umpired matches.

Full colours were re-awarded to Simpson, Waugh and Luff, and newly awarded to Skinner, while Prosser and Tindsley retained half-colours, and Luckraft, Hyatt, Mercer and Ash received them for the first time.

<i>Record</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>Cancelled</i>
1st XI .. .. .	6	3	1	2	6
2nd XI .. .. .	5	1	2	2	6
Colts XI .. .. .	7	5	2	—	6
Junior XI .. .. .	6	1	3	2	6
1st Year XI .. .. .	5	3	—	2	—

G. K. SIMPSON, *Captain*

## The Cross-Country Club

The introduction of cross-country running as a major sport in the School has met with unexpected success. The season began with inter-House races run for the first time since the war. P. Martin and P. Gruitt received winners' plaques donated by an Old Boy, Mr. L. R. Truscott.

The junior team came out on top in the fourth Plymouth Schools' League Race, and the School had comfortable wins in all sections of the Plymouth Schools' Championship. The senior team scored excellent wins in matches against H.M.S. *Fisgard*, St. Boniface's College and Plymouth College, winning every race. In the fifth Plymouth Schools' League Race, the Junior and Intermediate teams supplied the first five runners to finish.

Martin, Parsons, Lightfoot, Gruitt, Bentley and Towlson were chosen to run for Devon in the South-Western Counties Championships, and five boys represented the county in the National Schools Championship.

Full colours were awarded to Sawle, Martin, Parsons and Lightfoot. while Bentley, Sowden and Gruitt received half-colours.

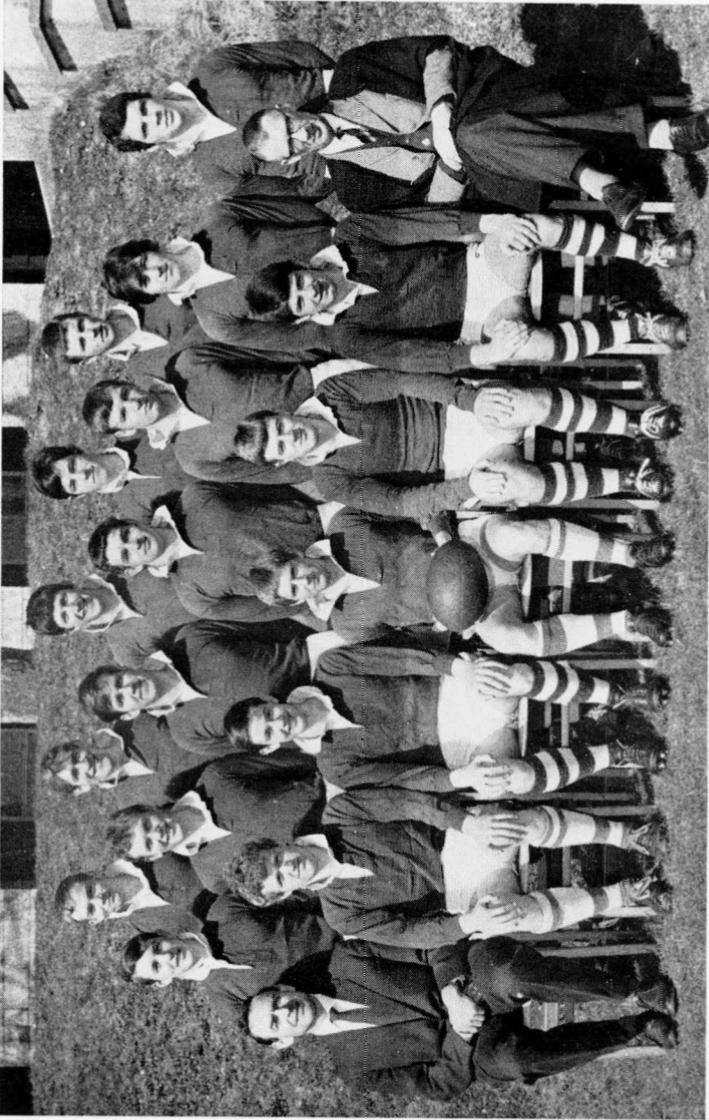
After such a successful year for the School, thanks must go to Mr. Nash for his work in organisation, and to Mr. Ace for his help with the training of teams.

P. MARTIN, *Hon. Secretary*

## The Rugby Club

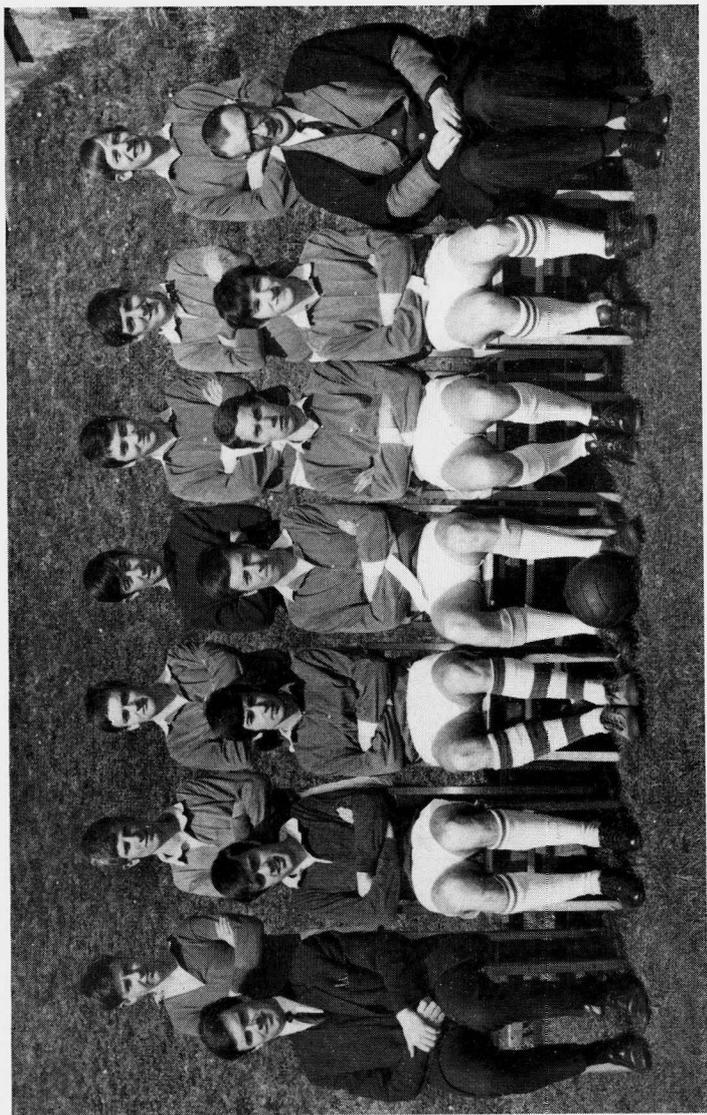
On the whole this has been an unlucky season, the first team suffering several very narrow defeats at the hands of Kelly College, Plymouth College and St. Boniface. There were, however, a number of good victories against Truro, Sutton and D.H.S. Old Boys. The season ended with two games with Welsh schools, played in front of the whole School at the Rectory. These resulted in a narrow 6-12 defeat by a very strong St. Julian's team, and a 9-9 draw with Newport H.S. We thank the parents who provided accommodation for the visiting teams, and the Parents' Association for the teas, and also Mr. Southern for his help.

The 2nd XV, captained by O'Leary and excellently managed by Mr. Horwell, had a good season despite the injuries which seriously depleted the team. The 3rd XV, on the other hand, managed to give over forty different boys a chance of playing during the season. Managed by Mr. Smith and captained by Turner they also had a good year.



1st XV RUGBY 1967-68

*Back row (left to right) :* C. J. Luckraft, C. R. Mercer, A. Frowde, P. D. Stapleton, S. E. Davies  
*Middle row :* P. A. Henwood, B. J. Harfoot, S. B. Green, D. G. Axworthy, R. N. Atrill, S. J. Hawkins, P. J. N. Frowde  
*Front row :* Mr. J. Southern, C. E. C. Herbert, G. K. Simpson (*Vice-Captain*), J. R. L. Orchard (*Captain*),  
G. Waugh, S. F. Tindsley, Dr. J. L. Cresswell (*Headmaster*)



1st XI SOCCER 1967-68

*Back row (left to right):* R. Ferris, J. Skinner, R. Jenkins, P. Tracey, P. Williams, F. Prosser, R. Harris  
*Front row:* Mr. T. Farrow, G. Dawe, I. Fox, K. Roe (*Captain*), D. Trace, G. Luff, Dr. J. L. Cresswell (*Headmaster*)

Though the Under-15 XV, under the captaincy of Bennet, showed no lack of individual promise or enthusiasm, a certain absence of team-work led to a rather disappointing season. The Under-14 XV was at a disadvantage in size compared with most of their opponents, but they also possessed players of great skill, such as the captain, Towlson. Teamwork was added to individual ability in the Under-13 XV, who lost only two matches in an excellent season.

Mr. Stone this year produced not one but three excellent Under-12 teams, all of whom quickly learned to play attractive, open, and incidentally winning, rugby, and did not lose a single match. We wish them similar fortune throughout the School.

Full colours were re-awarded to Herbert, Orchard, Tindsley and Waugh, while Atrill, Axworthy, Frowde, Green, Hawkins and Simpson gained them for the first time. Half-colours went to Davies, Frowde A., Henwood, Luckraft, Mercer and Stapleton.

D. G. AXWORTHY, *Hon. Secretary*

## The Soccer Club

With seven members of the previous season's team available, the 1st XI anticipated a successful season and results show that their hopes were justified. Keith Roe proved a very capable captain of a team which was settled early in the season and remained unchanged. Although defeated by Sutton H.S. in the new Individual Schools' Trophy, the 1st XI deservedly won the return fixture. We congratulate G. A. Luff and R. Harris on representing Devon Senior Schools F.A. v. Cornwall S.S.F.A., and thank Mr. T. Farrow for his enthusiastic guidance throughout the season.

We were pleased to organise a short tour for Urmston Grammar School, who are managed by Mr. M. Ryder, a former captain of our School 1st XI, and we enjoyed our game against them.

The 2nd XI suffered many changes and experienced mixed fortunes. They recorded victories over H.M.S. *Fisgard*, Plympton Grammar, Sutton H.S. and Tavistock School and contain several promising players for next season.

Fine weather in the Spring Term enabled junior teams to fulfil almost all their fixtures. The Under-14 XI were defeated in the final of the Clod Cup by Public Secondary. From this team, K. Griffin, I. Towlson and A. George played in representative Plymouth teams and K. Griffin has been chosen for a course at Bisham Abbey in August.

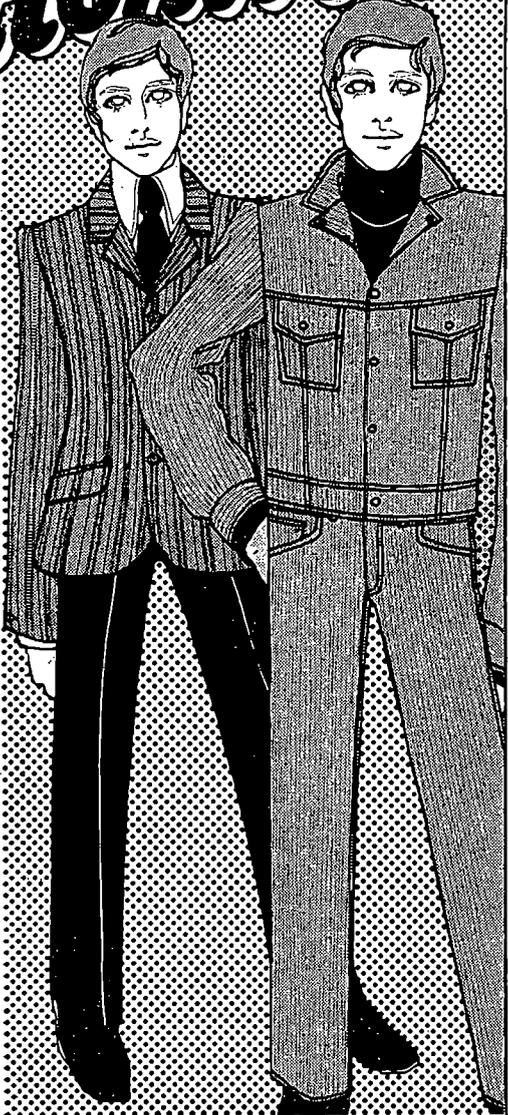
Sincere thanks are expressed to those ladies who provide refreshment for our visitors and to those masters who, by refereeing our matches and accompanying our teams, make the season possible.

<i>Record</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>A</i>
1st XI . . . .	19	15	2	2	104	42
2nd XI . . . .	15	8	1	6	55	47
Under-15 XI . .	7	5	1	1	28	13
Under-14 XI . .	12	8	1	3	58	27
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# ***The Parents' Association***

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Close co-operation between parents and the School has continued through the activities of the Association.

The first events of the School year was the Annual meeting in October, at which Mr. Howarth succeeded Mr. Roe as chairman and Mr. Horwell, from the Staff, was welcomed as treasurer in succession to the late Mr. Way. The business meeting was followed by an illustrated lecture, "Plymouth, past and present", given by Mr. W. Best Harris, the City Librarian, in his usual lively and entertaining manner.

The Whist Drives in November and March each gave pleasure to about one hundred people, though support for them has declined somewhat. On the other hand, the Annual Dance in the Lower Guildhall continues to be a huge success. The number attending the Committee Dinner this year was affected by an unfortunate clash with a similar Old Boys' function but those present found the occasion very enjoyable.

Both "At Homes" were thronged with parents, eager to discuss with Members of Staff the progress of their sons. The problem is to know how to reduce the time spent waiting to see Masters.

Garden Party tradition was maintained with a gloriously sunny afternoon and a host of parents, Old Boys, old friends, former Members of Staff and former committee members joined in a pleasant reunion.

The Association continues to support the School financially, to provide refreshment for visiting teams and to help in many other ways. Our sincere thanks are again due to Mrs. Slatter, who works tirelessly for the School, and to her Ladies' Committee.

The death of Mr. Way brought sorrow to all who knew him, and somehow, to those who worked with him for so long, the Association can never be quite the same again.

## **O.B.A. PERSONAL COLUMN**

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Each year sees a little thinning out of our ranks but each year welcomes a new influx of young Old Boys. May I once again ask you all to keep in touch with us and let us have news of yourself and your contemporaries.

This has been an excellent year in many ways, as you will note when you read the London Branch, the Bath and Bristol Branch and the Parent Branch reports. As always the year brings its sorrows: we shall all miss LEN PIKE but we shall never forget him; he was one of those who founded the Bath and Bristol Branch and he did enjoy the first Dinner held in Bath this year. We must also record the tragic deaths of K. VIRGO and R. BUNGAY and extend to their parents and relatives our deepest sympathy.

We congratulate MURRAY WIDDECOMBE on his appointment as Director of Supplies and Transport in the Ministry of Defence and his C.B. in the

last Birthday Honours. DR. A. W. PEARCE, a Director of Esso Petroleum, on his election as President of the Institute of Petroleum; H. M. HOWARTH (1940-47) on his Ph.D. and Lecturing appointment in Portsmouth; B. J. N. BLIGHT on his appointment as a Lecturer at London University; F. T. HEALEY appointed Captain-in-Charge of H.M.S. *Caledonia*; and GERRY CHAPMAN elected a member of Rochester City Council; IAN TRIGGER for his excellent leading role performance at the Ambiance Theatre; R. E. BURNS on his M.Sc.; and BRYAN GRACIE made Deacon and serving in the parish of All Saints, Whipton.

The following degree results have come to our notice and we congratulate you all: P. SIDDALL 2/2 Hons; R. DAVIES 2/2 Hons; D. LIGHT-FOOT 2/1 and a Research Scholarship; R. BROOKIN 2/1 Hons, now with Unilever; J. R. SHEARER 2/2 Hons, going on to a Dip. Ed. at Makerec College, Uganda; P. HOPFORD 2/1 Hons, going to America to take a further degree; P. CRESSWELL 2/1 Hons, going to York to do Research; D. BEST HARRIS 2/2 Hons, going on to a Dip. Ed. at London; A. NEWAY 1st Class Hons, joining the Australian Civil Service; A. MARSDEN 2/1 Hons, going on to a further degree in Medicine at London; P. BENTLEY 3rd Hons, going on to Medical Physics studies; R. J. BOX 2/1 Hons, joining Ferranti; R. W. C. COSE 2/1 Hons, returning to do Research; N. S. DAWE, 2/1 Hons; A. J. KIRBELL 3rd Hons; J. M. HARDING 2/2 Hons, entering Industry; A. M. TAYLOR 3rd Hons, going to America; R. STEPHENS 2/1 Hons; J. DENNERLEY 2/1 Hons, also going to America; C. TUCKER 2/2 Hons, going on for a Dip. Ed.; J. A. LARGE 2/1 Hons; D. W. RABEY 2/2 Hons; R. W. FORD now joining Rank, Taylor, Hobson; and C. JOHANNSEN 2/2 Hons.

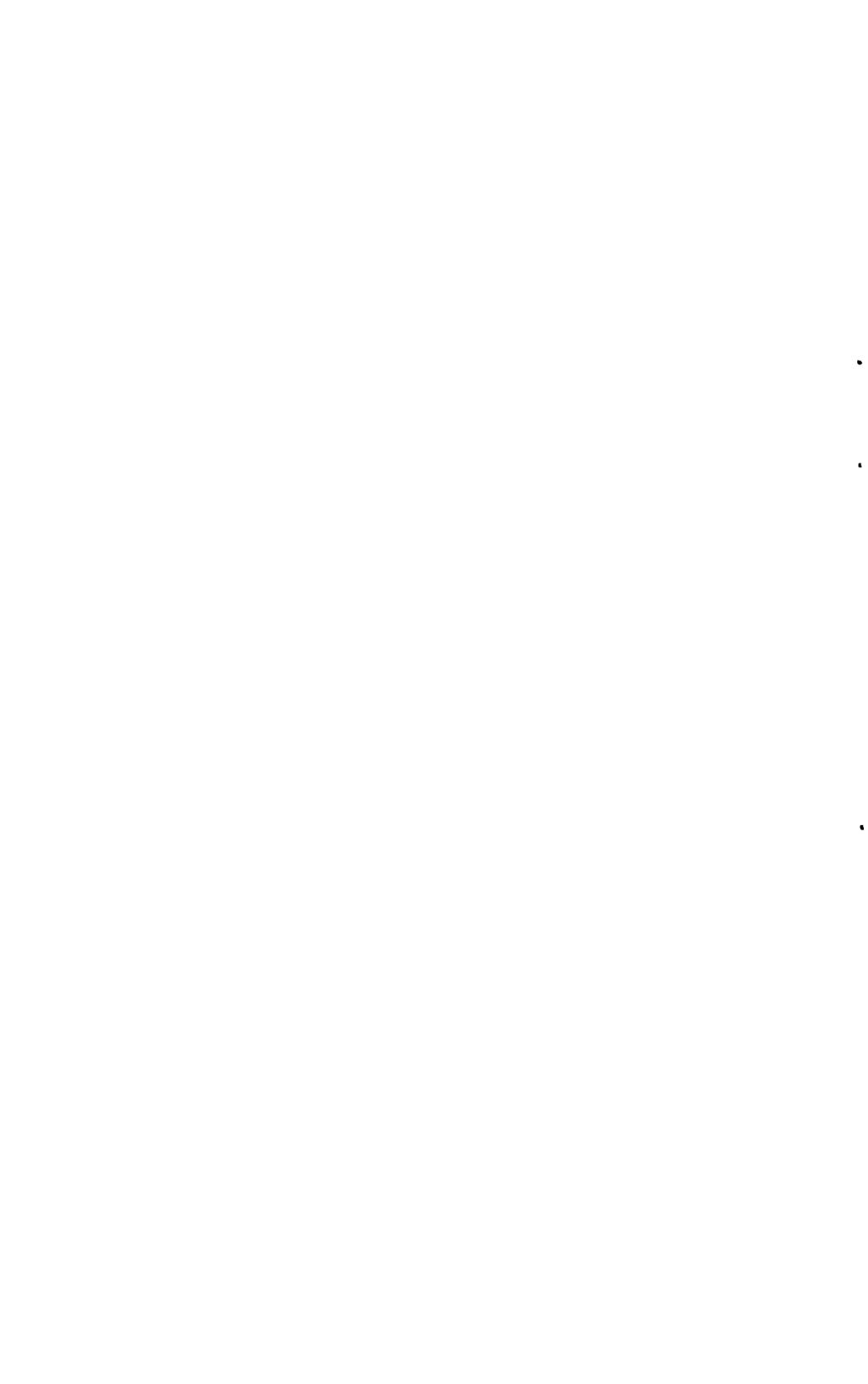
We have also news of:

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| <p>MAJOR B. R. FOX now stationed in the London Area.</p> <p>H. B. EVERY (1929-34) has moved to Thames Ditton.</p> <p>F. K. DUKE (1927-35) has returned from overseas and is working at Salisbury.</p> <p>MIKE HOWARD (1957-64) is a trainee brewer with Whitbreads.</p> <p>M. WOODWARD (1954-61) is enjoying teaching and playing regularly for Bedfordshire.</p> <p>K. LENNON (1961-67) is now a cadet with the Metropolitan Police.</p> <p>P. J. CONGDON (1952-54) is teaching in Birmingham and studying for his M.A. (Education).</p> <p>N. I. BOND (1958-65) after a varied career is now on initial training with the R.A.'s at Oswestry.</p> <p>JOHN HILLS now living in Scotland has met up with Don Hagell (1963-65).</p> <p>A. W. CRIDDLE (1948-56) now a Lieutenant in the R.N. Fleet Air Arm.</p> | <p>P. A. CRIDDLE (1950-58) now a P.O. on board H.M. ships.</p> <p>S. VITTLES, now a Flying Officer stationed in Cyprus, sent us a Xmas card; as did also DANNY DAYMOND from Lusaka, and C. T. BOLLARD from Malta, J. BADGERY and C. DAISH from addresses which I couldn't read.</p> <p>D. J. ROBERTS (1959-64) has joined Dunlop as a trainee manager.</p> <p>LES WILLIAMS (1958-64) is now commissioned in the Royal Marines.</p> <p>MICHAEL LOVELESS (1958-64) was one of the crew of the training schooner <i>Sir Winston Churchill</i>.</p> <p>A. T. ROWE (1961-66) has joined the Devon Police where he has met J. TURPIN and R. DUNBAR.</p> <p>Finally, COLIN GRANT, after 35 years in the Civil Service, has retired. We wish you many years of tranquillity, Colin.</p> <p>J. WITHERS (1961-66) has gone into industry and left the Police Force.</p> |
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SCHOOL PLAY 1968 — "ANDROCLAS AND THE LION"

*Left to right:* D. Mackenzie, D. Pinwell, R. Cose, D. Pink, P. St. John, T. Knight, G. Terry



R. A. HAYES (1953-60) is now with Beechams in the Research Department. He was married two years ago, and that leads us to report that we hear that T. V. LANE, R. PUTT and R. FORD are married. We know ROGER BOX is—he brought his charming wife and daughter to see us. We hear JOHANNSEN is to be

married in September and that DAVID BEST HARRIS is an uncle.

We have had many interesting letters, one in particular from C. J. DUNGEY (1958-60) who is now in Zambia. He strongly recommends a career in Mining overseas to all who enjoy hard work and high rates of pay.

## ***D.H.S. Old Boys' Association***

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D. F. MALLOCH, R. MARSH, J. G. POLKINGHORNE

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Another successful Annual General Meeting in 1967 at the Magnet Restaurant prompted us to book there again this year.

Will all Old Boys make a note of the date—Friday, 27th December, 1968, and pass it on to any Old Boys they meet? This is always an enjoyable evening, with a really excellent buffet supper.

This year's Annual Dinner, the second since its revival, saw a 50 per cent drop in attendance. However, the sixty members and their ladies who attended voted the evening an unqualified success. In his speech our Chairman, Percy Fletcher, suggested that Old Boys should be distinguished by the Headmaster of their era. Thus we would have Tresedians, Simonians, Barkerians and Cresswellians—an interesting thought, indeed.

Whilst our Rugby side have had a more successful season, our Soccer elevens were engaged in relegation battles throughout 1967/8. Unless more Old Boys are willing to play for their own Soccer Club, only one team will be run in future.

The Badminton Club remain the strongest in the district, retaining their hold on the league trophy and the Beckly Cup. Secretary Dave Malloch continues as secretary of the local league.

Letters continue to come from all parts of the world, demonstrating a keen interest in Old Boys' affairs. We are always pleased to hear from those far afield and are often instrumental in putting them in touch with their contemporaries.

Old Boys of the School can now take up Life Membership of the Association. The cost is £10 10s. payable to the Treasurer.

I am indebted to Mr. P. J. Mowan for several Plymouth and London dinner menus from 1932 to 1953. These will be available as a matter of interest when we gather at the Magnet in December. Older members will remember Pat Mowan as a committee member from 1928 to 1953, a very fine record of service to the Association.

The annual cricket match versus the School was rained off, but that versus the Staff was played without rain on St. Swithin's Day! Batting first we made 92 for 5 declared (Terry Davey 21 not out, Rhys Adams 17 and Mike Marshall 13). Despite some fine bowling by our skipper, Vic Woodfield, who took 5 for 15, the Staff put up some stiff resistance and were 39 for 9 at close of play.

The usual gathering afterwards was enjoyed by all present, but many familiar faces were missing this year.

BERNARD GILBERT, *Hon. Secretary*

## ***The London Branch***

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Many considered this year's Annual Dinner to have been the best for some time and the attendance showed an encouraging increase over 1967. The strong representation of the younger element was a particularly satisfying feature.

The weather kept dry for our visit to Trent Park in July, when a gift from the Branch was presented to Dicky and Win Brooks to commemorate their golden wedding. Dicky is not only President but founder member of the London Branch, and often there have been times when, without him, the Branch would have ceased to function. On this occasion we were pleased to have both Dicky and his wife, as well as a large party of family and friends with us.

Unfortunately, at the A.G.M. Terry Broom regretfully had to resign from the Committee after many years' faithful service. Ray Horne was co-opted to act as Minute Secretary in his place.

C. P. GRANT

## ***The Bath and Bristol Branch***

*Chairman:* F. W. J. LAWRENCE

*Hon. Secretary and Treasurer:*

L. R. TRUSCOTT, 44 Bloomfield Drive, Odd Down, Bath

A well-attended A.G.M., which the Headmaster visited, encouraged us for the ensuing year during which the great interest and enthusiasm enabled us to hold a highly successful inaugural branch dinner in May.

Dr. and Mrs. Cresswell were principal guests with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Widdecombe from London Branch, Chairman Mr. P. Fletcher from Plymouth and Mr. and Mrs. D. Faulkner from the Old Suttonians.

We recorded an exciting win over the Old Suttonians at skittles, and in November a party will visit Harvey's wine cellars at Bristol.

Unfortunately we end on a sad note, recording with deep regret the sudden death on 26th May of Len Pike (1931-6). Len, a founder member of this Branch, had been the Bristol representative on the committee since its inception. Len and his wife, Renee, were amongst our staunchest supporters and rarely missed a function. We shall find it difficult to fill Len's place.

L. R. TRUSCOTT

## *The Old Boys' Rugby Club*

The season 1967/8 was the most successful for several years. Of 36 games played, 20 were won, 1 drawn, and 15 lost. An unfortunate period during December and January, when 6 games were lost, prevented the final record being even better. Doubles were achieved over the O.P.M.s, Teignmouth II and Newton Abbot Reserves, and Kingsbridge beat us by only 6 pts to 5.

D. Ferguson was our leading try scorer, whilst J. Ellis played as well as ever at full-back. A. Wayne also scored quite regularly on the wing.

We now use Corporation pitches and all our players have also joined the Plymouth Albion Club. We are very grateful to Albion for the facilities to entertain our visitors.

Training takes place on Thursdays in the School gym, and these sessions have been well attended. However, we need more young players and welcome all school-leavers wishing to continue playing rugby.

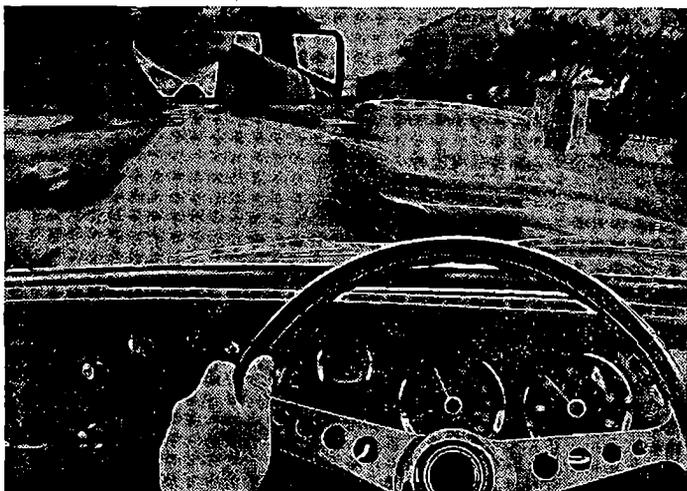
D. BENNETT

## *The Old Boys' Badminton Club*

The Old Boys' Badminton Club enjoyed another successful season, retaining the Plymouth and District Churches' Badminton League's First Division Championship Cup for the sixth successive year, and the Beckly Cup, in competition with all League Clubs on a handicap basis. The strength of the Club can be noted from the handicapping committee's decision to play us off "scratch" for yet another year. We were also strengthened by the return to the Club of Colin Smith, after an absence of three years. Unfortunately, Colin was unable to retain the restricted championship in the 1968 league's annual tournament, which he had won the previous year with his partner, Miss Lynn Cudlipp.

We again express our gratitude to Dr. Cresswell, for permitting the use of School premises, and also to the caretaker, Mr. Mortimer, for his assistance throughout the season. Anticipating future members from school-leavers, we look forward to the coming season and competitive Badminton.

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## TRAVELLERS

I roar through the still suburbs  
an hour before dawn,  
hunched like a nightmare  
rider on the outskirts of sleep.  
Over distant hills the darkness  
splinters, day explodes  
on a stunned deserted highway.  
As I plunge into the sun,  
the trees contort to monstrous  
shadows, birds shriek  
and scatter through the dazed air.

An empty café  
at an unfamiliar hour.  
It is now  
you become conscious  
of the crumpled dress touching  
your skin, you feel unclean.  
The frail grey shapes  
of last night's cigarette smoke  
linger round you,  
as you touch your spoiled hair  
nervously, and wonder  
what you have lost  
on the night road  
hitch-hiking between two worlds.

You are a sad grey ghost  
of mornings such as this,  
standing lost and alone on bleak  
street corners, and saying nothing,  
even when I shudder to a growling  
halt, and beckon.

P. J. GROSS

### *Round the Bend with Torch in Flame*

Have you a brother or sister who goes to another school? If so, have you seen that school's magazine? If you have, the chances are that you found it far more interesting, colourful and entertaining than the pages you have just ploughed through. Have you then said, "Why cannot D.H.S. have a magazine like that?"

At the risk of letting out some official secrets I will tell you. Our magazine is a record of the life of the School. A copy of each number is filed away in the archives for some future historian to delve into. This antiquarian will then have a complete set of prefects' photographs from the year dot to the day he tunnels his way into the files. He will study with wrapt concentration the year by year doings of the Printing Group, the Science Society, the Christian Union and the Rambling Club. He will read a dozen accounts of a dozen different Speech Days all identical except that the names of the speakers have been changed. He will note that the London Branch of the O.B.A. and the Old Boys' Rugby Club continue to carry out their mysterious functions as the seasons pass. He will sit in wonder as he observes Mr. X's figure mellow from boyish youth to severe old age as he

sits proudly with successive sports teams which all look exactly alike. He will sense the ageless continuity that transcends ephemeral earthly things like the fall of governments and the death of kings. He will see eternity and timelessness and will gaze in awe at what seems like some other scholars who investigate the dynasties of Ming.

So when you complain that the D.H.S. Magazine bores you into a stupor and never contains anything written, drawn or photographed by you or your friends, spare a thought for this future sage. Just save up your sixpences and deny yourself that extra ice-cream or that second chocolate biscuit. You will then be able to produce your five guineas when "The Official History of D.H.S." is published. I promise you it will transcend ordinary boredom. It will be like an eternal Latin lesson broken up by periods of analysing Milton's "Areopagetica" into clauses and listening to identical passages of great length selected from the Book of Job read aloud by a whole host of prefects at some supernatural Speech Contest. It will be based entirely upon past issues of the D.H.S. Magazine and will have a lengthy preface crammed full of Greek and Latin quotations, and there will be elaborate footnotes and appendices provided by the maths department. The writer of this monumental work? Why—who else? I am already at work on it!

C. G. S. CLAYTON

### *Further Reflections on Morality*

Do you covet your neighbour's ass? Do you feel guilty about your recurrent urge to have one? When your neighbour leads his ass seductively across your path, are you trapped? Have you read the *News of the World's* revelations of a secret ass coveter? Nor have I. Yet if one reads the Ten Commandments one is led to believe that this is a major moral problem. Of course, in Biblical times, ass coveting was rife. When the Jews were not plucking logs, motes, beams and other impediments from each other's eyes, they coveted each other's asses. Which was a bad thing.

But it is not a bad thing now, so if you feel like a good covet, go right ahead. The way people do behave has changed, and has, therefore, affected the way people should behave. Clearly, morality is contingent, i.e. dependent on the circumstances in which it was formulated. And if there is a change in circumstances (e.g. the sudden disappearance of all asses) the morality must be adjusted to keep up to date.

Now it is an interesting philosophical question whether all moral principles are contingent or only some. It is not, however, a question which I propose to debate here, simply because it is irrelevant. Circumstances may have changed, but only in peripherals. The basic circumstances of the human condition are identical. We may not covet asses, but we still covet. We still hate and lie; we are as insensitive and selfish as ever. So the moral laws arising from the circumstances remain eternal in practice, whether this is philosophically legitimate or not. Thus, basically, the Bible is as true (or as false) as it always was, having lost its relevance only in matters of application. The function of the Church is to make the necessary circumstantial adjustments—a task in which it has lamentably failed.

In making this distinction between the basic principles of our moral system and its peripheral applications, we touch on the fundamental error of many young people today. Because of the Church's Freudian obsession with asses, they reject religion *in toto* as outdated; throwing out the eternal baby with the peripheral bath water. This amounts to rejecting the system, not because it is wrong, but because it is expressed badly. This needs to be said. The ethic which built western civilisation has nothing at all to do with, say, the drowsy dronings of a school assembly. Long assemblies are hated by everyone (except those who have Latin first period), but to reject conventional morality because of this dislike is the height of stupidity. It is like condemning football on the grounds that you don't like Plymouth Argyle.

I am not defending traditional morality. In many respects, particularly in questions of sex, marriage, war, and abuse of science, its teaching is woefully inadequate. A basic fault in the system is that the avoidance of sin is considerably more important than positive merit. By all means, let us criticise and discuss our inherited morality. But it displays a total lack of intellectual integrity to debate the question in terms of Plymouth Argyle or a passion for asses; and that is precisely what so many of us are doing at the moment.

P. B. EVANS

All sin is a variation of our most basic instinct, self-preservation—or in its more general application, “selfishness”. Each one of us tends to put his (or her) own good before that of anyone else. Hence our first question when we are faced with any novel situation is “How will it affect me?” There is an implicit assumption that what is “good” for someone else is somehow gained at my expense: in other words I can only enjoy myself at another's cost. All my sin involves the sacrifice of your “good” to mine: if I am greedy it is you who hunger; if I steal, I steal your goods; if I seduce someone, it is your daughter, etc.

Yet all sin is self-defeating. By constantly (and knowingly) “enjoying” myself at the expense of others I destroy my own personality and character. I become hateful and hated. The small sin leads to the greater, until one sin swells into all sin. As each man pursues his own little rat-race at his neighbour's expense, so hard and fast divisions of hatred grow between us. Every man has his private little garden which is never large enough to satisfy him and is constantly being encroached upon. We become eventually repellent, each man shooting away from the company he so desperately needs.

Only through giving to others can we find true happiness. Joy which comes from giving is always expanding, whereas that which comes from taking is always shrinking. The selfish man is always lonely since, by definition he cannot share his happiness. Christ commanded us to love God and to love others (“There is none other commandment greater than these”—Mark xii, 31). It is not God who cannot forgive sinners, but sinners who cannot forgive God.

R. S. FOSTER

## *The Great Divide*

In order, presumably, to make education less specialised, it has recently been suggested that every student, whether Arts or Science, should take Maths as far as 'A' Level. For, by necessity, when examinations are at hand all interest in general topics, however slight, has to be passed over in order to cram one's mind with chemical formulae, Latin verb forms and other data necessary for success. Consequently this system of exacting examinations produces the inevitable split between "artists" and "scientists"; an unnecessary and harmful division.

Undoubtedly in an era dependent on science, a knowledge of the working of the motor car or a simple understanding of electronics is essential, but the artist has no chance to learn these things unless he has general science lessons as well as his normal periods. It is also equally true that to give the scientist general arts lessons would greatly benefit him, but unfortunately these lessons would have to be attended by both artists and scientists. The reason for this is that although the English student gains a fair but limited knowledge of English Literature there are those arts subjects of which only a few gain a working knowledge.

Those subjects which come immediately to mind are art and music. Due to a system which insists on a choice of subjects early in a secondary school career, very few pupils follow either of these subjects to a recognised standard. Even so, many who study art leave school without any real knowledge or understanding of the history of their subject. This is not the fault of the subject master who has to follow the dictates laid down by the examination board. Neither is it surprising that the standards of musical appreciation is so low in this country since the vast storehouse of great music remains almost a closed shop to the average pupil. It is a scandal that so many should be almost totally ignorant of two of the greatest influences on Western civilisation. Radical changes are needed to remedy this state of affairs.

The best opportunity provided at D.H.S. to do this is during the Sixth Form Debate and Discussion periods on Friday mornings. Only the most optimistic would pretend that more than one out of three of these meetings is a success. Since it is the only time when artists and scientists get together it seems an excellent time to provide general lessons for the sixth form. The more informal and entertaining these lessons were, the more likely they would be to succeed.

For my part I feel that arts lessons are needed far more than science. The scientist can apply the knowledge he gains in a useful way but his studies will not affect him personally, whereas the true artist, if he is at all sensitive, cannot help but be affected by his studies. His outlook on life, and even his character, can be shaped and changed by the knowledge he accumulates.

If the idea of general lessons was adopted I honestly believe that the school-leavers would then be more aware of the complexities of life and the knowledge gained from these extra-curricular studies would develop the individual and make him of inestimable use to the community.

A. W. MURRAY

On 6th November, 1876, Arms were granted by Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy Kings of Arms, to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Devonport.

Devonport being closely allied to the Royal Navy and the building of ships, it is fitting that her achievement of arms should consist of emblems and symbols significant of the association.

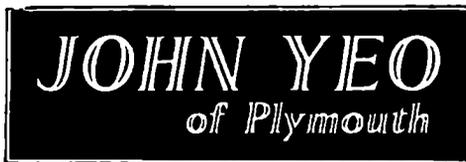
The shield is suggestive of the Royal Navy and the sea ; being divided *party per fess*, the upper part is Blue (*Azure*) and the lower Silver (*Argent*). In the upper part is a naval crown between crossed sprays of oak leaves ; in the lower part, the ribs of a wooden battleship.

The oak sprays are a reminder of the triumphant *hearts of oak*, and the bare-ribbed hull that many were built at Devonport.

The crest consists of a naval crown surmounted by an anchor between two dolphins—the dolphins signifying swiftness. The crown, with square sails and the stern of a ship placed alternately around the band, was granted to Lord Nelson as an augmentation to his arms.

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