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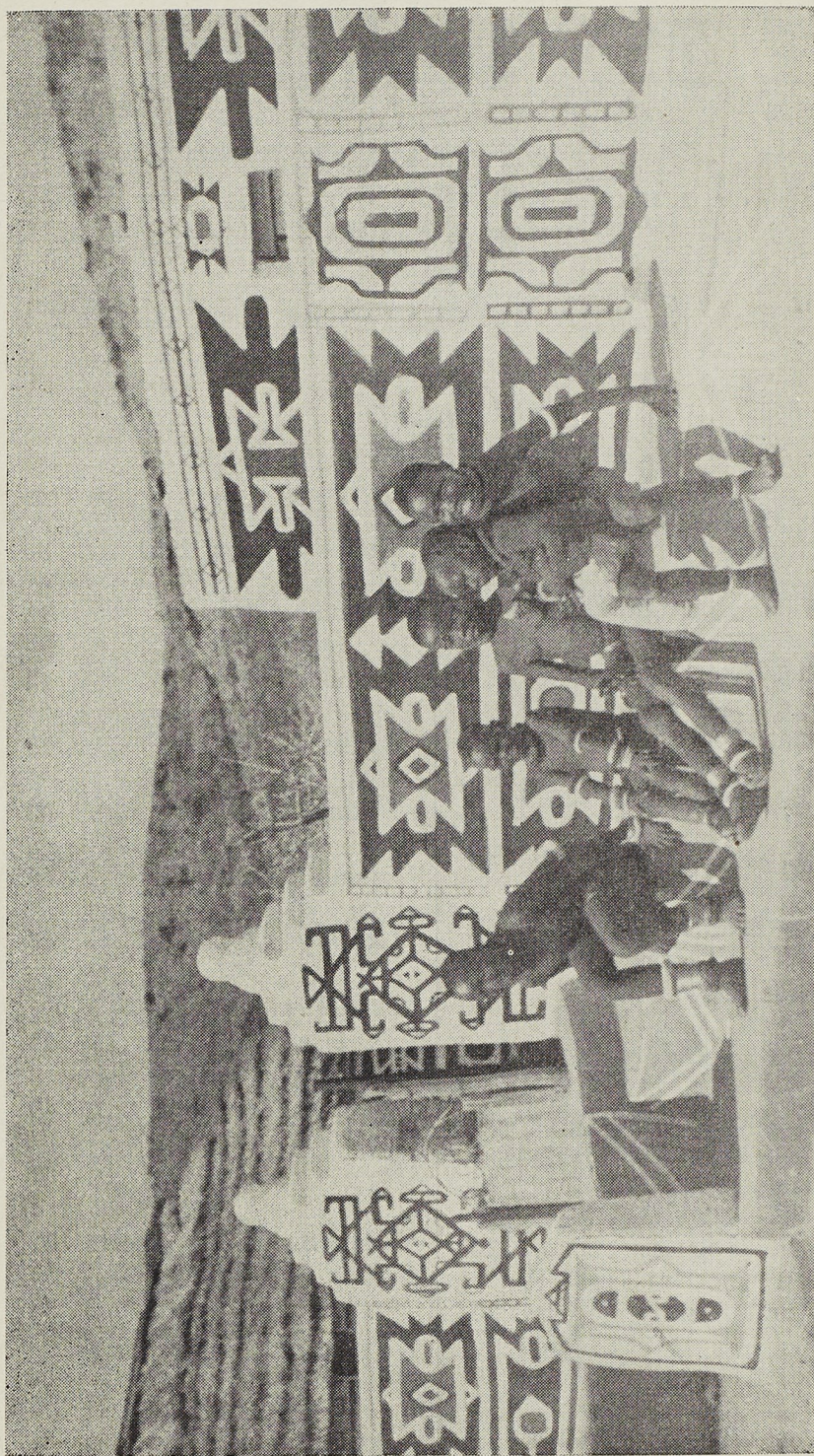
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## EDITORIAL

In the School Calendar the following entry appears under the title "The School Mission": "The work of the native mission at Sophiatown, now in the charge of the Community of the Resurrection, has been continuously assisted by the School since the days of Father Hill. The School provides a certain amount of money each year, and parties of boys visit the Mission as frequently as possible." It might serve some useful purpose to examine the second sentence of this somewhat laconic statement. "The School provides a certain amount of money each year." Correct: Chapel collections, and the "gate" (if one may use the term without irreverence) at the annual Carol Services are earmarked for this purpose, and this regular contribution is occasionally augmented by money raised from the sale of refreshments at the various School functions held during the year. "Parties of boys visit the Mission as frequently as possible." True, if rather vague. Nearly every week a party is conducted through Sophiatown by the School Chaplain. They visit various institutions and see much that makes them open their eyes and minds wider than is usual or comfortable, and return speedily to finish their school careers in the Northern Suburbs. Let us not be misunderstood: every boy who has visited Sophiatown has profited by the experience, and the preceding sentence is not derisory. The visits to Sophiatown are valuable, but we venture to suggest that they are not enough.

St. John's College is a highly organised institution. Most of us are very busy. Scholastics, Sport and Societies leave us little leisure. Yet other schools — Church Schools in this country and Public Schools in England — manage, whatever their other (and perhaps more attractive) commitments, to find time to offer some service over and above money and sympathetic sight-seeing to their less fortunate compatriots. Nowhere in the world is such service needed more than in South Africa. Nowhere in South Africa is such service needed more than in the native locations of Johannesburg. St. John's is the leading Anglican School in this city. But St. John's is not present at the Wedding Feast in Sophiatown: we have married a wife — a scholastic wife, a sporting wife, a society wife, and cannot come.

If that were all that needed to be said about the matter, this Editorial would have been easy to write. What remains is difficult, and may even be considered impudent; but it seems to us to be the root of the problem. For this neglect of the less obvious claims of the community is not confined to schoolboys alone. If, in its fifty-odd years of existence, St. John's had really achieved the primary aim of its Founders — "to send forth many rightly trained in body, mind and character" — there would have appeared a significant number of former scholars who became whole-time workers for the native African peoples, and the average Old Johannian would be prepared to shoulder



the duty of spending a night or two a week in the rather depressing surroundings of a native township. Probably there are many O.J.'s willing to do such work if they were approached with a request for their services. Certainly little of permanent value could be achieved by the School without their whole-hearted and continuous support. Let the intention be clear: we write this not to remind others of their duty, but rather to ask for help in fulfilling what we feel to be ours. The practical difficulties of starting any kind of club or social centre for natives are obviously enormous; but so were those which faced John Darragh fifty-three years ago and the Community of the Resurrection about a decade later. These men overcame difficulty: have we lost that tradition?

### HEADMASTER'S NOTES

With a very real sense of loss we heard during the holidays of the death of Mr. F. E. Colenutt. A simple, kindly gentleman, a convinced Churchman, keenly interested in St. John's and all its doings, he had been a most valued member of the Council since March 1930; in thanking God for his life and example, we pray that light perpetual may shine upon him.

So large and so valuable a part is played at St. John's by the Council that only with great regret have the resignations of certain members been accepted. Mr. Walter Webber has felt that his age now makes it impossible for him to take a really active interest; I am very glad that he has been asked to become an Honorary Life Member of the Council — by this invitation we can at least formally express our gratitude for his enormous share in the life of the school for so long a time. Dean Palmer, to the regret of everybody, is shortly leaving Johannesburg; we are delighted that before he goes he has been able to speak to the school once again on Tuesdays in Lent. To him also we owe a real debt. Archdeacon Urquart and Mr. Morrison Abel have also found it necessary to resign. To all alike we offer our sincere thanks.

The new members of the Council are Mr. Alan Macintosh, the Venerable Archdeacon Rouse and Mr. Gordon Dekker; that two of them are Old Johannians is a source of satisfaction. In welcoming them to the Council I can express our confidence that they will give all that is possible of energy and time and wisdom in the service of St. John's.

To the College staff we have welcomed Mr. H. W. Lester, B.A., of Magdalene College, Cambridge, and Mr. N. C. H. Ferrandi, B.A., of Trinity College, Oxford; to the Preparatory School Mr. I. Calder, B.A., of the University of the Witwatersrand, and Mr. J. M. Powis, B.A., of the University of Cape Town. That Messrs. Hall and Lewis after so short a period of service here should have decided to return to England is a real loss to the College, as is the departure of Mr. Hooker from the Preparatory School.



## THE JOHANNIAN

As I anticipated last year, we have had a further increase in our numbers; the increase of boarder numbers in the Preparatory School in 1950, made possible by the use of what has deservedly come to be called the Dodson Wing, was largely composed of older boys and there has therefore been this year an increase in the boarders in the College Remove Form; fortunately, as Nash's new wing had been opened in 1950, we could accommodate them without too much difficulty. Our numbers at February 1st 1951 were :

	Day-boys	Boarders	Total
College .....	129	202	331
Preparatory School .....	191	110	301
Total .....	320	312	632

We are hoping that the recent increase of fees and the increased numbers will really stabilise our financial position, even if, as appears possible from some Press reports, the Government grant is to be withdrawn; obviously no one can predict with conviction the future of private schools in South Africa (nor, indeed, of the much more deeply entrenched public schools in England) but to the pessimists it can be pointed out that, so long as the private schools really provide something which cannot be found in the Departmental educational system, parents will be prepared to send us boys, even if our comparatively high fees involve great personal sacrifice. So long as our schools are really first-class I believe that our position is fundamentally secure — but the condition of real security is that our schools reach and maintain an even higher standard than the present. Real depth of scholarship, a really high level of general culture, a really strong sense of loyalty and public spirit among the boys and the Old Boys, all centred in the worship of God — those words must come to be a true description of the character of the private school; otherwise there is no reason for our existence at all.

The renewal of the lighting system of the Preparatory School has been completed; the alterations of the College and Preparatory School water system are proceeding; their cost is enormous but we are hoping that when the work has been completed, water will present no further problems for a considerable time.

It will perhaps be thought inadequate appreciation if I describe our Matriculation results in December 1950 by my usual phrase of "not too bad." We gained a much greater percentage of first classes and of distinctions in individual subjects than ever before and I really must congratulate masters and boys on the results of their work. The details were as follows :

No. of Candidates	Matriculation Certificates			School Leaving Certificates			FAIL
	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	
51	23	15	2	0	2	0	9



The following boys obtained First Classes, subjects in which they obtained distinction being given in brackets :

- P. J. Allen (English and Chemistry).
- A. R. Bell (Latin, Maths., Chemistry, Add. Maths.).
- J. E. Berge (Chemistry).
- P. J. C. Bunyard.
- M. H. Dudley (Afrikaans and Geography).
- C. K. Else (Chemistry).
- J. D. Fleming.
- P. M. Formby.
- T. C. G. Jarvis (Afrikaans, Latin and Physical Science).
- E. B. Kempis (Physics).
- G. W. King (Geography).
- R. K. MacCrone (Maths. and Physics).
- J. R. Miot (French).
- G. D. W. Odgers (Maths. and Physics).
- L. C. Rennie (Maths. and Physical Science).
- J. D. Searle.
- J. P. Shaw (English, Latin, Maths., Physics, Chemistry and Add. Maths.).
- K. Spoel (Maths.).
- P. M. Todd.
- B. M. Torrance (English and Physical Science).
- P. Viljoen (Latin and Physical Science).
- D. B. Wilkinson.
- C. P. Ziegenbein (English).

In December we heard with satisfaction that P. J. Entwistle had been awarded a Major Scholarship for Mathematics and Science at Rhodes University, Grahamstown. Entwistle, with C. Kinghorn and J. A. Reeves, were all successful in passing as External Students the first-year examinations of the University of South Africa.

Perhaps I should point out that we only prepare Sixth Form boys for external examinations if they are of some academic ability; for boys of average ability the Sixth Form year is far better spent in a general strengthening of the bases of their education, allowing them to attempt only a limited amount of work which is entirely new.

Among distinctions of Old Boys I must record that of H. Spoel, who has been awarded a Rhodes Scholarship to the University of Oxford for October 1951; he is the fourth of our Old Boys within six years to gain a Rhodes Scholarship in the open competitions. In addition, J. F. Scott has been awarded an Elsie Ballot Scholarship to the University of Cambridge. The conditions of selection for this scholarship are similar to those laid down by Cecil Rhodes, and the competition is equally severe. Everyone was delighted when W. R. Endean was selected for the South African Cricket Team for Great Britain; we wish him a most enjoyable and successful tour.

Although two of the three school cricket matches played so far have been spoiled by rain, we had a well-deserved victory



over Pretoria Boys' High School and we have seen enough to know that we have the material for a promising First Eleven, though none of the cricket in the Transvaal schools, in my opinion, reaches the standards of 1935-1939. The provision of good coaching is at present the real problem of the schools and unless more cricket-playing schoolmasters emerge, the outlook seems to me rather depressing.

Gaudy Day will be on Ascension Day (Thursday, May 3rd). It will be so early in the Easter Term that the Rugby teams will hardly have had adequate time to get together, but I hope that they will give a good account of themselves and that we shall have the usual crowded but enjoyable day. The usual invitations will be sent out in due course.

### SCHOOL NOTES

**Head of School:** S. A. R. Cooke.

**School Prefects:** A. R. Bell, S. A. R. Cooke, W. E. Harrison, W. W. Macfarlane, B. R. Munro, G. D. W. Odgers, G. O. Parnell.

#### House Prefects:

**Alston:** W. W. Macfarlane, Y. K. Bosman, J. A. Lamb, P. M. Todd, C. B. Wilkinson, D. B. Wilkinson.

**Hill:** W. E. Harrison, B. R. Munro, B. C. de Jongh, A. M. Meyers, N. J. Rosser, W. M. Seldon, A. D. Tainton, S. L. Whittingham.

**Nash:** S. A. R. Cooke, G. O. Parnell, K. M. C. Boon, P. V. A. Davies, W. C. Duckworth, C. R. Freemantle, H. Russell, J. S. Smith, C. P. Ziegenbein.

**Thomson:** A. R. Bell, G. D. W. Odgers, C. R. Formby, I. Marais, J. D. Searle.

**Gate House:** W. C. Duckworth (Head of House). Monitors: R. Kwaan; N. Walker.

We were sorry to say farewell to Mr. D. J. N. Hall and Mr. J. D. Lewis, both of whom left us at the end of last year to return to England. Mr. Hall coached the First Eleven for the year preceding his departure and did valuable work in this and other fields. Our special thanks are due to Mr. Lewis for his untiring efforts in the reorganisation of the School Library. Mr. Lewis also assisted Mr. Nash with the running of the Cadet Detachment. We would give them our best wishes for their future careers and happiness.

In October 1950 the College staff was strengthened by two new masters, Mr. S. D. Snell and Mr. H. W. Lester. Mr. Snell is only with us temporarily, but we hope that he will enjoy his work here for as long as he remains.

With Mr. N. C. H. Ferrandi, who joined us in January 1951, and Mr. Lester, replacing Messrs. Lewis and Hall, the staff is



once again at full strength, and to both new Masters we extend a hearty welcome.

The school is again preparing for a performance of a Gilbert and Sullivan opera — this time it is "Iolanthe." We hope that it will maintain, or even exceed, the high standard attained by similar productions in former years.

Plans for the building of a new cricket store in place of the old Thomson's House on the "A" cricket field have been completed. Building operations are to commence early in the Easter term and the store will be ready for use in September.

### CHAPEL NOTES

The Bishop of Johannesburg, the Right Reverend Ambrose Reeves, confirmed the following boys in the Chapel on the 4th of November 1950 :—

Akester, M. G.; Anderson, E. W.; Anderson, I. R.; Blackmore, P. C.; Bowyer, J. B.; Colville-Reeves, D. S.; Cree, C. N. S.; Cross, A. F. J.; Coxwell, G. C.; Darke, L. W.; Dawson, N. G.; Dearlove, P.; de Beer, W. A.; Dods, D. M. G.; Dunlop, D. E. S.; Erleigh, P. S.; Evans, A. C.; Featherstone, R. A.; Ferguson, D. C. E.; Foster, E. H.; Gettliffe, M. J.; Goldsbury, P. C.; Gordon-Brown, B. S.; Hartley, R.; Hawarden, M. W.; Heggie, I. G.; Hipkin, P. W.; Jack, D. S.; Kaye, R. L.; Kerwin, R. M.; King, M. W.; Lapping, R. J.; Lindsay, D. C.; Mathews, R. A.; Mathieson, A. E.; Matthews, D. H.; Morgan, R. D.; Murphy, E. V.; Potgieter, M. R.; Potts, M. S.; Richardson, J. A.; Robertson, C.; Sara, S. M.; Searle, R. M.; Shepley, W. J. Q.; Shinn, R. G.; Spence, M. C.; Strong, J. E.; Torrance, J. D.; Van Driel, A. F. C.; Verseput, P. H.; Van Oertzen, K. D. W.; Walls, M. P.; Wesson, P. J. H.; Wood, R.

The Dean spoke to the College after morning chapel on the first four Tuesdays in Lent. His talks dwelt on the Transfiguration of Christ, the washing of the disciples' feet, the Last Supper, the garden of Gethsemane and the challenge of the Crucifixion. He stressed in these the need of banishing fear in the world today.

Easter fell on the 25th of March this year, two weeks before the end of term, and hence the services on Good Friday and Easter Sunday were held as usual.

### CAROL SERVICES

The carol services last year consisted of two at the school, on December 3rd and 8th, and one at the Cathedral on December 6th. Of these, perhaps the best was the last, although, as Mr. A. H. Childe remarked on Speech Day of a Carol Service sung in the School Chapel . . . "I heard carols sung as I've never heard them sung before, and I heard lessons read, as I've never heard them read before . . .," and although one



can sense an "atmosphere" peculiar to the chapel, when the College choir sing in it.

As usual, the services began with evensong, in which the choir sang the beautiful chants of the Twenty-third Psalm, the Magnificat and the Nunc Dimittis and the Sixteenth Century hymn, "Virgin-born, we bow before thee." The congregation did full justice to the office hymn, "O come, O come, Emmanuel."

The first group of carols consisted of one Latin and three English carols. The little Latin "Quem Pastores Laudavere," was set to a melody from a Fourteenth Century German manuscript and the Latin words from the original setting were sung in preference to the modern hymn. The Latin version is really intended to be sung by four choirs of boys, each one singing a line. The next carol was a lively, swiftly-moving Fifteenth Century Dutch tune to which had been set the words

"... Our Master hath a garden which fair flow'rs adorn,  
There will I go and gather both at eve and morn . . ."

Following this, the choir sang an old English carol, "Blessed be that Maid Marie," and another Dutch tune, this time Seventeenth Century, to which M. G. Manby, of the staff of St. John's College, had written the words, "Our Christ is born today."

The popular "Pangamus Melos Glorise," marked for congregation and choir, followed next. It is a strong Prague melody taken from Dreves' "Analecta Hymnica" to which Latin words are sung.

The group of three carols for the trebles alone consisted of two carols virtually unknown to the present generation of choir-members and the old Fifteenth Century favourite, "Adam lay y-bounden," set this time to music by Peter Warlock. The newer ones were the strikingly effective: "Ut hoy" and Arnold Bax's splendid carol-tune sung to Fifteenth Century words, "There is no rose of such virtue."

The three male-voice carols were all arranged by R. Vaughan Williams. The well-known and beautiful Coventry Carol was followed by a new carol, "As Joseph was a-walking," and the Mummer's carol, "O, mortal man."

The next group of carols is so well known as to warrant no detailed description, but one or two must be picked out as worthy of special comment. One such is the Sixteenth Century, "Green grow'th the holly," sung by trebles and a tenor, an arrangement that appealed to all. Another is the beautiful old French carol:

"... Away in a manger, no crib for a bed.  
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head,  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay . . ."

The evergreen "Figgy-pudding" carol was followed by a male-voice "encore," arranged by R. Vaughan Williams. The North Country "Wassail Song," and "Puer Natus" ended this



group, of which the latter carol has a magnificent harmony by Bach in the last verse.

Finally, perhaps the following may well be an appropriate message to our world today :

“... Sweet and blissful was the song,  
Chanted by the Angel throng,  
Peace on earth, Alleluya,  
In excelsis gloria . . .”

### LIBRARY NOTES

We are glad to say that the reorganisation of the library is now complete. Every book is catalogued under its author's name and we hope to be able to catalogue under titles before the end of the year.

We are sorry to have lost Mr. Lewis, who has left the staff in order to return to England. Mr. Lewis put in some very hard work during last year and it is mainly due to him that the Library is now in such excellent condition.

We welcome Mr. Crowther-Smith in the place of Mr. Lewis and are grateful to him for taking on this arduous task. To help Mr. Crowther-Smith, Anderson, L., Bull, Comrie, De Jongh, C., Dods, Kwaan, Lewis, O'Flaherty, Shuter and Whittingham have been chosen as assistant librarians.

It is hoped new books will now be added, as the library is very small at the moment. A glass case has been made for a few old books of antiquarian interest and boys are allowed to study these on application to the Librarian.

### CADET NOTES

The Detachment suffered a great loss when Captain J. D. Lewis left the staff of the School to return to England at the beginning of the year. During 1950 Captain Lewis completely reorganised the Detachment Quartermaster's Store and the Armoury, an enormous task which he carried out with an efficiency and speed which amazed those who appreciated the magnitude of the work involved. His place as Detachment Quartermaster has been taken by Captain J. M. Paterson, and the Staff of the Detachment is now as follows :—

Officer Commanding: Major H. C. Nash.

Quartermaster and Adjutant: Captain J. M. Paterson.

Senior Student Officer: Second Lieut. S. A. R. Cooke.

“A” Coy. Commander: S.O. Second Lieut. A. Bell.

“B” Coy. Commander: S.O. Second/Lieut. W. W. Macfarlane.

Platoon Commanders: S.O.'s Second/Lieuts. G. O. Parnell,  
G. D. Odgers, C. R. Freemantle, B. R. Munro, P. M.  
Todd, B. C. de Jongh, N. J. Rosser.

Drum Major: A. Tainton.

Bugle Major: A. M. Meyers.



R.S.M.: R. Kwaan.

C.Q.M.S.: C. P. Ziegenbein.

Detachment Parades continue to be held on Tuesdays at 15.00 hours, and the general standard of drill improves steadily. Great difficulty, however, is being experienced in providing training for the Artillery Platoon, owing to a crippling lack of instructors and drivers from the Permanent Force. So far, out of seven Detachment Parades held in the Lent Term, the 25 pdrs. from Auckland Park have arrived only twice, but we hope that this position will improve shortly.

Shooting practices on a voluntary basis were held three times a week before the Advent Term, and it is hoped to run a House Shooting Competition during the winter terms for which points for the Allen Cup will be awarded.

### SPEECH DAY

Speech Day was held in Big School at 3 p.m. on Saturday the 9th of December; present were the Bishop of Johannesburg, Mr. M. W. Richards, Chairman of the Council of Education, Mr. E. J. Read, the Chairman of the Council, and Mr. A. H. Childe, the Deputy-Chairman. Mr. Richards presented the prizes.

In his opening speech, Mr. Read spoke about membership of the Council, expressing regret at the resignations of men who for many years had served so well, and whose departure left us with a real sense of loss; he offered to Mr. Alan Macintosh a sincere welcome.

The Headmaster opened his annual report by endorsing Mr. Read's remarks, and by welcoming Mr. Macintosh to the Council.

On the aspect of sport, the Headmaster commented on the quality of both the Rugby football and the cricket. It could not be repeated too often, Mr. Clarke declared, that the quality of a school's football is far more important than the actual results. Speaking of the other activities of the school, the Headmaster congratulated all of them in general and the Cadet Detachment and the Dramatic Society in particular; the former on having regained something of the standard of ten years ago, the other on the success of "The Importance of Being Earnest."

Turning to the Matriculation results, Mr. Clarke expressed satisfaction, and remarked that the results in English and Afrikaans were worthy of special comment, drawing attention to the fact that there had been only one failure in Afrikaans, a boy who had very recently come to South Africa from England.

"I cannot resist the temptation to say that the improvement began long before we heard of dual-medium education," the Headmaster declared, "and, although we are pleased by our Afrikaans results of December, 1949, I am bound to add that they are no better than those of 1945." In passing, the Headmaster pointed out that, although we presented Matriculation



candidates in Biology for the first time last year, we only had one failure.

Mr. Clarke then went on to talk about the equipment of the school and how, as Pericles said some twenty-four hundred years ago, it is men, not walls, which make a city.

"One of the eternal difficulties of a Headmaster," Mr. Clarke remarked, "is the contrast between what may loosely be called the older and the newer conceptions of education. To the schoolmaster of 80 or even 50 years ago, the classroom work was largely based on the study of the Classics; industry was the great virtue; depth in knowledge and accuracy in reasoning was the aim. To-day the popular conception is different; everything is in danger of being sacrificed to make things interesting and easy. Many of to-day's changes are of course improvements—nicely-bound, well-printed and well-illustrated text-books are a very definite gain, especially for younger boys. The variety of subjects in the modern curriculum allows boys of different types of ability the full exercise of the talents they have—that is a great gain. But when I find myself looking at a number of essays, and discovering that intelligent boys who will pass Matriculation quite creditably will not take the trouble to write legibly nor to think out their argument properly, I wonder whether something of real importance has not been lost. Depth in knowledge is being sacrificed to width of superficial acquaintance and the need for accuracy and clarity of expression is ignored. Unconsciously our generation of schoolboys is acquiring a sense that hand-writing and arithmetic do not matter—you can always use a typewriter or a calculating machine; playing the piano correctly doesn't matter—you can always listen to the wireless; reading a difficult book doesn't matter, because, after all, in the Reader's Digest you can always get a summary of any book sufficiently good for you to talk about it without having read it. Older generations knew that there is no royal road to education except hard work. The newer generation is beginning to think there is, and only when it is too late will it realise that it has acquired no education at all."

In conclusion, the Headmaster thanked the teaching and the office staffs, the prefects, the Chairman of the Council, the Council, and the Ladies' Entertainment Committee in appreciation of their unceasing loyalty, energy and efficiency.

Mr. Richards then presented the prizes and, this accomplished, talked to the School. In his address Mr. Richards suggested a recipe for happiness: "Take two measures of consideration for others," he said, "and one measure of unselfishness. Mix well together and spice with humour. Add an interesting job, well beaten, and hobbies and games to taste. Cook for as long as you can over a bright smile and do not forget to keep it out of the draught."

In passing a vote of thanks to Mr. Richards, Mr. Childe made a witty and amusing speech, which was much appreciated by



the boys, after which tea was served to our visitors in the Darragh Hall.

### SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

PRESIDENT: Mr. D. H. Jeffrey.

CHAIRMAN: S. A. R. Cooke.

SECRETARY: C. P. Ziegenbein.

COMMITTEE: S. L. Whittingham, B. de Jongh, P. V. A. Davies.

In spite of the short term and the Matric. Exam., the Society had a fairly eventful Advent Term last year.

All the members of the Society were kept busy preparing their experiments for the display which was held in the laboratories at 7.15 p.m. on September 23rd. This was the first display by members for many years, and our thanks are due to Mr. Jeffrey for his untiring work in assisting us with our experiments. The School, members of the staff, and visitors were invited, and they showed a keen interest in the exhibits, especially those of the VIth Form Biology set. There were a number of interesting Physics experiments, but the Chemistry Section was woefully small.

On October 27th 18 members of the Society went on a very interesting visit to the Medical Research Laboratories, where we were shown round the various departments by Dr. de Bruijn.

On November 5th J. Ing demonstrated to the Society and a few members of the Natural History Society on "The Preparation of a Study-Skin," in which after a series of delicate operations he succeeded in removing the body of the pigeon from the skin. He then explained how the bird is mounted—a comparatively easy operation.

So far this year we have not had any lectures or demonstrations, but we are looking forward to a fairly interesting year in spite of the inconveniences imposed by the Gilbert and Sullivan rehearsals.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

PRESIDENT: Mr. Peel-Pearce.

CHAIRMAN: G. O. Parnell.

SECRETARY: O. F. Price.

COMMITTEE: C. R. Freemantle, M. Burger.

Since the last issue of "The Johannian," a competition, a lantern-slide lecture and a business meeting have been held. Mr. Bensusan very kindly judged the competition prints, and the following week, on Saturday, November 4th, he criticised them. He pointed out the main faults of the pictures and suggested various remedies.



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The results of the competition are as follows:—

### OPEN SECTION

1. "Lonely Journey" ..... O. F. Price
  2. "Birth of Energy" ..... J. E. S. Lewis
  3. "'Ndebele Children" ..... O. F. Price.  
and "Jump S.J.!" ..... D. H. Orr.
- Highly commended, "Our Daily Bread" ..... J. C. Mathieson.  
Commended: "Sixpence," R. I. Kirkman; "Dream of Life,"  
W. R. Kwaan; "Pelican Fountain," M. A. Lewin.

### JUNIOR SECTION

1. "Jump S.J.!" ..... D. H. Orr.
  2. "The Amphitheatre" ..... R. Sneddon.
  3. "Majestic" ..... D. H. Orr.
- Commended: "Falls" ..... C. Dearlove.
- On November 12th J. Ing gave our second lantern-slide lecture. This lecture was on "Night Photography," and proved far more interesting than was expected. It is regretted that only a few members were present.

At the beginning of this year a business meeting was held in which the election of the present committee took place. The constitution of the Society was read over, and precautions to be observed while using the dark-room were repeated.

The membership of the Society is now 26, of which 15 are Junior; 9 new members were accepted at the beginning of the term.

It is proposed to hold a competition in the early stages of the Easter Term.

### MUSIC SOCIETY

PRESIDENT: Mr. Hylton Edwards.

CHAIRMAN: B. Munro.

COMMITTEE: W. W. Macfarlane.

An entertaining evening was arranged for the Society during October last year, in which Mr. Jaap van Opstal gave a brilliant clarinet recital. His programme, in which he was accompanied by Mr. Hylton Edwards, was as follows:—

First Movement and Scherzo Op. 167—Saint-Saens.

Slow Movement from Grand Trio Concertante—Weber.

Song Without Words—Edward German.

Slow Movement Clarinet Concerto—Mozart.

Three Phantasy Pieces—Schumann.

A gramophone recital was held on 11th November, and the final meeting of the year was in the form of a request programme, together with a performance of Manuel da Falla's "Ritual Fire-dance," by Mr. Hylton Edwards on the piano.

This year on 17th January a piano recital was given by Mr. Hylton Edwards, and it was much appreciated by the members.



## THE JOHANNIAN

The programme, which was designed to illustrate the growth of key-board music from 1600 to the present day, was as follows:

1. Pavane, The Earle of Salisbury. (Originally for Virginals) William Byrd. (c 1542-1623)
2. Allegro, Allemande and Gigue; Suite Nos. VII & VIII for Harpsichord. Handel (1685-1759)
3. Prelude and Fugue in Bb Minor, Bk I of the Well Tempered Clavier. Bach. (1685-1750)
4. Rondo in C Major. Mozart. (1756-1791)
5. Sonata in C Minor (Pathetique).  
(a) Slow—Fast. (b) Slow—Fast (a Rondo). Beethoven. (1770-1827)
6. Waltz in Ab. Etude in Ab. Chopin. (1797-1828)
7. Warum? (Why?) Aufschung. (Soaring). Schumann. (1810-1856)
8. Rhapsody in B Minor. Brahms. (1833-1897)
9. Two Preludes: (a) La fille aux cheveux de lin. (The girl with the flaxen hair.) (b) Les sons et les parfums tournent dans l'air du soir. (The scents and sounds turning in the evening air.) Debussy. (1862-1918)
10. Windmills. Burlesque. E. J. Moeran (1894-1950)
11. The Maiden and the Nightingale. Granados. (1867-1916)
12. The Ritual Fire Dance. Manuel de Falla. (1876-1945?)

Owing to "Iolanthe," few meetings will be held this year, and it will only be in the Advent Term that the Society will again function properly.

### PHILATELIC SOCIETY

PRESIDENT: Mr. S. C. Crowther-Smith.

SECRETARY: D. M. S. Dodds.

Last October the Society visited the Philatelic Exhibition at the Selborne Hall. This outing was a great success and proved to be most interesting.

There have been very few new members from the Removes this year, which is rather surprising as the Preparatory Society was large. At present the Society has twelve members.

Owing to "Iolanthe" rehearsals meetings are held on alternate Saturday evenings. Stamp "quizzes" are held every term.

Any donations of stamps will be gratefully received.

### NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

PRESIDENT: Mr. J. M. Paterson.

CHAIRMAN: S. A. R. Cooke.

SECRETARY: C. Formby.

COMMITTEE: B. de Jongh, R. Kirkman, M. Lewin.

The Society was founded in the Advent Term of last year. It exists to promote knowledge of local flora and fauna.

The Biology Laboratory is the Society's headquarters. A great amount of work has already been done in filling the bird log and in the collection of birds' eggs and insects, which are displayed in show cabinets in the Laboratory.



A number of excursions have been made to the Melrose Bird Sanctuary and members visit the Wilds to increase their knowledge of birds and wild flowers.

Last year Mr. Paterson gave us a talk on Natural History and last year's committee lectured to us on their different sections. Towards the end of the term Mr. Reynolds, an Old Johannian and author of "The Aloes of South Africa," lectured on aloes and showed us some beautiful colour slides.

The School has very kindly let the Society have a number of books which help to increase the members' knowledge of the subject.

The future of a society of this type depends entirely on the activities of its members and the amount of their spare time they use to pursue this hobby and thereby get a great deal of enjoyment out of it.

### CRICKET NOTES

#### Advent Term 1950—1st XI Notes.

CAPTAIN: R. N. Terreblanche.

VICE-CAPTAIN: A. W. Phillips.

SECRETARY: A. R. Bell.

Of our cricket in general there is little to record beyond the fact that it appears to be in a very healthy state. The number of boys playing continues to tax our available facilities but the enthusiastic response makes the rather complicated system of staggering play throughout the week abundantly worthwhile. We have raised seven XIs to play outside fixtures and we thank those parents and members of the staff who so generously transport these teams around the town. How we would get on without them we hardly dare think.

The 1st XI might confidently have been described as a good side had it not been for their showing in their first innings against the Old Johannians. In this match, after bowling and fielding really well, we got ourselves out at a speed that was both disappointing and surprising. One could seek an excuse in the matriculation examination or the awe inspired by the Old Boys, but the sad fact is that after Phillips' disastrous running out of Patrick, just when these two looked like playing us out of trouble, our batsmen gave a lamentable display and showed an indiscriminate haste to get themselves out off good and bad ball alike. Even an unfinished stand of 100 by Patrick and Terreblanche in our second innings did little to atone for our earlier failure. Yet the fact remains that we have throughout the year proved a match and usually more than a match for our opponents. Of nine school matches we have lost only two and we were well placed in both our drawn games against Pretoria; the other five we won. This is unquestionably a good record and one which cannot altogether be obscured by our batting against the Old Johannians.



We began this term having lost Marais and J. Matthews from the XI of the Lent term. This gave opportunities to some of our batsmen lower down which they for the most part made use of—especially Bell. It was fortunate that they did so, for Terreblanche and Phillips failed to get among the big scores. Phillips' batting, after a fine innings at Pretoria, was particularly disappointing not because he batted badly but rather because he batted well and yet time and again lost his wicket just when a player of his ability and experience should have shown patience and judgment. Terreblanche just failed to get going on several occasions, but at least had the satisfaction of scoring an undefeated 59 in his last innings on the A field. All this put the responsibility for building up a big score on to the rest of the team and, apart from K.E.S. and the Old Johannians, they proved equal to the task. Bell has improved greatly and, though at times lucky, has batted well this term; his onslaught of the Parktown bowling enabled us to win before the rain came. Patrick has been much more consistent this term and is profiting rapidly from experience—which is worth far more than any amount of coaching. Matthews, Morshead, Ing and Bunyard have all made useful scores and Spencer, coming in for the Jeppe match when Phillips was ill, made a competent and invaluable 32 at a critical point.

The bowling has been definitely stronger this term than in the Lent term. The introduction of Miot to open the bowling with Bunyard was a distinct success and also allowed Phillips to revert to medium pace; he is more at home at this speed and bowled very steadily, especially against K.E.S. The main burden of wicket-taking, however, has again fallen on Keeley, and he must be accounted extremely unlucky to have missed selection for the Transvaal Nuffield XI. Though not above bowling loose balls he has boldly and accurately tossed the ball up to the batsmen and is some way towards mastering an effective googly. His record of 47 wickets in twelve matches at just over 15 runs each is indeed impressive for a schoolboy leg-spinner. With the notable exception of the Jeppe match the fielding has reached a high standard throughout the year and Bell and Morshead deserve a special word of praise in this respect. Terreblanche has done his job as captain with great competence. His catching this term has been a little shaky but his record of 20 stumpings in the season can seldom have been exceeded.

Among our other teams, the 2nd XI has been outstanding this term, winning all five matches played. To stimulate interest they seem to have staged a close finish on almost every occasion. Since only two of this XI are leaving it is a cheering sign for the immediate future. The 3rd XI and Under 14A have also done very creditably but the Under 13 give some cause for misgiving. This is no new theme. They have had a poor year though they are not altogether without ability. The time will come when it will be their turn to represent the School, and it is their responsibility now to see that by effort, perseverance and willingness to learn they make themselves capable of playing such a role with credit



to themselves and the school. They have little cause to be pleased with themselves but still less to be defeatist. There is welcome evidence that they realise this and are trying to make themselves better.

21st October, Away.

vs. Pretoria Boys' High School (Match Drawn).

Terreblanche won the toss and decided to bat first. Against fairly good bowling and keen fielding we scored freely and by lunch our total was 150. After lunch we scored about 80 in 45 minutes. Our innings of 231 had taken 170 minutes and there were then 140 minutes of playing time left. Of our batsmen Phillips scored a good 57 and Ing 36.

When Pretoria went in to bat they did not attempt to make the runs and were finally 97 for 7 wickets at close of play. Our best bowlers were Bunyard (4 for 18) and Miot (3 for 26). Our fielding was good and not one catch was dropped.

St. John's College				
Terreblanche, c. and b. Smit	15			
Bell, c. van Broemsen, b. Smit	29			
Phillips, b. Clarke	57			
Patrick, lbw., b. Smit	10			
Keeley, b. Clarke	9			
Morshead, c Hudson, b Walkley	24			
Matthews, B., st. Hudson, b. Smit	27			
Ing, b. Smit	36			
Bunyard, c. van Broemsen, b. Smit	15			
Miot, not out	2			
Todd, lbw., b. Smit	0			
Extras	7			
Total	231			

Pretoria Boys' High School				
Shorney, not out	51			
Sacke, b. Bunyard	2			
Kirtley, b. Miot	9			
Clarke, c. Todd, b. Bunyard	13			
Young, b. Miot	0			
Van Broemsen c. Terreblanche, b. Miot	2			
Ackermann, lbw., b. Bunyard	13			
Smit, c. Morshead, b. Bunyard	3			
Hudson, not out	2			
Extras	2			
Total (for seven wickets)	97			

BOWLING				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Clarke	12	—	58	2
Walkley	8	—	34	1
Young	9	—	37	—
Smit	13.8	1	61	7
Shorney	3	—	30	—
Kirtley	2	—	4	—

BOWLING				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Miot	13	3	26	3
Bunyard	9	1	18	4
Keeley	3	—	16	—
Phillips	5	3	9	—
Todd	7	1	15	—
Patrick	2	—	11	—

25th and 28th October, away.

vs. King Edward VII School (Lost by 33 runs).

Terreblanche won the toss and decided to send K.E.S. in to bat on a soft wicket that looked as if it was going to be difficult. However, it played true and slow and by tea they had scored 80 for 3 in 95 minutes. After tea wickets fell steadily and they were eventually all out for 145 at 5.30. Keeley (6 for 64) and Phillips (4 for 33) took all their wickets. Our fielding was as good as could be expected on a rough outfield.



# THE JOHANNIAN

On Wednesday evening we saw out the remaining 20 minutes without loss. On Saturday, however, the wicket was a bit faster, but this was no real excuse for our small total of 112. Ing was top scorer with 29 and Bryant (7 for 53) was their best bowler.

## K.E.S.

Bryant, c. Bell, b. Keeley	27
Burnham, b. Keeley	26
Henning c. Matthews b. Keeley	1
Teperson, b. Phillips	10
Lyell, c. Matthews, b. Keeley	30
Harris, c. Patrick, b. Keeley	12
Gray, b. Phillips	8
Broderick, b. Phillips	0
Robinson, c. Ing, b. Phillips	14
Reichman, b. Keeley	4
Grant, not out	2
Extras	9

Total 145

## S.J.C.

Terreblanche, c. Reichman, b. Bryant	9
Bell, b. Robinson	2
Phillips, c. Henning, b. Bryant	4
Patrick, b. Bryant	19
Matthews, b. Bryant	0
Morshead, lbw., b. Bryant	0
Keeley, c. Harris, b. Bryant	10
Ing, c. Harris, b. Bryant	29
Bunyard, not out	13
Miot, b. Teperson	13
Todd, b. Teperson	0
Extras	13

Total 112

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Miot	7	—	27	—
Bunyard	2	—	13	—
Keeley	19.4	3	64	6
Phillips	23	8	33	4

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bryant	17	4	53	7
Henning	2	—	5	—
Robinson	19	8	23	1
Grant	3	—	11	—
Teperson	1.6	—	7	2

8th and 11th November, Home.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School (Won by 8 wickets).

Terreblanche won the toss and decided to field. Excellent bowling by Miot caused an early collapse and after 42 minutes of play Parktown were 31 for 5. At that stage Miot's analysis was 4 for 12 in 7 overs. However, their tail wagged and finally at 5.30 they were all out for 130. Our ground fielding was good, but we dropped some catches.

Matthews and Bell saw out time that evening and on Saturday continued their partnership until Matthews was out at 67. Another wicket fell and finally we passed their score with Bell (79 not out) and Patrick (14 not out) at the wicket.

## Parktown B.H.S.

Baumslag, b. Miot	5
Lacey, b. Miot	21
Pistorius, b. Miot	2
Ryley, c. Bunyard, b. Keeley	1
Baxter, b. Miot	0
Sheppard, b. Bunyard	10
Wood, b. Miot	24
Sabbagh, run out	17
Lahner, st. Terreblanche, b. Keeley	34
Noke, not out	12
Isenburg, st. Terreblanche, b. Keeley	0

Extras	4
Total	130

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bunyard	6	2	19	1
Miot	15	4	26	5
Phillips	11	5	20	—
Keeley	13.8	4	45	3
Todd	5	—	16	—



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S.J.C.		BOWLING			
Bell, not out	79	O.	M.	R.	W.
Matthews, c. and b. Ryley	31	Pistorius	13	3	36 —
Phillips, c. Sabbagh, b. Ryley	6	Ryley	14	2	57 2
Patrick, not out	14	Wood	1	—	11 —
Extras	6	Shepherd	5	—	26 —
Total (for two wickets)		136			

15th and 18th November, Home.

vs. Jeppe High School (Won by 66 runs).

Jeppe won the toss and put us in to bat. At tea we had scored 129 for 3, but after tea there was a minor collapse and we were 160 for 7. A spirited seventh wicket partnership of 61 helped our total along and finally we were all out for 245. Littleford (6 for 71) was their best bowler.

Right from the beginning Jeppe hit hard and at tea were 130 for four. After tea Gill was out for a hard-hit but lucky 98 in 93 minutes and then they collapsed. Their ninth wicket fell for 154 at 5.20, but it took us 40 minutes and the new ball to get them all out, the last wicket falling in the last over of the day. Our bowlers all bowled well but were let down by bad fielding. Altogether we missed about five catches.

S.J.C.		Jeppe B.H.S.	
Terreblanche, c. Littleford, b. Fullerton	45	Gill, st. Terreblanche, b. Keeley	98
Bell, b. Ritchie	22	Young, b. Miot	2
Matthews, b. Littleford	29	Ritchie, b. Matthews	24
Patrick, b. Littleford	47	Fullerton, b. Matthews	0
Ing, c. Young, b. Ritchie	8	Perkes, lbw., b. Bunyard	8
Morshead, b. Littleford	5	Miskin, run out	5
Keeley, c. Mason, b. Littleford	1	Krafft, c. Patrick, b. Keeley	5
Spencer, c. Adendorff, b. Littleford	32	Dukes, c. Bell, b. Todd	4
Bunyard, lbw., b. Littleford	29	Mason, c. Patrick, b. Todd	1
Miot, not out	5	Adendorff c. Morshead b. Miot	21
Todd, lbw., b. Ritchie	7	Littleford, not out	4
Extras	13	Extras	7
Total	245	Total	179

BOWLING					BOWLING				
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Ritchie	8.5	1	40	3	Miot	8.2	1	31	2
Littleford	20	4	71	6	Bunyard	4	1	18	1
Fullerton	14	—	66	1	Keeley	16	3	59	2
Adendorff	7	—	39	—	Matthews	6	2	41	2
Mason	2	1	7	—	Todd	10	2	19	2
Krafft	1	—	7	—	Patrick	1	—	4	—

22nd November, Home.

vs. Mr. Walshe's XI (Match drawn).

As usual, Mr. Walshe's XI batted first and hit hard right



from the beginning. After 104 minutes of play they were all out for 198. Our fielding was an improvement on the Jeppe game, but even so could have been a lot better. Keeley's length was a bit erratic, but he nevertheless got the figures of 8 for 95.

When we went in we had to score 199 runs in about 100 minutes. Two wickets fell soon and at 5.25 when rain stopped play we had scored 107 for 2 in 63 minutes with Bell (44 not out) and Patrick (20 not out) still at the crease.

**Mr. Walshe's XI**

Seccombe, st. Terreblanche, b. Keeley	84
Millar, st. Terreblanche, b. Keeley	35
Andrew, c. Ing, b. Keeley	21
Witte, c. Miot, b. Keeley	24
Macfarlane, st. Terreblanche, b. Keeley	35
Lawrie, c. Bell, b. Phillips	20
Purdy, c. Morshead, b. Keeley	0
Stanton, st. Terreblanche, b. Keeley	6
Morris, c. Ing, b. Keeley	0
Helps, not out	5
Extras	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>198</b>

**S.J.C.**

Terreblanche, c. Lawrie, b. Purdy	14
Bell, not out	44
Phillips, c. Lawrie, b. Purdy	7
Patrick, not out	20
Extras	22

Total (for two wickets) 107

**BOWLING**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Miot	5	—	24	—
Bunyard	2	—	14	—
Keeley	12	—	95	8
Phillips	9.1	—	62	1

**BOWLING**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Helps	3	—	16	—
Purdy	3	—	19	2
Andrew	4	—	23	—
Lawrie	6	—	23	—
Stanton	2.1	1	4	—

25th November, Home.

vs. Old Johannians (Lost by 195 runs).

An all-day match was arranged and as the Old Johannians had a bye in their league matches they were able to field their first league team. They batted first and by lunch had scored 198. Then 50 minutes after lunch they declared at 258 for 7. Our fielding was fairly good but there were a few bad lapses.

Our innings of 63 all out was a pathetic failure, although Bruce Mitchell bowled very well to take 2 for 4 in 8 overs. After tea we batted again and this time scored 125 for 2, with Terreblanche (59) and Patrick (56) not out at the end of play.

**Old Johannians**

Mitchell, c. Ing, b. Keeley	52
Grieverson, st. Terreblanche, b. Phillips	38
Welsh, R., c. and b. Keeley	1
James, c. and b. Keeley	15
Macfarlane, st. Terreblanche, b. Phillips	1
Jeffries, c. Ing, b. Miot	73
Andrew c. Patrick b. Bunyard	13
Endean, not out	37

Welsh, N., not out	18
Paxton and Clarke, did not bat	
Extras	10

Total (for seven wickets) 258

**BOWLING**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Miot	11	1	51	1
Bunyard	10	—	31	1
Keeley	14	—	113	2
Phillips	14	2	53	3



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S.J.C. (First Innings).		Phillips, c. Mitchell, b. Clarke	1			
Terreblanche, c. Endean, b.		Patrick, not out	56			
Paxton	1	Extras	0			
Bell, b. Paxton	7					
Phillips, c. Mitchell, b. Andrew	24	Total (for two wickets)	125			
Patrick, run out	8					
Matthews, c. Paxton, b. Andrew	7					
Morshead, not out	9					
Ing, c. and b. Andrew	6					
Bunyard, b. Mitchell	1					
Keeley, c. and b. Mitchell	0					
Miot, c. James, b. Andrew	0					
Todd, lbw., b. Andrew	0					
Extras	0					
Total	63					
S.J.C. (Second Innings)		BOWLING				
Terreblanche, not out	59		O.	M.	R.	W.
Bell, c. and b. Clarke	9	Clarke	8	1	18	2
		Welsh, N.	6	1	20	—
		Paxton	4	2	6	—
		Mitchell	2	—	8	—
		Grieverson	3	—	19	—
		Jeffries	2	—	11	—
		James	3	—	13	—
		Welsh, R.	3	—	14	—
		Macfarlane	2	—	16	—
		Andrew	1	—	3	—

## 1950 AVERAGES

### BATTING

	Innings	H.S.	N.O.	Runs	Average
Terreblanche	12	147*	2	453	45.3
Morshead	10	88	4	256	42.7
Patrick	13	165	3	376	37.6
Bell	9	79*	2	197	28.1
J. Matthews	6	38	—	151	25.2
Bunyard	7	29	3	94	23.5
Ing	4	36	—	79	19.7
Phillips	12	57	—	229	19.1
Keeley	9	36	3	107	17.9
Marais	6	35	—	102	17.0
B. Matthews	8	31	—	128	16.0
Miot	5	13	2	20	6.7
Todd	4	7	—	7	1.7

### ALSO BATTED

Spencer	1	32	—	32	32
Y. K. Bosman	1	1*	1	1	—

\* Not Out

### BOWLING

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Keeley	167.5	26	710	47	15.11
Miot	67.2	12	203	13	15.62
Bunyard	87	14	257	15	17.13
Phillips	144.1	38	404	21	19.23
B. Matthews	37	9	134	6	22.7
Todd	22	3	50	2	25.00



**Also Bowled**

Bosman .....	17	2	69	—	—
Patrick .....	9	1	63	—	—
Morshead .....	2	—	16	—	—

**CATCHES**

Patrick 10; Morshead 7; Ing, Keeley, Terreblanche 5; Phillips, Bell 4; Marais 3; B. Matthews 2; Bunyard, Miot, J. Matthews, Todd 1.

**STUMPINGS**

Terreblanche 20.

**1950 COLOUR AWARDS**

Full Colours confirmed: R. N. Terreblanche, A. W. Phillips, P. J. Keeley.

Half Colours: A. R. Bell, W. E. Patrick, A. B. H. Matthews, G. V. Morshead, P. J. C. Bunyard, J. R. Miot, J. Ing.

**TRANSVAAL NUFFIELD SCHOOLS XI**

R. N. Terreblanche and A. W. Phillips were chosen to represent Transvaal in the Nuffield Schools Week — the former as vice-captain.

**OLD JOHANNIAN AWARDS**

The Old Johannian Association kindly presented bats to the following:—

R. N. Terreblanche — Batting.

P. J. Keeley — Bowling.

**FIELDING PRIZE**

A cup, from a recent bequest to St. John's College by the late Mr. W. H. Allen, has been presented as a school fielding prize. It will be awarded annually as a floating trophy.

1950 award — A. R. Bell.

**SECOND ELEVEN**

vs. Pretoria Boys' High School.

P.B.H.S.: 135 (Smith 3 for 15, Olsen 2 for 15).

S.J.C.: 198 for 5 (MacDonald 64, Spencer 51).

Won by seven wickets.



## THE JOHANNIAN

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vs. King Edward VII School.

K.E.S.: 215 (Bosman 5 for 65, Olsen 2 for 33).

S.J.C.: 216 for 8 (MacDonald 103 not out).

Won by two wickets.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 81 (Tooley 33).

Parktown: 78 (Bosman 3 for 3, MacDonald 3 for 14).

S.J.C.: 119 (Freemantle 48, Duckworth 30 not out).

Parktown: 8 for 2 wickets.

Won by three runs on first innings.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School

S.J.C.: 213 (Duckworth 61 not out, Bosman 40, Van der Linde 36).

Jeppe: 192 (Duckworth 3 for 43, Bosman 3 for 45, MacDonald 2 for 40).

Won by 21 runs.

vs. Old Johannians.

Old Johannians: 166 (Macdonald 4 for 51, Bosman 2 for 24, Duckworth 2 for 28).

S.J.C.: 177 (Tooley 77, Macdonald 35).

Won by three wickets.

### THIRD ELEVEN

vs. Pretoria Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 199 for 7 declared (Russell 43, Wilkinson, C., 35, Jackson 35).

P.B.H.S.: 176 for 6 (Marais 2 for 2, Wilkinson, C., 2 for 56, English 2 for 64).

Match Drawn.

vs. King Edward VII School.

K.E.S.: 110 (English 8 for 32).

S.J.C.: 259 (Odgers 76, English 63, Wilkinson, C., 40).

K.E.S.: 150 for 6 (English 3 for 66).

Won by 149 runs.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

Parktown: 122 (English 4 for 57, Wilkinson, C., 3 for 40, Odgers 2 for 32).

S.J.C.: 73.

Parktown: 86 (Foot 5 for 26, Berge 4 for 25).

Lost by 49 runs on first innings.



## THE JOHANNIAN

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vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 161 (Wilkinson, C., 67, Parnell 25).

Jeppe: 269 (Jackson 4 for 45, Odgers 4 for 48, Wilkinson, C., 2 for 70).

Lost by 108 runs.

### UNDER 14 "A"

vs. Pretoria Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 220 for 5 declared (Robinson, W., 98 not out, Coxwell, 66).

P.B.H.S.: 116 for 7 (Coxwell 3 for 24).

Match Drawn.

vs. King Edward VII School.

K.E.S.: 200 for 8 declared (Harris 4 for 38).

S.J.C.: 67.

Lost by 133 runs.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

Parktown: 159 (Coxwell 3 for 43, Harris 2 for 10).

S.J.C.: 166 for 8 (Dodson 41 not out, Wallers 39).

Won by two wickets.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 229 for 9 declared (Kerwin 53 not out, Gettliffe, R., 44, Wallers 36).

Jeppe: 66 (Coxwell 4 for 24, Van As 3 for 23).

Won by 163 runs.

### UNDER 14 "B"

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

Parktown: 48 (Blackwell 3 for 7).

S.J.C.: 25.

Parktown: 49 for 4 declared (Robbertze 2 for 10).

S.J.C.: 23 for 3.

Lost by 23 runs on first innings.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School

Jeppe: 95 for 5 declared (Morton, H., 4 for 18).

S.J.C.: 10 for 1.

Match drawn.



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### UNDER 13 "A"

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.  
 Parktown: 111 for 7 declared (Hawarden 4 for 14).  
 S.J.C.: 23.

Lost by 88 runs.

vs. King Edward VII School.  
 S.J.C.: 33 (Smith 13).  
 K.E.S.: 78 for 5 declared (Walls 3 for 11).  
 S.J.C.: 21 for no wickets (Smith 13 not out).  
 Lost by nine wickets on first innings.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.  
 Jeppe: 122 for 3 declared.  
 S.J.C.: 56 (Smith 15).  
 Lost by 66 runs.

vs. Highlands North High School.  
 S.J.C.: 113 (Stafford 41, Spence 32).  
 H.N.H.S.: 80 for no wicket.  
 Match drawn.

### SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR 1950 SEASON

	P.	W.	L.	D.
First Eleven .....	11	5	3	3
Second Eleven .....	11	8	2	1
Third Eleven .....	8	3	4	1
Under 14 "A" .....	8	4	2	2
Under 14 "B" .....	5	0	4	1
Under 13 "A" .....	7	0	6	1
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>50</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>9</b>

### "THE WILLOWS" CRICKET TOUR

The highly successful "Willows" tour of Natal last year was repeated at the beginning of the Christmas holidays. The weather was not as kind to us as in the previous year, but the tour was again most enjoyable both on and off the field owing to the kindness and hospitality of our hosts.

Results of matches: Played 8, Won 4, Lost 1, Drew 3.



**LENT TERM, 1951**

**Captain of Cricket:** A. R. Bell.

**Vice-Captain:** A. B. H. Matthews.

**Secretary:** W. E. Patrick.

With well over two hundred boys playing cricket this term our ground space and coaching staff continue to be over-taxed, but the enthusiasm remains keen and the D field has seen many tense struggles in the Junior League, occasionally interrupted by tree-climbing expeditions to retrieve a lost cricket ball. With the co-operation of parents and staff in providing transport we have fielded six regular teams, and a seventh called either the 'Planets,' when composed entirely of League players, or the 4th XI, when strengthened by players from the 3rd XI nets. All the teams have had a reasonably good season, the 2nd XI again being the most successful, and the most junior teams — the Under 14 B and the Under 13 A — although still weak, have improved on last year's performances.

The 1st XI suffered a great loss in Mr. Hall's departure to England. His sound and impartial judgment, absence of fuss, and undemonstrative control of the team had given them increased confidence and had led to a successful season. Five players remained from this side: and, though all the principal bowlers had left, there appeared to be a strong batting nucleus for the new XI. The batting, however, was inconsistent, and the bowling, backed by good fielding, proved adequate to the occasion. In particular Matthews — who bowled fast medium with the new ball and slow medium later — and Macdonald bowled extremely steadily, and with intelligent variation of pace and direction proved difficult to score off: batsmen who tried to go for the runs found it difficult to do this in safety. The other bowlers all suffered from lack of control and bowled far too many loose balls, though both Smith and Patrick bowled well at times.

Only once were we given a good start by the opening batsmen: Patrick was apt to be out to a weak stroke at the beginning of the innings, but on the two occasions when he got going he scored centuries; Bell was unlucky to be run out in his last two matches. Of the new batsmen Russell and Van der Linde were consistent and played valuable innings.

The team did well in their first four matches, two of which were badly interfered with by rain, and had an excellent and convincing win over Pretoria. Bell, often faced with difficult positions, handled the side and its limited bowling excellently. Against K.E.S., however, in the last match we gave a most disappointing performance. Well on top when K.E.S. opened and with the score at 61 for 5 we should never have allowed them to score 172, and when our turn came to bat an unfortunate run out was followed by a depressing series of batting failures. Nevertheless the team has shown its quality and can look forward confidently to the fourth term.



In the house matches, though Hill House won both the senior and junior cups, the sides were more even than expected, the only team failing to win at least one match being Thomson's juniors. The most remarkable result in the seniors was Thomson's defeat of the much stronger Nash XI, who appeared to lack fighting spirit after their defeat by Hills; the most remarkable individual performance was that of Patrick, who scored a century in each match and, with Lee, took part in three successive opening partnerships of well over a hundred.

7th and 10th February, Home.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School (Match Drawn).

Jeppe won the toss and put us in to bat, with rain threatening. We had only batted for three minutes when it began to rain. The score was then one wicket for no runs. After 15 minutes play resumed, with Bell batting very confidently. He was later bowled by Ritchie for 31. Russell, playing his first match for the First Eleven, scored a good 37. Their best bowler was Littleford (6 for 68).

We continued our innings on Saturday and were all out for 167 at 3.30 p.m. We batted very slowly in bad weather, their bowling being very steady.

Jeppe started off well, but after their opening pair went, no other batsmen seemed to shape well, and by the end of play they were 8 wickets down for 122. Our fielding was excellent throughout the afternoon. Macdonald and Smith were our best bowlers, each taking three wickets.

S.J.C.				
Patrick, c. Gill, b. Ritchie	0			
Bell, b. Ritchie	31			
Macdonald, lbw., b. Fullerton	19			
Matthews, b. Littleford	8			
Morshead, c. Bray, b. Littleford	22			
Russell, not out	37			
Van der Linde, c. Gill, b. Ritchie	16			
Todd, c. Harding, b. Littleford	2			
Bosman, b. Littleford	0			
Olsen, lbw., b. Littleford	16			
Smith, lbw., b. Littleford	5			
Extras	11			
Total	167			

BOWLING				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ritchie	19	1	57	3
Littleford	20.1	2	68	6
Bray	5	0	22	0
Fullerton	5	3	9	1

Jeppe B.H.S.				
Gill, c. Russell, b. Smith	26			
Young, c. Russell, b. Matthews	47			
Perks, c. Patrick, b. Macdonald	0			
Fullerton, lbw., b. Macdonald	15			
Ritchie, c. Bell, b. Macdonald	2			
Marshall, b. Smith	17			
Harding, run out	2			
Levy, b. Smith	2			
Rosenberg, not out	3			
Bray, not out	1			
Extras	5			
Total (for eight wickets)	122			

BOWLING				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Matthews	6	2	6	1
Olsen	2	0	10	0
Smith	13	1	47	3
Macdonald	12	4	29	3
Todd	4	0	25	0
Patrick	1	1	0	0



14th and 17th February, Home.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School (Match Drawn).

We began our innings at 2.15 p.m. Our opening pair started off quite well but with only 18 runs on the board Bell was caught. Macdonald joined Patrick but was soon out off the bowling of Pistorius. Matthews then came in and settled down to score a good 39. Russell played another steady innings of 33. Late in our innings Patrick was bowled by Pistorius after scoring a very good 122. Van der Linde and Bosman played out time. On Saturday Bell was able to declare at 257 for 7 wickets.

Parktown did not have the intention of trying to reach our score, with the result that they batted very slowly, with Wood making 33 and Pistorius 28. In the tea interval it began to rain and we were unable to continue the match. Parktown were then 87 for two. Our bowling was very steady, particularly that of Macdonald's, and our fielding again was very good. Morshead got an excellent run out.

**S.J.C.**

Bell, c. Wood, b. Pistorius	9
Patrick, b. Pistorius	122
Macdonald, c. Knudsen, b. Pistorius	0
Matthews, c. and b. Pistorius	39
Morshead, lbw., b. Pistorius	2
Russell, c. and b. Talbot	33
Van der Linde, not out	17
Todd, b. Pistorius	15
Bosman, not out	1
Extras	19

Total (for seven wickets, declared) 257

**BOWLING**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pistorius	16	0	72	6
Grote	8	0	24	0
Wood	14	1	71	0
Hutchinson	4	2	16	0
Talbot	11	0	55	1

**Parktown B.H.S.**

Hutchinson, b. Macdonald	14
Wood, not out	34
Baxter, run out	0
Pistorius, not out	28
Extras	12

Total (for two wickets) 88

**BOWLING**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Smith	7	1	27	0
Olsen	2	0	7	0
Macdonald	8	4	12	1
Matthews	9	5	13	0
Patrick	7	2	17	0

21st February, Home.

vs. Mr. Walshe's XI (Match Drawn)

Mr. Walshe's XI were given a good start of 88 by Welsh and MacFarlane, and then James and MacFarlane took the score to 122. Against batsmen who were hitting the ball hard our fielding never relaxed and was rewarded by a good run out. The bowling also remained steady, and Smith made James play with care even when he was well set. At tea Walshe's XI declared.

Our innings started disastrously with Thompson bowling Patrick and Macdonald in his first over. Our middle batsmen saved the game for us, however, by making some good scores, especially Van der Linde, who made 34 not out.



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## Mr. Walshe's XI

Welsh, c. Van der Linde, b. Smith	51
MacFarlane, c. Russell, b. Macdonald	44
James, run out	59
Winslow, c. Freemantle, b. Smith	13
Nel, not out	9
Andrews, b. Olsen	0
Lawrie, not out	5
Extras	9

Total (for five wickets, declared) 190

## S.J.C.

Patrick, b. Thompson	0
Bell, c. James, b. Thompson	9
Macdonald, b. Thompson	0
Matthews, c. Thompson, b. Andrew	26
Morshead, b. Lawrie	27
Russell, st. James, b. Andrew	20
Van der Linde, not out	34
Freemantle, b. Lawrie	1
Todd, run out	6
Olsen, not out	19
Extras	24

Total (for eight wickets) 166

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Smith	12	3	66	2
Olsen	9	0	48	1
Macdonald	5	0	49	1
Matthews	2	0	18	0

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Thompson	5	1	27	3
Nel	4	1	25	0
Lawrie	9	0	53	2
Andrew	7	1	27	2
Isaacs	2	0	8	0
Winslow	1	0	2	0

24th February, Away.

vs. Pretoria Boys' High School (Won by five wickets)

Pretoria won the toss and decided to bat, play starting at 10.20 a.m. The first three wickets fell quickly for 26 runs, and by lunch time, after 145 minutes' play, Pretoria had scored only 110 for 6 wickets. After lunch, in spite of the usual torrid Pretoria heat, our fielding maintained a high standard, and although two catches were dropped, this was our best performance in the field of the term. Macdonald and Matthews both bowled well for their four wickets each.

Our innings began at 3.30, leaving us 135 minutes to get 205 runs. Bell and Patrick began attacking the bowling hard after the first two or three overs and scored 48 in the half hour before tea. Shortly after tea, however, Bell was unfortunately run out for an aggressive 40. Macdonald and Matthews helped Patrick in useful stands, and though wickets fell, reducing the scoring rate, we were able to pass their score with three minutes to spare.

## P.B.H.S.

Frayne, c. Todd, b. Matthews	0
Burke, b. Smith	13
Kirtley, lbw., b. Matthews	2
Marran, lbw., b. Matthews	26
Bourquin, c. Patrick, b. Macdonald	69
Drake, c. Patrick, b. Macdonald	26
Sacke, b. Macdonald	0
Fraser, b. Macdonald	33
Opperman, c. Van der Linde, b. Patrick	14
Hicklin, lbw., b. Matthews	2

Bauser, not out	5
Extras	14

Total 204

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Matthews	23	10	48	4
Olsen	8	1	29	0
Smith	9	0	17	1
Macdonald	17	6	37	4
Patrick	7.7	0	44	1
Todd	3	0	15	0



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## S.J.C.

Bell, run out .....	40
Patrick, not out .....	109
Macdonald, b. Drake .....	16
Morshead, st. Bourquin, b. Drake .....	0
Matthews, b. Burke .....	22
Olsen, b. Marran .....	5
Russell, not out .....	5
Extras .....	9

Total (for five wickets) 206

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Drake .....	13	0	58	2
Fraser .....	6	0	48	0
Opperman .....	2	0	16	0
Bauser .....	4	0	34	0
Burke .....	4	0	17	1
Marran .....	3	0	24	1

28th February and 3rd March, Away.

vs. King Edward VII School (Lost by 10 runs)

King Edward's won the toss and decided to bat. Their first wicket fell at 13, and after an hour's play they had lost five wickets for 61 runs. Penn and Ettlinger, however, were able to restore the position by a stand of 78 runs, and Ettlinger stayed till the score was 166. The remaining wickets fell quickly. Our fielding suffered on the extremely uneven outfield, and our performance was disappointing after the previous match.

We opened our innings forty minutes before the close of the first day's play. With the score at 13, Bell was again run out. Two more wickets fell in the last over of play, when the score was 39 for 3. Hopes that the middle batsmen would again be able to manage a recovery were not fulfilled, and we were all out for 63.

## K.E.S.

Harris, lbw., b. Olsen .....	1
Ettlinger, lbw., b. Matthews .....	67
Teperson, lbw., b. Macdonald .....	14
Hunter, c. Patrick, b. Matthews .....	1
Lyle, c. Patrick, b. Matthews .....	4
Broderick, b. Todd .....	5
Penn, c. Macdonald, b. Patrick .....	36
Russell, b. Matthews .....	9
Toms, st. Russell, b. Patrick .....	1
Reichman, not out .....	3
Grant, run out .....	1
Extras .....	30
Total .....	172

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Matthews .....	9.3	1	24	4
Olsen .....	6	0	25	1
Smith .....	1	0	12	0
Macdonald .....	9	2	16	1
Todd .....	4	0	21	1
Patrick .....	12	1	44	2

## S.J.C.

Bell, run out .....	7
Patrick, st. Reichman, b. Grant .....	13
Macdonald, lbw., b. Grant .....	13
Matthews, c. Reichman, b. Toms .....	1
Morshead, c. Toms, b. Grant .....	9
Russell, c. Reichman, b. Toms .....	0
Van der Linde, c. Reichman, b. Toms .....	5
Freemantle, not out .....	4
Todd, b. Toms .....	1
Olsen, b. Grant .....	1
Smith, st. Reichan, b. Grant .....	1
Extras .....	8
Total .....	63

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Russell .....	4	0	19	0
Penn .....	3	0	12	0
Toms .....	5	3	8	4
Grant .....	4.7	0	16	5

## Batting Averages, Lent Term, 1951.

	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average
W. E. Patrick .....	5	1	122	244	61.0
R. H. van der Linde ..	4	2	34*	72	36.0



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H. Russell .....	5	2	37*	95	31.7
A. R. Bell .....	5	0	40	96	19.2
A. B. H. Matthews ..	5	0	39	96	19.2
G. V. Morshead .....	5	0	27	60	12.0
D. A. Olsen .....	4	1	19*	31	10.3
C. E. Macdonald .....	5	0	19	48	9.6
P. M. Todd .....	4	0	15	24	6.0
C. R. Freemantle .....	2	1	4*	5	5.0
J. S. Smith .....	2	0	5	6	3.0
Y. K. Bosman .....	2	1	1*	1	1.0

### Bowling Averages

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Average
A. B. H. Matthews .....	49.3	18	109	9	12.1
C. E. Macdonald .....	51	16	143	10	14.3
J. S. Smith .....	42	5	169	6	28.1
W. E. Patrick .....	27.6	4	105	3	35.0
D. A. Olsen .....	27	1	119	2	59.5
P. M. Todd .....	11	0	61	1	61.0

**Catches:** Patrick 5; Russell 3; Van der Linde 2; Bell, Freemantle, Macdonald, Todd 1 each.

**Stumpings:** Russell 1.

## SECOND ELEVEN

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.

Jeppe: 89 (Foot 4 for 39, G. Odgers 4 for 29).

S.J.C.: 91 (G. Odgers 24).

Jeppe (second innings): 56 for 4 wickets decl. (Foot 4 for 22).

S.J.C. (second innings): 23 for 2 wickets.

Won by two wickets on first innings.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

S. J. C.: 89 (Parnell 32, MacPhail 17 not out).

Parktown: 115 (G. Odgers 4 for 37).

S.J.C.: (second innings): 40 for 1.

Lost by three wickets on first innings.

vs. Highlands North High School First Eleven.

S.J.C.: 239 for four wickets declared (Tooley 114 not out, C. Wilkinson 57, G. Parnell 37).

Highlands North: 83 (Y. Bosman 4 for 10).

Won by 156 runs.



vs. Pretoria Boys' High School.

P.B.H.S.: 235 (G. Odgers 3 for 27, Y. Bosman 3 for 85).

S.J.C.: 238 for 8 (Tooley 61, Jackson 51, Y. Bosman 38 not out, Thorburn 32).

Won by two wickets.

vs. King Edward VII School.

K.E.S.: 114 (English 4 for 35, G. Odgers 3 for 29).

S.J.C.: 287 for 3 wickets declared (English 90, Tooley 79 not out, Y. Bosman 55 not out, G. Parnell 48).

K.E.S. (second innings): 175 for 6 (Y. Bosman 4 for 36).

Won by 10 wickets on first innings.

### THIRD ELEVEN

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.

Jeppe: 179 (Orr 6 for 46).

S.J.C.: 104 (Wallers 25, Lee 23).

Lost by 75 runs.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 87 (Wallers 22, Hornby 16).

Parktown: 85 (Coxwell 5 for 27, Van As 4 for 30).

S.J.C. (second innings): 76 for 6 wickets (Wallers 36, Wilkinson, D., 30).

Won by two runs on first innings.

vs. Pretoria Boys' High School.

P.H.B.S.: 209 (Van As 4 for 63, Coxwell 3 for 37).

S.J.C.: 178 for 9 wickets (Wallers 35, Robinson 23, Verity 49, Dodson 30).

Match drawn.

vs. King Edward VII School.

K.E.S.: 243 for 9 wickets declared (Van As 4 for 58).

S.J.C.: 224 for 9 wickets (Gettliffe 67, Lee 45, Dodson 36).

Match drawn.

### FOURTH ELEVEN

February 17th, v. King Edward VII School 4th XI.

S.J.C.: 111 for 7 wickets (Harris, R. J., 27, Mihaletos 25, Gettliffe, R., 24 not out).

No result: rain stopped play.

February 24th, v. St. George's Home 1st XI.

S.J.C.: 139 for 9 wickets declared (Kwaan 54, Hornby 34).

St. George's: 119 for 7 wickets (Hornby 4 for 26).

Match drawn.



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March 1st and 5th, v. King Edward VII School 4th XI.  
S.J.C.: 211 for 9 wickets dec. (Torrance, B., 72, Harris, R. J., 44).  
K.E.S.: 91 (Torrance, B., 4 for 17, Buchanan 3 for 13).  
Won by 110 runs.

### THE LEAGUE XI (PLANETS).

February 7th, v. Jeppe Boys' High School 4th XI.  
Jeppe: 105 for 7 declared (Buchanan 3 for 27).  
Planets: 58 (Harris, R. J., 29).  
Lost by 47 runs.

February 21st, v. Forest High School 2nd XI.  
Planets: 84 (Kwaan 32).  
Forest High: 65 for 7 wickets (Buchanan 3 for 34).  
Match drawn.

February 28th, v. Parktown Boys' High School 4th XI.  
Planets: 204 for 4 wickets dec. (Torrance 87, Harris, R. J., 43).  
Parktown: 145 for 8 wickets (Buchanan 3 for 51).  
Match drawn.

### UNDER 15

February 14th, v. Highlands North High School under 15.  
Highlands North: 160 (Dunlop 3 for 17, Morton, H. V., 2 for 9).  
S.J.C.: 57 (Gettliffe, R., 22).  
Lost by 103 runs.

### UNDER 14A.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.  
Jeppe: 113 for 8 declared (Hughes 26, Garrett 5 for 44).  
S.J.C.: 118 for 8 (Mathieson, A. E., 40 not out).  
Match won by two wickets.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.  
Parktown: 168 (Berger 68, Pope 5 for 47).  
S.J.C.: 115 for 1 (Dwyer 61 not out, Dalling 21).  
Match drawn: rain stopped play.

vs. Pretoria Boys' High School.  
S.J.C.: 203 for 8 dec. (Lapping 50, Stafford 50, Hogg 41 not out).  
Pretoria: 162 for 4 (Spritz 47, Cowie 35 not out, De Vehl 32 not out).  
Match drawn.



vs. King Edward VII School.

K.E.S.: 208 for 4 dec. (Herbert 63, Blumenthal 63, Garrett 2 for 37).

S.J.C.: 89 (Wheal 26, Kaiser 5 for 35, Bond 4 for 14).

Match lost by 119 runs.

### UNDER 14B.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 51 (Turner 17).

Jeppe: 78 (Wheal 3 for 4).

Lost by 3 wickets.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

S.J.C.: 96 (Wheal 30, Setchell 23).

Parktown: 37 for 8 (Gardner 2 for 5, Gibbard 1 for 2, Spence 1 for 2).

Match drawn.

vs. Forest Hill High School.

S.J.C.: 49.

Forest High: 64 for 8 (Wheal 4 for 9).

Lost by 4 wickets.

vs. King Edward VII School.

S.J.C.: 90 (Knight, K. C., 28).

K.E.S.: 62 (Murphy 3 for 8, Gardner 2 for 9).

Won by 28 runs.

### UNDER 13A.

vs. Jeppe Boys' High School.

Jeppe: 67 for 5 (Sander 2 for 8, Formby 2 for 19).

S.J.C.: 15 for 6.

Match drawn.

vs. Highlands North High School.

H.N.H.S.: 73 (Ramus 4 for 10, Odgers 2 for 10).

S.J.C.: 103 (Morton, R. A., 19).

Won by 30 runs.

vs. Parktown Boys' High School.

Parktown: 105 for 3.

Match abandoned.

vs. King Edward VII School.

K.E.S.: 80 for 8 declared (Formby 3 for 7, Norris 2 for 16).

S.J.C.: 36.

Lost by 44 runs.



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## SUMMARY OF RESULTS — Lent Term, 1951.

	P	W	L	D
1st XI - - - - -	5	1	1	3
2nd XI - - - - -	5	4	1	0
3rd XI - - - - -	4	1	1	2
4th XI, Planets, U 15	7	1	2	4
Under 14 A - - - - -	4	1	1	2
Under 14 B - - - - -	4	1	2	1
Under 13 A - - - - -	4	1	1	2
Total	33	10	9	14

The 1st XI photographs for the past twenty years have been collected and placed in an album for record purposes. Unfortunately the photographs for the years 1932, 1933, 1938, 1939, 1940 and 1941 are missing and the photographer's negatives were destroyed in a fire. Would any Old Johannian who possesses copies of the photographs for these years, and who is prepared to give them to the College, or to lend them to be copied, please get in touch with the Master in charge of Cricket?

## ATHLETIC NOTES, 1951

Captain of Athletics : A. M. Meyers.

## TABLOID SPORTS

The Annual Athletic Tabloid Sports were held on Saturday, March 31st. As usual all boys who were medically fit — about 300 — participated.

List of College Tabloid Events and Standards; the results are added :

	Open	Under 16	Under 15	Under 14	Under 13	% Passes
100 yards	12 secs.	12.5 secs.	13.2 secs.	13.8 secs.	14.2 secs.	58.1%
220 yards	—	—	—	—	34 secs.	38.1%
440 yards	—	—	74 secs.	78 secs.	—	69.9%
880 yards	2m. 35secs.	2m. 45secs.	—	—	—	72.2%
Hurdles	18(110)	18(110L)	18(100)	18(90)	19.5(90)	47%
High Jump	4ft. 7in.	4ft. 4in.	4ft. 2in.	4ft.	3ft. 9in.	54.1%
Long Jump	15ft.	14ft.	13ft.	12ft. 6in.	11ft. 6in.	72.3%
Shot Putt	28(12lbs.)	28(10lbs.)	—	—	—	43.8%
% Passes	69.3%	57.9%	59.2%	50%	42.8%	

Most of the open tabloid standards were raised but in spite of this a high percentage qualification was reached; in the Under 13 age groups, however, most standards were brought down, but very few boys found them easy. Out of a group of 67 boys 23 failed to pass in one single event.

It is on the other hand gratifying to note that the juniors of last year did improve considerably judging from their tabloid passes, assuming that the standards are right. It seems that they are benefitting from their year or two in the College.



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### House Result :

1st	Nash	.....	110½ points
2nd	Hill	.....	109½ points
3rd	Alston	.....	97 points
4th	Thomson	.....	83 points

(A total of 400 points is allotted to the Tabloid Sports.)

### THE FOLLOWING BOYS QUALIFIED IN ALL TABLOID EVENTS:

**NASH.** Open: Cooke; Freemantle; Matthews, A. B.; Russell; Smith, J. S.

Under 16: Dods; Duckworth; Foot; Price; Tooley; Watson.

Under 15: Blair; Gordon; Matthews, D. H.; Parnell; Robbertze; Robinson, I. C.; Robinson, W. M.; Russell, N. F.

Under 14: Anderson, B.; Thomas; Torrance.

Under 13: Dalling; Davis; Flinn; Mathieson, A. E.; Turner.

**HILL.** Open: Harrison, Hewitt, Lee, Meyers, Rosser, Saunders, Tainton, Whittingham.

Under 16: De Jongh, Jackson, Sneddon.

Under 15: Coxwell, Cree, Heggie, Jack, Van As.

Under 14: Gardner, Hawarden, Stafford, Walker.

Under 13: Featherstone, Fleming, Walls.

**THOMSON.** Open: Bell, Odgers, Formby, C.

Under 16: Marais.

Under 14: Sherwin, Spence.

Under 15: Gettliffe, Harris.

Under 13: Formby, B.

**ALSTON.** Open: Lamb, Macfarlane.

Under 16: Harris, Jarvis, P.

Under 15: Allen, P.

Under 14: Lindsay.

Under 13: Ferguson, D.; Harris, P.

**TOTAL:** 67.

### THE CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING HELD ON APRIL 7th, 1950

It rained heavily on Friday, April 6th, and six events, scheduled to take place on Friday afternoon, had to be added to the Saturday morning programme. It did not rain on Satur-



day, but the track, especially in the morning, was very slow. Two discus events (the open and under 16), dropped during the war, were re-introduced; although some boys practised hard, their performances on Sports Day were somewhat disappointing. A new event, Shot Putt (under 15—8 lbs.) was brought in.

Despite the difficulties caused by the weather, the general standard of the sports, particularly in the senior events, was as high as usual. Hooke won both the 880 yards and mile in good times, considering the state of the track and the crowding of the programme into one day. Tainton and Patrick also ran well. Freemantle won both the sprints.

The standard of the hurdling in all age groups was exceptionally good. In the open 110 yards hurdles, all five competitors could hardly be separated at the winning post. Lowick won in the good time of 14.9 secs. In the juniors Walls, Stafford, Van As, Coxwell, and especially Marais, all hurdled well. Walls broke the nine-year-old record in the 90 yards hurdles (under 13).

Smith broke the open Shot Putt record and also won the open discus. N. Walker ran an excellent 440; on a drier track he would have broken the record. Meyers won the Long Jump (open) with a good jump of 20 ft. 10½ ins. He also won the High Jump.

The standard of the performances by the juniors as a whole was somewhat better than last year. Here the best performances were produced by Tooley, Cree, Coxwell, Stafford, Walker and Walls, the last of whom broke two records.

With the exception of the under 16, the standard of the relays was well above the average of the last ten years. Nash (open) concluded the sports by beating a strong Hill's team in a most exciting race to break the record by one second. The under 13 Relay record was equalled by Hill's team. Although the baton changing in the relays has improved, houses should concentrate much more on this aspect.

More time was devoted this year to athletic training and all houses trained hard. Good athletes in the senior age group set a sound example by warming up well before their events; this should be done more and with greater care by all athletes in the school.

Hill won the cup given annually to the best senior house group in the school; they also won the Wynne Phillips championship Sports Cup as well as the Walker Memorial Trophy for winning the combined Athletic Tabloid and Championship Meeting.

The final points were as follows:

1st	Hill	— 251½
2nd	Nash	— 197½
3rd	Thomson	— 121
4th	Alston	— 118



The Geoffrey Cherrington Cup, awarded annually to the most deserving athlete on Sports day, was won by A. M. Meyers.

Mrs. R. S. Cooke kindly presented the prizes at the end of the meeting, which was attended by a large crowd of parents and visitors. Tea was served in the Darragh Hall, the proceeds of which were given to the St. Dunstan's Aftercare Fund for Blinded soldiers.

### INDIVIDUAL RESULTS OF CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING:

#### Open:

**100 yards:** 1, Freemantle (N); 2, Meyers (H); 3, N. Walker (H).  
Time 10.7 secs.

**220 yards:** 1, Freemantle (N); 2, N. Walker (H); 3, Cooke (N).  
Time 23.6 secs.

**440 yards:** 1, N. Walker (H); 2, Shafto (H); 3, W. Macfarlane (A). Time 52.1 secs.

**880 yards:** 1, Hooke (N); 2, Tainton (H); 3, Patrick (H). Time  
2 mins. 8.4 secs.

**1 Mile:** 1, Hooke (N); 2, Patrick (H); 3, Tainton (H). Time 5  
mins. 1.4 secs.

**Team Race:** 1, Hill; 2, Nash; 3, Thomson.

**Long Jump:** 1, Meyers (H); 2, Hooke (N); 3, W. Macfarlane (A). Dist 20 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{4}$  ins.

**High Jump:** 1, Meyers (H); 2, Freemantle (N); 3, Lowick (T).  
Height 5 ft. 5 ins.

**110 yards Hurdles:** 1, Lowick (T); 2, Meyers (H); 3, Seldon (H) and A. B. H. Matthews (N). Time 14.9 secs.

**220 yards Hurdles:** 1, Seldon (H); 2, Shafto (H); 3, Lowick (T). Time 27.5 secs.

**Shot Putt (12 lbs.):** 1, J. Smith (N); 2, Formby (T); 3, Olsen (H). Dist. 39 ft. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  ins. Record.

**Discus:** 1, J. Smith (N); 2, Olsen (H); 3, Hewitt (H). Dist.  
107 ft. 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  ins.

**880 yards Relay (110, 220, 110, 110, 220, 110):** 1, Nash; 2, Hill;  
3, Alston. Time 1 min. 33.4 secs. Record.

#### Under 16:

**100 yards:** 1, Tooley (N); 2, Price (N); 3, Jackson (H). Time  
11.2 secs.

**220 yards:** 1, Tooley (N); 2, Foot (N); 3, Pitt (H). Time 24.3  
secs.

**440 yards:** 1, Foot (N); 2, Buchanan (A); 3, I. M. Harris (A).  
Time 58.0 secs.



**880 yards:** 1, Buchanan (A); 2, Tooley (N); 3, R. J. Harris (A).  
Time 2 mins. 20.2 secs.

**Long Jump:** 1, Foot (N); 2, Marais (T); 3, Pitt (H). Dist 18 ft. 6 ins.

**High Jump:** 1, W. S. MacFarlane (T); 2, Marais (T); 3, Powter (N). Height 4 ft. 11½ ins.

**110 yards Hurdles:** 1, Marais (T); 2, Powter (N); 3, De Jongh (H). Time 15.4 secs.

**220 yards Hurdles:** 1, Marais (T); 2, Sneddon (H); 3, Pitt (H). Time 28.5 secs.

**Shot Putt (10 lbs.):** 1, Tooley (N); 2, Foot (N); 3, W. S. MacFarlane (T). Dist 40 ft. 7¾ ins.

**Discus:** 1, De Jongh (H); 2, Dods (N); 3, Duckworth (N). Dist. 110 ft. 4 ins.

**880 yards Relay (4 x 220):** 1, Nash; 2, Alston; 3, Hill. Time 1 min. 43.1 secs.

#### Under 15:

**100 yards:** 1, Cree (H); 2, Coxwell (H); 3, W. M. Robinson (N). Time 11.6 secs.

**220 yards:** 1, Cree (H); 2, Coxwell (H); 3, W. M. Robinson (N). Time 25.2 secs.

**440 yards:** 1, Cree (H); 2, R. J. Harris (T); 3, W. M. Robinson (N). Time 57.2 secs.

**Long Jump:** 1, Coxwell (H); 2, R. J. Harris (T); 3, van As (H). Dist. 17 ft. 5¾ ins.

**High Jump:** 1, van As (H); 2, D. Matthews (N); 3, R. J. Harris (T). Height 5 ft.

**100 yards Hurdles:** 1, Coxwell (H) and van As (H); 3, D. Matthews (N). Time 14.5 secs.

**Shot Putt:** 1, Gordon (N); 2, D. Matthews (N); 3, Cree (H). Dist. 37 ft. 3½ ins.

**440 yards Relay (4 x 110):** 1, Hill, 2, Thomson; 3, Nash. Time 50.6 secs.

#### Under 14:

**100 yards:** 1, A. Walker (H); 2, Gardner (H); 3, Spence (T). Time 12.4 secs.

**220 yards:** 1, Hawarden (H); 2, Lindsay (A); 3, Stafford (H). Time 28.5 secs.

**440 yards:** 1, A. Walker (H); 2, Gardner (H); 3, Lindsay (A). Time 60.8 secs.

**Long Jump:** 1, Stafford (H); 2, Hawarden (H); 3, A. Walker (H). Dist. 16 ft. 9¼ ins.



**High Jump:** 1, Hawarden (H); 2, Gardner (H); 3, Stafford (H). Height 4 ft. 7½ ins.

**90 yards Hurdles:** 1, Stafford (H); 2, Gardner (H); 3, Spence (T). Time 14.6 secs.

**440 yards Relay** (4 x 110): 1, Hill; 2, Nash; 3, Thomson. Time 53.8 secs.

**Under 13:**

**100 yards:** 1, Walls (H); 2, Featherstone (H) and Bowyer (N). Time 12.2 secs.

**220 yards:** 1, Walls (H); 2, Featherstone (H); 3, Bowyer (N). Time 27.4 secs.

**Long Jump:** 1, Walls (H); 2, P. J. Harris (A); 3, Dalling (N). Dist. 16 ft. 1¼ ins. Record.

**High Jump:** 1, Wood (T); 2, Bester (H); 3, P. J. Harris (A). Height 4 ft. 6 ins.

**90 yards Hurdles:** 1, Walls (H); 2, Wood (T); 3, R. J. Smith. Time 14.7 secs. Record.

**440 yards Relay** (4 x 110): 1, Hill; 2, Nash; 3, Thomson. Time 56.3 secs. Equals Record.

### SWIMMING NOTES

The College Inter-House Swimming Sports were held on Wednesday, 2nd November, 1950, at 2.30 p.m. Although during the previous fortnight, when intensive training was taking place, the weather was bitterly cold and wet, we were lucky to strike a fine and comparatively warm day for the Sports themselves. Hill House maintained their unbroken success in this sport and won the meeting by a very substantial margin. We were again indebted to Mr. Mills, of King Edward VII School, for acting as referee in the water polo matches. Details of winners of events in the Sports will be found below.

The College swimming has benefitted enormously from Mr. Paterson's coaching and enthusiasm, especially as regards Life Saving, in which classes were started in the Advent Term. A large number of volunteers was forthcoming, but classes had to be limited owing to the difficulty of the small size of the bath and fitting in people in their unoccupied time. Finally, eighteen boys took the examination for the Royal Society's Bronze Medallion, and the following were successful: Anderson I. R., Buchanan, Formby C. R., Formby P., Halliday, Harrison W. E., Lewis J., Macfarlane W. W., Macmullen, Morgan R., Patrick, Reid M. S., Scott-Crossley, Shaw, Whittingham and Williams. Duckworth and Kirkman qualified for the Society's Intermediate Certificate.

This term there are classes for the Bronze Medallion and Intermediate Certificate (boys under 14), instructed by those



who hold Bronze Medallions and are trying to obtain their Instructor's Certificate, and at an examination held at Brixton Municipal Baths on Saturday, March 10, the following gained the Award of Merit: Halliday, Whittingham and Williams. On the same day, Anderson, I. R., qualified for the Bronze Cross.

The results of the Swimming Sports were as follows:

### Open Events

500 yds.: Morgan (H). Time: 7 min. 26.3 sec.  
 200 yds.: Morgan (H). Time: 2 min. 24.8 sec.  
 100 yds Freestyle: Morgan (H). Time: 63.9 sec.  
 100 yds. Breaststroke: Whittingham (H). Time: 88.9 sec.  
 100 yds. Backstroke: Boon (N). Time: 82.9 sec.  
 50 yds. Freestyle: Morgan (H). Time: 27.9 sec. (School record).  
 Diving: Watts (H).

### Under 16 Events.

100 yds. Freestyle: Saunders (H). Time: 67.8 sec.  
 50 yds. Freestyle: Saunders (H). Time: 29.2 sec.  
 50 yds. Backstroke: Rosser (H). Time: 38.2 sec.  
 50 yds. Breaststroke: Odgers (T). Time: 40.4 sec.

### Under 15 Events.

100 yds. Freestyle: Heath (N). Time: 74.5 sec.  
 50 yds. Freestyle: Macdonald (H). Time: 30.2 sec.  
 50 yds. Breaststroke: Jarvis, P. K. (A). Time: 37.8 sec. (School record, Orthodox Style).  
 50 yds. Backstroke: Buchanan (A). Time: 38.4 sec.  
 Diving: Buchanan (A).

### Under 14 Events

50 yds. Freestyle: Van As (H). Time: 32.4 sec.  
 50 yds. Breaststroke: Knight (N). Time: 43.3 sec.  
 50 yds. Backstroke: De Bruijn (A). Time: 41.8 sec.

### Under 13 Events

50 yds. Freestyle: Gardner (H). Time: 35.0 sec.  
 25 yds. Freestyle: Gardner (H). Time 15.8 sec.  
 25 yds. Breaststroke: Murphy (N.) Time: 21.9 sec.  
 Diving: Ferguson, D. (A).

### Inter-House Relays

Open ( 4 x 50 ): Hill. Time: 118.7 sec. (School record).  
 Under 16 ( 4 x 50 ): Hill. Time: 119.4 sec. (School record).  
 Under 15 ( 4 x 25 ): Nash. Time: 60.2 sec.  
 Under 14 ( 4 x 25 ): Hill. Time: 61.7 sec.

Inter-House Water Polo League won by Hill.

### Result

1: Hill, 81½ points.	3: Alston, 23½ points.
2: Nash, 40 points.	4: Thompson, 13 points.



### TENNIS AND SQUASH

Tennis and squash are played by a very large number of boys throughout the year. The number taking these games as a summer sport has increased considerably. Nash House won the Junior and Thompson the Senior Inter-House competitions. Duckworth won the singles and Foot and Duckworth the doubles in the Junior Section of the individual competition. Reid, M. S., won the squash handicap, tennis singles, and, with Formby, P., as h's partner, the doubles.

It is hoped a large number of people will enter the competition at the end of the year.

### BOXING NOTES

Boxing is being continued here as a summer sport, under the tuition of Mr. Huggett, and it is hoped the standard at this year's annual tournament will surpass that of last year. Since the last publication, the following awards have been made: Half-colours: Jackson, B. de W., Wilkinson, D. 4th Year Buttons: Frederiksen, 3rd Year Buttons: Dods, Wilkinson, C., Pitt. 2nd Year Buttons: Buchanan. 1st Year Buttons: Holman, Coxwell, Harwarden, Dearlove, C., Robinson, I., Ferguson, D., Leith. A Certificate of Merit was awarded to Macdonald, K.

### RUGBY FIXTURES — 1951

#### 1st X

- Thursday, May 3rd:** (Ascension Day) vs. Old Johannians (H).  
**Saturday, May 12th:** vs. St. Andrew's, Bloemfontein (H).  
**Saturday, May 19th:** vs. Jeppe (A).  
**Wednesday, May 23rd:** vs. Parktown (A).  
**Monday, May 28th:** vs. Hilton College (H).  
**Saturday, June 2nd:** vs. Krugersdorp Boys High (H).  
**Saturday, June 9th:** vs. Maritzburg (A).  
**Saturday, June 16th:** vs. Pretoria Boys High (A).  
**Saturday, June 23rd:** vs. K.E.S. (H). Annual charity match in aid of National Health Foundation.  
**Saturday, August 11th:** vs. Jeppe (H).  
**Saturday, August 18th:** vs. St. Andrew's, Grahamstown (H).  
**Saturday, August 25th:** vs. Potchefstroom Boys High (H).  
**Saturday, September 1st:** vs. Helpmekaar (A).  
**Monday, September 3rd—Monday, September 10th:** House matches.



### ON VISITING A BOOKSHOP

A book lies on the desk before me: the material result of an absorbing, if extended, visit to town. Indeed, the hours spent were not in vain. For, confronted by a bookshop, punctuality is not proof against the temptation to linger awhile among its volumes. Temptation prevails; my sense of time can only retreat when faced by such an adversary.

At first sight rows of new novels greet us somewhat frivolously from the scientifically ordered shelves. Each novel has a point to stress, one exposes a grave social evil, another lives a temporary life of satire on current affairs. Each one beckons most engagingly. But we soon press on into the back of the shop. With our progress the shelves take on a more sober air, encyclopedias stare down with knowing assurance, autobiographies with complacency. Dare we penetrate further into the recesses of the shop? The deeper we go into the establishment, the more Wagnerian becomes the aspect of the books. On either side of the deserted passage rise rows of tomes, ponderous tomes, which seem to disappear upwards into the gloom. We advance quietly, respecting the silence which surrounds these erudite works. The results of years of research, theological treatises, philosophical works, esoteric theories on art, strike awe and terror into the uninitiated. The very air seems rarified here and mere mortals find difficulty in breathing. We beat a hasty retreat at the thought of being buried alive in a tomb of learning.

Once more we stand on familiar ground. Other customers loom ahead. A man with matted black hair stretches out to grasp a new book on Communism — his choice. An ashen customer hovers in the background, grey monotony personified, worthy of El Greco. However, we have come to look at books, not at people, and we hurry on.

For here biographies lie open to the choice, handbooks of the thoughts and ideals of former generations. Here are expounded and vindicated the doctrines and philosophies of famous men: Richelieu, Loyola, Metternich—they are all represented. We pass on to the great Classics, proof against the whims of current taste. Dramas which thrilled Athenian audiences, plays fresh from a first success on the London stage, modern and old, there is no distinction in a bookshop.

Historical books, founded on some old manuscript rediscovered, new theories on old civilisations, all but proved, which would have startled good old Bishop Usher, these never fail to excite the romantically inclined or satisfy the cynic. Volumes of poetry attract attention, volumes in which now and again the "hem of Eternity" has been touched.

The hours pass quickly like this. At last the time comes to choose a book. Quick mental calculations are made — there is a distracted fumbling for the purse. We hover, between fantasy and fact, reality and romanticism. A febrile decision must be



made. A biography is borne off triumphantly: recorded fact, artistically compiled. Other books are reluctantly left until circumstances permit their purchase. For prep, as ever like the Sword of Damocles, not so exciting perhaps, but none the less awe-inspiring, awaits — no, demands — attention.

### LEAGUE CRICKET

It is Friday afternoon and many Junior League cricketers are either on the way to D Rugby field, or are there already. Those who are there already are running about, shouting and causing a general disturbance to the immediate neighbourhood.

Play is supposed to start at three o'clock, but usually when three strikes players are just beginning to arrive.

At about three-fifteen the cricket box arrives and the first two batsmen are "padding up." A couple of minutes later play is ready to begin, but wait . . . where are the umpires? Immediately everyone in the game shouts at the top of his voice for umpires from another team playing at the other end of the Rugby field.

Eventually play starts at about twenty-five past three.

The opening bowler then starts his run of about fifty yards. His first ball, a terrific bumper, goes soaring up into the blue gums behind the wicket. After about ten minutes of extensive searching, the ball is located and play is resumed. After a few overs, the batsmen are getting into style and are sending the ball on to the next Rugby field, over the bluegums, on to a house roof, or into some part of the anatomy of some unwary fielder, who is staring in another direction.

Sooner or later, some player appeals for l.b.w., or something, and the umpire, who is taking intense interest in the adjoining game, suddenly recollects his wits and shouts: "Out!" This causes a great deal of disturbance because the batsman, convinced that he is not out, accuses the umpire of lying. The umpire, alarmed at this, walks off to consult the square-leg umpire, who is leaning against his bat — fast asleep! At last the matter is rectified and the batsman sulks off, glaring at the umpire with hate in his eyes.

And so the game goes on until the spin bowlers come on. Most of these bowlers rely on bumps under the mat to turn the ball for them, whereas a few of them really go to the trouble of spinning the ball.

At last the team is all out, and a good five minutes elapse before the former batting side is ready to field.

Then the opening batsmen stride out to the wicket swinging their bats and speaking of the sixes they hope to hit — only to return a few minutes later, dragging their bats behind them, with a pair of "ducks" in their pockets.

At last at five o'clock stumps are drawn and the players return to school to await the next thrilling episode of Junior League cricket.



League Cricket is not altogether an exciting game to watch, but, nevertheless, it provides much entertainment for those second and third-class cricketers who play in it.

### A TROPICAL SEASHORE

I have not worn this helmet since last summer, when I was on holiday. As I put it on, I notice a faint smell, which can only be called "tropical." Suddenly, a flood of vivid recollections comes upon me . . .

The cicadas hiss their piercing note from the bushes along the beach. The air, the sand and even the water is hot under a sun directly above my head; the atmosphere is full of that same "tropical" smell.

I am dressed lightly in bathing trunks, tackies, to protect my feet from the hot sand and the sharp rocks, and the sun-helmet.

Along the line where the creamy, white, dry sand changes to a brownish yellow of the moist beach, lie several scattered white shells. A few steps bring me to the edge of the water. The tide is out, and for hundreds of yards the water reaches barely to one's ankles. I enter the water and begin to splash away from shore. The bottom here varies: there are long stretches of small stones lying loosely on a sandy bottom, patches of pure sand, and thick forests of seaweed, the favourite haunts of clams and snails. Occasionally, like a prehistoric monster among smaller creatures, I see a big stone, all covered with barnacles and other lower forms of life.

I start turning over some of the larger stones. In the eddies which result, dark forms may be seen darting away from under them: shy little fish rapidly disappearing from the place of danger. Slower and more deliberate crabs, with long red claws, moving sideways and jerkily, crawl out of view. The mud clears, and now I discern, in the space under the stone, bright, five-pointed starfish, twisted into grotesque shapes.

As I go further, the patches of seaweed increase in number. Among them, now out of cover, I see a big starfish of a brownish or pinkish colour. Its arms are covered with bright red hemispherical projections, which look like rubies on a giant jewelled order. Or perhaps I notice a spiny sea urchin, the hedgehog of the sea, or a sausage-shaped sea cucumber, lying inertly on the bottom. Sometimes, too, a sea anemone may be seen; its shape and colour is even more beautiful than the star's.

And then I perceive my destination. Before me lies the coral reef. The water is deeper now; one has to swim in places. Carefully, I step on a mass of red and yellow, trying to keep my balance on the hard, uneven surface. Just beyond the block on which I am standing I see the fish. Glittering in their sparkling black and blue and white, the swarms of coral fish slowly move back and forth among the corals, now as dark, indistinct shadows, now, when the sunlight catches their sides, displaying



their full colour of indescribably bright blue, such blue as has never been imitated by man.

And here, between the clumps of carol, I see a double wavy line, too regular to be fortuitous. I know I must beware of touching that line with my hand, for it is the giant mussle, which is strong enough to crush one's fingers with its jagged edges.

But already my time is up. The water is rising, and it is dangerous to stay longer. This place is the farthest one can reach, and only for a short time every day. Then it becomes nobody's territory, into which man may not intrude. I turn back and wade towards the green stripe which marks the tropical jungle ashore . . .

I feel sad and happy at the same time. Sad because I know I cannot bring those moments back, happy in the very remembrance of them.

### SCHOOL DESKS

Morning school is nearing its close and the day is becoming increasingly hotter. My powers of concentration begin to waver and I gaze languidly out of the window at the flowers outside and the houses on the opposite koppie, all the time hearing the buzz of the bees as they fly about in search of pollen, although soon the heat is too much even for them and the whole scene is quiet. While I am gazing round, my eyes fall on the lid of my desk. My thoughts begin to wander and I realise that it is not just an inanimate object, but something that could, if it were able, tell a host of interesting stories about people whose names, darkened with age, now appear before me.

A louder tone of the master's voice brings me — temporarily — to my senses, but it is not very long before my eyes again begin to wander. There are about thirty desks in the classroom, all much the same externally, with their carved lids blackened by the spilt ink of past generations, lids that will become even blacker with the spilt ink of succeeding generations.

School desks are exceptionally well designed for their purpose: no matter how many books one has, one's desk will just accommodate them, and there is an obvious object in making them so uncomfortable. I try to imagine some of those former occupants of my desk, some with Eton collars and slates, some with knickerbocker suits and scratchy steel pens. Carving his name on his desk seems to be an essential part of the schoolboy's make-up — no doubt the result of some "complex": there is said to be a certain desk at Harrow with the names of Churchill and many other famous men carved on it, and I wonder whether my name, freshly carved as it is now, will mean anything more than just a name to future generations. I see myself rummaging through its contents: battered books, pens, pencils, a pocket knife with broken blade, empty ink bottles, sweet papers and biscuit crumbs are brought to light, as well as many other articles once thought indispensable to my "collection."



How lost we would be if we had to use a chair and table instead of a desk. Its very rigidity and discomfort help to endear it to one, and there is quite an art in making oneself comfortable in it. The very screws that hold it together must have been screwed and unscrewed dozens of times by inquisitive occupants. During the different lessons our desk becomes a number of different objects: from it we survey the whole of the Amazon or the Nile, or it becomes our rostrum, from which we deliver our paradigms. How reluctantly we sit down in it at the master's command when he enters, and how pleased we are to jump out of it and forget all that we have learnt at the end of the lesson. But was I correct when I said that the desk was too uncomfortable to sleep in? I fear that I was not, for I awake with a start, and learn, not entirely to my surprise, that I am to have two hours of that afternoon in which to further my acquaintance with my desk.

How many times in later life do we not look back on our school days — those days of carefree irresponsibility, and at the same time do we not think of our old school desk, in its particular corner, and in our mind's eye do we not see its carved lid and wonder what has happened to those whose names are on it, and whether they ever reminisce, as I am doing now?

## PREPARATORY SCHOOL

### Headmaster's Notes

Looking back on the past year as something in the nature of a heavy banquet, with its varied dishes and ingredients, some palatable, others not so digestible, we again sit down at the same table, but with certain misgivings. How will the new diners take to their fresh diet? Will the others begin to leave untouched the food that nourished them before? These misgivings will be allayed if we continue to feed on a balanced diet, but if our fancy leads us merely to a taste for dainties and a craze for the latest gadget, then we shall show few, if any, signs of real development.

It is, therefore, important that we should not allow the garnishings to detract us from the things essential to our growth. Much has indeed been done to decorate our environment: new wiring, painting of roofs and classrooms, new books, charts, maps and other classroom illustrations, monitors' ties, hymn books with tunes for the choir, the introduction of squash, films, dramatics, crafts, stamps and even the use of the cloisters as racing tracks for dinky cars. All these, as well as many other facets of our life, can lead us in two directions: either to increased idleness and doing less for ourselves, or as incentives towards constructive pursuits. It is pleasant to sit and look at the attractive covers of new books, but we do not get very far until we have really digested their contents. This takes time, per-



severance and sustained enthusiasm; failing that, we nibble at much and achieve nothing.

The seeds of growth, on the other hand, may be found in our attempts to promote greater accuracy and neatness, to take notice of good and bad qualities, to give a wider scope to the syllabus, to improve the standard of our games, to foster a sense of rational discipline and punctuality. It is, however, only possible to branch out further in these when it is clear that the first principles contained in them have been really learnt and adopted.

Much extra time is spent by the Staff in their attempt to inculcate this into the boys, many of whom themselves are full of co-operation. But until we all begin to think more, do more, and so learn more for ourselves, we merely serve to fill the role of entertainers. Individual attention and protection is neither desirable nor possible in a large school. The chance for all of us to teach others what we ourselves learn, that is the opportunity afforded to each of us in such a community as this. The Service of God and our fellow man we too often forget, because we find it so much easier to sit and let others do the work for us.

### PREPARATORY SCHOOL NOTES

The following appointments have been made for 1951:—

**Boarder Monitors:** Barker, R. A. G., Christie, M. C., Hall, D. G. L., Honey, A. D. S., Jackson, J. R., Lapping, J. J., Lee, R. H., Lewin, H. F., Madsen, N. V., Rowe, A. V.

**Day-Boy Monitors:** Barrow, J. A., Bell, M. A. Q., Borland, T. M., Bosazza, E. A., Cook, R. C., Jooste, C., Moreny, M. H., Morrison, A. L. R.

**Captain of Cricket:** Bell, M. A. Q.

**Vice-Captain of Cricket:** Beart, A. C.

**Captain of Athletics:** Cook, R. C.

**Captain of Football:** Bell, M. A. Q.

**Vice-Captain of Football:** Barrow, J. A.

A most enjoyable farewell party in the form of a braaivleis was held for the 69 boys who were promoted to the College at the end of last year. While we are gratified to hear good reports about most of them this year, we hope that they will all strive after success with modesty and be a credit to St. John's.

We extend a warm welcome to 74 new boys and to the 40 new boarders.

We also welcome Mr. J. M. Powis and Mr. I. Calder, who have joined the resident staff, replacing Mr. M. A. Hooker, and Mr. M. F. Armstrong. We are extremely grateful to the latter for the initiative and energy with which they tackled their jobs here and we wish them the best of luck in their new spheres.



The Christmas service, which a number of parents also attended after the Fathers' Match, was again a simple act of thanksgiving, with carols and presents at the Crib. The gifts and "shoe boxes" were most gratefully received by the children of Sophiatown. Our thanks go to the Housekeeper and others, who contributed so largely to the enjoyment of the augmented supper, and to Mr. and Mrs. Norris for the hire of the film "Great Expectations." Mr. E. J. Read, our guest for the evening, gave every appearance of preferring the spontaneous fun of a schoolboy to that of the worries of a Chairman.

Thanks to a generous grant through the Council, we have been enabled to purchase a large number of books to restock our somewhat battered Form and Boarders' Libraries. Mr. Proctor has spent much time in cataloguing the books in the Boarders' Library and the simple filing system can easily be consulted by the boys. Some new magazines have also been acquired.

In addition to the usual historical and travel films on alternate Saturday evenings, a programme of short instructional films, chiefly concerning arts and crafts, is now being shown on alternate Wednesday afternoons.

Twenty-four boys are privileged to be Servers at the altar and 20 have been promoted to the Choir.

**Scholarship:** No award. Honourable mention: Lewin, H. F.

The following were the prize-winners for 1950:—

**Lower 1:** Form, Babb; English, Chamberlain; Arithmetic, Gear; Afrikaans, Thomas; General Progress, Jooste.

**Upper 1:** English, Cross; Arithmetic, Murray; Afrikaans, Legge; General Progress, Duff; Science/History/Geography, Collins.

**Lower II:** English, Cross; Arithmetic, Matthews; Afrikaans, Cator; General Progress, Williams; Science/History/Geography, Mitchell.

**Upper II:** English, Read; Arithmetic, Dickson; Afrikaans, Milne; General Progress, Du Bourg; Science/History/Geography, Gilson.

**Lower III:** English, Lapping; Arithmetic, Tucker; Latin, Green; Afrikaans, King; History/Geography, Lee.

**Upper III:** English, Torrance; Mathematics, Shuter; Latin, Gilson; Afrikaans, Garrett; History/Geography, James.

**Special Prizes:** Choir, Walker, Lewin; Games, Garrett, Dalling; Woodwork, Dalling, Field; Drawing, Durward, Howie; General Knowledge, Rice, Davies.

**Winners of House Cups for 1950 :—**

Athletics (Tabloid) : Cullinan.

Athletics (Championships) : Carter.



Football: Darragh.

Cricket: Darragh.

Swimming: Cullinan.

Work, Conduct and Games: Darragh.

### CRICKET NOTES FOR SEASON 1950

It was unfortunate in the first term of the year that only two of our school fixtures could be fulfilled, as that bugbear of all schools, infectious diseases, intervened and prevented us from carrying out our programme. We won one match and lost one. In the last term of the year the 1st XI played six matches, of which three were won, two lost and one drawn. The results were, on the whole, a fair reflection of the capabilities of the team, which had shown steady improvement since the beginning of the year. There was more accuracy and sting in the bowling, the batting became less "iffish" and more aggressive, but the fielding, calling and running between the wickets still left much to be desired. Bell showed definite promise as a captain, which we all hope will be realised this year.

The 2nd XI did not show the improvement expected of them. We were unable to find a competent wicket-keeper and, together with the inexperience of the captain and indifferent fielding, this proved a great handicap. The batting was as unimaginative in the matches we lost as it was aggressive in those we won. This negative batting and some unfortunate tactical errors probably cost us the match against the Ridge.

**General:** The House matches were played in the Advent Term, but the play was not of a very high standard, hit and miss methods being adopted by most batsmen. Darragh won the competition, Bousfield were second and Carter and Cullinan tied for third place.

I should like to impress upon all players, from the youngest boy upwards, the importance of good fielding. A fielder who does not look for excuses in the unevenness of the ground, who has a safe pair of hands, an accurate throwing arm and a sense of anticipation, and who is quick off the mark, will gain his place in any side and have as good an average as any bowler or batsman. Apart from anything else, it is in this department that the most fun is to be had from the game; it needs sustained energy, and anyone can improve rapidly with keen practice.

**Thanks:** I must again record our very grateful thanks to those members of the College Staff who have assisted with our divisional games, and to those parents who have helped with teas, transport and their interest in our games.

### Summary of Results

		Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
1st	XI	8	4	3	1
2nd	XI	6	3	2	1



Cricket Colours were awarded to the following:  
Bell, Fleming, Beart, Dalling, Dwyer, Garrett, Hogg, Pope.

## SWIMMING SPORTS

25th November, 1950

Unfavourable weather made the Advent Term, 1950, a disappointing term from the point of view of swimming. It was, therefore, all the greater relief that the heats and finals of the competition should be blessed with agreeable conditions.

The standard in all events was distinctly higher than in previous years and the entries considerably larger.

The help given by the three gentlemen who judged the diving, as well as that afforded by various members of the staff, was invaluable.

It will not seem so surprising that so many records were broken if it is borne in mind that this is only the third year that the Swimming Sports have been held.

## RESULTS

### Open Events

**Backstroke, 25 yards:** 1, Walker, 19.5 sec. (record); 2, Knight; 3, Formby.

**Breaststroke, 50 yards:** 1, Wilson, J., 45.2 sec. (record); 2, Odgers; 3, Buchan.

### Over 12

**Freestyle, 50 yards:** 1, Walker, 36 sec. (record); 2, Banham; 3, Saunders.

**Freestyle, 25 yards:** 1, Walker, 14.6 sec. (record); 2, Setchell; 3, Knight.

### Under 12

**Freestyle, 50 yards:** 1, Bates, M. C., 38 sec. (record); 2, Formby; 3, Norris.

**Freestyle, 25 yards:** 1, Fleming, G. S., 15.4 sec. (record); 2, Formby; 3, Norris.

### Under 11

**Freestyle 50 yards:** 1, Lee, R., 41.8 sec. (new event); 2, Holme; 3, Bulloch.

**Freestyle, 25 yards:** 1, Lee, R., 17.6 sec. (record, Fleming, G. S., 15.3 sec., 1949); 2, Babb; 3, Holme.

### Under 10

**Freestyle, 25 yards:** 1, Berryman, 18.1 sec. (record, Bell, M. A. Q., 18 sec., 1949); 2, Durward, R. G.; 3, Du Bourg.



### Under 9

**Freestyle, 25 yards:** 1, Clarke, R. N., 21.5 sec. (new event); 2, Borland, A. J.; 3, Van Niekerk.

### House Relays (New Events)

**Senior:** 1, Cullinan (Brodie, Du Preez, Setchell, Walker, 66 sec.); 2, Bousfield; 3, Carter.

**Middle:** 1, Cullinan (Howie, D. S., Madsen, McLaverty, Lee, R., 53.9 sec.); 2, Bousfield; 3, Darragh.

**Junior:** 1, Carter (Berryman, Bulloch, Cooke, C. J., Ribbans, 77.3 sec.); 2, Darragh; 3, Bousfield.

### Cork Collecting

**Under 10:** 1, Cullinan (Dickson, Lee, A., Milne, Stretton, 181 corks); 2, Carter; 3, Darragh.

**Under 9:** 1, Bousfield (Borland, Fowler, Maggs, Marsh, 117 corks); 2, Cullinan; 3, Darragh.

### Diving

**Under 9:** 1, Borland, T. M.; 2, Drewett; 3, James, D. R.

**Under 10:** 1, Berryman; 2, Du Bourg; 3, Ribbans.

**Under 11:** 1, Howie, D. S.; 2, Scheibe; 3, Thomas, F. W.

**Under 12:** 1, Turner; 2, Fleming, G. S.; 3, Ramus.

**Over 12:** 1, Knight; 2, Wilson, J., 3, Setchell.

### House Championship

1: Cullinan, 43 points.

2: Bousfield, 37 points.

3: Darragh, 26 points.

4: Carter, 25 points.

## PREPARATORY SCHOOL SPORTS

### Results of Tabloid Meeting:

1. Carter 45.27%

3. Cullinan 34.82%

2. Darragh 40.05%

4. Bousfield 28.87%

**Results of Championship Meeting held on Friday April 6, and on Saturday, April 7th, 1951.**

### Events Open:

**100 yards:** 1. Kalk (D); 2. Hewitt (Ca); 3. Taylor (D).  
Time: 13.5 seconds.



**220 yards:** 1. Hewitt (Ca); 2. Kalk (D); 3. Taylor (D);  
Time: 30.7 seconds.

**90 Yards Hurdles:** 1. Hall (Cu); 2. Hewitt (Ca); 3. Rowe (Cu). Time: 16.1 seconds.

**Long Jump:** 1. Barrow (D); 2. Hewitt (Ca); 3. Hall (Cu).  
Distance: 13 feet 6½ inches.

**High Jump:** 1. Hall (Cu); 2. Taylor (D); 3. Hewitt (Ca).  
Height: 4 feet 0 inches.

**Cricket Ball:** 1. Barrow (D); 2. Rowe (Cu); 3. Bosazza (D).  
Distance: 51 yards 1 foot 2 inches.

**House Relay:** 1. Darragh; 2. Cullinan; 3. Bousfield and Carter.

#### Events Under 12:

**100 yards:** 1. Bradney (B); 2. Cook (Ca.); 3. Howie (Cu).  
Time 13.1 seconds. Equals Record.

**220 yards:** 1. Bradney (B); 2. Cook (Ca); 3. Borland (B).  
Time 29.9 seconds.

**90 Yards Hurdles:** 1. Lee (Cu); 2. Cook (Ca); 3. Howie (Cu). Time 18.3 seconds.

**Long Jump:** 1. Grierson (Cu); 2. Bradney (B); 3. Howie (Cu). Distance: 14 feet 8½ inches. Record.

**High Jump:** 1. Bradney (B); 2. Lee (Cu); 3. Morgan (D).  
Height: 3 feet 11 inches.

**Cricket Ball:** 1. Beart (Ca); 2. Driver (Cu); 3. Heyns (B).  
Distance: 54 yards 2 feet.

**House Relay:** 1. Cullinan; 2. Carter; 3. Darragh. Time: 60 seconds. Record.

#### Events Under 11:

**100 yards.** 1. Mitchell (D); 2. Van Belkum (Cu); 3. Hewett (Ca). Time: 13.9 seconds.

**150 yards:** 1. Hewett (Ca); 2. Van Belkum (Cu); 3. Collins (Cu). Time:

**Long Jump:** 1. Hewett (Ca); 2. Van Belkum (Cu); 3. Collins (Cu). Distance 13 feet 5¼ inches. Record.

**High Jump:** 1. Ribbens (Ca); 2. Pysden (Ca); 3. Cownie (D). Height: 3 feet 10 inches.

**Cricket Ball:** 1. Milne (Cu); 2. Pysden (Ca); 3. Collins (Cu).  
Distance: 50 yards.

**House Relay:** 1. Carter; 2. Darragh; 3. Cullinan. Time 62.2 seconds.

#### Events Under 10:

**100 yards:** 1. Marklew (D); 2. Wade (Ca); 3. Grierson (Cu).  
Time: 14.5 seconds.



**150 yards:** 1. Marklew (D); 2. Grierson (Cu); 3. Wade (Ca). Time 22.2 seconds.

**Long Jump:** 1. Marklew (D); 2. Grierson (Cu); 3. Borland (Ca). Distance: 10 feet 11 inches.

**High Jump:** 1. Marsh (B); 2. Baerveldt (B); 3. Borland (B). Height 3 feet 1 inch.

**Cricket Ball:** 1. Beart (Ca); 2. Geeringh (Ca); 3. Smith (D). Distance: 42 yards 1 foot 6 inches.

**House Relay:** 1. Carter; 2. Darragh; 3. Bousfield. Time: 65.8 seconds.

#### Events Under 9:

**80 yards:** 1. Ferguson (D); 2. Murray (Ca); 3. Tooley (Cu). Time: 12 seconds.

**Football Race:** 1. Cullinan; 2. Bousfield; 3. Darragh.

**Bean Bag Race:** 1. Bousfield; 2. Cullinan; 3. Darragh.

**Long Jump:** 1. Drewett (D); 2. Heyns (B); 3. Wood (B). Distance: 11 feet 9½ inches.

**Medley Race:** 1. Carter; 2. Darragh; 3. Cullinan. Time: 44 seconds.

**Cricket Ball:** 1. Murray (Ca); 2. Williamson (B); 3. Heyns (B). Distance: 40 yards 2 feet.

**House Relay:** 1. Carter; 2. Bousfield; 3. Cullinan. Time: 51.5 seconds.

#### Events Under 8:

**80 yards:** 1. Fury (B); 2. Percival (B); 3. Grierson (Cu). Time: 12 seconds.

**Football Race:** 1. Carter; 2. Darragh; 3. Bousfield.

**Bean Bag Race:** 1. Darragh; 2. Bousfield; 3. Carter.

**Long Jump:** 1. Fury (B); 2. Grierson (Cu); 3. Daneel (B). Distance: 11 feet 5 inches.

**Medley Relay:** 1. Cullinan; 2. Carter; 3. Bousfield. Time: 43.8 seconds.

**Cricket Ball:** 1. Fury (B); 2. Grierson (Cu); 3. Cook (Ca). Distance: 41 yards 2 feet 7 inches.

**House Relay:** 1. Carter; 2. Bousfield; 3. Cullinan. Time: 51.5 seconds.

#### Events Under 7:

**80 yards:** 1. Veary (Cu); 2. Mitchell (Ca); 3. Heywood (Cu). Time: 14.1 seconds.

**Bean Bag Race:** 1. Bousfield; 2. Cullinan; 3. Darragh.

**House Relay:** 1. Carter; 2. Bousfield; 3. Cullinan. Time: 57.3 seconds.



### CUB NOTES

Twenty Cubs spent a very happy time under canvas during the first long week-end in October, on the Silesian Farm, at Daleside. The original programme provided for swimming in the mornings and afternoons, but, owing to the spell of "freak" cold weather, only one swim was possible, and the boys played cricket in a delightful, sheltered field instead. (The icicles found hanging from a water-bag on the Monday morning are an indication of the night temperatures!) Time was also spent exploring the farm and playing "wide" games. The camp-fire, with its sing-song, the play-acting on the Saturday night, the celebration of the Mass under the trees on the Sunday morning and the experience of sleeping in a tent for the first time will long be remembered by all who were there.

Once again the Pack took part in "Bob-a-Job" Week and raised £15 9s. 6d. Blue Six earned £4 9s. and won their inter-six competition in this connection, and were treated to a picnic at Rosemill Farm one Saturday.

The Pack picnic at Glenwilliam in November was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The following earned Proficiency Badges last year: Tucker (Collector, House Orderly); Hendry (Swimmer, House Orderly); Young (Team Player, Swimmer); Veary (House Orderly, Collector); Jooste (House Orderly, Team Player, Collector).

Sixers appointed in February are as follows: Hendry (Blue), Lapping, J. (Golden), Hulbert (Green), Hewett (Red), Anderson (Silver).



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## ABOUT OURSELVES

Being unable to get a passport to leave the country again, the editor has now become responsible for editing the Magazine. This function he evidently interprets in the literal sense, namely by asking everyone he knows to contribute and then taking credit for their work. Latin : editto = I edit, from e = out, ditto = copy.

Again we have to ask members to bear with us for a while longer in regard to our secretarial difficulties. The Honorary Secretary resigned at the end of last year, after which we carried on as best we could. It soon became clear, however, that the job has become too big to be done in spare time and we were very grateful to the Honorary Treasurer when he volunteered to take over the work in order to reorganise the records. When he completes his task the Governing Committee will recommend that the Secretarial work of the Association be put on a salaried basis. In the meantime, will all those members who have not been receiving cards, Magazines and circulars please understand that we are doing all we can to bring our records up to date.

At a most impressive ceremony held at the Club on 2nd December, 1950, the Powrie Memorial Gates were officially



opened by Mrs. Powrie. Father Symonds kindly conducted the dedication service and a large number of members and friends attended.

The Annual Golf Tournament took place at the Royal Johannesburg Golf Club on 17th November, 1950. The attendance was very disappointing and it may be that members would prefer a less competitive function. It has been suggested that the tournament be played on more social lines, as a partnership event. Without suggesting that any members played off "commercial" handicaps, we congratulate Lewis Roberts on winning the Morrison Abel Cup and we are very grateful to Peter Spence for having organised the tournament.

It was with much regret that we said good-bye to Kelsey Buchanan, who has transferred to Durban. Kelsey was a member of the Governing Committee of the Association for longer than we can remember, he edited the Magazine for many years without ever leaving the country and he was chairman of the Old Johannian Club almost from its inception. His departure was a tremendous loss to the Association. He will be very glad to see members visiting Durban, where his address is care of the South African Sugar Journal, 45 Stability Buildings, Smith Street, Durban.

### LE ROI EST MORT—VIVE LE ROI

Somewhere printed among the pages of M. V. Lukins History of S.A. Cricket 1915-1927 is a photograph of Bruce. Underneath the picture one reads: "Bruce Mitchell is one of the most promising young cricketers in South Africa. When still a school-boy of 17 years of age and captain of St. John's College, for which team he scored 1,000 runs in the previous year (1925), he made a sensational entry into first class cricket. Playing for Transvaal against Border in 1926, he secured 11 wickets for 95 runs, (5—23 in the 1st, and 6—72 in the 2nd innings). From that time onward, he has never failed in any match, no matter how strong his opponents have been, and has shown his unquestionable ability as an all-round cricketer for South Africa." Possibly the writer had no idea how accurate his prophecy would be, nor could he imagine that Bruce would achieve the record he has — the highest number of runs scored, and the most centuries, in all TEST Matches by a South African, as well as a reputation as one of the finest slip-fielders in the world, and a change bowler likely to get even the best batsman out. As Old Johannians, we have been able to bask for many years in his reflected glory, and for this we thank him. It is a matter of deep regret for all of us that we see him now pass from the scene.

That Russell Endean, following on the footsteps of Bruce, Ronnie Grievson and Owen Wynne, has achieved the continuity, particularly at a time when the sporting morale of the club is at really a low ebb, warms the hearts of us all. Capped at hockey



as well, he becomes our first Double Springbok — our congratulations to him on that score. Few cricketers in this country have battled as hard as he has to achieve his selection, and our admiration knows no bounds for the workmanlike way he went about it. In his approach to the game, his fighting qualities when things are going badly for his side, in his manner both on and off the field, we think we have a worthy successor to Bruce. We wish him luck, confident in the thought that in him we have a Springbok for many seasons to come.

## RUGBY

The rugby season is once again upon us and we are looking forward to it with high hopes of success. Despite the loss of Pat Mills, who is now farming in Nelspruit, and Russell Endean, who will be playing cricket in England, we should field a strong side. "Shorty" MacFarlane is once again the captain.

Over the Easter week-end we were pleased to entertain Durban High School Old Boys, who defeated us by 16 points to 3. Although we say it ourselves, we did far better than the score would indicate and, territorially, there was very little in it. Their side, incidentally, came second in the Durban First League last season, and included three Natal provincial players. So we feel that our performance was quite a meritorious one.

In the other two friendlies we scored a convincing win over Jeppe and were leading 6—0 against Western Reefs, a Western Transvaal First League side, when a hailstorm washed out play. Thus we feel that, if our form is maintained, it augurs well for the new season.

Our numerical strength has increased considerably, but we would like to see far more boys from the school coming forward.

Congratulations to Pat on his marriage, and we do hope that he will be able to continue with his rugby down in the Eastern Transvaal.

## CRICKET

Three teams, as usual, were entered for the Saturday competitions, but only two for the Sunday leagues.

The **First Eleven** had a good season, ending up second in the Lionel Phillips Cup and seventh in the Transvaal League.

Much of this success was due to good team work and an improvement in the fielding, which, at times, was brilliant. But a great deal of credit is due to Russell Endean for his sound captaincy and consistent form with the bat and gloves. Jackie James also had a good season and was unlucky not to reach his thousand runs. John Andrew's bowling, however, was probably the biggest factor in the team's success, and his consistent slow





left-arm googlies eventually earned him a place in the Transvaal friendly side which played Free State at the end of the season.

The story of the **Second** and **Third Elevens**, unfortunately, is not so good. They had some good wins early in the season, over teams highly placed in their respective logs, but, owing to poor turn-outs later on, their performances were so erratic that both teams face relegation next season. The Second Eleven Saturday side, however, just managed to avoid that fate.

We had the unpleasant experience of having to scratch two Third Eleven matches and one Second Eleven match, owing to a number of players shirking their responsibilities. It must be a strong recommendation to the incoming Committee, when assessing the number of players available, to count only on players who undertake to turn out regularly. In this connection, the outgoing Committee feels very strongly in favour of including associate members in the cricket section, particularly as the number of new members joining from the school each year is far too small to maintain a healthy position in the Club.

An analysis shows that out of a total playing membership of 51, only 24 turned out regularly, so it can be imagined what difficulty your Committee had in raising three teams on Saturdays.

We were able to secure the services of Emrys Davies as coach for five weeks in December and January. Unfortunately, the weather was not very kind during that period, but a large number of members made the most of the opportunities to improve their game.



A very pleasant feature towards the end of the season was the fine teas provided by Mrs. Brayshaw and the other ladies who so kindly helped her.

Once again we record our thanks to Major Yates for scoring so regularly, to the Club secretary and staff for carrying out their duties so well and, last but not least, to our Honorary Secretary, John Jefferies, whose task was made difficult by so many inconsiderate members.

In conclusion, we congratulate Russell Endean on his selection for the South African Cricket Team, and Ronnie Grieveson on being elected to the South African Cricket Board.

CHAIRMAN.

### TENNIS

Three teams were again entered this year in the League and had a very enjoyable season. Our first team came second in their section and our second team tied second with two other teams. The third team came half way in their log. At the end of the season all teams played matches between themselves and there were many surprises. All players, however, ended up at a most enjoyable party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James in Sandringham.

The Old Johannian tennis players are pleased to welcome to their ranks MacGregor-Reid, who played in a couple of matches in the second team and gave a good account of himself.

The practice wall has now been completed and should prove a great help to all players.

The Mixed Winter League, which was started by the Old Johannian Tennis Club last year for the North-Eastern Section, proved so popular that arrangements have been made to continue it each year.

### HOCKEY

The Hockey Club faces the 1951 season, which has not yet started, with high hopes but some trepidation. Four teams have again been entered in the various leagues and according to the figures available it should be possible to run these sides without the usual search for players to fill the fourth team. This may prove a forlorn hope, but by running three teams only, some of the junior members would find that they were spectators for most of the season, and under such circumstances, it would not be surprising if interest and enthusiasm waned.

Last season our first team, after a very uncertain start, improved out of all recognition. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said of the junior teams. Our second team was relegated from Johannesburg 2nd League to Johannesburg 3rd League.



Since the first team plays in Transvaal first league, there is a jump of 4 leagues for any player who is promoted from the second team to the first. It was found in the past that the change from Johannesburg second league, in which our second team were playing last season, to Transvaal first league, was so great that it took a player who was brought up, even though he had all the necessary ability, several matches before he settled down to the faster game played in first league. The difference will be even more marked this season with the relegation of the second side. In order to build a solid foundation for the first league side, it has been decided to concentrate on the second and third sides, with a view to bringing each of them up a league this season, if possible, and a further league next season.

We shall miss the brilliance of Russell Endean in the first team, Russell having been selected to tour England with the 1951 Springbok Cricket Team. Although we shall miss his services, we congratulate him on his selection, and wish him every success. In the past the first team has been built round Russell's play, and has relied, to a large extent, on him to pull the necessary goal out of the bag at the critical moment. His absence, we hope, will not be as disastrous as it would have been a couple of seasons ago, as the team has been playing very well in the friendly, pre-season matches, and promises to weld itself into a sound all round combination. There are several very promising young players coming on, and given a season free from our past run of injuries, the team should acquit itself very well.

### SQUASH

Activity in the Squash Section this summer has been confined mainly to friendly matches arranged against other clubs. They are always popular and prove a good means of fostering an interest in the game. We are hampered, however, by our present facilities, and hope in the near future to build another court. In this event regular teams will be formed and the number of matches increased, thus affording more members an opportunity of competitive squash.

A recent match was played against the School and it is intended, in view of the promise shown and enthusiasm displayed there, to make this a regular fixture.

Two of our members continue to remain prominent in their respective fields. Congratulations to George Watts for being seeded number three in the Union and to Peter Buchanan for his election to the Committee of the Transvaal Squash Rackets Association. It is hoped that other members of the Club will be heard of in connection with this new Association when they hold their first championship event in June this year.

Tony Barnes has completed a second series of coaching lessons among our members and among members of the Old



Edwardian Club, to whom the courtesy of our court was extended. He has proved an able coach and deserves our thanks for improving the standard of squash in the Club.

## BOWLS

The green was opened during the October weekend by Billy Powell. It was in excellent condition and many compliments were paid to the committee by other clubs.

Towards the end of October a meeting was held at the Club to form a ladies' section. There was quite an enthusiastic response to the circular that was sent to all members of the Club, and there are at present some 25 to 30 members in this section. If the enthusiasm of this section is any indication of their ability to play bowls, then it is not unreasonable for us to expect to have soon a South African champion in our Club.

As a result of the good condition of our green the Southern Transvaal District Bowling Association took our green not only for the rinks championships, but also for the pairs championships. This has resulted in our members having difficulty in securing their normal weekend game. It is necessary for our members to realise that the committee cannot stop the Association using our green. It is unusual for the Association to use a green of any club which has only one green, but it became necessary to do so this year owing to the very large number of competitors.

There have been a large number of members playing on the green each weekend, and the number of members in this section is increasing so rapidly that it has become necessary to lay down a second green. A great deal of thought has had to be given to the matter of laying the second green, and as these notes are being written bills of quantities for the excavation of this green are being prepared. It will be appreciated that the slope of the ground has made the building of a second green a fairly expensive item.

Once again the members have enjoyed playing in the Ogilvy Cup. Our performances at both Old Edwardians and Jeppe Old Boys greens were disappointing, but members played magnificent bowls on their home green, with the result that we tied with Jeppe Old Boys for second place, the Cup having been won for the second year in succession by Old Edwardians.

It is with regret that we have to report that three of our best members have left us in recent months. C. E. Cock has left us for East London where he has been elected to represent the constituency in Parliament. W. K. F. Buchanan has now taken up residence in Durban, whilst P. Holm is now living in Broken Hill. Our good wishes go to these members, and we are very grateful to them for all they have done in this section.

The spirit of good comradeship in this section has never been better than it is at present, and also it can be stated with



confidence that the standard of bowls being played in the section is better than it has ever been since the section was started.

A rink is being sent again this year to compete in the South African Championships, and they carry with them the good wishes of the bowling section. In May the bowlers hope to welcome to Johannesburg a team from White River and to return some of the outstanding hospitality that they have received from that centre.

### FROM OUR MAIL-BAG

HARRY BOYES is happily ensconced in East London, where he is managing (hollow laugh) the affairs of Messrs. Hunt, Leuchars and Hepburn. He is particularly anxious that any of his friends passing through should contact him, and partake of the cup that cheers.

Evidently, gremlins are no trouble to TREVOR MACDONALD, whom, we are glad to hear, has been promoted to the rank of Squadron Leader, after recently returning to England from active service with a heavy bomber squadron in the Far East.

HUGH HARDY has written to us from Port Shepstone to say that he is the secretary of the local hockey side. Any Old Johannian who is holidaying in that area is cordially invited to play. This might be a busman's holiday to some, but, as a further incentive, we might add that it is a mixed side.

The latest bush telegraph from Buenos Aires contains the news that DEREK HOLDER is making a name for himself in that city's cricket world as a rather swashbuckling batsman. Although he has already earned for himself the soubriquet "The Wizard of the Pampas," there is no truth in the rumour that Senor Peron has offered him the post of Director de Sportivo.

We must congratulate STEVE JOHNSON on his noble efforts in assisting to combat the man-power shortage prevalent in the country to-day. Our sympathies lie with the masters who will eventually be called upon to hammer into the three Johnsons the rudiments of the three R's.

Others who are likewise alleviating the same problem are PETER SHIMWELL, PETER BUCHANAN, ARTHUR YOUNG and ARCHIE GIBB. All of the gentlemen have produced sons. Out of this fine crop we can expect at least one hockey player, one rugby player, one cricketer and one gigolo.

We are glad to be able to confirm the Press report that larger supplies of his native brew will be available in the Union soon, due to the fact that DOG SILCOCK and his wife have departed for long leave to East Africa.

The fact that none of the electrical appliances at the Club are in working order is probably due to the fact that RUPERT



GETTLIFFE is holidaying in the Seychelles at the moment. From this island paradise he fills the unforgiving minute by making sorties into the Indian Ocean and denuding it of sundry denizens of the deep.

Another mining magnate on long leave is J. C. HARRISON and, despite his absence, the mining world still appears to function. His avowed intention during this period was to serve before the mast, but from what we have heard he is merely succeeding in beating about the bush.

BOB SOMERS-VINE, whose retirement from active cricket in the Club last season has brought forth expression of regret from not only his Clubmates, but also from many batsmen who would have normally faced him, is another who has answered the call to foreign parts. After a seven-weeks' trip to the United States he has returned disguised as a page out of 'Esquire', complete with three-dimensional nylon socks and a tendency to call everyone alike, male and female, 'honey'!



## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1950

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CONTRIBUTIONS — OLD  
JOHANNIAN CLUB  
BALANCE OF CAPITAL  
EXPENDITURE CARRIED  
DOWN

Certain portion 1 and portion 1 of  
 portion "C" of that portion known as  
 Duimfontein No. 34, all situate in  
 the District of Johannesburg and  
 measuring in extent 13.6269 morgen  
 held by virtue of Deed of Transfer  
 No. 4769/1939.  
 Certain Freehold Lots 91 and 92  
 situate in the Township of Lin-  
 stadt, Johannesburg, measuring in  
 extent 818 square rods, 134 square  
 feet held by virtue of Deed of Transfer  
 F.10064/1944.  
 Certain Lots 1962/9, 1970/1, 1972/4  
 Orange Grove Township, Johannes-  
 burg held by virtue of Deeds of Transfer  
 F.458/90/1947, F.7052/1947 and  
 22062/1949.  
 With the exception of Lot 1969 Orange  
 Grove Township at a cost of £520.3.7,  
 the above property has been mor-  
 gaged as per Contra.

## PLAYING FIELDS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Balance as at 31st December,  
1949

9.964 8 3

£37,574 18 7

£37,574 18 7



# TRUST SECTION

**OLD JOHANNIAN BURSARY FUND** .....  
 Balance as at 31st December, 1949

**OLD JOHANNIAN BURSARY FUND INVESTMENTS** .....  
 38 United Building Society 4% Preference Shares of £50 ea.      £1,900    0    0

£2,300    0    0

16 Rand Provident Building Society 4% Preference Shares of £25 each .....      400    0    0

3,242    8    0

**ORDINARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS FUND** ....

Balance as at 31st December, 1949 .....      £3,175    4    0

Add: Members admitted during the year .....      67    4    0

**BOND REDEMPTION FUND** ....

Balance as at 31st December, 1949 .....      £183    8    5

Add: Interest on Fund Investments .....      3    16    7

187    5    0

Building Society Savings Account .....      192    8    0

**BOND REDEMPTION FUND INVESTMENTS** .....  
 Building Society Savings Account

187    5    0

£5,729    13    0

£5,729    13    0



# OLD JOHANNIAN ASSOCIATION

## GENERAL SECTION

<b>SECURED LOAN</b> .....	£25,000	0	0	<b>BALANCE OF CAPITAL</b>					
John Swift Limited				<b>EXPENDITURE BROUGHT</b>					
Secured by First Mortgage				<b>DOWN</b> .....				£12,264	3 8
Bond over Property—				<b>LOAN — OLD JOHANNIAN</b>					
As per Contra				<b>CLUB</b> .....				6,750	0 0
<b>SUNDRY CREDITORS</b> .....	174	13	3	<b>BUILDING SOCIETY FIXED</b>					
Subscription paid in Advance				<b>DEPOSITS AND SAVING</b>					
Partly paid Life Subscriptions	£14	3	6	<b>BANK ACCOUNTS</b> .....				5,589	4 7
On Open Account .....	23	17	6					£277	13 0
	136	12	3	<b>SUNDRY DEBTORS</b> .....				293	12 0
<b>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</b>				<b>CASH WITH BANKERS</b> .....					
<b>ACCOUNT</b> .....	—	—	—					571	5 0
								£25,174	13 3

For and on behalf of the Committee:

G. DEKKER, Chairman.  
H. HOAR, Hon. Treasurer.

To the Members,

## OLD JOHANNIAN ASSOCIATION.

We have audited the Balance Sheet of the Old Johannian Association dated 31st December, 1950, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. We have satisfied ourselves of the existence of the Securities. Proper books and records have been kept and, in our opinion, such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the affairs of the Association according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Association.

JOHANNESBURG,  
4th April, 1951.

G. K. TUCKER and WILSON,  
Incorporated Accountants  
Auditors.



# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DEC., 1950.

## To ADMINISTRATION

EXPENSES	£156 19 5
Printing and Stationery	£89 8 7
Telephone and Postages	54 18 0
Bank Charges	2 7 11
General Charges	10 4 11

## " DONATION AND PRESENTATIONS

24 17 9

## " JOHANNIAN MAGAZINE

163 17 3

## " JOHANNIAN BURSARY

Grant 1950 £80 0 0

Less: Interest on Bursary Fund Investments 80 0 0

## " LOAN INTEREST

£345 14 5  
1,125 0 0

£1,470 14 5

## By SUBSCRIPTIONS AND INTEREST ON LIFE MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

£412 17 10

" ENTRANCE FEES 7 7 0

£420 4 10

" RENT RECEIVABLE £350 0 0

" INTEREST RECEIVABLE 441 18 0

791 18 0

" EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS ACCOUNT

258 11 7

£1,470 14 5



# OLD JOHANNIAN ASSOCIATION

## ACCUMULATED FUNDS ACCOUNT

TO EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE  
OVER INCOME TRANS-  
FERRED FROM INCOME  
AND EXPENDITURE  
ACCOUNT

£258 11 7

" CAPITAL APPROPRIATION  
ACCOUNT

70 3 7

£328 15 2

By ACCUMULATED FUNDS AS  
AT 31st DECEMBER, 1949  
" DONATIONS

£194 11 3  
134 3 11

£328 15 2

To the Members,

## OLD JOHANNIAN ASSOCIATION.

We report that, to the best of our knowledge and belief and on information supplied to us, the above accounts reflect a true statement of the income and expenditure for the year ended 31st December, 1950.

JOHANNESBURG,

4th April, 1951.

G. K. TUCKER and WILSON,  
Incorporated Accountants  
Auditors.







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