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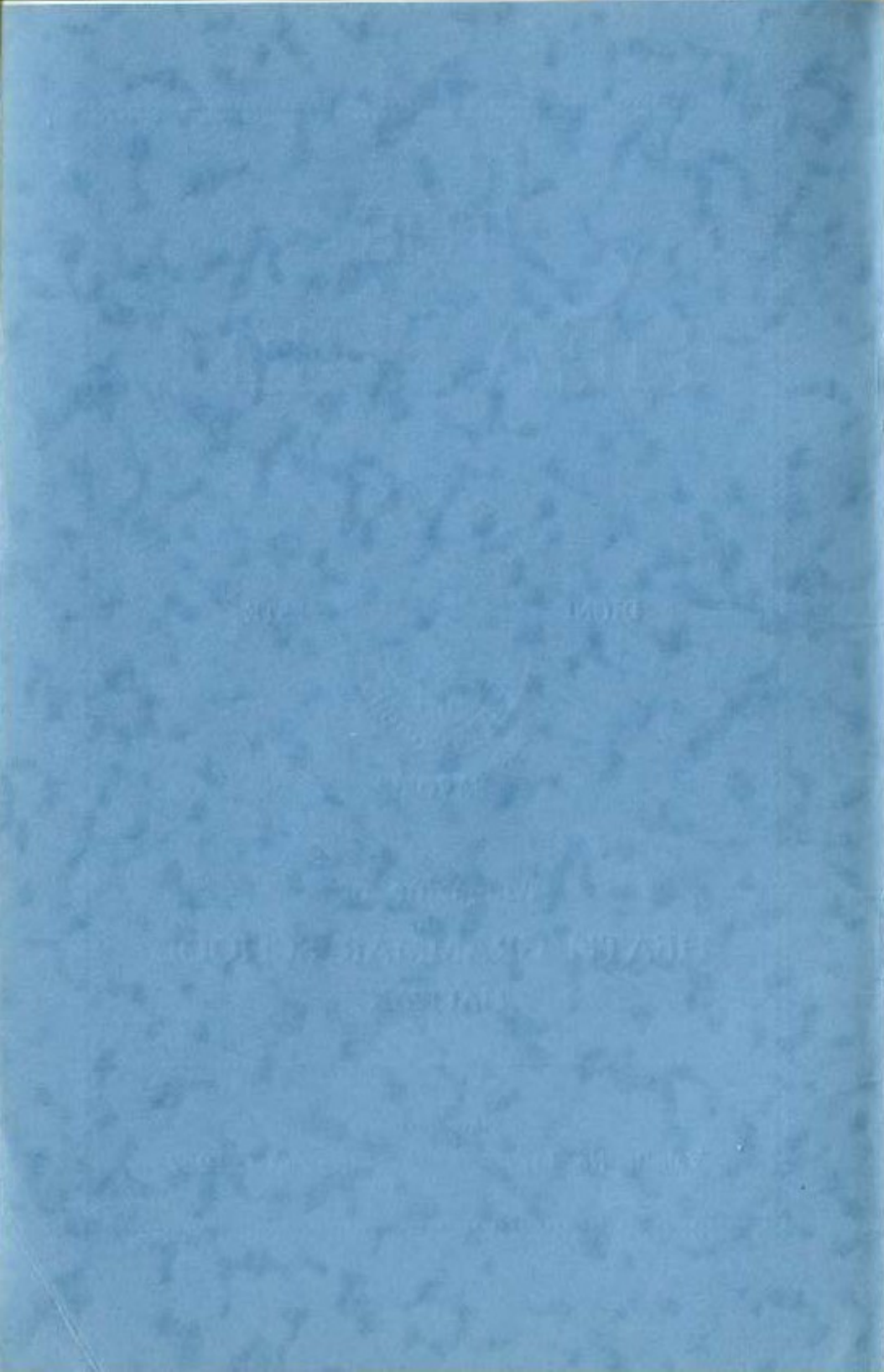
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EDITORIAL

During the past few years, it has become something of a tradition for the leading article of the "Heathen" to cover either the subject of education, in general and in particular, or that of National Service. This latter has now passed out of the future of the greater proportion of boys now reading this article, and remains for the rest often an uncertain crisis to be met sometime in the immediate future. It is noticeable among these learned, well informed and presumably enlightened comments on the subject, notably in last year's balanced and apparently unbiased Editorial, there is a definite appreciation of the theoretical merits of the system, the discipline and comradeship it teaches, and of what we are sure is the perfectly correct attitude for the National Serviceman to take. But equally remarkable is the fact that none of the authors have had direct experience of that system, although themselves under immediate threat of conscription. Now that the Government has decided to lift this particular sword of Damocles, it will be interesting to see the effect on future editorials, if indeed the subject is touched upon, and whether or not a different tendency appears in the opinions they express on this unchosen opportunity to serve our Queen and Country in dismal glory.

The main subject of interest during the past months, however, has surely been the new School buildings. With the arrival of the excavator shortly before Easter, the rockery and dining-room rapidly disappeared, the former in lorries, the latter apparently by magic, and by the end of the Summer Term a ramp into the upper yard had been constructed, and the demolition of the old Gymnasium was well under way. Although the new buildings will not accommodate more boys than are at present at school, the plans certainly promise a more spacious and modern surroundings, especially for the Science section, who have laboured under the disadvantage of inadequate conditions for many years.

The School and future generations will undoubtedly benefit by the extensions, far outweighing the minor inconveniences which the next few years are to bring.

That there will be disadvantages there can be no doubt; already the gymnasium is out of use; the number of dinner boys has been radically cut and School meals, never lacking in their own peculiar problems, are now held at Clare Hall Dining-Room, while the racket of cement mixers and lorries does not help those of the Upper School engaged in important external examinations. We can only hope that the new buildings will prove as efficient and modern, while blending as excellently with the rest of the School, as has the Art and Woodwork block.

SCHOOL NOTES

Reference was made in these notes a year ago to a rumour about new buildings. The beginning of this summer term saw the arrival of the builders and the work is now in progress. It is expected to take about two years and will provide us with additional laboratories, a new gymnasium and a new Dining-Hall. Already a ramp has been constructed at the Linden Road end which will enable us to have the Memorial Gates back again with some confidence of their remaining. Most of the canteen was removed in the site-clearance and for the time being school dinners are being taken at Clare Hall.

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Our congratulations are offered to M. A. Kirkbright on winning a Hastings Exhibition in Modern History at Queen's College, Oxford, to J. A. Wilson for an Exhibition in Natural Sciences at St. Catharine's College, Cambridge (Wilson had already won a State Scholarship) and to D. E. Gillion on winning a State Scholarship.

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Founder's Day was observed on June 1st with the Annual Service at the Parish Church. There was a good congregation and the sermon was preached by Rev. W. R. Haw, Vicar of St. Paul's, King Cross.

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During the year Mr. L. Jackson and Mr. P. S. Rees left us for Walsall and Croydon respectively. We wish them all happiness in their new posts. In place of Mr. Jackson we welcome Mr. J. Chitchong-Thingee of Durham University. Mr. Rees' place has been held temporarily by Mr. H. Bain, who is studying for the Ministry, Mr. Mackie will succeed him next term. We also offer our best wishes to Mr. G. L. Bottomley, who came to us for a year, on his departure to Manchester Grammar School and welcome in his stead Mr. Mawson.

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Congratulations to D. R. Nelson on winning the first prize in the Junior Section of the Leeds and District Classical Association's Latin Reading Competition. This achievement is all the more remarkable in that Nelson was almost two years under the maximum age for this section.

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A sale of lost property was held on Monday, 15th July and realised over £5.

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The School Club still flourishes although no report is included in this issue. At the beginning of the year Mr. E. J. Taylor retired from the post of Secretary which he had held since the Club's foundation. Mr. Rees was appointed to succeed him but after only one committee meeting accepted a post in another school.

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During his remarks at Speech Day, 1955, the Chairman of the Governors, Councillor W. E. Horsley, referring to the death of Mr. C. H. Fox said that it broke a family association with the School going

back to the 1890's. Mr. L. W. Fox has written "just for the record" that "though it seems, alas, unlikely that the name will recur, the association goes back over 100 years." He has in his possession a prize presented to his grandfather by Mr. Gooch in 1853!

SPEECH DAY

The Annual Speech Day was held at School on Thursday, November 22nd, with Councillor W. E. Horsley, LL.B., Chairman of the Governors, in the Chair.

Councillor Horsley opened with details of the School's long awaited extensions, which were agreed upon after long negotiations with the Ministry of Education, and while regretting that the old gymnasium could not be converted into laboratories, explained that the new two-storey Science block to be built on its site would provide hitherto unavailable opportunities for advanced work. The new gymnasium, he reported, was to be on a level with the present Hall, and would eventually have a full sized dining-room beneath. Having read extracts from the report of the general inspection of the School, held during January of 1956, Councillor Horsley commented that the ordeal had been sustained with commendable success.

The Headmaster, lamenting that, true to tradition, Councillor Horsley had said everything that he himself wished to say on the subject, continued in the tone of the report, and said that "surprisingly few parents ever found it worthwhile to pay tribute to the School and the masters compared with the frequency of complaints." Mr. Swale urged "all prospective employers to realise that the engaging of boys without reference to the school, whose reputation is apparently such that this is not uncommon, only puts on them all the responsibility of otherwise 'obvious misfits.'"

The rising generation, he claimed, not without support from the floor, had many more virtues than might at first seem when judging merely from criticisms, many of which "grossly exaggerated" ills, and "not a few" of which were "downright fabrications." Good manners, good sense, examples of a truly liberal education, are not hard to find in many of our boys, but how rare are the acknowledgments of them received from the public.

Mr. Swale then announced the latest academic success of the year, the Hasting's Exhibition in Modern History at Queen's College, Oxford, awarded to M. A. Kirkbright.

After an interlude by the School Madrigal Choir, our guest, Mr. F. L. Allen, M.B.E., M.C., M.A., Headmaster of Wallasey Grammar School and President of the Incorporated Association of Headmasters, distributed the prizes. Mr. Allen stressed the worth of an amateur attitude to life, as against a professional one, linking the personal aims and duties of such an outlook with the character and achievements of Roger Bannister and Sir John Hunt, who are supreme examples of amateurs attaining almost incredible targets set by themselves.

Responsibility, he said, is uniquely valuable in bettering men, but though leadership is certainly important, equally important is the much more requested virtue, the ability to follow those leaders, to accept and keep alive the standards set by them. The best training for leadership is to learn to obey, for the best people are those who are both leaders and followers. These are some of the aims of a School life, and no community which was regularly taking out more stock than it was putting in could survive, let alone be worthwhile. One of the purposes of education, he said, was to increase the interest and variety of the world, life, and people.

Votes of thanks were proposed by Mr. C. E. Gent, the Chief Education Officer, who praised schoolmasters, but said that there were not enough of them, and seconded by Alderman Miss M. Pickles, Chairman of the Education Committee.

PRIZE WINNERS

Form Prizes

	1st	2nd
1A	P. A. Robinson	R. A. Booth
1B	D. J. Brittain	R. G. Downes
2A	D. L. MacDonald	J. P. Blackburn
2B	D. R. Nelson	J. A. Farrar
3rd Forms	English and History : G. S. Gledhill (3B) Geography : P. Shoesmith (3B) Languages : D. S. Hollas (3A) Mathematics and Science : D. S. Hollas (3A) Art : R. I. Akroyd (3B)	
4th Forms	English and History : R. F. Wilson (4B) Geography : A. Marshall (4A) Languages : M. Broadbent (4B) Mathematics and Science : J. B. M. Jagger (4A) Art : J. B. Ingle (4A) " Young " Oral French Prize : K. B. Tidswell (4A)	
5th Forms	Classics : A. J. Coward (5L) English : P. C. Turner (5L) History : D. F. Bentley (5L) Geography (Junior) " Dudley Memorial " Prize : D. A. Armitage (5S) Modern Languages : R. S. Freeman (5L) Mathematics : J. S. Freeman (5S) Science : K. M. Short (5S) Art : D. N. Carter (5G)	
Lower 6th Forms	" W. E. HORSLEY " Prizes for :— Classics : B. Hartley English : C. J. Barlow History : C. J. Barlow Modern Languages : B. Kerfoot	

Chemistry : G. R. Tillotson
 Physics : F. P. Mallinder
 Mathematics : D. M. Herbert
 Art : C. J. Barlow

Upper 6th Forms "Reith" Classical Prize : I. C. Copeland
 D. Watmough
 "Treacy" English Prize : M. A. Kirkbright
 "Mayor's" History Prize : G. A. Tinkler
 Senior "Dudley Memorial" Geography Prize :
 No award
 "Stocks" Modern Language Prize : No award
 "Rouse" Chemistry Prize : J. A. Wilson
 "Laycock" Physics Prize : J. A. Wilson
 "Horrocks-Taylor" Mathematics Prize :
 P. N. Brier
 "Peel" Art Prize : G. A. Tinkler

SPECIAL PRIZES

UPPER SIXTH FORM PRIZES : D. E. Gillion, J. K. Howker, R. K. Barker, K. A. Mitchell, M. R. Wharton

"TREACY" SCRIPTURE PRIZES :

Upper 6th Form	D. P. Nestor	3A	B. K. Collins
Lower 6th Form	P. F. Mallinder	2A	D. S. MacDonald
5th Form	D. F. Bentley	2B	D. R. Nelson
4A	J. B. M. Jagger	1B	P. M. J. Aspinall
4B	C. R. Wilkinson		

"SMITH" READING PRIZES :

Upper School : D. Watmough ; Middle School : G. S. Gledhill ;
 Lower School : D. R. Nelson

PREFECTS' READING PRIZE : L. J. Woodhead

"BOTTOMLEY" PRIZES : R. H. Earnshaw, G. P. Smith, J. Hainsworth,
 W. M. Bussey

"FIELDEN" WOODWORK PRIZE : K. Spensley

"MAUTNER" Biology Prize : R. Watling

"SHOESMITH" HISTORICAL ESSAY PRIZE : V. L. Clarke

"M. E. HORSLEY" CHORAL MUSIC PRIZE : J. A. Elliott, D. H. Hoyle

"WHITHAM" INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PRIZE : D. A. Carter

"A. H. STOCKS" MEMORIAL PRIZE : L. J. Woodhead

"HEATH OLD BOYS" ATHLETE'S PRIZE : K. G. Hartley

"C. E. FOX" PRIZE

Awarded to the boy who by his character and influence
 has best served the School

I. C. COPELAND

QUEEN'S HOUSE REPORT

Once again we find ourselves the weakest House of the four and for the very same reason as last year. There remains little House spirit, especially among our younger members, with a result that the half dozen keen people who are good at games receive no encouraging support and help, a most essential requisite in a team effort.

The Bentley Cup entries exemplify this to perfection. We received four really first-rate entries and perhaps a dozen "others," whereas fifty "others" would certainly have secured the cup for us.

The Senior House Rugby XV and Cricket XI did very well losing but once at both games. Enough, however, has perhaps been said of the Juniors' efforts, but if this is the standard to come, the future does not hold much for Queen's House.

You may think with the undoubted talent we have that the House should have done better. That is certainly true and next year it is the general mass of the House which alone will place Queen's House on its rightful throne.

T.R.S.

KING'S HOUSE REPORT

Despite a numerical shortage compared with other Houses things are not as gloomy as they might appear to be. Our present Intermediates show excellent promise and it is largely through their efforts during the past year that we have not been disgraced. A little effort and concentration combined with greater numbers could well lift King's to the top of the Championship within the next two or three years. All things considered, I think we can safely say that this year the House has acquitted itself admirably.

At an exciting Swimming Sports, the brilliance of our under fourteen's, especially Macdonald and Smelt who broke records, more than compensated for our lack of Seniors, and almost upset Heath in the overall competition. The disappointing result of the Gym Competition belied the hard work put in by the team, which incidentally should be almost unchanged next year. The precision of the rest could not atone for the scrappy preliminary exercises, and we took third place, only two points behind the winning team. We took fourth places in Chess and Rugby although in the latter the actual result would have been quite different, if the Junior XV had only won their hard-fought vital match with Heath. The corresponding Seven-a-side match was an even closer fight, Heath winning eventually after a long period of extra time. As extra time in the Senior section was adjudged unnecessary, our victory over Queen's Seniors, who lost every match, was only a moral one, and we finished third. We fared similarly at Fives winning one match—against Queen's. Carter was our one first-rate player, and he will have no successors unless some of our Middle and Lower School members take up this thrilling game very soon.

More encouraging was the result of the Cross-Country run, an event in which the Seniors did the House proud, despite their lack of numbers and the fact that three of our best runners were unavoidably absent from the team. However, D. Mallinder, a very promising runner from the Fourth Form, was only ten yards behind the winner at the finish and looks as though he might emulate the feat of Kiddle a few years back. A rather dull Sports Day for us was brightened by a glorious win in the Intermediate Relay and by the running of Sutcliffe and Mallinder again who won three events breaking one record and equalling another. Our number of entries for the Bentley Cup has usually been enough for victory, but this year Heath went all out to remedy this defeat on their part, and we were worthy runners-up instead. We finished off the year on a bright note, when our Junior Cricket captain, Morley, hit an attacking 42 not out to beat Queen's, to make us second in the Junior section, and to prevent us from finishing last in the Championship.

In a word, we have done what we could, and if we are allowed our proper numbers we should see the House in a more exalted position in the very near future.

D. P. NESTOR.

HEATH HOUSE REPORT

For the first time in ten years Heath House has won the Championship Shield—and won it in no mean fashion! Every House Trophy has been won except the Athletics Cup in which we were second and the Cricket Cup in which we were first equal. The Swimming Cup was won for the sixth year in succession by a narrow margin, but won nevertheless, and this was followed by the Chess and Rugby Cups (the latter due mainly to the Juniors who won all their matches). These three early successes instilled a little self-confidence into the House and support for the other events during the year was given more readily. It seems a pity that the House gets more support when it is winning than when it is losing and needs it most. The Fives Cup was won in a very convincing way, and the Gym Cup was also won despite the fact that Albert Coward had to take over as team leader at the very last minute. The Cross-Country event was our next victory with Terry Ward as the individual winner, and the Seven-a-Side tournament also with both Junior and Senior teams playing well. The Athletics was our one and only defeat during the year and we had to be content with a good second place, but this was made up for by winning the Bentley Cup after some hard work by Roy Watling, and by coming first equal in the Cricket Championship.

These victories were gained not so much because of the individual talent in the House (although we had our fair share), but rather because of the quantity of support given, especially in such events as Swimming and Bentley Cup. Mention must be made however, of Albert Coward, Roy Watling and Terry Ward in the Seniors and Broughton and Hartley in the Juniors, who each had a hand in so many of the victories.

After ten years it was about time the members of Heath House showed just what they can do and on this very fine performance there seems to be no reason why the House should not stay at the top for a few years to come, especially if every member of the House will take it upon himself to give his fullest support to every activity.

Finally, we must offer our sincere congratulations to M. A. Kirkbright and J. A. Wilson who both gained Open Exhibitions (at Oxford and Cambridge respectively) showing that the House has intellectual ability as well as sporting ability.

P.B.

SCHOOL HOUSE REPORT

This year we have ceded first place in the House Championship to a House in the affairs of which all its members appear to take a real interest. In School House the responsibility seems to rest on the shoulders of a small minority who will rise to any occasion and on whom one can always depend. However, everyone must pull his weight, all of it, not just the part he feels inclined to pull, then we will again come out on top.

The worst sufferer from this, "don't like it, not doing it" attitude was the cross-country team, whose members are thus all the more praiseworthy. The Bentley Cup effort, too, suffered from lack of enthusiasm. We have improved on last year, but apathy is still almost complete. This is the one event which demands no special talent and which quantity rather than quality of entries will win. Barlow's excellent entries deserve a special mention.

The Senior Rugby Teams, well captained by R. S. Lee once again had resounding success in both rugby competitions. It is unfortunate that the Juniors were not as successful, but we must praise everyone for trying their best.

We must say well done also to the cricket teams, the fives team which in spite of all its efforts came only second; to an excellent Gym team which but for one unfortunate mistake must have been first, its leader Payne and his fellow trainers; to the Chess team which did better this year and to the Swimming team. A few more swimmers next year will not spoil our chances.

The usual strong Athletics team gained our only first place. Credit is due to the whole team, which again included the Victor Ludorum (G. P. Smith).

Just that little bit extra next year will see us back in our proper place.

B.A.

RUGBY, 1956-57

The 1st XV contained seven new members at the opening of the season, a rather high proportion, but they settled down very quickly into the style of the eight players remaining from the previous year to form a very workmanlike team, capable of maintaining the high standard the school has attained in past years.

The pack contained four new members, who suffered at first from their lack of experience, but under the enthusiastic leadership of Carter, Smith deputising ably in his absence, they combined to form a mobile, if rather light, eight. The lack of weight proved to be the team's weakest point, the backs suffering from insufficient possession of the ball as the forwards only managed to hold their own in the set scrums, by means of a low, combined shove, and occasionally in the loose scrums, possession in the line-outs seeming to evade them.

Ward and Wilson were a hard-working pair of half-backs, combining well on occasions to serve their three-quarters, who were a very fast, penetrative division, proving a constant source of danger to the opposition by their powerful, direct attack, whilst maintaining a very sound defence. The handling was at times faulty but was much improved on that of recent years on the whole.

Owing to the lack of possession the team had to rely on "smash-and-grab" tactics, making use of every available opportunity, and a strong defence. Such tactics proved successful on wide, flat pitches but the team twice fell victim to narrow, sloping grounds, at West Leeds, and at Hemsworth, where the biggest defeat of the season, by 20-9, was inflicted. Neither of these teams gave an impression of superiority, however, and the moral emerges that the School XV must adopt tactics to fit the occasion if they are to avoid further humiliation.

The 1st XV went through the season unbeaten at home, a very admirable record, providing some very tense and stirring rugby, particularly in a drawn game against the very powerful Queen Elizabeth's G.S., Wakefield, and, on occasions, some prolific scoring. The number of spectators taking advantage of this success was rather disheartening, the team deserving more enthusiastic support for such entertaining displays and it is hoped that the touch-lines will be more thickly populated this coming season.

The 1st XV lost only four matches out of seventeen played, and can look forward to next season with confidence, the remaining members benefiting from their previous experience. The 2nd XV enjoyed an equally successful season, furnishing the 1st XV with dependable reserves in emergencies. The Junior teams enjoyed rather mixed success but if they develop in customary fashion the prospects for the future are by no means grim.

The School was disappointed at the comparatively few players chosen to play for Halifax and District, Watkin, Lee, Smith and Coward being our only representatives, the match against Bradford being cancelled, however, owing to an untimely fall of snow. Watkin, Lee

and Smith all appeared in the County Trial at Kirkstall, Leeds, Watkin later being chosen to represent Yorkshire Schoolboys against Wales but withdrawing owing to illness.

The team would like to thank Mr. Birchall for his untiring efforts, Earnshaw for his conscientious services as touchjudge, and the kind ladies who prepare the teas for home matches.

Colours :—1st XV : Sutcliffe, Carter, Smith, Ward, Wilson, Milner, S. L. Reaffirmed : Lee, Watkin, Coward, Payne.

Colts : Hartley, Morley, Gidley, Greenwood, Smelt, Small.

ANALYSIS FOR SEASON 1956-57

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
First XV	17	11	2	4	287	111
'A' XV	3	3	—	—	88	25
Second XV	12	9	—	3	177	63
Under 16 XV	1	1	—	—	18	9
Under 15 XV	13	7	1	5	178	112
Under 14 XV	11	3	—	8	66	179
Under 13 XV	4	4	—	—	76	12
Totals	61	38	3	20	990	511

J.H.P.

ILKLEY, 1957

It was Heath's seventh appearance at Ilkley and there was every hope that our fine run of success in this Tournament would be continued by this year's team. As before there was no lack of support, and six coaches, carrying team and supporters, left the School on the morning of Saturday, April 6th. The opponents in the Bye Round were Morley G.S. and the Heath supporters, who confidently expected a rather easy victory, were given many anxious moments before the game was won. The School team failed to reproduce anything like the form they had showed in practice and were losing 3-0 at half-time. Fortunately, there was an improvement in the second half, and tries by Sutcliffe and Payne, with Smith converting the first, made the game safe.

The next game against West Leeds H.S. followed much the same pattern, and Heath were again losing 5-0 at half-time. As in the game against Morley, Sutcliffe put the team on the winning road, when he scored after a fine movement in which all the team were concerned. Then Ward shocked everyone by dropping a penalty goal in front of the posts after West Leeds had been penalised. This sufficed to put Heath into the second round, and the game ended 6-5 to Heath.

Yet again the School team was losing 8-0 at half-time to Bell Baxter H.S. in their second round game. Any hope that the second half

might see a change in the team's fortunes was dispelled as the minutes passed, and, although showing occasional flashes of their true form, the team were unable to penetrate a sound defence. There was no score during the second half and the final score was 8-0.

Before criticising the team too much; it must be remembered that five members were playing for the first time at Ilkley, and were consequently nervous. The team never really settled down and looked disjointed. Thus the fine team play which they showed against the Old Boys, never appeared and we can only hope for better fortunes next year.

Team: J. H. Payne, S. D. Watkin, T. R. Sutcliffe, T. Ward, R. S. Lee (Capt.), G. P. Smith, A. J. Coward.

D.W.

SUTCLIFFE CUP

The School entered the same Seven as at Ilkley for their defence of the Sutcliffe Cup, held this year at the Vandals' Ground, Warley. The School team were opposed to Crossley and Porter School in the first round and reversed the form of Ilkley by defeating them 3-0, the game running into extra time before either defence was penetrated. On the following evening the School seven proved too strong for their 2nd round opponents, Hipperholme G.S., and advanced into the Semi-Final where Sutcliffe scored a memorable try, again in extra time, to vanquish Halifax R.U.F.C. by 6 points to 3.

In the final the School team played gallantly against a very fit and powerful Huddersfield R.U.F.C. team but were convincingly beaten 24-0, which was Huddersfield's smallest victory, giving an idea of their strength. To appear in such a final was a profitable experience for the players, and a notable achievement.

CRICKET REPORT

The prospects of the 1st XI at the beginning of the season were good as the majority of last year's team were still at school. Nevertheless the opening was disappointing and the first three matches were lost. The team seemed unsure of itself and therefore failed to do itself justice. Of the remaining six matches, however, four were won and one, that against Whitcliffe Mount, lost by a very narrow margin. Usually it was the batting which was at fault and this was surprising in that it was thought to be our strongest department. Better batting might well have earned a victory against Sowerby Bridge and Crossley's in the home fixtures. It was only in the last two games that the team found its real form and the results were convincing victories. By then seventeen players had been called upon and of the new-comers Sheard and J. S. Wilson were particularly outstanding. The former was the highest scorer and also bowled well while the latter was very successful with the ball. Milner batted well in the first half of the season, scoring the side's first 50 for some years, and bowled well. Lee, the captain, Smith and Kerfoot each made one good score. The bowling proved better

than had been expected with Butterworth and Kerfoot especially noteworthy. The side's best feature was its fielding which was particularly good on the ground; some good catches were held and the standard was praised by several of our umpires.

Much of the side will be available next year and the improvement which it showed as this season progressed should give them every encouragement to look forward with confidence to a successful season next year.

The 2nd XI suffered considerably from the calls of the 1st during the season which started with Wigen as captain and finished with Eagland. In the circumstances the record of results was very creditable. The side won against the Junior Technical School and Crossley's, forced a draw with Whitcliffe Mount and lost to Keighley, Thornton and Rishworth.

The Under 14 XI was our most successful team, winning three matches (Calder High School, Bradford and Rishworth), losing two (both against Sowerby Bridge G.S.) and drew one (Calder High School). Donohue, Morley and Hartley formed the nucleus of a reasonably strong side and were well supported by the remainder.

Colours: 1st XI: R. S. Lee, B. Kerfoot (re-awarded), J. G. Milner, J. M. Sheard.

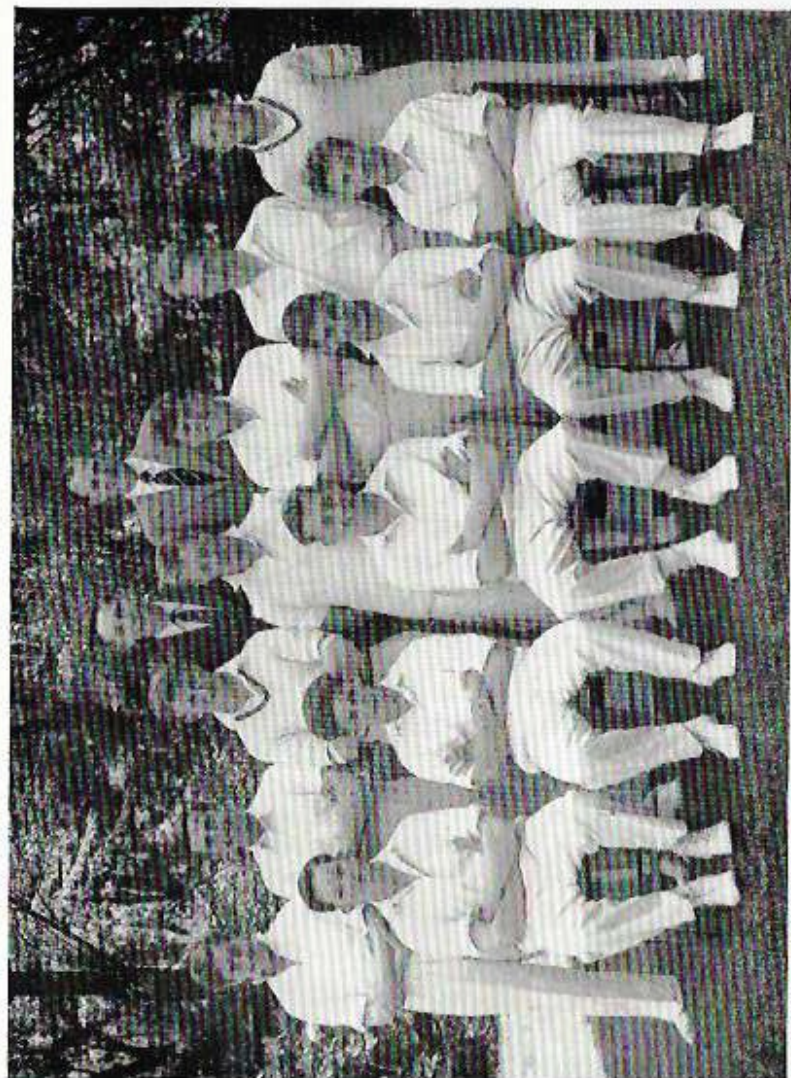
Under 14: R. D. Morley, J. S. Donohue, J. Stones, J. C. Hartley, C. Drake, D. C. Adams.

1ST XI RESULTS

Won: Calder H.S. (A)	10 wickets
Calder H.S. (H)	68 runs
Rishworth G.S. (A)	47 runs
Sowerby Bridge G.S. (A)	6 wickets
Lost: Keighley G.S. (H)	9 wickets
Sowerby Bridge G.S. (H)	31 runs
Hipperholme (A)	4 wickets
Whitcliffe Mount G.S. (A)	1 wicket
Crossley and Porter (H)	53 runs.

FIVES REPORT

This season the team has enjoyed moderate success. There were one or two notable victories, over Manchester and Leeds Universities, and a few lamentable defeats. Crossley and Porter School proved itself to be a much superior and practised team and the Old Boys once again put up formidable and successful opposition. The team was disappointed when an eagerly awaited contest with Durham School was cancelled at the last moment. After the first game there was a change of pairs, Carter and Smith taking each other's places. The team improved as the season advanced and most victories were gained after Christmas.



Photograph : H. Graves, Halifax

FIRST XI, 1956-57

WIGGEN, R. M. (*scorer*), MR. A. E. CARTER

SMITH, J. B., WIGGEN, J. W., SHEARD, J. M., DAVEY, J., SMITH, G. P., TILLOTSON, G. R., WILSON, J. S.

MILNER, J. G., KERFOOT, B., LEE, R. S., WILSON, D., WARD, T.

Watling, an able and enthusiastic captain improved with experience, gaining knowledge from his contact with the Old Boys. He is a good all-round player. He was awarded colours after three years on the School team. Carter, D. A., has formed the first pair with Watling. They combined well and Carter showed his intelligence as a fives player. At the end of his second year in the team he was awarded colours, having been vice-captain and Secretary.

Short, subtle and fit, is the best singles player in the School. He is the most nearly ambidextrous of the four and should be an inspiration as Captain next year. Smith's powerful right hand won many points, although he is rather erratic. Turner and Watkins acted as our reserves.

The experiences of the season convinces one that the team would be much more successful with more practice. The enthusiasm of the Juniors is most encouraging, and the future augurs well if the Seniors will give them help.

Heath won the House Fives Cup, with School second, King's third and Queen's fourth.

D.A.C.

RESULTS

Crossley and Porter	Lost	3-9
Crossley and Porter	Lost	1-11
Manchester University	Won	11-1
Hulme Hall	Won	12-0
Heath Old Boys	Lost	3-9
Leeds University	Lost	5-7
Leeds University	Won (on points)	6-6
Manchester University	Won	9-3
Heath Old Boys	Lost	3-9
Total		53-55

HEATH GRAMMAR SCHOOL SPORTS

The day of the sports, May 23rd, was fine, and perhaps at times too warm, and events opened with a new record already gained by S. D. Watkin in the Long Jump. School House led the field from Heath by only $3\frac{1}{2}$ points. The afternoon saw no less than ten new records established. The Senior 440 was won by W. M. Bussey in 54.4 seconds, R. Broughton won the Junior 440 (and the Kiddle Trophy), the Junior 220 and the Junior 100 yards in 62.6, 27.4, and 12 seconds respectively. D. Mallinder gained a record of 58.8 seconds by his winning of the Intermediate 440. J. Helliwell won the Junior 220 in 27.4 seconds, and A. M. Mendoza the Senior 100 yards in 10.4. G. P. Smith gained a record in the Javelin (157 feet $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins.), and R. S. Lee a time of 15.1 seconds in the Senior 100 Yards. The relays yielded a record of 58.4 seconds from the Junior Relay, which was won by School.

Broughton and Helliwell were outstanding in the Juniors, D. Mallinder, who gained a hatrick, and Fearnley, who gained a double, Brearley, Hollas and Sheard in the Intermediates, and G. P. Smith,

R. S. Lee, who also gained a double. T. Ward who won the Dudley Trophy for the Senior Mile, and A. Mendoza shone in the Seniors.

The Beaufort Bronze was won in an excellent race by D. Mallinder, and A. M. Mendoza gained the Dalzell Trophy, while the Capener Trophy was won by Queen's Senior Relay Team.

G. P. Smith won both the Connal Trophy for Field events and the Victor Ludorum, S. D. Watkin, last year's winner being the runner-up.

The Fifth Form Cup was awarded to S. L. Milner, and the McDonald Trophy for Jumping to C. P. Weston; Broughton, so outstanding in the Juniors gained the Junior Victor Ludorum.

In the House Competition, therefore, School won the House Cup with 273 points, against Heath's 236, Queen's 189 and King's 144. The House Shield went to Heath, with 86 points, Queen's gained 54, School 41 and King's 21.

Trophies and Certificates were presented by Mrs. L. Capener at Saturday morning assembly.

RESULTS

SENIOR

100 yards—A. M. Mendoza (Q)—10.4 seconds (Record)

220 yards—A. M. Mendoza (Q)—23.3 seconds

440 yards—W. M. Bussey (S)—54.4 seconds (Record)

880 yards—T. Ward (H)—2 mins. 50 seconds

One Mile—T. Ward (H)—4 mins. 59.2 seconds

110 yards Hurdles—R. S. Lee (S)—15.1 seconds (Record)

Long Jump—S. D. Watkin (S)—19 feet 8½ ins (Record)

High Jump—R. Watling (H)—4 feet 11½ ins.

Hop, Step and Jump—C. P. Weston (H)—37 feet 3½ ins.

Javelin—G. P. Smith (S)—157 feet 4½ ins (Record)

Shot—G. P. Smith (S)—26 feet 3¼ ins.

Discus—G. P. Smith (S)—100 feet

Relay—Queen's—48.8 seconds

INTERMEDIATE

100 yards—M. Fearnley (H), P. Sutcliffe (K)—11.4 seconds

220 yards—M. Fearnley (H)—26 seconds

440 yards—D. Mallinder (K)—58.8 seconds (Record)

880 yards—D. Mallinder (K)—2 mins. 20.6 seconds (Record)

100 yards Hurdles—D. Mallinder (K)—16 seconds (Record)

Long Jump—S. Hiley (S)—16 feet 11 ins.

High Jump—S. Hiley (S)—4 feet 6½ ins.

Hop, Step and Jump—M. Fearnley (H)—32 feet 11½ ins.

Javelin—S. Hiley (S)—112 feet 5 ins.

Shot—D. Hollas (S)—34 feet 5 ins.

Relay—King's—52.2 seconds

JUNIOR

- 100 yards—R. Broughton (H)—12 seconds (Record)
220 yards—R. Broughton (H)—27.4 seconds (Record)
400 yards—D. Backhouse (H)—62.6 seconds
Long Jump—A. R. Wilkinson (Q)—13 feet 6 ins.
High Jump—G. M. Strickland (Q)—3 feet 11 ins.
Hop, Step and Jump—J. Blakeborough (Q)—30 feet 4½ ins.
Cricket Ball—R. Broughton (H)—66 yards 1 foot 1½ ins.
Relay—School—58.4 seconds (Record)

FIRST FORMS

- 80 yards—J. Helliwell (S)—10.4 (Record)
170 yards—J. Helliwell (S)—22.4 seconds
Long Jump—D. Backhouse (H)—12 feet 6 ins.
High Jump—S. Holmes (S)—3 feet 8 ins.

INTER-GRAMMAR SCHOOL SPORTS, 1957

This year the Inter-Grammar School Sports were held earlier than usual, on Thursday 30th May. It turned out to be a fine day both as regards the weather and entertainment value.

We started the afternoon with a considerable deficit on points owing to the poor display that was given at Crossley's on the previous Monday, when all the jumping events had been decided. On that fateful day, we had only managed to obtain three places of any merit, our other athletes failing miserably.

However, we entered into the afternoon's activities determined to pull back the difference on points. Our hopes were soon raised by a resounding victory in the Senior Relay, when they smashed the record by over a second, while the Juniors and Intermediates gave good support by being second and third respectively in their relays. It is notable that our Senior team, consisting of Mendoza, Watkin, Milner and Sutcliffe has been selected to represent Halifax in the Yorkshire Schools Sports. As time passed we realised that our deficit was being lessened through the sterling efforts of our runners. Mendoza won the Senior 100 yards in record time, and completed the double by winning the 220 also. Bussey, running in the Senior 440, reduced the figures for that race by a second, while Broughton, a very promising Junior, broke the records for the Junior 220 and 440, winning both these events in convincing style. Meanwhile Smith had won both the Senior Discus and Javelin, and in the Hurdles events, Lee set up a new record for the Seniors, and Hollas equalled the School Intermediate record.

Towards the end people were anxiously "totting up" the points and at last it was revealed that we had come a close second to Crossley and Porters. Only one point separated us. However, we ran away with the Senior Shield while the Intermediates were third and the Juniors second in their sections. Altogether it was a very good afternoon for all and we were unlucky to lose so narrowly.

SWIMMING GALA

For the sixth successive year Heath House won the House Swimming Championships which were held at Woodside Baths on the 1st November. As usual the races were exciting and records were broken by Payne, MacDonald, Smelt and Strickland.

Hollas and Coward gained double victories in the Intermediate and Senior sections respectively, while J. Davey won the Stoddart Trophy for Senior Events. Hargreaves "without much splash" won the Open Dive for the fourth year.

Finally in the Relay races which appear to be the highlight for cheering of the afternoon's entertainment new records for Seniors and Juniors were established by School and Queen's respectively.

We were very grateful to have Mrs. Robinson, our popular ex-Secretary to present certificates and trophies to the winners.

RESULTS

SENIOR

- 100 yards Free Style—A. J. Coward (H)—79.5 seconds
- 100 yards Breast Stroke—J. H. Payne (S)—87 seconds (Record)
- 50 yards Free Style—J. Davey (Q)—33.6 seconds
- 50 yards Back Stroke—S. D. Watkin (S)—42.3 seconds
- 25 yards Butterfly—A. J. Coward (H)—17.9 seconds
- Plunge—A. Walton (H)—44 feet 1 inch

UNDER 15

- 50 yards Free Style—D. Hargreaves (H)—37.4 seconds
- 50 yards Breast Stroke—D. Brearley (H)—42.6 seconds
- 25 yards Free Style—D. Hollas (S)—15.9 seconds
- 25 yards Back Stroke—D. Hollas (S)—19.6 seconds

UNDER 14

- 25 yards Free Style—K. Macdonald (K)—15.5 seconds (Record)
- 25 yards Back Stroke—P. Hare (K)—21.2 seconds
- 25 yards Breast Stroke—M. Smelt (K)—18.4 seconds (Record)

UNDER 13

- 25 yards Free Style—K. Travis (K)—16.6 seconds
- 25 yards Back Stroke—Strickland (Q)—19.8 seconds (Record)
- 25 yards Breast Stroke—J. Hoyle (Q)—19.8 seconds
- Open Dive—D. Hargreaves (H)

RELAYS

- Junior—1st Queen's; 2nd King's; 3rd Heath—73.2 seconds (Record)
- Intermediate—1st King's; 2nd School; 3rd Heath
- Senior—1st School; 2nd Heath; 3rd Queen's—63.4 seconds (Record)

A. J. COWARD (Secretary).

THE CHESS CLUB

The School team again had quite a successful year, although it has yet to beat Huddersfield College. Two Junior games were played, for the first time in four years. Both games were won easily; perhaps a portent for years to come.

There seems to be a great deal of enthusiasm in the lower forms, some arranging their own form Knock-out competition. It is to be hoped their enthusiasm continues throughout the School.

The results were :—

Huddersfield College	Lost	2—4
Calder High School	Won	10½—1½
Elland Grammar School	Won	4—2
Huddersfield College	Lost	2—4
Elland Grammar School	Won	3½—2½
Calder High School	Won	10½—1½

The School team was picked from :—

M. A. Kirkbright (Capt.), M. C. Eagland, G. R. Tillotson, J. D. Broadley, H. S. Barrett, J. J. Hunter, D. S. Hollas, D. R. Nelson.

The results of the House Matches were :—

1st Heath; 2nd School; 3rd Queen's; 4th King's.

M.C.E.
G.R.T.

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP SHIELD, 1957

	H.	S.	K.	Q.
Swimming Cup	15	5	10	0
Chess Cup	12	8	0	4
Cross-Country Trophy	12	0	8	4
Gymnastics Cup	12	8	4	0
Rugby Cup	15	7½	0	7½
Dixon Trophy	12	8	4	0
Fives Cup	6	4	2	0
Athletics Trophy	10	15	0	5
Cricket Cup	15½	2½	2½	12½
Bentley Trophy	9	3	6	0
	<hr/> 115½	<hr/> 61	<hr/> 36½	<hr/> 33

A PROGRAMME BY THE MUSICAL SOCIETIES

Friday and Saturday, 7th and 8th

The evening's entertainment was opened by the Madrigal Choir whose renderings of "Sing We And Chant It" (in arrangements by Pearsall and Morley), "Fine Knacks for Ladies" by Dowland, and Elgar's "As Torrents in Summer" were well up to the standard of previous performances. David Horsfall, an old boy of the School, had a fine presence, and displayed his versatility in his deliveries of "Linden Lea," "Simon the Cellarer," and "Old Mother Hubbard."

For the instrumental item Mozart's "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik" was selected. Members of the Halifax Orchestra, unfortunately hindered by a shortage of players, gave a sympathetic interpretation of a difficult piece.

The main choral item then followed, the whole choir and orchestra combining to produce a stimulating rendering of Tennyson's "The Revenge" to music by Stanford. The original exploit had a drama of its own which the poet captured in his verse, and the composer in his music; but the choir, obviously inspired by the theme, added something of its own enthusiasm in expressing the tenseness, beauty and pathos of the battle, to produce a fine tribute to the long and patient work of Mr. Haigh and Mr. Holroyd, who ably conducted the choir.

In an age when our as yet unwritten futures have been reduced to utter banality by the cinema and comic-strip, the announcement that the Dramatic Society was about to indulge in the glories of Science Fiction was greeted with some degree of apprehension. The play itself, "Moon Rocket" was execrable, the dialogue was atrocious ("What are you doing with that gun?") (twice!!), but the performance was extremely commendable. The actors had the undesirable task of making the proverbial silk purse out of the proverbial sow's ear, and were to a large extent successful.

J. R. Farrar as Rosen, the villain of the piece, gave a calculated performance, and skilfully cast aside pretended eagerness for the success of the venture to become an evil fanatic. Oakes' Rogers was reminiscent of a certain character from a certain B.B.C. production, and Kenyon as "Peter" died in the best traditions of the "thriller," Simpson gave an unassuming and natural performance in a not very rewarding part as Page, the hero. Donohue's competent performance was somewhat marred by an incompetent beard, but his voice was clear and his interpretation correct.

The effects were impressive and a credit to the ingenuity of the electricians and Mr. Jackson, and Messrs. Lee and Peace (the old firm) are to be congratulated on the convincing set. Full marks to the "Officers of the Society" for everything except their choice of play.

The cast was :—

Sir Charles Fitzgerald	..	..	..	..	J. S. Donohue
John Page	..	..	..	..	C. N. E. Simpson
Philip Rosen	..	..	..	..	J. R. Farrar
Leslie Smith	..	..	..	..	D. R. Nelson
Captain Turner	..	..	..	..	J. C. Hartley
Rogers	..	..	..	..	A. C. Oakes
Williams	..	..	..	..	B. Russell
" Peter "	..	..	..	..	J. P. C. Kenyon
Mr. Baker	..	..	..	..	C. J. Gorbutt
1st Messenger	..	..	..	..	D. Bland
2nd Messenger	..	..	..	..	P. M. J. Aspinall
3rd Messenger	..	..	..	..	G. V. Pay
Guards	..	..	..	D. J. Britton and F. J. D. Archer	
Voice on Intercom.	..	..	..	C. R. Wilkinson	
Radio Commentator	..	..	..	R. Sykes	

ANTIGONE AND MARCIA MARTEN

March 14th, 15th and 16th

THE ANTIGONE of Sophocles is a difficult play to present convincingly to a modern audience at anytime, and unrestrained congratulations are due to members of the Dramatic Society for the power and excellence of this year's production.

Sensibly, no attempt was made to distract attention by elaborate sets. Simple drapery and wholly effective lighting presented an ideal atmosphere for the play, and the sometimes cumbersome and unconvincing costumes, often savouring of the Roman, the Assyrian, and even the Saxon, failed to detract from the classic directness of the acting.

Creon, King of Thebes, was magnificently characterised by R. W. J. Austin, whose arrogance and powerful voice always held the audience, and prevented the production from dragging. His small stature proved to be an asset rather than a weakness, and nothing prevented him from dominating the play, even at the expense of Antigone herself. Antigone was ably played by G. S. Gledhill, and much skill was needed, and was displayed in the portrayal of this part, especially when contrasted with those of Creon and Haemon; Gledhill acted with dignified feeling and admiral clarity, and succeeded without effort in creating the essential impression of femininity. Antigone's sister, Ismene, was played with equal conviction by R. I. Akroyd, whose bewilderment was excellent, but whose femininity was sometimes not very obvious. The other female character—Eurydice, Creon's Queen, had only a short appearance, yet P. K. Jubb concentrated much real beauty in this important scene.

Equally short, but how different, was the appearance of her son Haemon, the third vital character, played by V. L. Clarke with often breathtaking passion. His voice, ranging from huskiness of suppressed emotion to roars of anger, and his manner, made a perfect match with Creon, and the quarrel scene between the two was the most powerful and probably the most successful climax of the play; the noise of the audience relaxing almost drowned the succeeding lines.

I. D. East played Teiresias, the blind Prophet, again absolutely convincingly, although he was sometimes not totally audible. His change of voice, fitting the climax of the prophesy itself, was perfect, and that scene especially showed the success with which the important characters played to each other without losing individual effect.

G. P. Smith literally filled his part as the burly guard and he refused to be defeated by the handicap of a misplaced Roman costume under which he laboured. His long and difficult speech reporting the illicit burial of Polynices therefore succeeded in being more than a boring interlude. Even more passionate and heartfelt was A. J. Coward's interpretation of the messenger. He certainly put his heart into it, perhaps with too little control, for at times he tended to overact the short but concentrated part.

A special word must be said about the Chorus, whose task was probably the hardest for the audience to enjoy. Loss of pace in these commentaries was prevented by J. A. Elliott's excellent performance as the leader. Elliott succeeded more than any of his fellow elders in representing grave austere wisdom without appearing sterile. His make up was more successful too; the embarrassing Assyrian beard and wig grew from him rather than adhered to him. D. P. Nestor, another elder, spoke the beautiful poetry given to him with a quiet dignity which was rather too quiet for a noisy audience.

The production held together excellently, the acting was all good, and much of it outstanding, and there were no apparent technical errors. A fine and memorable performance.

"MARIA MARTEN" or "MURDER IN THE RED BARN," the notorious Victorian melodrama, was chosen for the second half of the programme, and there could hardly have been a more striking and potentially dangerous choice. However, the venture was justified by the result, and the play's hilarious reception and even more hilarious presentation left nothing to wish for. The cast consisted of notable members of the Staff, augmented by boys from the Upper School, so that it was not surprising to note a marked air of familiarity and humour especially from the audience.

The villain of the piece, William Corder, was played with suspicious ease by Mr. E. J. Taylor, who stalked the stage and snarled, in the traditional manner, at the audience, who were not at all abashed, and returned the equally traditional boos and hisses. He was excellently supported by an innocent and helpless Maria, played by J. R. Crossley, whose pitiful plight nevertheless failed to win anything but momentary sympathy and by her rather less innocent sister Anne (D. W. Bradley).

Maria's father was played with deep understanding and rosy cheeks by Mr. A. Holt (stepping into the part almost at the last moment) whose hair greyed noticeably as the plot thickened, and her mother, Dame Marten, by Mr. G. A. Littlefair, whose rocking-chair-ridden performance was quite unfairly claimed to be an example of vicious type-casting. Dame Marten showed a delightful and fitting ability to create her part as she went, but the little inconsistencies which occurred in the process were too good to be forgotten or disparaged.

Mr. A. F. Owen played the part of Ishamael Lee with an air of sullen vengeance, which, apart from a private duel with Mr. Pilcher's otherwise excellent piano accompaniment to the play, was consistently effective. His death scene with flickering torches rapidly extinguishing in the hands of villainous sixth form gipsies was a powerful climax, rivalled only by the condemned cell scene itself, where Corder, having been brought to justice by the gravel-voiced Pharos Lee, played by Mr. G. L. Bottomley, finally cowers under the vision of the dead Maria and the awaiting noose.

Mr. K. J. George played Tim Bobbin with convincing accents and a sly grin. Unfortunately, no one seemed to distinguish between the comic and the serious characters, if indeed there is a difference, and the benefits of a fine and heartfelt performance were lost in the general appreciative uproar.

The scenery was executed skilfully, the panoramic village green being especially worthy of praise, by Mr. H. Lee, and Mr. E. J. Peace.

The cast of the plays were :—

ANTIGONE

Antigone	..	..	..	..	..	..	G. S. Gledhill
Ismene	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. R. I. Akroyd
Creon	..	..	..	..	..	..	R. W. J. Austin
Haemon	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. V. L. Clarke
Eurydice	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. P. K. Jubb
Teiresias	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. I. D. East
Guard	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. G. P. Smith
Messenger	..	..	..	..	..	..	A. J. Coward
Chorus	..	J. A. Elliott (leader),	D. P. Nestor,	M. G. Lukins,	A. Titterington,	C. R. Wilkinson	
Attendants	..	J. H. Payne,	J. Davey,	R. H. Earnshaw,	B. Collins		
Boy	..	..	..	..	..	..	A. M. Webster

MARIA MARTEN

Jim Bobbin	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. K. J. George
Anne Marten	..	..	..	..	..	..	D. W. Bradley
William Corder	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. E. J. Taylor

Mister Marten	..	..	..	..	..	..	A. Holt
Maria Marten	..	..	..	..	..	..	J. R. Crossley
Ishmael Lee	..	..	..	..	..	..	A. F. Owen
Dame Marten	..	..	..	..	..	..	G. A. Littlefair
Mark	..	..	..	..	..	..	A. Guy
Amos	..	..	..	..	..	..	A. E. Carter
Servant	..	..	..	..	..	..	P. A. Haigh
Pharos Lee	..	..	..	..	..	..	G. L. Bottomley
Villagers	..	J. H. Payne,	R. H. Earnshaw,	J. S. Kaye,	J. Davey,		
		B. Collins,	I. D. East				
Gipsies	..	D. P. Nestor,	J. M. Balmforth,	J. W. Wiggen,	B. Hartley,		
		J. B. M. Jagger,	G. P. Smith				
Fiddler	..	..	..	..	..	..	D. A. Carter

FAVOR-ITES

Our highly esteemed predecessor in the Secretarial Chair bitterly bewailed last year's "wicked waste of talent", and issued a fervent prayer that "next year's meetings will take on a less passive air." His prayer was answered.....

The first meeting gave members scope to exercise their considerable powers of mendacity in talking themselves out of ticklish and embarrassing situations into which fate (i.e., the Committee) had placed them. Mr. Akroyd had been found rolling a beer barrel around Ramsden's brewery, raucously singing a disreputable ditty, and apparently "tight." The assembly saw fit to believe his doubtful defence, and he was acquitted with only beer stains on his character. Mr. Smith had run off with a girl and her father's money, and despite Mr. Fielden's claim that he had taken the girl merely to help him carry the swag, he successfully defended himself (the assembly were visibly moved by his declaration of love for his "seventeen children"). Mr. Collins and Mr. Austin were equally innocent, but both Carters and Mr. Clarke (to their lasting shame) were mercilessly condemned.

An interesting, informative, and humorous debate "that this house prefers a literary of classical education to a scientific one," was fought to the death by Messrs. George and Bottomley, ably assisted by Fielden and Austin. Despite Mr. Bottomley's claim that university life was Purgatory for the scientist, Mr. George's declaration that an array of "talent" (of the female brand) was to be found near the labs., carried the day, and the motion was defeated.

At the next meeting ("Is this your problem?") love-sick members were invited to submit their little troubles to our panel: Comrade Fielden, a kind-hearted Communist; the Reverend R. C. Akroyd, a celibate clergyman; Dr. Smith, a psychologist; and Aunt Watling,

a mother of fifteen children. We were given advice on how to propose ("Shall us 'itch up?"), told that the correct approach to the modern girl is to "come up from behind," and Aunt Watling disclosed that "women are more maternal than men." We were given a hilarious if not very helpful evening.

The last meeting was the trial of the masters, with Mr. Akroyd, Q.C., professionally garbed, conducting the prosecution, and Messrs. Mackley, Taylor and George putting up a stout defence. Despite the carefully forged evidence of the witnesses, the gruesome exhibits (e.g. a "photograph" of a certain prominent portion of D. N. Carter's anatomy), a bribed jury, the noble services of Mr. Watling (who appeared in the witness box three times under three different names), and the pools of sweat shed by the learned council for the prosecution; despite all these, the penetrating defence of the accused (who took a sadistic delight in watching Mr. Akroyd squirm) had an air of experience (which gave the impression that this was not the first time they had appeared in the dock) which proved so convincing that the jury was forced, despite the agony on Mr. Akroyd's face, to declare the masters not guilty of the rare selection of crimes with which they had been charged.

Keep this up, Favor-ites.

V.L.C.

LIBRARY REPORT

At Christmas, the fiction section underwent a general cleaning and stocktaking, culminating in three book auctions under the able and persuasive command of Mr. Mackley, disposing of some 200 old books, and yielding a profit of £3 4s. 5½d., which, it is intended, shall be used for further purchasing and rebinding. This year, also, the financial situation has at last allowed us to follow the example of the public library, and cover new books with transparent plastic covers, keeping the books in better condition for a longer time, and enabling the dust jackets to be retained, a practice proving to be both colourful and economical. The purchasing of a wide range of magazines, which have sometimes been not a little delayed in their arrival, has further brightened the library tables.

The School Library has always had a definite leaning towards History and English, which is only reasonable, but this year we have attempted to widen our scope with more books on science, bio-chemistry and geology. Notable among these are "Insect Communities" and "Plants without Flowers" by Bastin, two volumes of Seth Smith's "Birds of our Country" and "Squirrels" by Monica Shorten, to add new life to the somewhat outdated and unfrequented Nature Section, "Photography To-day" by Spencer, "Astronomy" by Smart, "Rockets and Space-Flight" by Burgess, and "Inside the Atom" and "The Chemicals of Life" by Newrath and Isaac Asimor.

Apart from some much needed additions, including works by Trollope, Dickens, Austen, and Conrad to fill gaps in the fiction section, there have been the usual excellent selections of History and English

books, including "English Law" by Jenks, "The Foreign Policy of Palmerston" in two volumes, Webster, "The Common People"—Cole, Fisher's "Napoleon," "Everybody's Pepys" edited by Morshead, "Trade Unions" and "Socialism and the Individual" by Wigham, and Sinclair, and the comprehensive and magnificent volume of English Constitutional Documents of the periods 1660-1714, edited by Douglas and Browning. Our thanks, also, to Mr. G. Brear for his gift of Rapin de Thogras' "History of England."

To the English section has been added Boas' "Stuart Drama" and "Tudor Drama," Wilson Knight's "The Crown of Life" and "The Wheel of Fire," and "A Milton Handbook" by Holly Handford, and to the unfortunately small religious section, C. S. Lewis' "Mere Christianity," Frazer's "Golden Bough," "Everyday Life in the Old Testament" by Heaton, and "The Spirit of Islam," by Ameer Ali, presented by R. W. J. Austin. We gratefully acknowledge this latter gift, and also some valuable additions to the travel and fiction sections given by D. F. Bentley.

C. J. BARLOW,
Librarian.

SCIENCE LIBRARY REPORT, 1956-57

I am pleased to report that all books have been accounted for in the recent annual check. Not that we have so many to lose, but it is nice to know that we can keep the few we have. One must not be surprised then when I say that the number of copies has dropped by about seventy since last summer. It is that we have merely discarded many of our pre-1920 books—a deed that has left our shelves rather on the empty side. May I point out to all would-be benefactors that in the Upper School, scientists now outnumber all others and that our science books to be of full value must be up-to-date.

J. A. WILSON,
Librarian.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

This last year for the Scientific Society has been very successful indeed, even more so than many previous sessions. I feel the Society can be proud of its achievements in attendance which has increased greatly over last year's. The Society was also able to increase its normal number of meetings due to favourable circumstances. I am sure throughout the session something of interest has appeared on the agenda for everybody.

Mr. Morris as President, opened the session with the Annual Meeting, and soon Mr. Brier was appointed Chairman and a Committee elected to support him. Due to the large number of suggestions put forward by members at this meeting no committee meeting had to be called at any period during the session. Twelve meetings in all were

completed and an additional outing, open to those with mathematical interests, was held at the Halifax Parish Church where with Messrs. Hallows and Thingee members viewed H. Brigg's Original Logarithms Tables.

The outings started soon after the Annual Meeting in order to have as many meetings as possible before the examination period came around. The first trip was to the Weights and Measure Office where a Local Inspector explained to the party the work of his office. A week later eighteen members visited Alfred Graham Ltd., Electrical and Admiralty Engineers, where members were introduced to electrical apparatus and their manufacture in quantity. On Thursday, November 1st, 1956, Captain Hart from the Ordnance Survey, Harrogate Dept., gave an illuminating lecture on the history of the Ordnance Survey and its work at the present day. We were pleased to see a number of the staff and members of the geographical set attending. The meeting was opened to all above the Fourth form, and the attendance was enormous, ten to a "pew" in Room E.

Barnsley Main Colliery was next on the agenda and a coach left the School soon after 9 o'clock carrying Mr. Hallows and a party of keen miners, equipped with dungarees and old boots. After a short lecture at the Miner's School, members were supplied with helmets and lamps and down and down the party went to the bottom of No. 4 shaft. Some time was spent "down below" and on arriving at the top again members had showers and once changed viewed a film called the "Mining of Coal." The lecturer even showed members a chart of Bye-products from coal and we thought at first someone had smuggled the chart from the top of the chemistry laboratory stairs and brought it along.

Soon after this "day out", Mr. Jackson gave the Society a very interesting talk on modulation and he supplied to members duplicated papers on the main points covered in his talk. All members of the Society wish to express their thanks to Mr. Jackson and wish him the best of good fortune in his new post. Mr. Bottomley was the next member of the staff to come under fire when he took a party of fifteen members around Ambassador Radio & Television Co. Ltd. The trip appeared to be very similar to that held earlier in the term, when Messrs. Graham & Co. Ltd., was visited. Before breaking up for the Christmas holidays the Filter Pump House and Installations of the Halifax Waterworks were visited and a short note was delivered by the guide of the general processes carried out in water purification. From the Waterworks the next meeting carried us to the processes carried out on the water after its use, namely at the Sewage Works at Salterhebble.

The New Year, 1957, did not have much in store for the members, however, all was well as it appeared that consciences were pricking and work was more immediate. A large party accompanied by Messrs. Morris, Bottomley, and George, visited I.C.I. Dye Stuffs Division, Huddersfield. After a short lecture on the extent of the I.C.I. and its processes plus a few propaganda notes the party split up and we were

guided around the vast number of reactors, vats and coal bunkers. The meeting was indeed of great interest especially to those who take an interest in chemistry. A joint meeting between the Photographic and Scientific Society on Ultra High Speed Photography was held early in the term and the meeting turned out quite interesting. The session ended with two films both on aluminium production, one entitled "The Kittimat Story" and the other showed the uses of Aluminium and its refining.

The Society's thanks are due to the School Club and also to the various guides who answered so many of those awkward questions. My thanks are due to Messrs. Morris, and Hallows and the Secretary, for their help in making the Society's year a success.

ROY WATLING.

HEATH SCHOOL CLASSICAL SOCIETY REPORT

1956-57

On the 14th September, 1956, a new School Society was born with the purpose of promoting a wider interest in Classical Studies throughout the School and if possible further afield. Contrary to expectation the new Society enjoyed a highly successful season. The hospitality which the Society extended to other schools in the district contributed substantially to the attendance at all our meetings. The Headmaster, our President, inaugurated the Society's programme with a talk on his recent visit to Greece and Turkey which proved a great success and a splendid start to our activities. For our next meeting M. J. R. Pope of Harrogate was invited to give a talk on Roman Britain and provided his listeners with a vivid and realistic presentation of the subject. Mr. Rowe, lecturer in Greek at Leeds University gave members and friends a very comprehensive outline of Greek sculpture illustrated by lantern slides. Before he began he wished the Society luck for the future and offered some very sound advice as to the perils which lay ahead. Unfortunately, Dr. Wilson, also of Leeds, was unable to give his talk as planned. The Society programme for 1956-57 was brought to a fitting close with a play-reading of "Iphigenia in Tauris" ably performed by members and friends from Crossley and Porters Girls' School. Much encouragement is to be derived in recording the attendances at all our meetings, embracing all forms, and it is hoped that they promise a long and full life for the Society in years to come.

A Latin Reading Competition was well supported and the number of entries made it necessary to divide into three sections. The winners were: Senior: D. P. Nestor; Juniors: D. R. Nelson; 1st Forms: A. M. Webster.

Our grateful thanks are offered to Mr. Rushworth of Crossley's for judging the Senior and Junior Sections.

R. W. J. AUSTIN,
Secretary.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

The Society has had a successful year. The annual enlarging course was taken by fourteen boys, who were each instructed by Senior boys. The darkroom has been in regular use but unfortunately, boys still forget to return the developing tank to its rightful place in the cupboard, after drying it.

The first lecture of the year was held in conjunction with the Scientific Society, it was the very interesting Kodak Lecture, "High Speed Photography," it consisted of slides and a short motion film. The Kodak filmstrip, "An approach to Flash," has been withheld until a suitable projector is available.

A series of enlargements of Windsor Castle were displayed to members of the Society, and we hope that their excellence will act as an incentive to our members to produce better work.

In the Annual Competition, judged by Mr. Morris, the Chairman, the standard of all entries was high, but unfortunately, they were few in number.

The Open Section was won by E. M. Fielden with all other entries commended, no prize was awarded in the beginners' section as there were not enough entries, though the prints submitted were of a high standard.

In conclusion may I hope that the Society will continue to thrive with increased support.

E.M.F.

THE ST. CHRISTOPHER CLUB

This club was founded this year with the idea of promoting outside interests among senior boys. At the inaugural general meeting there was a very good attendance, a committee was elected, who were to arrange the first hike of the Society.

A hike was arranged, to be led by Messrs. Broadley and Mendoza over the Stoodley Pike area on December 31st. Twenty-seven boys arranged to go on the hike, and all said they were prepared to go regardless of the weather. On the day (which was fine) six boys turned up who, however, enjoyed themselves. Later in the year the Headmaster gave a lantern slide lecture on "Youth Hostelling Abroad," there was a good attendance, and the lecture was enjoyed by all.

In the coming year I hope that the boys will be more enthusiastic about the outdoor meetings and will not let us down again.

E.M.F.

NULLI SECUNDUS

Talented Latin Scholars will instantly ascertain that this is the report of the 2nd (Heath Grammar School) Halifax Scout Group. Indeed, we have proved ourselves "second to none," for Badgers section, we are proud to declare (Badgers are, anyway), won that

coveted (?) trophy, the Beadon Cup, and Beavers came out top of the troops that didn't get to camp in that rather wet year, 1956. The year 1956-57 has been a most successful one for the Group.

Summer Camp, 1956, was made rather wet by the use of water pistols. Certain blokes had a pistol fight on the Windermere steamer!

In November, 1956, the Scouts' Parents' Association organised a grand "Bonfire and Plot Supper" and we are grateful to all who gave wood. Later in that month, a party of fourteen visited Macintosh's and had a tea of chicken sandwiches for thirty.

At the June Fair, the Group organised a Barbecue with Princess Mary Guides, a large profit being made. We sold out of everything and eventually sold anything we could lay our hands on. (No doubt if a rich American had been in the vicinity, he could have bought Spring Hall itself—stand out the boy who said "large hands!").

Other functions attended and aided by the Group include the Service on the Centenary of the birth of Baden-Powell, the Scout Fair, the St. George's Day Parade and Service, the Mayor's Sunday Service, and the Founder's Day Service.

Badgers have played Exley at Rugger and Cricket and lost twice.

During Good Turn Week, the P.L.'s helped at the opening of Norland Holiday Home, their duties including fetching a cow in, when asked to go for some milk!

A "Pre-Summer" Camp was held at Mytholmroyd in early July and certain hippopotami found a hollow wherein they might wallow—and wallow they did!

Summer Camp, 1957, will be held at West Tanfield near Ripon.

New Recruits from the 1st (especially), 2nd and 3rd forms are required. Meetings are held in the School yard every Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7 p.m.

P.K.J.

THE HEATHEN IN HIS BLINDNESS WANTS TO KNOW...

Ought a certain History Master to find out who fought the Battle of Courtrai?

Does he *still* wear gaiters?

Are the stories about travelling salesmen really true?

Who is Fred?

Who are a lot of Prima-donnas?

Who, "being a Scotsman in England, was very unpopular"?

When *do* strange things happen in the Library?

Who turned dumb eyes and a blind ear?

Did it get to the Pentagon?

Who Said :

" *Ladies* and Gentlemen . . . "

" Hay is grass, elongated "

" He went up into caramel "

" I've been framed, sir ! "

" Women are more maternal than men "

" Are you ill ? "

" Nobody ever tells me anything "

" I'm here to be annoyed "

" I like a dance band, especially when I'm at a dance "

" Who pinned my trousers to the ceiling "

" If you're not going to listen, you can fail your exams without my assistance "

HEATHEN PROVERBS

A bird in the hand is worth two at P.M.

Constant stoning wears away a drip.

People who live in glass houses should hide their lights under a bushel.

Two's company, three's the supporters at a School match.

Too many cooks

When in Heath do as the Heathens did.

Let lying dogs sleep.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY TRIPS, 1957

Two successful visits to notable dramatic productions have been made this year. The first on Wednesday, the 12th of June, was to " *The Importance of Being Earnest* " at the Grand Theatre, Leeds. Although it was generally agreed that Miss Margaret Rutherford was miscast as Lady Bracknell, the small party of members and friends thoroughly enjoyed a polished performance of this sparkling comedy by a cast of leading actors and actresses.

On Wednesday, the 26th of June, a party, composed of nineteen boys, three ladies, two masters and Mr. Bain, waved a cheerful good-bye to Mr. Mackley, who was making an early get away, on its way to York.

We went via Wetherby, where an unexpected delight was a conducted tour of the Car Park. A pleasant half-hour, ostensibly for the consumption of lunch, was passed by the more cultivated minds in sailing lolly-pop sticks down the Wharfe and braving the thrills and spills of a round-about. We arrived on the outskirts of York at about 2 p.m., and after an enjoyable quarter of an hour admiring the passing pedestrians, alighted outside the Castle Museum, which some of us patronised.

We spent the afternoon in the Minster, the Shambles, the Art Gallery, the Theatre, the River and Mr. Holts' second pair of trousers. I personally spent most of this time consoling the disillusioned Mr. Bain, who was unable to find the Punch and Judy Show.

At 6 p.m. we congregated outside the Minster to see the Pageant Play, the "Exodus," performed by masters and boys of Archbishop Holgate's Grammar School. It was a very moving play, Pharaoh being outstanding amongst the actors, and the drowning of his hosts remarkably convincing. The interval between this and the Mystery Play was spent in expensive hotels, espresso coffee bars, boating and walking on the City Walls in a desperate search for a way off.

At 8 p.m. prompt (after various sepulchral warnings from the loudspeaker) the Mystery Play began. Despite the gentleman in front who had trouble with his mother, and the lady behind who had to give a running commentary to her apparently blind and deaf (though not dumb) friend, we heard and enjoyed a good deal of the powerful alliterative verse.

The arrangement and use of the set, the perfect timing, the skilful direction of the lighting and the unobtrusive use of music created a lasting impression. The continuity was flawless. The actors too achieved a high standard, but were inaudible at times. The last judgement was cancelled because of rain.

J. R. CROSSLEY.

THE JOYS (?) OF CAMPING

(A few bits of advice intended for those who haven't the slightest intention of going camping).

NOTE :—What the average person *will* know about camping after reading this is not worth knowing.

Many of you no doubt, are Scouts and therefore will have had camping experience, but those who are beginners, so to speak, will find this article of no use at all.

Preparations : First, examine your equipment—apart from your tent and accessories you will presumably have :

A set of things called "Billy-cans," a compass, a jackknife (every good camper should have one, though it has no real use at all) a second . . . er, sorry, a primus stove, fuel for same, serviceable boots (preferably with soles), coil of rope, jar for tadpoles, torch (bulb optional). "Billys" are things from which you eat (if and when you eat), and a compass is what you swear at when hopelessly lost.

When you reach your camping ground, unroll your tent and take out the tent-pegs (without which your tent cannot be a real success). These are not to be confused with the actual tent-pole, which goes up the middle of the tent, and is slightly larger. It therefore has further to fall, and hurts more. Next, having forgotten to bring a mallet, you

catch the next bus on the main road (two miles away) which goes to town, in order to buy a new one: this disposes of two things: (a) soreness of hands when hammering in the pegs without one and (b) your pocket-money.

Then, take out the main tent-pole and hammer it in. Then take it out again and put it in the way originally intended by the makers. After finding that you cannot find the top hole of the tent, you make your own with a pointed tent-peg and slip it over the upright pole already in the ground (at least, it was a minute ago). To do this you must lift the tent bodily. This is done by simply grabbing hold and pulling. If nothing happens, you are probably standing on the tent. You may either get off or pull much harder.

After putting in the tent-pegs onto which are fastened the guy-ropes and consequently bandaging your toes, you have the satisfaction of seeing your tent safe and secure (ha ha!). Then you must overcome your sleeping-bag. It will probably have a zip-fastener, which is either fastened fully or forms a tradesman's entrance for ants, beetles, etc.

The camper now proceeds to build a fire—what a vain hope! This is done by rubbing two sticks together. If you find that you have worn a deep groove in both without result, you may conclude that it is time to get out your cigarette lighter. But even this is no good without petrol, which you suddenly remember you've forgotten. As a last resort you decide to make a meal. To do this, take out your primus stove. Play with it for two hours, throw it in the river, eat your cold beef, and go to bed once more, after another wasted day. Such is the general idea of "how to camp." But there is one more thing to be contended with—the midnight storm!

The first thing you know about these sudden onslaughts of wind and rain is when you wake up wet through, with the sound of creaking ropes in your ears. Now there are only two things to do:

(a) get out, or

(b) get crushed.

The wisest thing to do is get outside before the tent-pole comes crashing to the ground.

Ah well, now you have yet another choice:

(a) crawl out and be blown, saturated and catch your death of cold.

(b) Stay underneath and be blown, saturated and catch your death of cold.

And so, wet, sorry and dishevelled, you return home, yet another satisfied reader of my celebrated camping course. Well, off you go, good luck, and—HAPPY CAMPING.

C. GLEDHILL, I.A.

UNDER COPLEY WOOD

(a play for vocal contortionists)

(with apologies to all admirers of Dylan Thomas)

FIRST VOICE (inaudibly): to begin at the beginning . . . The sardine-cramped, ammonia-smelling, death-watch beetles, first-former-infested village of Heath is asleep . . . it always is. From the book-bound, name-carved tables library, dutsy as pneumoconiosis, to the woodwormed, warping workshop, all is silent, silent as the back row of the pictures; the school is as empty as an R.I. lesson . . . The screw-eye sun sizzles the stick-littered asphalt. It is so warm even the bells are pealing, like a hoarse-go-suck-a-zube scrap-iron cart. Then in they come: capless and sackless, bag-eyed and bog-eyed, on half asleep, the other half dead, peroxide-headed, billiard-bald headed, penguinning through the doorway like a football crowd fighting to get its money back . . .

SECOND VOICE: In his bright-lighted, picture-papery, apple-eyed artroom, Onky Oilpaint sits and stirs his turgid tea with his paint-brush as he dreams of refusing to become President of the Royal Academy . . .

ONKY OILPAINT (disgustedly): Munnings, pah!

FIRST VOICE: Along the mustn't-run corridor through the dart-dinted door of the table-tennis-tabled, smoke-abatement abode of the prefects shiver the shoddy, soul-searingly sinful strains of a coming-back-from-a-rugby-match, disreputable ditty, as the toil-torn tyrants justify Gilbert Harding's hard-hearted harangues against modern drain-pipe-draped youth.

SECOND VOICE: Meanwhile in his musty, pygmy, don't-touch dark-room, Clarence Kettle pensively ponders his throbbing, bobbing, whistling, wheezing, swan-spouted king of kettles, bubbling on the bunsen, and dreams of . . .

CLARENCE KETTLE: Tea.

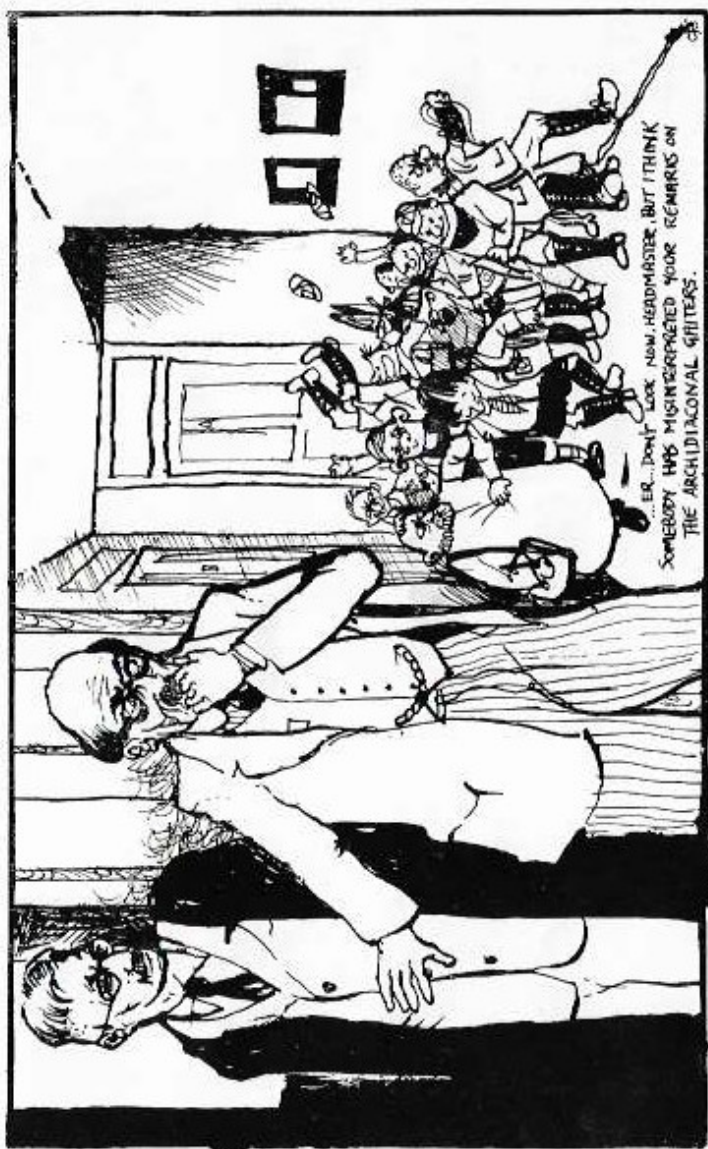
FIRST VOICE: In the pigeon-holed, what-goes-on-behind-the-green-door, commonroom, the end of break is about as welcome as the announcement of detention duty or another parent's meeting. Fags are smoked, pipes stoked, throats choked, heads stroked, and noses, of various sizes, returned to the grindstone.

SECOND VOICE: I can't get a word in edgeways 'ere . . .

FIRST VOICE: And in the distance the excavator excavates, the mortar-mixer mixes mortar, the drill drills, the picks pick, the shovels shovel, and the workers . . .

SECOND VOICE: . . . wish that it was teatime . . .

SCRJ.





ON PLAYING IN A STREET PARADE

The day of the June Fair, when I, a very inexperienced and amateur banjo-player enjoyed my day of days, dawned bright and lovely. We met the trombonist and the tuba player both equipped with large, unkempt, shaggy beards. On being told that everyone was in a public house at the top of the street, they gave three hearty cheers and asked to be led on, but then a snag arose, because this public house is equipped with swing doors and the tuba player, complete with tuba had great difficulty in being wedged inside it. Eventually he, after being edged round inch by inch, reached his goal. Once in there, however, we had great difficulty in driving them out, but eventually they straggled along Cow Green playing "Bowl on Street Parade" whilst we, the locals, tried to look as though we had nothing to do with that rowdy mob. In time, however, we joined the parade at the back, with the A.T.C. band in front of us looking a picture of smartness, whilst we were toggled out in bright check shirts, straw boaters, jeans and quite a few had long flowing beards. In the middle of Commercial Street we called a halt because, we were too near the A.T.C. band and they were drowning ("cutting" is the jazz term) us and also whilst some were having a quick drag, we held a discussion as to what number we were going to play next. In the meantime the police in their van behind were getting more and more angry because the parade was now a long way ahead and we were causing a traffic jam. When we reached Spring Hall some of us carried on playing whilst others rushed off for refreshment because it wasn't 3 o'clock. We collected quite a crowd including a prefect who plays a banjo in his spare time and said that he wouldn't be seen dead playing in such a shower.

I do not think that the crowd appreciated our music, but considered us as rather an amusing side-show, because when we cheered at the end of each number trying to whip up their enthusiasm, a wave of stony silence washed over us, not that we cared. I do not know what our honourable Headmaster thought when he saw me in the parade, but my grandmother wanted to know who those ruffians were with whom I was playing. Her trouble is that she does not appreciate culture.

B. HARTLEY.

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We beg to acknowledge the receipt of the following contemporaries and to apologise for any inadvertent omissions.

Bradfordian (2), Centralian, Crossleyan (2), Danensis (2), Grovian, Keighlian (3), Leodiensian (3), Morleian, Rishworthian (3), Rochdalian, Silcoatian, Staffordian, Wheel (3) and the magazine of Princess Mary High School.

HEATH SCHOOL CLUB

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, 1955-56

RECEIPTS			PAYMENTS		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance b.f. ..	56	15 6	Fares : Football ..	53	12 8
Subscriptions :			Cricket ..	9	11 4
339 at 8/-			Other ..	4	16 7
5 at 9/-			Teas : Football ..	27	19 6
4 at 6/-			Cricket ..	14	3 5
18 at 3/-	141	15 0	Other ..	5	1 9
L.E.A. Grant ..	46	15 11	Oranges ..	1	2 5
Parents' Assn. Grant	10	0 0	Football Sundries ..	1	6 0
Sports Programmes	3	10 0	Photographs ..	15	19 6
Music Society ..	7	18 8	Engraving ..	11	6 0
Xmas Card Profit ..	4	14 6	Printing ..	4	5 6
Lost Property Sale	8	19 0	Sports Days, etc. ..	4	10 0
Sundries ..	6	11	I.G.S. Sports ..	18	9 0
			Fives Balls ..	1	12 6
			Half <i>Heathen</i> ..	34	12 6
			Photographic Society	5	0 0
			Science Society ..	16	4
			Stamp Club ..	18	6
			Postage, Bank, etc. ..	3	17 3
			Sundries ..	2	9 9
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HEATH OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

22 SPRING HALL DRIVE,
HALIFAX.

July, 1957.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

During the past year the events of the Association have followed their usual pattern and I would thank those who attended the Dance and the Dinner. Both were most enjoyable occasions and I believe that the Dance was also financially a success.

The future of the Association depends on its ability to attract and retain the interest of the younger members and it is, therefore, a matter of considerable importance that the Rugger Section has been revived during the year, for I am sure that a strong and active Rugger side or sides will bridge the gap between those just leaving School and us of older vintage.

I would reiterate the plea made by the Headmaster to those playing with other Junior Fifteens that this coming season they should turn out for the Old Boys.

To those no longer capable of chasing about for eighty minutes I would urge that they should support the Rugger Club by occupying an honorary position in return for a small fee. The Treasurer will, I am sure, be pleased to supply details.

Finally, I would like to thank all the Officials of the Association for the hard work they have put in during the year.

Yours faithfully,

F. HARTLEY,
President.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Another year has rolled on and it is my lot to record in this magazine the industrious work of your Association.

The Committee of thirteen met twice. We had the Dinner and the Dance and you've received a couple of circulars and this publication—Are you getting your money's worth? In the past, varied activities have been arranged with little success, so it would seem that you are content to pay up and receive the news-sheets.

One of the objects of the Association is "to help the School" and it is here that we are able to be fairly active on your behalf. Under the present educational system the luxuries are not provided by the State and no doubt elsewhere in this magazine there will be the accounts of the School Club which show many of the extra items which have to be provided from outside sources.

One thing we have got is "Capital" and from time to time we have been very pleased to use this to finance projects at School, free of interest and on other occasions to purchase items of a permanent nature.

The highlight of the year was the Annual Dance at the Alexandra Hall in January. Having forsaken the 5/- hop we decided to have a splash and the result was startling. We finished with a profit of around £30 and what is even more surprising, we achieved that "party spirit" which has been lacking at previous dances. Next year, Thursday, 9th January—same place.

The Dinner held at School on a hot Saturday evening at the end of June was a leisurely affair attended by fifty persons.

The School Hall made an admirable setting for the function, whilst the meal and speeches were excellent. I think, however, that the holiday months and Saturdays will have to be avoided in future if a record attendance is to be achieved.

It is with regret that we report the death of Alfred Bottomley, an active member of the Committee for many years.

A.N.

NEWS OF OLD BOYS

EXAMINATION RESULTS

CAMBRIDGE

- D. S. Ashworth, Mechancial Sciences Tripos, Part I, Class I.
J. P. Horrocks-Taylor, Natural Sciences Tripos, Part I, Class III.
A Stott, English Tripos, Part I, Class III.

MANCHESTER

- G. Shearing, Applied Mathematics, Class I.
K. Beaumont, Classics, Class II2.

LEEDS

- J. G. Farrar, B.Ch.D., L.D.S.
B. Whitaker, M.B., Ch.B.

ABERDEEN

- M. Bamforth, M.B., Ch.B.

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- J. Akroyd, Final Examination of the Law Society, Class III.
E. W. G. Birch, D.P.H.

- O. Smithies, Research Prize of the Toronto-Connaught Medical Research Laboratories for work of exceptional merit on Proteins in Human Blood Groups.

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- Lt.-Comd. E. Harwood, M.B.E. (Mil.).

Rev. D. F. Hudson, from whom we had a letter a year or two ago, has recently written to the Headmaster from Serampore, W. Bengal. He is engaged 'inter alia' in composing a new Grammar of New Testament Greek on the lines of the "Teach Yourself" series which he hopes to have ready for publication in 1959 when he is due home on furlough. His eldest son, John, is coming to Heath this year.

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Barry Ingham, who is about to get married, has joined the Old Vic Company with which he starts in the autumn.

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Winston S. Roberts writes from Edinburgh where, after qualifying as a Congregational Minister and joining the Iona Community, has been for two years Assistant Minister at the Tron Kirk, Moredun. He seems to have been especially concerned with the schools and youth of his parish. He is to be married in August and is then moving to St. James' Church, Pollock, Glasgow.

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E. Neil, M.D., has been appointed Asta Professor of Psychology in the University of London.

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K. P. Riley has been appointed Principal of the E. Riding Institute of Agriculture.

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B. Halliwell—Assistant Curator of the Botanical Gardens, Hobart, Tasmania.

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Michael Pollitt was ordained Priest on Trinity Sunday in Lichfield Cathedral.

The Old Boys' Editor, J. K. Denerley, Queen's College, Oxford, will welcome all contributions and items of news from or about Old Boys for publication in the "Heathen." Please write on one side of the paper only.

OXFORD LETTER

St. Edmund Hall,
Oxford.

Sir,

I write with the calm of a man who has just completed his final schools—a traumatic experience whatever you say. And now as they say (they really do), the greater exam of life.

Keith Denerley the only other Heathen here writes, "there is nothing startling to say about me," he has forsaken rowing and is "dancing his legs off." This does not refer to rock 'n roll, although that exercise is considered "rather fun" by O.K. people but mainly Morris Dancing, for Keith, thank goodness, has never been O.K. Certainly, I have seen him riding Hulot-like around town dressed in some kind of traditional costume.

Russell Sunderland maintains the succession of Heathens next term. Good luck to him and all that follow.

The most important event of the year, in my opinion, was not my finals but Suez. The University was rocked as by no other event in recent years. For a while we almost echoed Proust's comment after the Dreyfus Affair—"no friendships now but political ones." However, nothing so Gallic at a British University but, as they say, the writing's on the wall.

Yours sincerely,
WALLACE BROWN.

CAMBRIDGE LETTER

Queen's College,
Cambridge.

6th June, 1957.

Sir,

Presumably all your readers are aware that J. P. Horrocks-Taylor is at Cambridge. Inspired by his disarming modesty, one might offer in eulogy the modest estimate that he has done more than any single man ever at Cambridge to put Heath "on the map." Philip always takes it as a compliment to be taken for granted, and, granted that he is the most brilliant player in the Varsity XV, one might be excused the impossible task of complimenting. Those who saw his play at Twickenham, either at first or second hand, saw a concentration of the genius both in attack and defence which has been diffused consistently at Grange Road all the season, to the amazed entertainment of the University.

Clare has its customary, solid band of Heath scientists. F. W. Normington, K. W. Reynard, and D. S. Ashworth have all made their mark academically. At other times, Billy has played for his college at

rugby and cricket, Keith has been singing in various Musical Societies and choirs, and David reflected the University's enthusiasm in the Hungarian cause by assisting at a refugee camp.

In his final year at Pembroke, E. Smith has been closely studying metallurgy, with special attention to copper. Last summer he spent three months in Rhodesia, and he intends to take a post there with a copper firm, in September. At the end of this term, Eric is getting married. Socially, he has been very busy with his camera, and in upholding the Heathen tradition in the affairs of the Yorkshire Society.

On the Arts side, the only Heathen is A. Stott. Of his activities little has reached our notice. It is believed, however, that he was a founder member of the recently formed Stamp Club, and, in the Michaelmas Term, actively participated in the Rag Day festivities, by assisting a man to push a pea around the Cambridge streets with his nose.

So, from high to low, Heathens have once more been active in all spheres of University life, in a way which we hope our successors will find it hard, but not impossible, to emulate.

Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR STOTT.

DURHAM LETTER

Durham University.

June, 1957.

Sir,

About 150 years ago Sir Walter Scott wrote :

" Grey tow'rs of Durham,
How well I love thy mixed and massive piles,
Half Church of God, half castle 'gainst the Scot,
And love to roam thy venerable aisles,
With records stored of deeds long since forgot."

To a new-comer this still applies as he descends from the North Road and sees the huge walls of the Castle menacingly leering down. Menacingly is the operative word to a " fresher " in October, but they soon become a comforting sight—well, almost. I am sure that Durham has as lovely surroundings as any other university anywhere. It is built upon the River Wear whose course is so twisted that numerous bridges have had to be constructed which only confuse a visitor.

Altogether there are ten colleges and non-collegiate bodies—four women's, six men's, which are strategically spaced in the best parts of the city.

The academic year commences with the " Freshers' Conference " early in October. This is quickly followed by the term proper, the longest of the year, in which resolutions to work very diligently throughout one's university career are quickly made and broken.

Durham itself is but little concerned with the University and its inhabitants seem to spend all their time in the pubs, cinemas, or ice rink. However, if there is no attraction for the locals, the same cannot be said of outsiders who flock here "en masse" during the summer term to scrutinise the Cathedral and all its relics, included among the latter are most professors and a few students.

This reminds me that the only old Heathens here, besides myself are Brian Adamson, now in his last term, awaiting the two years of penance, and Douglas Gillett who is teaching in a private school in Durham.

Societies, as in any university, are flourishing and cater for any tastes in religion, politics, the arts, sport, etc. Debates are heated and irrelevant (as of course they should be), elections furious and frequent, and what the Palatinate (the Varsity's fortnightly contribution to Fleet Street) says is nobody's business, though once at least the headlines have penetrated the "Daily Mail."

Such then is life in Durham. Of routine there is little, of work there is—well, that depends on you.

Lastly, a word to those rejected by two universities further south. **Do not despair; go North young man.** Sample the Didactic springs of Dunelm. Remember, though you cannot buy your M.A., here are tradition, beauty, grandeur—and **Four Women's Colleges.**

Best wishes to you all,

DEREK WATMOUGH.

MANCHESTER LETTER

The University,
Manchester.

Sir,

To compose a letter which described the activities of all the Heathens at Manchester would prove a difficult and lengthy task and the final product one fears, would turn out to be a somewhat bulky book rather than a letter. Heath has indeed won much fame in both the academic and athletic circles of the university and is well and truly on the map in this part of the country—that the School crest can hold its own in the Union with those of Manchester G.S. and Giggleswick School, is surely a sign of its strength.

T. D. Gamson has finished bewailing the University's intermediate requirements, now being able to devote all his energies to his English studies and having passed the intermediate buck to G. A. Harrison and myself. K. Beaumont, the only other Heathen in the Arts Faculty—I omit M. Roper, who is now a postgraduate—although he is a fellow classicist and even shares the same seminar, is, however, very rarely to be seen—he may even be swotting for his finals, who knows? We are, however, to understand from his closely cropped hair that this is an athletic year.

What need I say of the many Heathens—far too many even to name, let alone discuss in any detail—who are in the Faculties of Science and of Medicine? They are on view from time to time in the Union and at other such places of social gathering and seem always ready to discuss the old school. I think special mention must be made of Russel Barker who, in spite of illness, has been able to complete his first year and is now enjoying better health.

The Heathens' at Manchester, although seemingly not always striving after its motto of *arduus ad solem*, have, however, a cheerful grin for old companions and lead a full and enthusiastic, if somewhat hectic, university life.

Yours sincerely,

I. C. COPELAND.

LEEDS LETTER

The University Union,

The University,

Leeds, 2.

10th June, 1957.

Sir,

In spite of what the Sunday papers say, I don't believe for one minute that Samuel Beckett and John Osborne have said the last word about the Contemporary Situation. But I do think that their observations are especially significant to an immense body of students at this, as at many other universities. We tend to be a bunch of "apartheists" right enough, and to feel helpless in face of the Horror Bomb and world starvation—although, as yet, we've done little in protest against our impotence: the only striking we've done has been of attitudes.

Is it any wonder then, do you think, that students go chasing after security into remote parts of the Commonwealth?—an enormous number of graduates go from Leeds every year. Or that we are ever ready to grasp impulsively at some sort of Saviour, whether it be Jesus Christ, Karl Marx, or Presley? (I should say that at Leeds, there are about five times the number of students in religious as in political societies!).

A widespread feeling here is that individuality is being submerged, that the mass age is producing the mass man. Simultaneously, the humanising elements—art and literature, for instance—are appealing only at the highest levels of response, to specialists: for engineering students, Wyndham Lewis and Eliot are merely names in a vortex. The modern students' aesthetic gospel is "Outrage," with its indictment of a society which has failed to erect fine new cities that people will not want to escape from—either by car or telly; his political creed is all that "Lucky Jim" implies.

Mind you, I'm not apologising for this state of affairs ; I'd advocate a change in university life as strongly as you probably would. The difficulty is that any proposals worth making would involve changes drastic enough to give the advocacy something of a quixotic look—a supremely condemnatory feature to the conservative Authorities-who-matter.

All the old Heathens at Leeds have managed to avoid offending the Authorities-who-matter, this year. (There may be a different, sadder tale to tell when the summer examination results are released). Russell Knott has divided his time pretty evenly between French Society activities and guitar strumming (with a little work thrown in for good measure). Kenneth Kelly, on the other hand, has been leading the life of a solitary anchorite for some months now, with beard and all, occasionally emerging from his den to go to Scotland or Wales, looking at stones and things. Jas. Spencer has returned, as argumentative and fit as ever, from his sojourn in some sunny southern sanatorium. Nobody knows anything about Willie Renton ; not a word has escaped from Frankfurt, where he is at present pursuing (not vainly, we hope), his German course. Jim Farrar occasionally rushes between the refectory, where he eats, and a Leeds hospital, where he is working for the time being after taking a dental degree last year. Another dentist, Herbert Hoyle, comfortable and well-fed (how I envy him !) within the stronghold of Devonshire Hall, ventures into the outer world only infrequently. D. W. Ackroyd, however, having passed on from (not after) his army training, is a familiar enough figure in the coffee lounge or bar.

Generally speaking, it has been an energetic and often hectic year for old Heathens at Leeds. But with the exams over, we find time hanging lightly on our hands. For the first time this term, I feel that I've time to lean back, and read the Sunday papers . . .

B. MAUDE.

HEATH OLD BOYS' FIVES CLUB

Play this year was confined to Tuesday evenings as there was not sufficient support for Saturday play. However, enthusiasm was considerable on Tuesdays and the courts were usually full. The only matches played were against the School, in both of which we were successful.

The next season commences in October and any new members will be cordially welcomed. Details can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, J. N. Brearley, 26 Clifton Road, Halifax.

R.U.F.C.

After a meeting instigated by Gordon Brear at the Bull's Head Hotel, on 5th December, 1956, and attended by old members and a few new enthusiasts it was decided to re-form the Old Boys' Rugby Club under the Presidency of Lt.-Col. J. Holden, E.R.D., known as "Tubby" to pre-1939 teams.

Considering that we only started on 15th December with a match against the School we were fortunate in being able to arrange fixtures quite regularly until the end of the season. Fourteen games were played, 5 won, 1 drawn and 8 lost. The fitness—or should I say unfitness?—was obvious, but we improved as the season went on and perhaps our best performance was to hold a strong Halifax "A" to 8-3 at Ovenden Park. In the seven-a-side competition at Warley we caused a big surprise by holding the Vandals' 1st VII to an extra time try after a marathon first round match.

There were many difficulties in raising a team since many of our Old Boys had joined other local teams. Consequently it was not until the end of the season that we were able to field a fairly settled side. We were also affected as all other clubs by the calls of Universities and National Service.

All the club's activities have not been confined to football. A bevy of young ladies now form a section of the Club and two Jumble Sales, a Dance, and umpteen Coffee Evenings have helped our finances considerably. However, the life-blood of any club is in its subscriptions and we need as many members as possible. If we are to succeed we need the co-operation of all who are willing to give assistance. The Treasurer, R. Pullin of 7 Swires Terrace, is compiling a list of annual subscribers, ladies and schoolboys 2/6, social 5/—, playing 7/6, patrons 10/—, vice-presidents 21/— (minimum), life vice-presidents £5 5s. od.

We have again taken out the lease on the old ground at West Vale and the changing rooms will be, as before, at Clay House.

Finally I would like to appeal for new playing members who are willing to train regularly. It is our hope to be able to get enough to run two teams. It is hoped to run a second team as we ran the first last year by arranging matches as we go on. Fixtures are already in hand for two teams for the next three seasons. The importance of running a second team cannot be stressed enough if the first team is to have real success. I hope that as many as possible will come down to West Vale and put Heath Old Boys' back into the prominent position it once held in Yorkshire Rugby Union circles.

K. A. JOHNSON,
Fixture Secretary.

1ST XV FIXTURES

1957

SEPTEMBER

7	Huddersfield 'A'	..	H
11	Duke of Wellington's	..	A
14	Yarnbury	..	A
15	Old Crossleyans	..	H
21	Wibsey	..	H
28	Ripon	..	H

OCTOBER

5	Halifax Vandals	..	A
12	Old Rishworthians	..	H
19	Old Brodleians	..	A
26	Castleford 'A'	..	H

NOVEMBER

2	Old Otlensians	..	H
9	Halifax 'A'	..	H
30	Huddersfield 'A'	..	A

DECEMBER

7	Halifax Vandals 'A'	..	H
14	Bradford Nomads	..	A
21	Leeds Nalgo	..	A
28	English Electric	..	A

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JANUARY

11	Bradford Salem 'A'	..	A
18	Headingley 'A'	..	A
25	Bradford Nomads	..	H

FEBRUARY

1	Ripon	..	A
8	Bradford 'A'	..	H
15	Halifax Vandals	..	A

MARCH

1	Halifax 'A'	..	A
8	Otley 'A'	..	H
15	Old Crossleyans 'A'	..	H
29	Bramley O.B.s 'A'	..	A

APRIL

7	Bingley	..	A
12	English Electric	..	A

