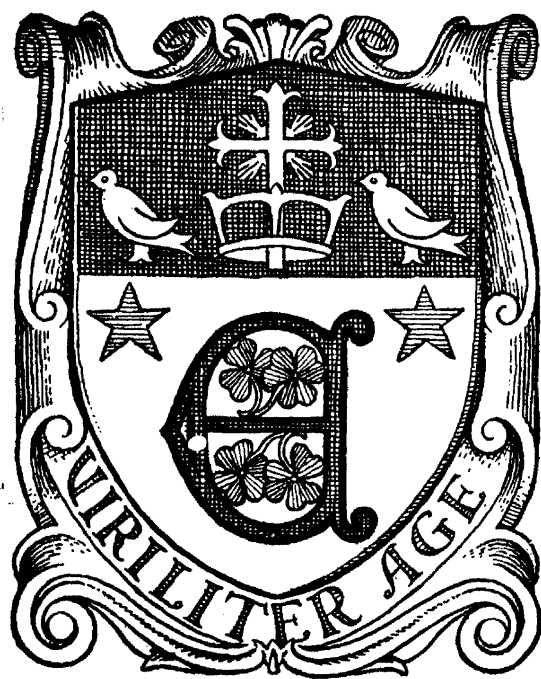


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## Editorial

A much regretted event at the close of the past school-year was the transfer of Rev. Br. Hooper to St. Joseph's College, Blackpool, after eleven years of most successful teaching in St. Edward's followed by six years as Headmaster of the College.

His work for the school, and we may say for the staff, have meant so much to us, that it is a compelling duty to say so in the pages of this Magazine.

There is no doubt that St. Edward's has been blest in its Headmasters of the past and Brother Hooper takes a worthy place in the roll of honour that include such men as Brothers Leahy, Forde, Roche, McNamara, Goulding and Wall. He was fortunate to serve his apprenticeship under some of those Headmasters and they were most appreciative of his worth.

In writing of him as Headmaster, it would be an injustice to forget his work here as a teacher, especially with the Sixth Form, where he did outstanding work in English and Latin studies. The School Library owes much to the affection and care he lavished on it, but his principal work was his moulding of the characters and religious outlook of his Sixth Form disciples so that they went out into the world spiritually fortified to act their parts as good Catholics and loyal citizens.

He was young when asked to take over the controls in the College and his enthusiasm found full scope. St. Edward's more than lived up to its great reputation as a Catholic school; the number of vocations to the priesthood and religious life increased. In the years that followed 1949 more scholarships were won to universities than ever before in the history of the College. A balanced curriculum prepared boys for any professions or careers they wished to follow. The School Choir and Orchestra yearly reached ever higher standards. On the playing fields those in charge felt certain of his support, as they trained the boys. It was not long before triumphs in the Rugby field attracted the notice of the Selectors for the County Schoolboy teams. The Cross-country and Athletic teams made their mark not merely locally but in national competitions.

When notice of his departure became public it was greeted with deep regret, though all knew that this was inevitable, as his period of office had expired. The Heads of Local Education Authorities and Her Majesty's Inspectors, with whom he had always been in close touch and on the most friendly terms, spoke and wrote of their admiration for him as a man and as an enlightened and successful educationalist. He spent himself in working for the College, and as Headmaster, by his character, bearing and ability he induced the willing and loyal support of the Staff in the various schemes he initiated for the benefit of the School.

We wish him many years of happiness and success in his new sphere of duty to which he brings a ripe experience, the satisfaction of work well done together with the good wishes of the Staff and boys of St. Edward's College.

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### OUR NEW HEADMASTER

Rev. Br. W. D. Foley, B.A., is not a stranger to St. Edward's. He is an Old Boy of the School and was a pupil of the College when it was situated at Everton.

After fourteen years as Assistant Master at St. Boniface's College, Plymouth he was transferred to our College at Gibraltar, when it was reopened in 1945, after the War, and he was shortly afterwards appointed Headmaster there.

His educational Work was so outstanding, that the Colonial Office appointed him Director of Education for Gibraltar — a position which he reluctantly accepted. When he had organized the schools there on modern lines, he resigned his position last August ; his services being required at St. Edward's

To his new appointment he brings a wealth of cultural, teaching and organizing experience, on which he will undoubtedly draw for the benefit of St. Edward's.

We feel certain that Br. Foley will still farther improve on the high standards attained in the past by the School. In this aim he will have the support of the entire Staff as well as our best wishes for success and happiness during his period of office.

## School Notes

THE School Year 1954-1955 stressed in no uncertain way the insistent march of time. For in this year several died to whom St. Edward's College owed much. Mr. F. R. Boraston's death was tragic and the spontaneous sympathy which marked the news was proof of the lasting affection and proud remembrance with which his name will be recalled by Edwardians. The School Choir and seven members of the Staff attended his Requiem at Formby. The Choir sang the chant of the Mass which he had so often rehearsed with the comment that 'some day you will sing it for me.' Representatives from St. Mary's College and St. Anselm's College attended to pay their final respects for this grand gentleman and loyal colleague. His Grace the Archbishop graciously gave permission for a sung Requiem Mass to be offered in the School Hall for the repose of the soul of Mr. Boraston. Thus on 23rd October, 1954, Fr. J. Beary, S.M.M. an Old Boy, sang the Requiem Mass. In January Mr. P. Corcoran, a faithful and long-established retainer, died and during Holy Week Miss K. Brown, another of a generation of loyal collaborators, who had charge of the school canteen and who was popularly known as 'Kate' passed to her reward. The School was represented on both occasions at the Requiem Mass by the Headmaster, members of the Staff and representatives of the boys.

The deaths of Rev. Brs. P. S. Walsh and H. F. Malone will bring back to many an Old Boy nostalgic memories of the Old C.I. and will earn for these pioneer Brothers a prayer for the repose of their souls. Both to the end of their lives kept in touch with the School and were warm in their affection for Liverpool and her sons.

Alderman Luke Hogan's death was a severe blow to the School. He had long been a member of the Local Governing Body of the School, being one of the Liverpool City representatives, and he had during his period of service done much for the School. He had proved of especial help during the

early years of the War and the College is not unmindful of the debt we owe him. His death followed tragically on the death of one of his sons. The Headmaster, members of the Staff and some boys from Form VI attended his Requiem. To the relatives of these whom we mourn we would re-iterate our sympathy and our assurance of prayers, R.I.P.

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In the course of the School Year the Liverpool Education Authority nominated Mr. G. Devine as a representative Governor to fill the vacancy created by the death of Alderman Luke Hogan. We particularly welcome Mr. Devine to the Local Governing Body as he is an Old Boy of the School, and we hope that his appointment will bring him some pleasure and satisfaction.

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At the end of the Autumn Term Mr. T. O'Dowd a member of the Staff for over thirty years retired. The Headmaster and Staff at a dinner in his honour conveyed to him their appreciation which all felt for the long, loyal and successful service he had given to the School. We wish him and Mrs. O'Dowd a very happy retirement and look forward to their calling on us when in Liverpool.

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Very pleasant news reached us during the Christmas Vacation when it was announced that P. A. Anwyl had been awarded an Open Scholarship to Christ's College, Cambridge. The tradition of awards to the older Universities is thus being maintained. Later in the year J. Mullholland gained an Open award at the Imperial College, London. Congratulations to both, and to the winners of Open Awards at Liverpool University.

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Very many boys of the School have attracted public attention by their prowess at Rugby and at Athletics. The list is impressively long and full details are given in the appropriate Sports columns, but it is only fitting congratulations

should be offered to them here and to the members of Staff responsible for their training.

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At the end of the Rugby season, colours both for Rugby and Cross-Country running were presented by Mr. J. C. Rice. We owe a great debt to Mr. Rice for the encouragement he has given the School in the training of boys for cross-country running and athletics. He has always been most generous of his time and energy. We hope that recent successes will be some reward for his devoted efforts for his Alma Mater. We offer him our sympathy on the sad bereavement which he suffered during the year.

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We were privileged to have His Grace the Archbishop at the Annual Old Boys' Dinner. Present too were the Superior-General, Very Rev. Br. E. F. Clancy, LL.D., and the Provincial, Rev. Br. M. C. Wall. We are very conscious of the distinction conferred on the School by His Grace in thus honouring this annual function.

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His Lordship the Bishop of Zabi, Rt. Rev. Dr. J. F. Halsall, distributed the Prizes on Speech Day and addressed the Assembly. We offer His Lordship our sincere wishes and prayers for a speedy recovery from the illness which has for the last few months afflicted him. Very Rev. Canon Grace was the Chairman of the function.

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The annual Retreat for the boys was given by Rev. Fr. F. Danher, one of the Governors of the School. The boys certainly welcomed the Conferences he gave and we reiterate our deep thanks for these days of spiritual help, and inspiration. A group of boys travelled to Lourdes at Easter on the National Pilgrimage. The Bishop of Soli, Rt. Rev. Dr. H. Bright very graciously consented to be photographed with our group. We thank the parents of the boys who took part in the Pilgrimage as well as the Pilgrims themselves, in thus honouring Our Blessed Lady.

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The Legion of Mary was established in the School in the Autumn Term 1954 as a permanent

Reminder of the Marian Year. We hope that it will flourish and foster devotion to Mary Immaculate.

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The Vocations Exhibition at Leeds drew six coach loads of boys, who willingly forwent classwork to learn something of the variety of the lives lived by those whom Our Lord calls to serve Him in a more intimate way. May the blessing of vocations fall richly upon the families of our boys.

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Towards the end of the Summer term we provided for those parents who could attend a concert and a film-show depicting events of the School Year. We welcomed on the occasion many parents and friends of the boys.

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Brs. J. C. Ring and Br. D. A. O'Dowd were changed in August last and to these we send our best wishes and appreciation for their work in St. Edward's. To Brs. Madigan and P. Murphy and Mr. J. Loftus who joined the Staff in September we extend our welcome and wish them many years of successful work and happiness in St. Edward's College.

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Each year these notes have ended with an acknowledgement of sincere thanks to the very many who in such a variety of ways help the school by benefactions, by generous service, or by advice. We hope that this paragraph will reassure our benefactors of our deep thanks.

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*Ad Multos Annos* to Fr. W. Mills who was ordained at Upholland on Trinity Saturday. Several boys left the School at the end of the summer term to commence their studies in Seminaries or Juniorates of Religious Orders. We wish them every grace and blessing. It is noteworthy that again the number includes several senior boys.

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Sports Day 1955 will certainly be remembered for a thunder storm that cleared the field in a few seconds! Luckily the storm blew over and after

a rather long tea interval the sports were resumed except for the gymnastic display, Mr. J. F. O'Neill, M.ENG., A.M.I.E.E. distributed the Prizes. We were delighted to see him restored to health, as he had been unable through illness to distribute the Prizes the preceeding year. Again we would thank parents and other friends of the School for the very generous contributions to the Sports Fund.

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The School Year saw a resumption in Medical Inspection of the boys. The Governors by arrangement with the Local Education Authority and the Medical Officer of Health arranged for the full medical inspection in the School. Our thanks are due to the Education Authority and to the Medical Officer of Health for their generous co-operation. Our best thanks, too, to Dr. R. Burns, Dr. A. Baines and Miss M. Dyke for their efficient and co-operative conduct of the inspection.

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During the School Year a Junior Dining room was made available in Runnymede and alterations were made to the School Playgrounds which will enlarge their areas and add more playing space to the sports field.

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The entrance examinations for admission to the Upper School gave encouraging results especially viewed in the light of the increased number of applicants for a fixed number of places. The results of the Public examinations were especially good both at the ordinary and advanced level. The details published elsewhere should give satisfaction to boys, parents and the Staff.

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### JOHN ALEXANDER

It is with deep regret that we record the death of John Alexander on 27th November, 1954 at the age of seventeen, after a brief illness.

John entered St. Edward's College in September 1946 and left in 1953 after having been awarded a Liverpool Music Scholarship at the Matthay School of Music, where he studied the 'cello under Miss Jacobs. He had intended to take up music as his career and was a member of the

National Youth Orchestra. All who heard him play felt that one day he would be a brilliant 'cellist.

After hearing him play at the Rushworth Festival some years ago the adjudicator remarked "He has a tone of enormous range and of grand, noble richness. I don't care what marks I give him ; but to be on the safe side I shall award him ninety-four." Mr. Eugène Genin had an equally high opinion of John's musical ability, as had also the late Mr. Fred Boraston. No one who was privileged to be present at the joint Orchestral and vocal concert of our three Merseyside Colleges some years ago will easily forget John's glorious rendering of Mendelssohn's "Hear My Prayer," for at that time he had a splendid soprano voice. He was always very modest about his musical ability—always ready to oblige others—qualities which made him a favourite with Masters and boys alike.

Special prayers were offered up at the College for the happy repose of his soul. To his parents, his brother, his sister and relatives we offer our sincere sympathy.

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We have just received the following news about pupils in Miss Hogg's Violin Classes :

Peter Moore : Member of the main orchestra of the Lancashire County Youth Orchestra.  
 Barrie Moore : Member of the main orchestra of the Lancashire County Youth Orchestra.  
 Michael Grey : Member of the reserve orchestra of the Lancashire County Youth Orchestra.  
 Peter Moore : Passed in Grade V of the Associated Board Examinations with 88 marks in the Theory Paper.

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The Headmaster is very grateful for additions to the School Library from :

J. Sullivan, Esq.—Encyclopædia Britannica, latest edition.  
 Mrs. Lamb—Standard works in English Literature ; a splendid collection of books on Art.  
 A. Barter, Esq.—learned periodicals.



## Mr. F. Boraston : An Appreciation

**B**Y the death of Mr. Boraston another link has been snapped—another milestone has been passed and never again shall we see that courtly, kindly gentleman of the Victorian period slowly wending his way to our school precincts.

As a musician the late Mr. Fred. Boraston was outstanding. For many years he was in great demand as an organist, a teacher, a voice producer and a lover of music in its highest branches. He was well known and appreciated in the best musical circles.

As a man he was helpful—a pleasant and loyal colleague, very human and kindly in his outlook on life. Yet this kindness towards his fellow-man did not prevent him from doing his duty towards his country. In the 1914-18 war he was one of the first to volunteer, for the Pals Battalion of the King's regiment and having survived that holocaust, at an advanced age, he again volunteered for the Home Guard in the Second World War and performed his duties with his usual meticulous zeal

As a teacher he was outstanding—always ready to help! The boy came first. Everything must be subordinated thereto. How many times did he devote his spare time to needy pupils! Monetary reward concerned him little. All he wanted for his pupils was progress and if necessary it must be at the sacrifice of himself. He thought of himself last and if at any time, his discipline was exacting it was only to ensure the success of his pupils.

The boys of St. Edward's College will miss him sorely. Thousands of his pupils who have passed through the College will remember both his insistence on the perfect interpretation of his art and his perfect understanding of difficulties, his patient forbearance with the backward boy, and that abnegation of self in the attainment of his ideal. Long may he be remembered in the hearts of his pupils as he must of necessity be! His colleagues, his pupils, nay the the whole school will keep repeating as they have already begun to do "*Requiescat in Pace.*"

## A Liverpool Martyr

**A**LTHOUGH we often talk about the Lancashire Martyrs, there is one martyr about whom we hear very little. To Liverpool people his name should be very well known, since he was born at Allerton, and educated at Much Woolton. Some of you may live within yards of his birthplace. His name is Blessed John Almond.

At the age of 17 he left Liverpool, to go to Ireland to study for the priesthood. Later, he studied at the English College, Rome, where his signature in the College register may be seen to-day. In 1602, after eighteen years abroad, he returned to England to work as a missionary priest at the risk of his life. Little is known of his life as a priest, except that he was truly devoted to his priestly duties.

In March, 1612, he was summoned to appear before Bishop King, of London. When asked his name he replied "Francis Lathom," but the bishop said his name was Molineux, a traitor. When Blessed John was asked to take the oath he refused, saying "I have refused an oath with falsehood and perjury in it." He was sent to Newgate prison, committed for trial for high treason, on the grounds that he received orders in Rome. At the trial he showed great wit and resolution; although he neither said he was a priest nor denied it: he was found guilty.

He was dragged to execution at Tyburn, between 7 and 8 o'clock on the 5th December, 1612. As he neared Tyburn on that bitterly cold morning his face was full of smiles. Cheerfully mounting the scaffold, he told the people

gathered there to see him die that he was a Catholic, and that he was dying for Christ's sake. He made it clear that he was ever faithful to King James, and that he had not committed treason.

Despite the bitter cold he was clad only in breeches and waistcoat. He drew from his pocket a few silver pounds, which he distributed amongst the crowd. He then gave his executioner a pound, saying, "I don't give you this to spare me. . .," and went on to say that he might rip him up alive,

for no torment would suffice to testify his love for his Redeemer. He then said the prayer "Into Thy hands, O Lord . . .," and showing no fear, he died, hanging from the scaffold for the space of one "Our Father."

It is related that Bishop King was stricken with remorse for having been the cause of John Almond's death, and that later he embraced the Catholic Faith.

P. MCGARVEY.

## Gerard Manley Hopkins—Poet and Priest

IT is indeed a distressing fact that Gerard Manley Hopkins has well-nigh fallen into oblivion in the world of literature. How many students of our literary heritage profess to understand and appreciate modern poetry yet are hardly aware of this saintly recluse who originated "sprung rhythm" and trod the now well-worn path of poetic innovation!

Hopkins was born in 1844 into a family that encouraged his precocious and naturally sensitive disposition. From an early age he showed symptoms of the asceticism and self-denial destined to be a characteristic of his later life.

As one might expect, he developed into a scholar of exceptional talent and eventually entered Balliol College, Oxford. This may be termed the crucial period in his life. Whilst at Oxford he developed a very close friendship with Pusey, Ward and Newman. Many were the hours they spent together in literary and religious discussion. Hopkins was soon caught up in their fervour and enthusiasm and like them, began a relentless heart-searching. His path of conversion was very similar to that of Ward and Newman: once they had made their decision they unswervingly followed it to its conclusion. Rome alone held the answers to Hopkins' personal queries: he could say with complete trust:

"I have found the dominant of my range  
and state,

Love, O my God, to call Thee love and love."

The effect of his conversion is easily seen on

his poems. Whilst at Oxford he reacted violently against his early sensuousness, suppressing the indulgence of eye and ear;

. . . . "but spikes of light

Speared open lustrous gashes, crimson-white." Many critics have attributed the obvious deficiencies of his undergraduate poetry to this sudden revulsion against the world of sensation. His poetic sensibility was dulled, but not for long.

As in literature, so in the service of God, Hopkins gave his all—his was the complete and perfect oblation. Leaving behind a world of academic distinction and fame, he entered the novitiate of the Society of Jesus at Roehampton. During the years of study and profound meditation, Hopkins found the answer to many of his problems. His most important discovery, however, was the realisation that his deep and acute sensitivity to the beauty of nature sprang solely from his religion. Looked at through the eyes of a lover of God, the world was beautiful—a projection of God's divinity upon this earth.

In mightiness of conception and majesty of execution, the "Wreck of the Deutschland" 1857, stands, as Robert Bridges remarks, "logically as well as chronologically at the front of the book, like a great dragon folded in the gate to forbid all entrance." This was his first poetic utterance for seven years and was written at the express command of his religious superior. At first, he was groping for inspiration. Gradually his skill returned and the poem built up to a superb climax

of sympathy and admiration. It was written in remembrance of the five Franciscan nuns exiled from Germany by the Falk laws, who perished when their ship went down in a storm at the mouth of the Thames. In this poem he incorporated almost all the elements of his new rhythm and "inscaped" diction. The poem was written throughout in "sprung rhythm" which has been defined as, "the rationalization of an instinctive desire to achieve more direct methods of self-expression in more spontaneous sounding rhythms" i.e. it was the rhythm of everybody in their daily speech. The lines are scanned by counting stresses and not syllables. The poem shows the, "fullness of the praise, reverence and service of God that had become his way of life." It is the story of the Passion and Redemption. In God's eyes, suffering assumed for the sins of the world was beauty: ". . . . in thy sight storm-flakes were scroll-leav'd flowers."

Despite the universal acclaim which has greeted the "Wreck" and despite its evident merits, Hopkins himself regarded "The Windhover, to Christ Our Lord" as "the best thing I ever wrote." In this poem, Hopkins' skill with words if forcibly illustrated, by cumulative phrases as in:

"I caught this morning morning's minion,  
kingdom of daylight's dauphin, dapple-dawn-  
drawn Falcon. . ."

an example of Hopkin's use of words with careless rapture. Searching for a new meaning of God's greatness and imminence Hopkins opens: "God's Grandeur" with a metaphor, almost without rival,

"It gathers to a greatness like the ooze of oil,  
Crushed."

From his ordination in 1877 until his death in 1884 Hopkins' poems are essentially the compositions of God's chosen minister. They are concerned with man's waywardness and show a confessor's care for souls: Of a parishioner he says in "Felix Randall,"

"Sickness broke him. Impatient he cursed at  
first but mended,  
Being anointed and all."

Of the Seven Sonnets, John Pick his biographer

says, "They issued from his soul in the catharsis of his burdened spirit. They were wrung from him amid the prostrating anguish of ill-health, uncongenial surroundings, and the tedium of heavy routine duties," but, "I'll not, carrion comfort despair," says Hopkins.

These few illustrations from Hopkins' better poems should be sufficient to enable us to form an idea of his true greatness. Robert Bridges, one of his closest friends, who was responsible for the publication of his poems, is unreserved in Hopkins' praise. He it was who noticed, "The naked encounter of sensualism and asceticism in Hopkins' poems." He did not write his poems from pre-conceived theories. Sure of the content of the poems, he concentrates solely on the form. It is in the form that Hopkins' appeal lies—in his straining after a directness beyond that allowed by the formal syntactic use of language. To appreciate this originality of expression one must listen to his poems rather than read them. Hopkins himself recognises this necessity when he says, of one of his poems ". . . but take breath and read it with the ears, as I always wish it to be read, and my verse becomes all right."

In his eagerness to achieve conciseness and approximation to the naked fact itself Hopkins went too far, sacrificing, "an obvious intelligibility to a directness not even at times intelligible."

In condemning Hopkins' abstruseness we must not forget that he did achieve a valuable new metric, but by his impatience with the formal limitations of language, he encouraged post-war poets to go to strange lengths for immediacy of expression. Hopkins stands alone, he is inimitable, but, as Stephen Spender says, "Hopkins ferments in other poets." No one can really know him without acquiring a higher standard of poetic beauty, a sharper vision of the world, and a deeper sense of the underlying spiritual reality. We may agree with W. H. Gardner who says that Hopkins is one of our lesser great poets rather than one of our great lesser poets. Be that as it may, his endeavour has been invaluable in the evolution of the poetry as we know it to-day.

P. A. ANWYL, VI.

## Speech Day

**T**HE Annual Speech-Day and Prize-giving was held in the School Hall on Tuesday, 8th March. For the first time His Lordship Rev. Dr. Halsall Bishop of Zabi, Auxiliary Bishop of Liverpool kindly consented to preside and distribute the prizes.

Prior to the main event of the afternoon the Orchestra and Choir presented programmes and the Orchestra joined forces in an Oratorio by Johann Sebastian Bach, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring." This latter venture was a distinct success and augurs well for similar projects in the future.

Before reading his Annual Report, the Headmaster extended a very sincere welcome to His Lordship, Bishop Halsall on this his first visit to the College. Bro. Hooper had many successes both academic and sporting to record. Last October a total of 20 boys entered on degree courses at various universities throughout the country—a school record; whilst the average num-

ber of passes obtained per boy in the Ordinary Level of the General Certificate of Education exceeded last year's best by .05. Such achievements augur well for the future and must offer great encouragement to Staff and boys.

In his Address to the assembled Parents and boys, His Lordship urged upon the latter a spirit of co-operation and willingness throughout their school life. He expressed his great admiration for the Irish Christian Brothers and congratulated them on the magnificent work they were doing for the cause of Catholic Education in the Archdiocese. Whilst congratulating the recipients of awards, he also sympathised with those who were unsuccessful.

A Vote of Thanks was proposed to His Lordship by Mr. Frank Loughran, President of the C.I.E. Association, whilst the Rev. Br. M. C. Wall, Provincial of the English Province, proposed a Vote of Thanks to Very Rev. Canon Grace, who had kindly acted as Chairman.

### THE HEADMASTER'S REPORT

**W**E are very grateful for the kindness with which his Lordship accepted our invitation to attend the Speech Day and to distribute the Prizes. We are also grateful for the presence of so many of the Clergy despite other functions which take place to-day. We acknowledge our debt to the Clergy for their encouragement and help in our conduct of the School. The Governors, parents, and other friends present are likewise very welcome and I hope, that so far, you have enjoyed the proceedings.

Attention has been drawn naturally to the tendency—in some instances quite marked—for pupils in Grammar Schools to be withdrawn before the completion of the ordinary level course at the age of 16. Although St. Edward's College does not suffer unduly from such withdrawals it is prudent on an occasion such as this, when we honour in particular those who have gained success in public examinations, to make this

comment: parents who accept Grammar School places for their sons—and many of us are convinced that the number of places available is inadequate—should realize fully their obligations to ensure that Grammar School places are not wasted either by premature withdrawal or other default. Wise supervision and, if necessary the curtailment of the activities of their sons, in the interest of the schooling to which they have been voluntarily committed are parental obligations. Examinations are not passed and character-formation is not achieved without the help of the home. School training supplements home training: it does not supplant it.

Admission to the Upper School or the Grammar Side of the College, is by either Local Authority examination or by the Governors' entrance examination. The Preparatory Dept. presented 40 boys for Local Authority or the Governors' examinations. Last year 32 boys were awarded

Local Authority places, and six were successful in the Governors' examination. Two failed to gain admission on either test. These results again show the successful issue to the co-operation of Staff, parents and boys. As the Upper School is a three form entry, admitting 105 boys each September, we cannot enlarge our Preparatory Dept., as the Upper School could not absorb more pupils. I have again to remind parents of pupils in the Preparatory Dept. that boys gaining L.E.A. places are allocated their places at the various Grammar Schools by the Authority, and not by the School.

The examination results of those who had completed the ordinary level course last summer were extremely good and an average of 4.65 subjects per pupil was obtained in the pass results. This most creditable performance was achieved without restriction of entrants nor were there many sitting the examination for the second time. In fact only 8 of the 85 were thus presented. This happy conclusion to five years' work should bring joy to parents, some measure of satisfaction to the Staff and contentment to the candidates. About 45% of those candidates have remained for courses in Form VI. We feel that many candidates of good ability and of honest endeavour, leave, who would have been well advised to remain at School for advanced studies. In an endeavour to encourage more to profit from these courses, Applied Mathematics was added as a further option last September to the VIth form curriculum.

Many parents are perturbed at the hesitancy with which boys make up their minds about their careers. The Employment Officer of the Liverpool Education Authority and the School do all that is possible to disseminate information about careers and to guide boys. In many instances such data stress the need for a pass in a subject which a boy through lack of interest would perhaps tend to neglect—and further underlines the advantages of gaining advanced passes. No boy should leave from the UV classes without his parents' giving very careful consideration to the value of the two or three years spent in the VIth form. A temporary yearning for the so-called freedom of the

outer-world or the understandable but temporary ennui (at the age of 15-16) consequent on a fairly rigorous course of study, should not blind reason nor sway judgment. We fully recognize that financial circumstances often deter boys from remaining at School and a sense of family obligation tends to encourage some to abandon the thought of advanced work. The worth of the courses is fully appreciated by those who have seized their opportunity. The results of the advanced examination as shown on the Programme are extremely satisfactory. The list of University awards and of the numbers entering the Universities are encouraging. I would mention in particular the Open Award to Oxford. The number from the School successfully entering for the Open awards to the Older Universities is increasing.

Old boys and present pupils are receiving to-day from His Lordship prizes and certificates—in some measure, proof of the success of their endeavours, to avail of the opportunities which the School affords a boy to equip himself for life in the world; but I think it is important not to forget that a boy comes to School not merely to gain scholastic distinctions for example or the social graces but to make by his own personal qualities and their development a contribution to the corporate life of the College. His practice of the virtues, his loyalty and his devotion to his duty to his God, home and country are bound to enrich the spirit of the School.

Many and varied are the opportunities afforded the boys to participate in School activities. Games, athletics, choir, Orchestra, Debates and Chess all offer scope to those who wish to avail of them. We are gratified with the good sportsmanship in which all these activities are conducted. You have had an opportunity to judge the training given in singing and Orchestral playing. In the Art Room there is an exhibition of the painting of the year.

Our Rugby teams had a very successful season last year, the 1st XV winning 19 of their 25 games. The other teams—and six teams in all are fielded to enable as many as possible to enjoy fixtures with

other—schools had an equally good season. The Senior seven-a-side team won both the Merseyside and Birkenhead Park Championships. The Colts seven-a-side team won the Collegiate Trophy. Eight of the 1st XV played in representative games and Colford and Azurdia played for the Lancashire XV. Four teams are fielded each summer for Cricket fixtures and although the first XI had not a very successful season the other three teams had very encouraging results.

The Senior Cross-Country team won 7 of their 9 fixtures. They were 2nd in the Cumella Cup race, and 4th in the Sangster Cup Race. They came 5th in a field of 51 teams in the Northern Schools Championships at Manchester and were the first Merseyside school to finish. They concluded the season by winning the Merseyside Senior Road relay race at Aigburth. Linford set up a new record for the course of 15 mins. 16 secs.

Under 16 team won all their fixtures and also three boys' championships—open to Merseyside schools. Sefton Harriers Memorial Trophy, Hooth Cup and Sandfield Park Road relay Cup.

Snake set up a new junior course record of 12 mins. 9.5 secs.

Under 14 team won three and lost three fixtures and were 2nd in 3 triangular fixtures.

The athletics team had a notable season. They won the under 17 Sefton Harriers championships, and the L.A.S. Senior trophy and the Senior team were 2nd in the Intercollege Shield Competition and the juniors won the shield for the third consecutive time. 5 of the Liverpool City 'under 15 team,' and 16 of the Liverpool City 'under 17 team' were from the School. Five boys won Lancs. Championships; 220 yds., 440 yds., Mile, pole vault and shot. These activities were all reported in the last issue of the Magazine, and need no further elaboration. During the year under review, further accommodation for school teams was made available; but we still urgently need a Dining Hall and Pavilion. They will be provided as soon as the financial situation improves—and on present reckoning the day is in the distant future.

These activities take up much time of the Staff

and it is appropriate here to pay tribute to them for their loyal and devoted work. I am sure that you would wish to have recorded your appreciation of the debt owed to them.

Although this report concerns the year ending last August, I would avail of this opportunity to express our very deep sympathy to Mrs. Boraston and her daughter on the death of Mr. Boraston. His life was lived for the benefit of the boys and his fine example of courtesy and devotion to duty is a memory which will be forever fresh. His contribution to the musical life of the School was unique and his loss is a severe blow. May he rest in peace. The School Choir journeyed to Formby to sing at his Requiem and to attend his interment as some mark of our affection for a grand old man.

Last term Mr. O'Dowd retired after 34 years loyal service to the School. Our best wishes and our appreciation for his work go with him in his retirement.

There are many to whom our sincere thanks are due for their help in enabling the School to discharge its duties—our Governors, the various Local Education Authorities and the Primary School Heads and Staffs from which our boys enter the College. Then there are the canteen, cleaning and caretaking staffs to whom we owe much. We are grateful further to the City of Liverpool for their co-operation in enabling us to share in their School Medical service. Under the arrangements made the boys of the School have all the advantages the City Health service offers.

The presence of His Lordship the Bishop stresses the fact that all is lost in the training of the child if the spiritual welfare of the individual soul is not pre-eminent. Our daily prayers, and instructions, our annual Retreat preached last year by Fr. Fitzgerald C.S.Sp. are some of the means by which the School fosters the spirit of faith and piety instilled in the home. Such human evidence as we have indicates that the Catholic tone of the School is good: nine boys were blessed by God with the gift of a vocation and commenced their studies for the Priesthood and religious life:

63 boys travelled on the Schools Pilgrimage to Lourdes last Easter—the largest single group from any one School. This magnificent support from the parents of the boys was a wonderful gesture to Our Lady in the Marian Year.

We can be rightly proud of the parents of the boys of the School for their understanding and support. They braved the elements last Sports Day to encourage their sons and any appeal which we make is generously supported—and often help is forthcoming before an appeal has been made.

It would be a fair assessment then to state that the School Year 1953-1954, was a successful one. I feel sure that the excellent results gained in so many branches of the School life will encourage all to strive to further efforts. Squarely and fairly on the seniors is set the responsibility and the privilege of setting the tone and the attitude. May they accept their task with humility and zeal so that the School may prosper and fulfil its destiny.

## MUSICAL PROGRAMME

### THE ORCHESTRA

Conducted by EUGÈNE GENIN

"Coronation March"	...	...	<i>Meyerbeer</i>
"Six Short Pieces"	...	...	<i>Bach</i>
Overture—"The Calif of Baghdad"			<i>Boildieu</i>
"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"	...		<i>Bach</i>
	<i>(For Choir and Orchestra)</i>		

### THE CHOIR

Conducted by C. LYONS

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"	...		<i>Bach</i>
	<i>(S.A.T.B.)</i>		
"Cap and Bells"	...	...	<i>Corelli</i>
	<i>(S.S.)</i>		
"And the Glory of the Lord"	...		<i>Handel</i>
	<i>(S.S.A.)</i>		

*Accompanist* - R. McDONNELL

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN"

## EXAMINATION RESULTS, 1954

### UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

#### Oliver Goldsmith Open Scholarship (English Literature), Balliol College, Oxford

Gregory, M. J.

#### State Scholarships

Anwyl, P. A.	McNeilis, A. F.
Moran, P. M.	Murphy, P. A.

#### State Supplemental Scholarship

Gregory, M. J.

#### British Architects' Registration Council Scholarship

Brown, B.

#### Liverpool Senior City Scholarships

Anwyl, P. A.	Moran, P. M.
McNeilis, A. F.	Murphy, P. A.

#### Lancashire County Scholarships :

Colford, J. A.	Gregory, M. J.
Fleming, M. A.	Lomax, A. B.
Stevens, D. J.	

#### The Br. MacNamara Cup

Colford, J. A.

#### The Br. Wall Cup

Quirke, G. A.

#### The Br. Forde Cup

Mills, G.

#### The Yates' Cup (Art Studies)

Anwyl, P. A.

#### The Alderman Farrell Cup (Science Studies)

Murphy, P. A.

#### British Empire and Commonwealth History Prize

McNeilis, A. F.

### ENTRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES

#### Arts

Browning, B. J.	Gregory, M. J.
Colford, J. M.	McAleer, D. J.
Fitzsimons, W. J.	McNeilis, A. F.
Gannon, B.	Marmion, V. J.

#### Chemical Engineering

Jensen, S.

#### Engineering

Goodall, P.	Moore, B. J.
Lomax, A. B.	Robinson, E.
Stevens, D. J.	

**Law**

Azurdia, J. P. R. Moran, P. M.

**Medicine**Bradley, H. J. Murphy, P. A.  
Harkins, F. Wren, M. W.**Metallurgy**

Capstick, R. M.

**Veterinary Surgery**

Zanetti, P. J.

**Universities Represented :**Oxford, Leeds, Liverpool, Sheffield, North  
Staffordshire.**General Certificate of Education****(Advanced Level)**Anwyl, P. A. (3) Azurdia, J. P. (2)  
Bradley, H. J. (2) Brown, B. (2)  
Browning, B. J. (3) Capstick, R. M. (3)  
Colford, J. M. (3) Cunningham, J. P. (1)  
Fitzsimons, W. J. (3) Fleming, M. (3)  
Gannon, B. (3) Gloyne, G. F. (1)  
Goodall, B. (2) Harkins, F. (2)  
Hart, J. A. (2) Harris, P. F. (3)  
Jensen, S. (3) Lennon, W. (2)  
Lomax, A. B. (3) McAleer, D. J. (3)  
McLean, P. G. (2) McNeilis, A. F. (3)  
Marmion, V. J. (2) Mills, G. (3)  
Moran, P. M. (3) Moore, B. J. (3)  
Mulholland, J. J. (2) Murphy, P. A. (4)  
O'Brien, G. (2) Pontet, F. R. (3)  
Quirke, G. A. (3) Robinson, E. (3)  
Stevens, D. J. (3) Stubbs, M. W. (3)  
Wren, M. W. (3) Zanetti, P. J. (3)*Candidates normally present three subjects**Number of subjects passed is indicated brackets.***DISTINCTIONS ON ADVANCED PAPERS***English :* Anwyl, P. A.  
McAleer, D. J.  
*Geography :* McNeilis, A. F.  
*Latin :* Fleming, M.  
*French :* Moran, P. M.  
*Mathematics :* Lomax, A. B.  
*Physics :* Murphy, P. A.  
*Chemistry :* Murphy, P. A.**General Certificate of Education****(Ordinary Level)**Allen, J. H. (3) Azurdia, C. M. (6)  
Blackburn, R. A. (3) Blackburne, J. W. (2)  
Blanchflower, J. (7) Bowe, V. (6)  
Brannan, E. L. (7) Bretherton, M. T. (1)  
Burrows, F. J. (5) Bushell, C. A. (6)  
Bushell, J. G. (3) Byrne, J. G. (3)  
Campbell, P. J. (4) Carberry, B. J. (4)  
Carrier, J. P. (2) Clatworthy, R. A. (7)  
Comerford, J. (6) Cowen, A. G. (7)  
Cunningham, J. E. (3) Dodds, C. H. (5)  
Downey, J. E. (6) Dukes, A. F. (4)  
Duvanna, D. F. (6) Fargher, J. A. (5)  
Farrell, P. D. (4) Fetherstone, E. M. (3)  
Fletcher, H. A. (6) Goodall, B. J. (5)  
Goulborne, P. (6) Grant, W. J. (3)  
Hagedorn, P. A. (3) Hanlon, P. (6)  
Harris, J. E. (6) Hayes, E. J. (7)  
Higgins, B. T. (7) Hitchmough, T. (7)  
Holden, T. L. (7) Hudson, P. J. (7)  
Hughes, P. (7) Hughes, P. H. (7)  
Jennings, D. (1) Jones, J. P. (3)  
Jordan, H. (7) Keenan, W. P. (7)  
Kinsella, P. (4) Lamb, P. K. (6)  
Lavery, H. J. (3) Linford, A. G. (7)  
Ludden, B. A. (6) Lynch, A. J. (4)  
McBrearty, J. (7) McDonald, G. A. (1)  
McGonagle, E. G. (7) McMullin, A. M. (6)  
McNulty, P. J. (2) Manghan, G. H. (7)  
Marshall, M. R. (5) Miller, J. A. (2)  
Morgan, P. (3) Murphy, G. M. (7)  
Newberry, J. (5) Patterson E. (5)  
Peacock, J. (4) Prenton, P. (4)  
Prince, A. (7) Radford, B. (6)  
Ratchford, J. A. (7) Rogan, J. (7).  
Rorke, J. D. (6) Shaw, A. (5)  
Shelley, J. E. (6) Sheridan, M. J. (4)  
Snape, P. (6) Stanfield, J. (1)  
Stannard, D. D. (3) Starkey, G. (7)  
Sullivan, J. (7) Taylor, J. A. (6)  
Thomas, D. S. (3) Toolan, M. P. (7)  
Unsworth, J. E. (1) Valentine, P. J. (5)  
Waring, F. J. (5) Weston, B. L. (7)*Candidates presented varying number of subjects,  
maximum seven.**Number of subjects passed is indicated in brackets.*



<b>First Place in General Certificate (Ordinary Level)</b>	Upper V. Beta : Religion : Fargher, J. 1, Fletcher, H.; 2, Azurdia, C. M.; 3, Fargher, J.
<i>Modern Group :</i> Goulbourn, P.	Lower V. Alpha ; Religion : Lowe, B. 1, Lowe, B. ; 2, Duggan, R. ; 3, Morgan, P.
<i>Science Group :</i> Holden, T. L.	Lower V A. : Religion : Cogley, J. 1, Rowan, B. ; 2, Loftus, G. ; 3, Hill, T.
<b>Civil Service (Scientific Branch)</b>	Lower V. Beta : Religion : Corcoran, P. 1, O'Keeffe, M. ; 2, Corcoran, P. ; 3, Brigden, A.
Cookson, W. Reid, P.	IV. Alpha : Religion : Johnson, T. 1, Kenny, B.; 2, Woolridge, J.; 3, Volleamere, W.
<b>Civil Service (Clerical Grade)</b>	IV A. : Religion : McGrail, A. 1, Duncan, R. ; 2, Milner, J. ; 3, Meakin, J.
Hagedorn, P. A. Hudson, P. J.	IV. Beta : Religion : Kelly, J. 1, Parker, J. ; 2, Wright, D. ; 3, Walsh, W.
<b>Entrance to Welbeck College</b>	III. Alpha ; Religion : Wolfenden, B. 1, McDermott, A. ; 2, Bryson, I. ; 3, O'Hanlon, P.
Stannard, D.	III A. : Religion : Colquitt, B. and Thistlewood, E. 1, Caulfield, F. ; 2, Kieran, J. ; 3, Massey, B.
<b>Prospective Teachers' Religious Certificate</b>	III. Beta : Religion : Green, P. and Weston, P. 1, Emsley, B. ; 2, Green, P. ; 3, Levy, F.
Alger, P. Linford, A. G.	II. Alpha : Religion : Murray, F. 1, Murray, F. ; 2, Minahan, H. ; 3, Keating, S.
<b>School Art Prizes</b>	II. Beta : Religion : Mann, E. 1, Deane, P. ; 2, Mann, E. ; 3, Gray, P.
<i>Senior :</i> Brigden, A. <i>Junior :</i> Buckley, A.	II A. : Religion : Gower, B. 1, Coady, B. ; 2, Hurst, R. ; 3, Darragh, M.
<b>College Chess Cup</b>	II R. : Religion : Scahill, M. 1, Scahill, M. ; 2, Hawes, P. ; 3, Spencer, W.
Gannon, B.	Upper I : Religion : Maybury, P. 1, Kennedy, M. ; 2, Fletcher, P. ; 3, Owens, C.
	Lower I : Religion : Donnelly, P. 1, Donnelly, P. ; 2, Rudd, E. ; 3, Butler, D.
	Preparatory : Religion : Morgan, A. 1, Morgan, A. ; 2, Downes, M. ; 3, Laird, A.
<b>FORM EXAMINATIONS</b>	
<b>Summer Term 1953</b>	
VI A. Moderns : Religion : Anwyl, P. 1, Anwyl, P. ; 2, Moran, P. ; 3, McNeilis, A.	
VI A. Science : Religion : Hart, J. and Lomax, A. 1, Murphy, P. A. ; 2, Lomax, A. ; 3, Jensen, S. and Robinson, E.	
VI B. Moderns : Religion : McDonnell, R. 1, McDonnell, R. ; 2, Lamb, D. ; 3, Kenna, P.	
VI B. Science : Religion : Morgan, F. 1, Keating, P. J. ; 2, Morgan, F. ; 3, Ashurst, B.	
Upper V. Alpha : Religion : Ratchford, J. 1, Holden, T. ; 2, Carberry, B. ; 3, Toolan, M.	
Upper V A. Religion : Morgan, P. 1, Hudson, P. ; 2, Hitchmough, T. ; 3, McBrearty, J.	

## OLD BOYS' SUCCESSES, 1954

## BIRMINGHAM

**B.Sc.** Serrano, M. (Hons.)

## DURHAM

**B.A.** Hillman, J. (Hons.)

## LIVERPOOL

**M.A.** Forde-Johnston, J. L., *B.A.*

**M.C.D.** Craig-McFeely, K., *B.Arch.*  
Dixon, W., *B.Arch.*

**B.A.** Dillon, J. (Hons.).  
Kieran, J. A. (Hons.).  
Maguire, T. J. (Hons.).  
Quinn, J. (Hons.).  
Rose, P. H. (Hons.).

**M.B., Ch.B.** O'Dowd, B. J.

**LL.B.**

Lennon, M. (Hons.).

**B.Sc.**

Francis, T. (Hons.).  
Harrison, T. K. (Hons.).  
Mitchell, F. W. (Hons.).  
Finnigan, J. J. (Hons.).

## Diploma in Education

Bennett, M. H., *B.A.*

## TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES

## St. Mary's Training College

Loftus, J. F.  
Lunt, B. W.  
McGrady, A. F.  
McMullin, V. E.  
Noonan, G.

## De La Salle Training College

Melia, G. C.

## Francois Mauriac—A Catholic Novelist

**U**NLIKE our own novelists, Waugh and Greene, Francois Mauriac was born a Catholic; like them, he writes novels. Why then, one may ask, should there be any doubt as to whether he is a Catholic novelist? Actually, the expression is not as tautological as it may sound. Mauriac is not merely a Catholic who happens to be a novelist—"the world in which his characters live, and the moral law by which they succeed or fail, are determined by theology." (M. Jarrett-Kerr).

How far has Mauriac succeeded in reconciling his novel-writing with his Catholic faith? That is a difficult question to answer; certain it is that Mauriac has tried hard. In 1937, he heard a sermon delivered by the Bishop of Mans, denouncing writers who: "... on the pretext of freedom of inspiration, actually claim to be able to reconcile audacious descriptions and paintings with the

practice of the sacraments. . . . These men pride themselves on being pious, while they trouble and pervert others." Mauriac was afterwards relieved to learn that the Bishop did not include him in this condemnation, but his efforts to defend the Catholic novelist became even stronger. Throughout the past fifteen years or so, he has published a large number of pamphlets and essays in which he strives to make his purpose understood. It is rather ironic, too, that most of the opposition he met came from critics who were of his own faith. The memory of this opposition seems to linger on even to-day. In a characteristic postscript to one of his recent novels, "Galigai," he notes: "At the moment of publishing "Galigai" I experience the same disquiet as thirty years ago when one of my books was born; the fear not, admittedly, of scandalizing, but of disconcerting those of my readers who have

religious pre-occupations in common with me."

Perhaps it is the unwillingness to encounter adverse criticism from his fellow-Catholics that often causes Mauriac to write as a moralist. In "Le Mystere Frontenac," which is largely autobiographical, he depicts the family as a vital unit, complete within itself. When the family breaks apart, there is a fundamental change, mainly for the worse, in the characters of the component members. This plea for family unity may be seen more clearly in "Les Chemins de la Mer." In this book, the main characters are the Revolou family. Within the first few chapters, Oscar Revolou, the father, commits suicide. Finding themselves suddenly poverty-stricken, the rest of the family remove to a farm in the country. Julien, the elder son, takes to his bed, refusing to see anybody, and eventually dies, whilst Madame Revolou, broken by the family's recent misfortunes, dies of cancer. Denis, the younger son, is inveigled into marrying Irene, the sluttish daughter of the farm-bailiff. His sister, Rose, after being abandoned by her fiance, Robert Costadot, realizing that the shipwreck is complete, leaves the farm; and, though the book ends on a note of hope for Rose, the reader is left with an impression of chaos and disintegration. The moral which Mauriac has given is obvious.

As a Catholic, Mauriac has a keen perception of the power of Evil. In his novels, he very often displays this strong awareness of Evil. Consider the following passage from "Le Mal."—"There she stood, her young body apparently untouched by the years, strong as steel, tempered and hardened and possessed. There is such a thing as *infernal* Grace, and it can galvanize, just for as long as may be necessary, that adorable shape which, according to St. Catherine of Siena, stinks in all its parts." Or again, this paragraph from "Le Sagouin," describing Paula's hatred for her mother-in-law, the Baronne: "We speak of 'making love;' we should be able, too, to speak of 'making hate.' To make hate is comforting. It rests the mind and relaxes the nerves." In the same way, in "Genitrix," the power of mind which Felicite Cazenave exerts, during her life-

time, upon her son Fernand, though not exactly evil, continues to work upon Fernand even from the grave.

One of the chief objections made against Mauriac is that he always makes the sinner more attractive than the virtuous man. Mauriac himself remarks: "I always miss the mark with virtuous characters." If this is correct, it is contrary to Catholic ideas of morality. But is it correct? I do not think so. Virtue is its own reward, it is said, and, conversely, in Mauriac's novels, sin generally leads only to unhappiness. Yet I am certainly of the opinion that Mauriac, when talking of physical love, goes too often into embarrassing detail. M. Jarrett, too, talks of "The searing pictures which (Mauriac) gives us, and even sometimes seems to delight in giving us" of physical love. Note "seems to delight in giving us." On the other hand, an anonymous writer in the "Times Literary Supplement" remarked recently that "Mauriac displays a sharp awareness of the sorrows and disappointments of the flesh." I feel that the charge of making the sinner more attractive than the virtuous man is unfounded. One does not gain from Mauriac's novels the impression that sin leads to happiness, an impression which, however, one is rather more likely to gain by reading the works of Mauriac's fellow-novelist, Graham Greene.

At the other end of the scale, there is the objection that the picture of human life Mauriac draws is a black, gloomy one. Yet the fact is that life IS often a gloomy business—the daily press provides ample evidence of this. Whether or not Mauriac is justified in adopting this pessimistic attitude to life (as he seems to me to do) is another matter. These hideous descriptions of deformed, misshapen bodies often recall something seen in a nightmare. Mauriac himself, re-reading his novels for a complete edition, says: "I see in many forms Grace cropping up—but, it seems to me, a bit less so the older I have grown. It still emerges in a niggardly way in the last pages of "Le Sagouin." In "Galigai," to guess that the destiny of one of my characters points towards God, you have to wait for the very last sentence,

the last word." But he goes on to admit that his picture is a gloomy one: "What a black picture! This deformed humanity, with its wry grimaces, which Grace has failed to get a purchase on—in favour of whom or of what does it testify? There is the human objection."

(Quoted by M. Jarrett-Kerr.)

In the novels, there are often passages in which it is difficult to decide whether it is a character's opinion that is being stated, or whether it is that of Mauriac himself. If it is Mauriac's own view that is being given, a reasoning Catholic would find it impossible to admit its moral validity. In "Galigai," for example, when Gilles Salnone is trying to persuade Nicolas de Plassue to help him out of a difficulty, he urges: "A friend is someone who helps you to throw a corpse into the water without asking any questions." Worthy of mention, also, are Mauriac's remarks on hate, in "Le Sagouin," which I quoted previously. Consider, too, in "Les Chemins de la Mer," his remarks about Landin, Oscar Revolou's secretary, of whom he tells us, at the time of Landin's death, that: "there is a frontier beyond which no human aid could be of any avail to Landin, and where no salvation on earth or in heaven awaited him. . . . The unquenchable fires of Hell are LIT in this world, and those whom theologians count as lost are marked for damnation at their birth and even before it." As Jarrett-Kerr

aply remarks, "Double predestination is neither good Catholic doctrine nor a good basis for novel-writing."

To revert, then, to the original question—is Mauriac a Catholic novelist? I have tried as far as possible, to put the case for and against. But I have purposely left the question unanswered; I should not like to attempt to answer it. The following criticisms are sufficient to illustrate the difficulties of reaching a decision: "The object of Mauriac's novels is not so much to bring sinners to Christianity as to remind Christians that there is something here on earth, besides heaven." (Andre Gide.)

"Mauriac believes. . . that innate in man there is some taint which may assume various outward forms. The revelation and development of this taint (often lust) forms his theme." (Milton Stansbury.)

To-day, a great many of Mauriac's novels are available in excellent translations by Gerard Hopkins. For further study, there are essays by various critics. But most readers, I feel sure, will read the novels, not to be initiated into the intricacies of Catholic Apologetics, but for enjoyment. "Mauriac's bold vigorous style," says an American critic, Milton Stansbury, "Makes his novels enjoyable and stimulating—one is not concerned with the effect he may have on one's morals." Just read them, and I think you will agree.

M. FLEMING, VI.

## Dylan Thomas

'And now he's gotten, first of all and foremost  
You Dylan too, the one undoubting Thomas  
The whistler in the dark he's taken from us.  
George Barker 'At the Wake of Dylan Thomas.'

WHEN Dylan Thomas, 'poet of the upland apples,' died of an unknown malady in the United States, a land of song far different from his own, lamentations tended to be universal. Many who had never read his poetry, and never met him, mourned because he was for them the archetypal poet, a

Welsh bard singing of love, a pint of 'flat, warm, thin, Welsh, bitter beer' in one hand, a pen in the other. This was the largely erroneous picture painted by certain popular journalists who were glad to find a modern poet who so obviously did not fit W. H. Auden's description "He goes to the job in the bank on the suburban train."

He was mourned, also, by his fellow poets,

the critics, and his friends because of his self, his great companionship, and his integrity. They knew he was speaking true when he wrote :—

' In my craft or sullen ait  
Exercised in the still night  
When only the moon rages  
And the lovers lie abed  
With all their griefs in their arms,  
I labour by singing light  
Not for ambition or bread  
Or the strut and trade of charms  
On the ivory stages  
But for the common wages  
Of their most secret heart.

For unlike many of his contemporaries he refused to become a "hack" writer and I believe that but for the fortunate patronage of Dame Edith Sitwell he and his family would have had a miserable existence.

Perhaps the greatest tribute paid to him by another writer was written sometime before his death by one he never met. In his journal "The Sign of Jonas," Thomas Merton, the Trappist poet and mystic, wrote for himself and not for a public : "Dylan Thomas' integrity as a poet makes me very ashamed of the verse I have been writing. We who say we love God, why are we not anxious to be perfect in our art as we pretend to be in our service of God."

The men of letters—the Connolly's and the Muir's mourned because they saw Dylan Thomas' death as being far more the artistic tragedy of the twentieth century than Keats' death of the nineteenth. For they knew that it was Thomas who infused music and imagination into a poetry fast becoming sterile and prosaic in the hands of intellectuals, who were primarily interested in problems belonging rather to sociology than art. With Thomas the poet tended to become again a seer, and to cease to be a preacher. They knew also that Thomas was just reaching his full poetic maturity, 'his metaphors remained in a state of grace' and 'he was growing articulate by making clear to himself the world of his imagination.'

But it is wrong to suppose that Thomas made his appeal only to the intellectual and artistic

classes. Like the love he sang about, his poetry claimed soldiers, sailors, tinkers and probably a few tailors ; and the ten thousand subscribers to the Collected Poems give the lie to those critics who protest that his poetry was too obscure to have ever had a popular appeal. I will attempt, in the ensuing section, to indicate why the whistlings in 'The dark' of Dylan Thomas appealed and will appeal to artisan and artist. In other words how, despite its obscurity his verse has a universal appeal.

## II

D. S. Savage defines the successive stages of artistic creation as Experience, Vision and Technique culminating in the work of art. In Thomas' early poetry, the Eighteen Poems of Childhood, we seem to be presented with the vision undisciplined by any conscious technique. The result is obscurity, and the unprepared reader retires baffled. Edith Sitwell used to read them merely for their sound, a Keatsian sense-music rather than the 'intellectual noyse' of a Crashaw ; but these poems are not wholly inapprehensible. Thomas himself has described them as 'the brothy bubblings of a boily boy in love with the shapes and shadows on his pillow.' They are revelations of the mental and physical disturbances of adolescence and if we have preserved, to any appreciable extent, our infant sensibility and can recognize that some poems are to be felt rather than understood, then we can share in his vision. At this time Thomas was discovering his feelings as he wrote.

' The force that through the green fuse drives the  
flower

Drives my green age ; that blasts the roots of trees  
Is my destroyer

And I am dumb to tell the crooked rose  
My youth is bent by the same wintry fever.

We, too, can remember and discover our deepest feelings and experiences as we read.

In the early thirties Thomas defined poetry as 'the rhythmic, essentially narrative movement from an overclouded blindness to a naked vision.' As that was for him the process of the creation of a poem, so it was also the path of his own poetic

progress. The 'overclouded blindness' of those early poems gave way to the naked visions of 'Poem in October,' 'The Hunchback in the Park' and 'Fem Hill.' He was never an intellectual poet but he had his 'five and country senses' to make his poetry sensually and emotionally rich. As he began to feel clearly he began to write clearly and no English poet in the last hundred years has reached these lyric heights: 'Now as I was young and cast under the apple boughs

About the lilting house and happy as the grass  
was green,

The night above the dingle starry,

Time let me hail and climb

Golden in the heydays of his eyes,

And honoured among wagons I was prince of the  
apple towns

And once below a time I lordly had the trees and  
leaves

Trail with daisies and bailey

Down the rivers of the windfall light.

At this time his poetry was purely autobiographical. He looked into, and saw the truth in himself; whistling in the dark he conjured up light, and lyricism of this potency appeals to all who have hearts as well as heads and who are sincere to their feelings. These gifts belong to us special class of person.

### III

The publication of the Collected Poems saw the end of this personal poetry, and, as was apparent from some of the later poems like "Lament"—the story of an 'old ram-rod, dying of women'—Thomas was beginning to seek for a more dramatic and public form of expression. Before his death he completed only one of three projected dramatic works, "Under Milk Wood—A Play for Voices."

But this one work was enough to show that he had crossed over the lengthy bridge from lyric to epic. Richard Hughes thinks that it derives, as much from his "Portrait of the Artist as a Young Dog" as from the normal run of his verse; but he is the first to admit that it easily transcends that memoir of his early youth. Characters who

'Portrait' and in short stories like 'Early one morning' are vivid portrayals of particular people, appear again in 'Milk Wood' transfigured into universal figures deserving the epithet 'archetypal' Captain Tiny and the Rev. Thomas Evans of 'Quite Early One Morning' become the incomparable blind sea Captain Cat and the rhyme-drunk preacher, the Rev. Eli Jenkins of the world under Milk Wood. Like Chaucer in the 'Canterbury Tales' Thomas, I would venture to say, succeeded in writing an epic, not only of his own time and environment, but for all time and all men.

Although more easily comprehensible, the language of the play is no less rich and fresh than that of the poems. The small town on the spring, moonless night is 'starless and bible-black, the cobble streets silent and the hunched courtiers'—and rabbits' wood limping invisible down to the sloeback, slow, black, crowblack, fishing-boat bobbing sea.' Later on, the town is 'head over heels in love,' and all through the night 'the boys are dreaming wicked or of the bucking ranches of the night and the jolly rogered sea.'

Thomas' sense of humour is given more scope than ever before. It was a Christian sense of humour. As a rule, he laughed at man's folly rather than at the man. We have 'alone until she dies, Bessie Bighead, hired help, born in the workhouse, smelling of the cowshed, snores bass and gruff on a couch of straw in a loft in Salt Lake farm and picks a posy of daisies in Sunday Meadow to put on the grave of Gomer Owen who kissed her once by the pig-sty when she wasn't looking and never kissed her again although she was looking all the time.' The knife becomes sharp and cuts deep only when he deals with people who have no love other than a Malvolian self-love—people like Jack Black, the blacksmith, a charity-less Puritan, and Mrs. Pugh a 'Needling stalactite hag and bednag of a poker backed, nutcracker wife' whose nagging drives her schoolmaster husband to reading 'The lives of the Great Poisoners.' They are put in Thomas' poetic pillory and we are glad to see them there.

Like Shakespeare in his Romances, and like

every public house philosopher, in his cups, Thomas' final songs are all about the power of love. A love ranging from the earthly love of Polly Garter, singing her beautiful lament :

' O Tom, Dick and Harry were three fine men  
And I'll never have such loving again  
But little Willy Wee, who took me on his Knee,  
Little Willy Wee was the man for me.'

To the great love invoked in the Rev. Eli Jenkins and, I'd like to think, Dylan Thomas' final prayer was :

' We are not wholly bad or good  
Who live our lives under Milk Wood  
And thou I know, will be the first  
To see our best side, not our worst.'

There lies the vision of ' Under Milk Wood.'

#### IV

Thomas never, could have, belonged to a poetic movement, because of its nature, his poetry was incapable of conforming to group standards.

This would appear to make our loss greater. There is no one to continue the line. But perhaps, in one way, that is no matter. An individual genius with his intensity needs no school to support it during its lifetime or afterwards. For Thomas, the creative urge was no immediate or temporary one : it was the greatest urge of all,—that which engendered Chaucer's ' Tales,' the spiritual power of Shakespeare's final plays, and the glories of Pierro della Francesca and Michael-angelo :

(My) poems, with all their crudities,  
doubts and confusions, are written for  
the love of Man and in praise of  
God, and I'd be a damn fool if they weren't.  
And in Shakespeare's words I'll say :  
' What's new to speak, what new to register  
That may express my love, or thy dear merit,  
Nothing, sweet boy.'

MICHAEL GREGORY.

## Rugby Colours

**A**N event which is looked forward to each year by the Rugby fraternity of the College, is the presentation of the Colours. These are awarded not solely for brilliant success on the field of battle but in recognition of a long and loyal service to the School.

Such occasions give the Juniors ample opportunity for showing in what way their allegiance lies and this year was no exception.

On 29th April in front of the assembled school. Mr. J. C. Rice an Old Boy and official at the 1948 Olympiad, presented the well-earned awards. The main item was the presentation of colours to E. Dillon, L. Ludden, J. Mulholland, J. Power and J. Ratchford for their service to the various School XV's. Their representative honours are printed elsewhere.

After some very interesting games, Hope emerged winners of the House Rugby Shield with Sefton 2 pts. behind in second place. Captain Ludden received the trophy from Mr. Rice amidst the vociferous applause of his fellow members. Needless to say, the other 3 Houses were somewhat different in their reactions !! The main part of

the afternoon was now over but there still remained the presentation of Cross-Country awards (details of which elsewhere) and the Form trophies. The latter competition, although only in existence for a few years, has aroused great enthusiasm amongst the Junior school—an enthusiasm all too-evident on the day ! The Results were :

2's. Winners : 2 B. (J. Boggan, Capt.).

3's. Winners :

4's. Winners : 4A. (M. O'Hare, Capt.).

After the applause had subsided the Headmaster called upon Mr. Rice to speak. Thanking Bro. Hooper, Mr. Rice said he deemed it a great privilege to present the awards at his old school. He called upon the boys to play the game hard and clean, to give of their best at all times and to make a proper use of the talents given them by God.

In thanking Mr. Rice, Bro. Hooper reiterated the former's remarks and urged the boys to play the game in the spirit which had hitherto earned them the esteem of other schools.

Events were brought to a close by the singing of the School Song and the School Cry.

P. A. ANWYL.

# Examination Results, 1955

## UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

**Open Scholarship in English to Christ's College, Cambridge** Anwyl, P. A.

**State Scholarships** McDonnell, R.  
Morgan, F. V.

### Reserve State Scholarship

Ashurst, B. T.

**Metalliferous Mining Scholarship tenable at the Imperial College of Sciences, London**

Mulholland, J. J.

### Liverpool City Senior Scholarships

Anderson, K. G. Keating, P.  
Ashurst, B. Kenna, P.  
Brown, B. Morgan, F. V.  
Connor, H. G.

### Lancashire County Major Scholarships

Dillon, E. Luddon, L.  
Henry, A. McDermott, B.  
Knight, M. McDonnell, R.

### Robert Gee Medical Scholarship for 4 years

Kenna, A. P.

### General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level)

Anderson, K. G. (3) Ashurst, B. T. (3)  
Bowe, T. (3) Brown, B. (3)  
Connor, H. G. (3) Dingle, R. J. (3)  
Henry, A. (2) Keating, P. J. (3)  
Kenny, J. (3) Knight, M. J. (3)  
Leyland, M. J. (2) Morgan, F. V. (3)  
Mulholland, J. J. (3) Pontet, F. R. (3)  
Power, J. (3) Reid, P. (2)  
Rogers, P. P. (3) Brooks, G. D. (3)

Curran, D. B. (3) Dillon, E. G. (2)  
Fallon, P. C. (3) Kenna, A. P. (3)  
Lamb, D. (3) LeRoi, J. J. (3)  
Ludden, L. (2) McDermott, B. (2)  
McDonnell, R. G. (3) McHugh, B. A. (1)  
McClellan, P. G. (2) Quirke, G. A. (3)

### Distinctions in Advanced Papers

Chemistry : Anderson, K. G. ; Kealing, P. J. ;  
Morgan, F. V.

Mathematics : Ashurst, B. T. ; Brown, B. ;  
Morgan, F. V.

Physics : Kealing, P. J. ; Morgan, F. V. ;

English : Kenna, A. P.

History : Kenna, A. P.

Latin : McDonnell, R. G.

French : McDonnell, R. G.

### General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level)

Addison, P. (1) Asbury, D. L. (7)  
Bakewell, I. (2) Barry, Bernard, (3)  
Barry, Brian W. (7) Benson, J. (6)  
Bentley, C. (4) Blackburn, A. (4)  
Blackburne, J. (4) Blackie, E. (4)  
Blower, B. (4) Boon, J. (3)  
Boyle, F. (5) Bullen, J. (5)  
Brown, J. (7) Byrne, P. (6)  
Carrier, P. (2) Cassidy, P. (7)  
Chamberlain, J. (7) Cuinelli, A. (6)  
Cogley, J. (5) Collins, M. (5)  
Corcoran, P. (4) Crewe, D. (4)  
Cuckson, C. (5) Cunningham, J. (5)  
Davidson, B. (7) Davis, B. (6)  
Doyle, M. (1) Douglas, P. (2)  
Duggan, R. (7) Edwards, A. (6)  
Farrell, P. (6) Farrow, D. (4)  
Fearn, H. (6) Fitzgerald, M. (5)  
Fitzpatrick, P. (2) Fox, J. (1)



Fylan, E. (2)	Geoghegan, P. (4)	Maybury, T. M. (8)	Miller, J. (0)
Germain, P. (3)	Glynn, J. (7)	Morgan, P. (7)	Morison, K. (3)
Grant, W. (3)	Griffiths, J. (6)	Murphy, S. (7)	Newberry, J. (2)
Hayes, P. (6)	Hill, T. (6)	Norris, E. (6)	O'Hare, J. B. (4)
Hodge, R. (6)	Hoffman, J. C. (7)	O'Hare, P. (7)	O'Keefe, M. (5)
Huby, B. (6)	Jennings, D. (1)	Padden, T. (7)	Pinnington, M. A. (7)
Johnson, G. (4)	Jones, K. (6)	Rignall, J. (2)	Rimmer, J. B. P. (7)
Kelly, P. (5)	Lavery, H. (5)	Rowan, B. (7)	Ripley, F. (6)
Loftus, G. (7)	Lomas, W. (4)	Rooney, D. (5)	Roper, F. (7)
Lowe, B. (7)	Lynch, A. (3)	Shannon, S. (2)	Sheridan, T. (7)
McGovern, J. (6)	McGuinness, A. (6)	Simms, A. —	Smith, J. (7)
McMahon, G. (5)	McShane, E. (6)	Walsh, B. (2)	White, B. (7)
Martin, P. (5)	Matheson, A. (4)	Williams, C. (7)	Wills, J. J. (7)

## The Athletic Sports Festival—Trier

**W**HEN our train rumbled to a halt, at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, every single one of us spelt out T R I E R, which hung above the platform, with immense relief. For the last ten hours, our team of 16 athletes and 2 swimmers, had endured a somewhat "unsettled" journey, spending the time on beautifully polished wooden seats, specially designed for unwary visitors to the continent.

However, Trier seemed a very charming place, and our subsequent hike to our sleeping-quarters turned out to be a good introduction to our surroundings. We were to stay at the newly-opened Teacher's Training College, but there were mixed feelings as to whether the view was as delightful as we thought it would be, before we climbed the "hundred and forty-five" steps to reach it. All our grouses soon abated, however, when we discovered how beautifully equipped the building was; but food-vouchers had been given out, and before long we were on the march for the "Kalpinghaus," the restaurant at which we were to have our meals. The first spread was truly wonderful, and even if at one or two later meals the kraut and sausage proved slightly "overpowering," there were few or no complaints. When we finally turned in, tired but satisfied, we all eagerly awaited the rest of the trip.

Trier is a beautiful town, historic, and steeped in Catholic tradition. The International Catholic Students Federation could not have made a better choice, for the festival. The cathedral and many churches are exquisite in design, and the many remnants of the Roman supremacy in Europe are magnificent. Tours of the ancient parts of the town were organised, and those who wished took advantage of the opportunity of seeing the crumbling Roman baths and amphitheatre. The shops and cafes of the town are fascinating, and there is always something to do or see.

The first team we became friendly with was Germany. Their manner of banging with their knives on the restaurant tables to call the 'Fraulcin' amused us greatly, and their capacity for the German 'bier' is incalculable. The Belgians and the Austrians were far more timid, but we soon found many friends amongst them. The small Irish team had travelled from London with us, and they weren't afraid to herald the "Green of Oireland." The other competing countries were Spain and France, the members of the former team delighting in parading the streets in bright red track-suits.

The training facilities proved quite adequate, in the Mosel Stadium. The stadium has three

separate tracks and a rough training field. The basket-ball games were held on one, training on another, and the main one was preserved for the big meeting. The amazing fact concerning the three cinder tracks, is that with a little preparation, all are excellent for competition. The English and Irish teams trained together on the Wednesday and Friday; on Thursday, we went on a trip to Luxembourg.

The results of the basket-ball and swimming became only too obvious, when the strength of the Spaniards was realized. However, the athletics was a different matter, and Saturday, the day of the heats was eagerly awaited. Unfortunately, our number one sprinter, Peter Anwyl was ill on Friday night, and although he insisted on running, we could not expect him to reproduce anything like his best form. Perhaps the greatest thrill of the day was the winning of the pole-vault by Archer of Ireland, whose 3.31 metres was a magnificent performance. Both the English and Irish teams were well represented in the final list for Sunday's events. The Opening Ceremony was most impressive, and we heard recorded messages from His Eminence Cardinal Frings and Dr. Adenaur. Flowers and plants decorated the inside of the arena, and the flags of seven nations were at both ends of the track. When Peter Hurst won the 110 hurdles, the first event, our heads were high. We managed in the course of the day to gain three second places and two thirds, and the meeting was perfectly brought to an end by the 10 × 200 metres relay, in which we came second to Germany. Winners of medals

received them on the rostrum, which gave the festival an extra-dignity.

The farewell evening was a 'roaring' success, and after the antics of a Spanish "bull-fighting" act, a group of us carried off the bottle of Moselle wine for the finest choral offering. We returned to England the next evening, crammed full of memories, experiences—and German sausage.

#### RESULTS.

- Basketball—1. Spain; 2. France; 3. Belgium.  
 Swimming—1. Spain; 2. Germany; 3. France.  
 Javelin—1. Austria (54.09 m.).  
 High Jump—1. Belgium (1.79m.); 2. Day (G.Brit.).  
 100 m.—1. Bertozzi (France—10.8 secs.).  
 200 m.—1. Bertozzi (France—22.3 secs.).  
 400 m.—1. Belgium (51.4 secs.).  
 1,000 m.—1. Germany (2.37 min.)  
                   2. Snape (G.Brit.).  
 3,000 m.—1. Spain (9.13,2 min.).  
                   2. & 3. G. Brit.).  
 110 m. Hurdles—1. Hurst (G. Brit—15.3 secs.).  
 Long Jump.—1. France (6.40 m.).  
 Weight.—1. Spain (13.31 m.).  
 Pole Vault—1. Archer (Ireland—3.31 m.).  
 Discus—1. France (43.81 m.).  
 4 × 100 m. Relay—1. Germany; 2. France;  
                   3. G. Brit.).  
 10 × 200 m. Relay—1. Germany; 2. G. Brit.;  
                   3. Belgium.

PETER SNAPE, VI A Mods.

## Sports Day

**F**OR the second year in succession the weather was unkind. It rained on the Friday and on the morning of Sports Day. Although the rain stopped in time for the Sports to commence, a thunderstorm during the Gymnastic Display sent spectators scurrying for shelter. However, the atmosphere was more pleasant after the storm and several fast times were recorded.

The best performance of the afternoon was Peter Snape's 53.3 seconds for the quarter-mile. This gained him the Senior Victor Ludorum. He also won the 880 yards and ran a brilliantly judged race in the relay for Sefton, who won the relay comfortably. Perhaps the most meritorious performance of the day was that of the school cross-country Captain, A. G. Linford, who dashed back from Manchester, where he had earlier gained second place in the steeplechase, to win the school steeplechase and mile.

There were several other fine performances. K. Anderson collected four prizes from four events. He was third in his division, came second to the greatly improved P. Carrier, in the javelin, and won both the hurdles and the pole vault, the latter with a new school record of 9 feet 0 inches. He has since jumped 9 feet 6 inches. The pole vault was perhaps the most popular event with the spectators, and certainly the most spectacular. The crowd was delighted with the fine efforts of all the competition, who included George Connor and G. St. G. Rogan.

W. Lomas recorded a "double," winning both the 100 yards (Div. G) and the Senior Championship, despite a troublesome leg injury. Ted Dillon won the Senior 100 and the High Jump to add to his earlier success in the High Jump.

He has proved to be the senior "find" of the season.

In the Juniors E. Forde greatly impressed all with his forceful running in the 440 and 880, and he deservedly won the Junior Victor Ludorum. There was certainly much talent on view, as one sixth-former remarked. Others to impress in the Juniors were M. Noon, B. Wolfenden, and J. Carter, to name but a few. The last-named is one of the most promising young athletes in the school and great things are expected of him and Forde.

The O'Hare brothers had another successful meeting. They collected a further 15 prizes to add to their previous awards.

In the House Competition Domingo won narrowly from Hope who earlier seemed likely winners. Mersey came third and Sefton fourth. Although Domingo had their personalities—they boasted Forde in the Juniors and Big Jim Power in the Senior—their success was gained through all "doing their bit." Theirs was a fine all-round performance.

### ATHLETICS COLOURS

For the first time Athletics Colours were presented. They were awarded not only for individual performances but for loyal service to the school. The recipients were the Athletics' Captain, Peter Anwyl; P. Rogers; P. Kenna; P. Snape; J. Comerford; E. Hayes and A. G. Linford.

The Prizes were distributed in the Hall by Mr. Frank O'Neill, a distinguished old boy of the school. He was unable to do so last year because of indisposition. He commented on the high standard of athletics in the school at the present time. A standard never before reached in the history of the College.

GEO. A. QUIRKE, VI A. Mods.

*Results of Athletic Sports*

DIVISION A			DISCUS		
80 YARDS			1 Foley, M.	2 Flanagan, J.	3 O'Hare, M.
1 Marshall, E.	2 Birtles, A.	3 McDonnell, D.	JAVELIN		
EGG AND SPOON RACE			1 Flanagan, J.	2 O'Hare, M.	3 Lonergan, M.
1 Marshall, E.	2 Birtles, A.	3 Lawlor, R.	DIVISION G		
VARIETY			100 YARDS		
1 Marshall, E.	2 Cave, P.	3 Ingram, C.	1 Lomas, W.	2 Cuckson, C.	3 O'Hare, P.
MUSICAL CHAIRS			440 YARDS		
1 Murphy, D.	2 Murphy, J.	3 Marshall, E.	1 Maxwell, L.	2 Cuckson, C.	3 Doyle, M.
DIVISION B			HURDLES (110 YARDS)		
80 YARDS			1 Collins, M.	2 O'Hare, P.	3 Pearson, T.
1 Taylor, M.	2 Rudd, E.	3 P. Rooney & O'Donnell, P.	880 YARDS		
EGG AND SPOON RACE			1 Maxwell, L.	2 Doyle, M.	3 Boyle, F.
1 Gaffney, J.	2 Bruen, E.	3 Seddon, J.	LONG JUMP		
MUSICAL CHAIRS			1 Lomas, W.	2 O'Hare, P. B.	3 White, B.
1 Kelly, R.	2 McCusker, G.	3 Thomas, C.	HIGH JUMP		
SIAMESE RACE			1 O'Hare, P.	2 White, B.	3 Boyle, F.
1 Taylor, M. & Dodds, J.	2 Fletcher, P. & Thomas, R.	3 Scahill, P. & McCusker, G.	PUTTING THE SHOT		
DIVISION C			1 White, B.	2 O'Hare, P.	3 Collins, M.
100 YARDS			DISCUS		
1 Davenport, A.	2 Scahill, M.	3 Banks, P.	1 O'Hare, P.	2 White, B.	3 Collins, M.
OBSTACLE			JAVELIN		
1 Kelly, B.	2 Scahill, M.	3 Davenport, A.	1 Emsley, R.	2 O'Hare, P.	3 Lomas, W.
220 YARDS			DIVISION H		
1 Davenport, A.	2 Banks, P.	3 Baines, A.	100 YARDS		
SIAMESE RACE			1 Edwards, A.	2 Dodds, C.	3 Pinnington, M.
1 Murphy, J. & Mulholland, G.	2 Doyle, L. Furneaux, J. Banks, P. & Robinson, J.		HURDLES (110 YARDS)		
DIVISION D			1 Huby, B. & Pinnington, M.		3 Addison, P.
100 YARDS			LONG JUMP		
1 McDonnell, W.	2 Warburton, R.	3 O'Driscoll, B.	1 Snape, P.	2 Rogan, J.	3 Cimelli, A.
220 YARDS			HIGH JUMP		
1 McDonnell, W.	2 O'Driscoll, B.	3 Le Roi, M.	1 Huby, B.	2 Rogan, J.	3 Higgins, B.
DIVISION E			DIVISION S		
100 YARDS			100 YARDS		
1 Emsley, B.	2 Wolfenden, B.	3 Smith, F.	1 Dillon, E.	2 Quirke, G.	3 Anderson, K.
440 YARDS			HIGH JUMP		
1 Williams, K.	2 Emsley, B.	3 McShane, W.	1 Dillon, E.	2 Pontet, F.	3 Hayes, E.
LONG JUMP			HURDLES (120 YARDS)		
1 Snape, J.	2 Emsley, B.	3 Wolfenden, B.	1 Anderson, K.	2 Mangan, G.	3 Pontet, F.
HIGH JUMP			HIGH JUMP		
1 Wolfenden, B.	2 Gallagher, P.	3 McGrath, A.	1 Noon, M.	2 O'Hare, M.	3 Roberts, H.
DIVISION F			LONG JUMP		
100 YARDS			1 Hayes, E.	2 Dillon, E.	3 Linford, A.
1 Carter, J.	2 O'Hare, M.	3 Gordon, D.	DIVISION D & E		
HURDLES (80 YARDS)			OBSTACLE		
1 Prescott, P.	2 O'Hare, M.	3 Chamberlain, D.	1 Ward, J.	2 Dixon, F.	3 Richards, J.
440 YARDS			DIVISION G H & S		
1 Forde, E.	2 Noon, M.	3 Gordon, D.	POLE VAULT		
880 YARDS			1 Anderson, K.	2 Rogan, J.	3 Connor, G.
1 Ford, E.	2 Noon, M.	3 Caulfield, F.	DIVISION H & S		
LONG JUMP			STEEPLECHASE		
1. Carter, J.	2 Forde, E.	3 O'Nare, M.	1 Linford, A.	2 Hayes, E.	3 Marshall, M.
PUTTING THE SHOT			JAVELIN		
1 Fox, F.	2 Carter, J.	3 Flanagan, J.	1 Carrier, P.	2 Anderson, K.	3 Rignall, W.
			440 YARDS		
			1 Snape, P.	2 Comerford, J.	3 Walsh, B.

880 YARDS			Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Benson	Mr. F. A. Hughes
1 Snape, P.	2 Rogers, P.	3 Matheson, A.	Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Dunn	Mr. T. Morgan
PUTTING THE SHOT			Dr. & Mrs.	Mr. J. P. Burns
1 McHugh, B.	2 Rogan, J.	3 Power, J.	I. F. McGovern	Mr. T. McArdle
DISCUS			Mr. J. Nugent	Mrs. F. Davies
1 McHugh, B.	2 Nicoll, J.	3 Carrier, P.	Mr. A. J. Hughes	Mr. A. Dyson
CONSOLATION RACES			Mr. J. A. Curran	Mr. D. K. Roberts
UNDER NINE YEARS 80 YARDS RACE			Mr. J. Thomas	Mr. L. C. Baker
1 Frost	2 Cunningham	3 Neill	Mr. J. O'Brien	Mr. W. G. Milne
UNDER 12 YEARS 80 YARDS RACE			Mrs. J. Kennedy	Dr. J. Kay
1 Donnelly	2 O'Neill		Mr. & Mrs. J. Newberry	Mrs. A. McCallen
UNDER 15 YEARS 220 YARDS RACE			Mr. D. Douthwaite	Mr. L. C. McMullen
1 Kennedy	2 Scahill	3 Moorhead	Mr. F. G. Blackie	Mr. G. Faulkner
		Neill	Mr. G. Byrne	Mr. P. Breen
OVER 15 YEARS 220 YARDS RACE			Mr. W. England	Mr. & Mrs. J. Graven
1 Newberry	2 Geoghan	3 Smith	Mr. G. Henry	Mr. E. Traynor
SLOW BICYCLE OPEN			Mr. A. Craig	Mr. P. Martin
1 Blackie, E.	2 Marshall, M.	3 Gilchrist, K.	Mr. C. Hill	Mr. J. Lowe
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	Snape, P. (166 points)		Mr. J. Wills	Mr. J. Molyneux
	Runner-up, O'Hare, P. (139 points)		Mr. P. G. Doyle	Mr. G. F. Walker
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1 Domingo	2 Mersey	3 Hope	Mr. H. Davidson	Mr. W. Addison
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SENIOR HOUSE RELAY (220 × 440 × 440 × 220)			Mr. J. McCann	Mr. C. Gilbert
1 Sefton	2 Mersey	3 Domingo	Mr. D. W. Milne	Capt. W. Gillespie
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	Hope 172		Mr. T. Kenna	Lt.-Col. H. G. McClellan
	Mersey 159		Mrs. K. Alger	Mr. J. J. Mulholland
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## House Notes

### DOMINGO

Apart from our achievements on Sports Day—of which more anon—Domingo has little of a spectacular nature to record for 1954-55. Once again they have stood the test of sportsmanship—a cheerful readiness to admit and accept defeat and accord due honour to opposing houses. Yet we have had a generous and honoured share in all the school activities.

Among the prefects were Knight and Power both of whom, we feel, upheld the best traditions of that privileged caste.

In rugby, let it be frankly acknowledged, we fell rather short of the high standards of former years. In the house competitions we were not impressive but let some of our disappointed Juniors know that we were but gathering momentum for a long line of victories ahead. However we were well represented on the First XV. Mulholland, Edwards, Pontet and Power did more than merely justify their selection. Knight Captained the Second XV and with him were Fitzgerald, Goulbourne, Maughan and what a season these Second's had!

You remember Sports Day and the fireworks at the interval. When Mr. Hackett's dry land manœuvres were beginning to look like aquatics, even he had to admit defeat and seek the sheltering walls of the Alma Mater. But Sports Day was nearly Domingo's Day out. One is tempted to give each individual performer a pat on the back but space does not admit of such pleasantries. Let it suffice to say that, starting 54 points behind Hope we emerged the victors by the narrowest of margins and once again put Domingo's name on the Athletic Shield.

Junior honours go to that fine young athlete; Ford—perhaps the best long distance Junior in the land—Noon, O'Hare and others who may soon attract attention. Prominent among the Seniors were Connor—always adding inches to his pole-vault—Edwards, Pontet, Hayes, Manghan and Cookson.

Our hopes of Senior Cross Country honours this year were bright but the day of the event found Power unable to run and not even Mulholland's stamina could make up for the loss. Well done, Hope!

We had quite a good and an enjoyable Cricket season. The house matches were favoured with ideal weather. We seemed set for victory here but the Junior house had some reverses giving a merited victory to Hope(?). In the first XI were Edwards, Pontet, Rylance, and on the Second XI Boyle.

Are we versatile? Matching his unending duel with batsmen Pontet has begun a new battle of wits. He and Mulholland are on the newly formed College Chess team.

In conclusion my thanks are due to all the members of the house for their co-operation, and whole hearted efforts to keep Domingo's colours flying. All have given of their best and no one can ever ask for more.

J. POWER, (*House Capt.*).

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### HOPE

The fortunes of Hope this year have been surprising because in those fields where recognised talent was lacking, sheer House-spirit has revealed hitherto unforeseen brilliance. The fact that Hope won the Rugby Shield is a clear illustration of this. It was generally admitted that our Juniors were very strong and indeed they proved it by capturing all but a fraction of the points available. The Seniors, however, lacked (on paper) that inspiration which is necessary to sway an evenly matched House-game in one's favour. Nevertheless, they managed to acquire some twenty points, and we won the Shield by a mere two.

In exulting in this victory it is fitting that tribute be paid to that veritable tower of House strength, J. Flanagan, our Junior Captain. Without his sound resourceful Captaincy, the Shield would inevitably fallen into the hands of one of the other three, less worthy Houses. One

can only express the hope that if and when he aspires to the Senior Captaincy, he will receive as much support from his Juniors as ours have accorded to us this year.

We were fortunate in having that famous athletic coach Rev. Bro. P. T. (St. Bruno Flake—a Man's tobacco) Coffey as our Senior House Master, and under his sage guidance we were unfortunately defeated in the Athletic Shield Competition by the narrow margin of 3 points. For outstanding performances at the sports laurels must go to A. G. Linford, Vice-Captain School Athletics, who after coming Second in the steeplechase at Manchester in the morning, won the School event in the afternoon; and to P. O'Hare who won seven prizes. Linford, P. Kenna and P. Rogers were all awarded Athletics Colours in the year's unprecedented ceremony.

In the glory reflected by these three names, Hopites may bathe with pride. From the days when athletics, as far as St. Edwards was concerned, was in its embryonic stage, those names have figured unassumingly upon the team lists. Winter and summer, in cross country, field and track events, they have keenly competed; and the popularity and increased standard which the School's athletics enjoys to-day is to a great extent due to the diffusion of their zeal.

Another Hopite whose presence on Sports Day added greatly to the colourful display which it entails, was G. Elston. His No. 1 Scout uniform, which is a tartan kilt, drew nearly as many admiring glances from the crowd as did that of the Senior Scout there present.

Hope were well represented at the Inter-College Sports this year by P. Rogers, M. Pinnington, B. White, P. O'Hare, S. D. A. Murphy and D. Gordon.

In the field of intellectual sport the distinguished Hopite R. G. McDonnell, A.L.C.M., presides over the Chess Club, and M. Darragh crowned his brilliant year of chess with second place in his section of the Chess Congress.

Owing to the length of the notes so far, and the fact that tradition has decreed that House Notes be a litany of names which have added glory to

the House, we must needs immolate style on the altar of expediency and publish the list below.

#### RUGBY.

First XV : B. White.

Second XV : H. Fearn, J. Hoffman, B. Ludden, S. Murphy.

Colts XV : P. Armstrong.

Bantam XV : J. Flanagan, B. Massey, D. Gordon, B. Wolfenden, A. McDonough, J. Williams, B. Swannick, P. Green, P. Prescott.

Junior Bantam XV : F. Smith, F. Rolston, E. Kelly, P. Gallagher, K. Dolan.

First Year XV : A. Davenport, P. Ryan, J. Hindle.

#### CRICKET.

First XI : B. Ludden.

Second XI : P. Armstrong.

Colts XI : J. Flanagan, B. Massey, B. Wolfenden.

Under 14 XI : F. Smith, P. Gallagher.

Chicks XI : C. Bridge, B. Snelham, A. Davenport.

Finally, as yours truly is the third House Captain to be appointed from the noble ranks of the Widnesians within the last seven years I should like to place on record that the House is this year blessed with no fewer than ten of that honourable.

LIAM J. LUDDEN.

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#### SEFTON

The success and vitality of a House cannot accurately be estimated by a mere enumeration of its successes, whether corporate or individual. The hallmark of success is its spirit—a quality which all Seftonians displayed very readily, and here I take the opportunity of thanking them for their ready co-operation.

The past year has been one of the most successful that Sefton has enjoyed for a long time. After a very close struggle we were very near runners-up to Hope in House Rugby Competition. The success of the Seniors unfortunately was not upheld by those in the Junior School. The following boys have represented their School :



First XV, G. Quirke (*Capt.*), Ratchford, Dingle, Anderson and Anwyl.

Second XV, Asbury, Weston, Le Roi, Johnson, Rimmer, Cimelli, Azurdia and Jordan.

Kirby and Davies who had given loyal support to their House in past years were selected to play in the Third XV—a new venture.

Colts : Davidson (*Capt.*), Dipple, Maxwell, Boon and Lunt.

Bantams : Colquitt and Cleary.

J. Bantams : McGrath, Christmas, McDonnell, Leddon, Scahill and McLellan.

First year : Jones, Scahill and O'Driscoll.

Despite this whole hearted participation in Rugby, numerous Seftonites represented their School at Cross Country. Well to the fore were Snape and Comerford in the Seniors, Davis in the under 16's and Caulfield, Horan, Baines and the Morgan twins in the Juniors.

As a result of intensive trials during the Christmas vacation, Quirke, Ratchford and Anwyl were selected to represent their County against Cheshire and also Leicestershire. Quirke captained the side on both occasions. Such an honour might well make Sefton proud! The above 3 also represented Liverpool P.S. v. Manchester and together with Dingle, played for Liverpool G.S. v. Birkenhead.

Ratchford and Quirke played for Senior Club sides whilst the former was awarded his Colours for service to the School.

The outstanding Junior Rugby player was B. Davidson who made a great impression during the Rugby trials. His due reward was to represent Liverpool P.S. Juniors. He looks likely to follow in the footsteps of his brilliant former House Captain, Colford.

Leaving behind the knocks and blows of the Rugby field, let us turn to the Athletic track. Here Sefton's representatives are much fewer. However, the select few have more than done their share towards the many successes achieved by the School.

The Captain of Athletics, Anwyl, with Snape, Comerford, Anderson, Maxwell and Azurdia have regularly competed for St. Edward's.

Snape, Comerford, Anderson and Anwyl (*Capt.*) represented Liverpool in the Lancashire Schools' Championships. As a result of their success, Snape and Anwyl have been asked to represent their County in the All-England Meeting at Manchester, 15-16 July.

Three Seftonites were among those to receive Athletics Colours on Sports Day.

An additional honour has fallen to Snape and Anwyl who have been selected to represent the English Catholic Students' Sports Federation in an International Athletics Meeting to be held in Treves, Germany, during August.

It is pleasant to see that Sefton has entered the sporting life of the College with such keenness and success.

Lest we be accused of specializing, take note that Sefton provides no less than 5 of the Prefects—Anwyl, Anderson, Dingle, Le Roi and Quirke.

During the term, Quirke made use of his powers of persuasion and intimidation and won the Brother Wall Debating Cup. As if to prove his versatility, he is also a finalist in the French Debating Competition. Some lad! To complete this rapid survey, Peter Anwyl has won a Major Open Scholarship in English to Christ's College, Cambridge.

Sketchy as the foregoing notes are, they do at least give some indication of Sefton's contribution to the corporate life of the School, and of its varied talents.

I am sure that there are many talents in the House that lie hidden and it is up to each individual to bring them to full fruition.

I would like to thank Brother's Brennan and O'Dowd for the hard work they have done for the House and thank the members for their loyalty during the year. Of such is the House built, not of the stars—without your support, individual brilliance is ineffective.

All the very best to Sefton in the future!

SEFTON.

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### MERSEY

Once again it is our duty to report the achievements of Mersey in the course of the past School

Year. Unfortunately, however, we did not meet with the success for which we had hoped at the beginning of the year. This was in no way due to lack of enthusiasm on the part of our House-Masters, Mr. Morris and Bro. Buttimer, our House Captain, P. McLean, or any members of the House, though attendance at House Meetings could have been better.

Individually we were quite successful. Mersey has a liberal sprinkling of members in most School rugby teams, P. McLean was pack-leader in the FIRST XV, while other members from Mersey were J. Rogan, M. Collins, M. Maybury, and B. McDermott. The team Sheet for the Second XV always featured Carrier and Padden, while Dodds made frequent appearances.

The "Colts" had representatives in Wallace, Wolfenden and Carter, and such "Merseyites" as Nelson, Weston, Kelly and Rooke were the backbone of the Bantams' XV.

There are others such as Taylor, McMullen, Murray and Keating from the Junior Bantams, whom we could mention. So you see that with such an array of talent we were unlucky to be merely runners up in the Rugby Shield.

As regards cricket, Mersey, especially in the Senior House, were expected to sweep the board

with the "stars" of the First XI : B. McDermott and F. Morgan and other stalwarts of the Firsts such as M. Maybury, J. Rogan, and later T. Wolfenden. It did not turn out like this, however, even though we had the usual abundance of names to represent us in School Elevens.

In the field of athletics, that sport which has lately taken such a hold in the school, our individuals finally had a chance to show their prowess. E. Dillon rose to the top as a newly-found sprinter and with Lomas and Carter, sprinted for the School in many sports meetings. "St. J. Rogan" featured in the local press, while B. McHugh, P. Carrier, M. Marshall, B. Huby, J. McCann and W. McShane were some of the names who represented the School.

We must not neglect the academic side where our activities and our chief success story lies with F. Morgan, who gained one of the School's two State Scholarships and also won the speaking competition organised by the Catenian Association. We regret Frank's departure and wish him every success for the future.

Finally, let us not be too despondent at our lack of success. If the same enthusiasm is shown next year, Mersey must hope for better results.

B. McDERMOTT.

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We look forward with interest to the next number of each of these Magazines.

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

THE past twelve months have seen numerous innovations in the work of the Society. On reassembling last October we found a useful nucleus of former members under the Presidency of Bro. Anwyl, assisted by Bros. Dingle as Treasurer and Bro. Ludden as Secretary. Once again our appeal for new members from the VIth Form met with a generous response and the Conference settled down with a membership of 32.

Throughout the year the Brothers have visited 4 cases regularly each week, seeing to their wants both material and spiritual. It is only by means of the generosity of the Staff and boys that we are enabled to make life a little easier for these aged folk whose gratitude is at times embarrassing.

In addition to the above work, the Conference has attached itself to the Catholic Deaf and Dumb Club which is managed by the S.V.P. A small group of Brothers from the College attend 4 times a week to assist in the organisation of the Club. Great are the demands on the Brothers' varied experience in the field of social activities and games! This generosity is greatly appreciated by those in charge from whose shoulders a great burden has been lifted. Among the many routine duties from which the senior brothers have been relieved is the compilation and despatch of the monthly News Bulletin which is now sent from the College.

In view of the fact that Bro. President would be leaving. Bro. Curran was elected to succeed him. The new President then appointed Bros. Ludden and Ratchford as Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Brother Sinnott, President of the Old Swan Particular Council kindly came along and addressed the members on the occasion of Bro. Curran's assumption of office. He stressed the necessity of the Society's work and urged the Brothers to be serious about the tasks to which they were assigned.

Unfortunately many of the older Brothers will be leaving very soon and their absence will leave a large gap in the Conference's ranks. We

earnestly hope that those entering the VIth Form in October will give serious thought to joining the Society and gain the opportunity of doing a really unique work—the relief of our more unfortunate brethren. You can be sure that God will not be outdone in generosity and that the slight call upon your time will be well rewarded.

P. A. ANWYL, VI.

THIS year has seen the scope of the Society's work increase three-fold. We began the autumn term with a strong nucleus of established members. The appeal for new members brought the usual gallant response from the 6 B's, and was singularly well supported by 6 A.

With a complement of 37 brothers in November, it was found that even when we made several visits each week to our clients, not all the brothers could make a visit. This threat of redundancy, together with the difficulty of making several visits and adhering to school regulations, led Bro. President to pursue the suggestion of Bro. Kierara (Central Council) that we assist the St. John of Beverley Conference at their Deaf and Dumb Club. Naturally, as keen students we viewed the probable demands of this work with many misgivings—schoolwork and S.V.P. must either combine or the latter seemingly give way. However, time proved that at occasional week-ends and more so at holiday periods, many of us could perform the duties which this work entailed. It was found that the work of stapling and despatching the Club's Monthly News Letter, which normally occupied several hours of the older Brothers' time at the Club, could be completed at the college, with sufficient helpers, in the space of one dinner-break.

The Old Swan Particular Council recently took over the visiting of Broadgreen Hospital. The School Conference fell into line with this plan and was allocated a ward for visiting. Thus those Brothers who were unable, or who found them-

selves unsuited in temperament to the work of the Club had an alternative means of gaining indulgences. Incidentally, the School Conference would appreciate being informed of any members of the School or relations of members of the School who may be in Broadgreen, so that they may be visited.

The Society would like to express its gratitude to the staff, pupils parents, and benefactors, for the annual collection which amounted to £25 11s. While this total is well below that of last year's record, it in no way reflects upon your charity. The absence of Mr. Bolger at the start of the collection and the subsequent delay in circulating his alms-drawing, ingenious posters, coupled with

rather unfortunate organisation on our part, resulted in a collection insufficient for our needs.

We at St. Edward's are an Aspirant Conference. An Aspirant Conference should serve as a training ground wherein we taste in diluted form the greater work to come. It should be our period of basic training which this form of Catholic Action wages against poverty and moral degradation. From such Aspirant Conferences should come the zealous St. Vincent de Paul Brothers of the future. Therefore, I would recommend all members of Upper-Five and 6 B, who are intending to join the School Conference, to keep this object uppermost in their minds.

LIAM J. LUDDEN (*Hon. Sec.*)

## Legio Mariae

TO mark the close of the Marian year the first meeting of the newly formed College Praesidium was held on the eve of the feast of the Immaculate Conception last year. Bro. Boyle assumed the role of Spiritual Director and Mr. Vignoles became President. From U VA. nine applied for membership, Brs. Boon, Blackie, Boyle, Collins, Douglas, Fearn, Kelly, Norris, Rowan and from U VL Brs. Edwards, Geoghegan and Griffiths. Bro. Edwards has proved to be a most capable secretary and Bro. Collins, an equally competent treasurer. The office of vice-president is held by Bro. Norris. It is thus to the great credit of these two forms that they have furnished the pioneers for a spiritual venture whose good efforts are already manifested.

The meetings are held on Thursdays from 1.0 to 2.0 p.m. and follow the regular pattern for Praesidium meetings the world over. The hour is divided up between prayers (including the rosary) Spiritual Reading selected and read by the Spiritual Director; reports of work done during the week are made by each member to the President; the minutes of the previous meeting are read by the secretary; Some time is devoted to

discussion of work or difficulties; the President assigns work for the coming week and next, that great legionary prayer, the "*Catena Legionis*" is recited. A brief Allocutio is then given by the Spiritual Director, after which any remaining business is transacted and the meeting ends as it began, with prayer.

Among the active works in which the legionaries engage is one which is, or should be of interest to all. In brief it is the promotion of the Second degree of the Apostleship of Prayer and consists in the daily recitation of a decade of the rosary for the Pope's intentions.

Fifteen boys in a particular form each saying a decade recite collectively the 15 mysteries of the rosary daily. It is better to pray than not to pray; it is better to pray than to talk about prayer. This simple daily prayerful activity is gaining strength and will prove of no small benefit to St. Edward's, to England and to the Church. In furthering this work the auxiliary members play a praiseworthy part.

Each member of the Praesidium has two Auxiliary members on his list. The Auxiliary member undertakes to recite daily the prayers of

the tessera. This includes the rosary, but the family rosary suffices to fulfil this part of the obligation. Thus the Auxiliary member renders an incalculable service to Mary's cause ; without it the work of the legionaries would be unavailing. To them no less than to the active members of the Praesidium who devote so much of their time to Mary's cause, a word of thanks and appreciation

is due. It is due to them that the work of the legion has proved so successful and it is largely in their hands that its future in the college lies.

Need we say that our thanks are due to the Headmaster, the Rev. Br. Hooper, to whose kindly interest, encouragement and generous help our Praesidium owes so much.

P. GEOGHEGAN.

## Scientific Society

CHAIRMAN - J. J. Mulholland

HON. SEC. - I. Nicoll

It is the custom, the first lecture of the year was given by chairman, this year Mr. J. J. Mulholland. He gave an enjoyable lecture on the Gypsum Industry in Ireland, describing with great detail a Gypsum mine which he descended during his Summer holidays.

The second lecture was by Mr. P. Reid who chose the highly topical subject "The uses and abuses of Atoms." He outlined the uses of the atom in Warfare and Industry and the increasing uses of radioactive isotopes in medical research.

An interesting lecture was given by Mr. P. Rogers on "British Seaplanes and Flying boats." He described the record holding S.6.B of 1933, and stressed the need for flying-boats for anti-submarine duties in any future war.

The fourth and perhaps best lecture of the year was by Mr. F. Morgan. He gave a most interesting biography of the great mathematician and Physicist Sir. Isaac Newton who needs no introduction to the Science students. Particular emphasis was stressed on his momentous scientific discoveries, which laid so much foundation for modern physical research and which gave the mathematician the invaluable weapon of the calculus.

A lecture on "Radio Control" was given by Mr. Anderson. He dealt with the principles of transmitting and receiving for all aspects of radio controlled models. I am afraid

that many of the members found this lecture rather technical.

The last lecture of the year was by Mr. J. Cowen on "Stage Lighting," in which he described the uses made in the theatre of the many forms of lighting. He illustrated his lecture with various floodlights and produced strange effects by means of filters.

A total of 38 films was seen by the Society during the past year. They all dealt with scientific subjects except two which were shown for the benefit of the Tennis and Motor cycling fans respectively. Here I would like to thank the members of the Staff who so generously gave up their lunch hours in order to show these films.

This year the Society has made seven visits to factories and other places of scientific interest. Perhaps the most interesting of these visits were the ones to the Shell Oil Refinery at Stanlow, and to the Steel Works of John Summers and Sons at Hawarden Bridge.

Attendance at lectures and film shows has been good except on one occasion when a lecture had to be cancelled due to poor attendance.

The officers of this Society are rather dismayed at the reluctance on the part of the VI B members to give lectures. So far only Mr. Cowen has volunteered his services. Nevertheless we hope that when these members receive the status of VI A in September, they will be more active in the work of the Society.

## French Debating Society

**A**T the first meeting on 1st October, 1954, Bro. Brennan welcomed the new members to the Society, and expressed a hope that the standard set last year would be maintained. He then opened the proceedings. The subject for debate was "Que l'attitude anglaise au dimanche est déplorable." MM. Kenna and Curran speaking for the motion, said it was stupid hypocrisy to forbid innocent pleasures such as theatres and dancing. The English, asserted M. Curran, only tried to keep up an appearance of religion instead of practising it. MM. Fallon and Quirke put up a spirited attack against the proposers; and M. Quirke, in summing up said that being conservative by nature, we upheld the custom of not going to church; but we respect the sanctity of Sunday, and abhor the continental fashion. He said he was in favour of sport, but did not specify which. M. le Président urged future speakers not to use notes. He awarded the debate to the proposers by 13 points to 11.

The second meeting of the term was held on the 15th of October. MM. L. Ludden and Anwyl were supporting the motion that "La démocratie est la meilleure forme de gouvernement." M. Anwyl said that democracy was government by the people and therefore was only found in free States, and of these England was the happiest! M. McDonnell, one of our more able speakers denounced democracy as a mask covering tyranny. The people, he said, elected Members of Parliament who were only responsible to their Party leaders, not to the people. M. Le Roi replying to M. Anwyl said that only in a small State could all the people have their say; in a large country like England, this was impossible. The proposition was carried by 14 to 12.

The next two debates were mainly political. They were "Que l'Allemagne doit être réarmée," and "Qu'il est impossible de vivre en émitié avec la Russe." No great heights were reached in the speeches, and there was very little discussion afterwards. This indifference among both spea-

kers and audience cannot be too strongly criticised in a Debating Society.

In the following debate on 12th October, 1954, the quietly quarrelling quartet consisted of MM. Curran and Ludden (pro) and MM. Quirke and Johnstone (con). The motion was "Que l'élection partielle de West Derby a montrée que le pays a la plus grande confiance en le gouvernement actuel." The Pros, in competent and confident speeches pointed out the benefits of the Conservative government. M. Quirke with red scarf and cloth cap—representative of the South Wales miners, attacked the policy of the government to the delight of the members. M. Johnstone pointed out that as only 65% of the people voted, it could hardly be called representative.

On February 4th, 1955, we debated whether "La civilisation moderne est dégénérée" M. Fallon (pro), painted a sombre picture of a world torn by war. The present generation was disillusioned; crime and immorality were increasing, helped by sentimentalism and pernicious books and films. We had become automatons; as a result of premature democratisation, power had come into the hands of the poorly educated canaille. Higher standards of living only bring demands for still higher—we are not satisfied with the Welfare State. The general motto seemed to be "When I consider how my life is spent, I hardly ever repent." MM. Snape and Dodds described our continual progress (especially in athletics). The Kon-Tiki and Everest expeditions were proof that we were not degenerate. But M. Lamb called upon the House to renounce its barbarism and cultivate the Arts, (which they refused to do).

A week before the General Election, we held our Mock Election, with three candidates; M. Goulbourne representing the Conservative Party, M. Comerford, Labour, and M. Quirke, Independent. The members of the Society appeared to want the meeting to be as like a national election meeting as possible, for the attendance was very

poor. M. Goulbourne ventured the usual arguments for and against the two main Parties. His speech did not sound very convincing as it was read in a rather hesitant manner. M. Comerford stressed the fact that the increase in pensions came just in time to balance the rise in the cost of living ; and was dismayed at the rise in the Bank Rate, which increased the cost of borrowing. M. Comerford is a very forceful speaker and makes his points plainly and clearly, in tolerable French. M. Quirke said he stood for Prosperity Peace and Security. If we returned him to Parliament, he would safeguard our personal interests (whatever they may be). Being an Independent he would not have to toe the Party line. We might have had discussion afterwards, but the candidates and "assistants" did not wish to start one. At the vote, there were eight present including two children from Lower Five. The choice of the members fell on M. Comerford from VI B. Mods.

The debate for the Br. Forde Cup was held on the last day of the summer term. The temperature was in the 70's, and it was perhaps not the ideal day to discuss "Que la politique est l'art

d'empêcher les gens de se mêler de ce qui les regarde." M. McDermott who was in a carefree and sparkling mood, spoke rather irrelevantly, detailing the questions he would ask his candidate. Opposing him was M. Comerford, who has a different style. He is deliberate in his enunciation and makes his points stolidly and emphatically. Both M. Quirke and M. McDonnell are convincing speakers, but in varying ways. M. McDonnell is quieter, and is one of our members who manages to rise above the schoolboy French usual in the Society. The competition was judged by M. Frazer who awarded the Cup to M. McDonnell.

On the whole, the standard of debating has been as high as in any other year. Some speakers have a tendency to irrelevancy, but some, especially MM. Comerford, McDonnell and Quirke, have spoken well. In proportion to their numbers, the VI B's, have spoken more often than the A's ; this is most encouraging, I hope that those who will enter the Sixth Form in September will continue to play a large part in the activities of the Society, and that they will help to maintain the standard of past years.

D. O. T.

## Chess Club

**A**T the second Annual General Meeting of the school chess club R. G. McDonnell was elected chairman and F. K. Morgan secretary. F. R. Pontet was later elected by the committee as hon. treasurer of the club.

Early in the Autumn term a junior section was formed, open to boys from forms III, IV, and Lower V ; Bro. Buttmer took over the supervision of the club. To add interest, to the game a junior knock-out championship was held, and those who were eliminated in the first round had a further chance in a consolation tournament. The winner of the championship was S. Keating of Form III alpha, a class which turned out a large number of players, many of whom show great promise. The consolation tournament was won by M. Darragh, also of III alpha.

After Christmas, the club had over twenty members, and many came along who had no knowledge of the game but were keen to learn from more experienced members. Such was the enthusiasm that when "closing-time" came about 5.0 p.m. many of the would-be Alek lines were disinclined to leave, even if they *were* a rook, two bishops, and four or five pawns down ! It is appropriate here to thank Bro. Hooper for his generous donation of eight chess sets ; the club could not have flourished as it did without them.

During the Easter holidays several players entered for the Liverpool Chess Club fourth Annual Junior Congress held at Collegiate school. F. V. Morgan was second in section 2 of the open division, while F. R. Pontet won section 5. M. Geoghegan and M. J. Darragh were first and

second respectively in section 6 of the under-13 age group. R. G. McDonnell, J. J. Mulholland, P. F. Alger, and B. J. Gillespie also entered, McDonnell gaining a draw against the Manchester club player J. B. Pollitt in a simultaneous display at the end of the Congress.

On May 20th Mr. T. G. Beach, chairman of the Liverpool Schools chess league and one of the strongest players in the north of England, came to the school and played nineteen members simultaneously. Mr. Beach claimed that it took him an hour longer than usual to win all the games, and seemed quite impressed by the general standard of play. Those members who stayed until the end of the display were given an exhibition in end-game play when the ex-Lancs. and Yorks. champion used all his skill to defeat Pontet, who fought gallantly to the last.

Several friendly matches were played throughout the year against teams from other schools. The senior (over 15) team, captained by R. McDonnell, played five games, winning two and losing three. Considering the shortage of senior players available for the matches this record is by no means poor, and in a few years time it is hoped that we shall be strong enough to enter the competition for the Wright Challenge Shield with reasonable chance of success. The following played for the senior

team : McDonnell, Morgan, Pontet, P. F. Alger, P. Geoghegan, B. Gillespie, J. J. Mulholland, T. Moorhead, D. Alger, and S. Keating. It should be mentioned that McDonnell and Pontet remained unbeaten throughout the five matches.

Results :

- v. Liverpool Collegiate (away) Lost  $2\frac{1}{2}$ — $4\frac{1}{2}$ .
- v. St. Mary's College (Home) Won 6—1.
- v. Liverpool Collegiate (away) Lost 3—4.
- v. St. Mary's College (away) Won 5—2.
- v. Liverpool Collegiate (Home) Lost  $2\frac{1}{2}$ — $4\frac{1}{2}$ .

The Junior (under-15) team (captain-Gillespie) played three matches, winning one and drawing one. The following played : Gillespie, Keating, Darragh, M. Geoghegan, P. Christmas, L. Maher, R. Irving, F. Murray, K. Reddington, T. Moorhead and J. Lewis.

Results :

- v. Liverpool Collegiate (Away) Lost 2—5.
- v. Liverpool Collegiate (Home) Drew  $3\frac{1}{2}$ — $3\frac{1}{2}$ .
- v. St. Francis Xavier's (Home) Won 6—0.

The four finalists in the Club Championship were Alger, McDonnell, Morgan, and Pontet, and the new school champion is F. V. Morgan.

The Club members wish to congratulate their chairman, R. McDonnell, and their secretary, F. V. Morgan, on gaining State Scholarships.

F. V. MORGAN, *Hon. Sec.*

## Letters

LETTER TO THE HEADMASTER FROM

RT. REV. DR. BRIGHT.

THE PRESBYTERY,

TUNSTALL,

STOKE-ON-TRENT.

25th April, 1955.

Reverend and dear Brother Hooper.

Thank you for your kind note of the 22nd.

It was a privilege and an honour to be with Br. Brennan and the boys from St. Edward's

College on their pilgrimage to Lourdes. I can only hope that their memories of it are as happy as mine.

I hope the group photos have come out successfully and, if others have no objections to it, I certainly have none to its being published in the School magazine.

With all good wishes.

Yours very sincerely in Jesus Christ.

† Humphrey Bright.

Bishop of Soli.



THE FOLLOWING LETTER WAS RECEIVED BY THE  
HEADMASTER LAST FEBRUARY.

31 AIGBURTH HALL AVENUE,

LIVERPOOL, 19.

27th February, 1955.

Dear Brother Hooper,

I am enclosing a cheque for £3 0s. 0d. in case there is any new book you feel the library might need. This is coming out of my share of the Royal Empire Society Prize for 1954. I thought you might be interested, particularly as I remember receiving a prize at St. Edward's in Imperial history. I am sending you typed copies of the conditions of entry. Sending you the letter I received is considerably easier than writing a long explanation.

In justice I should send this cheque to St. Mary's since Bro. Francis taught me all the history I remember ; but from what I hear St. Mary's needs no help whatsoever.

Yours sincerely,

John A. Kieran.

THE ROYAL EMPIRE SOCIETY.

NORTHUMBERLAND AVENUE,

LONDON, W.C.2.

23rd February, 1955.

Dear Mr. Kieran,

*Walter Frewen Lord Prize, 1954.*

It is with much pleasure that I write to inform you that the Council, at their meeting yesterday, accepted the recommendation of the Imperial Studies Committee that the Walter Frewen Lord prize for 1954, of forty guineas, plus the *proxime accessit* of ten guineas be divided equally between yourself and Mr. P. S. Haffenden, of the University of London, for his essay entitled *The Movement towards Imperial Centralization, 1675-1688.*

I have pleasure in enclosing a cheque for twenty guineas, and I should be glad if you would let me know on what books you would like the sum of five guineas to be spent, so that I can order them, and have them despatched to you, after the Society's crest has been stamped on the cover.

It may interest you to know that the decision

to divide the prize was made as it was found impossible to compare the merits of two such excellent essays as yours and Mr. Haffenden's on such widely different subjects. Your essay will be returned to you under separate registered cover.

Please accept the congratulations of the Imperial Studies Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary, Imperial Studies Committee.

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### LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY LETTER

The large number of old boys at the University this year have maintained the standards set by their predecessors from Saint Edward's. Amongst those who graduated from the Arts Faculty, Walter Ellis, a stalwart of school and University rugby, was awarded an honours degree in English. The Edwardian historians, Matt Brown, Leo Connor and Joe Shennan all obtained their degrees this year. There are no more Old Boys in the School of History for the Coming year.

In the Faculty of Law, however, Mick Lennon's example has encouraged many to study Blackstone. John Morgan, Bill Fetherstone and Gerry Slater have all graduated this year with the degree of LL.B. and Steve Rogers, Peter Moran and Bob Azurdia have all chosen a legal career. Steve, incidentally, has been awarded his colours in cross country running.

We are less familiar with the Faculty of Science, but we do know that John Shennan and Frank Mitchell are doing research in Chemistry, and Jim Keaton, Bob Freeborough, Pete Howell and John Cookson all obtained degrees. The Moorhead brothers, Tony Gilbertson, Ron Smith, Jim Kane and Derek Hughes are aspiring doctors.

Two of our old boys have succeeded in hiding themselves in obscure departments. Pete Zaretti is a first year Vet. and Vin Houghton is the sole member of the School of Psychology. Unfortunately we cannot hope to record the activities of all Saint Edward's Old Boys at the University. They are to be found in every department and faculty and they are making their mark in all branches of University life.

LIVERPOOL.

## Sports Notes

### RUGGER RETROSPECT 1954-1955.

As the official Rugger Season finished some six months ago, one can look back over the whole season more objectively. The failures early in the season must not be allowed to cloud appreciation of a team which won twelve of its eighteen fixtures. Members of the XV were prominent in representative games and St. Edward's finished the season on a sunny Saturday in April by winning the Old Caldeins seven-a-side competition.

It is unfortunate that the feature which comes to mind before any other is the fact that nine of our fixtures had to be cancelled due to the rains in the late autumn and Jack Frost in the early weeks of the New Year. Thus, from November 20th., till January 29th., it was impossible to play any of the six fixtures on the card.

G. A. Quirke and P. A. Anwyl, two old Colours, were elected captain and vice-captain respectively. Both of them, excellent footballers, led more by example than by inspiration. The former led the side from centre three-quarter, where his sudden burst of speed plus realistic dummy frequently split the defence wide open. His ability was recognised by both local and county selectors and he led the Lancashire County XV against Cheshire as well as against Leicestershire. Anwyl, playing outside centre, was the perfect foil to Quirke. His outstanding speed and intuitive sense of when the sudden stop and change of direction is called for plus the ability to change from half-throttle to full—all these combined with a powerful kick made him a player to be numbered among the few. Together, the captain and vice-captain proved a handful with which opponents found it difficult to cope. When the thaw came in late February they played really spectacular rugby on the drying turf and made us regret all the more the mud battles at Salford and St. Helens.

At the base of the scrum we were fortunate to have another old colour, R. Dingle. His long accurate pass, tough resilience and defensive kick proved invaluable. He was dogged, however, by injury and missed some of our key games. The problem of stand-off half was not solved satisfactorily till St. J. J. Rogan finally filled the bill and improved so much during the season that he was selected to play for the Liverpool Grammar Schools' XV in that position. He is a fit, sturdy player with deadly tackle, a lengthy kick and good hands. His deceptive, premeditated dither and quick dart away through the outside gap led to several good openings during the season. Several wings were tried, R. Pontet, K. Anderson, M. Pinnington, A. Edwards, M. Azurdia. None filled the position with distinction though all showed qualities of their own—some in attack others in defence. E. Dillon, a keen and devastating wing-forward was often called upon to play outside Anwyl. Though filling the bill capably he was never happy there and longed for the wide open spaces and the greater freedom of his own position. He returned to the pack for our last eight games and represented the Liverpool Grammar Schools on the open side.

Another head-ache in team building was the full-back position. McDermott showed promise in the early games but was prevented from playing due to illness after five or six appearances. It was not till

Edwards, the best of our wings, took over the position that his safe hands and lengthy kick eased the burden of the men in front considerably.

P. G. McLean, last year's pack-leader, was the mainstay of a rather young pack. He worked hard throughout every game and was one of the few who maintained his standard right to the end of the season. He was partnered by J. Mulholland whose boundless confidence, energy and hustle made up for his lack of experience. J. Ratchford, last year's hooker, really distinguished himself from the start. He is a hooker of remarkable skill and his ability to hook even against the loose head was quite evident in both County games in which he played. A solid pair of props soon emerged in the persons of T. M. Maybury and J. Newberry. These two put all they had into the game and showed some of the robust vigour which was lacking in some of our early games. J. Power soon proved a solid number eight, with ability to cover fast and combine with the backs in attack. He sometimes played at wing-forward where he was equally effective. B. White was his understudy in these positions and, though lacking Power's staying power, played really well, especially in the line-out, when called upon to play for the School XV. L. Ludden soon established himself at wing-forward. His sound knowledge of the game plus a good pair of hands and effective tackle made him indispensable to the side. In the early trials M. K. Collins played himself on to the side. His well-judged pass, his sudden burst of speed, his hard and low tackle and useful footwork all called for recognition on the School XV. In the first game of the season he played at wing-forward but soon found himself replacing the injured Dingle at the base of the scrum. During a bad spell of injuries he showed his versatility still further by playing at full-back, wing three quarter and, in the absence of Anwyl, at centre. He also played in the Old Caldeians' Seven-a-side Competition when St. Edward's won the Trophy for the first time.

The following also played on occasions for the First XV: M. Fitzgerald, M. Azurdia, B. J. Carberry, J. P. Carrier, H. E. Fearn, M. Knight and G. Brooks.

#### Seven-a-Side Competitions

Of the four competitions entered the only one in which St. Edward's was successful was the Old Caldeians' Competition held on April 30th., which coincided with our first Cricket fixture. The successful seven were: A. Edwards, G. A. Quirke (*Capt.*) St. J. J. Rogan, M. K. Collins, P. G. McLean, E. Dillon and J. J. Mulholland. An easy passage through the first round with a try by Quirke and two by Dillon against Collegiate saw us into the semi-final versus Wirral Grammar School. Quirke again opened the score which he himself converted. The second score came from McLean, who with Mulholland had supplied plenty of the ball from the line-outs. Rogan converted. The final was against St. Anselms College who had defeated Rock Ferry and Calday Grange by comfortable margins. At half time St. Edward's were six points down but rallied in the second half, Quirke again cutting through after a good break by Rogan. A good bout of handling, initiated by Collins, led to the second score. Edwards,

veering towards the right wing, suddenly changed direction, with the defenders on the wrong foot, and scored between the posts for Rogan to convert. Dillon clenched the issue by a show of speed on the right wing to score far out. This was again converted by Rogan. Result : St. Edward's College 13 points. — St. Anselm's 6 points.

### Representative Games

G. Quirke, P. Anwyl, J. Ratchford and J. Mulholland were selected for Liverpool Schools' XV v. Manchester Schools. Quirke, Anwyl and Ratchford were again selected for the S.W. Lancs XV and all three again appeared for South Lancs. v. North Lancs. at Preston. As a result of this game Quirke was selected to captain the Lancashire XV at centre three quarter with Anwyl outside him on the right wing and Ratchford at hooker. All three again played against Leicestershire on April 9th where "Ratchford, who hooked regularly against both loose head and the push, was first class." Lancashire won 11 - 6. Quirke and Anwyl scored eight of the eleven points between them while Quirke received favourable press comment "for his finely balanced running and distribution of the ball and for his handling of the side when injury put his wing, Anwyl, off and left Topping on the other flank limping."

After the Junior trial at Waterloo Club, A. Edwards and T. M. Maybury were chosen for the representative side to play New Brighton Juniors at Blundellsands on December 29th. Edwards, playing at stand-off half, captained the side.

In the Liverpool Grammar Schools' XV Quirke, Anwyl, McLean, Ratchford, Dingle, Dillon and Rogan all found places with Collins as reserve.

### House Games

After the senior games it looked as if Sefton and Mersey would decide the issue between them, but the mighty Hope Juniors won right through and brought home the Trophy by a narrow margin.

Hope (Capt. L. Ludden) ...	76 points.
Mersey (Capt. P. McLean) ...	74 points.
Sefton (Capt. P. Anwyl) .....	72 points.
Domingo (Capt. J. Power) ...	42 points.

### Inter-Form Sevens

- IV's Cup won by IV A (Captain, M. O'Hare)
- III's Cup won by III A (Captain, C. Ledden)
- II's Cup won by II Beta (Captain, G. Boggan)

### School Colours

On Friday, April 29th Mr. J. C. Rice presented School Colours to E. Dillon, L. Ludden, J. Power and J. Ratchford. These four were thus honoured for their standard of play and loyalty to school teams over a number of years.

### Record of School Teams 1954-55

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	
					For	Agst.
1st XV .....	18	12	0	6	282	105
2nd XV .....	15	9	3	3	208	93
3rd XV .....	3	3	0	0	71	8
Un. 15 XV ...	12	8	0	4	134	102
Un. 14 XV ...	15	11	0	4	241	82
Un. 13 XV ...	12	11	0	1	271	65
Un. 12 XV ...	9	8	0	1	104	21
Un. 12 B XV	3	2	1	0	26	12

In conclusion we would like to thank those Brothers who looked after the different teams and continued, in spite of very trying weather, to coach, enthuse and encourage the members of the School XV's. Those members of the staff who helped on games' afternoons also deserve our sincere thanks for their loyal co-operation in this sometimes none too congenial task. A special word of thanks is due to Mr. T. Hackett for giving generously of his time and experience in the coaching of the First and Second XV's. We thank him, too, for having remained after school hours to coach the backs of the Liverpool Grammar Schools' XV.

### First XV Games

#### St. Edward's College v. Park High School.

HOME. Sept. 25th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 14-5.

AWAY. March 9th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 29-0.

In our first game at home, though the visitors' forwards were much lighter, possession was almost equally divided. Knight, at stand-off, was well marked and found difficulty in opening up the game. The only score in the first half came from a clean pick up by Quirke who scored between the posts. Rogan added the points. Anwyl scored early in the second half running more than half the field to touch down far out. With Quirke now at stand-off, the home line got more frequent possession and Anwyl went through again. Dillon, on the wing, had several good runs in the last quarter. A good pass from Rogan sent Dillon inside. When challenged by the full-back he found Collins outside him for the final pass. Good dribbles by Ludden, Ratchford and Collins again threatened the line but the defence held. In the line-out McLean, Power and Mulholland were prominent while Ratchford, Fitzgerald and Ludden showed intelligence in the loose.

In the return game, in March, S.E.C. set up a cracking pace from the start and ran home easy winners 29-0.

#### St. Edward's College v. De La Salle G. S.

HOME. Oct. 2nd. RESULT. S.E.C. won 38-14.

AWAY. Jan. 29th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 27-8.

It was quite evident from the start that the new partnership of Quirke and Anwyl at centre would prove too much for the slower defence and during the seventy minutes Anwyl scored 3 tries and Quirke two tries and a penalty goal. In the pack, the two new props, Maybury and Newberry excelled and with Ratchford hooking regularly and McLean, Power and Mulholland dominating the line-outs, the backs had a gala day. Dingle kept plying Rogan with a lengthy service and he, in turn, sent the centres speedily off the mark. In the loose Ludden, Ratchford and Collins were tireless and tore into the loose scrams with gleeful abandon. Ratchford scored a good try from a cross-kick by Quirke and to complete the seven Anwyl sent Anderson through for his first try of the season. All seven tries were converted by Rogan. De La Salle scored a good forward try and converted three penalty awards.

Our return fixture on Jan. 29th was after a break of more than two months. Rogan at stand-off had a good day and made several useful breaks apart from the one that brought his personal try. Tries were scored by Quirke, Dillon and Anwyl. Quirke, too, achieved one of his secret ambitions of the season. . . . He dropped a goal! Brooks, playing his first game with the School XV, hooked well and fully justified his inclusion.

**St. Edward's College v. Cowley School.**

HOME. Oct. 9th. RESULT. S.E.C. lost 9-14.

AWAY. Jan. 22nd. Game cancelled.

The visitors dominated the play for the first 15 minutes and were rewarded by a good forward try near the corner. A penalty goal by Quirke after twenty minutes levelled the scores and before half-time a short pass from Rogan saw Anwyl cut through to score between the posts. The kick failed. Dingle was sadly missed at scrum-half where both Collins and Ludden tried in vain to find Rogan. Ratchford was hooking well but the disjointedness at half-back gave our backs little chance. A good inside break by Dillon saw Quirke over the line but the touch down was faulty. Maybury, McLean and Mulholland worked hard in line-out and loose but found difficulty in countering the rugged and controlled aggressiveness of the Cowley forwards. A neat change of direction saw Cowley in near the posts. 8-6. An off-side infringement saw them three more points ahead. Rogan retaliated immediately with a well judged kick, but in the closing stages a kick ahead found McDermott wanting and another three points were added.

**St. Edward's College v. West Park C.G.S.**

HOME. Oct. 16th. RESULT. S.E.C. lost 0-15.

HOME. Feb. 26th. Game cancelled.

Without Dingle and Quirke, our weakened back line was no match for the hard-running home backs, who with well judged diagonal kicks kept us concentrating in defence rather than attack. Though Anwyl and Dillon at centre strove to get the line moving, we never quite made the goal line in spite of most determined efforts by Anderson and M. Azurdia on the wings. Our forwards rallied in the second half and made good use of the "mud and drizzle" conditions. Fitzgerald, Ludden and Collins frequently threatened the line by well controlled footwork, but the final whistle found us 15 points down without reply.

**St. Edward's College v. Calday Grange G.S.**

HOME. Oct. 23rd. RESULT. S.E.C. won 8-3.

AWAY. Nov. 17th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 31-5.

Mistakes were inevitable due to the persistent drizzle which fell during the game. Our superiority in the backs was balanced by the Calday forwards who seemed fitter and faster than the home eight. While the ball was dry, Dingle kept his backs well supplied and a good pass from Rogan saw Quirke, with a fine turn of speed, touch down between the posts for Rogan to convert. Calday replied with a penalty goal. Calday pressed hard for the remainder of the half and, but for the brilliant tackling of Rogan, Dingle and Ludden, must have scored. After half-time a determined Calday attack kept the home side penned in their twenty-five area but the tenacity of Power, Maybury, Collins and Newberry kept the line intact. In the last ten minutes of play S.E.C. returned to the attack and Quirke again scored far out. Anwyl had several good runs and with Dillon and Edwards handled well in spite of adverse conditions. This was Edwards first game for the School XV.

The return game was played on a dry, sunny afternoon on the even turf of the Old Caldeians' Rugby ground. The feature of the game most remembered was the excellent understanding of the halves Dingle and Rogan. This was McLean's first game against Calday and his presence made quite a difference to the forwards. Fearn replaced Newberry and proved an able substitute.

White, too, had some good spells and was prominent in the line-out. Ratchford got 75% possession from the set scrums and with Ludden was well to the fore in the loose. Collins had little to do at full-back but dealt capably with anything that came his way. The backs accounted for all tries scored and Anwyl converted five of the seven. During a temporary lapse on the part of the forwards early in the second half Calday scored a forward try which was converted.

**St. Edward's College v. De La Salle College, Salford.**

AWAY. Oct. 30th. RESULT. S.E.C. lost 0-6.

HOME. March 12th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 22-6.

Conditions were completely against the open game. Deep, Salford mud and slush plus a driving rain gave our backs little opportunity to avail of a good service from the scrum. Early in the first half, one of the many penalty kicks awarded to the home side was converted and the half-time whistle found us three points down. The home tactics suited the conditions better than ours and the long kick ahead often found Anderson out of position. In the second half S.E.C. stormed the home line time and time again, but were foiled by the clinging mud and persistent whistle. Full-backs are always busy men on days like this and, Edwards, who replaced Anderson in the second half, came out of a trying half with flying colours for the rampaging footrushes of the forwards called for the greatest courage and timing in falling on the ball. A try, from a loose maul near the corner finished the issue. By reducing the game to basic essentials, correct tactics under the conditions, the home side had won the game.

The return game was played on a dry turf on a sunny March afternoon S.E.C. forwards rose to the occasion and gave the backs plenty of the ball. Quirke opened the score by a sudden change in direction to crash over at the corner. From a good bout of passing, Anwyl outpaced his opposite number and scored far out. A passing bout among the forwards saw Dillon beat the full-back with Ratchford well in attendance. Early in the second half the visitors fought back keenly but the attack was coolly fended off by Edwards with saving tackles and good touch finding. The most spectacular try came from a clean break by Rogan with Ludden ready for the pass. . . . back inside to Collins who went through unimpeded. Salford came back again at this stage and a fast, clever centre cut through to score far out. This score with a penalty goal was Salford's reply to 2 goals, 3 tries and a penalty goal. The forwards laid the foundation for this victory with Ratchford in superb form in the set scrums. McLean coped forcefully and skillfully with a pair of well developed forwards being ably assisted by Newberry, Power, Maybury and White. Pinnington, a newcomer on the wing, played well up to standard.

**St. Edward's College v. Liverpool Collegiate School.**

AWAY. Nov. 13th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 29-0.

An excellent forward display, in which McLean, Mulholland and White were outstanding, plus a good service from the halves gave the backs plenty scope to show their paces. Early in the first half two long dodging runs of Quirke had shown up the weakness of the mid-field defence. Anwyl's speed was too much for the weak, though dogged opposition. He played well with Dillon outside him and this pair with Collins

engaged in several bouts of spectacular passing. Edwards, too, had a good game and showed some of his old sparkle. McDermott had little to do at full-back for most movements had already been nipped in the bud by our two main defenders Rogan and Dingle. Tries were scored by Quirke, Rogan, Anwyl, Collins and White. Quirke converted three, Rogan one.

#### **St. Edward's College v. St. Mary's College**

HOME. Nov. 17th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 15-0.  
AWAY. Feb. 19th. Game cancelled.

The weather was fine and sunny but open, back play was at a premium owing to the heavy going following a week of almost continuous rain. St. Mary's forwards were fitter and faster than the home eight and continued to gain a big proportion of the scrums and line-out. The visitors' backs, however, were neglected by their halves who kept kicking to touch even when in attacking positions. Early in the first half Edwards sent Quirke through for the first try and before half time two others were added by Rogan and Dingle, who scored on the blind side. The only two scores in the second half were a try and a penalty goal by Quirke. Other possible chances were lost by over elaboration at mid-field.

#### **St. Edward's College v. Birkenhead Institute.**

AWAY. Dec. 8th. Game cancelled.  
HOME. Feb. 2nd. Result. S.E.C. lost 6-9.

In the absence of Quirke, Anwyl captained the side. Azurdia came on at full-back and seemed overawed by the occasion. Conditions were good and both teams played thoroughly good rugby. Birkenhead scored an early try after a kick ahead which beat the full-back. Before half time they had added to their lead by a penalty goal for off-side. Outside the scrum S.E.C. were potentially dangerous with Anwyl and Edwards outstanding. Another penalty goal put Birkenhead further ahead, but S.E.C. came back with a good kick by Rogan and an unconverted try by Anwyl. Carrier, who played in his first game, had a good day at wing-forward.

#### **St. Edward's College v. St. Anselm's College.**

AWAY. Feb. 5th. RESULT. S.E.C. lost 3-8.

There was little cohesion among the forwards in this game from which so much was expected in the way of good rugby. Individually, S.E.C. forwards did well; Carberry, returning to the First XV, scored our only try of the afternoon from a melee near the line some minutes from the end. It was as a pack that the forwards failed, this led in turn to the enforced disjointedness of the half-back play, where Rogan was sadly missed. On the few occasions we did get the ball away, Quirke was forced back or across by a pair of excellent wing-forwards. Consequently, we saw little back play and it was impossible to judge what quality of attack might have come from Pinnington and Anderson on the wings. Edwards, at full-back, had a busy day and his speed to the ball and lengthy touch kicking saved the line on several occasions. St. Anselm's scored some minutes from the start from a scrum near the line—our back row being taken by surprise. Their second try came from a scrum from which we gained possession, the ball being kicked blindly into the hands of the attacking home backs. Our belated try at the very end was our only score in a most disappointing display.

#### **St. Edward's College v. Rock Ferry High School**

AWAY. Nov. 10th. Game cancelled.  
HOME. Feb. 9th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 16-0.

In spite of adverse conditions, S.E.C. threw the ball about and made what might have been a mud battle into a good open game. Our forward superiority lent itself to this for S.E.C. won almost all the set scrums and were superior, too, in the line-out and loose. A quick heel, followed by snappy passing, saw Anwyl through for the first try. Collins made try number two. He beat his own man and when challenged by the full-back sent the ball rolling beautifully over the line for Dillon to touch down. Our third came from a well organised dribble by the front row for Ratchford to touch down. Rogan converted two of these tries and scored the only try in the second half by going through on his own. Inevitably, there were numerous knocks-on, but on the whole the back play was good, though at times a faster service to the wings might have paid greater dividends. School centres might remember that "The really great centres have always been those who made the wings great."

#### **St. Edward's College v. Oldershaw G.S.**

HOME. Feb. 16th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 22-0.

With McLean and Mulholland prominent in the line-out, the forwards presented the backs with plenty of the ball in the opening stages. Our first try came from the kick-off. It was well taken by Maybury, who set the threes in action for Anwyl to score. Soon after, a cross-kick by Quirke again found Anwyl sweep into the ball to beat all opposition. The forwards continued to dominate with Maybury and Newberry excellent in the tight play and Ludden, Ratchford and Dillon best in the loose. Again a break by Anwyl found Collins well up for a neat try. The high standard of back play was due to a good service from Dingle to Rogan, who handled and broke superbly. Rogan rounded off the first half by cutting through near the corner. The forwards lapsed somewhat in the second half and it was not till near the end that, Collins, now playing at centre, broke away on the left and took the defence by surprise sending Anwyl through with a reverse pass. Some minutes from time, Quirke, on the wing, scored after a good passing bout. Edwards had a good day at full-back where his handling and fielding were impeccable. Rogan converted two of the tries.

#### **St. Edward's College v. C.I. Edwardians.**

HOME. March 5th. RESULT. S.E.C. lost 5-6.

The School XV put up a magnificent performance against the more experienced Old Boys XV. There was some fine forward play from both sides, McLean, Newberry and Maybury being outstanding in line-out and loose. Fearn and White also played the game of their lives and packed and pushed well in the loose scrums. There were long periods in both halves when C.I. attacked within striking distance, but the defence of Ludden and Dillon stemmed any would-be breaks round the scrum. At half-back Dingle and Rogan were resolute in attack and determined in defence. The only try was scored by Quirke, who snapped up an untidy pass, outpaced the defence and scored between the posts for Rogan to convert. The visitors replied soon after with a penalty goal by J. Johnson. Collins was the best wing on the field and defended doggedly. In the second half Dillon crossed for a try after a good round of passing, but the final pass was forward. Anwyl had

some good runs and was always a source of anxiety to the Old Boys. Edwards impressed the visitors by his maturely unhurried handling of the ball and his sound touch finding. In spite of this all round display by the School side, victory was snatched from their grasp by a penalty goal (J. Johnson) one minute from the final whistle. A pity the game had to turn on such an award, but school is after all the place where lessons should be learned. The Second XV too, lost 5-6, having led to the dying minutes of the game, 5-3.

### St. Edward's College v. St. Joseph's College, Blackpool.

AWAY. March 17th. RESULT. S.E.C. won 8-6.

S.E.C. set a smart pace from the start and, backed by a strong wind in the first half, took the lead with a try by Power, which was converted by Quirke. Ratchford obtained the strike more often, but this advantage was often lost through slow heeling, with the result that the home wing forwards were able to harass Rogan at fly-half. A good break by Quirke split the defence, but he held on too long with Collins well in support. Just before half-time, White crashed over to make the score 8-0. In the second half, with Quirke a passenger on the wing, St. Joseph's besieged our line and were rewarded by a good drop goal. During this period the defensive work of Ludden, Rogan and Dingle saved the day for the visitors. Edwards, too, covered well and got in some useful kicks to touch. St. Joseph's scored again before the final whistle which found the score 8-6 in favour of the visitors.

### Second XV Rugby

The Second XV had a good season. They won 9, drew 3 and lost 3. The strength of the side lay in the pack, where Carberry, Brooks, White, Fitzgerald, Carrier, Jordan, Fearnas and Padden were almost up to First XV standard. The backs were not in the same class, though on occasion they played good football and tried to keep the game open. Weston was rugged at the base of the scrum and very versatile in adapting himself to the various halves he found outside him. Asbury was his usual partner, but McDermott, Knight and Johnson also played at out-half. Knight, Keating, Azurdia, Dodds, Ludden, Goulbourn, Pinnington, Rimmer and Rylance are all backs with a sound knowledge of the game, but they seemed to lack that 'something' which makes all the difference between a good back and a mediocre one. That 'something,' in most cases, consisted of hard, straight, determined running with the ability to tackle hard and 'go down' on the ball.

#### RESULTS.

Sept. 25	(H)	Park High School .....	Won	22—3
Oct. 2	(H)	De La Salle G.S. ....	Won	25—8
Oct. 9	(A)	Cowley School .....	Lost	6—18
Oct. 16	(A)	West Park C.G.S. ....	Won	3—0
Oct. 23	(A)	Calday Grange G.S. ...	Drew	0—0
Oct. 30	(H)	La Salle Coll. Salford ...	Won	16—3
Nov. 17	(H)	Calday Grange G.S. ....	Lost	5—15
Nov. 20	(A)	St. Mary's College .....	Won	25—9
Dec. 4	(H)	St. Anselm's College .....	Drew	3—3
Jan. 29	(A)	De La Salle G.S. ....	Won	25—15
Feb. 5	(H)	St. Anselm's College ...	Won	3—0
Feb. 16	(H)	Oldershaw G.S. ....	Won	30—0
Mar. 5	(H)	Old Boys Second XV ...	Lost	5—6

Mar. 9	(A)	Park High School .....	Won	32—5
Mar. 12	(A)	La Salle Coll. Salford ...	Drew	8—8

The following played during the season :

M. Knight (Captain), B. McDermott, P. Keating, J. J. Le Roi, F. Pontet, G. Brooks, M. Azurdia, B. J. Carberry, H. J. Jordan, G. H. Manghan, B. L. Weston, C. H. Dodds, P. Goulbourn, B. Luddan, P. O'Hare, J. I. Padden, B. White, D. L. Asbury, J. P. Carrier, C. Cuckson, H. E. Fearnas, M. Fitzgerald, J. C. Hoffman, M. Pinnington, B. Rimmer, G. Johnson, H. Lavery, J. Parker and J. Rylance. With some of the above the following also played on the 3rd XV. F. Johnston, A. Cimelli, J. A. Kirby, S. D. A. Murphy, P. Kelly, B. Davidson and L. Maxwell.

### Junior Colts

The Junior Colts had a fairly good season and were probably a better side than a summary glance at the results would suggest. Weakened sides were turned out in all the games lost, though in one case, at least, the result was not affected. In the second game of the season at Carr Lane East, seven reserves played and the side did very well to score try for try, losing only by the margin of a penalty goal. No fewer than ten games were cancelled, most of them owing to bad weather. Though conditions were usually adverse, the emphasis was always on open play when at all possible; the forwards being always willing and able to take over when necessary. This they did particularly well in the mud at Salford, frequently relieving heavy pressure by storming rushes deep into the opponents' half. Even on this occasion the backs ran and passed repeatedly and were unfortunate not to have scored at least two tries.

The side was always well led by Davidson who got every support from Maxwell as pack-leader.

Davidson and Armstrong made a very efficient and resourceful pair of halves, Carter was always a good opportunist on the right wing and his great speed brought numerous tries. Maxwell was the best of the forwards who had a good hooker in Lunt who also, on occasion, showed rare dash in the loose.

Team: Dunn, Carter, Dipple, Boyle, Matthews, Wolfenden, Chamberlain, Davidson, Armstrong, Azurdia, Lunt, Emsley, Lynch, Wallace, Pearson, Maxwell, Boon.

Also played: Hill, Alger, Peacock, Tindall, Doyle, Crawford, Cunningham.

	Played	Won	Lost	For	Against
	12	8	4	134	98

#### RESULTS :

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Sept. 25	(A)	Park High School .....	Won	11—6
Oct. 2	(A)	De La Salle G.S. ....	Lost	9—12
Oct. 9	(A)	Cowley School .....	Lost	8—40
Oct. 16	(H)	West Park .....	Lost	9—12
Oct. 23	(A)	Calday Grange .....	Won	14—3
Oct. 30	(A)	De La Salle, Salford ...	Won	3—0
Nov. 13	(H)	Liverpool Collegiate .....	Won	12—8
Nov. 20	(H)	St. Mary's College .....	Won	26—6
1955				
Feb. 5	(H)	St. Anselm's College ...	Lost	6—8
Mar. 9	(H)	Park High School .....	Won	5—0
Mar. 12	(H)	De La Salle, Salford ...	Won	13—3
	(H)	St. Ambrose College ...	Won	18—0

### Collegiate Sevens

On March 19th the Collegiate Sevens (Colts Section) were played and St. Edward's Colts repeated the success of last year's side. The general opinion of the officials was that the standard was rather higher this year than last, but one would be rash to draw any conclusions from this to the disadvantage of last year's Colts, who were far stronger all round. Nonetheless, the eight selected to represent the school this year were all good footballers. The side had no real weakness and, by general consent, were worthy winners of the tournament.

In the first game of the afternoon St. Edward's opposed Park High and, as was only to be expected, nerves were none too steady. We missed several chances which should have yielded tries, either through faulty handling or ill-timed passing and in the end were somewhat fortunate to win by five points to three.

In the semi-final we were opposed to Wirral who had easily beaten Collegiate. Our three forwards prevented Wirral from getting possession and this was the decisive factor. Scores were even at no-side and Carter was dazed through a knock on the head. In the first period of extra time we had to defend desperately for a while as the Wirral forwards were temporarily on top. Then our three forced play back to half-way and won possession. A quick pass by Armstrong gave Davidson plenty of room and he drew two of the opposing backs before punting towards the corner. Carter, who had been completely out of touch with the game since his injury, summoned up his last reserves and sprinted hard to win the touch-down and put us in the final. Unfortunately this effort caused his complete collapse and he was found to be suffering from concussion.

For the final, Pearson went into the forwards to allow Boyle to drop back to the centre, Dipple going on the wing. Our opponents were St. Anselm's who had played well in their previous ties. Boyle was very prominent in this game in which bad passing caused the winning margin to be closer than it should have been. Davidson could have had a try early on but kicked when a determined run would have taken him to the line. It was left to Maxwell, breaking from a line-out and racing over from about thirty yards, to score what proved to be our only try. It was safely converted and this proved to be the margin of our victory as St. Anselm's later forced a try too far out to convert. Sevens' Team: Maxwell, Lunt, Boyle, Armstrong, Davidson (*Capt.*), Dipple, Carter. Reserve: Pearson.

### Bantam XV 1954-55

(A)	Park High School	.....	Lost	8—	9
(A)	De La Salle G.S.	.....	Won	15—	6
(H)	Cowley School	.....	Won	21—	6
(H)	West Park C.G.S.	.....	Lost	9—	11
(A)	Calday Grange G.S.	.....	Won	16—	6
(H)	De La Salle, Salford	.....	Lost	26—	0
(A)	Collegiate School	.....	Won	18—	5
(A)	St. Mary's College	.....	Lost	3—	6
(H)	Wirral G.S.	.....	Won	12—	3
(H)	Birkenhead Institute	.....	Won	46—	0
(A)	St. Anselm's College	.....	Won	6—	3
(H)	Park High School	.....	Won	18—	8
(A)	De La Salle, Salford	.....	Won	15—	8
(A)	St. Joseph's College,				
	Blackpool	.....	Lost	5—	6
(H)	Calday Grange G.S.	.....	Won	23—	5

Played 15; Won 11; Lost 4; Cancelled 8.

Last season's Bantams were beginning to settle down to some combined play when the "monsoon" burst on us. Thereafter, they sampled degrees of mud, usually worst in the Wirral, the disappointment of many cancellations and few practices until March landed us on dry land which gave us four games in a row undisturbed by surmises about possibility of playing or the improbability of rain.

Some positional changes were made to strengthen the team outside the scrum and these were fairly successful. B. Colquitt and D. Gordon combined well at half, Colquitt kicking to his wings in attack being very successful. M. O'Hare and B. Wolfenden on the wings scored many tries, a tribute to their skill and to two centres, K. Yates and R. Nelson, opposites in method. Yates is above all, a footballer, crafty, shrewd and tough—the very best player in the side. Nelson, by contrast, a seizer of opportunities, as Park High discovered when his dropped goal out of a ruck of players ruined their chances of victory. James, F. led the pack with gusto and was a very good kicker when required. Next to him in skill were B. Massey and P. Weston. Massey filled more than one position very capably. The rest of the pack were about level in ability—sometimes lazy, lacking "devil," or slow but generally, performing with good intentions. Two full-backs of about equal merit, P. Prescott and A. McDonogh played in alternate games.

The following played: A. McDonogh, P. Prescott, M. O'Hare (*Capt.*), K. Yates, R. Nelson, B. Wolfenden, B. Emsley, B. Colquitt, D. Gordon, J. Flanagan, P. Weston, J. Williams, T. Fox, E. Rooke, B. Swanwick, W. Kelly, B. Massey, J. Dagnall.

### Junior Bantam Notes

The Junior Bantam team had a satisfactory season despite the inclement weather. They played twelve games in which they won eleven and lost one. The standard of play throughout the season was creditable.

The pack led by A. McClellan were excellent in the tight and would have been a stronger force if they had combined better in the loose. S. J. Keating hooked well. Among the forwards F. Rolston, E. Mann and P. Christmas were quick to take advantage of their opponents' mistakes. F. Murray and A. Houghton, ably supported by A. McClellan and P. Gallagher were our best line-out forwards. C. Ledden's passing from the base of the scrum was always accurate, A. McGrath the stand off proved a very efficient captain and was never ruffled.

The three-quarters possess talent and combine well. D. Taylor and F. Smith being safe and speedy centres. D. Taylor added many extra points being an excellent close range goal-kicker. W. McDonnell on the left wing, a fearless tackler, a sturdy player with speed and determination seemed to revel in hard fought games. R. Irving on the opposite wing was also outstanding and scored some excellent tries.

We were fortunate in our choice of full back in Ed. Kelly. He possesses a natural side step, defends well and is a hard-tackling player.

A good season and a hopeful future for the team!  
RESULTS.

(H)	Park High School	.....	Won	71—	0
(A)	De La Salle G.S.	.....	Won	13—	3
(A)	St. Anselm's College	.....	Won	27—	0
(A)	Oldershaw G.S.	.....	Won	8—	0
(A)	West Park C.G.S.	.....	Lost	6—	8

(H) Liverpool Collegiate .....	Won 44—5
(H) St. Mary's College .....	Won 27—12
(H) Wirral G.S. ....	Won 9—6
(H) De La Salle G.S. ....	Won 12—5
(H) St. Anselm's College ...	Won 21—3
(A) St. Mary's College .....	Won 11—8
(A) St. Ambrose College ...	Won 22—15

Team : A. McGrath (*Capt.*), D. Taylor (*Vice-Capt.*), A. McClellan, S. J. Keating, F. Rolston, E. Mann, P. Christmas, F. Murray, A. Houghton, F. Smith, W. McDonnell, P. Gallagher, C. Ledden, R. Irving, Ed. Kelly, A. McMullen, M. Scahill, A. Brookfield, K. Dolan.

### Under 12 XV

This year's teams, "A" and "B" were a choice selection, the best for some years and achieved excellent results under Bro. O'Dowd's coaching. Physically, a most varied collection of boys, they owed much to the powerful bulk of M. Manghan in the pack and the tigerish propensities of W. Hindle at wing-forward which needed an occasional curb—some Irish blood here. These two were aided and abetted by P. Ryan and C. Nolan—stalwarts at the line-out not forgetting D. Farnham, P. Banks and C. Gilbert.

In the "B" team, A. Baines in spite of paper chases

across country—most distracting—was always there or thereabouts when danger loomed and had much help from A. Lavery who, of course, was mindful of his family tradition. T. Flynn, J. Connell, B. Farrell, C. Murray and J. Leonard were the pick of the others.

J. Ward, in the "A" team, was a clever centre and combined well with L. Doyle and B. O'Driscoll, two intelligent halves, in making openings for the speed of R. Davenport and M. Scahill on the wings. As Junior Bantams they should be quite good and reflect much credit on their coach.

"A" Team.

J. Cheetham, A. Fitzsimmons, M. Mangan, P. Ryan, C. Nolan, P. Banks, W. Nindle, D. Farnham, C. Gilbert, B. O'Driscoll, L. Doyle, A. Davenport, J. Ward (*Capt.*), M. Crossey, R. Jones, M. Scahill.

"B" Team.

T. Dickinson, J. Leonard, B. Farrell, A. Devine, D. Marsh, A. Hargreaves, T. Williams, J. Connell, R. McLaughlin, M. Hughes, A. Baines, P. Lewis, T. Flynn, C. Mulroy, A. Lavery, J. Furneaux, C. Bridge, P. Faulkner, J. Lowe, W. Treanor, J. McDonald.

"A" Team.

Played 9 ; Won 8 ; Lost 1 ; For 104 pts. ; Against 21.

"B" Team.

Played 3 ; Won 2 ; Drew 1 ; For 26 pts. ; Against 12.

### Cross-Country Notes

In 1950 St. Edward's adopted what was to them a new sport of cross-country running. In that season we had only two fixtures, one resulting in a defeat and the second in our first win.

In the short period of 4 seasons, we have after that humble beginning risen to one of the premier cross-country and athletics schools in Britain.

What is responsible for such a rapid improvement? I suggest the following, as the chief causes:—

- The excellent facilities provided for training, unrivalled by any other school I know of.
- The use made of these facilities by a small nucleus of athletes.

This last statement may startle you, but the fact remains that most of the schools recent successes can be attributed to not more than about 15 runners, not many out of 500 possible athletes. We have plenty of potential talent, enough in fact to make the school, not into one of the best, but the undoubted best in the country in a matter of only a few short seasons.

At least 3 runners in the school at present are quite capable of winning National and Area titles in future seasons if only they train hard and properly. Unfortunately, if things follow their present path, much of this talent will be wasted, mainly because of laziness on the part of the athlete. I hope that time will prove this last statement to be wrong, it is up to each individual himself to see that training is not neglected.

Let us hope that in the 1955-56 season St. Edward's successes will even surpass their magnificent 1954-55 record.

This season the Under 14 team had 8 fixtures, of which they won 7 and finished second in one. These results are very satisfactory when you consider the fact that junior teams normally tend to be erratic in their results, while this team has proved consistently good. Throughout the season many potentially fine runners have been discovered. The captain, W. McShane has

set a record that will be very hard to beat, he finished first in all Under 14 races that he ran in, as well as representing the Under 16 team on a number of occasions. Also prominent in all races were, J. Caulfield, J. McCann, A. Plunkett and T. Sullivan. Perhaps the best prospect in the whole team is 11 year-old A. Baines, who together with, and inseparable from G. Boggan, provided a number of amazing performances, which we hope will be repeated in seasons to come. Congratulations to you all.

The following represented the Under 14 team: W. McShane (*Capt.*), Caulfield, Baines, Horan, Boggan, McCann, Sullivan, Plunkett, Lloyd, Snape, Stafford, S. Morgan, Sparkes, Neill, Harvey, Mitchell, Walmsley, Voils, Aldridge, Fearon, Waterworth, Johnson, Morgan, Brown, Fitzsimmons and Leddon.

The under 16 team, on paper appeared to stand an excellent chance of bringing back to St. Edward's both the Booth and Sefton Harriers Memorial Cups, won by last year's Juniors, as well as the newly instituted "Harry Addlesbergh Trophy, but alas, they finished 4th in all of these races. As things turned out they were beaten for 1st place by a better team, Southport Tech. School, the eventual Northern Counties Champions, but the main reason for failure to gain a 'place' medal in any of the above races is, I think, because of the fact that certain of the second-year members of the team, failed to apply themselves conscientiously to their training, and as a result both school and team were let down. This fortunately did not apply to all second year members and the captain P. Addison was prominent on all occasions, finishing the season with a fine run to gain 19th place in the Northern Counties Championships, C. Williams a new recruit to cross-country running showed great promise in the later half of the season, which we hope to see him fulfil in the Senior team next year.

The first year members of the team ran well, and



E. Forde, who although he did not produce performances comparable with his excellent track running was still well above the average, while M. Noon shows great promise of developing into a first-class cross-country runner in the near future. With the inclusion of W. McShane and J. Caulfield in the Under 16 team next season, we have, together with the above, four very good 'counters' and look forward with great interest to seeing them run together.

Of their 12 fixtures the Under 16 team won 5, finished second in 1, fourth in the 3 Cup races and lost 4.

The following represented the team: P. Addison (*Capt.*), J. Griffiths, M. Noon, E. Forde, W. Lomas, Walsh, Pinnington, Plunkett, McShane, Williams, Cogley, Lylan, Volamere, Davis, Highton, White, Rooney, Quinn, McCann, J. Addison, Moorhead, Caulfield and Lloyd.

Our Senior team has had an excellent season and results will speak for themselves. They won the Cumella Cup, P. Snape being the individual winner and E. J. Hayes finishing 3rd. The next week they brought back the Sangster Cup, P. Snape, P. P. Rogers and A. G. Linford all finishing together in second place, with E. J. Hayes in sixth place they won with a record low total of only 15 points. This was followed by their greatest win, the Aaron Trophy Race in Leeds, the first time this race, open to both clubs and schools, has ever been won by a school team. The "counters" on this occasion were P. Snape, A. G. Linford and E. J. Hayes. Throughout the season they won all their inter-school fixtures, finished a close third in the Northern Schools Championship and were only beaten by the Liverpool University, reversing this decision a few weeks later. In the short road-racing season, they won the Liverpool Institute Road Relay, and later sent two teams to Ireland to compete in the "Douglas Wilson" Youths Road Relay. This race our "A" team won by almost 1 mile from our "B" team, with Clonliffe Harriers third. A. G. Linford returned the fastest individual time 16 min. 31 secs. for the 3½ mile course with P. Snape, 16 min 49 secs. second fastest, E. J. Hayes 4th fastest in 17 min 0 secs. while P. P. Rogers 17 min. 36 sec. completed the team.

With P. Snape, E. J. Hayes and J. Comerford remaining at school next term, the Seniors chances

again look very bright and I would like to take this opportunity of wishing them every success for the 1955-56 season.

Together with the above: A. Matheson, M. Marshall, P. Kenna, D. Curran, T. Bowe, P. Hughes, P. Addison, A. Cowen and R. Clatworthy also represented the senior team.

### Results

#### UNDER 14 TEAM.

v. St. Anselm's	(H)	Won.
v. St. Mary's	(H)	Won.
v. Bootle G.S.	(H)	Won.
v. L'pool Institute	(A)	Won.
v. St. Mary's and Southport Tech.	(A)	Won.
v. Prenton and St. Anselm's	(A)	2nd.
v. Prenton and St. Anselm's	(H)	Won.

A. G. LINFORD.

(*Capt.*)

#### UNDER 16 TEAM

Booth, Addlesbergh and Sefton Harriers Trophy's—4th.		
v. St. Mary's	(A)	Lost
v. St. Anselm's	(H)	Won
v. Bootle G.S.	(H)	Lost
v. Quarry Bank	(H)	Won
v. St. Mary's	(H)	Won
v. Liverpool Institute	(H)	Lost
v. St. Anselm's and Prenton	(A)	2nd.
v. Cowley School	(A)	Won
v. St. Anselm's and Prenton	(H)	Won
Sandfield Park Road Relay	3rd	

#### SENIOR RESULTS

Sangster, Cumella and Aaron Trophy Races—1st.

v. St. Mary's	(A)	Won
v. St. Anselm's	(H)	Won
v. Bootle G.S.	(H)	Won
v. Quarry Bank	(H)	Won
v. St. Mary's	(H)	Won
v. Liverpool University	(A)	Lost
v. Cowley School	(A)	Won
v. Liverpool University	(H)	Won

Northern Schools Championships—3rd

Liverpool Institute Road Relay—1st

Irish Youth's Road Relay—1st.

### Athletics

The opening fixture of the year was an under 15 match against St. Anselm's. Our side was very much weakened by the absence of such stalwarts as Carter and Noon, and we lost by 54 points to 41. A week later, the under 17's and under 19's also tried their strength against St. Anselm's. The former triumphed by 67 points to 35, and the latter by 64 points to 38. None of our athletes were really extended in this fixture, and consequently the performances were not up to the very high standard exhibited later in the season.

Our first real test came in the Sefton Harriers Schools Championships. Here, our athletes rose nobly to the occasion, and we won the team championship in each of the three age groups, the Boys scoring 16 points, the Youths 24, and the Juniors 20. Excellent victories were scored by Carter, Forde, Noon, Lomas, Snape and Anwyl, many others also put up good performances.

The following day we competed against St. Anselm's,

St. Mary's and St. Joseph's, Blackpool, in the annual fixture for the Bro. Gibbons trophy which was presented for the purpose only this year. Again we were the victors scoring 45 points in the Seniors and 31 in the Juniors thus achieving first place in both sections.

In the Senior division, Anwyl scored a fine sprint double, beating Davies of St. Joseph's, a very good performer, in both 100 and 220 events. P. Snape also ran very well, setting up new school records in the 440 and 880 with times of 53.6 secs. and 2 mins. 2.8 secs. respectively. P. Carrier produced a very good javelin throw of 142 ft. 5 in. In the Junior Section, the outstanding performer was undoubtedly E. Forde, who won the 440 in 54.9 secs. and the 880 in 2 mins. 6.4 secs.

The under 15's went on to win their third trophy in 4 days by winning the Liverpool Schools Athletic Championship, scoring 30 points to St. Mary's 25 and Rose Lane's 22. Carter won the 100 yds. in fine style, equalling the record of 10.8. E. Forde set up a new

record in the 440, winning with a time of 55.8. Noon was second in the High Jump, Fox third in the Shot, Foley third in the Discus, and we won the relay.

Next, we come to the Northern Schools' Championships. Again, our team put up an excellent performance. P. Anwyl was most unfortunate to lose his 100 yds. title, being beaten into fourth place. P. Snape ran well to gain third place in the 880. P. Rogers also got through to the final in this event, and both boys were awarded standards. A. Linford ran very well indeed to come second in the steeplechase, and E. Hayes was also a finalist in this event. Standards were also awarded to J. Comerford, in the Mile, and to B. McHugh in the shot and discus. We were thus able to improve our position in the team championship from fifth last year, to third, a very creditable performance indeed.

The last big meeting of the year was the Liverpool Grammar Schools Championships. The competition was very close and exciting in both age groups, and the issue was in doubt right up to the last event. In the under 15's, we retained the trophy for the fourth year in succession, but we only just managed to hold off St. Mary's. J. Carter was surprisingly beaten in both the 100 and 220, but Forde won the 440 and 880. In this latter race, M. Noon ran very well to gain second place. His tremendous finishing burst over the last 220 left us all gasping, especially P. Foal of St. Mary's. Noon also shared third place in the high jump. Finally our relay team of Forde, Noon, O'Hare and Carter won in the record time of 48.5 secs. thus clinching victory in the team championship.

For the last three years we have finished closer and closer to Collegiate, and this year we had high hopes of winning the Senior trophy. However it was not to be. Collegiate winning by the narrow margin of three points. Anwyl was not up to his usual form, and could only manage third place in the 100 yds. and second in the 220. P. Snape finished second in both the 440 and

880. P. Carrier came third in the javelin, somewhat below his best form. B. McHugh had bad luck in the discus, as he threw some two feet farther than the eventual winning distance. But unfortunately his toe was just over the line. He was consoled to some extent, by sharing first place in the shot, in which event J. Rogan did well to gain third place. We won the very exciting relay race in new record time of 2 mins. 33.6 secs. All four members of the team, E. Dillon, J. Comerford, P. Snape and P. Anwyl ran splendidly and deserve great credit.

Finally, we must add that E. Forde has won the English Schools 880 yds. championship in the junior under 15 division, setting up a new record of 2 mins. 2.8 secs. At the same meeting, P. Snape won the Intermediate 880 yds., J. Carter came second in the junior 100 yds. and P. Anwyl came fourth in the Senior 220 yds. All these boys, together with P. Rogers, A. Linford, B. McHugh, K. Anderson and P. O'Hare, won Lancashire schools title in which Carter (100 yds.), and Forde (880 yds.), set up new County records, and a great number of boys, far too numerous to name here, were members of the Liverpool City Athletic team.

This year, then, for both Athletics and Cross-country, has been a year of outstanding success. Since the college first took up these sports seriously, some four years ago, we have gone from strength to strength. This year is probably the best we have ever had in athletics, and our successes have added much to the prestige and good name of the school. But more has been added by the enthusiasm and sportsmanship of our athletes. Remember, we cannot always win, and if the only credit we gain is on account of our enthusiasm and sportsmanship then the time and energy devoted to training has still been really well spent.

P. KENNA.

## CRICKET NOTES

The House Competition was won by Sefton, though Hope Juniors again made a bid, as in the Rugby Competition, to reach the total set by the Sefton Seniors. However, Sefton Juniors more than held their own and the total points gave Sefton a comfortable margin. Sefton 122; Hope 84; Domingo 08; Mersey 74.

### The First XI

The First XI played 12 matches, won 5, lost 5 and drew 2. Of the five games lost, only one was to a School XI. The School XI was ably led by G. Quirke, who proved a conscientious captain both on and off the field. F. Morgan was the vice-captain. The side showed potential batting strength down to number 11. B. McDermott, F. Morgan and G. Quirke were our chief run-getters. To these may be added T. Wolfenden, who was promoted from the Seconds towards the end of the season. T. M. Maybury had his good days but did not always take the bowler on his merits. Ratchford kept wicket well and with Quirke made a solid stand against S.F.X. when the home side had scored only 29 for 6. The bowling honours were shared mainly

by D. Asbury, R. Pontet, A. Cimelli, B. McDermott and V. F. Morgan. The fielding was good with St. J. J. Rogan, J. Rylance, Asbury, McDermott and Quirke outstanding. McDermott played for the Liverpool Grammar Schools XI versus the Young Australians' XI. He impressed by his all round ability, taking 3 wickets and adding 19 runs to the Grammar Schools' total.

### BATTING AVERAGES (On more than 50 runs).

	Inn.	N.O.	Runs	Avg.
B. McDermott ...	9	0	158	17.55
F. V. Morgan ...	12	3	156	17.33
G. A. Quirke ...	11	3	82	10.25
T. M. Maybury ...	9	0	56	6.22

### BOWLING AVERAGES (On more than 10 wickets).

	O	M	R	W	Avg
D. Asbury ...	80	24	169	20	8.45
A. Cimelli ...	48	12	90	10	9.00
F. V. Morgan ...	43	13	127	14	9.07
B. McDermott ...	55	21	125	13	9.62
R. Pontet ...	73	20	175	17	10.30

**St. Edward's College v. Bootle G.S.**  
S.E.C.

P. Keating c. Atherton b. Rigby	...	...	...	...	1
J. Ratchford b. Rigby	...	...	...	...	0
B. McDermott b. Watson	...	...	...	...	57
D. Asbury l.b.w. Rigby	...	...	...	...	0
M. Maybury run out	...	...	...	...	0
F. Morgan b. Watson	...	...	...	...	8
G. Quirke b. Hopkinson	...	...	...	...	0
J. Rylance b. Watson	...	...	...	...	4
J. Rogan not out	...	...	...	...	0
A. Edwards b. Watson	...	...	...	...	0
A. Cimelli c. Phillips b. Watson	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	4
<b>Total</b>	...	...	...	...	<b>74</b>
<b>Bowling Analysis</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Avg</b>
Cimelli	8	1	11	0	—
Asbury	13	4	22	3	7.3
McDermott	12	4	23	5	4.6
Morgan	6	2	14	2	7.0

**At Sandfield Park.**

**Bootle G.S.**

7/5/55

F. Rigby c. Rogan b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	17
P. Lines c. Rogan b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	3
L. Phillips c. McDermott b. Morgan	...	...	...	...	1
P. Watson b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	0
J. Walmsley l.b.w. Morgan	...	...	...	...	9
P. Atherton c. Edwards b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	19
J. Atkins b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	9
J. Summerfield c. Morgan b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	0
H. Hopkins b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	0
J. Fairclough b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	1
A. Tyndall not out	...	...	...	...	11
Extras	...	...	...	...	2
<b>Total</b>	...	...	...	...	<b>72</b>

**Result : S.E.C. won by 2 runs.**

**St. Edward's College v. St. Francis Xavier's**  
S.E.C.

Keating b. Nevling	...	...	...	...	0
Rylance c. Owens b. Flewitt	...	...	...	...	3
McDermott c. & b. Flewitt	...	...	...	...	5
Asbury run out	...	...	...	...	4
Maybury b. Flewitt	...	...	...	...	5
Morgan l.b.w. Flewitt	...	...	...	...	7
Quirke not out	...	...	...	...	27
Ratchford b. Nevling	...	...	...	...	12
Rogan c. Frane b. Flewitt	...	...	...	...	6
Edwards not out	...	...	...	...	0
Cimelli did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Extras	...	...	...	...	6
<b>Total (for 8 wkts.)</b>	...	...	...	...	<b>75</b>
<b>Bowling Analysis</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Avg</b>
Asbury	8	4	12	2	60.
Keating	4	2	5	1	5.0
Morgan	5	2	13	—	—
McDermott	8	6	5	—	—
Rylance	2	1	4	—	—

**At Sandfield Park**

**S.F.X.**

19/5/55

Frame c. Rogan b. Keating	...	...	...	...	3
Nevling not out	...	...	...	...	18
Clark c. Rylance b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	3
Smith b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	0
Rigby not out	...	...	...	...	15
Williams did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Flewitt did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Owens did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Deegan did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Morton did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Loftus did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Extras	...	...	...	...	5
<b>Total (for 3 wkts.)</b>	...	...	...	...	<b>44</b>

**Result : Drawn game.**

**St. Edward's College v. Collegiate**  
S.E.C.

Keating b. Dean	...	...	...	...	4
Rylance b. Eveleigh	...	...	...	...	9
Rogan b. Dean	...	...	...	...	1
Asbury b. Dean	...	...	...	...	0
Maybury b. Dean	...	...	...	...	14
Morgan not out	...	...	...	...	9
Quirke not out	...	...	...	...	1
Ratchford did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Azurdia did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Cimelli did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Johnston did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Extras	...	...	...	...	9
<b>Total</b>	...	...	...	...	<b>47</b>
<b>Bowling Analysis</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Avg</b>
Asbury	11	4	17	2	8.5
Cimelli	7	2	11	2	5.5
Johnston	8	3	12	2	6.0
Morgan	2	2	0	1	0.0
Keating	1.2	—	1	2	0.5

**At Sandfield Park**

**Collegiate**

21/5/55

Farquer l.b.w. Cimelli	...	...	...	...	2
Turner l.b.w. Johnston	...	...	...	...	14
Muller c. Rogan b. Cimelli	...	...	...	...	2
Dean b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	14
Hough run out	...	...	...	...	0
Eveleigh l.b.w. Johnston	...	...	...	...	1
Lubman st. Ratchford b. Morgan	...	...	...	...	7
Price l.b.w. Asbury	...	...	...	...	0
Hardwick not out	...	...	...	...	1
Birkett b. Keating	...	...	...	...	0
Kermode c. Rogan b. Keating	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	3
<b>Total</b>	...	...	...	...	<b>44</b>

**Result : S.E.C. won by 5 wickets.**

**St. Edward's College v. Old Boy's XI**  
S.E.C.

Keating b. Hollaway	...	...	...	...	1
Rylance b. Alston P.	...	...	...	...	11
McDermott c. Bryson b. Hollaway	...	...	...	...	10
Asbury c. Smith b. Alston P.	...	...	...	...	2
Morgan not out	...	...	...	...	34
Quirke c. Hollaway b. Alston P.	...	...	...	...	0
Ratchford c. Leary b. Alston P.	...	...	...	...	4
Rogan b. Alston P.	...	...	...	...	0
Azurdia c. Hollaway b. Alston P.	...	...	...	...	0
Cimelli c. & b. Stephens	...	...	...	...	4
Johnston b. Hollaway	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	3
Total	...	...	...	...	69
Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W	Avgc
Asbury	10	3	17	3	5.6
Cimelli	6	2	15	1	15.0
McDermott	8	3	21	2	10.5
Morgan	5	1	8	0	—
Keating	3	—	18	1	18
Johnston	2	—	4	—	—

**At Sandfield Park**

**Old Boy's XI**

28/5/55

O'Leary c. McDermott b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	0
Merriwale b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	4
Hollaway c. Quirke b. Cimelli	...	...	...	...	2
Hill l.b.w. McDermott	...	...	...	...	7
G. Alston b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	5
Gloyne c. Azurdia b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	12
Bryson not out	...	...	...	...	21
P. Alston l.b.w. Keating	...	...	...	...	16
Stephens not out	...	...	...	...	19
Anderson did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Smith did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Extras	...	...	...	...	10
Total (for 7 wkts. decl.)	...	...	...	...	96

**Result : S.E.C. lost by 27 runs.**

**St. Edward's College v. C.I. Edwardians**  
S.E.C.

Ratchford b. Smith	...	...	...	...	1
Rylance b. Cunningham	...	...	...	...	2
McDermott b. Hollaway	...	...	...	...	4
Morgan b. Cunningham	...	...	...	...	0
Maybury b. Hollaway	...	...	...	...	11
Asbury l.b.w. Cunningham	...	...	...	...	4
Quirke run out	...	...	...	...	8
Keating b. Cunningham	...	...	...	...	16
Pontet c. Beirne b. Hollaway	...	...	...	...	2
Edwards not out	...	...	...	...	0
Cimelli b. Cunningham	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	11
Total	...	...	...	...	59
Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W	Avgc
Asbury	9.5	5	17	4	4.2
Keating	14	3	11	1	1.0
Cimelli	4	1	10	2	5.0
McDermott	3	1	3	—	—
Pontet	10	1	18	3	6.0

**At Sandfield Park**

**C.I. Edwardians**

30/5/55

Cunningham l.b.w. Keating	...	...	...	...	3
Bruce b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	2
O'Leary b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	0
Hollaway c. Edwards b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	19
Murphy V. b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	3
Murray b. Cimelli	...	...	...	...	2
Redmond b. Cimelli	...	...	...	...	0
Gloyne b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	14
Murphy not out	...	...	...	...	0
Beirne c. Rylance b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	4
Smith c. Cimelli b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	7
Extras	...	...	...	...	7
Total	...	...	...	...	61

**Result : S.E.C. lost by 2 runs.**

**St. Edward's College v. St. Mary's**  
S.E.C.

Ratchford l.b.w. O'Brien	...	...	...	...	3
Rylance b. O'Brien	...	...	...	...	4
McDermott b. O'Brien	...	...	...	...	2
Morgan b. Hamlin	...	...	...	...	7
Maybury b. Hamlin	...	...	...	...	0
Asbury b. Hamlin	...	...	...	...	0
Quirke b. O'Brien	...	...	...	...	12
Keating c. Meehan, J. b. Hamlin	...	...	...	...	0
Rogan c. & b. Hamlin	...	...	...	...	3
Pontet c. Burns b. Hamlin	...	...	...	...	6
Cimelli not out	...	...	...	...	4
Extras	...	...	...	...	2
Total	...	...	...	...	43
Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W	Avgc
Pontet	6	1	23	2	11.5
Asbury	2	—	9	—	—
Keating	2	1	4	—	—
McDermott	2	—	12	—	—

**At Sandfield Park**

**St. Mary's**

11/6/55

O'Brien l.b.w. Pontet	...	...	...	...	0
Meehan, P. not out	...	...	...	...	35
Callaghan c. Rogan b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	4
Meehan, J. not out	...	...	...	...	9
Hamlin did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Davidson did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Exworthy did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Callaghan, D. did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Kearney did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Burns did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Lupton did not bat	...	...	...	...	—
Extras	...	...	...	...	2
Total (for 2 wkts.)	...	...	...	...	50

**Result : S.E.C. lost by 8 wickets.**

St. Edward's College v. Caldly Grange G.S.						At Sandfield Park						18/6/55
S.E.C.						Caldly Grange						
Ratchford b. Ennion	...	...	...	...	0	Ennion c. Rylance b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	0	
Rylance b. Sims	...	...	...	...	0	Tamblyn b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	1	
McDermott b. Ennion	...	...	...	...	0	McAllister c. Rylance b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	2	
Morgan l.b.w. Ennion	...	...	...	...	16	Bell b. Asbury	...	...	...	...	9	
Maybury b. Ennion	...	...	...	...	19	Birchall c. Azurdia b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	2	
Asbury b. Sims	...	...	...	...	0	Hill c. McDermott b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	0	
Quirke b. Sims	...	...	...	...	2	Amery c. Asbury b. Keating	...	...	...	...	10	
Keating b. Sims	...	...	...	...	0	Harvey b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	0	
Azurdia b. Sims	...	...	...	...	0	Crutchley b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	7	
Pontet b. Ennion	...	...	...	...	7	Myers b. Keating	...	...	...	...	1	
Cimelli not out	...	...	...	...	5	Sims not out	...	...	...	...	0	
Extras	...	...	...	...	3	Extras	...	...	...	...	5	
Total	...	...	...	...	52	Total	...	...	...	...	37	
Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W	Avg							
Pontet	11	7	14	5	2.8							
Asbury	8	2	13	3	4.3							
Keating	3	1	5	2	2.5							

Result : S.E.C. won by 15 runs.

St. Edward's College v. Sefton						At Sandfield Park						25/6/55
S.E.C.						Sefton						
Quirke b. Lawton	...	...	...	...	0	Winskill b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	22	
Morgan run out	...	...	...	...	17	Brew b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	18	
McDermott b. Lawton	...	...	...	...	4	Morgan b. Morgan	...	...	...	...	2	
Rylance b. Lawton	...	...	...	...	2	Coulter b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	0	
Maybury c. Duffy b. Hudson	...	...	...	...	0	Dalton l.b.w. Morgan	...	...	...	...	0	
Ratchford l.b.w. Rushby	...	...	...	...	8	Carnwy b. McDermott	...	...	...	...	1	
Asbury b. Hudson	...	...	...	...	0	Duffy c. McDermott b. Morgan	...	...	...	...	21	
Rogan not out	...	...	...	...	14	Rushby st. Ratchford b. Morgan	...	...	...	...	0	
Pontet c. Hudson b. Dalton	...	...	...	...	10	Duggan not out	...	...	...	...	10	
Ludden c. & b. Dalton	...	...	...	...	0	Hudson b. Johnston	...	...	...	...	1	
Johnston b. Rushby	...	...	...	...	2	Lawton b. Ludden	...	...	...	...	0	
Extras	...	...	...	...	4	Extras	...	...	...	...	9	
Total	...	...	...	...	61	Total	...	...	...	...	84	
Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W	Avg							
Pontet	8	1	25	—	—							
Asbury	3	—	13	—	—							
McDermott	9	5	17	4	4.25							
Morgan	9	4	15	4	3.75							
Johnston	1	—	2	1	2.00							
Ludden	0.5	—	3	1	3.00							

Result : S.E.C. lost by 23 runs.

St. Edward's College v. Quarry Bank						At Quarry Bank						2/7/55
S.E.C.						Quarry Bank						
Maybury b. Valentine	...	...	...	...	2	Proudlove c. Ratchford b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	14	
Wolfenden c. Davies b. Walker	...	...	...	...	18	Nevin b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	7	
McDermott b. Sneane	...	...	...	...	38	Ascroft b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	16	
Morgan not out	...	...	...	...	27	Briggs l.b.w. McDermott	...	...	...	...	11	
Ratchford b. Valentine	...	...	...	...	9	Valentine not out	...	...	...	...	50	
Pontet b. Jones	...	...	...	...	1	Jones b. Pontet	...	...	...	...	14	
Quirke not out	...	...	...	...	9	Spicer not out	...	...	...	...	2	
Asbury did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	Davies did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	
Rogan did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	Walker did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	
Ludden did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	Griffiths did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	
Johnston did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	Sneade did not bat	...	...	...	...	—	
Extras	...	...	...	...	16	Extras	...	...	...	...	3	
Total (5 wkts)	...	...	...	...	120	Total (for 7 wkts. decl.)	...	...	...	...	117	
Bowling Analysis	O	M	R	W	Avg							
Pontet	14	2	35	4	8.7							
Asbury	6	—	18	—	—							
Johnston	2	—	15	—	—							
McDermott	8	1	27	1	27.0							
Morgan	1	—	19	—	—							

Result : S.E.C. won by 5 wickets.

**St. Edward's College v. St. Mary's**  
**St. Mary's**

O'Brien l.b.w. Pontet	...	...	...	27
Meehan P. b. Asbury	...	...	...	13
Meehan J. l.b.w. McDermott	...	...	...	10
Callaghan c. Maybury b. Morgan	...	...	...	40
Hamlin not out	...	...	...	19
Kearney c. Rylance b. Morgan	...	...	...	4
Burns b. Morgan	...	...	...	0
Exworthy l.b.w. Cimelli	...	...	...	0
White not out	...	...	...	8
Davidson did not bat	...	...	...	
Camp did not bat	...	...	...	
Extras	...	...	...	4

Total (for 7 wks decl.) ... 125

Bowling Analysis		O	M	R	W	Avg
Pontet	...	9	1	43	1	43.0
Cimelli	...	9	1	16	1	16.0
Asbury	...	3	1	5	1	5.0
McDermott	...	5	1	26	1	26.0
Morgan	...	7	1	31	3	10.33

**At Chesterfield Road**

9/6/55

**S.E.C.**

Rylance c. Meehan, J. b. Callaghan	...	...	...	4
Wolfenden b. O'Brien	...	...	...	4
McDermott b. Meehan P.	...	...	...	38
Morgan b. O'Brien	...	...	...	4
Maybury st. Burns b. Meehan P.	...	...	...	5
Quirke c. Meehan J. b. Hamlin	...	...	...	23
Asbury c. Davidson b. Hamlin	...	...	...	15
Ratchford not out	...	...	...	0
Rogan not out	...	...	...	1
Pontet did not bat	...	...	...	
Cimelli did not bat	...	...	...	
Extras	...	...	...	11
Total (for 7 wks.)	...	...	...	105

**Result : Match drawn.**

**St. Edward's College v. Sefton**  
**Sefton**

Parker c. Ludden b. Cimelli	...	...	...	9
Drew b. Pontet	...	...	...	4
Mays c. Ratchford b. Cimelli	...	...	...	4
Clapham l.b.w. Cimelli	...	...	...	8
Kerr b. Asbury	...	...	...	5
Hughes l.b.w. Morgan	...	...	...	25
Winter c. & b. Pontet	...	...	...	11
Johnstone st. Ratchford b. Morgan	...	...	...	6
Ramsden c. Asbury b. Asbury	...	...	...	1
Harris not out	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	12

Total ... 85

Bowling Analysis		O	M	R	W	Avg
Pontet	...	15	7	17	2	8.50
Cimelli	...	10	4	21	4	5.25
Asbury	...	2	—	9	1	9.00
Morgan	...	7.1	1	26	2	13.00

**At Sefton Park.**

12/7/55

**S.E.C.**

Ratchford b. Harris	...	...	...	9
Wolfenden c. Hughes b. Winter	...	...	...	0
Morgan l.b.w. Harris	...	...	...	13
Rylance b. Winter	...	...	...	1
Quirke st. Kerr b. Harris	...	...	...	0
Asbury st. Kerr b. Harris	...	...	...	0
Rogan b. Winter	...	...	...	7
Azurdia b. Winter	...	...	...	8
Ludden not out	...	...	...	4
Pontet b. Winter	...	...	...	0
Cimelli c. Drew b. Harris	...	...	...	9
Extras	...	...	...	3
Total	...	...	...	54

**Result : S.E.C. lost by 31 runs.**

**School v. Staff**  
**Staff**

Br. Brennan b. Callaghan	...	...	...	5
Mr. Hackett b. Callaghan	...	...	...	2
Br. Murphy b. Asbury	...	...	...	14
Mr. Bolger c. Callaghan b. Ludden	...	...	...	23
Mr. Cunningham c. Cimelli b. Rogan	...	...	...	13
Br. Foggerty b. Ludden B.	...	...	...	1
Br. O'Dowd l.b.w. Morgan	...	...	...	1
Mr. Morris b. Morgan	...	...	...	1
Mr. Ley c. Ludden, L. b. Ludden, B.	...	...	...	2
Br. Ring not out	...	...	...	9
Br. Buttimer c. & b. Rylance	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	7

Total ... 77

Bowling Analysis		O	M	R	W	Avg
Callaghan	...	6	3	7	2	3.5
Cimelli	...	4	1	6	—	—
Asbury	...	5	1	17	1	17.0
Ludden, B.	...	5	1	20	3	6.6
Morgan	...	1	0	1	2	0.5
Ludden, L.	...	1	0	10	—	—
Rylance	...	1	0	5	1	5.0
Rogan	...	1	0	4	1	4.0

**At Sandfield Park**

19/7/55

**School**

Ratchford l.b.w. Mr. Hackett	...	...	...	0
Wolfenden c. Br. Murphy b. Br. Brennan	...	...	...	11
Rylance c. Mr. Morris b. Br. Brennan	...	...	...	13
Morgan b. Br. Brennan	...	...	...	12
Asbury hit wicket Br. Murphy	...	...	...	11
Ludden, L. b. Mr. Hackett	...	...	...	0
Rogan not out	...	...	...	3
Callaghan J. Not out	...	...	...	11
P. Geoghegan did not bat	...	...	...	
B. Ludden did not bat	...	...	...	
A. Cimelli did not bat	...	...	...	
Extras	...	...	...	19
Total (for 6 wks.)	...	...	...	82

Bowling Analysis		O	M	R	W	Avg
Mr. Hackett	...	11	2	35	2	17.5
Br. Brennan	...	8	2	22	3	7.3
Br. Murphy	...	2	0	5	1	5.0

**Result : School won by 4 wickets.**

**SECOND CRICKET XI**

The Second XI ably and intelligently led by L. Ludden, had an enjoyable and phenomenally successful season. They played six games and won all six outright. T. Wolfenden, who was promoted towards the end of the season, was most successful with the bat. His average was 21·33. H. Lavery, M. Azurdia, B. Davidson and B. Ludden were also consistent with averages of 21, 18, 17·5 and 9 respectively. R. Pontet, in the two games he played with the Seconds, took 8 wickets for 20 runs. F. Boyle took 11 for 27, F. Johnston 13 for 45. J. E. Downey, A. Edwards, B. Ludden and J. Williams were all successful change bowlers. The fielding was of a high standard with Davidson, Lavery, Edwards, Downey and L. Ludden outstanding. P. Armstrong kept wicket well and took six catches.

**Results**

May 19th	v. St. Francis Xavier's College	S.E.C. won by 8 wickets.
May 21st	v. Collegiate School	S.E.C. won by 15 runs.
June 11th	v. St. Mary's College	S.E.C. won by 33 runs.
June 18th	v. Calday Grange G.S.	S.E.C. won by 19 runs.
July 2nd	v. Quarry Bank G.S.	S.E.C. won by 8 wickets.
July 9th	v. St. Mary's College.	S.E.C. won by 24 runs.

The following played during the season: L. Ludden (*Capt.*), R. Pontet, B. Wolfenden, B. Davis, H. Lavery, J. Downey, P. Armstrong, B. Ludden, F. Boyle, P. Geoghegan, A. Edwards, F. Johnston, A. Cimelli, M. Azurdia, J. Williams and P. Keating.

**COLTS.**

Playing only seven games, the Colts gave rather uneven performances, the batting being very disappointing in the games not won. This was the side's weakness. The bowling was good, the fielding usually very good, but the batting quite unreliable, especially when the opposing team had first use of the wicket. It is significant that we batted second in the three games lost; we batted first in three games, two of which were won comfortably, the other ending in a tie. The only batsman to show a respectable average came from the lower half of the batting order—Flanagan, whose average of 19·3 was due to some confident swinging of

the bat when occasion demanded. Callaghan was by far the best of the bowlers, taking 37 wickets at a cost of 67 runs.

Team: Sparkes, Callaghan, Colquitt, Durbin, Flanagan, Irving, Massey, Murray, O'Hara, Taylor, Wolfenden. Also played: McDermott, Watter. Scorer: J. Loftus.

**Results.**

			S.E.C.	Opp.
7th May	v. Bootle G.S.	(H) Lost	28	54
19th May	v. S.F.X.	(H) Won	35 for 5	32
21st May	v. Collegiate	(A) Won	59	33
11th June	v. St. Mary's	(A) Lost	30	52
18th June	v. Calday Grange	(H) Tie	34	34
2nd July	v. Quarry Bank	(A) Won	65	9
9th July	v. St. Mary's	(H) Lost	47	49

Played 3; Won 3; Lost 3; Drawn 0; Tied 1.

**CHICKS XI**

v. S.F.X.	(A) Won	27	21
v. Collegiate	(H) Won	38 for 4	37
v. Bootle G.S.	(H) Won	49	29
v. St. Mary's	(H) Lost	26	27 for 8
v. Calday G.S.	(A) Won	77	37
v. Quarry Bank	(H) Tie	43	43
v. St. Mary's	(A) Draw	46 for 9	76

3 Games cancelled due to rain.

This year's Chicks XI was quite sound and fought their way out of unpromising situations; once against Quarry Bank and in the drawn game against St. Mary's. Generally, they fielded quite well; Snelham, Flynn, Davenport, Taylor being quite lively ground fielders and good throwers. Their batting was steady; Farnham being the hardest to get out but Davenport and Taylor hit the ball commendably hard and generally batted quite well. The side owes most, though, to the bowling of their captain, Flynn who was always very accurate. No other bowler could match his accuracy and reliability match by match. He took 25 wickets in 7 games for 2·5 runs each. Players were: T. Flynn (*Capt.*), D. Farnham, A. Davenport, A. Gibson, M. Taylor, B. Snelham, J. Connell, A. Croghan, J. Cheerham, K. Cook, L. Doyle, C. Nolan, C. Gilbert, N. Chamberlain, C. Bridge, R. Brookfield.

**Inter College Tennis Competition**

Organized by the Old Xaverians. Won by G. A. Quirke and B. McDermott who defeated the S.F.X. pair in the final.

# College Roll

## UPPER SCHOOL

### Head Boy

McDERMOTT, B.

### Prefects

DILLON, E.  
CURRAN, D.  
RATCHFORD, J.  
LUDDEN, B.  
ROGAN, J.  
SNAPE, P.  
McHUGH, B.  
McDONELL, R.  
JOHNSTON, F.  
DODDS, C.  
WESTON, B.  
CARBERRY, B.  
JORDAN, H.  
MANGHAN, G.  
CLATWORTHY, R.  
COWAN, G.  
COMERFORD, J.  
NICOLL, I.  
HAYES, E.

### VI A Science

AZURDIA, M.  
BRANNAN, E.  
CARBERRY, BRYAN.  
CLATWORTHY, R.  
COWEN, G.  
DOWNEY, J.  
HAYES, E.  
HIGGINS, B.  
HITCHMOUGH, T.  
HUGHES, P.  
JORDAN, H.  
LAMB, K.  
MANGHAN, G.  
MARSHALL, M.  
MURPHY, G.  
NICOLL, I.  
RATCHFORD, J.  
ROGAN, J.  
SULLIVAN, J.  
TOOLAN, M.  
WESTON, B.

### VI A Modern

COMERFORD, J.  
CURRAN, D.  
DILLON, E.  
DODDS, C.  
GOULBOURN, P.  
JOHNSTON, F.  
LUDDEN, B.  
McDERMOTT, B.  
McDONNELL, R.  
McHUGH, B.  
SNAPE, P.

### VI B Science

BARRY, B.

BLACKBURNE, J.  
CARRIER, P.  
CASSIDY, P.  
CHAMBERLAIN, J.  
CUNNINGHAM, J.  
DAVIS, B.  
DAVIDSON, B.  
DUGGAN, R.  
DUKES, A.  
EDWARDS, A.  
GEOGHEGAN, P.  
GRANT, W.  
GRIFFITHS, J.  
HILL, T.  
HODGE, R.  
HUBY, B.  
KIRBY, J.  
LOWE, B.  
McGOVERN, J.  
McMAHON, G.  
McMAHON, F.  
MORGAN, P.  
MURPHY, S.  
O'HARE, P.  
O'KEEFE, M.  
PADDEN, T.  
ROONEY, D.  
ROPER, F.  
WHITE, B.  
WILLS, J.

### VI B Modern

ASBURY, D.  
BLACKIE, E.  
BOYLE, F.  
BROWN, J.  
COGLEY, J.  
COLLINS, M.  
CUCKSON, C.  
FARRELL, P.  
FEARNS, H.  
FITZGERALD, M.  
GLYNN, J.  
HOFFMAN, J.  
JOHNSON, G.  
KELLY, P.  
LAVERY, H.  
LYNCH, A.  
MALONEY, M.  
NORRIS, E.  
PINNINGTON, M.  
RIMMER, J.  
ROWAN, J.  
SHERIDAN, T.  
WILLIAMS, CH.

### Upper V Alpha

ADDISON, J.  
ADDISON, P.  
BARRY, B.  
BELL, J.  
BENBOW, P.  
BENSON, N.

CURNS, J.  
BHEETHAM, R.  
COSTELLO, J.  
CRAWFORD, J.  
DUNCAN, R.  
FEENEY, D.  
GILLESPIE, B.  
GRAY, J.  
JOHNSON, T.  
LEWIS, J.  
LOFTUS, J.  
MAXWELL, L.  
MEAKIN, J.  
MILNER, J.  
MOORHEAD, T.  
MURPHY, P.  
MURRAY, R.  
PEACOCK, G.  
PORKER, J.  
SPEAK, R.  
TINDALL, J.  
UNSWORTH, B.  
VOLLEAMERE, W.  
WAGLE, P.  
WALLACE, G.  
WATERS, J.  
WHITE, A.  
WOLFENDEN, T.  
WOOLRIDGE, J.  
WRIGHT, D.

### Upper V A

ARMSTRONG, P.  
BAKER, T.  
BUTCHARD, T.  
CALLAGHAN, J.  
CARTER, J.  
CHAMBERLAIN, D.  
CUNNINGHAM, P.  
DIXON, N.  
DOYLE, M.  
DUKES, M.  
EMSLEY, R.  
FINNIGAN, T.  
FITZPATRICK, C.  
GALBRAITH, P.  
GIBSON, M.  
HANEY, J.  
HAYES, G.  
JORDAN, B.  
KELLY, J.  
KENNEALLY, K.  
KENNY, B.  
LIVINGSTON, H.  
LUNT, D.  
LYNCH, G.  
MATTHEWS, J.  
MOORE, M.  
MORAN, A.  
NELSON, W.  
NOON, M.  
POWER, J.

SPARKES, D.  
WALSH, W.  
WILLIAMS, B.

### Upper V Beta

ALGER, D.  
AZURDIA, A.  
BOON, J.  
NUTCHARD, R.  
COCKS, P.  
COLLINS, F.  
DIPPLE, V.  
DOWNES, J.  
DOWNEY, P.  
DUFFY, T.  
DUNN, J.  
EDWARDS, P.  
FARRELL, V.  
FITZPATRICK, H.  
HEWSON, J.  
HIGHTON, E.  
JACKSON, P.  
JENNINGS, D.  
KELLY, I.  
LAMB, P.  
LAMBE, A.  
LLOYD, J.  
McCANN, B.  
McCARATHY, R.  
McGRAIL, A.  
McMAHON, P.  
MERCER, A.  
MOONEY, V.  
MORISON, K.  
MORLEY, M.  
PEARSON, T.  
QUINN, E.  
RIGNALL, W.  
SHANNON, S.  
STUBBS, A.

### Lower V Alpha

BRYSON, I.  
BUTCHARD, J.  
BYRNE, F.  
BYWATER, B.  
CAULFIELD, F.  
CLEARY, T.  
COLQUITT, B.  
DAGNALL, J.  
DARWEN, A.  
DOUTHWAITE, P.  
DUNBIN, J.  
FISHER, C.  
FOLEY, M.  
GRIFFIN, A.  
HUGHES, D.  
JONES, E.  
JUDGE, M.  
KELLY, L.  
KIERAN, J.

McCANN, J.  
McDERMOTT, A.  
McGRATH, A.  
McMULLEN, A.  
MASSEY, E.  
MOONEY, L.  
MOORE, P.  
O'BRIEN, J.  
O'HANLON, P.  
O'HARA, J.  
STEPHENS, M.  
SWANICK, B.  
TAYLOR, B.  
WALSH, C.  
WILLIAMS, J.  
WOLFENDEN, B.

### Lower V A

BONER, C.  
BUCKLEY, A.  
CLARKE, S.  
DITTMAN, M.  
EMSLEY, B.  
FLANAGAN, J.  
FOX, T.  
FROST, C.  
GILCHRIST, K.  
GOODWIN, G.  
GORDON, J.  
GREEN, P.  
JONES, E.  
KEARNEY, J.  
KELLY, J.  
KELLY, W.  
LEVY, F.  
LONERGAN, M.  
LOWRY, E.  
MAKIN, G.  
McCLELLAN, A.  
McDONOUGH, A.  
O'HARE, M.  
O'KEEFE, E.  
PLUNKETT, M.  
ROBERTS, H.  
ROOKE, E.  
ROPER, M.  
SCULLY, J.  
THISTLEWOOD, E.  
THOMPSON, J.  
TOWNSON, D.  
WATTERSON, M.  
WILLMOTH, R.  
YATES, J.

### Lower V Beta

BENNETT, W.  
BROWN, W.  
BURKE, D.  
BURTON, W.  
DALY, B.  
DUNDON, P.



EDGE, T.  
FEEGAN, J.  
FORDE, E.  
HORAN, J.  
HUGHES, B.  
HUNT, J.  
HURST, R.  
KENNEDY, G.  
LAWLER, M.  
LEAHY, J.  
MCGARVEY, P.  
MC SHANE, W.  
MITCHELL, G.  
MOORE, B.  
MOORE, H.  
NEILL, T.  
NELSON, R.  
O'NEILL, J.  
POPE, R.  
PRESCOTT, P.  
SWIFT, B.  
TOAL, A.  
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GOWER, B.  
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HALL, M.  
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IRVING, R.  
JOHNSON, R.  
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O'SULLIVAN, P.  
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MCGUIRK, B.  
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GRETTON, P.  
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PRATT, S.  
PLANT, R.  
QUINN, P.  
SCHAER, G.  
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HENDERSON, P.  
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