

The Wykeham School Magazine.

School Founded by Miss Moore, 26th April, 1905.



Ye Rede of William:

"Alle wille comme riht,
Habe feith, and sht
Wyth alle youre miht.
Only syt tyht.

Quoth William of Wykeham."

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LINKS WITH THE PAST

Wykeham's early days have been most happily recalled by a recent gift to the school, a gift which at first sight might seem of small value—just two tea-cloths—and why, you ask, should they be the subject of an Editorial?

One is a cloth, in fine linen, made up of seventy squares beautifully embroidered each by a different member of early Wykeham and bearing her name, while embroidered around the border are the names of over 200 Wykeham girls of those days. The second cloth is similar but smaller, and in the centre square is this charming tribute to our Founder—"For all the good within me, Sure! I thank my Mother and Miss Moore."

These cloths, made nearly 50 years ago as a present for Miss Moore, have now been given back into the School's safe-keeping, and we know that many Old Girls will share our pleasure in the gift and our gratitude to the donor.

In this material age of changing standards we who are presently at Wykeham may well give thought to the virtues symbolized by this gift—the virtues of patience and industry, of loyalty and affection, and, above all, of contentment which finds happiness in simple things.

M.K.B.



WYKEHAM SCHOOL STAFF

1st September, 1961

Headmistress :

Miss M. K. Ball, M.A. (Cantab.)

Mrs. D. Beghin, B.A.
 Miss M. Boyd, Dip. Bedford P.T.C.
 Mrs. V. Braham (Kindergarten).
 Miss M. Burnett, B.A.
 Miss J. Cox, A.R.C.M.
 Miss Y. Dalley, B.Sc., U.E.D.
 Mrs. M. Dawson (Sorbonne and Munich University)
 Miss J. Dickerson, Dip. Edin. Coll. of Dom. Science.
 Mrs. M. Finlay, P.T.C.
 Mrs. P. Fletcher, B.A.
 Mrs. P. Forbes, M.Sc.
 Miss P. Francis, B.A., U.E.D.
 Mrs. T. Grant, L.T.C.I.
 Mrs. Y. Poole, N.T.D.
 Mrs. S. M. Ryan, B.A., U.E.D.
 Miss B. Shippey, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M.
 Miss H. Watkins, Nat. Dip. of Design, Birmingham.

Administrative Staff :

Mrs. G. E. Hanington (Secretary); Miss E. Munton (Bursar); Miss E. Melville (Winchester House Matron); Sister A. M. Robinson (Waverley House Matron); Mrs. M. MacMillan (New House Matron); Mrs. Rich (Housekeeper).

Visiting Staff :

Mrs. H. Mills, M.R.A.D.; Mrs. E. Towner Coston (Singing); Mrs. M. Jackson (Speech Training).



WYKEHAM SCHOOL LIST

September, 1961

- Std. 10.—D. Battams, L. Galland, B. Gundelfinger, D. Kothe, *E. Kothe, *A. Leith, J. Lund, *L. Meyrick, J. Nicholson, C. Otto, L. v. d. Westhuizen, G. Webb, J. Wixley.
- Std. 9.—Z. Aronovsky, M. Bennett, D. Berkeley, M. Brinkworth, J. Clark, L. Frenkel, M. Garrett, E. Gill, P. Harrison, L. Hermer, J. Horner, H. Johnston, *V. Jowett, J. Kalk, H. Kloeckner, M. Luffingham, M. Marshall, B. Meyer, G. Neish, A. Nicol, M. Ross-Spencer, M. Vinjevold.
- Std. 8.—R. Barnes, P. Begbie, C. Burness, A. Carter, M. Drummond, *J. Evans, J. Fisher, H. Fitch, P. Forbes, J. Goldblatt, L. Greene, M. Haines, E. Hannam, *E. Harvey-Williams, *L. Kelly, M. Lawrence, E. L'Estrange, D. Lyons, J. McKenzie, A. Metcalf, C. Napier, H. Potter, L. Radford, B. Reineke, P. Searle-Tripp, Paddy Shorten, P. Vincent, A. Vowles, *P. Wolhuter.
- Std. 7.—S. Ablett, B. Acutt, M. Ager, *A. Arbous, B. Bloch, E. Cloete, B. Coe, G. Curlewis, C. Delaloy, J. Dorning, C. Elderton, *E. Hellberg, N. Home, *L. Inglis, S. Jennings, *R. Jowett, S. Keel, J. Lord, H. MacRae, M. Meyer, W. Muir, H. Paton, J. Reid, G. Rock, Pam. Shorten, G. Smith, V. Stuart.
- Std. 6.—A. Braby, C. Bullimore, S. Canny, J. Catchpole, J. Cope, P. Croudace, J. Fraser, V. Fyfe, *G. Hean, G. Herd, J. Home, A. Hubbard, J. Ibbotson, H. Jackson, *S. Juul, B. Knipe, G. L'Estrange, M. le Roux, I. Lewin, D. Masson, P. Riemer, J. Scott, *J. Smyth, R. Stainbank, S. Stewart, *R. Stradling, G. Weight.

Std. 5.—*G. Ferguson, J. Hewson, R. Hutchinson, *S. Mills, *P. Nicholls, *A. Pratt, H. Schlater, L. Schaefer, M. Squires, *B. Turner, *A. Vickers.

Std. 4.—L. Bank, *L. Bantjes, *P. Boreham, A. Bowles, *B. Brusser, S. Greene, *S. Joubert, *B. Morgan, H. Potter, *S. Smith, M. Stainbank.

Std. 3.—*E. Bonsall, *A. Borrowdale, B. Freese, *P. Furphy, *J. Gordon, *J. Gray, J. Harrington, *S. Hedley, *V. Joubert, P. L'Estrange, *C. Olivier, *L. Smyth, *L. Turnbull.

Std. 2.—J. Bennett, *C. Bowren, J. Crookes, *A. de Klerk, *P. Edkins, *M. Fourie, *P. Kerr, S. McDonald, *C. Morgan, S. Otto.

Std. 1.—E. Cloete, *L. Edkins, Y. Greene, *F. Henwood, *A. McKenzie, *J. Millar, *A. Smythe.

Class II.—*A. Cotten, *A. de Klerk, F. Haysom, *J. Hoggart, *J. Joubert, *G. Logan, *B. Martin, *R. Meyrick, *P. Nicholls, *M. Ryan, *A. Taljaard.

Class I.—*A. Cook, *J. Cosnett, *G. Davidson, *V. de Klerk, *A. Markham, *M. Nicholas, R. Pool, *J. Weston.

* Denotes Day Scholar.

WYKEHAM SCHOOL PREFECTS AND HEADS OF HOUSES

Head Girl : C. Otto, **Vice-Head :** L. v. d. Westhuizen

Prefects :

Jeanette Lund, A. Leith, L. Galland.

Sub-Prefects :

D. Battams, B. Gundelfinger, J. Nicholson, J. Wixley, E. Gill,
L. Hermer, M. Luffingham, M. Marshall, M. Ross-Spencer.

Green House :

Head of House : C. Otto. **Vice-Head :** L. v. d. Westhuizen

Mackenzie House :

Head of House : J. Lund. **Vice-Head :** D. Battams

Moore House :

Head of House : J. Nicholson. **Vice-Head :** J. Wixley



SCHOOL DIARY

Michaelmas Quarter—1st September — 29th September, 1960.

- Sept. 1 Twelve girls confirmed by Bishop Inman at St. Saviour's Cathedral.
- " 3 Film: "The Elusive Pimpernel".
- " 5 Prefects to Settlers' Day Celebrations.
- " 8 Parents' Council Meeting.
- " 9 Form V to "Serenade" at Natal Training College.
- " 10 Forms VI - IV entertain St. John's Seniors.
- " Forms III and II to "Let's make an Opera" at Epworth.
- " 12 Matric. and J.C. Trial Examinations.
- " 14 Meetings of Finance Committee and Full Board of Trustees.
- " Some Seniors to Lecture on Modern Art at University.
- " 17 J.C. Form Picnic.
- " Music Club—Talk by Miss Watkins and Miss Cox.
- " 20 Inter-Schools Drama Competition at the Rowe Theatre. Won by Wykeham.
- " 22 Wykeham's Repeat Performance at the Rowe Theatre.
- " 23 Seniors to Philippe Entremont's Piano Recital.
- " 28 Film: "Spring in Park Lane".
- " 29 Breaking-up Concert. End of Quarter.

Christmas Quarter—11th October — 9th December, 1960.

- Oct. 11 Classes Re-open.
- " 13 Inter-Schools Spelling Competition, Form III.
- " 15 Film: "White Christmas".
- " 22 Juniors to "Our Children's Day Concert" in City Hall.

- Nov. 6 Long Sunday.
 " 7 Fireworks Display.
 " 12 Music Club Meeting.
 " 13 Remembrance Day. Wykeham laid the Schools' Wreath.
 " 14 Films of Kariba Dam, shown by Mr. Ken Dunlop.
 " 14 Junior Piece-playing.
 " 15 Seniors heard Durban Civic Orchestra.
 " 16 Senior Piece-playing.
 " 17 Parents' Council Meeting.
 " 21 School Examinations began.
 " 23 Matric. and J.C. Examinations began.
 " Private Schools' Assoc. Meeting, held at Wykeham.
 " 24 Board of Trustees' Meeting.
 " 26 Film: "Baby and the Battleship".
 " 29 Forms VI - II to "The Messiah".
 " 30 Nativity Play and Exhibition of Work by Kindergarten and Juniors.
 Dec. 2 Christmas House Parties.
 " 3 School to Christmas Pantomime — "Babes in the Wood".
 " 8 Carol Service at Wykeham.
 " 9 Prize-giving. Guests of Honour, the Hon. D. G. Shepstone and Mrs. Shepstone.
 End of Quarter.

Easter Quarter—25th January — 29th March, 1961.

- Jan. 25 Classes Re-open.
 New Staff: Miss Daffey, Miss van Rooyen, Miss Francis, Miss Burnett.
 Feb. 4 Film: "National Velvet".
 " 15 Ash Wednesday. Seniors to Celebration at St. Peter's, Junior Lent Services at St. Peter's began.
 " 18 Debating Society Meeting.
 " 21 Senior Lent Addresses by Dr. Calvin Cook began.
 " 24 Inter-house Swimming Gala. Won by Mackenzie.
 Awards presented by Mr. H. St. L. Somerville.
 " 25 Music Club Meeting.
 " 26 Long Sunday.
 " 28 Some Seniors to Violin Recital by Miss Peggy Griffiths.

- Mar. 1 Parents' Council Meeting.
 „ 4 Film: "Dunkirk".
 „ 9 Inter-Schools Junior Swimming Gala.
 „ 10 Inter-Schools Senior Swimming Gala.
 „ 11 Music Club Meeting.
 „ 16 Meetings of the Finance Committee and Full Board of Trustees.
 Staff Dinner with Board of Trustees.
 „ 17 Debating Society Meeting.
 „ 18 Forms VI - IV to Social Evening at St. John's.
 „ 23 School to "White Wilderness" at 20th Century.
 „ 23 Seniors to Easter Choral Concert — City Hall.
 Debating Society Meeting with Convent High School.
 „ 25 Form IV Entertainment.
 „ 29 End of Quarter.

Winter Quarter—13th April — 29th June, 1961.

- April 13 Classes Re-open.
 „ 22 Film: "Tea House of the August Moon"
 „ 29 Old Girls' Fete in City Hall, opened by Mr. Mervyn Wood.
 Afternoon—Fancy Dress Party for Juniors.
 Inter-house Dramatics Competition, judged by Mrs. L. v. d. Hoven.
 „ 30 Corporate Communion Service at St. George's.
 Annual General Meeting of the Wykeham Old Girls.
 Tennis vs. The Old Girls.
 May 5 Music Club Meeting. "Woodwind Instruments", by Mr. Kewney.
 „ 6 Films on Schools' Overseas Tour.
 Some Seniors to Michaelhouse Dance.
 „ 11 Ascension Day—Seniors to Celebration at St. Peter's.
 „ 13 Debating Society Meeting.
 „ 18 Parents' Council Meeting.
 „ 20 Film: "Gypsy Colt".
 „ 26 Hofmeyr Speech Contest. L. Galland spoke for Wykeham.
 „ 28 Long Sunday.
 Wykeham received Bishop Inman and Maritzburg College Seniors after Evensong.
 „ 31 Republic Day. School Sports. Film: "Bitter Sweet".

June	1	Junior Piece-playing.
"	3	Seniors to Elsteddfod Concert.
"	5	Senior Piece-playing.
"	8	Forms VI - III to "Romeo and Juliet" at Michael-house.
"	10	Music Club Meeting. Preview of "Brigadoon".
"	12	School Examinations began.
"	14	Meeting of the Board of Trustees.
"	23	Forms VI - II to "Brigadoon".
"	24	Form II Entertainment.
"	29	End of Quarter. Inter-House Gymnastics Competition judged by Mr. Braham.

Michaelmas Quarter—27th July — 31st August, 1961.

July	27	Classes Re-open.
Aug.	2	Forms VI - II to England vs. Natal Hockey at Stadium.
"	4	Forms VI and V to "Stones that Glitter" at Rowe Theatre.
"	5	Film: "Dream Wife".
"	11	Seniors to Philharmonic Concert at City Hall.
"	12	Inter-Schools Riding Competition. Won by Wykeham.
"	18	Forms VI & V to Personal Relationships Symposium at St. Peter's.
"	23	Conveners' Meeting for the 1962 Fete.
"	25	Debating Society Meeting.
"	26	Music Club Meeting.
"	27	Long Sunday.
"	28	Inter-Schools' Drama Competition.
Sept.	5	Fourteen girls confirmed in the Cathedral, by Bishop Inman.
"	7	Parents' Council Meeting.
"	8	Matriculation and J.C. "Trial" Examinations.
"		Forms VI - II to "Patience" at Training College.
"	9	Film: "The Green Years".
"	16	J.C. Form Picnic.
"	20	Meetings of Finance Committee and Full Board of Trustees.
"	22	Debate against Maritzburg College.
"	23	Form V Entertainment.
"	26	Forms VI - III to "Androcles and the Lion", at Epworth.
"	28	End of Quarter.

EXAMINATION SUCCESSES

S.A. Universities Matriculations :

Class I—W. Byas, P. Tough, *J. Antel.

Class II—G. Cope, W. Hauff.

Class III—S. Methley, *J. Dey, *V. Ender, *C.-A. Smith,
*E. v. Riet.

* Indicates School Leaving Certificate.

Natal Junior Certificate :

Pass with Merit : M. Bennett, L. Frenkel, M. Garrett, E. Gill, J. Myskow.

Pass : D. Berkeley, M. Cain, L. Hermer, J. Horner, H. Johnston, V. Jowett, J. Kalk, M. Luffingham, M. Marshall, G. Neish, A. Nicol, M. Ross-Spencer.

Awards on the Results of Junior Certificate :

Natal Bursary : J. Myskow.

Winnie de Kock Memorial Bursary : Divided between E. Gill and M. Ross-Spencer.

Taalbond :

(Laer) : D. Kothe, L. Meyrick, J. Myskow, P. Tough, L. v. d. Westhuizen.

(Voorbereidende) : 17 candidates were successful, of whom M. Haines, L. Kelly and H. Potter passed in the higher grade.

Pianoforte :

Trinity College of Music :

Grade VI—P. Forbes.

Grade V—J. McKenzie (Merit).

Grade III—J. Kothe.

Grade II—V. Fyfe.

Grade I—H. Sclater (Honours), G. Cohen (Merit), A. Hubbart (Merit), H. Jackson (Merit).

Theory of Music :**Trinity College of Music :**

Grade III—Jennifer Gordon (Honours).

Grade II—H. Selater (Honours).

Grade I—G. Cohen (Honours), H. Selater (Honours).

Royal Schools of Music :

Grade V—P. Forbes.

Grade IV—Heather Potter.

Grade III—S. Juul.

Grade I—S. Girdwood.

Eisteddfod :**In the Elocution Section :**

A. Hubbart, who gained an Honours Certificate, was awarded an Eisteddfod Bursary value R20.00.

18 "A" Certificates and 19 "B" Certificates were gained.

In the Piano Section :

One Honours Certificate, 9 "A" Certificates and 11 "B" Certificates were gained.

In the Choral Section :

Wykeham's Senior Choir gained an Honours Certificate.

Royal Show :

Wykeham gained 13 awards or mentions in the Art and Needle-work Sections of the Show.



PRIZE-GIVING

Friday, 9th December, 1960

Introduction by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Mr. K. Pennington,

Headmistress' Report.

Presentation of Prizes and Address by the

Hon. D. G. Shepstone.

PRIZE LIST

Form Prizes :

Form	VI	.....	J. Antel.
"	V	.....	J. Wixley.
"	IV	.....	J. Myskow.
"	III	.....	H. Potter.
"	II	.....	S. Jennings.
"	I	.....	S. Juul.
Standard	4	.....	S. Mills.
"	3	.....	A. Bowles.
"	2	.....	A. Borrowdale.
"	1	.....	P. Edkins.

Subject Prizes :

Scripture (Presented by Miss Mellor):

Senior P. Tough

Std. 7 J. Evans

English (Presented by Mr. and Mrs. D. Nicol):

Senior D. Hattenbach

Std. 7 J. Evans

Afrikaans

Senior J. McNaught-Davis

Junior Jennifer Gordon

Latin (Presented by Miss Ball)

V. Ender

French (Presented by the French Consul)

W. Byas

Mathematics (Presented by Mr. Pennington):

Senior W. Byas

J.C. J. Myskow

Junior G. Curlewis

Geography

W. Byas

Botany

J. Antel

History

J. Antel

Domestic Science (Presented by Miss Black)

J. Antel

General Knowledge (Presented by Mrs. B. Cope):

Senior S. Methley

J.C. E. Gill

Junior C. Bullimore

Art

G. Cope

Dramatics

E. v. Riet

D. Batta ms

Original Verse (Presented by Miss Farrant):

Senior L. v. d. Westhuizen

Junior Not Awarded

MUSIC PRIZES

Senior Piano (Presented by Mrs. Bacon)

P. Tough

Senior Improvement

P. Forbes

Junior Progress (Presented by Mrs. Smythe):

S. Juul

Jennifer Gordon

SCHOOL CUPS

Dougall Cup for Music	Green House
Phillips Cup for Art and Handicrafts	Green House
Steere Cup for Work	Green House

SPORTS AWARDS

(Presented by Mr. and Mrs. Phillips)

Tennis :

Winner of the Boyd-Varty Senior Trophy	J. Nicholson
Winner of the Chandler Junior Cup	B. Acutt

Gymnastics	Senior	G. Cope
	Junior	Jennifer Gordon

Swimming	Senior	W. Byas
	Junior	J. Catchpole

SCHOOL AWARDS

Angela Budd Memorial Prize—

(Presented by Messrs. Shuter & Shooter)—

S. Jennings

Good Fellowship Prize—

(Presented by Mr. and Mrs. Somerville)

G. Cope

William of Wykeham Courtesy Prize—

(Presented by Miss Hime)

{ W. Hauff
| P. Tough

GRAND-DAUGHTERS AT WYKEHAM, 1961

Mary Bennett	daughter of Sheila Crookes
Jane Bennett	" " Sheila Crookes
Peta Boreham	" " Zoe Browning
Anne Borrowdale	" " Mavis Arnott
Anne Bowles	" " Edna Masson
Anne Carter	" " Veronique Merrick
Jeanette Cope	" " Patricia Moore
Priscilla Croudace	" " Nan Moore
Gillian Davidson	" " Mabel Chandler
Julia Dorning	" " Denise Chaplin
Judith Evans	" " Lorraine Lister
Jessica Fraser	" " Dulcie Woods
Judith Harrington	" " Joan Steere
Elisabeth Hellberg	" " Helene Catherine
Lynette Inglis	" " Gwyneth Saville
Susan Joubert	" " Sylvia Gordon
Veronica Joubert	" " Sylvia Gordon
Sandra Juul	" " Natalie Fannin
Mary Le Roux	" " Pamela Gold
Eileen L'Estrange	" " Dorothy Knubley
Geraldine L'Estrange	" " Dorothy Knubley
Pamela L'Estrange	" " Dorothy Knubley
Jeanette Lund	" " Nancy Shaw
Dorothy Masson	" " Marylee Fanner
Carolyn Otto	" " Memory Woods
Susan Otto	" " Memory Woods
Rosemary Scott-Barnes	" " Anne Harcourt-Baldwin
Hazel Sclater	" " Cherry Campbell
Gillian Smith	" " Audrey Smeaton
Rosemary Stainbank	" " Maud Gordon
Meryl Stainbank	" " Maud Gordon
Bridget Turner	" " Ann Stainbank
Lynette van der Westhuizen	" " Betty Sydie

GREAT GRAND-DAUGHTERS

Carol Napier	daughter of Lilian Lindsay and grand-daughter of May Black.
Susan Hedley	grand-daughter of Margaret Green.
Felicity Henwood	daughter of Sheila Coates and grand-daughter of Beryl Francis.
Gillian Webb	daughter of Betty Hedley and grand-daughter of Margaret Green.

GRANDSON

Johan Joubert	son of Sylvia Gordon.
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SCHOOL NOTES

During the Christmas holidays the School Hall was re-decorated in tones of pale grey and blue. Fluorescent lighting and electric fans have been introduced, and largely thanks to the generous help of our Johannesburg Old Girls we are shortly to have new curtains for the back of the stage. We hope that before long it will also be possible to renew the front curtains, and are most grateful to two parents who have sent us donations for this purpose.

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Recent improvements in the school include a second and much-needed Common Room, which has been made by combining two of the small classrooms in the Old Music Block and is proving a most welcome addition.

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Wykeham's Senior Choir was awarded an Honours Certificate at the Eisteddfod in June. Ann Hubbart, who was awarded a Speech Bursary, was included among those invited to take part in the Eisteddfod Concert in the City Hall, at which Sandra Juul, Lynne Kelly and Adrienne Arbous were also asked to play.

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Wykeham's riding team was again successful in winning the Riding Shield in the Inter-Schools Riding Competition which took place in August.

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Old Girls who remember George 'Ncongo, who has been in the Non-Europeans' Isolation Hospital since April, will be glad to know that he is making good progress and is likely to be discharged from hospital before long. He was most grateful for the gift made to him by Old Girls who were at the Birthday Week-end.

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A very handsome silver shield has been presented to the School by Janet and Philippa Tough, to be known as the Form Efficiency Shield. Senior forms are assessed twice a term by the Staff, and the award will be made at Prize-giving to the form with the highest efficiency aggregate. As we go to press, the two divisions of Form II are neck and neck competitors for the Shield.

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We acknowledge most gratefully many gifts of books for our libraries, and of plants and shrubs for the gardens.

M.K.B.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Following the success of last year's experiment, General Knowledge questions were again set to which the answers had to be prepared during the July holidays, and the excellent papers written by so many girls on the opening day of school proved once again the value of this innovation. It was, in fact, very difficult to decide which was the best paper among many which achieved a result of 95 per cent or over. The Senior Prize was won by Maeve Vinjevold, with Elizabeth Gill as runner-up, but in the Junior Section there were so many papers of almost equal merit that a short additional test had to be given to decide the winner. This, being unprepared by the juniors, produced some rather startling information, and we learnt, among other interesting facts, that

"P.A.Y.E. stands for Pay at your Ease."

"Dr. Barbara Moore is a Wykeham Old Girl."

"A Cheetah is a musical instrument."

"A rolling stone always reaches the bottom."

and "Shylock Homes is a character in Shakespeare."

The Junior Prize was finally won, for the second year, by Caroline Bullimore, with Genevieve Weight and Sandra Juul very close behind, and many others in the 90 per cent group.

Congratulations are offered to all those who tackled these papers with such enthusiasm and ingenuity—and not least to the fathers, who must have had to do some very hard work!

M.K.B.





HOUSE NOTES

Green House

House Staff: Miss Watkins, Mrs. Hanington, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Cox, Miss Dalley, Miss Melville.

In January we welcomed Miss Dalley as a member of Green House and in July Miss Melville also joined us.

At the beginning of this year the form of the House Meetings was changed. Mark Lists are posted on the House Boards after each Mark Period, recording achievements and failures in work and conduct. It was also decided that each house would work for a special cause during House Meetings.

Green House was again successful in winning the Work, Arts and Handicrafts, and Music Cups at the end of 1960. We congratulate E. Gill, M. Garrett and L. Frenkel on obtaining "merits" in the Junior Certificate Examination. S. Jennings, J. Catchpole and S. Juul have maintained a good standard of work throughout the year.

In the Inter-House Dramatics Competition, Green House was placed first, after a most successful performance of the Second Act of "Quality Street". We were very pleased that Z. Aronovsky, together with Sally Stewart of Mackenzie House, was commended as the best actress of the evening.

Green was placed third in both the Gymnastics Competition and the Senior Hockey, while the juniors, after much keen contesting, gained second place in the Junior Hockey. We congratulate L. Frenkel on obtaining her gymnastics colours. In the Inter-House Swimming Gala, Green House succeeded in gaining second place. Congratulations go to L. Frenkel on winning the

Beckett Cup for diving, and to J. Catchpole on winning the Mattison Cup, both for the second time.

I would like to make special mention of the fine spirit which has been shown by the girls in Inter-House competitions. It has been most gratifying to find so many keen and helpful members in the House.

Many thanks are due to Miss Watkins for all the help which she has given to the House throughout the year.

Best wishes go to Green House for the coming year.

CAROLYN OTTO, House Captain.

Mackenzie House

House Staff: Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. Beghin, Mrs. Finlay, Miss Shippey, Sister Robinson, Miss Francis, Miss Van Rooyen.

We were sorry at the end of last year to say good-bye to Miss MacQuarrie, but we welcome Mrs. Ryan who has taken her place as House Mistress. We also welcome two newcomers to the staff, Miss Francis and Miss van Rooyen.

We would like to congratulate our former Captain, Wendy Byas, on gaining a First-Class Matriculation, and Mary Bennett on gaining a Pass with Merit in J.C.

We began the year's competitions very well by winning the Inter-House Swimming Gala. Congratulations go to all who swam, especially to L. Hermer on winning the Earle and R.H.N. Cups, and to A. Nicol on winning the Heritage Cup.

The Inter-House Dramatic Competition was held during the Birthday Week-end. Linda Galland was our producer of "The Followers" whose cast consisted of Linda Galland, Diana Battams, Meryl Ager and Sally Stewart. Sally was commended on her excellent performance. We did not manage to keep the Cup, which was awarded to Green who beat us by a small margin.

The Gymnastics Competition was held at the end of the second quarter, and was won by Moore. We were lucky to come second. Our theme was "progression", and I would like to thank all those who took part for their unfailing keenness and help.

Moore again got the better of us in the Senior House Hockey after three matches had resulted in a draw. The Juniors, however, were successful in coming first. Congratulations to Myra Marshall on gaining her Hockey Colours.

Mackenzie has shown a marked improvement in work, and with a little more concentration we might win the Cup. We are, however, slacking in our efforts for the Order Cup which we won last year.

I would like to thank the Staff for everything they have done to help, especially for the party which everyone enjoyed at the end of last year.

JEANETTE LUND, House Captain.

Moore House

House Staff : Miss Dickerson, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Poole, Mrs. Mac-Millan, Miss Burnett, Mrs. Dawson.

This year Miss Dickerson has continued as our House Mistress. In July Mrs. Grant went overseas and our good wishes went with her for a most enjoyable holiday.

We were sorry to say "Good-bye" to Jennifer Chappell in July. She was head of the house for the half-year and we thank her for all she did for Moore House.

Moore House presented a scene from "Arms and the Man" in the Inter-House Dramatic Competition. Although the house was unsuccessful in the competition, the cast was most enthusiastic and worked well.

Although Moore House tried hard in the Inter-House Gala, we unfortunately came last. However, our congratulations go to Beatrice Bloch for winning two cups for the house.

Judy Nicholson was again chosen to play Tennis for the Pietermaritzburg "A" team, and Inter-Districts Team. Margaret Drummond was also chosen to play in the Inter-Districts Tournament and we congratulate her on gaining her Honours Colours.

Thanks to hard work and good team spirit, Moore House won the Gymnastics Competition.

After a great battle against Mackenzie, Moore House managed to win the Senior House Hockey. The Junior Team was unsuccessful in the event.

We should like to thank the Staff for the encouragement and assistance which they have given us this year, especially in the reorganisation of the House Meetings.

I should like to conclude by wishing the girls of Moore House the best of luck in the future.

JUDY NICHOLSON, House Captain.



TENNIS

The Juniors have taken an exceptionally keen interest in tennis this year, and promise well for the future. It is a pity that so many Senior girls fail to take advantage of the opportunities offered to them.

The 1st VI have had a very successful season, winning all but one of their league matches.

Judy Nicholson has been selected to play Number 2 for Pietermaritzburg "A" team, and Margaret Drummond for Pietermaritzburg Inter-Districts "B" team. Margaret has been awarded her Honours Colours, which Judy already holds. They both represented Wykeham in the Smythe Trophy this year and came third in their section.

The Boyd Varty Singles Trophy and Chandler Cup are in the process of being played, and House matches will be played later this quarter.

The Present Girls played the Wykeham Old Girls during the Birthday Week-end, and after a very enjoyable match the Present Girls won by 62 games to 55.

Many Wykeham girls have taken part in holiday tournaments and are to be congratulated on the long list of successes to their credit.

First Team, 1961

- 1st Couple—M. Drummond, J. Nicholson (capt.).
- 2nd Couple—J. Lund, J. Chappell.
- 3rd Couple—L. v. d. Westhuizen, B. Coe.

Second Team, 1961

- 1st Couple—C. Otto, J. Evans.
- 2nd Couple—G. Webb, R. Barnes.
- 3rd Couple—V. Stuart, Paddy Shorten.

First Team League Results

Feb.	4th vs. Russell High	Won 106 - 11
"	11th vs. Ixopo	Won 76 - 23
"	18th vs. Epworth	Won 67 - 50
Mar.	27th vs. St. John's	Won 75 - 42
May	4th vs. Collegiate	Won 65 - 52
"	10th vs. G.H.S.	Lost 69 - 48

JUDY NICHOLSON (Captain).

**HOCKEY**

Unfortunately we lost six members of our last year's team, but the new 1st XI have worked well together and are particularly to be congratuated on their win against G.H.S.. It is 18 years since Wykeham last defeated these redoubtable opponents!

Jeanette Lund is to be congratulated on being chosen for the Pietermaritzburg "B" Team. She has been awarded her hockey Honours Colours. School Colours have also been awarded to Myra Marshall.

The Senior House Hockey matches were won by Moore House and the Junior by Mackenzie.

1st XI: G. Neish, Paddy Shorten, M. Lawrence, M. Bennett, J. Nicholson (Capt.), A. Nicol, J. Lund, D. Lyons, M. Ross-Spencer, M. Marshall, M. Drummond.

2nd XI: L. Hermer, S. Keel, G. Webb, B. Coe, D. Kothé, B. Meyer, L. Kelly, L. Frenkel, C. Otto (Capt.), L. van der Westhuizen, J. Evans.

Results

			1st XI	2nd XI
Apl.	15th	St. John's	Lost 0 - 1	Lost 0 - 5
May	6th	Epworth	Won 4 - 3	
	13th	Russell Hight	Won 8 - 0	Won 5 - 0
	27th	Voortrekker	Drew 1 - 1	Drew 1 - 1
June	10th	Ixopo	Won 3 - 1	Won 2 - 1
	24th	Collegiate	Lost 1 - 2	Won 5 - 1
July	29th	St. Anne's	Lost 2 - 5	Lost 0 - 2
Aug.	5th	Wartburg	Won 3 - 0	Won 3 - 0
	12th	Convent	Drew 1 - 1	Won 6 - 0
	19th	Greytown	Lost 1 - 2	Won 5 - 1
	26th	Tech. College	Lost 0 - 4	Won 5 - 0
	31st	G.H.S.	Won 1 - 0	Drew 1 - 1

JUDY NICHOLSON (Captain).

SWIMMING

The Inter-House Gala was held on February 24th, and was again won by Mackenzie House with 95 points, Green was second and Moore third. Mr. Somerville kindly presented the trophies. The Broome Higgs Memorial Cup was won by Mackenzie, the John Holliday Cup, and the Shoolbred Cup for the Senior with the most points, were won by Beatrice Bloch. The Earle Cup and the R.H.N. Cup were won by Lauren Hermer, the Heritage Cup by Ann Nicol, and the Bennett Cup for senior diving by Leonora Frenkel. The Mattison Cup for the junior with the most points was won once again by Judy Catchpole. It was a very successful afternoon and showed promising talent for the future. Five records were broken.

In the Inter-Schools Gala, held at the open-air Baths in March, Wykeham Juniors gained third place, and Seniors fourth place. The Lambert trophy for 50 yards freestyle was again won by Jennifer Chappell, and Wykeham also won the Garnett Cup.

At the Seals' Gala, Wykeham took part in an open team race, and were successful in gaining second place.

A number of swimming certificates were awarded at the end of the season, and special congratulations go to Lauren Hermer, Barbara Coe, Judy Catchpole, Lesley Meyrick, Jillian Goldblatt and Beatrice Bloch, who gained their first-class certificates.

A life-saving class, held every Wednesday afternoon, proved very successful. Wendy Byas and Jennifer Chappell gained the Bronze Medallion.

Our special thanks go to Miss Boyd for her interest and help given to us last season.

JENNIFER CHAPPELL, Swimming Captain.

GYMNASTICS

The Annual Inter-House Gymnastics Competition was held at the end of the second quarter. We were very grateful to Mr. Braham, who again came to judge the three houses. Moore House won the cup, Mackenzie coming second. We were pleased to be told by Mr. Braham that he considered our standard of gymnastics to be high.

Congratulations go to L. Frenkel on gaining well-deserved colours.

Deportment girdles are at present held by the following girls:—

C. Otto, E. Kothe, J. Lund, J. Nicholson, L. v. d. Westhuizen, B. Gundelfinger, J. Wixley, M. Ross-Spencer, M. Luffingham, A. Leith, R. Barnes, A. Arbous, B. Reineke, H. Fitch, S. Jennings, L. Kelly, G. L'Estrange.

JEANETTE LUND, Gymnastics Captain.



LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

Our first meeting this year was a debate held at Wykeham, at which Miss Ball, Miss Burnett and Mrs. Fletcher were present. The subject was: "Is Modern Machinery Good for Mankind?" One very encouraging feature of this debate was that there were many speakers from the floor. All too often the tendency has been to give little or no support to the main speakers.

A very successful Inter-School debate was held at Convent during the second quarter. Convent proposed the motion that "Corporal Punishment should be enforced in Schools". Mr. Colin Gardner, from the University English Department, who was invited to act as judge, decided that the result of the debate should be a draw. He pointed out that although the Convent team had better prepared speeches and stronger arguments, they tended to read their speeches. He commended the Wykeham girls for their more spontaneous delivery.

Three more debates have been held at Wykeham and we have arranged an Inter-School debate with Pietermaritzburg College at the end of the quarter, which should provide some welcome relief after "Trials" Examinations. We would, however, like to see members as interested in debating for its own sake as in the opportunity it provides for contact with other schools.

In the Hofmeyr Speech Contest our speaker this year was Linda Galland, who chose as her subject "Is the Conquest of Space worth the Cost and the Effort?" Members of the Debating Society also attended this Contest.

P.F.

MUSIC CLUB

At the Annual Meeting, Jeanette Lund completed her term of office as secretary and we thank her for her help during another successful year.

We have been fortunate in having a number of city musicians to give us programmes. These have included a 'Cello and Piano-forte Recital by Mrs. Mylne and Mrs. Harwin, and songs at the piano by the latter, a programme of Lieder beautifully sung by Miss Marjory McConvill, and a most instructive programme of music for flute and oboe by Mr. Kewney and his talented son and daughter.

We are grateful to members of the staff also—to Miss Watkins and Miss Cox who contrasted form in painting and music—and to Mrs. Towner-Coston who arranged a programme for our open meeting in June, when the principals in the Philharmonic production "Brigadoon" came and sang for us and Mrs. Towner-Coston told us the story of this musical. She also helped considerably with the programme for the end of term party last year, which was a combined effort by members and was held in the Senior Common Room.

We are looking forward to this term's programmes by Miss Verity Griessel and Mr. Cyril Wright, and will be pleased to welcome back Mrs. Grant from her overseas leave in time for the meeting in November.

ANN NICOL, Secretary.



Inter-Schools Drama Competition, 1960.
Elizabeth Doolittle receives Wykeham's award from the Director of Education, Mr. L. Buchayek.

DRAMATICS

The Inter-House Dramatic Competition for the Frampton-Pennington Cup was held on the Saturday evening of the Birthday Week-end, when we welcomed a large audience of Old Girls and Parents. Mrs. L. v. d. Hoven very kindly came to adjudicate and awarded the Cup to Green House for their very successful production of "Quality Street" (Act II). We also much enjoyed Moore House in an extract from "Arms and the Man", and Mackenzie House in "The Followers". Zona Aronovsky as a delightful "Phoebe of the Ringlets" and Sally Stewart, who played Lucy Baines in "The Followers", were warmly commended by Mrs. van der Hoven as the best players of the evening.

A new interest has been given to School Dramatics by the Rowe Theatre Management Group, who have arranged an annual Inter-Schools Drama Competition, for the Frank Stewart Memorial Trophy. This competition took place for the first time last September, when on successive evenings eight Pietermaritzburg Schools gave 40-minute performances in the Rowe Theatre. Wykeham, presenting Act II of "Pygmalion", were the first winners of the trophy, and greatly enjoyed the experience of acting in a real theatre. Of their performance, the "Natal Witness" theatre critic wrote: "I anticipated a good performance but found that Wykeham's theatre far exceeded my expectations. Diana Battams as the prim and proper Mrs. Pearce was all that any producer could have wished—completely confident, capable and convincing. Elsie van Riet was a charmingly effective Eliza Doolittle, carrying off her role with aplomb. Linda Galland as the hilarious father Doolittle, Wendy Byas as Professor Higgins and Gillian Cope as Pickering, added the splendid support which gave the whole a polish and vitality that must have made adult amateur dramatic producers more than a little jealous."

This year, in competition with seven schools, we were not successful in retaining the trophy, although the cast again gave a good performance of "Quality Street".

We owe much to Mrs. Jackson, who has helped us in all our productions, and our interest and experience in Dramatics will certainly be increased by the opportunities now given to us through friendly competition with other schools.

M.K.B.

S.C.A. BRANCH

The Wykeham Branch of The Students' Christian Association has only recently been formed and there is already a fairly good membership, which we hope will increase with time.

Some of the aims of this association are to lead members to follow the Christian faith, to deepen the spiritual life of the scholar, and to encourage Bible study.

We have had some very interesting meetings, at which we have had three "Fact and Faith" films and talks by various ministers on prayer, Bible study, and other subjects.

Last term some of the members attended a leaders' conference and found it very helpful.

We will be very sorry to lose Miss Francis at the end of this year as she has been an enthusiastic and inspiring leader, without whose help our Branch would not have been formed.

ELIZABETH GILL, Secretary.



ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS

LIFE

In the eyes of God is man's life but a day,
A day in a year of generations,
The misty unawareness of a baby's first months
Is like an early morning, grey and innocent
Of harsh realities.
And then life brightens with the joys of youth
To the softness and colour of a summer morn,
With cares not yet arrived.
The bloom of youth with its morning freshness
Soon passes into the fading age of noon,
When beauty wilts and love is faint.
Slowly the afternoon passes into the eve of life.
With fading senses and light growing dim
Life passes from dusk, away,
To begin on the morrow another life's day.

LYNETTE v. d. WESTHUIZEN, Form VI.

SODOM, AND THE DEAD SEA

On the 24th July, 1951, I left the small suburb called Savyon and was taken into Tel Aviv, one of the main towns in Israel. There I was dropped at a touring office and we left for Sodom, and the Dead Sea, at 8.30 a.m.

We were heading directly South-East. On the way, we went through an area which is just above the beginning of the desert. This part is known as the South of Israel, although it is only half-way across the country. It was in this area that David had his last "fling" at Goliath and here all the Philistine wars were fought. The Canaanites also came from this area.

As we approached Beer Sheba, the town that will soon become the capital of the South, we came across our first group of camels. They were wonderful to see. They had brightly coloured cloths thrown over their saddles, and their Bedouin owners were standing round the well talking, while they were drinking.

One never sees Arab women, or very rarely. They are not allowed out of the house or tent, and when a special occasion arises they have to wear a veil across the lower part of their faces. Some even wear transparent ones across their entire faces.

At last we entered Beer Sheba. The town is not particularly pretty, but it has its areas where there are cobbled streets and white houses, like pictures that have fallen out of the Bible. These are not as pretty as those in Nazareth, Safad and Jerusalem.

We stopped at the community centre, a touring club, for lunch and finally, after that, entered the true Negev Desert. Negev means dry land, and it certainly is dry! The rainfall on the edge of the Negev is 200 millimetres, but only ten miles inside this border the rainfall decreases to 80 millimetres. In the Dead Sea area, they've had 12 millimetres of rain in 40 years!

The West of the Negev is soon to be opened for agriculture. This might be possible because at one stage, millions of years ago, the Dead Sea covered this area. It began to recede so suddenly that all the fish and plants were left on the top of these hills which the sea formerly covered, and have become fossilized. These remains have become incorporated in the rocks and can still be seen.

We passed Dimona, a small dry town where the workers from the Dead Sea live. It is impossible to live in the Dead Sea area as it is so hot. And so at last we came into the area of the Dead Sea. A large notice at the side of the road announced in three languages that we were at sea level.

Hills loomed up on either side and these had been washed quite smooth. Occasionally water levels were discernible on the rocks. Half way down this road we stopped and in the silence that followed we could hear a strange eerie hum that seemed to be floating through the air. The atmosphere was very close, and never before have I felt as though I were in a completely different world. Apart from the sea, which was a strange turquoise hue, there were only browns—a million different shades of brown.

On reaching Sodom, at 1,200 feet below sea level, we had cold drinks at the lowest "altitude" possible anywhere in the world. The temperature stood at 127° and frankly, I doubt whether it could be hotter without the Dead Sea beginning to boil.

"Lot's Wife's Inn" was the name of the tearoom and this was just below the split rock representing the pillar of salt into which Mrs. Lot was turned. I watched some people swim in the Dead Sea. It's the funniest thing, because it is so full of salt that you cannot sink.

On the way back, we stopped at a Bedouin camp. The Sheikh had 30 wives but we didn't see one! We had Turkish coffee and sweet black tea, because they say that if you like those two together, you can stand the good and the bad, and this is a good quality.

We then went outside the Sheikh's tent and were allowed to ride camels. I was the first to mount one and I didn't know that they first kneel on their back knees, then rise onto their front legs, then on their back legs until they are standing. By the time the camel was on his feet, my neck was almost in three pieces. I rode around for a while, and found it very comfortable and rythmical.

Finally, at about 9 p.m., I reached Savyon again after a wonderful, interesting, and exhilarating day.

LAUREN HERMER, Form V.

FACES

I was at the Races. I had arranged to meet a friend there. As I looked round at the sea of faces before me, frantically searching for Marion, I was struck by one particular face. I guessed that the owner of the face was tall, as her head stood out among the others. It was a long, sad face—I guessed that her fancy had not gained a place in the last race. This female had an untidy fringe of hair over her eyes—I wondered just how far in front of her nose she could see. Her nose was long, and definitely a Roman nose. Perhaps she could speak Latin but somehow that seemed a bit doubtful. What struck me were her eyes. They were very large, and very dark. Yes, large and limpid eyes. Her ears were a trifle large. They would have been pixie ears on a small child, but they seemed out of place here. Altogether this face seemed rather strange. And then I realised that it was, of course, a horse's face!

HEATHER POTTER, Form IV.

HATS

Wear me on dishevelled hair,
With grubby peak awry,—
A freckled nose
And jaunty air—
A schoolboy's cap am I.

Wear me on a pony-tail,
With wavy brim aflop—
A turned-up nose
And friendly grin—
A schoolgirl's head I top.

Wear me with a rose of red,
Above a glowing face,
With well groomed hair
And dazzling smile—
A maiden's head I grace.

But try to guess who's underneath
When I am passing by;
When perched upon
Untidy hair
A WYKEHAM HAT AM I!

LYNNE KELLY. Form IV.

THE BEAUTY OF NATAL

I find that some people never quite realise how beautiful Natal is, indeed, how beautiful South Africa is. This is a description of the parts with which I am familiar.

I have travelled along the highest road in Natal, and I shall never forget it. From the lower part I could see the thin brown line snaking around the mountain top to the very highest point. When we eventually got to the top, we could see across the valley to a smaller kopje covered in tall thin reedlike grass, whispering and rustling in the wind. Down below in the valley was a miniature torrent, which made a terrific noise because it was enclosed on both sides by steep hills. It splashed over and over and around the sharp pointed rocks.

Just over the hill from Michaelhouse is some lovely country. While staying there we explored the "bush" which clothed the hillsides. The twisting paths doubling forwards and backwards were fascinating. The first thing I noticed were the huge hollow trees. Twining parasites, green and grey, draped themselves over branches of large trees. We were continually tripping over roots, which seemed to get in our way on purpose. At first we found the bush rather eerie, but I soon found myself enjoying the strange beauty of these parts.

The Drakensberg I love too, and I find it equally beautiful in summer and winter. In summer the grass is not green, but grey and brown. The whole appearance of the mountains is rocky and barren and lonely. And yet I feel that a desolate grandeur exists in the very bleakness of it all. If anyone searches hard enough, he will find tiny wild flowers, reds and blues and yellows, lovely in their daintiness.

In winter when snow falls, the upper parts of the Drakensberg take on a new kind of beauty. The mountains seem to be never-ending, fading into the distance as blues and purples, and white on the summits. Majestic is not the word I want to use. The Drakensberg becomes unattainable to man, it defies the human race to conquer it. And I prefer it that way. Let all of Natal remain that way, a place we can be proud of for its scenery.

HEATHER POTTER. Form IV.

THE ELEPHANT

On the banks of the river, silent and strong,
A great grey mountain rose out of the night,
Massive ears waving to catch tell-tale sounds
Of some fleet-footed kudu in flight.

Quite unconcerned, he turned back to the stream,
Let, very slowly, his snaking trunk sink
Into the water, swirling it round,
Before quietly beginning to drink.

Again and again his trunk dipped deep,
Throwing the water over his back
And into his mouth, till his thirst was quenched,
Then he turned to his oft-trodden track,

Slowly along the way he swayed,
Silently and stealthily for all his size,
Over the veld to the forest's edge
Lost to sight in the darkening skies.

PAMELA FORBES. Form IV.

UNCLE HANS

When my mother was a little girl and brought home friends to tea, Uncle Hans gave her strict instructions to inform her friends that he was her big brother, as of course he wanted to have a "leetle romance", as he said, with the "little ladies". But first I had better tell you what Uncle Hans looks like. He has no hair, small eyes, a rather large nose and a moustache.

His daily exercise is to promenade round the garden, which is rather small, brandishing his thick walking stick. He inspects all the flowers, but would make a hopeless bontanist for one morning after his daily stroll he presented my Grandmother with a beautiful rose. "Is zis not a beautiful leetle dandelion mit thorns, zat I picked for you?" he said in his foreign accent, for even though he left Europe at an early age he still retains his accent.

He is very fond of entertaining, and does much of it. He is at all times a perfect host, but one night some special guests came to dinner, and of course they dined by candle-light. Now Uncle Hans has always been very up-to-date with the latest inventions and seemed most upset at the use of candles. "I can't see why we must eat mit candles. Are ze plates cracked? Or did you forget to pay ze electric lighting bill? Look how many years

Edison spent inventing Electric Lighting. Can't we turn zem on now?" As you know the guests were rather special, and my Grandmother felt terribly embarrassed. After the guests had left Uncle Hans was given the lecture he deserved, but the next time that special guests were entertained to dinner Uncle Hans said, "Please excuse ze candles but Connie wishes to be romantic", and he cocked his head and winked his eye as he had learnt to do in Europe.

He is a common figure at the Library and is very well read, as you can imagine. One afternoon he spent his so-called "valuable time" searching through shelf upon shelf of books, and at length he gave a snort. His English failed him and he gave a gruff comment on the Adventure Section, called the Crime Section abominable and when he got to the Fiction, said, "Vot is zis you call a library?" The librarian glared at him over her glasses; he winked back. On visiting the library the following day he discovered a new set of books on Crime, Fiction and Adventure and also a notice requesting patrons not to shout during library hours; below this was the proverb, "Speech in silver, silence is golden", and Uncle Hans reply was, "Poor leetle missy, you come from your bed on ze bad side, Yes?"

Uncle Hans brightens up the dullest occasions. He has a broad grin at the oddest moments and you can really feel happy when he's around. When friends come to him in despair, he gives them really good advice by saying, "Every cloud, he has a silver lining."

GENEVIEVE WEIGHT. Form II.

A SILLY DREAM

Once there was a little girl named Christine. She had just come home from shopping with her Mother. It was evening when she got home. The little girl was very tired so she had her supper and went to bed. Her mother said, "Good night, sleep tight." Christine soon fell asleep. She dreamt that she was shopping with her mother and her mother bumped into a witch. The witch cast a spell on Christine and her mother and changed them into dogs. "Ha! Ha! that will serve you right for not looking where you are going", said the witch. "Now I am going to take you home and make you dig for gold, and if you don't I will turn you into a stone!". Christine gave a scream, and her mother came running in and switched on the light. "What is the matter, Christine?" "Oh, mother, I had a bad dream. I dreamt that a witch cast a spell on you and me, and we were turned into dogs." "What a silly dream," said the mother.

LINDA EDKINS. Std. I.



CONCERNING THE OLD GIRLS

WYKEHAM OLD GIRLS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

September, 1961

President : Janet Black.

Vice-Presidents : Miss M. K. Bull, Zoe Borcham, Linley Brazier.

Honorary President : Miss D. E. Mellor.

Honorary Vice-Presidents : Miss M. A. Hosking and Amy Young.

Honorary Secretary : Memory Otto.

Honorary Treasurer : Maureen Fanner.

Committee Members : Lorna Hime, Sylvia Joubert, Natalie Juul, Dorothy Manton, Marylee Masson, Phyllis Somerville, Mary Wheeler.

MINUTES OF THE 1961 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The fifty-third Annual General Meeting of the Wykeham Old Girls' Association was held in the Hall at Wykeham on Sunday, April 30th, 1961, at 9.45 a.m.

Present : Natalie Juul in the chair. The other members present signed the Minutes book. There were many apologies for absence, and also letters of good wishes, including those from Miss Mellor, Miss Clark and Tony Seekings, all of whom are in England.

Minutes: I. van der Poel proposed that as the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting had appeared in the 1960 Magazine they be taken as read. Seconded by V. Carter and carried unanimously.

President's Report: The President read her report, and Amy Young, in moving its adoption (seconded by Phyllis Somerville), took the opportunity of thanking, on behalf of all the Old Girls, Natalie Juul, whose three year-term of office had now come to an end, for the splendid work she had done for the Old Girls' Association and the School, and said how well she had maintained the high standard set by Lorna Hime. The report was adopted unanimously.

Financial Statement: The Treasurer, L. Brazier, presented the financial statement which showed the Association's finances to be satisfactory, the adoption of which was moved by L. Hime, seconded by D. Manton, and carried.

Durban Branch—Annual Report: The President, Irene van der Poel, read her report, describing the fund-raising and social activities of the Durban Branch throughout the year, which had proved so fruitful. The adoption of the report was moved by M. Newton, seconded by Hillary Daniel and carried. Their Treasurer, V. Carter, then presented the Durban Branch's financial statement. W. Drummond, seconded by V. Juul, moved its adoption. Carried.

Midlands Branch: Nettie Webster, as President, gave a short account of their activities, and fund-raising, and said that they hoped to increase their efforts in the coming year.

Honorarium for the Auditor: It was proposed by D. Manton and seconded by M. Masson that the R4.20 honorarium previously paid to Mr. Rodwell be paid to our new Auditor, Mr. Douglas Turner. Carried unanimously.

Donation to the Building Fund: It was proposed by Phyllis Somerville, seconded by L. Hime, that R2.10 be paid into the Building Fund in memory of Miss Moore and Miss Hodges, in lieu of flowers on their graves.

ELECTION OF OFFICE-BEARERS

President: J. Black, proposed by D. Beghin, seconded by D. Fraser, and carried unanimously.

Honorary President: Miss D. E. Mellor.

Vice-Presidents: Miss Ball, Z. Boreham and L. Brazier, proposed by A. Young, seconded by S. Joubert, and carried.

Honorary Vice-Presidents: Miss M. Hosking and A. Young.

Honorary Secretary: M. Otto—re-elected.

Honorary Treasurer: M. Fanner, proposed by L. Brazier and seconded by Z. Borcham. Carried.

Committee Members: L. Hime, S. Joubert, N. Juul, D. Manton, M. Masson, P. Somerville (all re-elected), and M. Wheeler (proposed by N. Juul, seconded by J. Black) to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of N. Scott. Carried.

Vote of Thanks: L. Brazier proposed a special vote of thanks to Mr. Fanner and Maureen Fanner for taking charge of the cash at the Fete. Carried unanimously.

W.O.G. Representative on the Board: As her four years terms of office as one of the Old Girls' representatives on the Board of Trustees was up, L. Hime handed in her resignation and nominations were called for. W. Drummond proposed, seconded by M. Wheeler, that Lorna be persuaded to stand for another four years. Carried unanimously.

Allocation of 1961 Fete Funds: T. Bacon proposed that R2,400 be paid to the Board of Trustees for the reduction of the bond, the remainder to go to the Contingency Fund. L. Hime proposed an amendment, that R3,000 be paid to the Board for the reduction of the bond, the balance to be paid to the School's Contingency Fund. The amendment was seconded by A. Young and carried after T. Bacon had agreed to withdraw her proposal. L. Brazier suggested that with the sum paid to the Board go a recommendation that the Board should consider further extensions to the School, and that this meeting expresses the confidence of the Wykeham Old Girls' Association in the Board's judgment in this matter.

The Contingency Fund: In answer to a question, Miss Ball explained the objects of the Contingency Fund, from which the school could draw for urgent repairs, replacements and necessities. As an example of its usefulness she called our attention to the attractive "new look" of the Hall, which had recently been re-decorated by the school servants, under Mr. N. Jackson's supervision. This, she said, had proved most economical. She also stated that there was a great need for more Staff accommodation, new Primary School class-rooms, and administrative offices, but advised caution for the time being. The new fittings required for the stage were to be paid for by the Present Girls' own efforts.

Bursary Fund: It was resolved that R40 be paid out of Association Funds into the Bursary Fund.

Old Girls' Dance: D. Manton suggested that this year the dance be held in Durban with a joint committee of members from Durban and Pietermaritzburg. She offered to be secretary for Pietermaritzburg. I. van der Poel said that she would discuss the matter with the members of the Durban Branch and see what they thought and what could be arranged.

1962 Fete: It was decided to hold a Fete in the City Hall next year on May 5th, 1962. I. van der Poel suggested that the Present Girls run their own stall. M. Wheeler proposed that the stalls should have some decorative theme, which T. Bacon suggested be in autumn colours. It was left to the Executive Committee to investigate both these matters.

Magazine: L. Hime stated that the introduction of advertisements in last year's magazine had certainly helped to meet the heavy cost of printing. Amy Young proposed, seconded by Ruth Pennington, that as they were unobtrusive and had not spoilt the appearance of the magazine, this practice should be continued. Carried.

B. van der Westhuizen consented to write the article on the Birthday Week-end and Sylvia Joubert offered to compile the Old Girls' News section. Miss Ball suggested that a new series of articles be commenced: "My Career and Why I Chose it". N. Juul consented to write the first article in this series.

Votes of Thanks were proposed to the following: Miss Ball, Mr. Mervyn Wood, M.P.C., Mr. D. Avery, the Reverend Hilton Knowles, Mr. N. T. Fanner, the Wykeham Staff, Mrs. Meyrick and her helpers, the Present Girls, and Mrs. Rich.

Collection for the Servants: The usual collection for the servants was taken and in addition, a special one for Wykeham's faithful old retainer, George 'Neongo, who is in hospital. Donations to the latter totalled R9.37, which was to be given to him.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

WYKEHAM OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S 1960 - 1961 ANNUAL REPORT

Not for a long time has Wykeham been in as happy a position as it is today. The school is full this year, its financial position is sound, the remaining balance of the bond on the house purchased in March, 1954, known as "New House", has recently been paid off, and the £40,000 bond raised to finance the new buildings

and extensions has already been reduced to a little more than £30,000. Of the £10,00 paid off so far, £1,000 has been paid from the School's Trust Fund and the balance has come from our own annual efforts. £30,000 is still, of course, a formidable sum, and there is a long way to go yet; but, in addition to whatever sums we Old Girls can continue to contribute, a small regular sum of money is now being put aside each month from school revenue towards the further reduction of this bond.

You will notice, too, some improvements in the school since last year, the new look of the Hall and a new junior common room among them. In fact, under the inspiring leadership of Miss Ball, and with the capable, self-sacrificing guidance and work of our Board of Trustees and the efforts of its Old Girls, Wykeham today stands proudly as proof of what can be achieved by devotion, enthusiasm and conscientious endeavour.

I would like this report to emphasise again the sterling job that has been done in recent years by everyone who is called upon to work for Wykeham—the Headmistress, the staff, the trustees, the parents, the present girls and the Old Girls, in Pietermaritzburg, Durban, the Midlands and other country districts, in Johannesburg and elsewhere, even as far away as overseas. Only the concerted efforts of all have brought about the present happy state of affairs.

I would like to say a special word of thanks to Ken L'Estrange, one of Wykeham's most loyal and hard-working friends. He and Bobbie did a fine job in organising the Fathers' Stall at the Fete yesterday. And we must sincerely thank Mr. Avery who has become a staunch friend of Wykeham and has helped us at two of our Fetes out of the goodness of his heart. Nor must we forget to thank Mrs. Meyrick and the parents who helped her to run the refreshments at the Fete for the second time this year.

There is a slowly growing feeling in some quarters that the time has come, so much sooner than we had hoped for, to put our minds to the further expansion of our school buildings, as originally envisaged, that is, to link up the Winchester and Waverley buildings, and so provide much needed additional accommodation and better facilities. For already Wykeham has outgrown its present space. With nearly 200 pupils in the school, classroom accommodation is inadequate, so too is the staff accommodation, the Hall is too small, and the office accommodation is deplorably cramped and inconvenient. Details of all this do not come within the scope of this report, but as Old Girls it is our job to do what we can to help to ensure that Wykeham can provide facilities at least as good as those offered by any similar

school in Natal. The Trustees, I am sure, would like to know that the Old Girls are behind them in anything they may decide to undertake for the further success of Wykeham.

I am happy to be able to report that the same enthusiastic committee members have served on the Executive throughout the past year, and all, except one, Nancy Scott, whom we are sorry to lose, are eligible for re-election at this meeting.

You know, of course, that my term of offices comes to an end today, and you will at this meeting elect a new President. I wish here to say a very sincere thank you to the Committee members who have worked with me, and to all the Old Girls who have helped so loyally in supporting fund-raising efforts for Wykeham, and especially the annual Fete. It is gratifying that we have seen our Fete totals climb a little each year, and we hope the same will apply this year. I was fortunate in taking over on the wave of enthusiasm started by my predecessors; and I wish my successor as happy and satisfying a period of office as I have had.

In vacating the chair of the Association, I also relinquish the seat on the Board, which I have occupied, *ex officio*, as your President. Your new President, if she is not already a member of the Board, will also become an *ex officio* Trustee. At this meeting, you will be asked to choose an Old Girl to represent this Association on the Board of Trustees, for Lorna Hime's term of office of four years comes to an end now. The Association's other representative on the Board is Janet Black, who will continue as a member, in terms of the Constitution, for another two years. The Old Girls are also represented on the Board by two permanent members, elected by the Board. They are Winnie Drummond and Barbara Cope.

Your Committee has held seven meetings during the past year, two of them being combined Executive and conveners' meetings to arrange yesterday's Fete.

Two cake sales have been held in the districts, one at Richmond, organised by Joan Antel, assisted by Old Girls and parents, which raised £41, and another organised by the Midlands Branch and held at Nottingham Road, which brought in £27. A jumble sale, organised as usual, by Lorna Hime and Phyllis Somerville, raised £29, and the annual Old Girls' dance, most efficiently organised by Dorothy Manton and her helpers, realised a useful profit of £26. This, I feel, could have been larger if the dance had been better supported by our own Old Girls. However, the popularity of Wykeham Old Girls' functions, whether fetes, cake sales or dances, is now well established with the general public

of Pietermaritzburg, and we can always be sure of their support. We were very grateful to Dorothy Manton's friends, Mr. and Mrs. Mycklebust of Durban, who gave us a most enjoyable exhibition at the dance.

In addition to the figures quoted, individual efforts and the generosity of several Old Girls have brought in further sums, contributed by Janet Black, May Lindsay, Lin Brazier, Rose-Ella Waring and others. Marylee Masson again did a splendid job in organising refreshments at the Otto's Bluff gymkhana on Easter Monday, with the support of Memory Otto, and she and her band of helpers raised £17 for the Fete fund. Members of the Executive Committee were, as usual, invited by the Durban branch to bring their left-overs from the last Fete to their garden sale in October, and came back with £14 odd. Besides all these efforts in and around Pietermaritzburg, our hard-working and enthusiastic Durban Old Girls gave us a wonderful surprise last week by adding to our 1961 Fete fund the splendid sum of £255 from their year's working, more than £8 more than their total for the previous year.

The experiment of introducing advertisements in the 1960 magazine brought in £44, thus reducing the cost of printing from £156 to £112. You will be asked at this meeting to express your opinion as to the desirability or otherwise of continuing these advertisements.

In terms of the resolution passed at the last annual general meeting, £1,500 was handed over to the Board of Trustees for the reduction of the bond, and the remaining sum of £135 from last year's Fete was paid to the school as a contribution to the Contingency Fund.

The Old Girls' Bursary was awarded last year to Judy Bredin, as reported at the last annual general meeting. However, owing to a change in her plans, she returned the money and it was then awarded to the daughter of an Old Girl, a pupil at Wykeham. This year, the bursary has been awarded to Vrenelli Ender, who matriculated at Wykeham last year and is now a student at the Natal Training College in Durban.

Early this year, your President, with Miss Ball, Janet Black and Toria Bacon, who volunteered to drive us down, went to Durban and attended the first half of the Durban Branch's quarterly reunion. We were most impressed with the enthusiasm and the happy atmosphere at the gathering, and with our very cordial reception. Miss Ball gave the meeting a heartening account of the progress of Wykeham and of its present and future needs.

During the recent holidays, your Vice-President, Miss Ball, visited Johannesburg and there met a small but enthusiastic gathering of Old Girls. Although there is no constituted branch of the Association in Johannesburg, the Old Girls there do a worthwhile job in raising money for Wykeham and in using their influence for the benefit of the school. We owe a very special debt to Betty van der Westhuizen, who acts as the liaison officer for Wykeham in Johannesburg.

Applications for membership were received during the year from Gillian Hochschild and from Sheila Coates (Mrs. Henwood), and your Committee were delighted to welcome them. The latter now has a daughter at Wykeham.

Subscriptions still continue to come in more slowly than we would like. It is undeniably true that in our Association is a hard core of loyal members who never fail us, with a larger number who seem to have forgotten us and Wykeham. If they knew how much satisfaction and comradeship they are missing by not helping in our efforts, I am sure they would join us, and I hope that some way can be found to increase our paying membership before long.

And now I take my leave of you as your President. I have been honoured to lead the Wykeham Old Girls' Association and have had a wonderful team with me. I look forward to continuing to work for the old school for as long as I am able, and I hope to see even better days for Wykeham in the future.

I know, of course, that we go into another year with a great deal of uncertainty as to what lies ahead for our school and all the other private and Government-aided schools in South Africa. I was privileged to represent Wykeham, together with Miss Ball and other members of the Board, at a meeting of the Private Schools Association of Natal (of which our own Chairman, Mr. Ken Pennington, is the Chairman) when we were informed of the steps that are being taken to present the viewpoint of the private schools to the Select Committee of Parliament which is to consider the new Union Education Advisory Council Bill; and I can assure you that the best possible use is being made of the opportunity to try to protect the rights of the private schools of South Africa.

Just what will happen we can none of us tell, but faith can work wonders, as we have already proved at Wykeham, and we must not allow any feelings of uncertainty to slow down or curb our efforts. I feel it would be disastrous if our present enthusiasm for the task we took up in 1954 and 1955 should slacken, whatever our fears for the future may be.

NATALIE JUUL.

WYKEHAM OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION
(Durban Branch)

PRESIDENT'S 1960 - 1961 ANNUAL REPORT

I have much pleasure in presenting my report for the year 1960 - 1961.

It was with regret that we said "Good-bye" to Ponty Goodwin who had done such sterling work as President, but we know that at heart she is still with us. She came to our October Fete and with Dulcie Fraser convened the Produce Stall. At that same Fete we again had the pleasure of the company of the Pietermaritzburg Old Girls. Miss Ball, Natalie Juul, Janet Black and Toria Bacon came to our February Re-Union. Gestures such as these help so much to make us feel the "Oneness" of the Old Girls' Association.

During the past year we held two Jumble Sales, one for Funds and the other for our Materials Account for the Fete. We have a new venue for our Jumble Sale—Sparks Estate, where the Coloured Community are always pleased to see us. Selling jumble by the "Self-Service" method is a very pleasant and welcome change from the howling mobs of Grey Street. In September we held a very successful Bridge Drive. One of our members at Umkomaas in her enthusiasm to raise funds for the Fete held an exhibition and successful sale of her work. Social functions we feel do much to make our friends more "Wykeham" conscious, and this we think is very important.

We have been heartened by several new members of the younger group and hope that their presence will encourage others to become active members.

The great strides made by the School make us realise all the more how much we owe to Miss Ball. We congratulate her and thank her. It is with confidence that we look forward to the coming year.

IRENE VAN DER POEL.

WYKEHAM OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION
(Midlands Branch)

PRESIDENT'S 1960 - 1961 ANNUAL REPORT

During the past year, through the hard work of about ten of our members, the Midlands Branch organised a cake and a jumble sale which brought in R64.00 for Wykeham Funds.

We, of course, also worked for the annual fete, at which we convened the Pantry Shelf stall and helped with various other stalls.

This year we hope to stir up more enthusiasm amongst the rest of our members and do even better.

NETTIE WEBSTER.

33 St. Mark's Road,
Windsor, Berkshire,
England.

27th August, 1961.

My dear Girls,

We look out on a World of strife and tension, in which the adherents of Communism appear busily to be stoking the fires of that great conflagration, in which Karl Marx promised them Capitalism would perish, and from the ashes of which the ideal Communist State would emerge, revolution and war being the necessary steps in this process of development. But surely all thinking people must realise that in an atomic age Karl Marx's philosophy is completely out-dated, and that nothing would emerge from a nuclear war except the ashes of a World that has destroyed itself.

However, let us take heart, as we have learnt to do, many of us, in two world wars, from the certain knowledge that "God is not mocked", and it is He who will decide the fate of this World not the "nations that so furiously rage together" nor "the peoples who imagine a vain thing". The Master of the Universe will decide whether we ever establish a base on the Moon, or get into communication with the other planets of our Universe. after all, these great discoveries and inventions, which have labelled ours the Scientific Age, are only discoveries of its Maker's methods of operating His Universe, revealed by Him to the intelligent and persistent seeker after truth.

This last year has been a sad one for us all, but in the Commonwealth or out of the Commonwealth, our South African friends are no less dear to us here in England today than yesterday.

The World is full of new political experiments and the African scene is like a kaleidoscope, changing from day to day. We must pray that statesmanlike and temperate leaders may emerge from all this ferment, who will be given the wisdom to do justice to all those committed to their charge and so weld together their peoples in peace and prosperity.

Over here, as you will have read in the papers, things are not easy. Our Government has had again to take drastic steps to balance our national income and expenditure. We have come to the much discussed 'bulge' in Education, and there are not enough teachers to cope with the increase in numbers. We have to decide whether we shall join the European Common Market or not, and we cannot be sure of what will be the ultimate result of either action, and uncertainty breeds uneasiness. However, at such times as these it is a good idea to count one's blessings one by one, and we have so many to be thankful for, and not

the least amongst them that we have ever before us the example of our Royal Family, who pursue their round of duties calmly and serenely, in the spirit of the Lord Protector's dictum of "Trust in the Lord, and keep your powder dry."

At the beginning of this year Windsor decided that its main street should have a "Face Lift", in the style of Magdalen Street, Norwich, and Burslem, Stoke-on-Trent. The Windsor Chamber of Trade and the National Civic Trust set up a Committee of local architects, under the chairmanship of Mr. Noel Tweddell, the planner of Basildon New Town, and were so successful in gaining the co-operation of the owners of the properties along High Street and Thames Street, that of the 117 involved, only a handful felt themselves unable to participate in the scheme.

All the shop fronts, public buildings, monuments, statues, etc., were repainted or cleaned up, unsightly street signs were removed, switch-gear and transformer boxes were made inconspicuous, the street lamps were, if possible, transferred from columns to walls, telephone kiosks were resited, pavements widened, the old bus shelters, seats and litter boxes replaced by others of better and more uniform design, and best of all the high wall round the Castle slopes, at the top of Thames Street, was replaced by a low coping so that there is nothing now between the public and the lovely old 13th Century wall between the Salisbury and Garter Towers except a cool-looking sweep of green grass.

May 12th was the great day on which the Queen and Prince Phillip came officially to open the Improvement Scheme. Mr. Duncan Sandys was delegated to welcome them on behalf of the Royal Borough, at our beautiful Wren-designed Guildhall, and, with the Mayor, Alderman J. Stanley Davis, to act as their guide along the route.

The Queen looked very lovely, as usual, in a pink nasturtium silk Shantung coat and dress, with a petal hat to match. I think that it must have been a bit of a shock to her when the architects suggested the demolition of Queen Victoria's wall, but Mr. Sandys evidently persuaded her that it would be a good idea, as indeed it has proved to be, in spite of the many voices prophesying doom.

She said: "My husband and I watched the progress of the Transformation, and we are delighted to take part in the celebrations to mark its completion. It is quite right the Castle should have a part in this scheme, and I was glad to agree to the removal (with a twinkle in her eye), of 'that wall'".

After the addresses the whole procession set off down Thames Street, led by the Queen and the Mayor, with his mace-bearer in attendance, Prince Philip and Mr. Sandys. It was a most impressive sight—especially the chains of office of the 400 Lord Mayors, Mayors, and Chairmen of Local Authorities, accompanied by

their Town Clerks. Altogether 1,200 civic officials were the guests of the Royal Borough that day, being entertained to lunch and tea in a large marquee in the Long Walk. They came from one end of Great Britain to the other, amongst them the Provosts and Lord Provosts of five Scottish towns, the Mayors and Town Clerks of 14 London Boroughs and the Lord Mayors of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Bradford and Stoke-on-Trent.

I was fortunate enough to have a splendid view of it all from a friend's house in the High Street, just opposite the Guildhall. It was a memorable occasion—a fine, public-spirited effort, I thought, on the part of the Royal Borough, even if the "contemporary" colour effects are rather startling to the conservative minded. What a lucky thing, too, that the weather was so fine. It could not have been better.

I wish the same could be said of the day of the Garter Procession, which Felicity Otto and I attended together. It simply poured with rain and I was so wet that I dared not wait for the end of the service. We had seen the Queen and the Royal Family and the Knights of the Garter enter the Chapel from their cars, but, of course, the procession itself was cancelled, as the rain would have been ruination to the gorgeous velvet robes and the heralds' tabards. It was all very disappointing, except for the pleasure of seeing Felicity again, and getting up to date with the Family news:

I need not say, I am sure, what a joy it has been to me this year to see so many Old Girls and friends of Wykeham. It is great to hear the good news of the increase in the number of present girls, and of your achievements in work, sport and the arts. There is not space for me to even mention all my happy days this year with Wykeham friends, but I must say what a privilege I have felt it, to be in touch with Natalie Phelps and her family whilst they were over here in England. Courage and continuity of purpose I have always admired, and it was very inspiring to me to see them making difficult decisions, that demanded a high degree of courage and persevering undaunted, towards their goal, in spite of not a few hindrances and set-backs. Very heartening to me, too, was all the help given just at the right time by Audrey Eckhoff and her husband. These things one cannot forget.

I read and re-read Lorna Hime's account of the Old Girls' Week-end this year, and could see it all in my mind's eye, and wished that I could have been with you. What a happy reunion and what a wonderful financial result again—£1,600—it is astonishing! It means a tremendous amount of hard work on the part of everybody concerned, but Wykeham has always been fortunate in her many friends.

I was very sad to read of the passing of one of them, who always took the greatest interest in our School, who helped me greatly when I was Headmistress by her wise and kindly counsel and by deputising for me from time to time. I am thinking, of course, of Miss C. N. H. Burns, the first Headmistress of the Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School, who died in Durban at the end of May. Requiescat in pace.

Well, I must close my letter, wishing you happiness and success in all your endeavours during the next year, with much love as always,

Yours affectionately,

DORIS E. MELLOR.

THE 1961 BIRTHDAY WEEK-END

Changes are not always readily accepted by the Old Girls, but this year the cause justified the change, so I am sure there were few dissenters when, because of the big increase in the number of Present Girls in recent years, the fancy dress party for the Seniors had to be eliminated. In comparison, the school hall has seemed to shrink, and for the last few Birthday Week-ends only the early comers had a view of the Fancy Dress Parade, so Miss Ball had to be drastic and make a change.

Hence this year, a fancy dress party for the Juniors and their parents was held on Saturday afternoon, and Saturday evening was devoted to the Inter-House plays. This new arrangement did give the Fete workers a chance to rest on Friday evening after the arduous few hours of preparation in the City Hall for the Fete next morning.

Saturday dawned bright and warm, and by 7.30 a.m. the City Hall was a hive of industry. How that valiant band of Old Girls accomplish so much is indeed a miracle! As usual the hall looked gay and attractively decorated, and stalls were fully laden with goods for sale. Very soon the "boulevards" were a "sea of Wykeham hats" as the Present Girls arrived to assist in buying and selling. As a Transvaaler, I was able to be an onlooker at all this activity, and to enjoy chatting to old friends. The hours slipped away too fast, and it was soon time to collect one's parcels from the "Parcels Depot" and make plans for lunch.

The Inter-House plays were most enjoyable, and each year they reach a high standard. Green House were announced the winners this year with their performance of Act II from "Quality Street". The results of the Fete and collections were then announced. We had done it again—over R3,000! This good news was followed by the ceremony of the cutting of the birthday cake

and the singing of the School Song, which, because it was a warm, fine evening took place in the quadrangle where everyone was served with delicious refreshments.

What memories the Sunday morning Holy Communion Service at St. George's Church must bring back to all Wykeham Old Girls, and how gratifying it was to see the centre aisles of the church practically full—Present Girls neat, tidy and well-behaved on the left, and Old Girls from each decade of Wykeham's history on the right.

The breakfast at Wykeham that followed the Service must be one of the most cheerful of the year. We would go on chatting merrily indefinitely but Miss Ball eventually manages to remind us that time marches on, and that the Annual General Meeting looms ahead.

The next joy is seeing around the school grounds. Anyone who has not visited the school for some years is speechless at the changes and wonderful improvements, and it is fun recalling where the old buildings and tennis courts used to be.

The Old Girls' meeting started punctually at 10 a.m. and was well attended. Discussions were lively and good humoured throughout. A most welcome tea break of fifteen minutes gave a further opportunity for reminiscences with former class mates while we quenched our parched throats, then back to business again—all so interesting that before we realised it, it was 1 p.m. when the meeting closed.

Then followed a most enjoyable and relaxing cheese luncheon party in the lovely grounds of Amy Young's home at Athlone, and another delightful opportunity to chatter and renew old acquaintances, so we were all sad when the party had to break up because of the tennis match, Old Girls versus Present Girls, due to start at Wykeham at 2.15, which was much enjoyed by both participants and spectators. And so ended another very happy Birthday Week-end.

What a wonderful heritage is ours, Wykeham Old Girls, but how sad to think there are many who miss the thrill of attending these annual reunions! Many, we know, live far afield, but from personal experience I can assure you, it is well worth the effort to be present from almost any distance. Others live in the vicinity but are reticent about attending because they think they will feel out of it, but who does not enjoy meeting old friends and play-mates, so do come along for there is a hearty welcome awaiting one and all, old or young, at every Wykeham Old Girls' Week-end.

BETTY VAN DER WESTHUIZEN.



MY PEOPLE WERE PIONEERS

Nearly five years ago in a London hospital I bent over a cot and saw for the first time my new-born grandson, and was overwhelmed with an unexpected flood of emotion. It was a kind of mystical experience as if present, past and future merged into a single timeless moment of eternity. I imagined all his forbears rejoicing with me at his safe arrival, and I wished that I knew more about them and their lives.

Today three grandsons, and three granddaughters share my attention, and how I regret that nearly fifty years ago, as a school girl at Wykeham I missed so many opportunities for collecting memories of my pioneering ancestors. Three of my grandparents were then alive but alas, I was at that time more interested in my own personal affairs.

While in South Africa in 1959 I saw for the first time an extract from a book "Tales of a Nomad", by Charles Montague (published in 1894 by Longmans Green) describing my paternal grandfather, John Clark, born in York, England, about 1836, who farmed at Beeste Kraal in East Griqualand, but who died from a fall from his horse in June, 1893, before I was born.

Montague writes: "A burly Yorkshireman, John Clark by name, was the chief of our expedition. He was tall, broad-shouldered, yellow bearded, blue-eyed and was without exception the finest shot and keenest hunter I have ever come across. His splendid physique and great powers of endurance enabled him to cover more ground in a day than I've ever seen any other man able to cover. As for his shooting . . . all I can say is that it was astonishing! Above all he was a merry, warm-hearted companion and an unselfish sportsman. He possessed no such things as nerves."

From another source I read: "John Clark was a nobleman in the true sense of the word. He was a keen and daring sportsman, and a most brave man in time of danger. He was one of

the greatest hunters of South Africa, and his fame as a buffalo hunter was well known. During the Griqua Rebellion (April, 1878) Mr. and Mrs. Clark, their family and relatives, had the terrible experience of being taken prisoners by the rebels after having had all their stock and property looted. It was only Mr. Clark's attitude that deterred the rebels from proceeding to bloodshed. He was a first-class native linguist and was highly respected by the natives."

He was the third and youngest son of J. Clark senior of "Mount Pleasant", York, Natal. The latter died the day after I was born.

Landing in Durban was a perilous undertaking when my great-grandfather, John Clark, and his family arrived in Natal. Surf boats were sent out to bring passengers ashore into which they had to scramble from a rope ladder hanging down the side of the vessel. The daughter, Margaret, went off with a family who had a girl of the same age. Before anyone else could alight the ship was blown out to sea and was not heard of for three weeks, and was given up as lost. Suddenly it re-appeared and Margaret, the supposed orphan, regained her whole family!

Grandma Clark was born in York, England, in 1837, and she and her twin sister came out with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bell, in the "Cataraqui" in 1861. As the young women came ashore at Durban two young men saw them and one, John Clark, said, "What a lovely girl, I mean to marry her." The other, Mr. Marshall, replied, "And I shall marry the other one." Those were the days! For in due time these marriages **did** take place and were extremely happy.

I remember Grandma Clark very well, her soft Yorkshire voice, smooth pink cheeks, loving gentle ways, the cap of lace and mauve ribbon she wore. Once when I had played (extremely badly) one of Mendelssohn's "Songs Without Words", she pressed a half-crown (immense wealth!) into my hand. They had eleven children, ten of whom grew up. I knew the five married sisters who lived in Natal, and loved them all. Auntie Maggie's husband (born 1858) grew up on his father's mission station in Zululand, and when he first came to school at Hilton College he drove his school fees (in the form of a team of oxen) ahead of him! He and a Zulu herd boy had walked all the way!

Grandma Clark's maiden name appears in the Christian names of three of her granddaughters, Bell, Rosabelle, and Bonabelle.

My maternal grandfather, Thos. Marwick, who lived in Richmond, Natal, was born in 1836 at "Lefia", a farm in Orkney

where he worked till he went to sea. (In 1934, when my father and sister were over, my father visited this farm and spoke with kinsfolk Marwicks still living there.) He travelled to Australia and America, and arrived in South Africa in 1850 and decided to settle. He was later followed by his widowed mother, "Mamakulu", who was a woman of great character and determination, a married sister and young brother.

In the autobiography, "The Man on my Back", of the Orcadian, Eric Linklater, he mentions that his grandmother was a Marwick and adds, "She was a witch!" My great-grandmother, Marjory Marwick, too, was no ordinary woman. She had a natural genius for nursing and a quite uncanny knack of being able to alleviate pain, she was always very much in demand but would never accept any money for her services. Several of her descendants have excelled at nursing, and there is now a doctor of medicine in training. She was incredibly untidy, and that was the trait she bequeathed to me!

My grandfather, Thomas, was an inveterate early riser, very indulgent to children, had a jolly, kind face with a beard like the picture on Skipper's sardines, and used to sing us Gaelic songs. He was a wonderful shot and won many prizes at Bisley. In "A History of Richmond, Natal, 1839 to 1937" I read, "T. Marwick is a very keen shottist who spends much time in training the village boys to shoot."

My mother had a family tree printed of all Marjory Marwick's descendants. Over two hundred and twenty-seven names appear on the document, and several additions are required to make it up-to-date. I fancy the other three lines are quite as numerous but no one as yet has worked it all out! I know that I am proud to claim forty-four first cousins and pity my sons who can boast only a meagre four, two in America, one in South Africa, and only one in England.

My elder son was born in Suez, and his first child was born in Ghana, which makes her the fourth generation to be born in Africa, that fascinating country that has so many problems to solve.

My maternal grandmother was born in Caithness, Scotland, in 1845. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Mackenzie, with Elizabeth, and a younger son, John William, arrived in Natal on the "Conquering Hero" in 1850. The father had been promised the position of the first schoolmaster at Richmond, Natal, under the Byrne Immigration Scheme, but they were dismayed to find nothing but bare veldt, no house, no school. They had been conveyed from Durban by a Dutchman, Dirk Uys. He was most

helpful and suggested that they should erect their own four-poster bed and he would lend them a tarpaulin to spread over the top. For three months the little family lived in these restricted conditions! Dirk Uys also very kindly lent them a cow for milk for the children and promised to change it for another when that one went dry. Our family has often told this tale to various Afrikaans friends in gratitude for this remembered kindness.

Grandma Marwick told me one day that Grandpa and she were first drawn together because they both disagreed with the doctrine of predestination, a somewhat unlikely subject to create a romantic atmosphere! Grandma was very fond of her garden, and the scent of Brompton stocks still reminds me of her. She had the Scot's passion and respect for learning and was interested in good speech. They were married in 1863 and had ten children, three of whom did not survive infancy. Grandpa took part in the Langalibalele Expedition and their eldest son served during the native disturbances in Zululand in 1888. One of the sons, Allan, was in the Siege of Ladysmith. Another, "J.S.", at twenty-five years old on his own initiative, evacuated ten thousand Zulus from Johannesburg to their homes before the Boer War broke out in 1899. The trek took nine days and not a single native was lost! Mr. Marwick's achievement earned him the thanks of the Natal Government and the gratitude of the natives. Later he was M.P. for Illovo from 1921 to 1948. Grandma and Grandpa celebrated their Golden Wedding in May, 1913, and the entire family assembled at the old home in Richmond, and made a great occasion of it.

The first Girls' College in Natal was St. Mary's at Richmond, built in 1869. My mother's beloved uncle, J. W. Mackenzie, when a bold young man was involved in an incident connected with this school which caused a great deal of comment. For a bet of ten bottles of sweets he kissed the pretty young teacher as she was shepherding the girls into Church! The Archdeacon was much incensed and used his influence to have the culprit sent to prison for three days! "J.W.'s friends vied with each other in supplying him with tempting dishes while he was detained. As a little girl my mother rejoiced over the sudden surfeit of sweets."

Later, "J.W." married the music mistress at the school, the pretty and gifted girl, Bessie Blake, who had come from Ireland. The latter had a great influence on my mother's life for she taught her music, and at twelve she could play all Beethoven's Sonatas, and at the ripe age of thirteen she was the village organist. Aunt Bessie also encouraged in her a love of poetry and literature which certainly enriched my mother's ninety-one years of zestful life. She enjoyed playing the piano to the end of her days.

My own pioneering experiences were in 1903 to 1906 as a child in Zululand when my father was stationed at the Hlabisa Magistracy at the time of the Zulu Rebellion. My grandchildren will hear dramatic tales about our leopard hunt (with actual skins as exhibits!), Zulu war dances, witch doctors throwing the bones, travel in ox-waggon, and crossing crocodile-infested rivers. But perhaps they, too, will be more concerned with their own affairs and will not be at all interested until the distant days when they, too, become grandparents.

SYLVIA BATTCOCK.

2,600 MILES IN A YACHT

One of our Old Girls, Fiona Foster, and her friend, Edy Tyson, from Grahamstown, who left South Africa in April, 1960, to study at Perugia University in Italy, have certainly grasped with both hands every opportunity to see the world that has come their way, for, after hitch-hiking through most of Europe, it was while watching the myriads of yachts sailing into the tiny harbour at Ibiza Island off the Spanish mainland that they decided to sign on as unpaid "maids-of-all-work" on board the 72-foot yacht, "Escapade", owned by a wealthy American, and after visiting Gibraltar and Las Palmas, crossed the Atlantic from the Canary Islands to the West Indies, a 2,600-mile voyage which took a record 16 days.

Writing a letter in diary form to her parents, from which we quote extracts, Fiona said: "We have to take our spells on watch—three hours on, and six hours off. Our last sight of land was when we passed the Island of Palma. It is the end of the hurricane season and the best time for the trade winds, if we keep far enough south in the trade wind belt. Except for radio contact (not yet established) with another yacht, we are completely isolated from the rest of the world, and yet I can still say today, on the eighth day, that I am finding it not at all monotonous, but very stimulating. We have only fuel for four days powering, so must **sail**. The first day we wallowed and flapped over windless seas, but at midnight a stiff breeze sprang up and we've been tearing along ever since. It is a wonderful feeling and sight, two huge sails billowing, while we cut our way swiftly and cleanly through the water, especially at night with a full moon."

"On the first night out the automatic pilot broke, so that a watch is no longer just a time of sitting. We generally steer for half an hour then rest for half an hour. I still need to concentrate all the time, as the wheel is never still and one has to gauge how the boat will swing, and allow for it. I love steering

and am always keen to take over. Last night and today, however, there is such a heavy and treacherous sea running that it needs an experienced sailor to hold it. I don't think anyone slept much last night—they were too busy just staying in their bunks!"

"Every day we eat too much, most days we sunbathe and every day we have a good laugh at something! I'm studying navigation. They say that if I learn we might get jobs this spring on a boat in the Honolulu race, since we can quote the "Escapade" as a reference. The last tank of water is finished so we are on to salt water. When it rains we all run up on deck with soap!"

5th: Edy and I spent the whole day washing and scrubbing out the fo'castle floor, ceiling and walls. We staggered out on deck at sunset to have buckets of water poured over our weary selves. We will hit the West Indies at Antigua, and sail on past Nevis, St. Kitts, Statia and Saba to the Virgin Islands, past Puerto Rico to Nassau.

6th: The day of the gale. After a very rough night every one was up on deck at 5 a.m. trimming sails as the wind rose to gale force. The rain came in howling squalls, and just then the first ship was sighted. Dressed up in bright yellow, orange, and blue oils, we crowded on deck to watch it as it changed course and came towards us, visible between huge swells. When it was pretty close they dipped the flag, the Russian hammer and sickle. We dipped our Stars and Stripes and they seemed to lose interest, or else it was too rough to come closer." Two hours later our dripping wet crew came down and we dispensed hot tea as best we could, considering the movement of the yacht. We had to wash up strapped to the sink! By afternoon it had calmed down somewhat and when all were sleeping exhaustedly, Edy and I waited for a squall, took soap and dirty clothes up on deck and washed ourselves, our hair, and our clothes. It was very refreshing and not at all cold."

7th: "The day dawned fine but the wind was such that the ship was at an angle of 45 degrees to the water. I was steering during lunch and I got rather carried away with the feel of it tearing along."

11th: "I was on deck at dawn, but it was rainy and no sight of land so I retired in disgust, but was woken up by being tipped out of my bunk and told land was only 15 miles away. The tropical storm clouds had dispersed and the sun came out as we all crowded on deck to see our first sight of land. High, intensely green hills hid the entrance to the harbour we had chosen. As we found the cunningly hidden entrance we noted the ruined fortifications of stone that guarded all sides. We rounded a corner

in the narrow waterway to see a lovely sight—blue green water, green bush-covered slopes down to the water's edge, old mellow stone buildings, and moored to the lawn-covered quay, yachts of all sizes; shapes and colours, schooners with tall stately masts, low graceful yawls like ours built for racing, and little red-masted sailing boats."

"English Harbour, Antigua, was built by the British way back in the days when she was consolidating her position in the West Indies, and was a thriving base where men-of-war were fitted and repaired. Nelson was stationed here for many years and evaded the Spanish and French fleets by coming in here before tearing across the Atlantic to win the battle of Trafalgar. Edy and I went for a long walk when the inevitable cleaning and polishing of docking was over. We swam on a lovely coral beach and lay under palm trees in a cove over the hill, and the next day, there was no work, of course, so five of us rented a car and explored the island, all over which there are clean little shanty towns consisting of one-roomed wooden houses raised on shaky looking piles of stones, very colourful, and surrounded by goats, children and fowls!"

After an exciting stay in Antigua, meeting the inhabitants and listening and dancing to the famous Caribbean Calypso bands, the two girls sailed on in the yacht to one of the British Virgin Islands, Tortola, where, almost immediately, they signed on as crew members of the "Zara" captained by the well-known travel author, Peter Pinney, one of the many charter yachts which takes Americans for luxury cruises through the islands.

Now they are settled at Yacht Haven, a palm-fringed mile from the town of Charlotte Amalie on St. Thomas' Island, the main island in the Virgin group where, in the turquoise waters of the bay are moored craft of every shape and size from ports in all parts of the world, making a forest of masts against the sky.

Fiona writes: "There is a comradeship and friendliness, and a sense of belonging in Yacht Haven, where a core of semi-permanent characters from all over the world have made their home. Because of the many tourists, the chartering of yachts in the winter season is a flourishing business. As evening falls after a tropical sunset and masts become silhouetted against the sky, boat dwellers relax on deck drinking rum and coconut milk, and listen lazily to the sound of a steel band or a Calypso song drifting across the water."

Still filled with the spirit of adventure, Fiona and her friend do not expect to return to South Africa before the end of this year at the earliest, and by then they hope to have visited both Mexico and Canada.

(Extracts from Fiona Foster's letters.)

CAREER SERIES. No. 1:**"FASTEN YOUR LAP-STRAPS"**

"Fasten your lap-straps, please, and prepare for take-off"—at last we were airborne, for me this was to be my first journey as a Flight Hostess.

I had spent one year on the "ground" learning how an Airline operates and how much work goes into the operation of one single flight. Firstly passengers and cargo are reserved with Travel Agents or direct with the Airline—these are then placed on two Manifests and copies sent to the various departments. In the case of passengers, tickets are made out and dozens of consignment notes are typed for the cargo. On arrival at the Airport the passengers are "weighed-in" and their names checked off the Manifest, the cargo is checked in a similar way and loaded according to weight distribution. The passengers are lead out to the aircraft and from there the Flight Hostess takes over.

In the case of the Flight Hostess there is a great deal of pre-flight preparation. I would arrive at the Airport an hour before take-off to supervise the catering, which I had ordered from the Caterers the previous evening. From the Caterers I went through to the Traffic Office to check with the ground staff to see if I had any passengers who needed special attention, that is if I had any stretcher passengers, unaccompanied children or an important person. That done, the aircraft had to be checked to see all was spick and span. No sooner was this completed than the passengers were boarding the aircraft—once they were seated and the correct number on board, I went through to the "holy of holies", the cockpit, and reported to the Captain that all was well. He in turn told me the necessary flight particulars which I conveyed to the passengers.

Being a Flight Hostess is a very exacting and tiring job but a very enjoyable and interesting one. No matter how large or small the company is that one is employed by, as a Flight Hostess one has the opportunity of meeting people of all nationalities and temperaments. Besides carrying out one's normal duties, as a Flight Hostess one must have a calm head and a charming personality. A great many passengers are nervous and it is the duty of the Hostess to make all her passengers feel at ease and, most important, individuals. A friendly smile and kind word always worked and many "Life Histories" was I told 15,000 feet above the earth!

I was employed by the African branch of a British Company. So in my case I flew on all our routes within Africa—these were

mainly scheduled routes within Rhodesia, to the main centres and the very isolated stops in the backcountry. The latter I enjoyed thoroughly for we were such a welcome sight in these tiny places, such as Fort Rosebery, as we brought the population their mail, fresh supplies, and in case of emergencies, flew in medical supplies or flew stretcher cases out.

In the rainy season roads are impassable in the Northern Territories, which means a great deal of the population are completely cut-off—so you can well imagine their joy when they sighted that silver bird with the bright red tail coming out of the stormy skies. Quite often we had a few nervous moments before landing on their slippery airstrips. On one occasion we did have a slight accident when the brake system ceased and the under-carriage collapsed. In a case such as this, a Hostess has no time to think of herself, her main concern is to keep the passengers calm and see that there are no injuries. I was fortunate in having a few bruised passengers only, who soon thought it was an enormous joke and something to tell the "folks at home"!

I think my most interesting passengers were not human ones but animals! This might surprise you but we carried a great number of animals on our special service named, "Handle With Love", and besides the normal cats and dogs we carried animals as large as horses. I will never forget the day one large pig went berserk on board, it was not at all pleasant! We did many charter flights to the Belgian Congo and Kenya delivering or collecting wild game. My most placid and friendly passenger was a baby Giraffe!

Kariba, it was my good fortune to see this gigantic scheme practically from start to finish. We flew into Kariba twice a week, once again carrying fresh supplies, mail, and last, but by no means least, tourists from all over the world.

One of my most pleasant flights was once a week to Santa Carolina, an island off the coast of Portuguese East Africa. It is a favourite holiday resort for Rhodesians and is commonly known as Paradise Island, which indeed it is, with its white sands, coconut palms, coral reefs, and blue sea. All my passengers were holiday makers and always in high spirits and determined that they would not miss a moment of their holiday, or that I would sit down for a moment!

Unfortunately only once did I have the joy of flying Overseas, calling at Entebbe, Khartoum, Wadi-Haifa, Benina and Rome. Entebbe is a very lovely town built on Lake Victoria. Coming in to land I had a wonderful impression of greenness and blue, which was suddenly interrupted by a wave of pink—flamingos—for which Entebbe is well known. After take-off we were soon enveloped in darkness. Flying at night is an exhilarating feeling

and a sight of great beauty with the moon shedding a silvery light on the clouds. This is the one time of the day that a Hostess can relax and go through to the cockpit to talk to her fellow crew, as there is an eerie silence in the cabin with all the passengers settled for the night.

Crossing the Mediterranean at night and flying up the coast of Italy is almost fairylike with the little ships winking their messages. Coming in to land at Rome I had a wonderful view of the Colosseum and St. Peter's—even from thousands of feet above they appear gigantic.

Alas! soon after my return from London, Hunting-Clan African Airways operated its last flight in Rhodesia and so after two years my happy flying days came to an end. It was a sad day saying "Cheerio" to all our friends as we did a farewell flight to all the out-stations. And it was that day for the first time I handled the controls of an aircraft for a few exciting moments.

All too soon I was saying for the last time: "Fasten your lap-straps, please, and prepare for landing".

GILLIAN HOLE.

AN EAST AFRICAN HOLIDAY

My husband had been nattering about East Africa for fourteen years. Every time a holiday was discussed in our home we were given a "travelogue" on Kenya, Tanganyika, etc. His introduction to that part of Africa had been with the R.N.C. in 1940 and he hankered to go back. Thank goodness this dream materialised and on May 15th, 1960, we sailed in the "Africa" from Durban with another ex-Carbineer, Paul Hathorn, and his wife, Mairi. Our car had been shipped the previous day and contained such things as a panga (bush knife) puncture outfit, spare parts of all descriptions, camping equipment, cooking utensils, and a complete first-aid outfit.

The boat trip was delightful. Calls at Beira, Dar-es-Salaam and Zanzibar made it interesting and enjoyable and when we disembarked at Mombasa we were all ready for the safari ahead. After a sort-out and a stocking up with food, etc., we set out for the interior. Our first game reserve (we collect game reserves, having visited thirteen now) was the well-known Tsavo National Park at Voi. Whilst we saw a lot of game, including some baby elephants which Mairi and I stroked, and the camp was delightful, we were disappointed with the timidity of the game, apparently due to much poaching by locals. Then south to Tanganyika and the picturesque town of Moshi, literally on the slopes of Kilimanjaro, I shall never forget my first sight of this magnificent moun-

tain, snow-capped and majestic, rising miles above the clouds. Then came Arusha and Lake Manyara, the Great Rift Valley and the Ngorongoro Crater—all names which meant nothing to me before but now bring back memories of dense forest, hot arid plains, myriads of game and lofty mountains. We crossed the Serengetti Plains and visited Amboseli Game Reserve en route to Nairobi. The Masai captured our imagination. Tall hipless people, arrogant, proud and to a certain extent insolent, they showed us something of the history of their part of Africa. They own thousands of head of cattle, and will not do manual labour and will not on any account be photographed. Nairobi was our chance (badly needed) for a hair-do and general clean-up before venturing forth into the Northern Frontier District and our husbands' Mecca—Fort Wajir. For them and for us, too, this was the climax of our holiday for this was their first "Outpost of Empire" in 1940. The small European garrison entertained us royally, and Paul and Barry waxed very nostalgic about their stay there exactly 20 years before.

Back to Nanyuki and the Silver Beck Hotel which boasts the Equator right over the bar counter. Here Paul and Mairi celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary with French wine and a lovely dinner. The proprietress, Mrs. Hook, remembered the Carbineers well and assured us that that was the only time she ever made any money.

From Nanyuki we crossed north of the Aberdare Forest, and turned south to Thompsons' Falls, Gil-Gil and Nakuru, where we saw millions—this is no exaggeration—of pink flamingoes on Lake Nakuru. Further west we crossed the Uganda Border and stopped at Jinja, where Speke and Grant discovered the source of the Nile. Entebbe, on Lake Victoria, was quite the prettiest town we encountered, with lush lawns right down to the water's edge, golf course, squash courts, cricket pitch, etc., a typical example of an Englishman's idea of home from home. Kampala, the Capital, was interesting, very multi-racial and very modern. We were on our way north again to catch the Nile Steamer on Lake Albert and to visit the Murchison Falls, where the whole Nile goes through a gap in the huge rock just 19 feet wide. We were taken up the Albert Nile in very comfortable launches which accommodated eight people and then later were transferred to a paddle-steamer to navigate the White Nile up to the Sudan. This trip lasted six days, included deck cabins, first-class service, good food, etc. and cost £15. Quite a bargain! We fully intended going into the Congo but this was the time of the big "blow-up", and all we did was to call for refugees on the Congo side of the Lake. There were none to be found, probably all murdered.

At Bundibugyo, on the Congo border and near the Mountains of the Moon, we saw the pygmies we so badly wanted to see. They were in their thick jungle hideout and just as primitive, I imagine, as they have ever been. We were coming south now and called in for about four days at the Queen Elizabeth Park, situated between Lakes Edward and George and right on the Congo border. This camp was by far the best we ever saw, dining-room and lounge being decorated completely with a large wild bamboo interspersed with tusks. We lost count of the elephants in this park but we must have seen at least a thousand.

A day or two later found us beside Lake Victoria again but on the western shore, at a beautiful little town called Bukoba. Here we heard tales of the terrible hazards ahead in the shape of bad roads, patches of deep sand, tsetse flies, and hostile Africans. We came through without much trouble, however, and spent our last few days cleaning ourselves up. We visited Kariba and were most impressed, then stayed with friends at Melsetter before dashing home with all speed to our families. A delightful six weeks and well worth the long wait for it.

ZOE BOREHAM.



BETHROTHALS

"As for matters of Huswifery, when God put them upon you it would be a sin either to refuse them or to perform them negligently, and therefore the ignorance of them is a great shame and danger for women who intend marriage."—Mary Ferrars, A.D. 1631.

Sheilagh Bushagen to Stewart Carlyle.
Denise Child to Trevor Colling.
Elizabeth Davidson to Ronald Brian Nicolson.
Janice Howarth to Bruce Geldart.
Hazel Morgan to Peter Hills.
Felicity Otto to Wallace Paterson.
Ann Thomas to Robert Willemse.
Janet Tough to Antony Fogg.



RECENT MARRIAGES

"For better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish, till death do us part."

This you have promised.

Lois Ardington is Mrs. Edward Farnworth.

Jean Bayne is Mrs. David A. Denley.

Winnie Gundelfinger is Mrs. Neville Hannon Freed.

Caroline Jansens ter Laeck is Mrs. Rodger A. Maytom.

Lorraine Keel is Mrs. Alec Alcock.

Thelma Martin Taylor is Mrs. John Derrick Metcalfe.

Sarah Methley is Mrs. Anthony Robin Clausen.

Diana Stretton is Mrs. Peter Houston.

Iva Wilson is Mrs. Colin Vivian Francis.

Sally Wood is Mrs. Roger Norman Byatt D'Aeth.

DEATHS (R.I.P.)

May Boast (Mrs. A. Hamilton).

Margaret Brickdale (Mrs. D. Braithwaite).

Kathleen (Biddy) Jamson (Mrs. C. Robertson).

Esme Methven (Mrs. B. Edwards).

Nellie Nourse (Mrs. R. E. McKenzie).

Ailsa (Savola) Scott-Riddell (Mrs. C. Hallé).



RECENT WYKEHAM GRANDCHILDREN

"For little pattering feet and crooning songs;
For children's laughter, and sweet wells of truth;
For sweet child faces and the sweet wise tongues;
For childhood's faith that lifts us near to Thee
And bows us with our own disparity;
For childhood's sweet unconscious beauty sleep;
For all that childhood teaches us of Thee:
We thank Thee, Lord."

—Oxenham,

- Mrs. D. Bouttell (Valerie Moorcroft), a son.
Mrs. F. Braithwaite (Margaret Brickdale, R.I.P.), a son.
Mrs. C. Cook (Patricia Harcourt Baldwin), a daughter—Philippa.
Mrs. J. de Charmoy (Barbara Smith), a daughter.
Mrs. J. Devenish (Geraldine Jehu), a daughter.
Mrs. L. Goldman (Margaret Gabriel), a son.
Mrs. A. Gordon (Lucy Brickdale), a daughter.
Mrs. B. Gordon (Penelope Kershaw), a son—Anthony Bernard.
Mrs. A. Hackland (June Rose-Scott), a daughter.
Mrs. D. Hamilton (Molly Summersgill), a son.
Mrs. D. Harris (Yvonne Ganteaume), a daughter — Jeannine Karen.
Mrs. M. Hill (Norma Inman), a son—Michael.
Mrs. D. Israel (Marcia Eagle), a son.
Mrs. S. Jacobs (Barbara Acutt), a daughter—Frances Nan.
Mrs. D. Larsen (Angela Hoch), a son.
Mrs. L. Levi (Veronica Pendock), a daughter.
Mrs. M. Levy (Yvonne Pendock), a son.
Mrs. R. Pitcher (Anne Liddell), a son—Kimball Richard.
Mrs. C. Radloff (Wendy Daniel), a daughter.
Mrs. P. Reilly (Huguette Rietbergen), a son.
Mrs. L. Reynolds (June Harris), a son—Robert John.
Mrs. J. Saulez (Ruth Peddie), a son.
Mrs. A. Stainbank (Jill Wasserfall), a son—Peter Dering.
Mrs. B. Stops (Penelope Dodds), a son.
Mrs. P. Wijnberg (Mary Bredin), a son—Allan Richard.
Mrs. D. Wilson (Pam Withers), a daughter.



OLD GIRLS' NEWS — 1961

ABLETT, Enid (Mrs. Wroughton) spent last Christmas in Rhodesia.

ACUIT, Barbara (Mrs. Johnston) sent us her new address, but unfortunately no news.

ALLAN, Terry (Mrs. Bredin) is now the proud possessor of a grandson.

ALLISON, Audrey (Mrs. Eckhoff) and her husband have been kindness personified to Natalie Crompton's (Mrs. Phelps) son, James, since he went to England in January. Not only did they welcome him on his arrival, and offered to put him up whenever he cared to avail himself of their hospitality, but Dr. Eckhoff also arranged an appointment with an eminent specialist for him. Audrey was looking forward to having a chat with Tony Pope-Ellis (Mrs. Seekings) when Tony could spare the time, and she and Miss Mellor spent an enjoyable afternoon with Kathleen Frances (Mrs. Drew) in May.

AMOS, Irene (Mrs. van der Poel), the popular president of our Durban branch, and her husband went on a delightful two and a half week's cruise to Quillemann and the East Coast ports, shortly after the Birthday Week-end. For her it must have been a welcome respite after all her hard work for the Fete. **Vera** (Mrs. Morford) and her husband left for England in July, 1960, where they joined Kathryn Gordon, in whose car they did a wonderful tour of France, then crossed the Pyrenees into Spain, where they made Madrid their headquarters while they went on expeditions to the South and neighbouring towns. Here Vera assembled a collection of dolls in regional costume. From Spain they went to Northern Italy to the Lakes, finally coming home by ship from Venice. Vera's daughter, Jane, who has been lecturing in English at the Natal University in Maritzburg, announced her engagement in June to Richard Hawkins. She sailed on July 26th for Rio de Janeiro, where she will join the lecturing staff of the Society for British Culture for two years.

ANDERSON, Elsie's (Mrs. Chapman) son, Neil, gained his L.R.A.M. in London after taking a teacher's course at the Vienna Academy. Our congratulations to him and his parents. **Ivy**, one of our most faithful Old Girls, spent part of her Easter holidays sweet-making for the Fete. **Mary** (Mrs. Atkinson) is kept very busy with her two small children who, she says, are full of boundless energy.

ANDERTON, Pat (Mrs. Curtis) is a keen member of our Durban branch. Her small daughter, Tessa, is growing apace, we hear.

ANGUS, Winnie (Mrs. Hornby) is now living in Maritzburg with her brother and sister, Mrs. Marwick, at Prestbury.

ANTEI, Jeanette, is studying for a B.A. Degree at Rhodes University after gaining a 1st class School Leaving Certificate.

ARDINGTON, Lois, who announced her engagement in January, planned to be married in August. She and her husband will then make their home at Evenden in the Transvaal.

ARNOTT, Dulcie (Mrs. Foster) and her husband went on a "golfing cruise" to the coastal ports and Capetown in March, which they enjoyed immensely. **Sheila** (Mrs. Peddie), who was handicraft convener for the Umzinto Women's Institute, felt her labours were well rewarded when their group won the Elizabeth Kirby Trophy and the Lawson Shield at the Royal Show. She is also secretary of the ladies' section of the local Agricultural and Horticultural Association. When her husband retires in March next year they will live in Kloof, where they have bought a delightful house quite near **Phemie's** (Mrs. Peddie) new home. **Flo** (Mrs. Gray) now that she is living in Maritzburg, helps us with our various cake sales, and was one of the hard workers at the Fete. We are delighted to have her in our midst once more, and she and Natalie Crompton (Mrs. Phelps) belong to the same bowling club. **Mavis's** (Mrs. Borrowdale) daughter, Anne, is one of the ever-increasing number of Wykeham grand-daughters we are proud to have at school.

BACKHOUSE, Dorothy (Mrs. Manton) has our warm thanks once again for the splendid job of work she did as dance secretary of the 1960 Old Girls' dance, which was such a pleasant and successful affair. She leads a very busy life what with farming, and a part-time billet, and her work as an executive committee member, and Dance Secretary of our Old Girls' Association, so we were delighted to hear that she managed to fit in a fortnight's holiday in July, one week at Winkle Spruit, where she had a chat with Yvonne McCullough (Mrs. Jackson) and the other spent in East London, which she and her sons enjoyed immensely, especially the drive down and back.

BAIKIE, Doreen (Mrs. Evans). The last news we had of her was that she had her four sons down with chickenpox. Well, at least they all got it over at once!

BAKER, Caroline (Mrs. Harvey) and her husband and two charming children spent a night with Ann Stainbank (Mrs. Turner) recently, who tells us they are now tobacco farming at Selukwe in Southern Rhodesia, and gave us Caroline's new address. Ann had invited Dawn Pennington (Mrs. Beghin) and Dorothy Stewart (Mrs. Barlow), former class-mates of hers and Caroline's, and their respective husbands, to dinner that evening and says what a jolly gathering it was.

BAXTER, Beatrice (Mrs. Turton) is now the proud possessor of two grandsons, the second one being born on February 2nd, 1961.

BAYNE, Rhoda, is taking an art course in Durban, and often sees Eleanora Wykeham and Sheila Richards, who are doing the same course.

BEATER, Vivienne (Mrs. Haw) tells us that her husband's book, "No Other Home," which was published last year, has already gone into its second edition. That proves how interesting it must be. It is on the colour problem in Africa. **Leila** (Mrs. Purnell) is kept busy looking after her two children, but says they did have a delightful holiday at the Royal Natal National Park in June, and much enjoyed the lovely bracing air after the very hot Durban summer.

BECKER, Joy's (Mrs. Bradley) son, Jack, was married on October 27th last year.

BELL, Melanie, and her parents and two sisters have gone to live in New Zealand.

BENNETT, Barbara (Mrs. Cope) left in August this year to take her daughter, Gillian, overseas and see her settled in her Physical Training Course. Barbara only expects to be away about three months.

BENNETT-DAVIS, Erica (Mrs. Goss) is still living at Lusikisiki, and has two sons at a Durban Prep school. She often meets Maureen Pentland (Mrs. Rutherford) when they are both taking their sons back to school. **Mollye** (Mrs. Munro) and her husband and two children have left on an extended visit to the United Kingdom and Europe. Her elder son, John, will join them in Switzerland for the Christmas holidays.

BERNARD, Grace's (Mrs. Turner) wonderful vegetable and flower garden keeps her very busy. She also teaches music in the afternoons. She is now the proud grandmother of one grandson and five grand-daughters.

BLACK, Janet, we welcomed as the new president of our Old Girls' Association this year, an honour she richly deserves after so many years as secretary and then vice-president, and her continuous work year in and year out for our fetes. Unfortunately she was recently laid low in hospital for three weeks, but to our joy, is now well on the road to recovery again. **Jean** (Mrs. Line) and **May** (Mrs. Lindsay) flew to Rhodesia in May, visiting Salisbury, where they saw the MacArthur sisters (Marion Chance and Beryl MacLaurin), and then on to Kariba and the Victoria Falls. They enjoyed very minute of their very interesting tour. May was also hostess at the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the Impendable Agricultural Society in February, where her husband, a foundation member, officially opened the new doors of the hall erected in memory of Mr. Tommy Hill.

BLACKBURN, Katherine (Mrs. Prout) and her husband are due to return from their overseas trip in August.

BLACKLOCK, Maisie (Mrs. McBride) has our deep sympathy in the loss of her mother in April.

BLAKEWAY, Clare (Mrs. Fannin) now has three sons at school. Their granny tells us that all three are musical, and like most youngsters, enjoy playing rugby. **Joan** (Mrs. Holder) had her house burgled while they were away on holiday and lost all her blankets and every bit of clothing! She has been running a baby clinic at Amanzimtoti, but intends to take up nursing again. **Noelle** has now recovered from her illness and long convalescence of last year, but is still not allowed to play tennis. She gives pleasant musical evenings at "Ripplemead", and her accordion playing is always in great demand.

BOAST, Gladys and Patience (Mrs. McCarter) have our deepest sympathy in their loss of their sister, **May** (Mrs. Hamilton) in January. Gladys, who generally sends us news of the family, has evidently forgotten to do so this year.

BODDAM, Betty, now works in the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in London and likes it very much. She plans to spend a holiday in the Lake District of Austria this year, and is endeavouring to write a book on her travel experiences! She often thinks of Wykeham and says she would like to come and see us one day, "when her ship comes in".

BOSHOFF, Naida, has our hearty congratulations on gaining her B.A. and LL.B. Degree at Natal University, the only girl in Natal to qualify in law this year. She and her sister are now in England on a year's working holiday.

BRAZIER, Betty (Mrs. Hansmeyer) has our deep sympathy in the loss of her father in February. She and her husband have just bought a house at Scottsville and have had great fun settling in and tidying up the garden.

BREDELL, Leonie (Mrs. Darbyshire) attended the party held in December to celebrate the hundredth meeting of the Richmond Garden Club.

BREDIN, Judy (Mrs. Stone) was married a few months ago and now lives at Underberg, where she and her husband farm.

BRICKDALE, Margaret (Mrs. Braithwaite) after a long and serious illness, borne with great courage, passed away at the end of May, and a service which will long be remembered was held at St. James' Church, Greytown, on May 29th, when the Vicar paid deep and sincere tribute to her memory. She was at Wykeham from 1939 to 1942, and always retained a great affection for her school. To her sorrowing family—mother, husband, three daughters and sister, **Lucy** (Mrs. Gordon), we extend deep sympathy in their loss of one so dearly loved. (Contributed).

BROOME, Ann (Mrs. Hulett) writes that the holiday resort she and her husband started six years ago at Cape St. Francis is now a flourishing concern and they have the great pleasure of welcoming many Natal friends there. They have two daughters, aged eleven and nine, and a son of two, and regret that the distance makes it impossible for the girls to become Wykehamites.

BROWNING, Zoe (Mrs. Boreham), who is now the senior Vice-president of our Old Girls' Association, took the chair for the first time at our August meeting, when our President, Janet Black, was unfortunately ill in hospital. She did it very well, so is getting into training early! It is just a year since she and her husband and family moved from town to the outskirts of Maritzburg, and she tells us they all love life in the country. She and her husband are both keen gardeners—she does the flowers and he is responsible for the vegetable garden, which is so successful that it supplies all their needs.

BRYDEN, Cecily, whom we welcome as a life member of our Association, is now taking a course at Mrs. Mavis Gummer's Finishing School at Gillitts, where she enjoys the companionship of another school contemporary and W.O.G., Diana Gibson.

BULL, Winnie's (Mrs. Drummond) eldest daughter, Patricia, decided to combine the celebration of her twenty-first birthday party and wedding reception on July 22nd, so what with helping her hunt for a flat and furniture, and the wedding preparations, Winnie found the holiday month very hectic. No wonder she says on her news slip that she looks forward to a chance to relax after July 22nd! She is still the representative of the Durban Branch on the Board of Trustees, and a hard worker for the fete.

BURNES, Monica, has our hearty congratulations on passing the finals of the General Nursing Examinations held in March this year.

BUTLER, Doris (Mrs. Johnston), who is one of Natal's best known theatre personalities, now has a little shop at the top of Smith Street, Durban, stocked with theatrical goods. Here she gives her time and talent to the "younger folk," providing for all their needs in the way of stage props and dress, designing sets and costumes, and always helpful with advice from her vast store of experience. She is in great demand as a teacher, and adjudicated at the National Eisteddfod Tap Championships in Johannesburg in April. Doris feels that she should now retire from the stage,

but has only one regret—that she has never played the part of "Aunt Mame!" **Stop Press:** Our thoughts are with her in her great anxiety over her ninety-two-year-old mother, who is at present in hospital after the robbery and dastardly attack on her life.

CAMPBELL, Cherry's (Mrs. Selater) daughters have been in the news recently, with two of them getting engaged in October 1960, one of whom was married in January this year. The youngest one, Hazel, is another of Wykeham's grand-daughters, who is now a present girl at school.

CARTER, Jean, who is a keen member of the Durban Ramblers and also the Mountain Club of South Africa, is, we hear, very happy in her new billet. **Pamela's** (Mrs. Cox) husband has, after years of experimenting, found a means of dehydrating sea-water for sale to Natives, who prize it highly as a medicine.

CATHERINE, Helene (Mrs. Hellberg) and her husband and family are back in Maritzburg, living in her old home in Burger Street, so we look forward to having her at some of our Old Girls' meetings and gatherings. Her daughter, Elisabeth, is another Wykeham grand-daughter we welcome as a pupil at school. **Wyndom** must be delighted to have them all back here again.

CHAMBERLAIN, Elizabeth, tells Priscilla Wynn (Mrs. Rubidge) that she enjoys her work very much, but exactly what it is we don't know, though she did tell us last year that having majored in French and English for her B.A. degree, she hoped to get a secretarial or translating post.

CHANDLER, Mabel (Mrs. Davidson) has our heartfelt sympathy in her tragic loss of her husband in January of this year. Her wee daughter is now also a Wykeham girl, and Mabel is giving her brother a helping hand with his Thornville Butchery, but manages to find time to work for our fetes as well, having made a big number of daintily covered coat-hangers, which sold like "hot cakes" as Christmas gifts.

CHAPLIN, Denise (Mrs. Dorning), who never changes or ages, and her daughter, Julia, called to see Lorna Hime at the beginning of September, when she came to Maritzburg for Julia's "long Sunday" — a very pleasant surprise for Lorna. Denise and Joan MacNeillie (Mrs. Barlow) had hoped to make up a party and attend the Old Girls' Dance in Durban this year, but unfortunately, owing to distance, Denise and her husband could not manage it.

CLARK, Sylvia (Mrs. Battcock) has our deepest sympathy in the loss of her little grand-daughter last December. She keeps very busy with her work and classes on poetry, drama and public speaking, which entail considerable travelling, and she also spent a fortnight in Cornwall between Summer School courses, and later toured Sussex on her own. She attended the Welwyn Garden Drama Festival Week, which she says is always a great treat. In March last year, burglars broke into her home and stole a whole cupboardful of old family silver and all her wedding presents. **Miss Winifred** had a wonderful holiday in Greece, and found that by the end of it she was able, with the help of her Classical Greek, to chat simply with the people. She found them an endlessly curious and courteous people, and very helpful. On the last day, when she wished to re-visit the National Museum in Athens to look at the vases, she was told it was not possible to see them in the afternoon. In desperation, she finally said to the English-speaking guide, "But I teach Greek." Magic words! She was passed from keeper to keeper, doors opened and locked behind her, and the keeper pulled up the shades as she went along! She also climbed Mount Lycabettus for a last glimpse of the whole of Athens.

She plans to go back again soon, and spend longer in Crete and Delphi. This year she hopes to be accepted for a Ministry course on Archaeology in Roman Gaul, when she will be able to again visit Provence.

CLAYTON, Beth (Mrs. Elliot) for the first time for years could not help at the last fete, as she and her husband were away on holiday.

COATES, Sheila (Mrs. Henwood) now lives in Maritzburg and has her daughter at Wykeham. She helped at the fete, and with our various cake sales, and has to our delight joined our Old Girls' Association.

COMINS, Marjorie (Mrs. Harties) has, we are sorry to learn, been very ill. We wish her a speedy return to good health. **Doris** (Mrs. Greene) has our deep sympathy in the loss of her mother in January.

CONNOLLY, Pat (Mrs. Russell) spent a week-end with Yvonne McCulloogh (Mrs. Jackson) when she brought her daughter down from Johannesburg to start her nursing training at Grey's Hospital. We are glad to have made contact with Pat again after losing touch with her for so many years.

COOMBE, Anne (Mrs. de Klerk) now has two sons, so she and her husband have moved out of a flat into a house in Christie Road.

COOPER, Betty (Mrs. Lewin) and Betty Sydie (Mrs. van der Westhuizen) held a successful jumble sale in aid of Wykeham funds, which brought in the splendid sum of £45. Our warm thanks to them both.

COPE, Gillian, who received the Good Fellowship Prize at the end of last year, has our warm congratulations on passing her matriculation. In August she left South Africa to take a Physical Training course overseas.

CROMPTON, Natalie's (Mrs. Phelps) son, James, passed his matriculation in December, at the same time as her daughter, Penelope, gained her B.Sc. Degree at the Natal University. At the end of January James flew over to London to get advice from specialists there about his leg trouble, the aftermath of poliomyelitis. He can't speak highly enough of the great kindness shown to him by Audrey Allison (Mrs. Eckhoff) and her husband. Natalie left for London in June to spend a month visiting James in hospital each evening, and sight-seeing or looking up friends during the day.

THE CROOKES FAMILY had great celebrations last September on the occasion of the centenary of the arrival of their Grandfather in South Africa. **Rose-Ella** (Mrs. Waring) and her husband thoroughly enjoyed their overseas holiday last year, and she convened the very successful tombola stall at the fete in April.

Ivy (Mrs. Giffatt) has been giving her garden a new look, having converted the tennis court, now never used, into a terrace. She had her daughter, Beryl (Mrs. Cook) and her small son spending a few days with her in June, and sadly missed them when they returned home, for her grandson is sure, a chatty and entertaining little chap. **Violet** (Mrs. Poynton) is, as always, a hard worker for our Durban Branch, and at our fetes there is a ready sale for her beautiful embroidery. **Doreen** (Mrs. Phillips) and her husband and Elizabeth are having a wonderful holiday overseas, and since they landed in England have spent a day with Miss Hedges' two nieces, Joan and Peggy. They loved every moment of their visit to Switzerland. **Elaine** (Mrs. Gordon Watson) and her husband have also been overseas on holiday, and bumped into Maureen Pentland (Mrs. Rutherford) at the Cumberland Hotel in London, on the day Maureen and her husband landed in England!

CROSS, Mona (Mrs. Newton) has our heartfelt sympathy in her loss of her husband in October last year. She moved into a flat on the Esplanade shortly before Christmas, and flew up to Bulawayo on Good

Friday to spend a month with her brother and sister-in-law on their farm. She also visited the Victoria Falls and the Matopos. We loved having her with us again this Birthday Week-end, and admired her for her courage in coming when it was full of memories of the happy times she and her husband had spent with us at previous Birthday Week-ends. She has a chatty little blue budge, which is a great comfort and joy to her when she goes home after work.

DALRYMPLE, Gay (Mrs. Nolden) has one small daughter and is expecting an addition to the family in September. They have left for Port Elizabeth, where her husband has been transferred, and she hopes to contact Margaret Pearson (Mrs. Smythe), who also now lives there. **Stop Press:** The addition to Gay's family is in the plural—twin sons! Our hearty congratulations to their mother and father!

DANIEL, Hillary, we hear, wears a very smart uniform now that she is a receptionist for the Union-Castle Company, and as such meets ships and looks after the interests of the passengers. She saw a lot of Anne Kemp before Anne left for London in August, and was one of the committee members who organised the very pleasant and successful Old Girls' Dance in Durban this year.

DAVIDSON, Gladys (Mrs. Prosser) went overseas at the beginning of this year to do a six months' course in Beauty Culture at the Helena Rubenstein Salon. **ELIZABETH** completed her domestic science course at Athol Crescent in Edinburgh, and has announced her engagement. Her fiancé is, we hear, a student of Divinity, preparing for his ordination.

DIXON, Sheldine (Mrs. Gafney) looked as pretty as ever when Lorraine Lister (Mrs. Evans) met and chatted with her for the first time in years, when she was in Maritzburg recently.

DOULL, Eileen and Doreen (Mrs. Field) have been on a wonderful holiday in Europe and Great Britain and while in England had dinner with Kathleen Frances (Mrs. Drew) in her London flat.

DOWNING, Madge (Mrs. Acutt) and her daughter, Eva, went on a lovely trip by air in May, from Durban to Lourenço Marques, Beira, Umtali, Salisbury, Kariba, Victoria Falls, Bulawayo and back to Durban, spending several days at each place.

DREW, Monica, was the organiser/secretary of the very successful Old Girls' Dance held in Durban on August 5th. All who attended say it was one of the most enjoyable dances they have been to. Congratulations, Monica! That makes all the hard work worth while, doesn't it? In November last she had a delightful holiday in Rhodesia, and is now thinking of going overseas to see **Janet** (Mrs. Gordon), who lives in London.

DUNBAR, Pat (Mrs. Groves) and her husband moved to Standerton at the beginning of this year, where he has been appointed principal of the English Medium School. She and Phyllis Earl (Mrs. Coughlan) met by chance at the Cato Ridge Hotel a few months ago, when they exchanged news and reminiscences.

DYSON, Mary, gained her B.A. degree at Cambridge, and is now teaching in Uganda.

EARL, Phyllis (Mrs. Coughlan) was responsible for the flower arrangements at the Old Girls' Dance held in September last year in Maritzburg. Many were the exclamations of admiration from Old Girls and the general public at the beauty of these decorations. She was also responsible for the floral arrangements at the Grand Masonic Ball, and at other important social occasions in the City.

EARLE, Ethne's (Mrs. Wannenburg) elder son is distinguishing himself at cricket, having been chosen to represent Durban High School in the Offord Cricket Week in December.

EGNER, Phyllis (Mrs. Miller) and her husband and baby daughter are now living in Chingola, where her husband is on the mines.

EMERTON, Joyce (Mrs. Keytel) has our deepest sympathy in the loss of her father in May. She is still secretary of the South African Nursing Association, and the South African Nurses' Trust Fund (Natal Inland Branch) and says she meets very interesting people in the course of her work which, with the running of her home, keeps her fully occupied.

ENDER, Vrenell, who is this year's holder of the Old Girls' Bursary, is taking a teacher's course at the Durban Training College, and is enjoying it immensely.

FANNER, Marylee (Mrs. Masson) and her mother enjoyed every minute of their trip to, and stay, in Italy at the end of last year. In April she again convened the refreshment stall at the Otto's Bluff gymkhana, which brought in nearly £20 for Wykeham funds. Our warm thanks, Marylee.

FANNIN, Natalie (Mrs. Juul), we can't thank enough for the splendid work she did for three years as president of our Old Girls' Association, and sorry as we were that her term of office was completed, we did realise that with her full-time post as Social Editress of the "Natal Witness," she not only deserved, but also needed, at least temporary relief from extraneous duties. However, we were delighted that she agreed to remain an Executive Committee member. Her son, Terence, was married in December, and her elder daughter, Valerie, arrived back from a year's working holiday in England just in time for her brother's wedding. **Phyllis** (Mrs. Wheeler) is still teaching at Scottsville Government School, and her eldest daughter is now a day-scholar at Girls' High School.

FARRANT, Dorothy (Mrs. Lissaman) became the proud possessor of two new grandsons when twins were born to her son, Peter, and his wife in California in December. How she wishes they lived nearer so that she could see them! Her daughter, Judy, was married in London in June. We are sorry to learn that she and **Rosalie** have had a worrying time lately with their mother unwell.

FLEMING, Marjorie is one of our most enthusiastic Old Girls in the pursuit of justice to the underprivileged, social services, and any other worthy cause, as well as in politics. Many are the letters to newspapers and magazines that flow from her pen, urging action in all these causes for which she works so hard. We admire her for having the courage of her convictions, and never hesitating to state them.

FLOOK, Beryl (Mrs. Miller) and her husband were on holiday in Natal last Christmas, so had the great joy of being with her sisters Enid and Tinkie for the festive season. **Enid** (Mrs. Steer) has our deepest sympathy in the loss of her husband in October. She is teaching at the Girls' High School in Maritzburg. **Tinkie's** (Mrs. Roering) daughter Pamela was one of the winners of the Bothner Bursaries at the Pietermaritzburg Eisteddfod in May. Beryl says that Tinkie's letters are always so long and so very interesting that they all tell her she should write a book!

FOSTER, Fiona, is truly "living life to the full", and seeing the world, as will be seen from the account in this magazine of some of her travels.

FRAMPTON, Ruth (Mrs. Pennington) says that she has had seven grandchildren, all but one under seven, to stay with her for the holidays,

and they were all as good as gold! In August, she and her husband plan to go in their caravan to Namaqualand to see the wild flowers. **Joan's** (Mrs. Slatter) and her husband's farm, "Silver Ley," was one of those in the Greytown district, we were grieved to learn, that was ravaged by fire recently.

FRANCES, Kathleen (Mrs. Drew) visited her elder daughter in Salisbury in January, 1961, before leaving for England with younger daughter, Lynda. They plan to spend at least two years there. Soon after they landed, Kathleen was taken to South Africa House by Jean Brazier, Linley Jones' (Mrs. Brazier) daughter, who introduced her, and she was immediately offered a billet which she took and enjoys very much. Her flat in London is a rendezvous for Wykeham Old Girls of all generations. She and Lynda went to the Windsor Show, and Miss Mellor had arranged to take them over the Castle. They saw the Royal Tournament, and the Queen leading her regiment at the "Trooping of the Colour", and she writes, that it was well worth the minor discomforts of getting her toes trodden on and her shins kicked! They spent a most enjoyable week-end at Bath, and during the four-day Whitsuntide holiday, Kathleen flew to friends in Belfast who motored her round the whole of the north coast of Ireland. She has quite fallen in love with Ireland and its people, and says she is thinking of retiring there some day!

FRANCIS, Jane is still working in London for a car hire firm, and is thoroughly enjoying life there and her job, which enables her to see the rest of Britain when delivering hired cars to all parts of the country. She saw a great deal of Edith Whittaker when she was in London, and hopes any other Old Girls visiting Britain will drop in and see her. **Priscilla** is teaching at Wykeham and loving it. Next year she and three friends have planned a trip overseas, sailing up the East Coast on the Europa. They intend to hire a car in Brindisi and tour the Continent until they are broke! **Beryl** (Mrs. Coates) must be as pleased as we are, that her granddaughter Felicity Henwood is now a Wykehamite.

FULLER, Winsome works for the Pietermaritzburg Corporation, but still keeps up her dancing.

GANTEAUME, Yvonne (Mrs. Harris) and her husband are enjoying farming in the Lowveld, where they go in mainly for tobacco. They have a lovely baby daughter, Jeannine Karen.

GEYSER, Yvonne (Mrs. Arbuthnot) is a semi-finalist in the "Miss Lido" beauty competition, for which the first prize is a free trip to Paris. We are most grateful to **Lilian** (Mrs. Freese) for the splendid job she did at our Fete as receptionist to the artist, Mr. Avery. She certainly kept the queue moving!

GIBSON, Diana, has been attending Mrs. Mavis Gummer's Finishing School at Giffitts where she has been having expert tuition in all aspects of gracious living, from French cooking to conversation, music, interior decoration, landscape gardening and modelling to mention but a few of the subjects. She enjoyed the five months course so much that she has gone back for an advanced course in floristry, and among other things is also learning typing and syncopation. Jill Hulett has been a "classmate" of hers at the school.

GILES, Constance (Mrs. Turner) had a wonderful trip to the Continent and Greece towards the end of last year, and on her return settled in to a very nice flat, where she is most comfortable. Appeals for assistance at, or for, any Old Girls' function, be it the Fete, or a cake or jumble sale, never fall on deaf ears with her and her sister, **Gwen**.

GILLATT, Beryl (Mrs. Cook) and her small son Howard spent a few days at Stanger with her mother, Ivy Crookes (Mrs. Gillatt) in June, who tells us that her grandson aged three is very independent, and knows exactly what he wants. A young man of character evidently, for he even has his favourite clothes, and likes to wear them always!

GODBOLD, Helen (Mrs. Hickman) is the proud possessor of a daughter, and we are glad to have her address again, as we had lost touch with her since she went to England to live. **Lorna** (Mrs. Lupton-Smith) is, we hear, living at Merrivale so we hope she will join our Midlands Branch.

GOLD, Phyllis (Mrs. Wade) sent us her new address and tells us that she now has an eighteen months old son, Rodney Ian, who is the living image of his father. **Pamela's** (Mrs. I.e Roux) daughter Mary is another whom we are delighted to include in the ever increasing number of Wykeham granddaughters at our Alma Mater.

GOOD, Norah is another Old Girl to whom we never appeal in vain. She made the beautiful fruit cake, which was iced by Mary Graham (Mrs. Wheeler), and which, as a guessing competition, helped to swell the funds at our last cake sale.

GORDON, Jean (Mrs. Royden-Turner) has twin daughters of nine, and a son aged five. Her husband had a terrible time fighting veld fires that swept their farm at the beginning of September. **Kathryn** has been studying at the London Occupational Therapy College for the past three years. Having qualified, she joined Vera Amos (Mrs. Morford) and her husband on their car tour through Europe and returned to Durban with them, where she was appointed to Wentworth Hospital to establish a Department of Occupational Therapy. Her training with Constance Sprey stood her in good stead when she did the floral decorations for our Old Girls' Dance in Durban this year, which were so much admired by everyone. **Sylvia** (Mrs. Joubert) has her mother-in-law, mother, and two sisters living with her now, so has a full house. She is very enthusiastic about her new hobby—breeding rabbits! Her son Johan was ill with rheumatic fever in July and August, so she was busy keeping him amused during his weeks in bed. Nevertheless, with her usual keen interest in everything connected with Wykeham, she very kindly offered to compile this Old Girls' news section of the magazine. Our warm thanks, Sylvia. **Maud's** (Mrs. Stainbank) second daughter Meryl, is another Wykeham granddaughter we are proud to have as a pupil at Wykeham.

GRAHAM, Mary (Mrs. Wheeler) who now lives in Loop Street opposite Wykeham, is once more a member of our Executive Committee, and was one of a group of Old Girls who went down from Maritzburg, to our Old Girls' Dance in Durban on August 5th.

GRANT, Phyllis is still enjoying her nursing training at Grey's very much, and in August was on night duty in the ward in which Janet Black was laid low, which was very pleasant for Janet. Phyllis says she is pleased to see Margaret Richardson, as they are the only two Wykeham Old Girls left at Grey's at the moment. **Joan** (Mrs. Barnard) and her husband and daughter Jill spent a holiday in Natal in December and January.

GREEN, Elaine (Mrs. van der Post) has our deepest sympathy in the loss of her son, who was killed in a motor accident in Durban last February.

GUNDELFINGER, Winnie, has completed her Nursery School Teacher's course, and was married on August 29th. After a honeymoon on the Continent she and her husband will live in London while he studies for his Doctorate in engineering at London University. She hopes to see any Wykeham Old Girls who may go over to Britain.

HAMPSON, Anne (Mrs. Upton) shares the distinction of being one of the only two women racehorse trainers in Natal, and the only Maritzburg woman to have that as her career. She now has twelve horses at her Hilton Road stables, and already has a number of successes to her credit. She is also trying her hand at a different kind of grooming, for in April she began a course of training as a consultant in beauty culture under the well-known Mrs. Mavis Fleming who arrived in South Africa three months ago.

HANDLEY, Frances (Mrs. Gibbs) was one of the helpers on the Bathroom Stall which was such a successful innovation at our Fete this year. **Myra's** (Mrs. Stride) elder daughter Anne was married in April to Chris Burger, the Springbok cricketer, and her younger daughter Jacqueline is now working in Rhodesia.

HANSEN, Stella (Mrs. Bateman) and **Patricia** (Mrs. Gillespie) have our deep sympathy in their loss of their father in August.

HARCOURT-BALDWIN, Patricia (Mrs. Cook) is kept fully occupied with her lovely little family of five and all her Church work. She had a worrying time recently, with her husband laid low in hospital. We are glad to know that he is better again now.

HARKNESS, Ruth (Mrs. Bryant) and her husband spent a seven months holiday overseas last year. Her son Anthony was admitted as an advocate in February. We were delighted to have her with us again for the Birthday Week-end, after a lapse of about five years.

HARRIS, Joy's (Mrs. Giani) son Michael is nine now and goes to school at Northcliffe, Johannesburg. **June's** (Mrs. Reynolds) new baby was just two weeks old when her elder son Kenneth had to be rushed into Maritzburg for an emergency operation. We are glad to hear that he is making splendid progress. June and her husband are going in for pigs, but admit that they still have a lot to learn! **Binnie** is working in Pinetown we hear.

HARTE, Olive organized the display of Nursing Costumes for the Addington Hospital Centenary celebrations. She also convened the 1960 Staff dance for the Grey's Hospital nurses, which was a very gay affair.

HARVEY, Susan hopes to visit Wykeham before she sails for England in September. She plans to find work in London and will be staying at the Overseas Visitors Club. She had a nasty accident last November when her horse fell on top of her, but fortunately she was not badly injured.

HARWIN, Elsie's (Mrs. Byrne) younger daughter Jennifer was married in May.

HATHORN, Amy (Mrs. Young) is very interested in the early settlers of Natal, her forbears being some of them. She recently discovered, and wonders if Old Girls know, that the Natal Museum in Maritzburg is making a collection of articles that belonged to past generations, which will be displayed as the occasion offers. They request that the name and "story" of the person to whom it belonged should accompany the article, to make it more interesting, and Amy remarks that it is a comfort to know that there is an honoured place for old family letters, photographs, books, etc., that we have to "tidy up".

HAUFF, Wendy has our congratulations on gaining a second class pass in the December 1960 Matriculation examination, and also on tying with Philippa Tough in winning the William of Wykeham Courtesy Prize.

HAW, Doreen (Mrs. Humphrey) who lives in Salisbury, and her sister-in-law Vivienne Beater (Mrs. Haw) often see each other, Vivienne tells us,

HIME, Lorna, is very interested in colour photography, but perhaps it is just as well that she has little time to indulge in it, otherwise she might achieve the doubtful publicity of being the first W.O.G. to appear in the bankruptcy court! She says she has heard the term "rude health", but thought it was going a bit too far when a cousin whom she had not seen for a number of years, paid her a flying visit recently, and on bidding her farewell remarked, that he hoped he would find her in the same "disgustingly good health" next time they met! Wishes that could certainly have been more tactfully expressed!

HOFFMAN, Lorraine (Mrs. Nurse) we were delighted to hear, after a trying year of serious illness, finished with operations and hospitals in November, and was slowly regaining her strength. While convalescing, she helped swell the Wykeham Fete funds by making little novelties for the April Fete.

HOLE, Gillian, has our deepest sympathy in her loss of her mother. She had been doing free-lance modelling, but gave it up to nurse her mother when she became seriously ill. A constant visitor during Mrs. Hole's illness was Mrs. Joan Ball, Miss Ball's sister-in-law—they were old school contemporaries. Be sure and read Gillian's very interesting article on being an air hostess, in this edition of the magazine.

HOLLIDAY, Ruth (Mrs. McLaren) says she is still helping to run "the business", and in the evenings is taking large doses of Mozart and Victor Sylvester as an antidote! She keeps in touch with Lorraine Hoffman (Mrs. Nurse), who says how grateful she is to her for keeping her in pinatofes, by sending her the cutest, and most attractive and useful ones each Christmas! **Marjorie** (Mrs. Vear) had an anxious time recently when her father was so ill, and she had to pay frequent visits to Maritzburg, but, we are pleased to hear, he has confounded the doctors by making a marvellous recovery!

HOOD-SYMONS, Vivienne's (Mrs. Francis) son Colin, who is a Flying Officer in the R.A.F., was married in July to Ilva Wilson, who like his mother, is a Wykeham Old Girl.

HOSKING, Miss has our deepest sympathy in the loss of her brother in February. We are all very sorry to hear that she has been ill in Grey's Hospital for some weeks. Now she is the first "Wykeham" patient at Linley Jones's (Mrs. Brazier) Nursing Home on Alexander Road, and is so much better, that we hope she will soon be completely restored to health. She is still as interested as ever in all Wykeham news, and visits from Staff and Old Girls give her great pleasure.

HOUSTON, Hilda (Mrs. Clough) was not only a judge at this year's Royal Show in Maritzburg, but is also a very keen exhibitor and winner of trophies at shows, having been awarded the Ellis Brown Cup for gaining the most points in the Himeville Women's Institute's annual show at Underberg in August. Our warm congratulations, Hilda.

HOWDEN, Panline has our deep sympathy in the loss of her sister in January.

HOWELLS, Blodwyn (Mrs. Craig) and her husband have our hearty congratulations on their silver wedding anniversary, which they celebrated in October.

HUDSON, Marise (Mrs. Lavoipierre) as Mayoress of Stanger, veiled three Native Staff Nurses as Sisters, at the Stanger Hospital in April. **Pamela** (Mrs. Braatvedt) was sorry to leave her home and friends in Bulawayo when they were transferred to Gwelo last April. She and her husband

flew overseas in July, first to the Italian Riviera, and then on to England for a five week holiday. She wrote and produced a Passion Play which was performed in their Church in Bulawayo during Holy Week, and is due to adjudicate the African Speech and Drama Festival again on her return in August.

HULETT, Marie (Mrs. Bennett) has our deep sympathy in her loss of her mother in June.

INMAN, Norma (Mrs. Hill) now has three children, a son Michael having been born to her in April.

JACKSON, Gwen's (Mrs. L'Estrange) younger son, Spencer announced his engagement in October.

JAMESON, Biddy (Mrs. Robertson) we record with grief, passed away in August after seven weeks in Grey's Hospital.

JAY-BROWNE, Evelyn (Mrs. Rimaneck) tells us that her garden is flourishing and they have been enjoying their lovely fruit, despite the heavy rains of last December. Her son Johnny is now a boarder at St. Stephen's College at Bulha Bulha—a new school built on English Public School lines, forty miles from Bulawayo.

JEHU, Geraldine (Mrs. Devenish) now has four children, a new baby daughter having arrived on August 1st. She belongs to the Bryanston Study Group, and is also a member of the Committee of Past Students of the University of Natal.

JEROME, Penelope, went last September on a combined business and pleasure trip to England and the Continent, to write a series of ten travel articles from various parts of England, Greece, Spain and Italy, describing unusual aspects of tourism, of particular appeal to women. At the beginning of this year she wound up her advertising business and now has a very responsible billet at the big Pond's factory at Benoni. She misses her Natal friends and plans to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays in Durban.

JOHNSON, Dierdre (Mrs. Hay) we are sorry to hear has not been well, but is keeping better now. She and Norma Garland (Mrs. Smith) had lunch with Maureen Pentland (Mrs. Rutherford) at the Royal Show.

JOHNSTON, Nettie (Mrs. Webster) who is still the enthusiastic President of our Midlands Branch, has our deep sympathy in her loss of her sister in April.

JONES, Linley (Mrs. Brazier) we cannot thank enough for the sterling work she did for many years as Treasurer of our Old Girls' Association. She was such a wizard with finances, as the wonderful results of our Fetes prove, that we were sorry to part with her as Treasurer, but we realise that the running of her Nursing Home is more than a full-time job, and a heavy responsibility. However, she consented to remain on our Executive Committee, and we are indeed delighted to have her as one of our Vice-Presidents. She and Elsie (Mrs. van Blerk) have our heartfelt sympathy in their loss of their brother in January.

JOYNER, Betty (Mrs. Dodds) when holidaying in Durban, spent a day at Amanzimtoti with Yvonne McCullough (Mrs. Jackson), who hadn't seen her for sixteen years. They are looking forward to meeting again at the end of this year when Yvonne and her husband go on a caravan trip through the Cape. Betty's eldest son is on a Clan Line ship, and her second son is working in a bank in Durban. Her small daughter has just started school.

JUUL, Valerie returned from a year in London in November, and after working in Durban from January to June of this year, came back to Maritzburg, where she is now working for Pan African Agency, and looks forward to doing further travelling at concession rates!

KEEL, Pamela (Mrs. English) was one of the helpers at the W.O.G. cake and produce sale organized by Joan Walker (Mrs. Antel) at Richmond in December. She and Nola attended Lorraine (Mrs. Alcock) at her wedding in May. Lorraine is now living in Florida and sees quite a bit of Patricia Wynn (Mrs. Rubidge). Nola has taken up hairdressing at the Silverlock-Hughes Salon in Maritzburg.

KEMP, Anne left Grey's Hospital last December, and has been doing private nursing in Durban. She sailed for London in August to do her midwifery, and plans to be in England indefinitely.

KERSHAW, Joan (Mrs. Murray) spent a month out here with her sister Penelope (Mrs. Gordon), leaving her son Justin in London with his Nanny. They spent a blissful fortnight down at St. Michael's-on-Sea, revelling in the sun and surf. She told Dorothy Backhouse (Mrs. Mantou) on the phone, how much she loves the English way of life, and as her home is just around the corner from Buckingham Palace, she has her fill of the traditional pomp and ceremony of England. Penelope's son will be three in August, and she hopes the new baby will be born on the same day to save another birthday party! Stop Press: He wasn't!

KNUBLEY, Dorothy (Mrs. L'Estrange) was a great help to her husband with his canvassing at the time of the referendum, and with the general election imminent, is no doubt equally busy again now. We take this opportunity of expressing our warm thanks to them both for once more running the very lucrative Fathers' Stall at the Fete this year.

LAYMAN, "Jugie" (Mrs. Brickdale) has our heartfelt sympathy in her loss of her daughter, Margaret (Mrs. Braithwaite). Betty (Mrs. Slatter) tells us that she and "Jugie" had hoped to attend the Birthday Week-end but were unable to do so because Margaret was so seriously ill at the time. She recently spent a pleasant afternoon with Toria Peel (Mrs. Bacon) and heard all about Wykeham activities from her. She finds it most gratifying to learn that the school and Old Girls' Association are going from strength to strength.

LEWIN, Jillian has been overseas since March, touring the Continent with the "Kangaroo Travel"—a tour arranged by two Australian lads, and is having a wonderful time, seeing everything of interest.

LIDDELL, Anne (Mrs. Pitcher) writes that their long awaited baby son—Kimball Richard—arrived in May. She says she seems to have lost contact with most Old Wykehamites, and would like to remedy this.

LISTER, Margaret (Mrs. Davis) has our deep sympathy in her loss of her younger brother while she was on holiday overseas. She flew to Italy in April and toured widely there, then spent a month with her sisters in London, and another month touring the Southern Counties in perfect weather. She says England never looked more lovely. She is now busy settling into her new flat at Ralder. Lorraine (Mrs. Evans) was very sad to lose her "boss", Denis Lowe, who passed away in May. She spent a week recently at her brother's farm at Lidgetton, while he went to Swaziland, and enjoyed some lovely riding, but did very little farming for him!

LOADER, Yvonne (Mrs. Ward) and her husband and family have just been transferred back to Salisbury, so they are busy house hunting. They spent the Christmas holidays at Amanzimtoti, and while there had a very

enjoyable day with Wynn and Doreen Crookes (Mrs. Phillips). She says her four children plus all the sewing for school fetes, etc., keep her fully occupied.

LUND, Jo and four friends, including Felicity Otto, spent five wonderful months touring the Continent and the United Kingdom. They had two gorgeous weeks of skiing in Austria, hitch-hiked through Italy, Germany, Switzerland and Holland, and arrived in Paris in the middle of the Algerian riots. They also toured the United Kingdom in a hired car, and spent the last few weeks of their holiday in London. Jo is now back to earth again, teaching at the Westville Primary School. **Morelle** (Mrs. Phipson) like any farmer's wife, leads a very busy home and social life. She has three children—two boys and a girl—and the eldest son has just gone to school as a weekly boarder. **Clare** (Mrs. Teichmann) came down to Natal for three months with her two little daughters, her husband following a month later. They are all well and happy.

MACKENZIE, Dorothy (Mrs. Gibson) and her brothers and sister have our deepest sympathy in their loss of their mother in January. Dorothy now has five grandchildren of whom she is very proud, though in April she had an anxious time when her one daughter and her babies were all ill in hospital with diphtheria. **Madge** (Mrs. Kincaid-Smith) on the last day of Union, watched with three of her granddaughters while her daughter-in-law Mrs. E. Kincaid-Smith, laid a posy of flowers at the foot of Queen Victoria's statue in Pietermaritzburg to express the family's deep sorrow at the passing of Union.

MACLEOD, Mignon (Mrs. Heslop) has our heartfelt sympathy in her sudden loss of her husband at the beginning of September. We understand that she intends to stay on in Swaziland.

MACNEILLIE, Joan (Mrs. Barlow) says she is kept far too busy looking after her four children to have any exciting news. They all took a caravan holiday on the South Coast at Easter time, but unfortunately it was spoilt by the rain.

MANN, Betty is now nursing at the Bethesda Mission Hospital at Uthombo. **Cathie** has left Nottingham Road and is again living at home in Scottburgh. Although she has not been able to attend any of our Birthday Week-end festivities, she is nevertheless keenly interested in her old school, and supports our jumble sales and other efforts at fund raising whenever possible.

MARWICK, Dorothy (Mrs. Pembroke) is another of our Old Girls who never turns a deaf ear on our appeals for cakes for our various cake sales and fetes. **Marjory** is at present ill in Grey's Hospital, we are sorry to learn. She has our best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery.

MASSON, Edna's (Mrs. Bowles) children are fortunate indeed, for she tells us that as they have their own court, she and her husband often play tennis with them. Hence we shall not be surprised to learn in due course that they are becoming "budding" champions. They played this year in the Howick Junior Tennis Tournament organized by Nancy Shaw (Mrs. Lund).

MATTISON, Doreene has left Colenso where she was farming with her brother, and has been nursing in Salisbury since the beginning of the year.

McCARTER, Jennifer, is still nursing at the General Hospital in Johannesburg.

McCULLOUGH, Yvonne (Mrs. Jackson) says she is very pleased to be living in Natal again after twelve years in Johannesburg. She has been kept busy this past six months making costumes for her two talented daughters who have been taking part in various concerts, ballet, and pantomimes. The younger one was chosen to do the solo in the ballet, and also won the local talent competition. The elder one, we are delighted to hear, will be coming to Wykeham next year. Her son too is doing well, for he was picked to swim in Maritzburg for the Natal South Coast. We were so pleased that **Sheila** accompanied Yvonne to some of our Birthday Week-end celebrations.

McINTOSH, Glorie (Mrs. Leslie) and **Gwen** (Mrs. Tuttle) have our deepest sympathy in their loss of their mother in March. Glorie tells us that Gwen was down from Nairobi, and spent a month with her mother before she passed away, which was a great comfort to her.

MEADE, Shirley (Mrs. Downes) says that they are all loving farm life, especially her young son Gregory. They planned to come to Maritzburg on leave in August, and she was looking forward to seeing old school friends then. **Daphne** (Mrs. Coetzee) whose small son Christopher is a little pet, tells us how much she and her parents and sisters enjoyed having Shirley and her husband and wee Gregory with them, the only trouble being that the weeks passed all too quickly.

MELLOR, Miss, as Secretary of the Windsor Society for Mentally Handicapped Children is finding it almost a full time job, what with running a club for the over sixteens, raising the funds to keep it going, and attending not only the Windsor meetings, but also the Regional Meetings in London of the National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children. But with all this she is never too busy to meet any W.O.G.s who are holidaying overseas, and to show them round Windsor. In May she went with Audrey Allison (Mrs. Eckhoff) to see James, Natalie Crompton's (Mrs. Phelps) son in hospital, after which they had tea with Kathleen Frances (Mrs. Drew) and Miss Mellor spent the night in Kathleen's flat. She will probably go on a four-day trip up the Rhine with Kathleen in September, which should be most enjoyable.

MEDELSON, Ruth (Mrs. Protter) says that the youngest of her four children will start school next year. She wonders if there is an active Branch of our Old Girls' Association in Johannesburg. Yes, Ruth, there is, so do contact Betty Sydle (Mrs. van der Westhuizen) or Betty Cooper (Mrs. Lewin) who will welcome you with open arms. Their addresses are in this edition of the magazine. She was delighted to receive a lovely long letter from Miss Mellor a while ago.

MERRICK, Veronique (Mrs. Carter) and **Thelma** have our heartfelt sympathy in their loss of their father at the beginning of August. Veronique, who makes among other things, the most exquisite dolls' clothes for our Fetes, has just invested in one of those delightful sewing machines that can do everything from simple seams to intricate embroidery and button-holes, which she feels will enable her to do even more sewing, though we wonder how that will be possible with her full time billet, the running of her home, and her work as Secretary/Treasurer of our Durban Branch! The Maritzburg Girls' High School are indeed fortunate to have someone as enthusiastic and efficient as Thelma to run their Library for them. It is therefore not surprising to learn that under her interested guidance very many of the girls are developing a love of reading.

METHLEY, Sarah (Mrs. Clausen) we congratulate on passing her Matriculation in December 1960. At the beginning of this year she took a Commercial Course at the Durban Technical College, which she found most interesting, and hoped to get a billet after her marriage on August 12th to Anthony Clausen.

MITCHELL-INNES, Edith (Mrs. Crowe) and her husband have gone on an overseas holiday and very kindly let Mr. and Mrs. George Boyes move into her home, "Pastor" until theirs is rebuilt after the terrible fire that razed it to the ground.

MOOR, Marjorie, whose London hotel has been a favourite venue for South Africans and Rhodesians for the past thirty years, sold the hotel last September, and earlier this year spent a holiday with relatives at Estcourt and Maritzburg. Here she was the guest of honour at the annual dance of the Natal Provincial Administration held in May. She says her visit to South Africa was gorgeous, but all too short, and she will still be delighted to see any old friends visiting London, as she is living in the cottage at the bottom of the garden of her former hotel.

MOORCROFT, Valerie's (Mrs. Boutell) baby son is now almost a year old, and his sister Belinda grows apace. She had a worrying time a few months ago when her husband cut his hand very badly with an electric plane.

MOORE, Pat (Mrs. Cope) at the Breaking-up in December, handed Miss Ball a parcel containing two beautiful tea cloths made up of squares which were embroidered by Old Girls, as a gift for Miss Moore when she retired. These were put on the tea tables at our last meeting, and what a thrill it was to us Old Girls of those days, to find our names on them! Thank you, Pat. **Jeanne's** (Mrs. Woods) daughter Diana announced her engagement in June. **Antoinette** (Mrs. Lindsay) now has a beautiful baby daughter, and we hear that she and her husband and family have moved to Rhodesia. **Nan's** (Mrs. Croudace) daughter Priscilla, is another Wykeham granddaughter that we are delighted to have as a Wykehamite, especially as she and her cousin Jeanette, daughter of Pat Moore (Mrs. Cope), are the great-great nieces of Miss Moore, the foundress of our Alma Mater.

MORGAN, Hazel who has announced her engagement to Peter Hills, is now living in England, so has sent us her new address. **Rosalie's** (Mrs. von Broembsen) daughter Jill announced her engagement in February.

NOURSE, Ina (Mrs. Staples) and **Joy** (Mrs. Jameson) have our deepest sympathy in the loss of their sister **Nellie** (Mrs. McKenzie) in October last year.

ODDIN-TAYLOR, Diane (Mrs. Hathorn) and her husband are travelling in America, and she is most enthusiastic about Washington, Chicago, San Francisco, and New York, where she says the view from the top of the Empire State Building at night is entrancing. The giant redwood trees of California, she tells us, are beyond description in their antiquity and grandeur. They are to visit New Orleans, Miami Beach, and the Bahamas. She also comments on how very expensive everything is, and that women's skirts are shorter than ever!

OTTO, Helen (Mrs. Maritz), **Kitty, Dorothy**, and **Janet** (Mrs. Thompson) and their brothers have our deepest sympathy in the loss of their mother in December. **Felicity**, whose engagement was announced in February, was one of five friends, including Jo Lund, who toured the Continent and England together earlier this year, and had such a marvellous time. Now she is back teaching again, this time at the Estcourt Government School where she is resident, in order to save money for her trousseau!

PAYNE, Olive (Mrs. Lloyd) tells us that she and her husband have been farming near Dundee for almost thirty years now. Her eldest daughter Julie, who is teaching at Mitchell High School in Durban, spent a whole afternoon with Miss Mellor, when on holiday overseas. We are grieved to learn that her younger daughter Rosemary had her leg amputated last year, but we rejoice with Olive in the good news that she is making wonder-

ful progress. Olive, who also gives us news of her sisters, says that her two sons are so grown up now, that she feels they are looking down on her! Blossom (Mrs. Jack) is living at Bergvlei in the Cape. She had an anxious time last year when her husband suffered a thrombosis. She was thrilled to have a visit from Ivy (Mrs. Stokes) and Olive during the year. Ivy (Mrs. Stokes), whose two sons are at school in Maritzburg, is still at the Glencoe Hotel.

PEARSON, Margaret (Mrs. Smythe) is, we hear, now living in Port Elizabeth.

PEEL, Victoria (Mrs. Bacon) had an overseas holiday last year, when she travelled through Austria and Switzerland, and also had the great thrill of seeing the Passion Play at Oberammergau. She spent a day with Miss Mellor, as she always does when visiting England. On her return she offered to convene a Bathroom Stall at this year's Fete, an innovation which proved to be a great financial success. We were sorry to hear that she was laid low during July, and we hope that ere this, she has been restored to full health again. **Dora** (Mrs. Power) was one of Toria's assistants with the Bathroom Stall. She and her husband are now living in Maritzburg, though they still spend most week-ends at their Richmond home.

PENNINGTON, Dawn (Mrs. Beghin) and her husband were two of the guests at a W.O.G. dinner party given by Ann Stainbank (Mrs. Turner) when Caroline Baker (Mrs. Harvey) and her husband and family spent a night in Maritzburg with Ann, Dorothy Stewart (Mrs. Barlow) and her husband were also invited. What chatter, laughter, and reminiscences there must have been, for Ann, Caroline, Dorothy and Dawn were all in the same form at school! The latter we are pleased to report is still teaching at Wykeham. **Laurel** (Mrs. Hugman), we were sorry to learn, had another spell in hospital at the end of last year, but was able to return home in time for Christmas, and is now much better again. As always, she takes a keen interest in the Fete, and was thrilled with this year's result.

PENTLAND, Maureen (Mrs. Rutherford) and her husband spent a glorious five and a half months overseas last year. They bought a Mini Minor as soon as they landed and toured all over the Continent, including Spain. She and her family, and Pat Perkins (Mrs. de Bufanos) and her husband and family, went on a week-end shooting trip to Swaziland together recently. We are grateful to Maureen for the news she sent us of other W.O.G.s.

PHELPS, Penelope has our heartiest congratulations on gaining her B.Sc. Degree at the end of 1960. After a holiday in Rhodesia she took up a teaching post in January at the Ladysmith Convent where she had taught previously.

POLLOCK, Sally has been on holiday overseas.

POPE-ELLIS, Tony (Mrs. Seekings) and her husband spent the winter months in London with their son John and his wife, and looked after their two-year-old grandson for a couple of months while his parents were away, which they enjoyed immensely. She also helped her son remake his garden, which brought back nostalgic memories of her labours in designing and laying out Wykeham's garden several years ago. In the spring they set off in their caravan again, visiting Cornwall in April, and in June, after three weeks spent at Pitlochry, were on their way to Inverness and the Western Highlands, which were ablaze with primroses, bluebells, wild rhododendrons, and yellow hreom—an unforgettable sight, which they could enjoy to the full, as it stays light till 11 p.m.! She wrote, that when they go south again they were going to start seriously looking for a suitable bungalow with a garden for Tony's nimble hands to transform into one of those

delightful "wild" English gardens. **Jane** (Mrs. Fincken) we are sorry to relate, has for a great part of this year had a very painful and crippling time with neuritis, which was so bad, that for several months she had her arm in a sling. We are glad to learn that chiropractic treatment has brought her some relief at last. We were delighted to have her with us for the Birthday Week-end, and are grateful to her and Amy Hathorn (Mrs. Young) for the very pleasant cheese lunch they so kindly provided for us after our Annual General Meeting.

POYNTON, Shirley is we hear busy preparing for her wedding, which will probably take place early in the coming year.

REID, Winsome, retired from her post as Headquarters Commissioner of the Handicapped Branch of the Girl Guides' Association in November last year, and sailed in January for England, where she has now made her home. She must be greatly missed by hundreds of handicapped children in South Africa, whose lives have been made happier by her encouragement and help. She hopes to be able to work again with handicapped girls when she resumes her Guiding work in England.

RICHARDS, Sheila, completes her Art Course at the Durban Technical College at the end of this year. A keen badminton player, she last year won a cup while on holiday in July. This July she spent in Cape Town with her sister Denise (Mrs. Raubenheimer) and her two children.

RICHARDSON, Margaret who is doing her nursing training at Grey's Hospital, was one of the group of Old Girls from Maritzburg who went down to our Old Girls' Dance in Durban at the beginning of August.

ROACH, Joan (Mrs. Robinson) is back in South Africa again, living at Hilton Road, not very far from Gwentyth Saville (Mrs. Inglis) who brought her to this year's Fete, and how pleased we were to have her with us again.

ROSS, Norah (Mrs. Howes) in April this year presented to the Stella Park Infants' School the cup in the Junior Section for collecting most money for the "Our Children's Day Appeal".

RUTHERFORD, Margaret has our deep sympathy in the loss of her mother in January.

SAVILLE, Gwentyth, was as always, a helper at the Fete. Her daughter, one of the many Wykeham grandchildren we are proud to have at school, is now in Standard VII.

SCOTT, Jean has been transferred to the Standard Bank in Cape Town.

SCOTT-RIDDELL, Mavis (Mrs. Boyd) has sold her farm and is now living with her daughter at Amanzimtoti, where her four grandchildren keep her busy. She and **Jean** (Mrs. Wakefield), and **Georgie** (Mrs. de Necker) have our heartfelt sympathy in their loss of their favourite sister **Ailsa** (Mrs. Halle) who passed peacefully away in August after an attack of asthma, from which she had suffered since the age of four. R.I.P. What an example of courage and fortitude in a life of ill health she has left us, and what happy memories, to us Old Girls in Maritzburg, of beautiful, artistic floral decorations, many of them made from dry pods, grasses and seeds, etc., that the majority ignore and despise. We are grateful to her for opening our eyes to the artistic possibilities of driftwood and nature's winter garb. **Georgie**, whose daughter has almost finished her training as a teacher, spent a happy week with Ailsa (Savola) before she passed away. **Jean** is on the Permanent staff at Kloof Government School which she says gives her a settled feeling. She has a great love for her old school,

and is only sorry she could not send her two daughters to Wykeham. Mrs. Dunbar, who was Bursar and taught Commercial work at Wykeham for many years, spent a morning with her recently.

SHARLAND, Rita (Mrs. Ross-Clark) last year, had a most interesting trip overseas, touring England, Scotland and the Continent. She says that Switzerland and Austria are "just too beautiful". Her husband was transferred to Camp's Bay early this year, where they are now living.

SHAW, Lynette, (Mrs. Ardington) when she wrote, said that she was very busy preparing for her daughter Lois' wedding in August, as well as organizing meetings, and checking voters' rolls for the October elections. Nancy (Mrs. Lund) very kindly sent us news of all her family, but none of herself. However, we learn from Edna Masson (Mrs. Bowles) that she again ran a most successful Junior Tennis Tournament at Howick, and of course she supports and helps with all our fund raising efforts, and those of the Midlands Branch.

SHEPHERD, Alice (Mrs. Fraser) says that her three daughters keep her very busy, but she still has time to do and enjoy quite a lot of public work, particularly for the Red Cross and B.C.E.S.I.

SHEPSTONE, Poppy (Mrs. Raeburn) now living in Surrey, England, flew out in a Boeing 707 in February to visit her family. She also spent three glorious months in the Hawaiian Islands, leaving her daughter of fourteen at boarding school.

SHIPPEY, Phyllis (Mrs. Somerville) and her husband had a delightful four weeks holiday at the Cape in March and April, when they saw just about all there was to see, including the procession to the opening of Parliament, but they were of course back in good time for Phyllis to convene the sweet stall at the Fete, with Lorna Hime's assistance. In June, they literally paid a flying visit to Rhodesia, travelling there and back by air.

SMEATON, Audrey (Mrs. Earle-Smith) was on the Committee that organized the Flower Show at Ladysmith in July. She still plays tennis fairly regularly. Her daughter Marion will be joining Gillian at Wykeham in 1962. Shirley (Mrs. Ilex) had a harrowing experience last October when her second daughter Deborah had a riding accident which nearly cost her her life. She had a very severe skull fracture and haemorrhage which necessitated an emergency operation, and she was unconscious for days. However she made a miraculous recovery, and went back to school in February, but to her chagrin is not allowed to ride, or skate, or even climb a tree for at least a year. Her daughter Diana upheld the family honour alone at this year's Gymkhana, winning the cup for the highest aggregate in the children's section, a cup presented by Shirley's father, so it was very much a family affair!

SMITH, Beverley (Mrs. Tasker) and **Barbara** (Mrs. de Charmoy) have our deep sympathy in their loss of their brother in April. **Pamela** (Mrs. Roussel) and her husband and small son toured France last year during their summer holiday. In preparation, she learnt French beforehand from records, Afrikaans, which she learnt at Wykeham, being the only other language she knew until then!

SMYTHE, Adeline (Mrs. Stubbs) says she keeps fully occupied with the jobs of a farmer's wife. She hears from Jean Penny (Mrs. Fraser) occasionally, and met Betty Hedley (Mrs. Webb) at a wedding in Matatiele a while ago.

SOMERVILLE, Jane is living at Ezulwini in Swaziland, and she and Susan Harvey enjoy getting together for a chat about the good old days at Wykeham. **Jill** (Mrs. Laing) and her husband were down on leave

towards the end of last year. Like all folks from Rhodesia, they longed for a breath of sea air, so spent part of their holiday at the coast, breaking their journey on the way down and back to stay with her parents at Blackridge.

SPENCE, Kathleen (Mrs. Parnell) is in her new home outside Johannesburg. She has done wonders on her eight acres, and is the proud owner of two cows!

STAINBANK, Ann (Mrs. Turner) was a member of the 1960 Dance Committee that organized the Old Girls' Dance held at La Mirabelle last September. She couldn't be more delighted now that she has a daughter at Wykeham, who is very happy there. Her husband has kindly taken on the auditing of the books of our Old Girls' Association too, so we feel that the whole family has Wykeham's interests at heart! **Maureen** (Mrs. Fanner) has our warm thanks for this year taking over the Treasurership of our Association from Linley Jones (Mrs. Brazier), and we can think of none better fitted for the job, especially as her husband, too, has for years been such a wonderful help to us at our Fetes, counting and taking charge of the money, etc. It must have been a terrible shock to them both to learn that the new National Road from Durban to Johannesburg is to be built right through their lovely home in Riverton Road, and we grieve with them in this catastrophe of the march of civilization. **Sheila** (Mrs. Mason) and her family stayed with Maureen in August while Sheila's husband underwent a minor operation in Grey's hospital.

STANLEY, Pamela's (Mrs. Howard) mother-in-law and father-in-law, Sir Herbert and Lady Howard, came out to spend a holiday in South Africa with her and her husband, and her parents, recently.

STEERE, Winifred who returned from her very enjoyable overseas holiday last September, has our deepest sympathy in her loss of her sister Dorothy in June. **Joan** (Mrs. Harrington) and her two children are all thoroughly air-minded now, for Judith at Wykeham, and Timothy at Cordwalles have been flying down to school and up to Nigeria, for their holidays, and Joan flew to Natal recently to see them and her parents. We learnt then, that from the beginning of next year her husband is to be posted to England where they will make their home, so will naturally want to have their children with them. We shall of course be sorry to lose Judith as a Wykehamite, and can understand how sad her grandparents will be at being parted from her and her brother, even while they rejoice with Joan and her husband on their return to a more temperate clime.

STRACHAN, Sydney (Mrs. Button) spent a week or two in Maritzburg while her husband was in Grey's Hospital some months ago, but we are glad to learn that he has now completely recovered. **Jo** is a keen member of our Durban Branch, and we were pleased to have her with us for the Birthday Week-end.

STRAFFEN, Peggy's (Mrs. Gill) daughter announced her engagement in June, and her husband had an honorary exhibit on the Royal Agricultural Show this year, of the beautiful furniture he has made for their home.

STRAW, Edna (Mrs. McMillan) is another of our Old Girls whom we had not seen for a long time, so were delighted to have her with us at the Fete this year. She has our heartfelt sympathy in her sudden loss of her husband in July.

STRETTON, Diana's (Mrs. Houston) brother Lawrence attended her wedding week on holiday from the Kingston School of Art and Architecture in Surrey, where he is studying.

SURGEON, Wendy's (Mrs. Elliott) parents celebrated their Golden Wedding in April.

SYDIE, Betty (Mrs. van der Westhuizen) says how sad she is that her daughter Lynette finishes at Wykeham this year. She and her family spent Christmas in Rhodesia with **Pat** (Mrs. Hewlett) who, she tells us, leads a hectic busy life, and whose eldest son has been in America for a year but is due to return in October. There was great excitement over the opening of the Kyle dam, as Pat and her husband watched part of their farmlands go under water! **Helen** (Mrs. Paull) and her husband are farming near Gatooma, and have been more successful this year with their tobacco and maize crops.

TALMAGE, Betty (Mrs. Bradfield) and her husband and family have now come to live in Maritzburg we hear, so we are looking forward to seeing something of her at our Old Girls' functions.

THOMAS, Anne had to give up nursing last August as her health was being affected, and is now teaching at a Commercial College until she takes her Diploma examination at the end of this year. She and her fiancé hope to be married in October.

TILNEY, Joyce (Mrs. Seymour-Haden) tells us she is, "Still married to the same husband, still doing the same old round, still, thank heaven, treasuring the same old friends!"

TOUGH, Phillipa who last December shared the William of Wykeham Courtesy Prize with Wendy Hauff, is now at University studying medicine. She says the course is very interesting but rather hard work. **Janet** is engaged to Antony Fogg and when they are married hopes to go and live overseas for a few years.

TRACY, Kathleen (Mrs. Rouse) has our deep sympathy in her loss of her father in July. She and her sons and daughter will be sailing for England in December to settle there. They will stay with her sister in Hampshire until they find suitable accommodation somewhere in that area. Her son John is at present at Howard College taking his B.Sc. Degree.

TURNER, Hilary (Mrs. Cleaver) has two daughters—Jane aged three and Rosalind, two—who keep her very busy with knitting and sewing. However, she hopes to be able to make some things for next year's Fete. **Lynette** runs a Branch office for the Allied Building Society in Rivonia. She plays a lot of badminton, and is a real fairy Godmother to her nephews and nieces. **Sheila** (Mrs. Connelly) took a cottage at Illovo Beach for two weeks in July and had her parents and Lynette to stay. Her two daughters, Mary and Suzanne, are now fourteen and twelve respectively.

UPTON, Peggy has our deep sympathy in her loss of her mother in December.

VANDERPLANK, Dorrie (Mrs. Blakeway) is heartbroken at the loss of her stepsister Savola (nee Ailsa Scott-Riddell—Mrs. Hulle) to whom she was deeply attached. Our loving thoughts are with them all in their hereavement. Dorrie and her daughter Noelle are often roped in to play the violin and piano for weddings and parties. They have, in fact, been asked to start a dance band again, but Dorrie says it is not always easy to get the drummer and accordionist which help to make a good rousing band!

VAN ROOYEN, Elizabeth has our hearty congratulations on passing her nursing finals. Now she and her parents are on an overseas holiday, and are enjoying every minute of it. They simply loved Switzerland.

VARTY, Phyllis (Mrs. Pretorius) has had a very disappointing and unhappy year wondering if their lovely home and part of their farmlands were to be engulfed by a new dam the Government intends building in that district. She says that after months of waiting it appears from beacons

now being put up by surveyors that even more of the farm than expected will go, including their dear old farmhouse with its 22-inch thick stone walls and all the beautifully built stone outbuildings erected by her pioneer grandfather, Tom Varty. The only bright spot in the year was a lovely trip down to the Cape with their two daughters who were on leave. They went down by boat, taking the car with them, and motored back. Vena (Mrs. Donnelly) has our deep sympathy in her loss of her mother in October. She told Lorna Hime when she wrote to her in November, that she hoped to come down to the Union on leave at the beginning of this year, and planned when she returned to Kitwe, to take her father back with her for a holiday.

VERNEY, Ellice (Mrs. Lepton-Smith) and her husband are still hoping to sell their property near Kokstad. Meanwhile they are helping Jeanette Pope-Ellis (Mrs. Fincken) with her many activities. Ellice and **Hylda** (Mrs. Nettle) enjoyed being at this year's Birthday Week-end together for the first time since they left school! Hylda has now definitely emigrated from Kenya to her new home at Hilton Road.

WALKER, Dawn, while on vacation from Rhodes University, was pleased to meet Gillian Hole at a dance. **Joan** (Mrs. Antel) says how much she misses going to Wykeham now that Jeanette has left. She organized another very successful cake sale at Richmond in December, which brought in R80 odd for the Fete Funds. She has our warm congratulations and very grateful thanks. We were sorry that she was laid low at the time of the Birthday Week-end, for we missed her. **Olive**, (Mrs. Harris) now the proud possessor of three grandsons, enjoyed looking after June's (Mrs. Reynolds) small son Kenneth while she was in hospital with the new baby, and is, June tells us, a real tower of strength to them all while the family settles down to normal again. Olive spent January with Joy Harris (Mrs. Giani) in her very attractive thatched house in Johannesburg, and was hoping to go on a trip to Namaqualand in August with her two sisters, to see the wild flowers. **Violet's** (Mrs. Gbeladucci) daughter announced her engagement in October, and **Joyce** (Mrs. Harris) and her husband are now farming at Baynes Drift, we hear.

WARBURTON, Susan is staying at the Y.W.C.A. in Salisbury, Yvonne Ganteaume (Mrs. Harris) tells us.

WATSON, Norah (Mrs. Williamson) and her husband celebrated their Silver Wedding anniversary in December. Our congratulations to them both.

WEBB, Yvonne's (Mrs. Stuart-Kotze) son distinguished himself recently by gaining his Degree of B.A. Economics, with honours. Our congratulations to him and his parents.

WHALEY, Barbara was a member of the W.O.G. Dance Committee that organized the dance held in Darban in August this year.

WHITTAKER, Edith, to increase her travel and teaching experiences, has taken advantage of the fact that her brother is in Rhodesia, and she is now teaching in Bulawayo. In August she visited the Kariba Dam, travelling quite by chance on the same plane as friends of Lorna Hime, to whom she sent much appreciated messages. **Peggy** after a year in Grahamstown, had a holiday at home before starting work again in Maritzburg, this time at the firm of J. Leslie Smith & Co. **Rosalind** is also working for a legal firm in Maritzburg, Tatham Wilkes & Co., having taken Valerie Juul's position there when she went overseas. She enjoys getting home occasionally for week-ends. **Doris** (Mrs. Beland) and her husband are shortly sailing for England to stay in Kent with their daughter and family, who have returned to England from Canada.

WILLIAMS, Jill (Mrs. MacDonald) Anne Liddell (Mrs. Pitcher) tell us, corresponds with her, but we wish Anne had given us a little news of Jill and her sisters.

WILLIAMSON, Nancy (Mrs. Scott) is very busy on the farm, but is lucky to have her daughter and son-in-law to help manage it. She has a lovely little granddaughter of twelve months.

WILLIAMS-WYNN, Priscilla (Mrs. Rubidge) and her husband are living in a flat in Florida, but hope to move into a house soon. She was thrilled to be able to attend this year's Fete, while they were down in Natal on holiday.

WILSON, Burt (Mrs. Guthrie) and her husband, who is Chairman of the local Branch of the South African Naval Association, were host and hostess at the very successful Trafalgar Ball held in Maritzburg in October. **Iva** (Mrs. Francis) was married on July 22nd to Flying Officer Colin Francis, the son of one of our Old Girls, Vivienne Hood-Symons (Mrs. Francis), and on August 15th she and her husband flew back to England where they will make their home.

WOOD, Phyllis is kept busy with her temporary teaching posts and working for numerous charities, and of course, for our Wykeham Fetes!

WOODS, Dulcie's (Mrs. Fraser) farm, we are delighted to learn, was one of the few fortunate ones that escaped the ravages of the recent ghastly fires that razed the cane-fields of Zululand. **Memory** (Mrs. Otto) spent a week with her in August, and while she was there **Ponty** (Mrs. Goodwin) who, Memory says, is looking very well now, and is learning to drive their car, came to spend a morning with them. We are most grateful to Memory for continuing the good work as Secretary of our Association, and are sorry to learn that she and her husband are likely to lose as has happened to several others of our Old Girls, many acres of their farmlands when the Government build the dam they are planning for that district.

YOUNG, Isobel's (Mrs. van Rensburg) elder son was married in January of this year.



WYKEHAM OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION OLD GIRLS' ADDRESSES

"Some have much, and some have more,
Some are rich, and some are poor,
Some have little, some have less,
Some have not a cent to bless
Their empty pockets, yet possess
True riches in true happiness."

To some—unclouded skies and sunny days,
To some—grey weather and laborious ways,
To all—Thy Grace.
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