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THE successes of St. Edward's in the past have always reflected the efforts of its Staff, so it is with regret that we announce the departure of Reverend Brother O'Boyle and Messrs Dukes, Connor, Voiels, Robson, Curran, Donlan and Traynor, thanking them and wishing them luck in their new posts. At great loss to the College, Brothers Chincotta and Fogarty have now left to help found a new Christian Brothers' Mission in Liberia. We are confident that they take with them our prayers and good wishes for the success of this great work.

At the same time, we welcome to the Staff of the College, Brothers Brennan, O'Toole and Laythorpe and Mr. Byrne, Mr. Clarke, Miss O'Neill, Mr. D. Edwards, Mr. Elton, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Mars, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Pratt, Mr. McDonnell and Mr. J. S. Thomas. We hope that their stay will be long and profitable.

Once again we have enjoyed a year of outstanding victories in most classes and many fields. The Rugby, Cricket and Athletic teams have maintained their very high standards while Public Speaking seems also to have become a tradition, the success of the 1968 team in National Competitions encouraging more active involvement among Sixth-formers and a follow-up success for another team.

The Dramatic Society's successful presentation of the controversial play "The Fire Raisers" by Max Frisch was enthusiastically received. Similarly the Choir and Orchestra have upheld the

musical reputation of the College giving successful performances throughout the year including successes in competitive Musical Festivals.

Mr. John Kelly has retired after a marathon fifty years as Secretary of the College. Many Edwardians will recall with affection the tremendous debt that we all owe to him. We wish him health and happiness in his retirement, hoping that he will find time occasionally to look in at Sandfield Park. We welcome Mrs. Usher and Mrs. Walsh to the Secretarial Staff, believing that this addition to the "corridor of power" is most beneficial.

The Parents' Association has enjoyed another successful year under its Chairman Mr. J. E. Macardle, continuing not only to raise incredible funds for the school but, equally important, to foster the tremendous spirit of co-operation which makes St. Edward's so unique. We wish them even greater success in the future, even though their new-style SEPA News has proved a threat to this journal!

We wish to thank the three Wilson brothers, who attended the College during 1918-1934, for their magnificent gift of books for the School Library.

The Sixth-Form are now adjusting themselves to their comfortable new surroundings. The advantages of an independent Sixth-Form with many facilities for work and relaxation as a link between school and university are obviously vital and exciting. Perhaps its most important aspect is the independence of the Sixth-Form, operating the block through their own committees and representatives, independent of outside control.

Finally, this Committee would like to thank Denis Quayle for his work as Head Boy last year. We wish him every success in his career.

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The Late Mr. James Harty



For all of us at St. Edward's, the news of the death of Mr. J. Harty in 1968 came as a great shock despite his long illness. One often tends to forget that strong personalities, who have become so much a part of a community and who have enjoyed a tremendously wide and varied reputation, are subject to the same perils as lesser men. Of Mr. Harty this was certainly true, for his dynamic presence, genial humour, and concern for everything relevant to the College became a powerful tradition, almost a legend, at St. Edward's. One could be forgiven for considering him almost immortal.

His death means, regrettably, that a considerable piece of St. Edward's "folklore" has now come to an end. Everyone who attended his Latin classes will remember his dominating presence, his turbulent goodwill, and his always apt-humour as he effortlessly coined lifetime nicknames (Dook, Carlos, Ben and indulgently, Henry were all from his stable). Parents and Boys alike will remember his constant and enthusiastic presence at School functions.

Multis ille bonis flebilis occidit nulli flebilior quam tibi, Virgili.

I am convinced that Mr. Harty's contribution to the school spirit which is so much valued and enjoyed at St. Edward's was immense. His sheer force welded first individual forms and then the school into unity—a unity and morale which, while upheld and attacked from many fronts today, is still impressive in its completeness. I am sure that this is how he would most like to be remembered.

P.H.

Many, many boys, members of Staff, academic and administrative, and members of the Parents' Association, offer to Mrs. Harty and members of her family, sincerest sympathy in the passing of one they all came to esteem as a friend.—R.I.P.

Speech Day, 1968

PRIZE Day, 1968 was a memorable occasion. Always in the past this annual gathering of Edwardians has been impressive and 10th March, 1968 lived up to expectations. On this enjoyable day we "recalled our victories in class and field."

The function, held as usual at the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall, was well attended by boys and parents. An excellent concert was given by the School Choir and Orchestra, who did more than justify the College's extensive musical reputation. Both Mr. Lyons and Mr. Genin seemed in good form, and boys taking part in the concert clearly enjoyed themselves.

The Headmaster, Rev. Br. P. E. Ryan, B.Sc., paid tribute to his predecessor, Brother Coffey, whose work had helped foster "the magnificent spirit which has always been so characteristic of St. Edward's." His report ranged over many topics, from the Academic achievements of the College, set out in the programme, to the magnificent School Chapel which had been the gift of the Parents' Association to whom we were indebted. Here Br. Ryan mentioned the need for vocations and expressed his wish that parents would do all possible to encourage them in their sons.

Speaking on the Academic standing of the College, and paying tribute to his Staff whose dedicated work had helped to achieve this, Brother Ryan continued, "We are all aware that much of the credit for these results must go to you, the

parents and the home. The good and successful student is as much, if not more, the product of the home with adequate discipline, guidance and example as he is of a good school."

Brother Ryan also mentioned the shortage of Arts faculty places at University which made it necessary for the student to aim for three grades B at Advanced level. He warned that these places would not come about overnight, and that this fact behoved the student to do his utmost to gain one of the limited places available.

The Headmaster, laid great emphasis on the idea of St. Edward's as a team, and throughout his speech made reference to the many people who had helped the School in the past year.

Chief guest at the function was G. J. Walker, M.A., Ph.D., who defended Education as we know it, as a wonderful means of both gaining knowledge and skills and in finding and developing one's true talents. He contended that the most important criterion in choosing a job or profession was not a materialistic one, but lay rather in the suitability of one's career to one's talents and temperament, its usefulness to the community and its enjoyability. Dr. Walker sat down to prolonged applause.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. K. D. Morris, B.Sc., and seconded by the Head Boy Denis M. Quayle. The Chairman of the Governing Body, Very Rev. Canon F. J. Danher, PP., took the chair.

P.H.

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No. 5 Hungarian Dance — Czardas

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B. Biology	Q. British Government	S. Spanish
C. Chemistry	GS. General Studies	T. Pure Mathematics with Statistics
D. Use of English	H. History	U. Geology
E. English Language	L. Latin	W. Further Mathematics
EL. English Literature	M. Mathematics	Y. Pure Mathematics
F. French	N. Economics	Z. Zoology
G. Geography	O. Music	

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- E. English Language
- EL. English Literature
- F. French

- G. Geography
- H. History
- L. Latin
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Foyer Francais, 1967-68

THE Foyer Français meetings during the year 1967-68 have been well attended by the French students of St. Edward's. The activities have been numerous, the topics have been varied, but the Foyer's activity during Spring 1968 have been handicapped by the bus strike.

The first lecture, taking place in September, was given by Mme Rutherford who spoke about Mme de Sévigny. She explained with clarity, the rival influences upon the correspondence of Mme de Sévigny. Her talk was well understood and appreciated by all, and gave a good start to the year's activities.

The next lecture was given by Mme Davidson, who examined and illustrated the work of the dramatist Marcel Pagnol. Mme Davidson's lecture has almost become an annual event. Although most of the students from St. Edward's were not acquainted with the work of Pagnol, the talk proved most interesting.

The next talk was given by Prof. Meyer, and attracted much attention, since he examined and explained the sources, influences and structure of Molière's play 'L'Avare.' This lecture was on the whole, the best attended, the hall being filled to capacity.

There soon came the oral competition for schools, which was judged by Mme Smith. Awaited with anticipation, the event provided us with a good number of contestants, whose topics covered a wide and interesting area, but unfortunately there was no participation from St. Edward's this year.

The next lecture, taking place in November was given by Prof. Ginestier, and was entitled 'Le Monde de Racine.' It was well attended, and Prof. Ginestier expounded with clarity the time sequence in 'Mithridate,' and the general influence of Fate upon the mechanical action of tragedy.

Especially interesting was a lecture by Mr. Emmanuel Essameé, ('Assistant' at Birkenhead School) on L'évolution du Caméroun. Mr. Essameé gave a spirited talk on the geographical, political and ethical development of this hitherto little-known African state. His talk was partly illustrated by slides. On this occasion, the vote of thanks was given by a pupil of St. Edward's.

This year's film, 'Le mariage du Figaro' shown in the Donnan Laboratories, proved interesting, but regrettably did not attract a large audience, perhaps because of the opposition of the weather.

At one meeting, there were two contrasting talks, one given by Mlle Garat, entitled 'L' univers de Bosco' and illustrated by poetry quotations. The second, entitled; 'La vie d'étudiant,' given by Mr. Toureille, proved to be a very lively satire on student university life, and Mr. Toureille's acid wit was much appreciated by the audience.

In March 1968, an absorbing lecture was delivered by Mr. Bernard Prost of Manchester University, entitled 'Le réalisme dans la Littérature Française du XIX^{ème} siècle.' This talk proved to be an informative analysis of the aims and methods of the 18th Century Novelist, with an emphassi on Flaubert.

One of the year's highlights was the production of the play 'L'Avare,' by La Troupe Française, in the Empire Theatre. The performance was well attended and appreciated by an audience drawn from a large number of schools (including St. Edward's, of course).

There was, incidentally to have been a play reading of L'avare, in which representatives of different schools would have participated. This was prevented by the bus strike. Let us hope it may take place next year.

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THE Parents' Association continues to go from strength to strength with "New Parents" bringing fresh ideas and suggestions, and "Old Parents" maintaining their regular and active support.

The combined Association and School calendar has proved to be a most useful guide, and we would hope that all Parents will make it their business to have a copy of the handy-size "Fixture Card." The News Letter this year has been replaced by a more modern House-style news sheet titled "SEPA News," but it is perhaps too early at this stage to comment on the popularity of this change.

As previously reported the activities of the Association continue to expand.

New features introduced this year include Discussion Group meetings, Beer and Wine making circles, and Bridge Clubs, and this should serve to highlight the Committees determination to try out any reasonable suggestion provided, support is forthcoming.

The Annual Dinner Dance was held at the Mons Hotel, and like the two Buffet Dances held at the Columba Hall, Widnes were most enjoyable evenings. These outside functions still however, leave some scope for more support and undoubtedly merit it. The monthly socials held at

the College were complete "sell-outs" with waiting lists for tickets.

Whilst these activities are arranged primarily for the purpose of bringing Parents together in an atmosphere of enjoyment and relaxation it is more than pleasing to report that they also produced a profit of over £700 to add to the general funds.

The Summer Garden Fete and Christmas Fair together with their associated grand raffles have again been successful both socially and financially, the last Christmas Fair was the most successful event of this kind held so far, and Association members can be justifiably proud of at last obtaining the target of £1,000 we have aimed for so many times. The effect of this magnificent effort is that this year the Fairs, Fetes and Raffles have contributed about £2,000 to the Association profits.

The main source of income is of course the Finishing Touch Lottery. Its success and that of the financial side of the Association depends absolutely on the contributions of individual members and the efforts of the agents who recruit and collect the weekly payments. We should be particularly grateful to all our "Pool" agents for their arduous and voluntary hard work. A particular word of praise is due on this occasion

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to the "New" Parents who have already given outstanding support to the Finishing Touch Lottery.

The Association is now in its eighth year and in this period has raised a total of about £40,000. Last year, in addition to reducing the debt on the Chapel from £9,000 to its present figure of £5,000, we have been able to provide the College with a new Mini Bus.

The record attendance at the A.G.M. was particularly encouraging and during the evening several suggestions were made and accepted for

consideration by the Committee. Three members of the Committee retired, Mr. B. Ion, Mrs. S. Jefferies and Mrs. M. Ley, Mr. Ion serving the Association as Treasurer for four years. All three members contributed much to the Association, their efforts being much appreciated.

The present Committee members are as listed and parents are requested to contact any of them if they have any matters of interest they wish to discuss or if they can help to further the aims of the Association in any way whatsoever.

A letter from an Old Boy in Hong Kong

December, 1968.

Dear Editor,

It is some 3 years now since I left St. Edward's and at that time, I hardly thought I would be writing a letter back there, from Hong Kong. When I left, I became an undergraduate at Loughborough University reading for a degree in Ergonomics. As part of the course we were required to do a short research project. I opted to travel to Hong Kong to do my work.

On the trip out, I was in conversation with the Chief Steward of a Blue Funnel ship, who turned out to be an old Edwardian. His name was Mike Blackburn and he left in 1954. We had quite a few name swapping sessions and he remembers being at school with some of the present staff, and being taught by some others. I have met another Old Boy since arriving in Hong Kong. He is Justin Cunningham who left in 1964. He is an Inspector of Police, here in the colony and has kept up his school rugby tradition by now captaining the Police Rugby side, and also playing for the colony side in the last Asian Games in Bangkok. With a little luck, he will travel a lot in the Far East this season, with the colony side. Both these Old Boys send their regards and best wishes to the School.

The population of Hong Kong is some 4,000,000 of whom some 98% are Chinese. The total area of the colony is about 400 square miles, but of this some 370 square miles is rural. Of the remaining 30 square miles, the population density averages 100,000 per square mile. I had often heard the expression 'teeming millions,' but it has taken Hong Kong to show me its true meaning. The streets are always crammed with traffic, each

anxious to show the other that he is faster, has less regard for traffic laws, has a shorter time to get where he is going. The pavements are always crammed with people, oblivious to the needs of others for space and to the presence of traffic, or so one judges by their way of crossing roads.

The wages here for an unskilled man are low compared to English standards, and the workers' working week is long. An unskilled labourer earns between 7/6 and £1 per day (eight to twelve hours) and works six days per week. However, there is also a relatively cheaper cost of living, and no income tax at this level of earnings. The worker may also get free food at work, accommodation if he is single, and probably a month's wages as a Chinese New Year bonus.

There are 11,000 registered industrial undertakings, the majority (8,000) employing less than 100 workers. 4,000 of these employ less than 10 workers. The employers have a very good business sense with respect to earning money, but seemingly with the exception of the larger concerns, have little management knowledge.

Shopping here is a confusing maze of shops, open 12 hours a day, 7 days a week. At every step, one is invited to buy and when buying, one must seek to make a bargain over the price. Buying a camera for instance, is one of the greatest educational experiences I have undergone. The profit margin on this more expensive type of item is small (perhaps 4%) but the shop-keeper is always eager to make a sale.

I hope to see some of you soon.

Best Wishes,

JIM MURPHY.

Confirmation Ceremony at St. Edward's

IN November, 1968, His Grace Archbishop Beck kindly agreed not only that a Confirmation Ceremony should take place at St. Edward's, but also that he would perform the ceremony himself. Accordingly, on 15th November, we were most pleased to welcome His Grace to Sandfield Park on this important occasion.

Preparations for the day had been extensive. Rev. Br. O'Toole had been responsible for instructing the boys who were to be confirmed and the final service came as a climax to their lessons. Also, a short service and a social evening had been arranged the evening before the ceremony at which parents and boys visited the school and met staff.



Our picture shows His Grace the Archbishop with some of the boys who were confirmed.

The most striking thing about the Confirmation Ceremony, and perhaps the most important aspect of it, was the extent to which it involved the whole school. Sixth-formers met the Archbishop on his arrival, and the ceremony itself, which took place on a raised altar in the School Hall, involved the school as a community in its entirety. Archbishop Beck made great reference to this in his address to the school and paid tribute to the work which had been done. Most impressive was the informal way in which he spoke to the students, and the enthusiasm with which he offered to come along in March to open our new Sixth Form Centre. This was a day which we will remember for a long time.

British Coins In Use To-day

COINS were first brought into this country by the Romans. The half-penny originated in the Twelfth Century when the Vikings invaded this country. The half-penny first was literally what it was called, a silver penny chopped neatly in half. The first round, silver half-penny was made in 1279, and Charles II made the first copper half-penny, with Britannia on the reverse in 1672. The most a half-penny can cost is £300 and its date is 1871.

The penny has been part of our coinage since 960, a thousand years. It was very heavy indeed. In 1257 a gold penny was minted which was worth twenty silver ones. Pennies were silver until 1797 then copper pennies were introduced. The value of pennies varies a great deal. An 1869 coin can fetch £300. 1950, 51, 52 and 53 can be worth several pounds. 1918 and 19 pennies can be worth 6 shillings, but remember mint condition is essential in coin valuation.

The first twelve sided nickle bronze three-penny-piece that we know today was first issued in 1937 although some found their way into circulation in 1936 and are considered very valuable. The first silver threepence was introduced in 1660 and was last minted in 1946. Dates most sought after in threepences are 1943, 46, 50, 51.

The first sixpences made were in 1547 and were called for a time 'half a testoon.' Those sixpences which are rare, are dated 1952. The shilling originally was called a testoon and was issued in 1485 and was worth twelve pennies as now.

The first appearance of a coin called a florin was in 1334. It was worth 6 shillings, a gold coin, but was unpopular so was withdrawn. In 1849 it was issued again and was worth two shillings as now. The two significant dates are 1948, 49 they have not the words "Die Gratia" because of this omission they are known as "Godless florins."

The half crown was minted in 1547, a gold coin, very soon it was minted as a silver, along with the crown. A rare half crown is dated 1952 and can be worth £2,000 in mint condition. In 1971 when decimal coinage really gets underway perhaps then the value of coins will increase. Even some coins, not worth more than their face value today could become collector's items.

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Serial Music

LOOKING back from our position in historical time, we can appreciate why the music of Wagner, considered within the scope of 19th century musical development, has been described as: "a beautiful sunset that was mistaken for a dawn." The scintillating orchestral colours of Wagner, represent for us not only the apogee of the dramatic and emotional possibilities inherent in 19th century musical technique, but also in consequence, a critical stage in musical evolution, beyond which, change is inevitable.

Stravinsky, with his revolutionary work 'Le sacre du printemps' had heralded the emancipation of 20th century music from the tonal boundaries imposed by the 19th century. Already, however, in 1874, nine years before the death of Wagner, a composer had been born, who was to direct future musical technique along a path of bold but influential experimentation. He was Arthur Schoenberg, the first composer to formulate and elaborate that technique of modern composition later to be known as the 'twelve-tone technique' or 'serial music.'

The technical nature of the technique is briefly as follows: The twelve-tone composer uses the twelve notes of the chromatic scale not as the bricks from which he will construct those familiar edifices known to us as scales, in particular keys, but rather as the means by which he will construct an abstract 'line' or 'series' or 'tone-row' consisting of the twelve notes arranged in a linear pattern, unrelated to any key. This tone-row will become the kernel of a particular composition, not unlike the Wagnerian 'leitmotif.' Schoenberg maintained that the notes of the tone-row should bear an equal relationship to one another, no single note or group of notes attaining predominance over the others (as is the case with music written in the traditional key system). He also asserts that the twelve-tone system is no arbitrary invention, but the natural outcome of the process of his own development as a composer. I would agree with him, because although it was Schoenberg who elaborated the twelve-tone theory and founded, together with his pupils Berg and Webern, the 'New Viennese' school of composition, serial composition has shown itself to be a natural harmonic phenomenon, of which traces and tendencies have been found in the work of early contemporaries of Schoenberg, in jazz music, and even in modern 'pop' music.

Twelve-tone music is easily identified by ear, presenting to the layman, a whole new world of musical experience, quite unfamiliar to him. Unfortunately, judging from the division of opinions regarding it, it has yet to be fully appreciated. However, it is not the only branch of the 'food of love' to have caused acute indigestion in the past! As with every experimental branch of art, the palate of the public will have to be educated by time.

I must refute the claims of 'neo-romantics' that this genre of music is either 'over-mechanised' or 'unemotional.' It is no more mechanised than any other recognised branch of artistic technique (I might at this point cite the scholasticism of Bach's 'Art of Fugue,' and of course, the Forty-eight!), and Schoenberg, Berg and Webern between them have explored in depth, not only the range of human emotion, but also the psychology of emotion. For a subjective analysis of fear I refer the reader to one short but epigrammatic work by Schoenberg for male chorus, reciter, and orchestra, "The Survivor from Warsaw," which remains for me the most dramatically effective epitaph to the Second World War yet written.

The music of Webern, by far the most difficult yet rewarding, for the student, while adhering more firmly to the theory of serialism than do Schoenberg or Berg, has nevertheless opened up new conceptions in music of the relationships between Pitch and Intensity and Time and Space paving the way for the four-dimensional music of the future.

While Schoenberg and Webern maintained with more or less left-wing stolidity that all notes of a tone-row were equal, the lyrical Berg proved that some could be more equal than others — to advantage! His violin concerto, in its sensitive romantic portrayal of a young girl, possesses a moving lyrical quality made tragic by the very strangeness of the idiom, and of instant appeal to those as yet unfamiliar with the nature of serial music.

Twelve-tone music will not replace the other more familiar branches of music of which it is a member. As Schoenberg himself said 'there is plenty of good music still to be written in C major.' The twelve tone idea, however is here to stay. The extent of its impact on the music of the future cannot as yet be judged. Time will tell.

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Edmund Rice School,
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Dear Edwardians,

This is an address, which at the moment, does not exist. It should pinpoint the position of a new school of the Brothers. However, although some of the jungle has been cleared, the ten-roomed school, with its galvanised roof, still has to make its appearance. But by Easter, 1969, all should be ready. Then, three Brothers will start the first Brothers' school in Africa, north of Zambia. You know these Brothers. Two of them have been teaching in St. Edward's for some years—Br. A. F. Chincotta and Br. M. Fogarty. The third is also connected with St. Edward's — Br. M. A. Doherty — since he taught there between 1946 and 1951. By the New Year, all three should be in Liberia.

Many people are puzzled by the foundation of this new school. They have heard—and correctly—that the Brothers are short of adequate staff for their own English schools. But, on the other hand, the Brothers have always been conscious of their tradition of helping where there is a need. And Liberia certainly needs help in education. Besides, when the Superior-General, Very Rev. Br. A. A. Loftus decided on his policy of each Province supporting what he calls "genuine" missions, he did so in the belief that if the work is challenging, vocations come for two reasons. First of all, because this sort of work attracts boys who are not too tempted by normal schools and secondly that God always blesses work in His name. So the Irish Brothers have gone to Zambia, the Australians to Papua, the Americans to Peru and the West Indies. Now it is our turn.

What is the country like? Twenty years ago, it was all the things one hears of the worst of Africa—"a white man's grave," primitive, isolated, dangerous. But not now! These years since the war have seen miracles of improvement in Liberia. When President Tubman (Is he the only "beloved dictator?") came to office in 1944, he had to rectify corruption in government circles, unite the tribes, open more schools (there were a few), hospitals (only a few clinics then), build roads, bridges (there were none) and harbours. Now, in 1968, he has achieved most of these aims. Liberia is united; there are hundreds of primary schools

reasonable hospitals in the bigger towns, a good system of laterite roads with a growing number of Macadamised ones, two ports, a system of small airstrips, a major airport, a rebuilt modern capital but most important of all, a pride in the fact that Liberia has always been a free country and in its future. President William Tubman is a well respected figure in international politics. A lover of peace, a Christian and a believer in progress he truly has proved the father of his country. His most ambitious project — the "Open Door" scheme — has been an outstanding success. Suspicious of the foreigner who stole the ancestors away into slavery, the Liberians have always been against the admission of foreign capital and organisations. Since 1944, the President has encouraged industry and supported foreign mining concerns. He has always believed, to quote his own words, "minerals under the ground are no good to anyone."

The result has been an expanding economy, a balance of trade that Mr. Wilson might well envy, and a fund for development. The iron ore mines, which in 1944 produced nothing, now account for three million tons of the world's highest grade ore. Rubber exports, already large, have increased a third. The labour force has tripled; net incomes in tribal areas have quadrupled; imports have also quadrupled and revenue has grown to eight times the total of twenty years ago. This seems a rosy picture but remember Liberia was very poor and, in the interior, primitive. There still remains several problems. The government has committed itself to several vast programmes of primary and secondary education, disease control, mechanisation, a road system of European standards, electricity for all and general agricultural development. But, in twenty years, much has been achieved.

But sad to relate, the Brothers will share in few of these advantages of progress. They are off the beaten track and quite a distance from the capital. The rainfall will still be heavy in spite of their school being on the foothills of the great mountain system that runs through Guinea, Liberia and the Ivory Coast. The boys will come to school from over a wide area and must be in need of further education at primary level. The government has generously supplied the land on which the school is being built and the Archbishop is paying for the erection of the school. This will stand on a ridge above the little town of Tappita.

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We presume that the Brothers will eat native foods which are reputed to be very spicy by European standards. Fruit will be very cheap but most of the typical foods of a normal British table will cost so much as to prove prohibitive. School will start at 7-30 a.m. and finish about 1 p.m. This is very necessary as the mid-day heat is just too much for even the keenest school-boy. We expect a normal minimum temperature of 80° F. The coast has a reputation for being very humid but on their little ridge the Brothers must still expect the dry Liberian summer followed by a very wet one. There are no other seasons.

Can you help the Brothers? Of course. First of all they need the prayers of everyone to guide them

and preserve them in health and good spirits. The Brothers are very conscious of being the learners on this occasion and have many things to understand about the Liberian way of life.

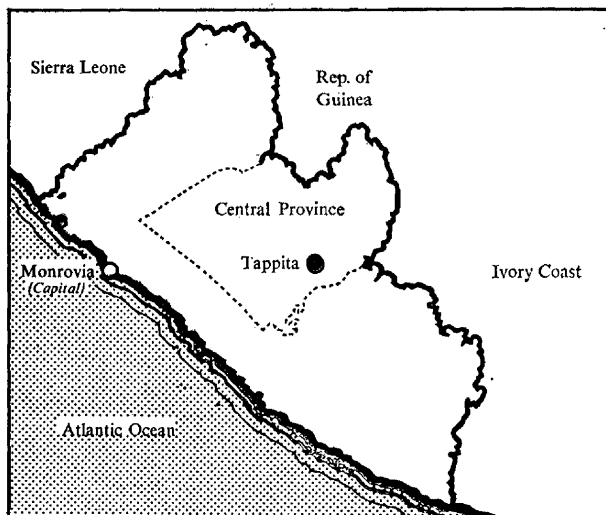
If you are interested in overseas service this may seem to be an opportunity but naturally you must wait until the Brothers themselves have assessed the situation. Foreign countries have their own special problems. Meanwhile, you will be doing little wrong if you guide your life by the words inscribed on the wall of the High Court in Monrovia: "Let Justice be done to all men!"

Yours sincerely,

Brs. CHINCOTTA, DOHERTY
and FOGARTY.

Missionary Venture of the English Province

LIBERIA is a small country on the South-West of West Africa. It was the first Negro State and declared its independence in 1847. Recently there has been a modernisation drive by both government and people. Air transport takes the burden of movement within the country; there are no passenger-carrying railways; roads have been considerably improved but are still relatively poor. River transportation is used for short distance travel by the inhabitants



Temples of Malacca

THE maniacal glare of an obscene idol crouching malevolently inside the doorway was guaranteed to brighten the eye of any self-respecting amateur photographer. It also had the knack of lightening his wallet. No sooner had the glare of the flash-bulb bounced off that towering bronze monstrosity than a temple guardian of equally amazing dimensions emerged from the surrounding haze of incense and demanded a substantial donation towards the upkeep of the temple's hideous deities.

The next temple I entered had vague connotations of an opium den. An old man prayed aloud as he shuffled through the swirling billows of soporific fumes. Less distinct outlines bobbed and bowed before imposing statues. Once again, a flash-bulb resulted in an amazing transformation. The old man tripped. Several others were startled out of their drugged reverie. The flow of abuse that followed me outside will no doubt result in a few of them being set back several re-incarnations on their paths to Nirvana.

Having learnt my lesson, I did not attempt to take pictures of the last temple I visited. I did however omit to toss a coin to the temple beggars. These latter inhabit the outer gates of the temple and rain down blessings on the generous tourist. The curses with which they regale the avaricious tourist are generally more imaginative than their prayers and, so, for the second time in one day, I was accompanied by fond remembrances as I left the temple precincts.

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Community Service

VOLUNTARY social work done by the pupils at St. Edward's is, of course nothing new. But, as with other student bodies throughout the country, interest in this activity is increasing as awareness of the problems around us grows.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul and the Young Christian Students are small organisations which encourage boys to take an active interest in alleviating such problems as the loneliness and poverty of the old and sick. There is also a group of boys from the Upper Fives who regularly visit Olive Mount Hospital to entertain the mentally handicapped children there. Also a group of boys from the Senior Choir has on occasions visited Walton Prison during the year including Christmas Day itself, and their presence was much appreciated by the prisoners there.

There is a Folk Group in the Sixth Form

which, apart from accompanying the singing at Mass in school, has played at a Mass in Walton Gaol and at a social in aid of War on Want. Several other social and charitable performances are planned over Christmas.

Sponsored walks are naturally in fashion. The most gruelling was a midnight walk in aid of the Leonard Cheshire Homes in which about 25 Sixth-formers took part, while most enthusiastic was Form Four's effort to swell S.V.P. Funds. Several boys have also taken part in walks in aid of Shelter.

It is pleasing to report that social work is a growing activity as there can be little doubt that the more a boy is involved in the problems of the community while still at school, the more helpful a part he will be able to play in it in later life.

J.L.

Debating Society in London, 1968

ON May 11th, 1968, our Public Speaking team of Paul Ziolo, Philip Hall and Stephen Sheedy went to Westminster School, London to compete with four other teams from various parts of England in the final of the English Speaking Unions' National Public Speaking Competition, and about 40 boys from the College went along to support them. We met early that morning at Lime Street, and after our speakers had moved around exchanging greetings we departed for Euston, confident that the afternoon would be an exciting one.

After a brief sightseeing excursion, we arrived in force at the Great Hall of Westminster School, our presence giving the team, as Mr. Hall said later, immense moral support.

The initial formalities completed, we settled down to hear the speeches of the afternoon. St. Edward's team spoke third, and as they mounted the platform, we all felt something of their apprehension and excitement.

Mr. Ziolo, opening the meeting and welcoming the audience, introduced Mr. Hall and gave a brief sketch of his background and interests, mentioning his political activities and saying that we would probably find Mr. Hall among the future political élite of this country, — an obviously impromptu remark which seemed to amuse Mr. Hall. He then called upon Mr. Hall to speak on his subject "Come back, Guy Fawkes, your country needs you!"

Mr. Hall's speech, delivered with his usual verve and gusto, was a combination of sane, serious reasoning and light-hearted and at times brilliant wit. The main theme of his talk was a strong call to our leaders to return to the time-honoured methods of political debate in Parliament. He called upon the nation to rid itself of its current apathy to politics and government and, while hardly advocating the methods of Guy Fawkes, he called for a "metaphorical explosion to blow away the cloud of complacency that surrounds our government machine." He answered the questions put to him in his usual confident style and the team's entry was neatly rounded off by a well phrased vote of thanks by Stephen Sheedy. This is often the most difficult task, yet the manner in which it is done can add significantly to any speech.

The news of our team's victory was expectedly received with great delight by our supporters, who later insisted on drinking their health.

I would like on behalf of all of us who went, to thank and congratulate the team on their splendid success, and thanks are also due to the always-enthusiastic Brother Chincotta, who supervised the travelling arrangements. Perhaps this year's team can keep this trophy at Sandfield Park. I hope so.

I. D. ION (6A Sc. 4).

Chess Report, 1967/8

Senior Chess Team:

J. Cassin, M. Fraser, P. Gibbons, P. Quirk, M. Rooney, K. Hawkins, S. Keysor.

The team well-captained by P. Quirk had another successful season. They won the 'B' section of the Wright Shield Competition and were just beaten in the Zonal semi-finals of the Sunday Times National Competition, by the eventual winners. Several members of the team achieved many outstanding individual performances. J. Cassin won the Northern Counties Jamboree for Lancashire and helped them to come second in the British Counties Junior Championship. P. Quirk and M. Rooney played for Liverpool in the Lancashire Jamboree whilst M. Fraser represented South East Lancashire in the same match. In Postal Chess, J. Cassin, M. Fraser, P. Gibbons and M. Rooney were members of the Lancashire



Chess Under 17 Team

(Left to right) P. Quirk; M. Rooney; K. Hawkins.
(Front) J. Cassin; J. Cunningham.

Correspondence team. M. Fraser and J. Cassin represented Merseyside against Birmingham. In internal Liverpool Competitions J. Cassin won the Liverpool Under 18 Knock-out with S. Keysor, the runner-up, whilst P. Gibbons did well to attain third place in the Merseyside Open Congress.

Under 17 Team:

J. Cassin, J. Cunningham, P. Quirk, K. Hawkins, M. Rooney.

Ably captained by J. Cunningham, the team won the Liverpool School Championship for the second year in succession winning all their matches.

Under 15 'A' Team:

M. Geoghegan (Capt.), P. Callaghan, R. Edwards, P. Smart, M. Black.

Under 15 'B' Team:

B. Tideswell (Capt.), C. Rooney, C. Finch, P. Devaney, A. Walsh.

Although the 'A' team were unlucky not to win their section of the Liverpool School Championships the 'B' team did well to win theirs and M. Geoghegan represented Liverpool in an inter-city match against Birmingham.

Under 13 'A' Team:

A. Battisti (Capt.), C. Dahill, D. Gaul, G. Hanley, M. Roberts.

Under 13 'B' Team:

A. Beasley (Capt.), I. Humphreys, J. Mullin, J. Smart, J. Gallagher.

Even though the teams never achieved any remarkable success, A. Beasley won the 3rd Form Championships and was second in his section of the Liverpool Chess Congress at Liverpool Collegiate School.

Overall the teams enjoyed a moderately successful season. With coaching from the Senior players the Junior teams are expected to reach their full potential this coming season.

J. CASSIN (Hon. Sec)

An Historical Holiday

OVER the Summer Holidays of 1968, two boys from St. Edward's visited Stonyhurst College for an historical holiday. There were fifteen boys from schools all over Lancashire and Cheshire.

Brother Baylor, a former Headmaster of St. Edward's, was in charge of the boys. The group visited Lancaster, Preston, Whalley and many other places of historical interest in Lancashire. At night, the boys worked on their scrapbooks

and projects. For the projects the boys divided into five groups of three, and each made a model of an abbey or ships or a village or a castle. The holiday lasted from August 1st to August 15th and was very interesting from a historical point of view.

CHRISTOPHER LE
DAVID STYLES (11)

C. I. Edwardian Association Diamond Jubilee 1908-1968

IN 1968 the C. I. Edwardian Association celebrated its Diamond Jubilee — ostensibly at the Annual Dinner, when over 200 people sat down to an excellent meal. The Club, however, has been making the occasion worthy of celebration in more ways than one: in Sporting achievements, in the re-establishment of a Bulletin, in the development of a regular Folk Evening and of Monthly socials.

All five Old Caths football teams have distinguished themselves in simultaneous individual success, none being below half way in their particular leagues, and far from being outdone, the four Rugby XV's are enjoying an immensely successful season, the 1st XV alone having already this season nearly equalled the total amount of last seasons wins. On the sports side also, the Annual Knock-out Darts competition culminated in a closely fought final before Christmas, Dave Wright, our Hon. Treasurer, carrying off the victory laurels in the form of a bottle of Scotch!

In September 1968 the first issue of the new C.I.E.A. Monthly Bulletin was produced, after a

lapse of nearly 15 years in this particular form of communication, and over 400 copies are distributed regularly. Reports on the various activities and functions taking place in the Club are featured and also news about members old and new, near and far. The Editor will be pleased to send the Bulletin to any member who has not yet received a copy if the name and address is sent to Bishop's Court.

The Folk evening on Friday takes place in the newly decorated ground floor lounge, many excellent groups and artistes having provided the members with first-class entertainment. And last, but certainly not least, the Socials, which take place in the Annexe each month, provide members with an opportunity to really "let their hair down" and are generally considered an enormous success.

So, to sum up, the C. I. Edwardian Association is wearing 60 years, with great ease and continues to grow from strength to strength in anticipation of the next 60 years.

The English Society

THE English Society with its total roll of new members is now starting to pick up after a tentative start at the beginning of the Autumn Term. Arrangements are now in preparation for visits to films and plays of literary interest. A recent film production of "Henry V" at a local cinema was well attended by our members (though it may not have been for purely literary benefit as we did go during class-time), and was well received.

Such visits to films and plays can often provide a source of lively discussion at later meetings. At meetings, other topics covered are the tests of identifying subscriptions of prose and poetry as well as organising future outings. A major decision recently arrived at was the result of a suggestion by the Society's Chairman, J. Norton, and that was to make a joint application for membership of the Royal Shakespeare (Stratford-Upon-Avon) Theatre Society.

Other practical projects have been planned for the future, these include the production of essays by members for discussion and criticism

amongst the rest of the Society and also visits to such places of interest as Stratford. These types of projects can remove the danger of the Society's meetings becoming a mere extension of the normal English classes.

There are, however, two major problems; the first is the need for a proper meeting room; too often time has been lost by a group wandering from room to room around the school. We hope that this problem may soon be solved with the completion of the new Sixth-form block. The second problem is that of attendance at meetings. After an encouraging burst of enthusiasm at the beginning of term, the number of members has gradually decreased. I think I must take this opportunity to ask members to attend whenever possible, otherwise the Society may soon be in danger of collapse. I would also like to thank Mr. Thomas and Mr. Young for their encouragement and advice.

J. M. LYONS, Secretary.

J. NORTON, Chairman.

Class Notes 6A Sc.4

IN some schools it is not generally realised by the pupils that their masters are indeed people who have experienced the pupils difficulties themselves. However, in 6A Sc.4 we have quickly realised this because of the group of masters who are always ready to understand our problems and peculiarities. Perhaps this short account could be by way of tribute to the men who have devoted their lives to the unenviable ask of teaching us!

One of the most enjoyable privileges of the Biology class is the occasional visit to the Parkgate Salt-Marshes under the supervision of Mr. A. H. Edwards, our Biology (and Form-) master, in order to study Plant and Animal Ecology there. Anyone who has visited this locale will realise the agility required to cross the gullies which, although shallow, contain a lot of viscous black mud. A piercing cry would announce that yet another member of the class had disappeared down a gully and was able to examine its muddy contents at close quarters. At times, our form-master too would disappear from view and was wading up to his knees in mud (much to the general amusement).

Having made the necessary observations, we would journey back to the minibus, which was always parked by a prominent public house to enable it to be easily sighted from the far marsh. (It should here be pointed out that we were not allowed into this building). After lunch, we usually had just enough energy to copy up our observations before returning to our homes to attempt to wash off the encrustations of mud.

We would like to take this opportunity to

thank Mr. Edwards for allowing us to enjoy ourselves so much while carrying out scientific investigation.

There are two sides to our academic life — theory and practical. Our laboratory work is much liked for it is here that we prove for ourselves what our masters have tried to prove to us in class. (In some cases, however, we have disillusioned our masters—could it be that we had made a mistake?) Some of our experiments have been hailed, by the experimentors, as revolutionary discoveries (having proved the impossible highly probable).

Though our classwork is the more mundane side of our life, here, too freedom of expression is encouraged, and thanks to this, our lessons are made alive and interesting. Our class has managed to quash two beliefs:— (a) that biologists never went beyond primary school maths, and (b) that scientists are illiterate. The past term saw a few sections of our Biological classification of species put to plain chant. (recording companies please note!)

The class life was dulled somewhat by the departure of five members (who assured us that we had not driven them away). To all five, good luck.

We are so often told by our elders that "Schooldays are the best days of your life." 6A Sc.4 would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Edwards, Mr. Crease and Mr. Bate and all our General Studies masters for making this statement so true.

T. FEATHERSTON, 6A Sc.4.

Origami

THE Chinese invented paper approximately 1,800 years ago, and since then it has figured prominently in the tradition and culture of both China and Japan. The making of objects by folding paper then, is nearly as old as paper itself. In Japan this art is called Origami.

Originally, these models were not made purely for amusement, but for magical and religious ceremonies. It was customary in China for models of houses, furniture and other things to be burnt at funerals to help the spirits of the dead. Also, at weddings, mock money was burnt to bring prosperity to the couple. In Japan, different models signify different things: the Crane for example,

means good luck, and the Frog is a symbol of love.

To the present day in Japan paper folding is taken very seriously. A simple folded model is considered superior to one that is cut or glued, and the simplest models are often the best .

In recent years, Origami has gained increasing popularity in the West and here it is looked upon as a hobby. However, the West has produced some wonderful models, many of which rival traditional Japanese designs. Origami is an absorbing and inexpensive pastime for anyone, and I can recommend it.

T. REDMOND (L.V. Alpha).

Mathematics Department, 1967-68

ONE scholarship boy, K. McCoy, has succeeded in obtaining a place at Cambridge to read Mathematics. A. J. Williams has obtained an Open Exhibition at Oxford to read Physics and in so doing he reached a high standard in his mathematics papers. In addition, there will be two boys from the sixth form reading mathematics at university next term and a further six reading engineering.

A. J. Williams was this year's winner in the School Mathematics Competition with an individual score of 83.00. D. Devoy was a close runner up with 80.75. The paper was easier than in previous years and the National average was much higher, so even these good scores failed to qualify our first two for entry to the National Mathematical Olympiad. Despite this, it is heartening to note that the average score of our 54 entrants was well above the average for the country as a whole.

We are sorry this year to be losing the services of Mr. Dukes, Mr. Robson and Br. Fogarty from

the department. In September we will be welcoming Mr. Clarke, Mr. S. Thomas and Mr. Elton to replace them. Detailed syllabus planning is well in hand to make this transition as smooth as possible. This should also serve to unify the methods of teaching in the department for some time to come.

It is hoped in the near future to arrange for boys studying Mathematics on the Arts side of the sixth form to have the option of 'Pure Mathematics with Statistics' and 'Pure Mathematics.' The latter subject at the Advanced level is sufficient to qualify successful candidates for entry to degree courses in Mathematics whereas the other is acceptable in most universities only as an ancillary subject (e.g. to economics or geography). It will be necessary to have a room specifically furnished for the use of calculating machines if this option is to be successfully taught.

G. N. ROBINSON.

Dramatic Society

THE Dramatic Society, despite a decline in membership, has enjoyed another outstandingly successful year. The most remarkable feature of this society has always been its ability to adapt itself to changed circumstances and thus, this year saw us forgetting the melodramas of last year and presenting the most difficult "Fire Raisers" by Max Frisch,—important for its solemn warnings that inaction may precipitate disaster, as an immoral middle-class businessman (played by Philip Hall) found when he allowed two Fire Raisers (played by Gerald Duffy and Luke Byrne) to come and stay in his house, despite the prevarications of his wife (Chris O'Hara) and the Firemen's Chorus (led by Paul Ziolo).

As in previous years, our sincere and grateful thanks go out to Mr. Arthur Hughes, who gave up much time to spend in a cold school over Christmas, and to our producers, Mr. R. J. P. Thomas, whose interpretation and geniality were their usual asset. And, as usual we must thank Mr. E. Ley and his team for their phenomenal hours of work. His magnificent "set" (I'm not referring to the stagehands) made the whole thing possible.

We have now lost the services of Gerald Duffy

who has now played in a vast number of our productions, and whom audiences will best remember for his inspired performance as Higgins in "Morning Departure." The society will best remember him for his "unfailing good humour and sense" as Mr. Thomas put it, and the hard work that he has put in over many productions. His services will be greatly missed, as will those of Jim Moore, our enthusiastic stage-manager.

The Dramatic Society's productions have always been very much team efforts and I again appeal for Boys down the school to come and swell our ranks, either as actors, or as stagehands and technicians. They will find that these rôles are often interchangeable, as I did one afternoon last year when I arrived at the stage to find the stagehands giving a full performance, behind locked doors, to an imaginary audience. Strange to say, my own part had taken on a slightly 'satirical nature!

Our hopes are that membership of this society will grow. To take part in a school play is a most enjoyable and definitely unique experience which must be recommended.

P.H.

French Society

ONCE again, the French Society has flourished and we have seen another year of enthusiastic French debating. Traditionally, each French-speaking Sixth-former is expected to participate in our activities, but this year no compulsion was necessary as my colleagues rushed forward to make their views known in what Gibbon called "The decent obscurity of a learned language."

Throughout the year, members received great encouragement from Madame President, Mrs. M. J. Rimmer, and from our President, Mr. J. Fraser. He alone, each member in turn insisted, had understood the subtle jokes which the rest of us had missed, and we all benefited from his assistance and good humour.

Many debates took place, ranging from a heated discussion on the advantages of studying classics,—"*Apprendre le latin, c'est une perte de temps,*"—to a more topical debate examining "*Immigration contrôlée des noirs.*" But by far the most striking debating of the year was enjoyed in the entertaining debate on twentieth century life, entitled "*Malgré les améliorations du vingtième siècle, l'homme de nos jours n'est pas plus heureux qu'autrefois.*"

For the motion, Geoffrey Bourke attacked the drawbacks of modern life. This is an age, he said, of noise and apathy. The population

explosion, the threat of war, contrived to destroy the happiness of our people. Poverty is widespread and our leaders are often untrustworthy. There was laughter when trite references were made to anglo-French relations. Michael Cunningham agreed with him. This, he said, is an era of wastage of communism and injustice, and of atom bombs. The downwards trends of our society are reflected in our attitude to politicians,—and in the conduct of society secretaries who word motions too vaguely. He sat down to prolonged applause.

Danny Naughton, however, attacked the motion and spoke out in favour of modern life. In a remarkable speech, he undoubtedly turned the tide of the house's opinion. Extolling the freedom of speech, thought and literature that we enjoy, and applauding our increased "*connaissance des souffrances des autres,*" he reawakened our faith in the twentieth century, and his arguments were eloquently seconded by Paul Ziolo. For his speech, Danny Naughton was awarded the Brother Forde Cup.

At the end of another school year, we look forward to more activities in the society, which is surely beneficial to the improvement of grammar and the development of ideas alike.

P.H.

The Senior History Society and The Junior History Club

THE Senior History Society and the Junior History Club continued their activities during the year. In the Society these took the form of debates, ranging from more specialized subjects, such as the constitutional position of the monarchy in Britain to-day, to topics of more general interest. With such able speakers as Ziolo, Hall and Sheedy taking part, the standard of debate, as can be imagined, was high.

The Club continues to produce its own magazine, which consists entirely of material contributed by the members themselves. The members also regularly give lectures, often illustrated. This is a very useful experience for them and accustoms them to speaking in public on matters, the material of which has been prepared beforehand. Members

of the Staff have also given lectures, illustrated with slides; Rome seems to be a perennial favourite. In the Club debates have been lively, with almost everybody taking part; it gets the pupils used to dealing with questions and opposing points of view and helps them to think on their feet.

We had our annual visit to Chester. It proved interesting and enjoyable as usual and provoked the essay by J. Caulfield of 4B, which won the Club's essay competition. We are now looking forward to our annual visit to the North Wales castles; this usually takes place late in the Summer Term, and is useful as it brings the physical realities of History to the attention of the pupils.

R. ALLEN.

Debating Society, 1967-68

THE Debating Society has enjoyed an outstandingly successful year. Apart from the normal meetings of the society, speakers have taken part in a number of outside competitions.

During the year the society's school meetings have been well attended and a wide range of topics has been discussed. It has been interesting to note that, although the society is primarily intended for Sixth-formers, a considerable number of more junior pupils attended recent meetings.

In November, 1967, P. Hall, then the society's secretary, took part for the second year running in the Catenian Association Public Speaking Competition held at the Liverpool University Catholic Chaplaincy. As in the previous year Hall spoke with fluency and ease and had no difficulty in carrying off the prize for the second time.

In the same month a team from the College, consisting of P. Ziolo, P. Hall and S. Sheedy, took part for the first time in the English Speaking Union's Public Speaking Competition. The object of the competition was to encourage public speaking and to test team's skills in managing a public meeting. Each team had to supply a Chairman, who introduced the speaker and

controlled questioning, a main speaker and a proposer of a vote of thanks. The total time allowed for a team was fourteen minutes.

The St. Edward's team chose to speak on the subject of "Advertising" and after winning their heat went on to win the Merseyside final against the winners of four other heats.

The next stage, in March was the North West Regional final, held in Chester. The title now chosen for the team's effort was: "Come back Guy Fawkes, your country needs you." A conclusive victory was obtained.

The National Final was held on May 11th at Westminster School and teams representing five regions of the country took part. Using the same subject, the St. Edward's team spoke magnificently and aroused considerable interest in the large audience. They won the trophy for the best team and Hall gained the added honour of being adjudged the best individual speaker.

The effect of this victory in arousing interest in the school in public speaking has been remarkable and it is hoped that in ensuing years a standard can be maintained.

M.P.

Look -- Listen Movement

School Promoter: Mr. B. Young.

Group I: Alpha Group — 14 boys from present Lower V Alpha, who will, it is hoped, provide nucleus of two groups in next year's VI B Modern and VI B Science.

Group II: VI B Modern Group — 7 boys from present VI B Modern who intend to continue in next year's VI A.

Group selects a radio or television programme to hear or watch. At subsequent meeting the programme is discussed—considering (i) subject matter, (ii) method of treatment and presentation, (iii) purpose of the programme, (iv) effect of programme, (v) the importance of any particular individual's contribution to the programme by whom group was impressed.

One of the group then writes a report based on points made at the discussion. The report is sent to

the Catholic Radio and Television Centre at Pinner in Middlesex. Copies from all Groups operating in schools and parishes are received and discussed.

VI B Modern Group had their report on 'Till Death Us Do Part' circulated nationally as 'report of the month.'

The same group attended a short conference at Mount Pleasant Training College to hear Fr. Michael Childs and Miss Pauline Groves speak about the work of the Centre.

Positive benefits—a more critical awareness of what is presented in our homes by media of radio and television. An extra 'dimension' of enjoyment gained from radio and television programmes. A more maturely critical approach to academic work in school.

Scientific Society, 1967-68

LECTURES by visiting speakers:—

Curare—The Tanning of an Arrow Poison,
—R. S. W. Braithwaite.

Soil as an Engineering Material,
—E. Spencer.

The Science and Technology of Language,
—R. R. K. Hartmann.

A Problem in Cutting Paper,
—Professor G. J. Kynch.

The usual series of talks by students and film shows on scientific topics operated during the

Autumn Term, but was curtailed due to the Transport Strike, as the mid-day break was shortened.

Visits were made to several industries. Outstanding were those to John Summers (Shotton) and Cronton Colliery, English Electric and Plessey Telephones. The Shell Oil refinery and Fords of Halewood were also visited.

Boys in 6B are each preparing a topic during their summer vacations and the best of these will be read during the coming session.

K. D. MORRIS.

The World under the Microscope

OBVIOUSLY, the first thing one has to do when studying microscopic life is to obtain a good microscope. The points to look for on a good microscope are; no plastic parts, no scratches on the lens, and a firm, heavy base. Remember, size is not the only thing in microscopes, for a small one may be better than a large one.

To collect microscopic life, all one has to do is to find a good pond or lake or even a puddle which has been left standing for a few days, and to take some of the water in a jam jar. If the pond is fairly deep, it is best to take samples from the surface and the bottom.

In order to view your specimens, a well-slide must be used, as a slide-cover placed on an ordinary slide would crush the animal. To extract

an animal from the pond-water, a syringe must be used, and a small drop of water containing the animal be placed on the well-slide.

If you take notes of the locations where your animals were found you will find that some specimens, like Cyclops and Amoeba prefer clear water while other specimens prefer dirty or stagnant water.

If you wish to keep your animals you will have to feed them. This is done by making an infusoria, which is made by boiling hay, spinach, lettuce leaves or any other vegetable matter and leaving it to get cold. If you place this with your specimens, they will multiply until the food is exhausted.

B. HANDLEY, 4A.

TRAINS

Running fast,
Crawling slow,
Gently chugging to and fro,
Over hills and over stiles,
On and on for miles and miles.
Carrying you,
Carrying me,
On our holidays to the sea,
Steam electric, diesel too,
They will always get us through.

D. J. GANNON (Junior II).

ALONE

Many suns—many moons.
No morn—no noon.
All things are infinite when out in space—
No night—no day.
Nowhere to 'get away'—
No time to wait when in the lunar race—
No aircraft, boats or cars—
Only endless miles of stars—
And sights of Venus, Saturn, Mars—
No—people.

P. ROWAN (3 Alpha)

Trip to S.B.A.C. Display, Farnborough, 1968

IN the early hours of Saturday, 1st September last, a party of 10 boys headed by the Rev. Bros. T. MacNamara and Walsh set out for the famous R.A.F. Establishment at Farnborough. The party consisted of four sixth formers, and six boys from the lower school. The weather forecast was promising, and we all had our fingers crossed.

After two stops, one on the motorway, and one outside Kidlington Aerodrome, we reached Farnborough just in time for the flying display. Unfortunately, the weather was not as good as we had hoped it would be, and several times the display was spoilt by torrential downpours. The quality of the flying made up for all the drenchings, though, especially the Red Arrows, at their impeccable best, and the Navy's "Simin's Circus" team of Sea Vixens. Aircraft on show included the V/STOL Harrier, Phantoms, Lightnings, a Trident 2, BAC III series 500. The impressive

climb-out by four Royal Navy Phantoms, for me anyway, stole the show.

After spending the night at a Presentation Brother's Boarding School, we received an enormous breakfast, for which we were very grateful. After going to Mass, we set out for home.

The journey home was safe and uneventful, save for stops at R.A.F. Benson, home of the Queen's Flight, Coventry Cathedral, and Coventry Airport. We arrived home tired, but very pleased with what we had seen.

I would like, on behalf of the boys and myself, to take this opportunity of thanking both Bro. McNamara, and Bro. Walsh, without whom the trip would not have been possible. Also our thanks go to the Presentation Brothers for their kind hospitality and generosity.

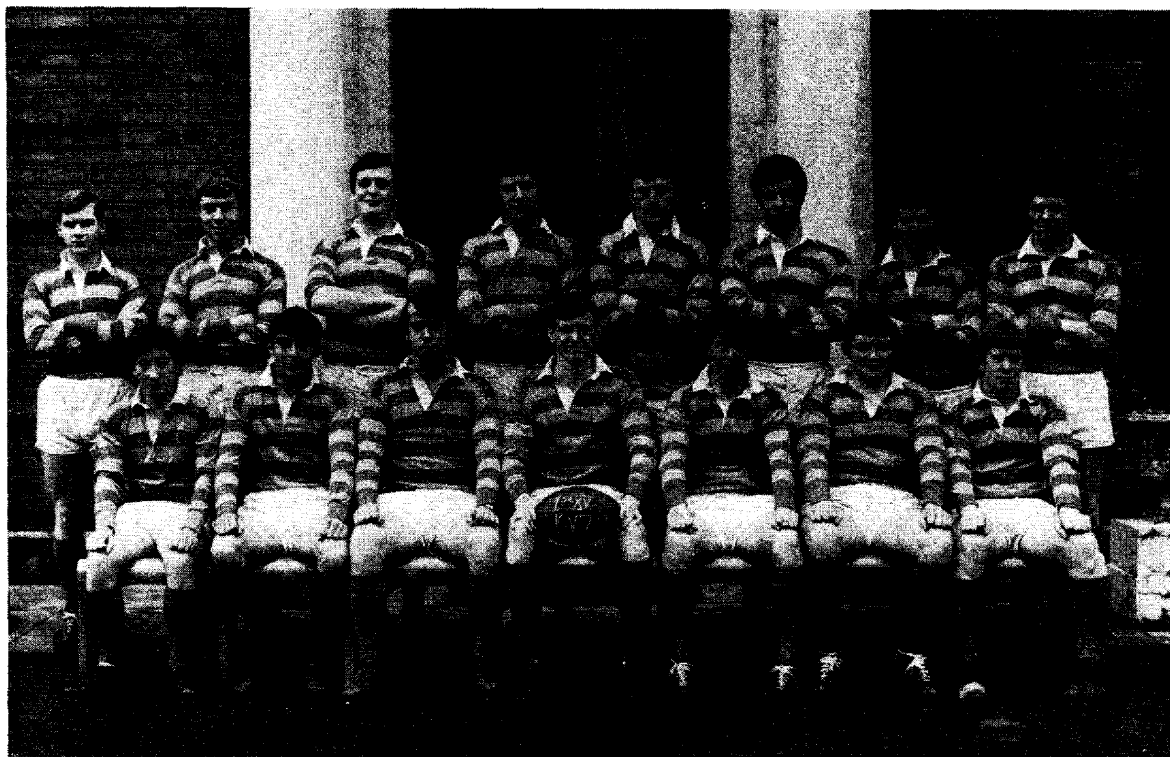
J. CALLAGHAN (6B Science 3).

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FIRST XV RUGBY

Black Row (left to right): A. Roache, J. Tyrer, D. Ormisher, N. Quinn, W. Dudley, T. Barlow, J. Hennigan, A. Mahon. *Sitting:* Doran, H. Bolton, D. Daly, P. Rahilly (captain), D. Colford, M. Daly, G. Sullivan.

RUGBY FIRST XV

The season opened with a somewhat one-sided victory against the unusually weak De la Salle College XV. The Salford boys lacked their customary guile outside the scrum and could not contain Colford in midfield. Their line was worried four times and the final score was 19 points to 0.

St. Mary's provided very little opposition on the following Wednesday and nine tries were scored altogether from some beautifully contained play by backs and forwards. The result: 37 points to 3.

Caldy Grange came to Sandfield Park with some resounding victories under their belt, including a 20 point victory over Birkenhead School. They were totally unable to contain the magnificent handling and running of the College side on this occasion and were handsomely beaten by 28 points to 11.

Cardinal Allen went the way of the first three, but let in ten tries in the process. It was going to be difficult to keep this try-scoring spree up — 30 tries in four matches!

West Park not only cut down the average but also gave the team their first taste of real opposition. This was a hard gruelling game full of incident and excitement with the result uncertain until the final minutes. It took a typically stubborn run from G. Sullivan from 35 yards to make the winning try for A. Mahon.

The scoring temperature was raised again in the match with John Rigby. This young side was totally overawed and succumbed by 55 points to 0. Bolton on the left wing collected six excellent tries and David Doran kicking seven conversions.

Wade Deacon's formidable XV came to Sandfield Park unbeaten. In the process of losing their record they managed to cross the College line twice for tries and it took three penalty goals from David Doran to save the day.

The game at Macclesfield against King's School was played with traditional gusto and goodwill. The atmosphere at this school match is always excellent and in a particularly fine game, Doran, who had an enterprising game at scrum half, scored 8 points and Mahon 3 points in a clear cut 11 points to 3 victory.

Sir John Deane's provided very strong opposition at Northwich and the score at half time was only 6 points to 3 in the College's favour. In the second half however, with the aid of a strong following wind ten more points were scored through good tries by Roache and Sullivan, both improved by David Doran.

The long awaited tussle with Millfield at Sandfield Park produced much excellent Rugby Football. The Millfield pack began like world beaters and only the most desperate defence kept them from scoring. Gradually, however, the College eight got the measure of their bigger opponents and the College centres, Mahon and Colford crash-tackled their opposite numbers out of the game with the result that the tries, when they came, came easily. Roache, Doran and Bolton collecting one a-piece in a 9-0 win.

The postponed St. Anselm's College match was played on the first Wednesday in December and the team looked very rusty after a three week lay-off. Fortunately, the St. Anselm's side had had an equally long lay-off and the College backs were first to recover with Roache, Bolton, Hennigan and Doran scoring tries in quick succession. The forwards, not to be outdone, scored through Tyrer and Rahilly, who collected one fine try each. The mud was too sticky for Doran on this occasion and he failed to improve any of the tries. The result: 18 points — 3 points.

A change of environment, a delightful two-day stay at Donai School, brought no change in the team's pattern of play. It remained positive and geared solely to attack. The Donai XV, young and inexperienced, played really hard, and after being 17 points down at half-time, picked up to 17-12 through sheer persistence. A late try by Roache and a conversion by Melia who had an excellent game at Full Back, made the final result 22 points — 12 points.

The last test of the Autumn term, a first meeting with one of London's most famous rugby playing schools — The King's College School, Wimbledon, proved to be the hardest struggle so far. This team was big, strong, well-drilled and fast with some very talented midfield players. Rahilly with a well-conceived try from the base of the scrum put St. Edward's ahead but King's levelled with a penalty goal. Roache put St. Edward's back in the lead with an unconverted try. The score remained at 6 points to 3 for a very long time with King's putting on some tremendous pressure in the second half and just failing to score. Gradually the pressure eased and Roache added another unconverted try to make the game safe and the score 9 points — 3 points.

In spite of the injuries incurred to key players during the Christmas holiday games the team began their Spring term programme in good style with convincing wins over St. Mary's College, Crosby (27-0) and St. Joseph's College, Blackpool (21-3). These easy victories, unfortunately created a certain air of complacency among the team members and with their minds concentrating, quite justifiably, on the school exams of that week they were totally unprepared for the mid-week, mid-exam clash with Birkenhead School.

This was Birkenhead School's final match and they were totally committed to winning it, for it meant top ranking among the Northern Schools if they won. They did win, and they won handsomely, producing some excellent moves in the process. Rule's try from a per-

fectly executed scissor move with his co-centre Howard was a gem. Rule's accurate place-kicking was another feature of Birkenhead's 14 points to 3 victory.

This game, in retrospect, proved to be the key game of the season. It is fair to say that if the build up had been more concerted the match could have been won, as the second half effort (too late as it happened) showed. The team never recovered its verve after this shock defeat although it did manage to win two of the remaining four games.

Cowley, always difficult to beat at St. Helens were narrowly defeated by 8 points to 6, but only the most partisan of supporters would say that the victory was well-deserved. The Cowley side should have won the game on numerous occasions in the closing stages of the second half. Horton, their Fly Half, who had had an excellent game, shaved the upright with an attempted drop goal. The same player hurriedly took a short penalty in front of the posts when as accurate a place-kicker as Gullick could not possibly have failed to put it over the bar and won the game. Dame Fortune certainly smiled warmly on St. Edward's on this thoroughly damp and dismal afternoon. On reflection, one cannot recall her influencing any more decisions in St. Edward's favour for the rest of the season. Perhaps she felt she had done enough at St. Helens!

In the opening ten minutes of the much-publicised match with St. Brendan's at Bristol, it looked as if the much-vaunted West Country school was going to be swamped. First Doran, with an attempted drop goal, missed by only a whisker. Then Rahilly, with a penalty kick at goal veered wide by the narrowest of margins. But perhaps the costliest missed chance was Colford's. This talented mid-field player was slicing through the St. Brendan's defence at will, early on, and on one occasion he made a clean break with two men astride him and only the Full Back to beat — and he held on! Any one of these opportunities could have changed the outcome of the game. **All three** accepted would have meant an 11 points lead. But it was not to be. St. Brendan's were let off the hook and they went on to demonstrate why they are the **best school XV in the country**. The sheer efficiency of their robot-like pack and the precise kicking of their half-backs combined with perpetual support-play was impossible to contain. They notched up 15 points, all well-deserved and professionally obtained — 2 penalty goals, 1 dropped goal and 2 unconverted tries.

Llanelli G.S. won a frustrating game of football at Sandfield Park by 6 points to 0 because they were more adept at accepting half-chances than the College were at seeing full chances. In spite of winning 80 per cent. of the ball from the set pieces the St. Edward's backs could not dictate the pattern of play, and their lack of subtlety and imagination were the main factors in a totally unnecessary defeat.

The final encounter of the season at Rock Ferry proved to be a very one-sided affair with the College dominating all aspects of play and running out winners by 36 to 3.

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THE TEAM

The Captain, Patrick (Paddy) Rahilly (No. 8 Forward).—

A quiet authoritative leader who commanded the respect of all his players. Dedicated to the cause of Rugby Football and to the training necessary to play the game well. He has all the necessary attributes to make a name for himself in top class rugby. Probably the best No. 8 forward ever produced at St. Edward's.

The Vice-Captain David (Spud) Colford (Centre). —

A mid-field player of immense talent, lacking only a certain measure of judgement or self discipline at times. The judgement and discipline will come with experience and assuming that he has average luck he should reach National standard as a Senior player.

Terence Barlow (Prop).—

A superbly built Prop Forward whose best is yet to come. He played many excellent games during the 1967/68 season and his power in the mauls and rucks was sadly missed after his unfortunate injury during the Birkenhead School game.

Howard Bolton (Left Wing).—

Top try scorer, his biggest 'bag' being six tries in the game versus John Rigby. Capped by Lancashire against Yorkshire and Cheshire during the 1967/68 season, one would expect him to be a possibility for the England Schoolboys XV next season.

Peter (Nobby) Clark (Lock Forward).—

Under sufferance but a very effective one. A player who enjoys running and handling and who tends to lose interest unless in the game. The No. 1 candidate for the "No. 8" position next season.

Michael Daley Prop Forward (Tight Head).—

He enjoyed great success as a scrummager in his first full season in the 1st XV, and combined brilliantly with his hooker Jimmy Tyrer in winning countless strikes 'against the head.' A certainty for the Lancashire Schoolboys XV next season.

Daniel Daly (Lock Forward).—

A late 'returnee' to school who fought hard for his place in the pack. A player capable of varying his game when the occasion demanded. An invaluable member of the side.

David Doran (Scrum Half).—

The most effervescent and enthusiastic member of the side, totally indispensable to the morale and well-being of the team. David developed into a first-class scrum-worker creative in attack and courageous in defence. He collected many important tries during the season but more important he consistently converted the tries that other players scored and ended up with over 100 points to his credit and the honour of being top scorer.

Walter Dudley (Wing Forward).—

Quiet, unassuming player of great skill and efficiency. He never played badly in any of the back row positions and had the uncanny ability of always being in the right place at the right time. If Walter lacks anything it is the sheer bulk that is necessary for back row play in the modern game.

John Hennigan (Fly Half).—

A player of great courage and tenacity. He sustained a most serious knee injury in the 1966-67 season, but came back right at the beginning of the 67-68 season and played in every match. John is the complete footballer, able to play in any of the seven back positions. He is bound to make top class rugby, if he continues playing after leaving school.

Adrian (Fred) Mahon (Centre).—

The youngest member of the side, big, fast and powerful, he has played in the centre and on the wing in his first full season. He had a particularly fine game against Millfield when his crash-tackling in mid-field was devastating. Next year he is going to be a key-player in the 1st XV.

Dennis Ormesher (Lock Forward).—

Big, honest industrious forward who played consistently well throughout the season. He fought his way into the 1st XV from the previous season's 3rd and 4th XV's — an achievement in itself. His support-play at lineout and rucks often passed unnoticed but was of infinite value to the side.

Niall Quinn (Full Back).—

Intelligent, attacking player with beautiful hands. His one fault, a very weak right foot. He had an excellent first season in the 1st XV and played with great confidence in the big matches.

Ian Read (Prop/Lock Forward).—

A regular member of the 1966/67 1st XV who returned to school in January 1968. He regained his place in the team and turned in some rousing performances. He will be one of the key-forwards in next year's pack and should make the Lancashire Schoolboys XV.

Anthony Roache (Rt. Wing).—

The 'human dynamo' of the side possessing limitless energy and an unending zeal for Rugby Football. To say that he lives for the game would be an understatement. During the 1967/68 season he conquered his one weakness as a player—prone to injury—and he played in all but three of the twenty matches. An indispensable member of the side who could be relied upon to score from the most unpromising positions. Bound to make the grade at Senior level.

James Tyrer (Hooker).—

Filling the place of a distinguished striker as Alan Batterson was no easy task but Jimmy more than adequately filled the bill. He hooked beautifully in every game that he played and his loose play was always full of spirit and fight. He led the pack with gusto and feeling and his presence was sorely missed after his knee injury in January.

Steven Tilly (Centre).—

A broken ankle sustained at Manchester in October 1967 kept him out of the 1st XV until February 1968. When he did return his power play and direct approach made a big difference in mid-field. He played outstandingly well in the 'Big Three' Seven-a-Side Tournaments, but was unlucky enough to break his ankle again in the final tournament of the season at Caldby.



FIRST YEAR RUGBY XV

FIRST YEAR RUGBY — 1967-1968

Played 16; Won 13; Drawn 1; Lost 2; For 298; Agst. 36.

Top Scorers:—

Naughton	...	...	...	...	102 points
Martin	...	...	...	...	48 points
Griffiths	...	...	...	...	25 points
Mateshaytis	...	...	...	...	18 points
Connolly	...	...	...	...	15 points

Each year as I write these notes, I look at the record and ask myself if it does justice to the team. This year it reflects the excellence of a team and the ability of certain players. But it gives only a very hazy picture. It tells me nothing about the individuals, the characters in the team, the humourists and jokers, the quiet ones and the noisy ones, the late ones and the untidy ones.

The records, in fact, means little to me. What means a great deal to me are the boys who impressed me in their first year of rugby with their skill and courage, ability and determination. These boys will be remembered for many years and as they move up the school through the teams, their ability to play rugby may improve but the pleasure they gave me in their early years will remain constant. Members of the team like Naughton, quiet and timid but like a tank with a rugby ball in his hands; Fraine, always late for training but with an answer to every rebuke I gave him; Connolly, who took more tackles and hard knocks than any three other boys put together but who came back time and again, be it at times with a smile to nudge away a tear or two.

I liked this team. I liked the individuals in it for their ability and good humour, their courage and friendliness, but most of all, their correct approach to a game that gave them pleasure.

THE TEAM

Full Back Terence Leahy.—Leahy never let the team down. His tacking was devastating as many a member of the opposition found out. He was a worthy member of the team.

Wingers Stephen Martin and Paul Kelly.—Both these players had a fine season with Martin scoring sixteen tries. Kelly came into his own later in the season. He has, I think, a very fine future, with his speed and strength taking him over the line many times.

Centres Chris Tierney and Anthony Dyer. — The skill of our centres lay in their ability to handle the ball well in all conditions, coupled with their courage in tackling. Their running was at times of the highest calibre, while their general ability in all phases of the game could rarely be faulted.

Stand-Off John Connolly.—To me, Connolly was one of the outstanding members of the team. As I read through the past reports of all the games, his name comes up time and again. Always it was linked with ability and skill, with courage and determination. Connolly had an excellent year, giving all for the team and taking a lot in return.

Scrum-Half Michael England.—England was the instigator of the excellence of our back play. His pass-outs from the base of the scrum helped the backs to move quickly before their opponents had woken up. He had the ability to run and tackle, to kick and pass. He was a good scrum-half.

Back Row Michael Fraine, Ian Naughton and Kenny Mateshaytis.—This back row was as good as any that has played for the school. Fraine at open side was outstanding. His play every game, every trial, every

practice, was of the highest calibre. He was an inspiration to the rest of the team. His tackling was at all times classical, his running as good as any back. Fraine was, without doubt, one of the best in the team. I will remember him for reading "A History of Ancient Rome" on the coach to Blackpool, while his team mates around him were all busily engaged eating their lunch!

Naughton at No. 8 was built like a tank and played like one. He scored nearly thirty tries and kicked many goals. His main asset to my mind was his behaviour, on and off the field, as a gentleman. Never, in game or practice, did he take advantage of his size. He was another of the outstanding players.

Mateshaytis was a player with much ability, able to play in many positions. As such, he was a great advantage to the team. His running with the ball and backing-up led to many individual scores. He held his place rightly as a member of an outstanding back row.

Second Row John Wilcox and Kevin Roberts.—Our second row was the power house of our pack. These were the players who do a great deal of work without it being spectacular or noticed by spectators. However, the possession we had in the backs was due to what we got from the line and scrums. Here Wilcox and Roberts played their part well.

Front Row Julian Crayton, Paul Bolger, Ian Humphries. Our pack was an exceptional one in that there was no weak link. The front row played a very important part in this pack and made sure of possession. Crayton excelled in running with the ball, while Humphries and Bolger were the experts in the mauls. Humphries worked well in this department and this, coupled with his ability as prop, put him with the outstanding players of this pack.

Reserves. — Some boys had many games for the "A" team and as reserves played very well. **John Downes** had many such games in various positions and proved to be a player of immense ability. Towards the end of the season, he settled down in the back row and here, I'm sure, he will find a regular first team place next season.

Keith Fitzpatrick and Aiden Manley also had many games and played well. In teams of lesser ability, these would surely find a regular place. **John Griffiths** too played well in his appearances, scoring seven tries, mostly before Christmas. After this, however, he found difficulty in getting back into the team, but will do so, I'm sure, next season.

A.G.

THE COLTS — 1967-68

Played 15 ... Won 14 ... Drawn 0 ... Lost 1

Points For 340 ... Points Against 51

The 1967-68 Under 15's proved themselves again to be a very fine side. Though they lost one game against Blessed John Rigby (with nine reserves and even more positional changes) it was difficult to envisage, under anything like normal circumstances, a more talented and balanced side. The team's real worth has been proved by the performances of team members who this season have moved up to the senior sphere. Paul Kinsella, Christopher Lally, Paul O'Connor, Dennis Kay and Declan Kelleher have all represented the first team. Gaffney, Gray, Sheehy, Connolly, McKee, Mitchell, Byrne, Sayle and Lee are all regular members of the undefeated second fifteen. All these boys have, in senior football, performed with the same skill, courage and ability that they displayed as members of one of the best junior sides in the country.

This ambitious claim is made not without justification. The team averaged over twenty points a game against a very high standard of local opposition. Good wins against West Park, Wade Deacon, King's School, Birkenhead School, St. Joseph's and Cowley clearly demonstrated the side's potential. But the real test was to come right at the end of the season with the visit from Llanelli Grammar School. Llanelli justly enjoy a fine reputation, perhaps second to none, in school football. Their under fifteen team came up as one of the best sides that this fine rugby school had produced. In four years' competition in one of the richest rugby areas in the four countries, Llanelli had lost only one game — and even this defeat they were to avenge later on in the season. Moreover, no team from St. Edward's had ever even scored a try against a team from Llanelli. Little wonder then, that the team had waited for this game for nearly eighteen months with a mixture of extreme nervousness and the anticipation of a very hard contest.

On the day, conditions were very nearly perfect — cold and still, with a hard pitch. Llanelli showed their worth from the start and came dangerously close to scoring an early try with a beautifully judged kick from their little fly half to their fast and dangerous right winger. However, the home pack slowly and surely got on top. O'Connor, Kinsella and Flynn handled and ran beautifully from a scrum on our own line to bring play right down inside the Llanelli half for the first time after ten minutes. The St. Edward's pack, with Sayle and Lee at the forefront, was now going extremely well and after a clever switch of direction by Gray, a magnificent piece of rucking by the entire eight won vital possession for the home side. Connolly moved well to Sheehy for the outside half to make the break and feed O'Connor the ball on the burst thirty yards out. The centre rounded the full back on the outside and hurled himself over for the first score of the match. The only other score up to half-time was a penalty by O'Connor, after Lee had intelligently kept the ball in the set scrum to catch Llanelli offside right under the posts. Six-nil was the score when the teams changed round.

The magnificent St. Edward's pack took up in the second half where it had left off in the first. Kay, Mitchell and McKee had by now thoroughly demoralised their immediate opposition and took the ball almost at will. Sayle and Lee dominated the lines, Byrne and Kelleher the mauls and rucks and the back row of Lee,

Sayle and Peter Ventre, whose contribution in the loose was invaluable, majestically ranged the field, starting attacks from nothing and covering and tackling like demons. Another score had to come, and Paul O'Connor, who had a fine game, was again the scorer. Taking a ball direct from Connolly on the blindside, he somehow managed to weave and force his way over the line for a vital try: 9-0. Back we stormed and soon Sheehy had dropped a splendid goal to make the score twelve-nil. Nothing remains except to record fine individual breaks by Lee and Mitchell and heroic defence and tackling by the whole side as Llanelli pressed towards the end. A great team victory had been won: the highlight of two years' hard work.

As a side, the under fifteens' great strength was in their teamwork. The forwards, besides being practically unassailable in all phases of possession, could all run and handle like backs and the fact that the team averaged twenty points a game proved that they did this with no little success. The threequarters, highly gifted as individuals, also moved beautifully as a line, tackled hard and looked the complete set. On its day, the side was well worth watching, playing a sophisticated, mature and aggressive football that at times achieved perfection. Strong in every single department, the school's senior side will surely benefit as rarely before from the single mindedness that made the 1967-68 Colts not just a very good but a great side.

SEA ANGLING

Whilst on holiday in Ireland during the summer, we were passing through a little fishing village in Donegal called Killybegs, when music, and the sound of celebrations caused us to pause. We found that there was a fishing festival taking place. In a shop window all the trophies, with important sounding names which the anglers could win, were on display. On the quayside, where we wandered, was a shed where the fish were being weighed. Further along the quayside the fishing boats were landing, and the anglers bringing their catch ashore. There were big fish, little fish, fat fish, of every shape, size and colour you ever saw. It was very exciting, and we enjoyed our brief stay.

MICHAEL REDMOND (Junior 4).

RUGBY REPORT — BANTAMS 1967-68

The team had only a moderately successful season with equal numbers of matches lost and won. They were handicapped on several occasions by the absence of key players and with only very shallow reserve strength to call upon this often meant the difference between winning and losing. Despite this, however, the team played some good rugby and there was a good team spirit, especially in the pack, which played very well together throughout the season. Our best results were the defeat of Wade Deacon and Cardinal Allen, the latter being a first class match in which the result was in the balance until just before the end.

The first choice team was:—

Power, K.; Reilly, R.; Killen, M., O'Neill, M., Lynch, M.; Connor, C., Taylor, P., Murphy, A., Gallagher, R., McCarthy, P.; Roderick, F., Kinsella, A.; Owen, P. (captain), Clarke, M., Jennings, P., while Urquhart, A., Johnson, P., Brennan, B., Fraser, P., Doherty, M., Rice, G., Stagg, D., and Clarke, P. also played.

At the close of the season the following team competed in the Merseyside seven-a-side tournament:—

Reilly, R., Clarke, M., O'Neill, M., Killen, M.; Johnson, P., Taylor, P., Kinsella, A. with McCarthy, P. as reserve.

In addition, Clarke, M. and Killen, M. represented Merseyside Grammar Schools in a match against Manchester Grammar Schools.

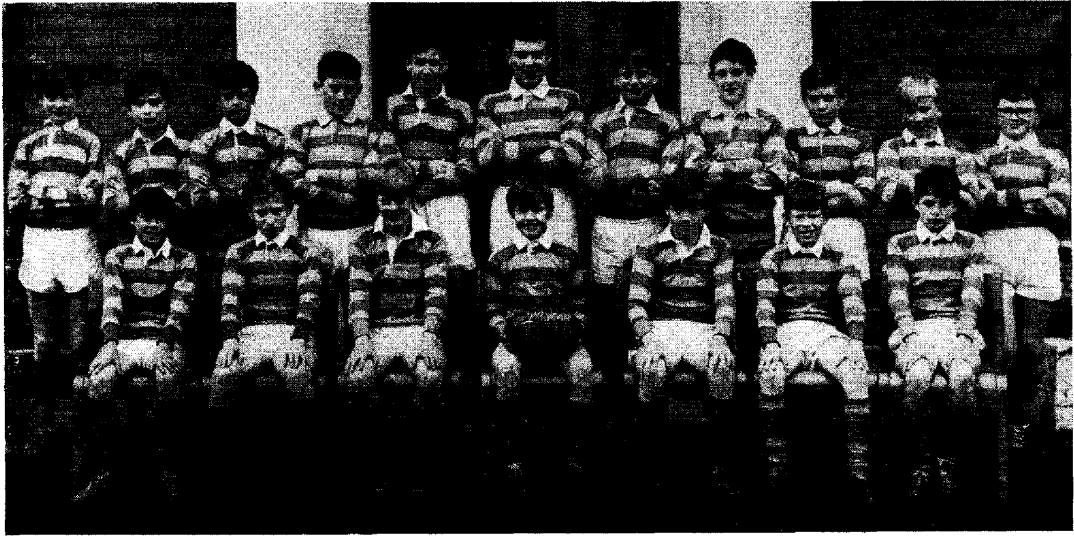
The results for the season were:

Played 14 ... Won 7 ... Lost 7
Points For 173 ... Points Against 206

THE ORDEALS OF HAVING A BATH

Every time I get involved in a television programme, my mother's deep, loud voice calls out, "It's time for your bath." After the third call I realise it's hopeless, and give in. I saunter up the stairs. My mother awaits me at the top—hands on hips and towel over shoulder. After feeling the water several times, I slowly begin to slide in. Once inside, I feel hot and stuffy. I sometimes feel really drowsy. It's then I hear the patter of feet coming up the stairs. Just as I am beginning to enjoy myself, "Get out of the bath, Simon!" I get out, hot, stuffy, and most of all sleepy. I crawl into bed and am asleep before you could say, "Jack Robinson."

SIMON RAWCLIFFE (Junior IV).



JUNIOR BANTAMS — UNDER 13 XV

Back Row (l to r)—P. Connor, P. Hewitt, S. Polson, P. Bimson, C. Furlong, J. Withe, J. McCarthy, S. Birrell, S. Mercer, P. Sullivan, M. Pye.

Seated (l to r)—R. Au, J. Connolly, P. Taylor, M. Orford, M. Maher, G. Scully, J. Byrne.

Played 15; Drawn 2; Lost 2; Won 11; Points for 156; Points against 90.

This was a well balanced side deficient in few positions. It lacked great physical stature (except for one notable exception) but this did not deter them from defeating teams far bigger or taller. The side, captained by Orford at scrum half, lost only two games in the whole season and one of those to a team we later defeated by eighteen points.

It would be difficult to pick out any one player as outstanding, particularly in the pack where all played with such drive and enthusiasm. However, good possession being of such paramount importance, we were fortunate in having a good hooker and two good line-out men. Mercer, the hooker, had an exceptionally fast strike and used this skill to advantage in the rucks. Withe, out giant No. 8, dominated the line-outs and his presence always brought the best out of the rest of the pack. Fortune, one of the locks, was the most tenacious forward in the side, a good second jumper in the line, tremendous pace in covering and tireless in the mauls. Playing at lock, partnering Fortune, or at No. 8, McCarthy was a tower of bustling strength, as pack leader on occasions he certainly showed them the way to the opponents line. Richardson was probably the best of the props, he had the right physique and was extremely good in both the set scrums and mauls. Birrell, the other regular prop was good in the loose and in the line-out, but he began to lose his place towards the middle of the season to Bimpson. The latter was a strong fit prop who deputised well as a hooker in Mercer's absence. Connolly at open side wing forward was a great asset to any side, he was tireless in cover, and defence, his tackling was hard and decisive, and he was always on hand to score the opportunists try. Sullivan, knowing the game so well, made up for lack

of pace by good positional sense and he had a good season as a foraging blind-side wing forward.

Orford and Taylor carried on their success of the first year and formed a fine pair of half backs. Orford, combining speed, tackling power and speed of service, controlled play from the base of the scrum. Taylor was playing brilliantly by the end of the season after a rather indifferent start, his kicking, handling and jerky running, made many tries for us.

Maher at full back, centre, or wing forward, proved himself the most versatile and all round player on the side. He was a fearless tackler, safe handler and ran well with the ball, possibly his only fault being his looking for trouble by not clearing his line quickly and effectively when playing at full back. Connor and Hewitt were fine centres in their day, both ran well, always forcing at least a half break, and they showed their mettle in defence by some fine cover tackling.

The wing positions were never entirely satisfactorily filled and we had quite a number of boys playing them on different occasions, the most consistent probably being Au who played well whenever he played there. Scully, Riley and Byrne all had their own individual qualities but lacked the completeness to make them regular members. Scully, a fine footballer, Riley has the makings of a fine centre, and Byrne a very fast though "fearful" winger. Bazeley, Devlin, Flynn, Davenport, Patterson and Polson all played for the "A" team on a number of occasions, the first three as threequarters, the latter three as forwards.

My congratulations on a fine season and on your response to training and practice. We should have no worries for the future standard of rugby in the school with a team of this talent and potential on its way up through the school.

A.G.

SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM

Inter-Schools Races—

Ran 4; Won 4.

Cup Races—

1st in Sangster Cup; 3rd in Waterloo Road Race; 1st in Sale Harrier Memorial; 2nd in Christian Bros. Championships; 3rd in Merseyside Road Relay.

League Races—

Ran...6; Won...5; 2nd in 1. **Overall Position—1st.**

Individual Honours—

Roger Harrison, Michael Dooling and Dennis Quayle were all chosen to run for Liverpool in the Lancashire Schools Championships. Roger Harrison became the Christian Brothers Senior Cross-Country Champion.

Report

This was a very good season for the Seniors. They lost the title of "The Best Road Running Team in England" when they only managed to come third in the Waterloo Road Race. Roger Harrison and Mike Dooling had a great season, coming right in at the top of the field with Denis Quayle always not far behind them. Tommy Arslanian also ran very well and the team was sad to see him step out of cross-country near the end of the season. Special mention must also go to Stephen Price and Stephen Keenan, to Chris Dooling, Peter Lake, John Murray and Norman Freeman.

The team did however get the title of being one of the best "teams," always finishing well packed together. They won the Sale Harriers Memorial Race in grand style. Roger Harrison and Mike Dooling finished in the first three after running in sub-zero conditions with hard packed snow, that turned to ice after the three previous races that day, on the ground. The Sangster Cup was also won with a great team effort.

We would like to thank Mr. Dukes, who for so long led a very successful St. Edward's Senior Cross-Country team, and has now left to go to St. Joseph's, Stoke (A great rival team of ours in cup races), for his great help in getting the S.E.C. Senior Team where it is.

P. HOWARD and K. TROTTER.

UNDER-16 CROSS-COUNTRY REPORT, 1967-68

The 1967-68 Cross-Country season saw the introduction of monthly league races in which all Liverpool Schools took part. After a disappointing start in these races, the U-16's showed a vast improvement as the season progressed and finally finished 3rd in the league

The most consistent members in the 'A' team section were: Cassin (Captain); Howard; R. Walters; Butler and Fennell. Several boys represented Liverpool in various matches: P. Howard and N. Fennell ran for Liverpool U-16 team in a match against Stoke and Staffordshire and represented the City in the Lancashire Championships. Both of these boys trained with the Liverpool Squad and R. Walters ran for the Merseyside U-15 League Team against Coventry.

In the Cup races, we always finished amongst the honours without actually winning any of them. In the Memorial Cup, run by Sefton Harriers the team packed very well to come second. Counters in this race were: Cassin 8th, R. Walters 9th, Butler 11th and Howard 12th. The next Cup race was for the U-15's — the Booth Trophy, run by Liverpool Harriers. The team finished third against very strong opposition. The Counters were: N. Fennell 12th, D. Duffy 13th, M. Millington 16th, and K. Trotter 27th. On the same day P. Howard ran a magnificent race for the Senior team, who won the Sangster Cup.

A trip to Manchester for the Sale Harriers Memorial Trophy saw us finishing third against schools from all over Manchester. Our Counters were N. Fennell 8th (who ran superbly). Cassin 9th, Howard 12th and Butler 14th.

The team had been improving all season, so we awaited the C.B.S. Championships with confidence. However, we finished second, Cassin, who had previously run so well, injured his leg the week before and was only a shadow of his former self. There is no doubt that the sudden emergence of McCardle was a very good prospect. The Counters were: P. Howard 3rd, R. Walters 5th, N. Fennell 6th, (these boys received badges of merit), P. McCardle 8th, P. Robinson 13th and P. Elliott 19th.

A week later, our own Relay Race, saw us finishing third, P. Howard running our fastest lap in 8 minutes 21 seconds.

The season finished on a triumphant note with the -15's winning the Liverpool Championships. The team overcame the difficult course and opposition in superb style with R. Walters leading the team home. The Counters were: R. Walters 3rd; D. Duffy 5th, P. McCardle 6th; N. Fennell 9th; P. Robinson 10th and P. Elliott 11th.

A few single fixtures were arranged outside the League and Cup programme and these were used to blood the U-15's. The policy paid handsome dividends and saw the emergence of two very good prospects in P. Robinson and P. MacArdle. The former only began cross-country this year, while P. MacArdle had previously been a runner of average ability. A measure of their potential is that they finished 6th and 11th in their age group in the Liverpool Championships.

Team Record for 1967-68

The team finished:

- 3rd in the Merseyside League.
- 2nd in the Memorial Cup for U-16's.
- 3rd in the Booth Cup for U-15's.
- 3rd in the Sale Harriers Trophy for U-16's.
- 8th in the Waterloo Road Race for U-16's.
- 2nd in the Christian Brother's Championships for U-16's.
- 1st in the Liverpool Championships for U-15's.

Other Fixtures:

Played...5; Won...4; Lost...1.

B. VOIELS.



FIRST XI CRICKET

Standing: D. Ion (Scorer), A. Johnson, C. Mottram, A. Lovelady, M. Feerick, N. Freeman, J. Cassin, Mr. L. Connor. *Sitting:* McDonough, M. Barton, J. Hennigan (Captain), C. Dooling, M. Slemen.

CRICKET — FIRST XI

Played 9 ... Won 5 ... Drawn 3 ... Lost 1

The First XI had another good season, losing only one game and winning the Liverpool Schools Knock-Out Competition.

The bowling was expected to be a little lacking in penetration with the departure of K. McCourt. Here I would like to thank K. McCourt for his efforts for school teams during his school career. One can hardly think of a more accurate, hostile, penetrative bowler at schoolboy level. Six or seven wickets at very low cost were quite a usual analysis.

However, the bowling, in fact, improved steadily as the season progressed and played a great part in winning the Knock-Out Final against West Park. M. Slemen was a good opening bowler and also a fine batsman. J. Cassin became more and more hostile, whilst A. Johnson proved a good spinner, and A. Lovelady, very inaccurate at first, bowled consistently late in the season.

The batting usually made a good score. C. Dooling was a fine opening batsman, with good defence, yet having some fine powerful strokes. He made two fifties: 58 v. De La Salle and 56 v. Waterloo G.S. Neither J. Hennigan, M. Barton or C. Mottram really reached their true form, and it was B. McDonagh who was the most consistent middle order batsman. His innings in the Knock-Out Final really pulled the game St. Edward's way. Mention must be made of M. Feerick, who showed great promise in his first season.

J. Hennigan, M. Barton, M. Slemen, B. McDonagh and C. Dooling were awarded caps.

J. Hennigan (Captain), C. Dooling and A. Johnson played for North Liverpool Schools v. South Liverpool Schools.

Team: J. Hennigan (Captain), C. Dooling (Vice-Captain), N. Freeman, M. Barton, M. Slemen, C. Mottram, M. Feerick, J. Cassin, A. Johnson, A. Lovelady, B. McDonagh.

RESULTS

- St. Edward's 112 (N. Freeman 33, M. Slemen 23) v. S.F.X. 60 (A. Johnson 6—10, M. Feerick 4—38). **WON.**
- Thirty Overs Knock-Out: First Round.—St. Edward's 116—6 (C. Dooling 58, M. Barton 21) v. De La Salle 58—7. **WON.**
- St. Edward's 30 (C. Mottram 13 not out) v. St. Anselms 32—4 (A. Lovelady 4—14). **LOST.**
- St. Edward's 28—9 v. St. Mary's 119—4 (dec.) (M. Slemen 3—27). **DRAW.**
- Thirty Overs Knock-Out: Second Round.—St. Edward's 78 (B. McDonagh 21) v. Blue Coat School 72 (A. Johnson 5—26). **WON.**
- St. Edward's 98 (C. Dooling 56) v. Waterloo G.S. 75—9 (M. Slemen 3—27, A. Johnson 4—12). **DRAW.**
- St. Edward's 91—7 (dec.) (J. Hennigan 30, B. McDonagh 15) v. Holt High School 72—5. **DRAW.**
- Semi-Final 30 Overs Knock-Out.—St. Edward's 118 (C. Dooling 31, M. Feerick 25, M. Slemen 32 not out) v. Collegiate 91 (M. Slemen 4—14). **WON.**
- Final: 30 Overs Knock-Out.—St. Edward's 84 (B. Donagh 24 not out, M. Feerick 19) v. West Park 80 (A. Johnson 3—11, J. Cassin 3—27, M. Slemen 2—15). **WON.**

I would like to thank Mr. D. Dukes for his time spent with the Under 15 XI and Mr. B. Traynor with the 2nd XI. I wish them success in their new posts. I would also like to thank Mr. R. Irving for his enthusiastic coaching of the Under 13 XI and I would thank all, too many to mention, who have helped over the years, to making cricket that much easier to run.

L.C.

COLTS CRICKET — 1968

Played 6 ... Won 3 ... Drawn 2 ... Lost 1

Despite their modicre results, this was an extremely powerful side, which never quite realised its full potential, but was still very unlucky not to win all its matches. The batting was erratic, the two main batsmen being D. Kay, the Captain and Wicket-keeper, and N. Greene, who has at last found a measure of consistency. O'Connor and O'Neill never really got going, although O'Neill's 39 v. St. Anselm's was the season's highest.

The bowling and fielding on the whole were excellent, with Gaffney with his great speed and O'Neill's leg-breaks our most potent weapons, although Lee was very good in flashes. There were no weaknesses in the fielding and few catches were put down.

During the summer Kay played regularly for Liverpool, for whom O'Neill played several games, while P. Taylor, a promising all-rounder, represented Sefton Schoolboys XI.

Thanks are due to Mr. Dukes, who coached us, and to D. K. Forrest our able, knowledgeable and enthusiastic scorer, without whom we could never have enjoyed our matches so much. We were rather unlucky with the weather and the exams, which deprived us of several fixtures.

On the whole then, a good, promising season and I would like to thank the team for all their effort and say that it was a pleasure to lead them, both on and off the field, despite the difficulties of the weather and the bus-strike.

Boys who played :

Kay, Greene, Power, O'Connor, O'Neill, Taylor, Owen, Gaffney, Lee, Connolly, Clarke, Killen, King, Maher and P. Taylor (U.13's), Price.

D. C. Z. KAY (6B Mods. I).

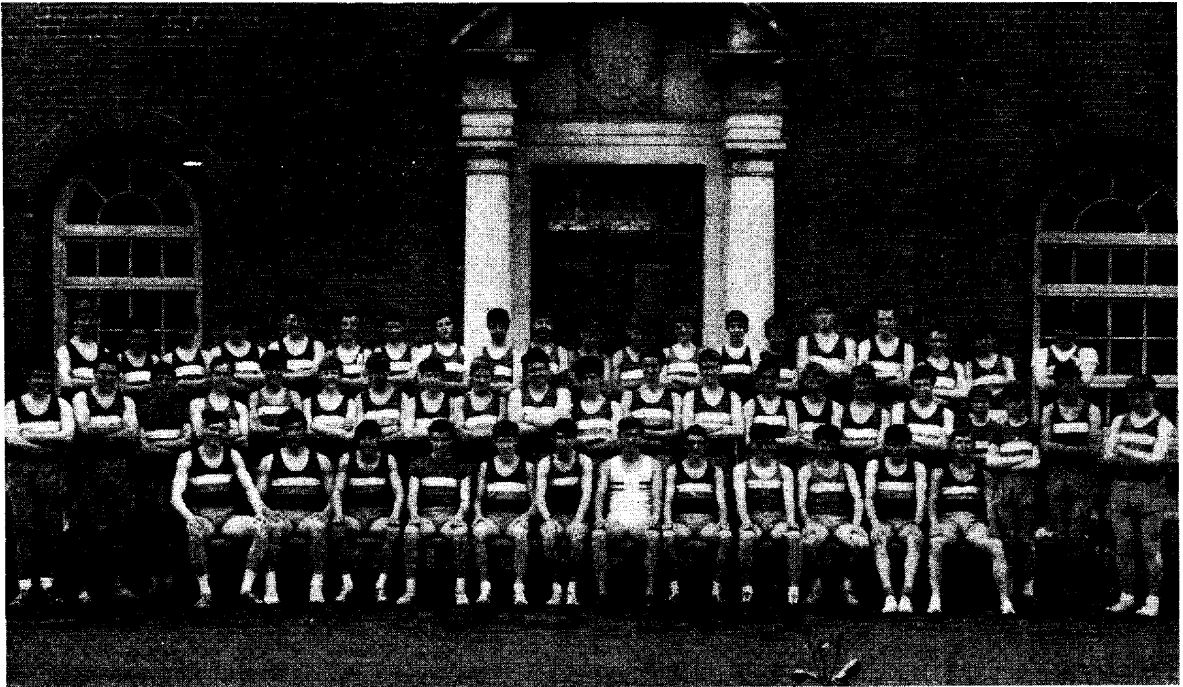
Swimming Notes, 1967-68

This year has seen a vast increase in the number of activities undertaken by the Swimming Club. Not only has the weekly Inter-school match taken place but two championships have been entered and examinations passed in nine different awards. This has kept every member very busy and has allowed many more boys to take part in swimming activities than are able to get into the swimming team.

Major Results: During the season 40 swimming

matches took place resulting in 30 wins. Pride of place, however, must go to the Prep. School swimming teams who, for the second successive year, won the Liverpool Primary Schools Swimming Gala. In this event John Chambers won the Back Stroke in a new record time and Paul Clark won the Breast Stroke. Chambers has had an outstanding year of swimming achievements and as a result, he was invited by Mr. F. Moore, the Northern Counties Olympic Swimming Coach, to join his training squad for the Munich Games.

A.G.



ATHLETICS TEAMS

ATHLETIC NOTES — 1968

1968 was most probably the College's most successful athletics season ever. Out of nine senior trophies competed for on Merseyside, St. Edward's won seven of them outright and came second in the other two. Not to be outdone, even the Preparatory School won their District Championships.

Individually, St. Edward's was certainly known at the Lancashire Championships because out of the 60 boys that represented Liverpool, 20 of them came from the College. This was certainly a remarkable achievement and one that no other school had come anywhere near to achieving.

As a result of these Championships, three boys were selected to represent Lancashire in the All-England Championships at Portsmouth. These were Denis Quayle, the Athletics Captain, for the 440 yards Hurdles — he had already represented Great Britain in this event in a Youths International match in the previous October — Peter Relia in the 110 Hurdles and Howard Bolton in the 220 yards.

As a result of some outstanding achievements during the season, Mr. Denis Watts, the Senior National Coach for the Amateur Athletics Association, has invited Peter Melia and Francis Downes to join his training squad on his return from Mexico.

RESULTS

Outstanding achievements from the **Central District Championships**, won by St. Edward's:—

1st Year.—P. Kelly 1st 100 Yards; P. Kelly 1st Hurdles; K. Mateshaytis 1st High Jump; S. Martin 1st Long Jump; Relay Team 1st.

2nd Year.—K. Bromley 1st 880 Yards; S. Polson 1st Hurdles; P. Connor 1st Javelin.

3rd Year.—M. Millington 1st Mile; M. Clarke 1st Long Jump; M. Killen 1st High Jump; D. Duffy 1st Javelin.

4th Year.—P. Gray 1st 100 Yards and 220 Yards; N. Fennell 1st 880 Yards; P. O'Connor 1st Hurdles and Triple; B. Gaffney 1st Discus and Shot; Relay Team 1st.

Champion School of Liverpool Athletic Championships

Winners: St. Edwards

Outstanding achievements:—

P. Kelly, 1st Year—1st 100 Yards.

K. Riley, 1st Year—1st 220 Yards.

S. Fennell, 2nd Year—1st 440 Yards.

M. Millington, 3rd Year—1st Mile

P. Gray, 4th Year—1st 100 Yards.

N. Fennell, 4th Year—1st 880 Yards.

R. Walters, 4th Year—1st Mile.

Christian Brothers Schools Athletics Championships**RESULTS**

Juniors: Winners—Bro. Robinson Cup.

Intermediates: Winners—Bro. Casey Cup.

Seniors: Second—Bro. Gibbons Shield.

Outstanding achievements:—

Juniors.—F. Roderick 1st Hammer; M. Clark 1st 100 Yards; M. Millington 1st Mile.

Intermediates.—T. Wardle 1st Hight Jump (new record 5' 5½"); B. Gaffney 1st Discus (new record 141' 11½"); P. Melia 1st Hurdles 15.6 seconds, P. Melia 1st Triple 39' 5" (both new records); F. Downes 1st Pole Vault 10' 0" (new record); D. Tibke 1st Long Lamps (new record 19' 2").

Seniors.—P. Rahilly 1st Shot; H. Bolton 1st 100 Yards and 220 Yards; R. Harrison 1st Mile.

Merseyside Grammar School Athletics Championships

Seniors: Winners—St. Edward's.

Intermediates: Winners—St. Edward's.

Juniors: St. Edward's Second.

Outstanding achievements:—

P. Rahilly 1st Senior Shot; H. Bolton 1st Senior 440; F. Downes 1st Intermediate Pole Vault (new record); J. Caulfield 1st Junior Pole Vault.

Intermediate Relay Team: P. Gray, D. Tibke, P. O'Connor, A. Mahon—1st in 46.2 seconds. This time was the best recorded in Lancashire this year.

Other results:.,

R. Harrison, Mile in 4 minutes 29 seconds; H. Bolton 220 Yards in 22.5 seconds; P. Melia, 110 Hurdles in 14.5 seconds; Triple 40' 9"; M. Millington, Mile in 4 minutes 55 seconds.

THE CAT

Long, lithe, black,
Sleek, smooth back,
Slender tail erect,
All perfectly correct.
With a flash of green,
And a streak of black,
Again it's seen,
The beautiful cat.
Moving with silent grace,
A glimpse of black face,
Moving with such agility,
All within it's ability.
Then it vanished — I know not the cause,
To my mind's great agitation,
Then for a moment I suddenly pause,
Was it real? Or just imagination!

I. NAUGHTON (3 Alpha)

THE WHIRLWIND

It begins.
A battle of
Hot and cold,
Two great forces,
Combined together.
Lifting everything in
Sight.

JAMES WINSTANLEY (I Beta)

THE STORM

The wind howled like a beaten dog
And the rain lashed like the cat;
The wind swept swiftly over the houses
Seeking refuge from the rain's nine tails.
The harassed, huddled clouds above
Spurred on the ravaging rain.
And in watching this one-sided fight,
Clapped to the strikes of the whip.
Lightning then played his hand
By showing his disapproval,
And ripped the black-hearted clouds apart
To blast his own way through.
But alas, he was too late
The wind, he dropped. No more!
No more! could he withstand
But the triumphant rain lashed on.
And gradually the storm died down,
Till finally there was no sound.
Not even the patter of the rain
Until the morning came.

JOHN GALLAGHER (3 Alpha)

TREE IN AUTUMN

Like a tall black stranger,
Bare as a blank page
Silver leaves surround it
That once beautiful tree.

PETER QUINN (I Beta).

Runnymede Notes

THE compilers of the following notes were asked at short notice "to put their heads together and form a board"—a committee—and condense the year's activities in Runnymede for the Magazine Editors scrutiny, and possible publication. As far as notes for the Magazine are concerned, each year seems to be the usual routine for us. The half dozen or so boys of this year's "board" were told many moons ago to keep a diary of important school events during the year, but when it comes to producing the well written records all of us have blundered or just simply forgotten to keep anything except, football, athletics or chess results. A few sharp reminders from Br. Walsh about our negligence is enough to force us into activity at the eleventh hour.

Just in case you have not read previous Runnymede Notes we still have four classes in our Prep. Department with a roll call of 140 boys. All past pupils—and we can boast of many—please note that your former classes have been re-named. The new titles are now known as Junior I, II, III and IV respectively, in preference to Prep, Lower I, Upper I and 2R. Who was it said, "What is in a name?" Well we don't know.

There was one change on the Staff this year. Mr. W. T. Curran left us in September to take up a new teaching post at St. George's School, Maghull. Mr. Curran was in Runnymede for many years and will be remembered by all his past and present pupils for his kindly and fatherly attention to all the boys. He took a great interest in all our activities and was always ready to give us whatever encouragement was necessary. We wish him many years of success in his new post. We welcome, Mr. H. Fitzpatrick and hope his stay will be a happy and fruitful one.

Schoolwork in all four classrooms seems to us

to progress, as it should, in any classroom. Activity is the order of the day. The boys have their usual moans about homework!

Our School Library continues to expand—book-wise. All classes have been cautioned to take great care of library books. Many new interesting books have been added. Good use is made of the Radio and T.V. broadcasts. We certainly find the programmes very good and they give us plenty of scope for "research" afterwards.

We had a visit from Rev. Fr. Van during the year. Fr. Van has started his own "Boys Town" in Calcutta and works very closely with the Christian Brothers and Mother Theresa. During the course of his one hour illustrated talk he told us that one of his voluntary helpers, Paul Cave—a former pupil of Runnymede—was a member of his staff. We promised Fr. Van to contribute three-pence per week, per boy for his building fund.

About £50 has already been contributed. We would also like to thank Rev. Br. Beattie for his many visits to us. His Latin songs which he taught us were in the Runnymede "Top Ten" for a few weeks. Two Form V boys, Joseph Connolly and Edward Green gave us a talk on Roman London. Their model of London was a wonderful piece of work.

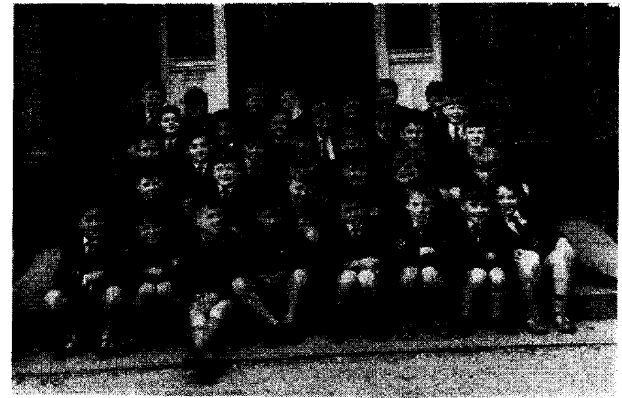
On the sporting side, Runnymede had a very good season. Our swimming team selected from Junior III and Junior IV did extremely well against outside competition, for the second year in succession we won the Lister Drive Swimming Gala. Two of the winners from this competition J. Chambers (2R) and P. Clarke (U1) set up new Liverpool City record in the Back-stroke and Breast-stroke respectively. M. McClean, J. Riley, P. Jackson, M. Pye, M. Ralph and J. Burns had a very good season also.



Front row (left to right): M. Hooper, S. Blundell, M. Ralph, M. Pye, C. Bushe. Middle row: D. Ford, P. Clarke, P. McDonagh, D. Watkins. Back Row: M. Flannagan, J. Shields, P. Barrow.



Runnymede Junior Eleven



Prep School Group, 1968

Football:

We promised our readers in last year's notes that Runnymede were joining a football league. We can now tell you that Upper I won the championship by beating St. Mary's, Crosby; St. Anselm's Birkenhead and Bl. John Plessington, Hooton. We also played a few friendly matches but our fixture list was upset by the outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease. The Senior team (2R) did not do so well and finished the season by narrowly avoiding relegation!

Chess:

This game continues to be very popular with the Runnymede boys. We have entered the Liverpool Chess League and up to the time of writing we have won our three matches. We will give more details in our next issue of the Magazine together with the Knock-out Competition.



THE WIND

Walking high and low,
Whistling an ugly note,
Knocking down fences with mighty power;
Destroying nature
And wrecking the land.

P. VAUGHAN (I Beta).



Annual Outing:

This year we went to Alton Tower in Staffordshire for our Annual Outing. As usual on such occasions we enjoyed ourselves immensely. It was only when we arrived back to a flooded Sandfield Park that we realised, that we had fortunately missed a deluge.

Finally, we wish to thank all boys for giving us their impressions of the year's activities and especially we would like to thank very sincerely our School Chaplain, Rev. Fr. Naughton and the priests from Norris Green for their continual good work on our behalf.

(Notes compiled by boys from 2R & Upper I)

JOURNEY TO SCHOOL

My journey to School
Starts at quarter past eight,
My mother reminds us,
"Hurry, or you will be late."
Down the steps in a hurry
The three of us clatter,
Pull open the garage door
There is no time to chatter.
The car from the garage
Moves into the street.
Cold and dark is the morning,
No neighbours we meet.
Up to the corner,
And there we must wait.
For a break in the traffic,
We hope we are not late.
Blue, black and red cars
Flash past our gate,
Everyone is hurrying
In case they are late.
At last we can pass,
Into the busy street.
Watch out! the traffic lights are changing
Hear the brakes screech!
I switch on the wireless,
To hear the news.
And all I hear is people
Airing their views.
Our journey continues
Past houses and shops.
Large coloured advertisements
More traffic lights, more stops.
At last we arrive
To start a new day,
And when we are collected
We go home the same way.

A. JOHN PAES (1B).

SEASIDE

I like to be
in the sea
Mask, snorkel and flippers,
Oh! swimming in the sea, having lots of fun,
Beneath the Italian sun.
Beneath the water, cool and green.
Little fishes can be seen;
I try to catch them diving deep.
Out of breath I rise for air,
Just to catch the words
"He's over there."

MARK GROSAN (Junior II).

THE MOON

The moon is round, shining bright
And gives a lot of gorgeous light.
When I look up and see it there,
An old mans face returns my stare
But one day soon I hope to be
On the moon, him and me.

PHILIP McDONAGH (Junior IV).

MY GRANNIE

My Grannie's hair is white as snow,
There isn't a thing she doesn't know.
She's very wise, and very kind,
And always knows what's in my mind.

STEPHEN CLIFFORD (Junior II).

A BUS QUEUE

Hustle,
Bustle,
Shoving from behind
Protests the man in charge;
A few board,
Most don't,
The green glory goes.

MICHAEL SULLIVAN (1B).

SEA

A cold emerald colour
Spread like a mantle
Across the sand.
People playing
Seeing how far they can go,
While the birds are crying
In the sunlight.

B. REILLY (1B).

A WATCH

The smallest of the family,
With two hands and a face.
A strap around, its waist.
Talking all the time.

GERARD MURRAY (I Beta).

"THE DREADED HOMEWORK"

The master said I want some verse,
The class let out a muffled curse.
In thirty homes, that fateful night
Thirty boys bemoaned their plight.
Struggling all night with furrowed brow,
Trying to write a verse somehow.
Alas, next day, he will soon know it
He'll never find a budding "poet."

PETER GLOYNE (3 Alpha).