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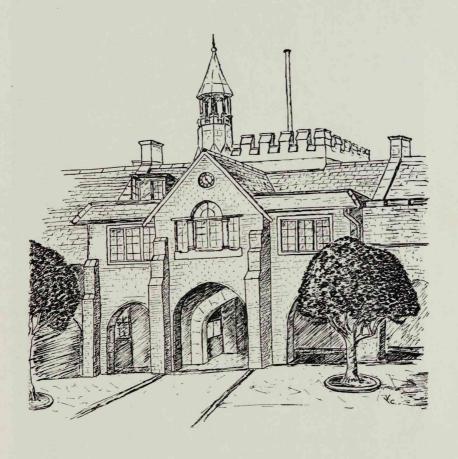
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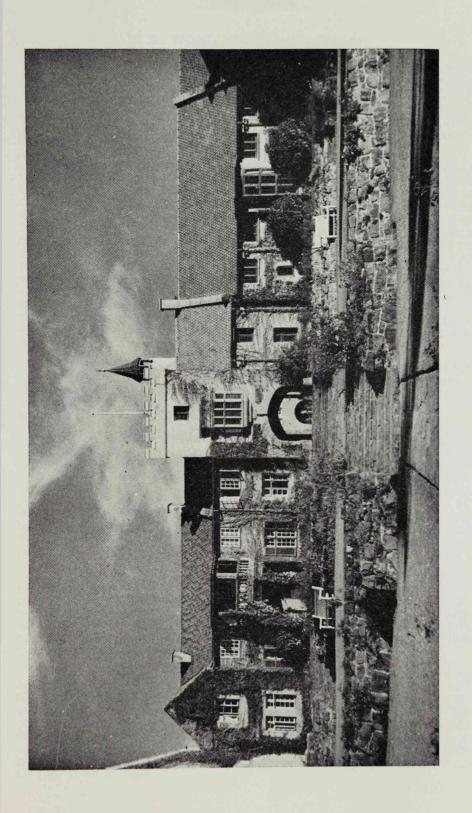
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EDITORIAL

"THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH"

Christmas is a festival that we always associate with home and family, and clearly it is fitting that we should remember and rejoice in the birthday of Our Lord Jesus Christ in company with those nearest to us. Consequently, although our Carol Service ends the School Year on a note of Christmas joy and thanksgiving, we cannot celebrate Christmas as fully as we should wish. Let us consider, therefore, what is the message of Christmas for us at Michaelhouse.

Surely, first, it is a message of HUMILITY. In the manger lies Eternal God Himself, come down to earth to save Man, His rebellious creature: come, not in terrifying power and majesty, but taking to Himself the form of a Child, dependent upon a human Mother for his protection and nourishment. Here, as we gaze at the manger, is set forth the pattern of humility for all who profess and call themselves Christians, including ourselves. Do we, as members of Michaelhouse, and do the other Church Schools in this land, believe that we have something worth-while and unique to contribute to the life of this country? Do we believe that the values for which we claim to stand are essential if South Africa is going to keep faithful to the Truth as revealed in Christ? Then we need to learn this lesson of humility from Bethlehem: the lesson that there can be no place in our community for arrogance, superiority, or contempt for those with whom we disagree, but only a deep desire to help, to understand, and to give all we can.

When we see things done which seem to us clearly contrary to that Charity which Christ has taught us, we must have the courage to speak the truth, whatever the cost to ourselves in unpopularity, contempt, or even hatred. But we must speak the truth "in love", not to display our own superiority, or to score a debating point.

There is another message that Christmas has for us: the message of SINCERITY. It is the simple message of the Babe of Bethlehem that constitutes one of the greatest attractions of the story of Christmas. As Jesus grew to full manhood, he never lost that simple, direct approach to his fellows that cut through all sham and subterfuge, and which revealed the worldly-wisdom and cynicism of his enemies for the shoddy thing it is. When we gaze at the manger, or at the Cross for that matter, it isn't easy to be cynical or facetious, or even clever. Perhaps that has a special meaning for us in an academic establishment, and a comparatively sophisticated community, such as this.

Christ teaches us that the cynic, the scoffer, the sceptic is the immature person: the man of faith is the one who is growing into the fullness of the stature of Christ. We come here to learn to argue, to think, to rebel even: to use to the full that ration of brains that God has been pleased to give us. But mere intellect without spiritual conviction or understanding is emptiness. It is the Spirit that gives life, says Jesus: the flesh, (and this includes our mind as well as our body), profits nothing.

So, as we disperse to enjoy our Christmas holidays, let us resolve to learn from the Christmas story the lessons of humility and sincerity, and be sure that we are wise and mature enough not to confuse either with sentimentality: for there must be more to our faith that a lump in the throat as we sing our carols. Then, while we shall greet Jesus on his Birthday in the background of our own home life, we shall also gain a vision of Christmas that we can bring back with us next year to Michaelhouse. Not a passing emotion, but a permanent possession, shared with us by Our Lord Himself.

J.M.S.

OBITUARY

DAVID LOW

The tragic death of David Low, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Low, of Johannesburg, during the July holidays, was a great shock to young and old alike.

David came to Michaelhouse from the Ridge in 1961 and joined Baines House. He was a lively, happy and likeable lad who made friends easily. He soon showed that he was a powerful and outstanding character, academically able and good at sport. He was an individualist and had great charm, being an influence for good not only in the House but throughout the School.

To his parents and sisters we extend our deepest sympathy. "He will not soon be forgotten."

LAZARUS NDAHWO

We record with deep regret the death of "Dye", as he was affectionately called by boys and staff alike, following a fall from his horse at the end of the July holidays. "Dye" served the School from , and in that time showed only the characteristics of a man imbued with a sense of right and a determination to do well what was asked of him. To his wife and family we extend our deepest condolences.

SCHOOL NOTES

Mr. J. Coetzee, who taught here from July, 1951, to December, 1955, rejoined the Staff in August. We are all very pleased to see him back and we hope that he and his family will be very happy.

On the 20th of August one of the oldest houses on the estate was destroyed by fire. This was "Byrneside", or, for the benefit of older generations, "Plabs". Although the building was crumbling away and probably due for demolition anyway, it was sad to see such a link with the past go. Our congratulations to the fire department, who faced their first "real" fire with great efficiency.

On Sunday, the 4th of November, the Bishop admitted Mr. Frank van Heijst as a Sub-Deacon.

Congratulations to Mr. Brooker on being chosen to captain the Natal Fencing Team. He has also introduced Staff Basket-ball in the evenings and the gym is the scene of much merriment.

The 25th of October saw the birth of a son, Julian Andrew, to Mrs. Barbara Withers. Our congratulations and best wishes to them.

David Mostyn has been awarded the "Lyell-Tayler Arts Scholarship" at the Natal Technical College, and, judging from his work for the Dramatic, and other societies, he is certainly most deserving of it.

CHAPEL NOTES



THE CHAPEL

The Lord Bishop of Natal is to hold a Confirmation in Chapel on 3rd November, when 85 candidates are due to be presented. On the following morning he will celebrate the Holy Communion and dedicate the new set of rails, Lectern Bible and Sanctuary Lamp, which were mentioned, with details of their donors, in the previous issue of the Chronicle. The Lectern Bible has now been beautifully inscribed and illuminated by Mrs. Hennessy, to whom we are most grateful.

Our thanks are also due to those many ladies who assist in Chapel

by arranging flowers, cleaning linen and polishing silver.

The Indian Sunday Schools are doing excellent work, under the direction of M. A. Cross and T. J. Inman, and several new teachers have

joined the ranks.

G. R. Beaton and his team of Sacristans and Brass Cleaners have worked well and shown a keen interest, and the Servers, led by J. G. Inglis, have given faithful service, and have (usually) awakened in time for the week-day early services. T. J. Inman, J. N. Hooker and R. P. Harber have been appointed Servers.

We are most grateful to the following visitors who have preached in Chapel: The Venerable P. W. R. Russell, on 19th August; the Venerable L. Wellington, on 2nd September, and the Reverend K. B.

Hallowes, on Michaelmas Eve.

By the next issue of the Chronicle we hope to have further news of the alterations to the Crypt Chapel and the new Choir Stalls in the main Chapel.

CHOIR NOTES



Towards the latter half of the year the Treble section of the Choir has vastly improved under the careful and coaxing eye of Mr. Smith, who has also improved the standard of singing greatly in the congregation as well as the Chapel Choir itself.

During the second half of this year, we sang Purcell's "Rejoice in the Lord", Bach's magnificent "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring", and S. S. Wesley's "Lead Me Lord", in which Johnstone sang the Treble Solo, and "Blessed Be the God and Father", in which Mr. Le Page ably sang his "farewell" solo.

We are disappointed in that so far Michaelhouse has not been able to broadcast a service as was promised. However, we hope that in the near future we will get our opportunity. It is amazing how conservative a school boy can be when new settings for certain canticles are introduced. However, C. Hylton Stewart's setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimmitis seem to have met with approval.

At present we are rehearsing for the carol service, for which some magnificent carols have been chosen.

W. D. S.

LIBRARY

The classification of the non-fiction section on the Dewey system was completed last term. The new system appears to be working fairly smoothly; it would work even more smoothly if more people took the trouble to find out how it works. The compiling of a catalogue is at present under way, and once it is complete, as it should be by the end of the year, it should be very much easier to keep track of books.

Not many new books have been added this half-year, but we have kept up with the more heavily demanded recent publications.

We are very grateful to Mr. Cele, whose assistance in the fiction gallery is invaluable, and to Cox, who has been a most efficient and helpful library monitor.

DESPAIR

Endlessly, aimlessly, in its immature phase Life labours, lost among pettiness And trivial unripeness: A cutting discord, shivering for want of hope. Had meaningless destiny thought of joy In prescribing finite passion? For, Out of joy must follow blank despair, As a rational reward, received for pleasure.

There is no darkness, merely the absence Of light and love and life. The sordid humour of the squalid mind, Selfishness and brother's enmity; All these detract from hope's lustre, And leave a cipher, void of laughter's depth.

J.B.

VI TOUR OF JOHANNESBURG

The Johannesburg tour, now an annual feature of the VI Form's academic curriculum, was held at the end of the July holidays. For its existence we are grateful to Mr. Cecil Kinahan, its organiser, and to the Southern Transvaal branch of the Old Boys' Club.

A day-long tour of Greaterman's Head Offices and warehouses and of one of its chain of "Checkers" supermarkets, accompanied by lectures in a plush boardroom, provided an interesting, if somewhat tiring, practical background to School Economics Lectures. Two sessions of lectures took place at Jan Smuts House at Wits. University. The first on politics, with speakers John Cope, Progressive Parliamentary Candidate for Parktown, and Professor Alan le May, head of Wits. Faculty of Politics, roused some discussion. A controversial stimulus may perhaps have been added by the scheduled Bantu speaker who on the grounds of an indisposition — his ailment was guessed to be a nervous attack, induced by the Sabotage Bill — was unable to appear. The second lecture session was about Transport. Messrs. Rezelman and Hankinson and Brigadier Bester spoke about the S.A.R., the Clan Line and the South African Airways respectively.

One energetically interesting morning was spent at the offices of the "Rand Daily Mail," where we witnessed the process from beginning to end of producing a newspaper. One whole afternoon was devoted to the Chamber of Mines. First we went round the Chamber's Research Laboratories, an intellectual ordeal for the Arts students, but rewarding for the Boffins. Afterwards we were conducted round the magnificent Chamber of Mines' Pavilion at Milner Park. All evenings were free except for one, when we saw Tennessee Williams' strange neurotic "Night of the Iguana". The brilliant acting, in particular, that of Siegfried Mynhardt and Margaret Inglis, was appreciated, but Mr. Williams' "deeper meaning" was not generally grasped.

Highlight of the tour was undoubtedly a flight round the perimeter of Johannesburg in the Rand Mining Co.'s Heron aeroplane, particular attention being paid to the Native townships. With only one member of the VI Form violently ill, it was agreed that the flight had been a fitting climax to a very stimulating tour.

ON THE TREE TOP or (The Parachutist's Dilemma)

Here's a lovely picture;
Here's a lovely view:
Planted in our parlour,
Pray, sir, who are you?
Talk about politeness!
Do you always fall,
Crashing through the roof-tree
When you make a call?

Fine behaviour truly,
Sprawling with your legs,
All about the tree-top,
What about our eggs?
Hope you haven't smashed them?
Sorry it occurred?
Will we overlook it?
Not another word!

Thank you for your visit,
When you've had a rest
We are sure you'll kindly
Hop it from the nest.
Your king and country need you,
It's getting late and so
We don't want to lose you
But will you kindly go!

C. S. P.

SPEECH DAY

8th SEPTEMBER, 1962.

ADDRESS BY THE RECTOR OF MICHAELHOUSE

My Lord, Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is a small country and it seems that sooner or later one meets most of the people one wants to meet. I am very glad that this Speech Day has given me the opportunity to welcome one whom I had long wanted to meet — Professor Duminy.

The Head of a University can be a fairly remote figure as far as his undergraduates are concerned, yet I was struck very forcibly by the fact that when I heard men speak of "Duminy" it was with not merely great respect but great affection. I will not retail all Professor Duminy's distinctions now, for, firstly, you probably all know them, and, secondly, if you don't you can find out by buying today's issue of the "Beacon". It is a great pleasure to have Professor and Mrs. Duminy with us today, and I know that for us at any rate the great trouble they have gone to to be here will be well repaid.

The last year has been a happy and successful one for Michaelhouse. It is very difficult to assess accurately the spirt of a body such as Michaelhouse, but I believe we may all be proud that we are a coherent whole with a well understood grasp of what we are trying to do and a fairly uniform judgment of what is important and what is not. Let me mention some of the details of the year.

The Cricket XI had a wonderful series of successes and gave me what I asked for last Speech Day — a very clear-cut victory over our Hilton friends. Four members of the XI played for Natal Schools — two of these got into the South African Schools' XI, Nicholson, who was captain, and Melville. The other two were very close to selection. Whether this cricket success was a record I do not know — nor do I care. The public's craving for records may be a boon to the newspapers but achieves little else.

Our Rugby team has not scored many victories but it has pleased me greatly by being a dogged and determined side, difficult to beat, and by the fact that in most matches it came from behind to make a close finish. I enjoyed especially watching the forwards and amongst them the best flank forward I have ever seen here — George Zaloumis. This team also did what I asked for last Speech Day — i.e., they lost to Hilton but showed, a couple of weeks ago, that this first defeat was only in deference to Rectorial caprice.

Our players could not be available for the Natal Schools XV matches and we did not even take part in trials. I do not think that Midlands trials followed by Natal trials, followed by Natal Schools' matches during term time — I repeat during term time — achieve anything other than an unfortunate disruption of a school's internal rugby and an encouragement

to a boy to think that his individual performance is more important than his contribution to the team's performance. I hope that the Natal Schools' XV fixtures will continue to be fixed as inconveniently for us as they were this year.

We have allowed more senior boys to play no rugby and concentrate on hockey, and Mr. Gathorne has produced some remarkable results with his small gang; and one, P. Taylor, has won his South African Schools' XI Colours.

We have also done some work and written some examinations. Our Matriculation results were very normal except for an unforeseen drop in the Afrikaans results. I have never claimed that our Afrikaans is good but neither I nor the Afrikaans Department had any reason to believe that last year's candidates were worse than usual. I have made various representations to the examining body and even went to Pretoria to do so personally. The explanations and replies which I have had make it plain that the marking was perfectly normal, the paper was correctly set (even though 3 hours were allotted to a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -hour paper) and that our candidates were of a particularly low standard to whom Afrikaans was obviously a foreign language. Mr. Joubert, as the new Head of the Afrikaans Department, has taken certain steps which we think will improve the teaching of Afrikaans. There is much truth in this, of course, and we are not likely to achieve great results in Afrikaans until the attitude in the home is one of interest and sympathy. Young men entering a competitive world in this country who are not at home in Afrikaans are going to be severely handicapped. This is fact, not opinion.

The VI Form continues to be a vital and stimulating intellectual élite in the school. Four boys took the "A" level this year: three of them got an advanced pass in all their subjects, one got one advanced and one ordinary pass. They were fortunate this year in having the inspiration of an ex St. Anne's pupil writing the examination with them: she seems to have been even more inspired for she also passed and gained a distinction, though she, like Ralfe, had taken only six months instead of the usual eighteen months to tackle the examination.

A three-day visit last October from the Professors of Chemistry and Political Science Departments at Wits. to enable them to see our XI Form in action, will be followed next holidays by a return visit by some of the Michaelhouse Staff to that University. This liaison is most important, allowing Universities to know what we are doing and us to know what we should do to fit a boy best to tackle University work successfully.

We have had several interesting visits during the year. The boys were particularly pleased by that of Field Marshal Montgomery which produced a holiday. I was equally pleased to welcome Mr. Birley, the Headmaster of Eton, and very recently Sir John Baker, Professor of Mining Engineering at Cambridge.

I gathered that, if Mr. Birley lived in the Nottingham Road area and had a son of school age, he would probably send him to Michaelhouse; and Sir John Baker told me that he had not seen better Science accommodation at any school in the United Kingdom. Mention of the Science Building brings to mind the magnificent new Gymnasium which most of you have probably seen — the physical effect of the Trust is really making itself felt. Tatham house has had an experimental block of "Toyes" or studies, built and this has proved a great success. One friend of the School was so impressed by the need for these in every house that he sent me a cheque for R1,000 for this project. As a result more "Toyes" are now being constructed for Farfield and Pascoe houses. The next building will be the new Carpentry Shop.

I am going to mention a very small cross section of O.M. distinctions. Andrew Rae, after a meteoric career at Wits, completed the second part of the Maths Tripos at Cambridge in one year and is now a Wrangler.

Peter Spence also got a First at Cambridge; David Woods was chosen as one of South Africa's most promising squash players and sent to tour the U.K.; several O.M.s at Rhodes — Dashwood, Whysall, Ardington, Woods, etc., have won a great name for us in Rhodes University, both academically and as fine fellows. I had dinner with Rhodes O.M.s on Tuesday, after meeting the principal, Dr. Alty, and it was most pleasing to hear that though on average less than one-third of Rhodes University students complete their three-year course in three years, of the sixteen Michaelhouse boys who entered Rhodes in 1959, fifteen received their Degrees in 1962. Kim Elgie played cricket for South Africa; Boetie Coetzee (whose father we are so glad to have back on our staff), while at the Army Gymnasium, won a swagger cane as the best drill cadet out of 700, and a cup for the best cadet on the Leadership course out of 120. Michael Cassidy, aged only 25, has recently led an American Mission to Africa, known as African Enterprise, and for a fortnight drew audiences of over 1,000 a night in Maritzburg. Dr. A. M. L. Robinson (brother of our Senior Master) has been appointed Senior Librarian at the South African Library in Cape Town. Jeffrey Thorpe has become famous in his discovery of a new drug called Atromid, which may be a possible cure for coronary thrombosis. I am as impressed by the variety as I am by the excellence of this short list.

For some years now it has often been said at Michaelhouse — I have said it, too — that when we take a boy we expect to give him at least four years here and let him have a try at Matric. We have thought this right — rather complacently. I fully agree with the first part — that a boy accepted here should remain for four years at least unless the circumstances are exceptional, but I think the second part is wrong. We have entered every year for Matric a number of boys, who, we know, cannot do other than fail. Not all boys are equipped to pass Matric — obviously, or there would be no such examination. The dull boy — or the less gifted boy if you like to call the poor the under-privileged — why should he be put at a hurdle which he cannot jump? One does not enter a high jumper who has never cleared 5-ft. 6-ins. for the Olympic Games — he might one day, if in good form, clear the 5-ft. 6-ins. but we know for certain that he cannot do the 6 feet. So we know for certain that some boys will not matriculate. The dull boy who gets pushed on, promoted at the same speed as the clever boy — year by year, from block to block — acquires a habit of being muddled, a habit of lack of success, and a reluctance to try, for it is not easy to try hard at something at which one never succeeds. Having finally arrived in the "A" Block he is then entered for Matric and caps his scholastic career with a crashing failure in Matric. I believe we can serve the dull boy better than that and though we may send him away unable to claim that he has failed Matric, we can send him away having learnt to reason at a pace suitable to him and able in some measure to express himself clearly in speech or writing.

We are, therefore, investigating at the present moment a re-arrangement of the junior school — a re-arrangement which would allow a very small percentage of boys to reach the senior school in one year, the vast majority to do so in two years and another small percentage to do so in three years — but without a mere repetition of a year. I hope that the "C" and "D" Blocks will disappear and that the junior school will become one lump, as it were.

Meanwhile, I intend to make it slightly more difficult for a boy to earn promotion from one block to another. Rather more boys than in the past may have to repeat a year. Until the new junior school organisations' effect has worked its way upward it may be better for one boy to repeat "D" Block, for another "C", for another "B" — each case will be viewed individually. Because a boy is kept down it does not

necessarily mean that he is one of the dull ones who will not pass Matric. A boy may have his elements muddled and need an opportunity to recoup and get a firm foundation on which to build.

I am most anxious that I am not misunderstood on this subject and would particularly like to stress the following points:

- (i) No boy who is considered to have even a remote chance of matriculating will be prevented from attempting the examination;
- (ii) No boy will be kept down unless it seems to be to his advantage and it will not be done by any rigid rule: each will be considered as an individual case.

I said earlier that I thought the school had a grasp of what we are trying to do here. What is this? To turn out a product which is robust physically, mentally, normally and spiritually — the last is the most difficult, probably the least valued in public opinion and far the most important. To do this we receive certain raw material — perhaps certainly raw. However exasperating, spoilt, ill-disciplined, irritating, untidy this material may be it is still as good as I have seen at any school.

We achieve some success in our aim but this is not achieved without an effort being made. I want to say a very sincere thank you to those who make this effort — the staff both academic and administrative. Everybody seems ready to give of his best — in his own job or outside it. A master's teaching commitments in the classroom are probably less than 19 hours a week but that is far from the whole story, as you know — the busiest and most willing horse never seems to lose his willingness. It is often said that schoolmasters get ridiculous holidays — these are no more ridiculous than the amount of work they are expected to do in the term. A fact sometimes forgotten is that the boy also puts in a full day. Mother sometimes complains that her little darling is so tired in the evenings — so he ought to be if he has put his back into a school day. He, too, is entitled to a holiday if he has worked in the term.

The Head Prefect will now face the moment he has been dreading all this quarter. Garry Ralfe, already a winner of an Anglo American Scholarship, already accepted on 2 "A" levels and school reference into Jesus College, Cambridge, without having to write an entrance exam, the winner of several prizes today, has had a career of great distinction here. His speech will be no less distinguished I am sure.

SPEECH BY G. M. RALFE, Head Prefect, 1962

My Lord, Professor Duminy, Your Worship, Rector, Ladies and Gentlemen:

May I first, on behalf of the boys of Michaelhouse, extend a very warm welcome to our guests, Professor and Mrs. Duminy. We feel privileged to have as our Guest Speaker such a great South African, one whose versatility stretches from the abstract obscurity of Pure Mathematics to the heroic world of Springbok cricket.

The remarkable rapidity with which the past twelve months, since last Speech Day, have flashed by is proof of the full, happy and varied year we here at Michaelhouse have experienced. There have been no disturbing upheavals and the school, unable to remain static, has gone from strength to strength in its pursuit of those ideals and aims set for it by its founders.

Judging from the unusually good results in the June Matriculation Trials — an examination it has always been fashionable and "U" to fail — it would appear that some academic work is being done in the school. This augurs well for Matric results this year. In addition, the experimental private work cubicles in Tatham — or, to use the school vernacular,

kennels — have proved such a success that they will soon be extended until every Matric boy has one. Although this will make it possible for him to read Ian Fleming or the Personality Supplement during prep, the authorities feel confident that he will be persuaded to resist the temptation from at least a week before the beginning of the actual exams.

The saying "Matriculation is not Education" was appreciated for the first time by me, with twenty others, at the beginning of the year when we emerged from the stultifying slavery imposed by Matriculation syllabi into the refreshing intellectual freedom of the VI Form. I know that I speak for all of us when I say that I shall ever be grateful to the VI Form for teaching me not what to think but how to think, in its noble attempt to produce men of vision who will not be bound by South Africa's traditional parochialism and insularity.

From the classroom on to the Sports Field. The past cricket season has been one of the most successful ever with only one school match lost out of the twenty played. Mr. Gathorne and the brothers, Ravenor and Christopher Nicholson, captains of the XI last year and this year respectively, must be congratulated on this fine record. This year saw us beat Hilton convincingly for the first time in many years. The greatest pride and joy of the season, however, was our total of four Natal Schools' XI caps, won at Offord Week by Ravenor Nicholson, Robin Melville, Tim Woods and Michael Smithyman, and Nicholson and Melville being chosen to represent South African Schools during Nuffield Week. Ravenor Nicholson achieved the distinction of captaining both the Natal and South African Schools' XIs; he returned to the Army Training Camp at Potchefstroom, from which he had gratefully emerged for Nuffield Week, to become coach, captain, selector, star batsman, bowler and groundsman for the cricket club there.

A fine 14-3 win over Hilton in a clean, open game came as a fitting climax to an enjoyable rugby season for the 1st XV, which, if not always graced by spectacular success, was constantly conspicuous for its efforts, and for which Mr. Cotton deserves great credit. Highlight of the season was a tour to Grahamstown, which, if not so successful from the point of view of rugby results, was an absolute triumph in other respects, judging from the amount of mail that has been pouring into Michaelhouse from the Eastern Province ever since for certain Casanovas of the team. Only two injuries took place on the tour; surprisingly enough these resulted not from rugby but from two of the more heroic, but rather hair-brained, of our number dune-sliding down a precipitous dune on the Cape Coast, a dune that we later discovered was known to the local yokels as Devil's Peak.

A controversial experiment in our sporting curriculum this year was the introduction of a third competitor, namely Kearsney, into the Michaelhouse/Hilton Gala, and the elimination of scoring. The reception that this "sport for the sake of sport" got from the school was mixed: it was noticed that those Michaelhouse boys who had conducted their own private scoring did not publicise the results. At the end of this quarter the experiment will be continued in a triangular Athletics meeting.

Finally, in the sporting world, our congratulations go to Philip Taylor for being chosen for the Natal and South African Schools'

Hockey XIs.

Dramatic tradition continued unbroken this year with the outstanding production of "Hamlet" in this theatre at night, a hazardous undertaking destined to cause Mr. Allen a minor thrombosis as a result of a power failure during the gala performance, caused by a bird of the air electrocuting itself on the high tension wires. After a few weeks' convalescence Mr. Allen returned to the stage and in conjunction with Mr. Smith, Director of Music, is busy with Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Sorcerer".

The cast of the opera consists of both staff and boys, and the ease and friendliness with which they combine on the stage bears testimony of the pleasantly harmonious relations prevalent in the school between masters and boys. The relationship is not one of studied formal correctness, the rule at many schools, nor one of watchful suspicion and distrust on the one hand and sullen rebelliousness on the other. It is rather something easy and friendly, invigorating and fruitful, a thing of far-reaching benefit.

One Monday afternoon a few weeks back the peace of the sports fields was shattered by the shriek of the fire-alarm and the whole estate rushed goggle-eyed to see the old staff house "Byrneside", lately degenerated from a hobbies block to a den of iniquity where only one hobby was practised, being gutted by fire, much to the dismay of its former occupants. In heroic style the fire hoses were manned and Mr. du Plessis and his fire squad performed with glory in their first true-to-life engagement.

Of all the visitors that have come here this year, two have impressed the school most: Lord Montgomery of Alamein because of his supreme self-confidence, but chiefly because of the full holiday he ordered the Rector, once an officer under him, to give us; and secondly, Michael Cassidy, who eight years ago was House-Captain of Pascoe, and who a week ago was as spiritually invigorating and sincere a Christian missionary as we have ever heard here.

The extra-curricular activities of the school have forged ahead this year and we boast of one of the widest ranges of clubs and societies anywhere which seem to satisfy all, from potential politicians to aspiring astronomers, from melancholy musicians to eccentric snake-catchers. Once again under the auspices of the Venture Club, those two doughty mountaineering veterans, Messrs. Gathorne and Polack, set out in a party of twelve at the beginning of July for the African challenge that is Mount Kilimanjaro; they returned starry-eyed with success. Of Beacon I can add little to the praise I know you will express when you see today's edition. Now that Bishop's, St. Andrew's and Falcon College have become associated with it, it is well on its way to realising its founders' aim of becoming a national private schools newspaper.

Another achievement in extra-mural life has been the launching of "projects", items of labour round the estate to be done by boys on a voluntary basis. There was a good response and we embarked on clearing the site round the magnificent new Gym. However, because the treestumps there proved extremely obstinate to the manual demands we imposed on them, and because, as a result, we found that duels with axes, picks, etc., were more to our liking and infinitely more fruitful, the work was discontinued. We now lie dormant awaiting the order for the demolition of the old Gym. This destructive work will appeal to boys' baser instincts and re-establish the popularity of projects once again.

I paint a happy picture of this great school, one to which we feel privileged and grateful to belong. The moving spiritual beauty of the Choir's anthem at a Sunday evensong; the ever-changing glory of the hills about us; the individualism that a liberal education tries to foster; the *esprit de corps* our communal life has developed: these are all facets of Michaelhouse. We cannot but be proud of it.

SPEECH BY PROFESSOR J. P. DUMINY, PRINCIPAL OF CAPE TOWN UNIVERSITY

Professor Duminy said that South Africans possibly had a special contribution to make to world thinking because they were about fifty years behind the thinking of the rest of the world. "We can bring more balanced and objective thought to bear on the tantalising and baffling problems of today".

"Perhaps we can still point the world to a clearer vision that will bring our fellow human beings to a proper conception of the duty, the dignity and the destiny of man, and in so doing, lead them to a truer perspective of the past, a happier approach to the present and a brighter prospect for the fture."

He said that there were spiritual dangers that confronted mankind through the submersion of the human mind in the modern morass of mass thinking, and disasters that would flow from frustration and setbacks in the spiritual evolution of man.

It was deplorable that man all over the world kept comfort and security beyond the call of conscience and placed pleasure and prestige above the price of principle.

It seemed strange that in this age when the radio and the jet were reducing the circumference of the world to a matter of hours, and when atomic power was placing the planets within rocket distance, there should be the relentless rising tide of narrow nationalism wherever one chose to look.

This dangerously menacing tide engulfed nations in unseemly, futile squabbles while the world drifted nearer and nearer to the brink of ultimate disaster.

GABRIELLE MASSEY PRIZES

VI Form: G. M. Ralfe.

"A" Block: J. Bates, J. Thomson-Moore, A. Burns, T. Inman, D. Campbell.

"B" Block: L. Whittaker, A. Wilson, J. Matterson, D. Downes,

D. Legge.

"C" Block: A. Swan, G. Webb, D. Bennett, A. Mannion, D. Smith, C. Everingham.

"D" Block: A. Tonkyn, R. Harvey, R. Houghton, P. McIldowie.

SPECIAL PRIZE LIST

Bishop Baines Memorial Essay Prize: J. G. Inglis: prox. acc. G. M. Ralfe.

Old Boys' Essay Prize: G. M. Ralfe: prox. acc. G. B. Hensman. Tatham Memorial Essay Prize: G. M. Ralfe.

Hudson Bennett Natural History Prize: Senior: G. A. and A. A.

Junior: R. M. Hensman. Hutchison Mathematical Prize: Senior: C. A. B. Ball.

D. N. Wade.

Norman Lyon Classics: G. M. Ralfe.

John Allen Art Prize: D. Mostyn.

Bishop Memorial Dramatic Prize: R. D. H. Lyon.

Rector's Afrikaans Essay Prize: G. R. Beaton.

Carpentry Prizes: Senior: J. Matterson. Junior: R. K. Reynolds. Music Prize: J. R. H. Tuttle.

General Knowledge Prizes: Senior: T. S. Foley. Junior: D. N. Wade.

Printing Prize: H. A. P. Swan.

Photographic Prize: A. J. Phillips.
Peter Bell Memorial English Literature Prize: M. A. Cross.

Norman Hosking Chemistry Prize: C. A. B. Ball.

SUBJECT PRIZES

VIth Form

A. C. S. Readhead (Chemistry), T. S. Foley (Divinity), C. A. B. Ball (Physics), T. S. Foley (History).

A Block

G. R. Beaton (English), J. J. Bates (Afrikaans), C. S. Potter (History), J. J. Bates and B. B. Crookes (Mathematics), M. J. Havers (Geography), D. L. Wallis (Biology), D. I. A. Campbell (Zulu), J. J. Bates (Latin), J. J. Bates (Greek), J. E. Vear (Divinity), J. J. Bates (Chemistry), G. R. Beaton and P. Thorrington-Smith (Physics), M. J. Havers (French).

B Block

E. J. Tonkyn (Latin), A. D. Mendelow (Mathematics), E. J. Tonkyn (English), T. E. K. Radloff (Geography), A. D. Mendelow (Physics), M. D. Baker (Biology), J. C. H. Tyrrell (Afrikaans), J. S. S. Smyth (Greek), M. S. M. Brassey (History), A. R. Boagey (French), E. J. Tonkyn (Divinity), C. D. F. Richards (Chemistry).

C Block

D. N. Wade (English), A. J. Bosman (Afrikaans), I. D. Graham (Mathematics), A. B. Burnett and J. N. Kidd (Divinity), H. A. P. Swan (Biology), B. S. Crunden (French), D. N. Wade (Latin), A. B. Burnett (History), K. P. Archibald (Geography), I. D. Graham (Science), R. K. Reynolds (Zulu), B. A. Acker (Greek).

D Block

A. P. Tonkyn and A. G. McLuckie (Divinity), A. P. Tonkyn and A. G. McLuckie (Mathematics), A. P. Tonkyn (Greek), A. P. Tonkyn and B. V. Mendelow (Science), A. P. Tonkyn (History), A. P. Tonkyn (English), J. R. Nash (Geography), A. P. Tonkyn (Afrikaans), M. G. Payn (Zulu).

CREDITS AND DISTINCTIONS, JUNE, 1962

VIth Form Distinctions

Foley (Hist., Music), Readhead (Phil.), Ralfe (Lt., Gk.).

VIth Form Credits

Lyon (Phil.), Ball (Phil., Phy.), Foley (Lat.), Readhead (Phy.).

A Block Distinctions

Bates (Maths., Gk., Lat.), Crookes (Maths.), Wallis (Maths.), Rae (Maths.), Phillips (Maths.), Beaton (Maths.), Potter (Maths., Lat.), P. Black (Maths.), Ah Mon (Maths.), Havers (Lat.), Cross (Eng.).

A Block Credits

v. Klemperer (Hist., Maths.), Nicholson (Hist., Maths., Div.), Potter (Hist.), Eriksen (Hist.), Stubbings (Hist., Maths., Gk., Lat.), Bates (Afk., Div., Eng.), Havers (Geog.), Tomlinson (Geog.), Ballantine (Maths., Phy.), Vear (Maths., Phy., Div., Eng.), James (Maths.), Eustace (Maths., Art), Porrill (Maths.) Jennings (Maths.), Pollexfen (Art), Surycz (Art), Knights (Art), Field (Maths.), Palmer (Maths.), Wallace (Div.), Amm (Div.), Thorrington-Smith (Phy.), Pascoe (Phy.), Fish (Phy.), Beaton (Phy., Eng.),

B Block Distinctions

Tonkyn (Div., Lat., Eng.), Smyth (Lat.), Mendelow (Phy., Eng.), Tyrell (Eng.).

B Block Credits

Brassey (Hist., Gk., Eng.), Boagey (Hist.), Clothier (Hist., Div.), Tyrrell (Afr.), B. Brown (Afr), Radloff (Geog., Art), Mendelow (Maths., Chem., Div.), v.d. Veen (Maths.(, Richards (Div., Phy., Chem.), A. I. Black (Div.), Smyth (Gk.), Ritchie (Art), Fordyce (Art), Rennie (Lat., Eng.), Briscoe (Lat.), Baker (Phy., Chem., Bio.), Hesketh (Phy.), Lidgett (Phy.), Currin (Chem.), Whittaker (Eng.).

C Block Distinctions

Burnett (Hist., Div.), Bosman (Afr.), Archibald (Geog.), Ardington (Geog.), Wade (Maths., Sc.), Kidd (Div., Music), Acker (Gk.), Graham (Sc.), Low (Sc.), Swan (Bio.), Crunden (Music), Welsh (Music).

C Block Credits

Low (Hist., Lat.), Burchell (Hist.), Jessup (Hist., Gk., Eng.), Grobler (Afr., Music), Crunden (Fr.), Graham (Maths.), Hilson (Maths.), Acker (Maths.), Oscroft (Maths.), MacLeod (Div., Music), D. Gowans (Gk., Sc.), Welsh (Gk., Lat.), Burnett (Gk., Sc.), Wade (Lat., Music, Eng.), B. Collins (Sc.), Croad (Sc.), P. Read (Bio.), Kidd (Bio., Eng.), Scott (Bio., Music), Taylor (Bio.), C. C. H. Black (Music), Staniforth (Music), Swan (Eng.).

D Block Distinctions

Tonkyn (Hist., Afr., Maths., Div., Lat., Sc., Music, Eng.), J. Nash (Geog.), Mendelow (Sc.), McLuckie (Music), Hirst (Music), Holley (Music.)

D Block Credits

Farquharson (Hist., Geog.), Hopkins (Hist., Lat.), James (Hist.), Lea (Hist.), McLuckie (Afr., Maths., Div., Sc.), Holley (Geog., Div., Lat.), Seymour (Maths., Sc.), Newton (Maths.), Firth (Maths.), Greenwood (Hist.), Ballenden (Div.), Thackeray (Div.), Mendelow (Lat., Music), Axelson (Sc., Music), West (Music), MacIldowie (Music), Brown (Music).

THE MICHAELHOUSE TRUST

The Seed Is Sown

Like the proverbial mustard-tree, the Trust grew from a very small beginning. In 1956 the then Rector, Mr. C. Y. Morgan, had the idea of attempting to raise a "really large sum" to help us over some of the difficulties of development. The sum envisaged was £40,000 but this was thought to be rather in the nature of a pipe-dream. However, it was thought that even £10,000 was worth having, so plans were started. From the first ideas of fund-raising activities at the School it soon became clear that members of the community in other areas were ready to do their bit. Johannesburg, accustomed to working in rather larger figures than usual, soon talked of £100,000 as a reasonable target: consultation with experts and vaulting enthusiasm soon visualised a figure of £220,000. This seemed untidy, though alarmingly large, and so the pleasantly round figure of one-quarter of a million pounds was decided on.

The Sprouts Appear

A Féte held at Michaelhouse, the memorable Ball held in the tented quadrangle, a successful effort by 400 boys to produce an average of £2 10s. 0d. each during the course of a holiday, a polo match at Bosch Hoek, an auction sale in Johannesburg, etc., all gave great stimulation to the idea of the Fund and some financial resources for the full campaign. The co-ordination of effort and the planning of the whole campaign was entrusted to the Rev. J. B. Chutter, who was seconded from the School staff for this purpose. The Trust Deed was signed and the Trust thus fully established on 7th October, 1957.

The Main Stem Appears

Briefly, the Trust Deed made (i) the School responsible for collection of monies and their transfer to the Trust, (ii) the Trustees responsible for administration and investment of funds and payment of income to the School, and (iii) the Board of Governors entitled to decide on which of the objects permitted by the Deed, the income should be spent.

The Branches Spread

The system of collection of funds was much the same in all areas. A large dinner was held, at which guests received attractive brochures, a good meal and were subjected to propaganda from several speakers. The Bishop, the Rector and Mr. Chutter were the semi-permanent members of the team which travelled many thousands of miles and spoke many

thousands of words. The Dinner was followed in quick time by a personal canvass by a team, who, after careful training, undertook what was by its very nature an unpleasant job. The main theme was to convince the giver of the need to give. The response proved to be remarkably close to what expert opinion had led us to expect and it was most rewarding. Though many who could gave outright gifts or promises of large sums, perhaps the most encouraging thing was the large number of young men who were prepared to make stop orders of small amounts, although they were only just starting on a career. Pledges vary from £6,000 to £5.

Apart from finance there became obvious an amazing kindling of interest in the school and the birth of a spirit which has made possible the "Third Aim".

The Fruit Is Harvested

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By the end of 1958 the amount received by the Trust after deduction of appeal expenses was £82,167. Pledges, however, had by this time produced the remarkable figure of £215,572. The accumulated funds figure continued to grow most pleasantly:

End	of	195	9				£11	1.896
		196	0				£13	7,792
1961					£16	2,092		
Pledges	by	the e	end	d of	1961	exceeded		£220,000.

And Stowed

Our pounds and shillings were now beginning to change into rands and cents, and at 31st December, 1961, the money received by the School from the Trust amounted to approximately R100,000. This had enabled the Board of Governors to build two new houses for married staff at a cost of R13,000; to give bursaries additional to the normal of just under R8,000; to supplement staff pensions (R1,800) and to have in reserve money to pay the first instalments on the new Gymnasium, R26,000. This building has been a pressing need for many years and came into use on 21st May, 1962. The income from the Trust will allow the full cost to have been met by the end of 1962.

THE FUTURE

The Building and Development Committee of the Board of Governors has spent much time on future planning. Buildings which it is hoped to build are:

- (1) Studies for senior boys. One house has already been given a room containing ten "Toyes" or small compartments which provide boys with a space which is their own and in which they can work without interruption.
- (2) Carpentry Shop. The old Carpentry Shop is too small and almost as dilapidated as the old gymnasium. A saving will be made on this building by using the old Gym roof for it. It will be sited next to the Maintenance Workshop and all the buildings in this will form a Hobbies Block as they become available through new building.
- (3) Bantu Recreation Hall: Bantu Cooking Block. These will go in the Sarsden Road area and will gradually be added to by bachelor accommodation blocks to form a new Bantu village.
 - (4) Indian House.

(5) School Laundry. The present building is very inadequate and is on the site proposed for the new School Assembly Hall.

The above buildings are classed as First Priority and the estimated

cost is approximately R40,000.

(6) New Baines Housing. The proposed area is near the VIth Form Block. This will release considerable space in the quadrangle, possibly for studies, classrooms and bachelor accommodation.

- (7) Staff Garages. The present garages consist of a roof only and have a list equal to the Tower of Pisa.
- (8) Assembly Hall. The Board of Governors have decided that this will be built south of Tatham House in the area of the present Carpentry Shop and Laundry.

Items 6 to 8 comprise the Second Priority, and are estimated to cost R145,000.

Third Priority plans include Bantu bachelor accommodation, houses for married staff, classroom Block and Art School, Bachelor staff accommodation, Estate Office and Store, Sanatorium, amounting to a sum of R138,000. These plans and figures are necessarily rather vague but it would appear that the presently known building requirements will absorb Trust Income until 1978.

The Third Aim

The somewhat obscure original object of the Third Aim has had very real results. The Community of Michaelhouse has become something of real meaning and of real value to the School. Boys, staff, old boys, parents do all appear to be conscious of their interest in the school and their responsibility for its welfare: there is a real family feeling. The greatest service has been performed for the boys by the Trust Committees which have arranged tours of a general educational value in the holidays. Many of these tours have taken place, mostly in the Transvaal but a few in Durban and Pietermaritzburg. Senior boys have been given an insight into industry, municipal government and administration, welfare work, artistic enterprises, etc., etc. Special study tours have been arranged for VIth Form and have proved of enormous interest and value. Special tours are now being arranged for school societies — e.g., a visit to Bantu reserves in Northern Transvaal for the African Affairs Society. Speakers on world affairs, etc., come to the School through the interest of members of the community: expert advice on subjects varying from sewage disposal to the best type of paper clip is available. An unexpected but pleasant result of these tours has been the awareness of and interest in Michaelhouse aroused among the people and organisations.

The establishment of the Trust has, in fact, been of enormous factual value to the School and has enabled the Board of Governors to keep the fees far below the figure which would be charged at a comparable school overseas, but the stimulation of the communal feeling for the School is of no less value.

R. T. S. NORWOOD, Rector.

A VELD FIRE

Serene, silent, majestic — the seemingly endless beauty of the Southern African panorama stretched before me. The lowlands were covered in shadow — and as the vermillion ball of liquid fire sank beneath the dark, heaped clouds, spraying the azure sky with golden arrows, the calm blanket of twilight moved irresistibly up the mountain-slopes, hushing the world for night. The dome of the heavens purpled and darkened, drawing nightfall across the land. As if by magic the stars began to appear, tiny hamlets and single outposts of lights twinkled below, witnessing to man's endeavour. A gentle breeze sprang up and surely the clouds gradually lifted

The gargantuan clouds in infinite banks may have been responsible—but the feeling was prompted, not by the awe-inspiring magnifence of nature, but by its destructive energy and power. For as the clouds wafted away, the eerie glow, which had persisted in the twilight, transformed into a rampaging vista of flame—dancing and flashing in the distance.

Disquietude changed into an impression of bewildering, stark beauty, in an instant. The black velvet of night, with a sprinkling of pin-heads of light, was gashed with an orange wound that danced and gyrated in spirals and eddies of living, vibrant fire.

A murky evening mist cut the glow off from the vault of black above, but served to redouble the blinding brilliance of sheer beauty. The flames showed only their naked, heated hearts that hungrily devoured the veld and bush which, only moments before, had satisfied the soul and eye. No tree, no building was to be seen, the flames were allencumbering, all-defying. The destructive marvel moved apace, leaving the razed earth to smoulder and smoke.

Gradually a curtain of orange-hued dust and ashes arose, so that the retiring fire was now seen through a filter which heightened the magnificence of the scene.

As Nature vented her creative arts upon the land, it seemed as if the very ends of the earth were burning to produce sheer fantasy. But as the night aged, the air cooled and the zephyrs began to blow into the teeth of the devasting rampage. Nature, in her profundity, quenched the flames — and, almost as quickly as the marvel had appeared from the clouds, it vanished into its own murk and the night

The dark swept back, healing the wound to the visible eye, but the strain was stamped upon the mind, which reeled at the fantastic speed and energy of the fire. Vividly, uncompromisingly it remained — centre of thought and feeling.

Unmistakeable scents of burnt and smouldering grass and bush began to reach the nostrils — increasing the perception of the stored-up might of the spent fire. The sensations were not unpleasant, for pine and willow smoke were mingled with the cloud.

From a removed vantage point the fire had been a fantasy. But now the anticipation and realisation of the beauty had passed — leaving in the soul a gaping emptiness which rapidly filled with thoughts of morbid disillusionment.

For, with all its striking loveliness, the fire had doubtlessly caused human and animal suffering and distress beyond all measures. Nature had pillaged and plundered her own heritage in momentary frenzy of abstruse beauty. Now that the glory and splendour had passed, consolement was scarcely to be found in saying that nature was restoring her balance. The avaricious, dancingly gleeful flames founded no base for this apology.

The only grounds for the passage of the mighty fire were the complete and unreserved moments of utter joy and elation that the veld fire occasioned.

G.B.

HOUSE NOTES

FOUNDERS

Head of House: W. D. Smith. School Prefect: P. M. Black.

House Officers: B. H. Jack, C. R. S. Henderson, K. M. L. Ireland, J. S. Gordon-Thomson.

The past year has been a very happy one for Founders, and everyone in the House seems to have done his best to make it a success. Owing to a very small A Block we have not been successful in Inter-House Competitions this year, but our Juniors are to be congratulated on winning the Junior Rugby Cup for the second consecutive time. In the field of individual sport W. D. Smith played for the Ist XI hockey and was awarded his teams, Jack (Capt.), Ireland, and Black played for the 2nd XI, and B. Moon was awarded his teams for Athletics. Smith was unfortunately unable to captain the Ist XV because of a back injury, but he is playing consistently good cricket in his role as Vice-Captain of the Ist.

Our congratulations go to J. S. Gordon-Thomson and P. M. Black on their appointments as House Officer and School Prefect respectively. The new House Prayers routine seems to be a great success, and has brought far more feeling into what was previously a purely mechanical

has brought far more feeling into what was previously a purely mechanical routine. The School production of Gilbert & Sullivans "The Sorcerer" was well represented by Founders, with Smith in the lead-role of Alexis, and others playing various roles. The House Talent Contest was not as great a success as expected but the C Block put in a great deal of hard work.

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Robinson, who have done invaluable work in the House over the past ten years. We wish them the best of luck, and hope that they will now be able to relax somewhat, having relinquished command to Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Thompson, to whom we extend a very hearty welcome. However, with three of the six in the Prefects' Room returning, Mr. Thompson will be well supported.

Our sincere good wishes go to the A Block for the approaching Matric, and hope that they all do well.

Valete: Marsh, R. C., C Block.

EAST

Head of House: G. S. Mitchell-Innes.

House Officers: D. A. G. Barford, G. B. Hensman, R. N. Phillips, J. S. Stubbings, G. A. Zaloumis.

East boys for a number of years back will be very sad to learn that Mr. Joubert is leaving the school. All will remember with what consideration and understanding he has dealt with every person in the House. We thank him for his loyalty, his quick perception of what is right, his generosity and the unstinting way in which he has given his time and his enthusiasm to everything connected with the House. We shall indeed miss him and his family. Our very best wishes for the future go to them all.

Another sad duty which falls to us is to record the death, as the result of an accident, of "Dye", who served the House so faithfully for so many years. We extend to his family our deepest condolences.

We wish this year's Matrics the best of luck and hope that they will achieve more success than they would have believed possible.

East may still regard themselves as being dogged with bad luck on the sports field. After our 1st XV had beaten Baines 9-6 in the first round, we went straight to the finals, where we met Pascoe. We held them to a 3-3 draw until late into the second half, when a very good kick from the halfway line wrested the match from us. We were well represented in the School 1st Rugby by Zaloumis, G. (Honours), Chorley (Colours), Hensman, G. (Colours), Stubbings (Colours), and in the 2nd by G. Mitchell-Innes (Captain), Fenton, James, R., Seymour, all four having teams. We also provided a third of the touring team.

Fourth position in the Ramparts was a good achievement; Hensman, G. and Chorley ran very well to come third and fourth respectively. The House Gym. team, too, is to be congratulated on achieving fourth place under the enthusiastic leadership of Hensman, G. Our tennis team did not do particularly well but the Senior and Junior Squash teams achieved the second round.

Both 1st and 2nd Hockey teams played with a will, with Hensman, G., setting a fine example. The 1st won one, drew one and lost one match and the 2nds lost only one, to Baines. G. Hensman and G. A. van der Veen are to be congratulated on gaining their School Hockey Colours. Van der Veen was also awarded the Alan Butcher Hockey Stick.

Unfortunately, owing to the introduction of minor games instead of cricket, East were unable to field a 1st XI team this year and the Under 15 team lost in the first round. At present Mitchell-Innes and Zaloumis are working hard in the Cadets and we hope to repeat our 1959 success. Altogether, in spite of lack of success on the sports field, the year has been a good one and the House is in very good heart.

SNAKE PARK

It was on the sixth day that I went there.
The varnished backs, shimmering in the sun,
Reflected the hazy sunlight
Like a clouded mirror, spotted with impurity.
The vitality of the colours overpowered me;
The noble green and gold,
Shining, tarnished with dull black stains.
I watched as they glided over one another,
Like greased metal bolts, slipping in their grooves.
They continued with their play, unaware
Of the fascination they provoked.

But I reflected, As I saw the long tangled mass Of gliding, sliding bodies, interlocked, intertwined. Why? Why not give them the freedom of movement Afforded to less beautiful creatures? Why are they condemned to the ground like earthy insects, Dull in colour and in interest? And as I thought, I saw the lightning strike, Lashing through the air, As if it wished to destroy the insubstantial air, The very air it breathed. And I saw the venomous liquid on the cage, A glass cage, glass like the clouded mirror, I knew that all that outward show And I knew. Was mere hypocrisy; Like a glossy apple whose core is wormed, An apple of temptation. It was the well-disguised fascination of evil, A thing supreme in selfishness, Hating the existence of anything but itself, Even its own life-giver, the air.

It was on the sixth day that I left.

And I looked back at it; through the clouded

Mirror of my mind,

I visualized the whole park of deceitful corruption

As crawling, sliding, gliding along the ground, condemned,

Over the precipice into the chaos beyond.

J.B.

WEST

Head of House: G. M. Ralfe.

School Prefects: N. Matthews, C. R. Nicholson. House Officers: S. R. Eriksen, B. B. Crookes.

West can boast of the fine distinction this year of having had five School Prefects, surely a record, even by our stringent standards; Matthews and Nicholson are to be congratulated on their elevation in office, as is Crookes, who joined the Prefects' Room in the Third Quarter.

Of the four Michaelhouse boys who wrote the British "A" Level Examination in June, three, namely Crookes, Melville and Ralfe, were from West. They performed with honour, and we wish them luck in their attempts to obtain places at Oxford and Cambridge.

In answer to the question of House sporting successes, we can only offer an embarrassed silence: our shelf is bare — although we were the runners-up for the Youngleson Shield and the Squash Cup. We are praying fervently for the Cricket or Cadet Cup. Individual sporting honours, however, are not so rare: Melville was awarded his Hockey Honours; Nicholson, his Rugby and Tennis Colours; Ralfe, his Rugby Colours, and P. A. D. Fordyce his Athletics Colours on winning the Natal Junior Championships Under 17 High Jump. C. Potter won the Natal Midlands Squash Handicap Trophy and Hesketh the St. Michaels' Yacht Club Trophy.

At the end of this year, Mr. Thompson will be leaving us for Founders, where he is to become Housemaster. We congratulate him on this, thank him for his great services to West, and hope that he and Mrs Thompson will be as happy in Founders as they were with us.

Valete: Crookes, F. J.: School Prefect; 1st Class Matric. (Mathematics); VIth Form (Second Year); "A" Level; Lector; 1st XV Rugby (Teams); 2nd XI Cricket (Captain, XXII Cap.); Student Officer; Dragon Club; Pioneer Club.

Melville, R. S. M.: School Prefect; 2nd Class Matric.; VIth Form (Second Year); "A" Level; Lector; 1st XI Cricket (Honours, Natal Schools Cap, South African Schools Cap); 1st XI Hockey (Vice-Captain, Honours, Pietermaritzburg Schools); Regimental Sergeant-Major; Dragon Club: Pioneer Club.

Speight, H. W.: B Block.

Sweet, P. St. A.: C Block; Swimming Team.

FARFIELD

Head of House: A. P. MacDonald. School Prefect: N. G. Norman.

House Officers: S. D. L. Haysom, A. D. G. McGregor, A. W. Turner, C. J. B. Palmer, A. H. Illing.

Farfield has experienced one more quick year. In every respect it has been alive with spirit and enthusiasm and the House hase been kept a self-contained unit by the healthy pride of its members.

In all blocks much has been accomplished academically and we look forward to some good Matric results this year. Great spirit has been shown on the sports field, as is ably demonstrated by the results of Ramparts, where we were narrowly beaten into second place by Baines, with our Seniors obtaining the remarkably low total of 47 points. In the tennis we triumphed under the able leadership of Haysom.

In School sports teams we have been reasonably represented, and MacDonald is to be congratulated on being awarded his Athletics Honours.

Our congratulations also go to Norman on being appointed a School Prefect, and to Illing and Palmer on being appointed House Officers.

The members of the House have played a full part in all School activities and we can confidently say that the year has been successful in all respects.

Salvete: Larkins, R. D.

TATHAM

Head of House: A. G. Rose.

House Officers: G. R. Beaton, C. Lyall-Watson, J. Kruger, P. A. Gallo, P. Taylor.

The House's congratulations go to George Beaton and Phillip Taylor, who were last quarter made School and House Prefects repectively.

The School has once again witnessed the talent of House Tutor – Producer, Mr. Allen, in a fine production of "The Sorcerer". In another sphere, George Beaton has done untiring work as secretary of "Beacon". Tatham was very well represented at the prize-giving on Speech Day. Much of the credit goes to A. P. Tonkyn, who won six out of seven subject prizes in the D Block.

For the first time in many years Tatham managed to reach the Hockey finals, where we were narrowly defeated, 2-1, by Pascoe. The team was very ably led by Phillip Taylor, who also succeeded in making the Natal and S.A. Schools XI. For his achievement he was awarded his Honours. Congratulations also go to Alan Rose, who was awarded his Athletics Honours.

For the fifth successive year Tatham won the Youngleson Shield Gym Competition and the Discobolus. This is perhaps due to the fact that we were so well represented in the School Gym Team, which was ably led by Charles Porrill. The Cadet Competition and Matric lie ahead of us. We hope our efforts through the year will be crowned by success in these last two events.

THE GARDEN

In the beginning the old farmer toiled hard on his land, sowing and harvesting an abundance of crops. He planned the layout of each field with meticulous care, so that when he had finished cultivating his land, after seven years' labour, it was a model of perfection. Fields covered the billowing hills in a network of beautiful designs, forming a mosaic of lovely coloured patterns which stretched in every direction as far as the eye could see.

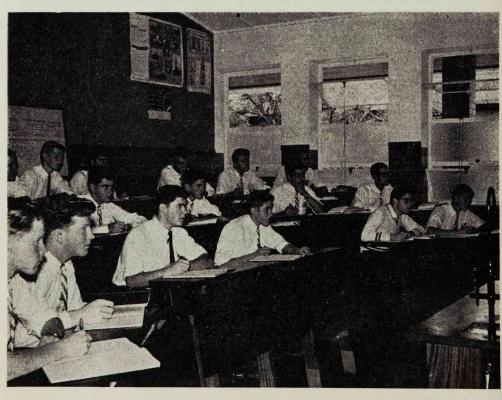
Two people helped the farmer in his task of laying out and planning the fields. One was his son, a wonderful child, who was extremely talented and very patient. The other was the foreman of the farmhands. Taken at face value, the foreman was a good-looking man, with bright golden hair that seemed to shine with an inner light when the sun caught it. However, he was greedy and evil at heart, always desiring more than his just deserts. He loved playing with snakes, and teaching them tricks. One day he had an argument with the farmer which resulted in his dismissal.

On a sunny spring morning the old man decided to start planning the garden in front of his house. This was to be the wonder of the farmer's creation. He and his son planted many beautiful flowers and shrubs in the garden, and in the very centre they planted an acorn.



THE NEW SCIENCE BLOCK.

J.P.L.



A CLASS IN PROGRESS IN THE NEW SCIENCE BLOCK.

J.P.L.

As the years passed the oak waxed massive and strong. Like the farmer, it was upright and sturdy — good to the very core. The exforeman watched all these happenings, and one night he crept into the garden stealthily, and emptied a tinful of termites over the roots of the tree. The termites multiplied rapidly, eating into the soft, succulent flesh of the tree. They slowly ate through the wood and bark, thus cutting off the lifeblood of the oak.

During one dry dusty winter a drought descended on the land. The oak started to die from lack of water, so the farmer sent his son to save the tree with what little water they had left. As he was watering the oak a large limb, which had been partly eaten through by termites, fell, knocking the son unconscious, and his father carried him, wounded, into the house.

By this time the termites had eaten to the heart of the tree. The oak started to wither and decay, and as time passed it developed a split right down the centre of the bowl. It was not long before the oak fell, ripping up its roots and rending the earth. As it fell it destroyed everything in the garden, leaving nothing living.

After this catastrophe the farmer and his son gathered all the good wood into a barn, but the bad wood, which had been eaten by termites, they threw into their fire. The next day they cleaned up the garden, and started as in the beginning, planting and sowing.

A.C.S.R.

PASCOE

House Captain: R. V. Smither. School Prefect: R. D. Lyon.

House Officers: C. A. B. Ball, D. I. A. Campbell, R. P. Harber, A. C. S. Readhead, M. D. Gray, J. K. R. Munro, M. J. Smithyman.

There has been a general atmosphere of happiness throughout the year, both in the Prefects' room and in the rest of the House. This feeling of house-spirit has led us to excel not only in sport, but in other activities as well, of which we can well be proud.

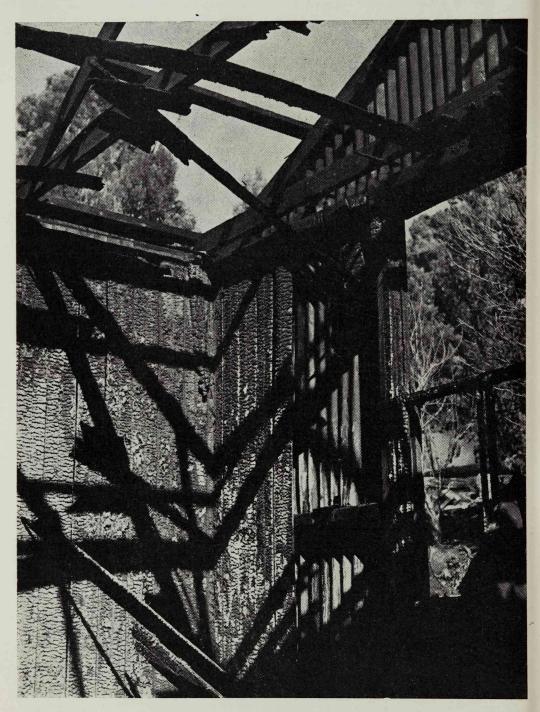
Simon Johnstone thoroughly deserves comment here for the notable part he played in last quarter's Gilbert and Sullivan, "The Sorcerer". Both House Tutors, namely Mr. Gordon Clarke and Mr. Withers, also deserve mention.

In the last edition of the Chronicle we mentioned that we were in the finals of the Rugby House matches. These we won under the competent leadership of Douglas Campbell. In addition, 1st XV Honours were awarded to Campbell and Munro, and Colours were gained by Smithyman and Smither. Yorke obtained his teams, as did Gray, who played for the 2nd XV.

Then in the third quarter we went on to win the Hockey House matches. Smithyman, our House captain, and Kirkpatrick, represented us as regular members of the 1st XI, the latter receiving his Colours.

Not often does a boy obtain his Colours in three sports, but this feat has been accomplished by Robert Harber, who has swept the decks by being awarded his Colours for Tennis, Swimming and Athletics.

In this, the final quarter of the year, we hope to win the Cricket House matches — having already romped through the first round. We are well represented in the 1st XI by Smithyman (Honours), Kirkpatrick (Teams), and Whittaker, who has just recently obtained his Teams.



BYRNESIDE, AUGUST 20th, 1962.

J.P.L.

The rest of the House would like to wish the Matrics the best of luck, and hope that they reap results as successful as last year's matriculants.

Finally, there could hardly be a happier way to end off the year than by congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Withers on the birth of their son.

BAINES

Head of House: J. G. Inglis.

House Officers: J. McCormick, A. J. Caldow, A. W. Price, J. W. Whiteley, P. Thorrington-Smith, D. M. Ballantine, D. W. M. Cox.

This last half of the year has continued in the same successful vein as the first two quarters. The main feature of the House has been the happy and enthusiastic spirit throughout.

Our congratulations go to D. M. Ballantine and D. W. M. Cox on their appointment as House Officers.

The end of the second quarter saw us winning the Ramparts for the first time ever. This was a surprising victory as we came last the year before, and Peter Thorrington-Smith is to be congratulated on his energetic and capable captaincy.

We won both Senior and Junior Inter-House Squash competitions, thanks to a great deal of time spent on the courts by Jeremy Whiteley. A 3-1 defeat by Tatham put paid to our chances in the 1st XI hockey. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th XIs reached the finals and the 2nd and 3rd were victorious. Though defeated in the finals of the House Tennis by Farfield, we were not disgraced, and Timothy Radloff is to be congratulated on his enthusiasm and hard work.

So much for House sport. Our congratulations to Peter Thorring-ton-Smith on his selection for Natal Schools Athletics and for his outstanding performances throughout the year. John McCormick had a very good rugby season and was awarded his 1st XV Colours. He and John Matterson played for the 1st XI hockey and Matterson was awarded his Colours and the Alan Butcher Hockey Stick for the most improved player. David Dyer has done well on the cricket field and has been awarded his 1st XI Colours. The School Squash Championship developed into a family affair, with Jeremy Whiteley winning the senior section and Nicholas Whiteley the junior. Jeremy Whiteley was awarded his squash Colours.

It was pleasing to see Baines so well represented in the chorus of "The Sorcerer".

We have to say farewell to Mr. N. S. Broadbent, who is leaving Michaelhouse and returning to England. We wish him the best of luck and thank him for his enthusiastic help in the House.

The end of the year brings two things — the Matriculation and a farewell to many stalwarts; the best of good luck to both candidates and leavers.

The House was shocked to hear of the tragic death of David Low during the July holidays. How enthusiastic his contribution to the House was in everything he did, and how greatly we miss him it is difficult for us to express. Our deepest sympathy goes to his parents and sisters.

Valete: Akeroyd, A. J., VI Form, 1st Class Matric (Maths.), "A" Level Physics, Maths. Chemistry, Federal Scholarship, House Officer, Foundation member of Baines, 3rd XI Hockey, R.Q.M.S., Sec. of Science Club, Dragon Club, Senior Librarian. T. S. Foley, VI Form, 2nd Class Matric., Admin. Sgt.-Major, Secretary of Cricket, Server, Pioneer Club, History Society, Dragon Club Secretary.

Salvete: Little, J. M. A., C Block.

THE SORCERER

By W. S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan

Michaelhouse Choral and Dramatic Societies with the Pietermaritzburg Philharmonic Orchestra

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Conducted by Barry Smith							
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NOTARY P. J. Withers							
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CHORUS OF VILLAGERS: B. A. Acker, R. S. Adamson, N. R. Armstrong, C. E. T. Baines, D. M. Ballantine, G. K. Ballenden, P. G. Bensimon, A. B. Burnett, B. C. Collins, D. W. M. Cox, B. S. Crunden, G. M. Currin, C. H. M. Curwen, J. Everingham, A. H. D.-Fordyce, W. R. Galloway, I. M. Hamilton, S. D. L. Haysom, R. D. Hirst, M. J. M. Hopkins, J. G. Inglis, R. O. James, T. P. Lamont-Smith, G. E. Lumley, A. P. Macdonald, P. M. MacIldowie, W. E. March, A. G. McLuckie, P. C. Newton, G. C. Payn, M. B. Peacock-Edwards, E. F. Polack, R. S. Pooler, T. E. K. Radloff, G. M. Ralfe, B. R. Richmond, A. G. Rose, A. H. Rosholt, J. M. Sargent, M. M. Thackeray, R. C. West, J. W. Whiteley, C. P. Whittaker.

THE SORCERER

It seems to me a pity that, with the whole of the Savoyard repertoire available, "The Sorcerer," the first full-length opera, should have been chosen for production. It is a feeble thing in comparison with most of the others. Although Sullivan reveals his full powers in a melodious and apposite score, Gilbert does not show the ability which makes the later operas such glorious fun. The plot is more tenuous than usual, the situations are contrived, the jokes forced. It is all the more credit to the producers then that they provided such memorable entertainment.

Barry Smith is to be congratulated on the high standard of singing, achieved by both chorus and soloists. It says much for his technique that, after months of niggling and repetitious rehearsal, an air of spontaneity and real pleasure in achievement was most evident on the stage. If the words were not always audible, the quality of sound produced by the chorus was continually agreeable, and, at times, startling in the richness of its texture. Some of the soloists were occasionally inaudible, but, throughout the performance, the general competence was unusual for a school production. The advisability of having an orchestra on these occasions should, I think, be carefully reconsidered. As long as the chorus or the more robust voices were in possession, the orchestra gave depth and colour to the performance but there were moments when the slighter voices were drowned and the words lost in its volume of sound. Perhaps this is a lesser evil than having the rather ridiculous tinkling of a piano as accompaniment. Then, too, valuable experience was gained by the boys who augmented the Pietermaritzburg Philharmonic Orchestra with such distinction. It was a pleasure to note the unobtrusive firmness with which Barry Smith controlled the orchestra and the singers.

Peter Allen, having the worse side of the bargain in view of the poor dramatic quality of the opera, nevertheless managed to infuse energy, colour, movement and even conviction into the performance. The large and generally inexperienced cast was kept moving with precision and fluidity, full use being made of the not very large stage, while the dances were particularly graceful interludes. Any blame for a slackening of tension during many dialogue scenes may be placed squarely on Gilbert's shoulders; their vacuity might have been calculated to lose the audience's attention, and no producer could have done more with the material available.

It is always difficult in an entertainment of this nature to persuade an inexperienced actor to act when he is not singing. It was very noticeable that, whenever the singing was over, the actors tended to become rather wooden, their relief at having negotiated the intricacies of the score without disaster causing too great a relaxation. With this fact in mind, I award the evening's palm to R. J. Pollexfen, who, as the ridiculous Mrs. Partlet, never relaxed for a moment. While all the other characters at one time or another reverted to their normal personalities and became part of the audience when they wer no longer at the centre of the stage, Mrs. Partlet was always the fidgetty and pretentious pewopener, even when it was unlikely that she would be noticed. This was a little gem of Gilbertian nonsense and revealed a real talent for comedy.

As Sir Marmaduke, M. E. Thompson was relaxed, audible and authoritative. His obvious ease and experience must have done much to calm the nerves of the newcomers to the stage.

The air of gentle mournfulness projected by Dr. Daly (D. le Page) was most touching and made his rollicking enjoyment of the tea party all the more infectious. His voice, in his many ballads, lent distinction to the performance and his final solo brought down the house on the last night. This was a memorable and lovable portrayal.

The Rector, as the bumbling magician, John Wellington Wells, combined a delightfully evil enjoyment of his wickedness with a nice

businesslike normality. This is an impossible part, requiring too many switches of personality, and one was aware that the actor had been through a long and tiring quarter.

A. H. Gordon Clark made a startling imposing Dame of Lady Sangazure. This was not an easy part to play but it was very well carried off, the voice being particularly well controlled. Her big scenes with Sir Marmaduke and Mr. Wells were fine comedy and good singing.

It is a pity that P. J. Withers was given so little to do, for he showed a nice sense of the ridiculous in his portrayal of the doddering Notary.

That the boy principles were by no means disgraced in this more experienced company says much for the nursing and sympathy of Peter Allen. W. D. Smith was a sufficiently romantic and idealistic Alexis and he is to be congratulated on his admirably sustained and very agreeable light-tenor. He would be well advised though, if he has any intention of taking his singing seriously, to make an effort to eradicate the vibrato which at times became obtrusive.

Once he had overcome his initial nervousness, S. P. G. Johnstone, as Aline, betrothed to Alexis, made an effective and very attractive young girl. His voice, when he was singing with others, was true, powerful and singularly sweet. Unfortunately, his nervousness handicapped him in his solos and made his acting somewhat wooden. The love scenes between him and Alexis lacked the fervour which properly belonged, but this is a result of the embarrassment always caused on such occasions at a boys' school.

A. P. Tonkyn was another attractive girl, Constance, Mrs. Partlet's daughter. His yearning for Dr. Daly was well done and his precise articulation might well have been imitated by some of the other characters. He has a natural talent which overcame any shortcomings of voice.

Much of the evening's pleasure stemmed from the vivacity and jollity of the chorus. It was never obtrusive at the wrong moment but supported the principles loyally. When it was allowed to hold the centre of the stage, it performed with notable verve and accuracy, giving a robustness to the whole production.

The costumes and make-up did much to lend atmosphere to the performance, while Mrs. Hennessy cannot be too highly praised for the magnificence of her set. The lighting was superbly designed and managed, doing a great deal to enhance the enjoyment of a thoroughly entertaining evening.

DIE VOOR- EN NADELE VAN 'N PRIVAATSKOOLOPVOEDING SOOS EK DIT SIEN

".... that which fits a man to perform all the offices of war and peace, both public and private, justly and skilfully" — Milton. Hierdie beskrywing van opleiding is 'n goeie poging om die moeilike idee in woorde te verklaar.

Nou, volle opvoeding is die opvoeding van die hele liggaam — geestelik en liggaamlik. Die kenmerke van 'n goeie opvoeding is onafhanklikheid, die vermoë om 'n opinie te vorm sonder vooroordeel, 'n bestaan te verdien, en bereidwilligheid om die gemeenskap te dien. Na 'n paar jaar in 'n goeie skool het 'n mens eerbied vir oueres, godsdiens en sindelikheid; ontwinkkel jy 'n gevoel van verantwoordelikheid en behoort jy te weet hoe om jou te gedra.

'n Privaatskoolopvoeding bied al hierdie karaktertrekke en kenmerke aan en omdat ek hierdie feit glo, sal ek probeer om redes vir die bewering te gee. Maar geen metode is perfek nie, en 'n privaatskoolopvoeding het nadele onder die menige voordele. Dit is moeilik om te omskryf wat bedoel word met "skoolgees", maar dit is iets wat wel bestaan en dit verskil van skool tot skool. In 'n staatskool is hierdie gees anders as in 'n privaatskool en dit verskil ook tussen kosgangers en dagskoliere. In 'n staatskool is daar 'n groter verskil tussen die agtergrond en "sosiale klas" van die skoliere. Onder die leerlinge van 'n privaatskool is daar 'n groot saamhorigheidsgevoel en nie net "ek is saam op skool met jou" nie.

Een van die nadele van 'n privaatskool is dat die dissipline oorspronklikheid teenwerk en seuns en meisies is baie geneig om net die modes te volg. Dit is 'n gevaarlike neiging want dit is maklik om te dink dat mense wat nie presies doen soos jy en jou groep dinge doen nie, verkeerd en onopgevoed is. Die man wat die verkeerde boordjie dra is dus die verkeerde man en nie jou soort nie. 'n Ander beskuldiging teen privaatskole is dat die leerlinge te veel belang in sport stel. Die kaptein van die eerste span is meer gewild as die seun wat 'n studiebeurs wen. Ongelukkig is daar min privaat-skoolleerlinge wat na afloop van 'n wedstryd voel: "dit was 'n aangename wedstryd — dit maak nie saak watter span die oorwinning behaal het nie."

Maar sport het ook voordele van die grootste waarde. Seuns en meisies leer om bevele van hulle tydgenote te ontvang, en te gee. Dit is die belangrike feit: 'n kind leer om 'n leier te wees en word as 'n verantwoordelike persoon beskou. Daar bestaan ook 'n beter verhouding tussen staf en leerlinge op 'n privaatskool as op 'n staat skool, en veral die kosganger aan 'n privaatskool bring ure en ure van elke dag en nag in die geselskap van sy maats deur- dit is wanneer hulle met mekaar praat en dit is wanneer elke seun leer om sy maats te verstaan en te verdra.

Die privaatskool is die laaste vesting van doeltreffende godsdiensonderwys. Daarom mag geen poging toegelaat word nie om die privaatskool te verswak nie. As 'n mens Christelike opvoeding begeer is dit onsin om te glo dat 'n staatskool dit sal voorsien. Geen plaaslike dominee kan hoop om 'n volle opleiding te gee nie want dit is nie 'n klaskamer vak nie — dit is 'n wyse van lewe en dit enigste manier om godsdiens te onderwys is deur 'n voorbeeld te stel, en dit kan alleen aan 'n privaatskool gebeur.

Aan privaatskole is daar net seuns of net meisies — die twee word nooit gemeng nie. 'n Meisie se emosionele ontwikkeling vind gouer as 'n seun s'n plaas. Seuns en meisies in dieselfde klas is miskien van dieselfde intellektuele standaard, maar die mate van emosionele ontwikkeling is glad nie dieselfde nie. Om so 'n klas te onderwys is 'n onbegonne taak. Daarom moet die twee geslagte in die klaskamer geskei wees. Hulle speel nie dieselfde sport nie en die behoeftes van elk verskil baie. Party mense reken dat seuns en meisies saam moet grootword, maar dit is heeltemal onnodig want 'n kind word nie 'n volwassene nie totdat hy die skool 'n paar jaar verlaat het nie.

As 'n paar van die groot beroemde Engelse en Suid-Afrikaanse privaatskole bestudeer word, word een feit bo alles duidelik: hierdie skole soos Rugby, Shrewsbury, Eton, St. Andrew's en Michaelhouse verskaf die persone wat hulle land en volk bou en vooruitstrewend maak.

"Kyk na die wêreld," het hy gesê," daar was die goed en die kwaad daarin. Kyk na die geestelike wet, daar was die goed en die kwaad daarin. Ons is almal 'n deel van 'n stelsel. Dit mag nie 'n perfekte stelsel wees nie — maar niks is perfek nie!" Hierdie woorde van mnr. Spenlow in David Copperfield is waar, baie waar van die opvoeding wat 'n privaatskool bied — maar die feit bly — met al sy foute, is 'n privaatskool-opvoeding die beste.

G.R.B.

(Winning Essay in The Rector's Afrikaans Essay Prize.)

SOCIETIES

SENIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

After a successful start to the year, the last half has been rather disappointing. This is mainly because we have not produced enough good serious speakers. Humorous debates are always lively, and there is no lack of wit in the Society. We are hoping that the thought of the annual dinner ahead may spur members on to heights of eloquence.

We have had two Inter-School Debates; one against Girls' High, where we emerged victorious by a narrow margin, and one against Esctourt, which we lost. C. Nicholson represented the School in the Jan Hofmeyr speech competition.

The Debate that "Success in Sport Leads to Deterioration of Character" was lost by 6 votes to 33. With the notable exception of the chairman, the speeches were not of a very high standard. Later in the third quarter, in more humorous vein, we held a "trial of morals", where Richard Burton was sentenced to death and Elvis Presley to life imprisonment.

Response from the B Block has been rather disappointing, but a large percentage of the A Block speakers are returning next year, and we are hoping for marked improvement.

TAALVERENIGING

Die komitee vir hierdie jaar is C. R. Nicholson, voorsitter: J. S. Stubbings, sekretaris: A. Burns en D. Sutherland. Aan die begin van die derde kwartaal het ons Mnr. Coetzee as ons nuwe president verwelkom. Hy het die vereniging gevorm en dus is dit 'n groot plesier om hom weer by ons te hê. Ons is ook baie jammer om Mnr. van Straaten te verloor. Ons het twee vergaderings gehad — 'n debat wat 'n groot sukses was, en in die ander het Mnr. Coetzee ons vertel hoe die vereniging ontstaan het.

LAER TAALVERENIGING

Die Vereniging was baie jammer om vroeër vanjaar van Mnr. Verster afskeid te neem. Na 'n kwartaal se "rustyd" waarin geen vergaderings gehou is nie, het die vereniging weer gereelde vergaderings in die paviljoen gehou. 'n Groot moeilikheid waarmee die vereniging te kampe het is dat min van die lede gewillig is om in Afrikaans te debateer. Om 'n sukses van die vereniging te maak is dit nodig dat hulle hierdie skaamheid oorwin.

DRAGON CLUB

Chairman: R.W.H. Secretary: Matthews. Members: Bates, Haysom, Lyon, Nicholson, Ralfe, Readhead, Stubbings.

During the course of the last half-year we have lost Foley and Melville, both of whom left to continue their studies overseas.

This half-year has again been an extremely fruitful one, and the standard has been remarkably high. We have had one guest speaker — Mr. Michael Cassidy, an Old Boy of Michaelhouse, and, we discovered, a foundation member and former secretary of the Dragon Club. He led an informal discussion on various aspects of Africa and described his reason for coming to Africa. We are extremely grateful to him, and were very impressed with his sincerity and dedication.

The remainder of the meetings have been equally successful. Melville read an excellent paper on "Michelangelo", while Ralfe's "Study of Hitler" was superb. More recently Readhead presented an intriguing talk on Communism.

Altogether, the past half-year has shown only too well that the Society has maintained its reputation of being the hide-out for the intellectual élite.

PIONEER CLUB

The Pioneer Club has had well over a hundred and thirty meetings since its foundation, and has continued in flourishing style this year. As three of our members left in July further elections were necessary and Haysom, Matthews and Nicholson joined the Club.

Over the past two quarters the subject matter for the meetings has been very varied, for we have had talks on Moral Rearmament, or the Oxford Group, by the Chaplain, an account of an exchange visit to the United States by the Ven. P. W. R. Russell, and a description of the Greek, Coptic and Capuchin Monasteries by the Ven. L. Wellington.

The talks have always been interesting and the discussions lively, for which we are most grateful to our visiting speakers. The Club has provided an invaluable experience to its members and has created a living interest in the multifarious activities of the Church.

Our thanks go once again to the Chaplain and Mrs. Sargent for their help, enthusiasm and guidance in a successful year.

THE FORUM

The highlight of this half-year was a visit from Justice James, who addressed us on the subject "The System of Law in South Africa".

We have also discussed the possibility of a population explosion; the future of space travel and South African Racial Policies.

At forthcoming meetings we intend to discuss the Cuban crisis and other current world affairs.

Members have shown a keen argumentative spirit, which is guided, and sometimes has to be controlled, by Mr. Law, to whom our thanks are deserving.

HISTORY SOCIETY

Towards the end of the second quarter the Society had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Barrett, a lecturer at Natal University. He produced an interesting and factual paper on the "Russian Revolution".

During the second half of the year, the Society has had three other speakers. The first was G. M. Ralfe, who presented a well-prepared paper on "Hitler". At the following meeting we were very fortunate to have Professor Burchell, Senior Lecturer in Law at Natal University, to speak. His subject was "History of Our Law in South Africa" which provided considerable interest.

Mr. Broadbent delivered a most intriguing paper on the "Boxer Rebellion" which provoked some lively discussion. One more meeting will be held this quarter to conclude the Society's second year, and we hope that during the following year we will have as many entertaining evenings.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

With the arrival of Spring, the Society has been more active and a great deal of interest has been shown in all spheres. The Speech Day exhibition was a great success, with a good display of snakes, among them some exceptionally fine and large specimens. Two new items on show were the Society's horns and the taxidermy section, both of which aroused much interest.

For our first meeting we were lucky enough to get Mr. Lawson up from Durban, and being one of Natal's foremost birdmen, he was able to give the Society a very absorbing talk on bird-catching and ringing. Our second speaker for the Michaelmas Quarter was K.M.P., who gave us a talk on his butterfly collecting experiences and his collection. To these two people who were kind enough to speak to us we extend our sincerest thanks.

We should also like to thank very warmly Mrs. Richards for donating to us her late husband's fine collection of skins, horns and muskets; Mr. H. Streatfield, for his presentation of three beautiful silver pheasants, and Mr. Norman, for giving us the treated poles for the Society's new aviary.

The aviary, which will be one of the largest in the area, is progressing well, and we hope that by the time this is published it will be completed.

We should like to thank the "Wildlife Protection Society" very much indeed for the loan of their excellent films.

THE STAMP CLUB

Last quarter we welcomed Mr. McCall, of Lidgetton, who came to speak to the Club and show us some of his collection. He then gave us a competition, asking us to spot the mistake in the titling of one of his album pages. Sharp eyes soon found this, and the handsome prize which Mr. McCall provided had to be divided between four. Upon leaving, he generously invited members of the Society to visit him at his farm, and left us with a large box, full of stamps, for distribution among members. We all hope we shall see more of Mr. McCall.

Ordinary meetings continue as usual, and the atmosphere of the Club is particularly genial at the moment. Sales packets are frequent arrivals — too frequent for those who find temptation difficult to combat. Our special thanks are due to Mrs. Odams, who is not only feeding us well at our meetings, but has been found to be responsible for a spectacular increase in our Bank Reserves, owing to the less frequent necessity of expenditure on Tuck Shop biscuits.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Once again the Society has been fortunate in having no lack of funds, and thus remains as well equipped as could reasonably be wished.

As well as this, the Society has been blessed with an unusually large number of excellent visiting speakers, who seem never to fail to stimulate interest and thought. We are most grateful to them for the help they have so willingly given us.

There is a satisfying amount of young (as well as more senior) talent in the Society, and we can confidently say that a large proportion of this has been brought about by the enthusiasm of Mr. Lowe and the unfailing zest of a keen committee. The Photographic Prize was awarded to Anthony Phillips, who not only put considerable time into being an efficient secretary, but who also gave much of the informed coaching to beginners in the darkrooms, where he himself produced such a profusion of high quality prints.

It can only be hoped that next year will see the return of this talent and possibly an even better selection of prints than those displayed this year.

MODELLING CLUB

Over the past terms there has been an increase of activity and most members now own engines and 'planes. On Speech Day there was some successful and spectacular combat flying, which drew many people to the Oval.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Agricultural Society has had a successful year, as is shown by the increase in membership. Activities included an enjoyable outing to Mr. Nicholson's farm; an extremely interesting talk by Mr. K. Reynolds, President of the South African Hereford Breeders' Association, and a very good address from Mr. Cairns. Many films have been shown on different types of farming in South Africa. A members' evening was also held, at which different members of the Society lectured on different topics and some slides were shown. This was found to be most successful and we hope to hold more of these in the future. Our thanks go to Mr. du Plessis, the master in charge, for all the work that he has put into the Society to make this a most successful year. We are going on another outing towards the end of the quarter, and hope that it will be as interesting and instructive as the previous ones have been.

CHESS CLUB

Owing to the lack of outside matches the Society has had a quiet half-year. The juniors are, however, showing promise, and we hope to hold an Inter-House Competition, and perhaps a match against the Staff, if we feel capable of it. Mr. Joubert has been a pillar of strength, and somehow managed to run the Society smoothly with probably the most inefficient committee ever — whose very sincere thanks go to him.

PEN CLUB

After running through a bad patch, as happens to nearly all new societies, the Pen Club has found its feet once more. Although the membership has not increased, some of the members' work has been of a high standard. Our thanks go to Mr. Sargent, who has been a most co-operative and understanding master in charge.

APIARY SOCIETY

At last we can boast of having been able to sell about thirty pounds of honey. At the beginning of the year Mr. Smith, of Peel's Apiary, very kindly let us take four of our hives down to his house. Last quarter we went down twice and came back with about 50 lbs. of honey. Mr. Smith has been very kind and has taught us how an Apiary should be properly run and has given us very valuable hints. The honey sold very well, especially to the boys, but we are still short of good equipment.

The twenty-two members of the Society have been very active and have done a great deal of work for the Society in their spare time. It is unfortunate that we cannot say the same about our bees here at school, which do not seem to have been very active.

We are very grateful to both Mr. Smith and Mr. James for their time and energy.

AFRICAN AFFAIRS SOCIETY

Chairman: R.W.H. Members: Ralfe, Gray, Beaton, van Klemperer, Readhead, Zaloumis, Bates, Phillips, Mendelow (Secretary), Dunning.

Most of the members have read papers this year. All have been interesting and a few highly amusing. The society was privileged to be addressed by Mr. Roberts last quarter on the subject of "Pondoland".

Other subjects for discussion have been "Nationalist Party Politics", "The Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland", "Kenya", "Algeria", "Multi-Racial Development in South Africa", and "Ghana".

Although the Society usually meets only three times a quarter, the members have managed to maintain a sound knowledge and understanding of Africa, its many peoples, its complex politics and problems.

VENTURE CLUB

The activities of the Club have again been vigorous and varied. Enterprising expeditions have been undertaken by individuals and there have been numerous climbs to the four major peaks of the Berg within week-end reach, Giant's Castle, Champagne Castle, Cathedral Peak and Mont-aux-Sources. We are most grateful to the Provincial authority and the University Mountain Club for permission to use their huts.

Another successful assault on Kilimanjaro took place in July when three masters, an Old Boy and seven boys attacked the mountain. This is the fifth time in six years that Michaelhouse boys have climbed the 19,300-ft. peak.

It is hoped to introduce a special tie which will be able to be worn by those who have successfully undertaken a certain number of rigorous expeditions.

The Canoeing season is about to open and we hope to explore the Bushman's River, in addition to the Mooi, this year.

GRAMOPHONE CLUB

The Gramophone Club, filled to capacity again, was unable, unfortunately, to accept all the applicants for membership. With so many to choose from, the interest and activity in the Club has been very good. Several members of the Staff and several boys have given the Club some extremely interesting and informative talks on different periods of music. It was decided to allow many more boys to make use of the Gramophone Room, in the hope of fostering an increasing interest in classical music throughout the School.

MOTOR CLUB

Much of our time during the last quarter was occupied in preparations for Speech Day. Though we say so ourselves, we feel there was a great improvement in the standard of our exhibit when compared with that of 1961. In place of an old, somewhat rusty, chassis and cutaway engine our area was occupied by our mounted V-8 engine in running order and a "Go-Kart" belonging to a member, which advertised our existence over a large area of the school grounds. In addition, members were decarbonising a member of the staff's car to demonstrate the practical side of the Club, and walls were adorned with suitable charts and diagrams. For the latter we are indebted to Mr. McCormack, President of the M.T.A., and Mr. Eriksen, who obtained others through Ford, South Africa Ltd.

Our thanks also go to the Ford Motor Company for the presentation of a new 105 E Anglia engine. This presentation has led to suggestions that we should build a car around it. Our only complaint now is that we have insufficient room for our activities now that we have increased our equipment.

Membership has been fairly drastically reduced in order to create greater competition and to restrict it to the more enthusiastic members who make greater use of the facilities provided. Several films have been shown, and we are looking forward to a talk by Mr. Bruce Johnson in the near future on his return from the circuits of Europe.

The committee for 1963 has been elected to ease the pressure on Matriculants. It is hoped that the Club will continue to improve at the rate that it has. Our thanks go to the retiring committee, particularly the president, John Gordon-Thomson, who has been largely responsible for the increase in the interests and activities of the Club, and also to Mr. Gillespie for his continued advice and assistance.

TROUT FISHING CLUB

Once again the past year has been highly enjoyable and also reasonably fruitful for all members of the Club. There have been a great number of outings and heartfelt thanks go to our many kindly hosts.

At the beginning of the season the Club had another wonderful few days in East Griqualand as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rhine Cathcart and good bags were taken in the Underberg district. After we left East Griqualand, Mr. P. J. Goldie-Scot took Charles Potter, Daryl McCleod, Robin James, Bruce Aiken and John Matterson to Himeville for four days. The party were most fortunate in that they were lent a cottage by Dr. and Mrs. M. Hudson-Bennett and were well looked after by the neighbours. A fine day was had on McDougal's Dam, when ten fine fish were caught.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Henderson once again allowed us the use of their cottage on the Bushman's and though the waters were very low all members managed to bag fish. In the evenings the members made their own flies and found them more deadly than the bought ones. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kerr kindly allowed us to fish their stretch of water on the Bushman's and entertained us to tea and scones.

A delightful day was spent on Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jonnson's farm, fishing their various dams. Good sport was had by all and a tremendous shout from Robin James heralded the hooking and landing of a 5-lb. fish.

Mr. P. J. Goldie-Scot is the proud owner of an acre of land just outside Underberg. He is giving a portion of this land to the Trout Club so that they can build a fishing cottage for the use of all the old members.

ST. MICHAEL'S YACHT CLUB

Although this has been a somewhat uneventful year, it has been an enjoyable one for those who delight in sailing. We have started on the construction of the four new Cadets, and there has been some progress, even though it has been slow. Some boys have worked hard in their spare time, while the weaker brethren have fallen by the wayside.

We have not had any Inter-Club races recently as we have been waiting until the new Cadets were finished and on the water. However, six Trophy races have been completed and many of the junior enthusiasts will now be able to take part in outside regattas with some hope of success.

Richard Hesketh and John Heslop are close contestants for the Trophy. It looked as though Richard Hesketh was going to be the winner but John Heslop entered a protest for an infringement in the last race and as a result of this a further race will be held during the next two weeks.

When the four new Cadets are ready we shall have seven school Cadets and thus be entitled to form a Cadet Squadron, and be able to enter for races anywhere in the world.

We are indeed most grateful to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cliffe for allowing us to use their dam. It is a constant source of pleasure and a most valuable training ground for the young.

SCIENCE SOCIETY

During the past six months, the Science Society has shown a great increase in interest and activity. Members have started a crystal-growing section, and a chromatograph section, both under the guidance of Mr. Thompson, and efforts are being made to construct apparatus for these. Our rocket-project has been held up because we are unable to obtain the necessary metal piping.

The highlight of this term has been a lecture by Mr. Eagle, of the Natal University, who gave us a very interesting and informative talk entitled "Rockets and Satellites".

With the end of another year in sight, we extend our thanks to Mr. Thompson for his help in getting the Society more active than ever before.

PLAY READING GROUP

Although we are rather short of "female" readers, and although the plays we have read lately have not admitted of much discussion, nevertheless, thanks to the "comforts" provided by Mr. Gordon-Clarke, we enjoy our thrice-quarterly meetings. By far the best play we have read lately is "Five Finger Exercise", a psychological drama, which was enjoyed by all. We are hoping to find a good selection of "female" readers among next year's "cacks".

CHESS CLUB

Since the second quarter the Chess Club has been meeting in the Geography Room, and have found it a suitable venue. Most of the meetings have been occupied by ladder games or friendly matches. Two matches against other schools have been played recently — one against Hilton away and the other against Cordwalles at home. Both matches were most enjoyable and evenly contested.

THE BRIDGE CLUB

Of the many societies and clubs the Bridge Club has flourished into one of the most enthusiastic and élite. Consisting mainly of A Block, with one or two from B Block and VIth Form, we meet regularly three or four times a quarter in Staff homes. A few fanatics play every Sunday afternoon in the Library.

A highly successful and most enjoyable Inter-House Duplicate Bridge Tournament was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Withers during the third quarter. Each house entered one or two teams, and in the final play-off the Baines pair defeated the Farfield second pair on points, with one rubber each.

We are extremely grateful for, and indebted to, the organisation and hospitality of Mr. Oakes, and for the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Withers and other staff members.

SATURDAY EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS

We have been most grateful to our visiting entertainers on Saturday evenings during the past few months. We fully appreciate the sacrifice in time and effort that is involved.

On the 19th of May we were very pleased to welcome Messrs. Jackie McGlew and Chris Burger. Mr. McGlew gave us a most stimulating talk, which was also enjoyed by the non-cricketers who were present.

Dr. C. Akerman showed his excellent wild-life films to the school on the 9th of June.

In August we were visited by Capt. W. J. B. Smith and he addressed the school on road safety, and his very interesting experiences in the Kalahari and South-West Africa. On the 18th Messrs. Frank Smith and Ernie Pearce gave a talk on the Comrades' Marathon and the Maritzburg – Durban canoe race, and also showed a film on the latter. It will not be surprising if there are some competitors in the above two gruelling events in coming years.

On the 1st of September Mr. Ronald Woodcock gave a very interesting and entertaining violin recital. The audience may have arrived prejudiced but it is very unlikely that there were any who did not enjoy the evening's entertainment.

The Junior Debating Society, the Music Club, the Venture Club and the Kilimanjaro expedition of 1962 have had open evenings.

CADET NOTES

Senior Student Officer: J. G. Inglis. R.S.M.: G. S. Mitchell-Innes. In October, G. S. Mitchell-Innes was appointed to the rank of R.S.M. in the place of R.S.M. R. S. Melville, who left after the third quarter.

The year has been a very successful one for the battalion. Three permanent bands have now been established. The Bugle Band, The Pipe Band and the Military Band. Unfortunately the hard work of Drum-Major J. McCormick was not fully rewarded at the Midland Band Competition, held at Pietermaritzburg. This may have been attributable to nervousness and over anxiousness. However, the Bugle Band is one of the most efficient and smartest we have had in the battalion for many years and all ranks are to be congratulated on this. The Pipe and Military Bands have also put in much hard work and both are improving.

Field Day went off without a hitch. The whole battalion spent the morning at Cairn Marsh scouring the hills and forests for a dozen well-concealed saboteurs. The operation was of inestimable value, owing to the difficulities of the terrain, as well as synchronization and communication of command. In the afternoon "A" and "C" companies launched a full scale attack on a pre-determined and far from impregnable position, defended by "B" Company. The attacking commanders showed outstanding initiative in some complicated and successful decoy manœuvres. Once again a light aircraft for tactical reconnaissance and flour bombing added reality to the scheme, and for this we were greatly indebted to Mr. Carl Erasmus, who flew up from Durban and spent an hour and a half over the battlefield.

Almost the whole of the third quarter was spent in assiduous practice for the Annual General Inspection, and by the time the actual date came round the standard of drill and the execution of the parade was very good. But to our disappointment the parade was cancelled at the last minute because of bad weather and we regret very much that Commandant F. St. G. Tatham was unable to come up and take the salute. The excellent standard achieved was the result of much hard work by Capt. B. A. Law, Student Officers and R.S.M.

Since our last report Beaton, Matthews, Norman and Taylor have been promoted to Student Officers and Barford, Thorrington-Smith, Turner and Whiteley to Staff Sergeants; Mostyn to R.Q.M.S.; Gray to C.S.M., and Crookes to Admin. Sgt.-Major.

The standard of drill has remained high throughout the year, and a most agreeable surprise has been the alacrity with which "D" Company has learnt its basic drill and discipline. Well done the N.C.O.s.

J. E. Coetzee, who did outstandingly well at the Army Gymnasium last year, gave the battalion a most interesting talk on life at the Gymnasium.

The Inter-House Cadet Competition is to be held on 23rd November. Commandant J. H. Smallwood and six Officers of the D.L.I. will be coming up to judge the competition. Our "Parent" Regiment has done much to help us during the past year and to them we extend our very grateful thanks.

OLD MEN FORGET

The smouldering embers heaved a dying sigh And fell:
The bowed grey head nodded,
The tired eyes dragged open,
The body woke in darkness.
Seventy years made that body stoop,
Seventy years hung round that wrinkled neck.

Outside, the snow patted panes,
And sudden gusts slammed doors —
The grey-haired man moved closer
To the fading heat.
An hour before, bent beside the fire,
He cried. His misery-fogged brain remembered;
Smarted eyes dropped tears onto the hearth —
Fruitless tears that evaporated into nothing.
His old heart, filled with woes,
Could not forget that day.
It had been cold as this one;
It had made all life
Seem death to live.
And she had died that day.

He remembered:

He knelt beside her bed and prayed
For her;

He held her clammy hand and kissed cold lips
For her;

He waited, helpless, as the mercury sank,
With his hopes and her life.
He tried to put a sparkle in his eyes
But knew he never could disguise
His grief
For her.

Then she sat up and stared at him—
Her eyes, azure blue in Death's wane mask,
Shone with madness.
And she had said three words
That stabbed his heart three times,
"Old men forget," she sighed,
And lay, pale face on white pillow;
Dead face on Death's lap.

He shuddered and stood up: Thick darkness closed about him. Through tear-clouded eyes he saw The glow of the embers, And he heard her voice again — "Old men forget."

J.W.W.

MUSIC

THE CHORAL SOCIETY

Our efforts this year were devoted to the production of "The Sorcerer", by Gilbert and Sullivan. We started singing-rehearsals in the first quarter, and the cast consisted basically of the choir, which was strongly reinforced by other members of the school and staff. As soon as we began rehearsing on the stage, the whole opera seemed to take on a new light, and great enthusiasm was



shown, which was reflected by outstanding attendances at rehearsals. The female parts were taken by the trebles, who, though at first seemed most unladylike, were, through the efforts of Messrs. Pygram and Allen, moulded into charming "girls". There was much excitement when the whole cast went to Pietermaritzburg for the first rehearsal with the Philharmonic Orchestra, to whom go our sincerest thanks for all the time and patience devoted to making the production such a success. With the usual last minute panic we were ready, just in time, for the curtain at the Dress Rehearsal. However, from the first performance the standard built up to a crashing climax on the last night.

Our special congratulations go to the soloists, who delivered very convincing performances, and also to the chorus for a keen and vigorous backing. We also have much pleasure in thanking all the ladies on the staff who helped with make-up, costumes and refreshments, and the stage crew, who produced a magnificent set.

MUSIC SOCIETY

During the third quarter the Music Society meetings took the form of additional rehearsals for the Gilbert & Sullivan production and it is perhaps as a result of these intense music rehearsals that the singing of the chorus reached such a high standard.

Our trips to Pietermaritzburg to rehearse with the Philharmonic Orchestra were greatly enjoyed by the many members of the Society who were singing in "The Sorcerer". It was a most exciting experience to sing in the resonant City Hall with orchestral accompaniment, and furthermore, it gave us an opportunity of watching the instrumentalists in action.

Despite our heavy programme, several members managed to attend a delightful recital by the "Trio de Trieste" at the University. This term we also heard Pierre Fournier, the celebrated 'cellist, and thirty boys went into Pietermaritzburg to hear a recital by Gé Korsten and Rita Roberts, together with the Augmented Orchestra and Choir.

SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

During the third quarter of this year, most of the rehearsals were spent in practising for "The Sorcerer". At the end of the quarter when the opera was produced, three members of the orchestra, a flautist, trumpeter and a violinist, were privileged to augment the Pietermaritzburg Philharmonic Orchestra. All three of them agreed that it was a great experience. It is a great pity that the school cannot produce more boys interested in playing an orchestral instrument, and it is hoped that next year some latent talent will be discovered.

The fourth quarter has been spent playing pieces by 18th century composers for small chamber ensemble. Once again we must thank Mrs. H. Hampson for giving up her valuable time to play each Thursday. We record with thanks the loyal support which J. Kruger has given by his regular attendance at orchestral rehearsals. We shall miss his playing next year and can only hope that it will not be long before we have

another flautist of his ability.

OTHER MUSIC

Although we have not been able to establish what is generally known as a dance band this year, we have frequently been entertained by the Skiffle Band. The instrumentalists of this band are mainly Electric-Guitarists playing in the style of the British group, "The Shadows". Tribute must be paid to all the members of this band for the high standard they attained, but particularly to Mike Permuy and Buster Lyall Watson, on guitar and drums respectively — both of whom show considerable talent and should do well in their music when they leave at the end of the year.

There appears to be an increasing number of boys interested in teaching themselves to play various instruments — mainly guitars. This trend is welcomed since no matter how little some of them might progress it is an indication that they are trying to express themselves musically and there is always the possibility that their interest will develop towards

serious music.

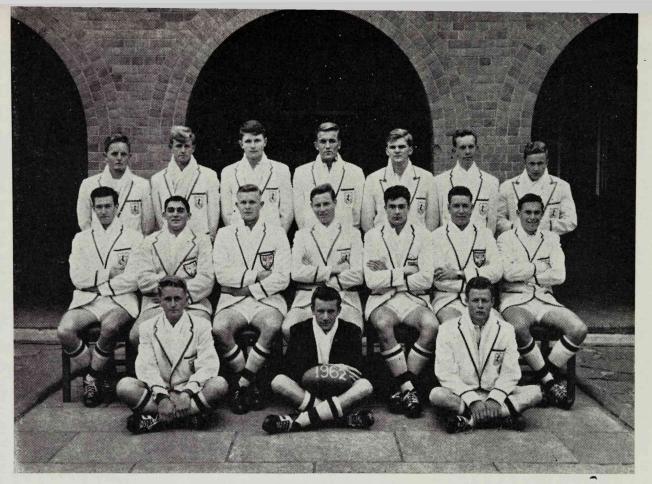
THE PUNCTURE

Fifteen miles from anywhere,
On the way to Crewe,
I've picked up a horseshoe,
Whatever shall I do?
Speak to me of fortune,
Talk to me of luck!
I've picked up a horseshoe
And here I'm stuck!

When I was a youngster
Mother used to say
"Never leave a horseshoe
Lying in the way."
Well, through storm and sunshine
I've made it a cult
To do as Mother told me:
This is the result!

There is not a garage
Or cycle-shop in reach;
I've left my tools behind me,
So I'm on the beach.
Ninepence in my pocket;
Two nails in my shoe,
Fifteen miles from anywhere,
On the way to Crewe!

C.S.P.



1st XV RUGBY

Standing (l. to r.): M. J. Smithyman, A. P. Mac lonald, J. S. Stubbings, J. McCormick, G. M. Ralfe, G. D. Chorley, A. T. B. Aiken.

Seated (l. to r.): A. G. Rose, G. A. Zaloumis, D. I. A. Campbell, W. D. Smith (captain), R. D. Lyon, J. K. R. Munro, C. R. Nicholson.

Sitting on ground: G. B. Hensman, N. R. Yorke, R. V. Smither.

RUGBY

1st XV

In terms of matches won and lost this might be regarded as a disappointing season and yet this was a difficult side to beat. This is illustrated by the fact that in school matches the side actually scored six more points than their opponents, in spite of winning only six of the eighteen school matches played. The side suffered an early setback, due to the fact that the captain, Smith, was injured early on in the season and did not play again. The strength of the side lay in the forwards, and the tight play was usually controlled by an extremely powerful front row, consisting of Campbell, Munro and Ralfe. Campbell, in particular, developed into a very powerful and rugged forward, both in the tight and in the loose, while Munro out-hooked all his opponents. Mention must also be made of Campbell's enthusiastic leading of the forwards after Smith was forced out of the game by injury. Stubbings and McCormick proved to be two very fit and intelligent lock forwards, who, while not being particularly heavy, usually outlasted their opponents.

The star of the side was undoubtedly flank forward Zaloumis. I do not think that I have seen a schoolboy flanker who could outclass him. He possessed all the attributes of a good flanker: fit, fast and tough; he was always on the ball and possessed a devastating tackle as most opposing halves learned to their cost. In attack he always showed great determination and always approached the opponents' line with commendable single-mindedness. During the course of the season he scored eight tries, three of them in the match against Kearsney.

Hensman provided able support for Zaloumis until he was moved to fly-half when his replacement, Chorley, carried on the good work. At eighth man Rose proved to be a very sound defensive player but must develop the attacking side of his play. Macdonald, who filled the eighthman berth when Rose was injured towards the end of the season, played two very good games for a person unaccustomed to the habits of forwards.

Behind the scrum the side was bedevilled by several problems, the main one being the search for a satisfactory fly-half. Several people were tried in this position and half-way through the second quarter Lyon was moved to fly-half. His powerful kicking helped to stabilise the side at an important stage of the season, but he never really learnt when to swing the ball. Nevertheless, his play did give the side an opportunity to settle down and to keep moving forward. At the beginning of the third quarter Hensman was moved from the flank to fly-half and for the first time the backline looked like moving. Although he did not have sufficient pace to make a really good fly-half, he handled the ball well and kicked with either foot. He also learned when to let the ball run down the line. Smithyman developed into a sound scrum-half with a long pass; towards the end of the season his tactical kicking showed great signs of improvement.

There was never any real penetration in the centre and the final combination of Smither and Yorke proved to be the most satisfactory. Smither, in particular, played some very sound games on defence. The wings for most of the season were Aiken and Macdonald; the former was the one threequarter in the side who had any real penetration but he would make better use of his undoubted ability with a less temperamental approach to the game. Macdonald lacked sufficient pace to be a good wing but always gave of his best, particularly on cover defence; it would seem that his natural position is eighth man. Lyon, when moved to the wing, showed distinct promise and as he developed confidence showed a

fair amount of thrust. Once again his boot was a very considerable scoring factor; in the course of the season he kicked 109 points in 18 matches. Nevertheless, one felt that he would have kicked many more if he had been a little less hurried and had been content to kick the ball over the cross-bar rather than over the top of the posts. In fairness, it must be said that he had to captain the side for the greater part of the season and this might well have upset his kicking. Nicholson came in as full-back when Lyon moved to fly-half and particularly towards the end of the season he played with great distinction; his fielding was always sound and he made up for a lack of pace with intelligent positional play.

In conclusion, one might say that while this was not a great side it was a side that always gave of its best, while with a little more penetration behind the scrum it could well have had an outstanding season.

Finally, a word of thanks to Mr. du Plessis and Rugby Secretary, B. H. Jack, for the cheerful and efficient manner in which they attended to the administrative chores.

RESULTS — 2nd Quarter:

v. Weston (home). Lost 3-11.

V. Voortrekker (away). Lost 9 – 17.
 v. D.H.S. (away). Lost 9 – 11.

v. St. Charles (home). Won 18 – 9. v. St. John's (away). Lost 16 – 20. v. College (home). Lost 5 – 9. v. Glege (howe). Won 12 – 9.

v. Hilton (home). Lost 3-8.

AGAINST ST. JOHN'S: JOHANNESBURG.

We travelled up to Johannesburg on Friday, by car. After the somewhat disastrous showing against the Old Boys, we decided to try an experiment by playing Lyon at fly-half. This was possibly a dangerous decision in view of lack of practice. We spent Friday night very comfortably in the St. John's Sanatorium.

We won the toss and they kicked off into a slight breeze. We were awarded an early penalty, which Lyon converted from the twenty-five (3-0). St. John's replied with a goal, which resulted from a midfield Then our forwards worked us back on to the attack, and break (3-5). when Lyon miskicked an attempted drop-goal, Macdonald, on the left wing, was on hand to gather up the ball and score close in. Lyon converted (8-5). The St. John's three-line then began to recover from their earlier shock, and, immediately after half-time, they proceeded to cut our defence to ribbons.

They showed themselves to be a line of the highest standard, and the score mounted steadily. By dint of two lovely unconverted tries and two penalties, one a drop-kick from behind half-way, they found themselves in the lead by 17 points to 8. However, at this stage we began to show a more determined approach to a game that was by no means lost yet. Lyon hit the upright with one penalty attempt, and later goaled an easier one (11-17). We worked our way back into the St. John's half, and the ball came out to Aiken, at second centre, who broke out on to the right-hand touch line, and then cut infield again to score half-way out to the left-hand touch line. In scoring this try Aitken must have run through the entire St. John's team at least once, and covered over 75 yards, during his weaving, and never once was a hand laid on him. Lyon yards, during his weaving, and never once was a hand laid on him. Lyon again hit the upright, but this time it went over (16-17).

There were only four minutes left for play and this was anybody's game, but St. John's pulled out just that little extra, and their centre scored after a beautiful dummy-scissors with his wing (16-20). This was the final score, the match ending with some very good threequarter play. So we just lost a most enjoyable game.

AGAINST COLLEGE (At Home).

Playing a yet unbeaten College side, we felt some trepedations as to how we would fare, for we were now without the services of our captain, Smith. However, our fears proved groundless, for we provided as stiff an opposition as College had been faced with so far.

Even from the kick-off our forwards were on top; however, College showed their superiority by possessing a much faster line, and this was what proved the deciding factor.

College opened the score with a magnificent try by Sharp, which they failed to convert (3-0). Shortly before half-time they increased their lead with a penalty (6-0). At the beginning of the second half, and throughout the rest of the game our forward superiority made itself felt, and the College halves began to crumble under the close attentions of Zaloumis and Hensman, who forced them into mistakes. This resulted in their being pinned in their own half, and, for that matter, in their own twenty-five for the majority of the second half.

Eventually, James, on the left wing, broke in-field and after a twenty-five yard run, reverse passed, to the ever present Zaloumis on his inside for the latter to go over and score near the posts. Lyon converted, making the score 6-5. Towards the end, Sharp again scored for College, using his amazing turn of speed, but the conversion from the corner flag failed. (9-5). In all, a good hard game.

AGAINST HILTON (At Home).

This game started on a very exciting note as very early on Aiken broke through in the centre and after a tifty-yard dash gave the ball to Rae, who scored in the corner. Lyon failed to convert (3—0). We then pinned them in their twenty-five for a long period, with the Hilton full-back receiving a very torrid time due to the attentions of both Zaloumis and Hensman, and we were very unlucky not to increase the lead we had attained. We crossed over at half-time with the score at 3-0 in our favour.

In the second half it was Hilton's turn to attack, and with a marked superiority in the line-outs they gained possession and ground, and after a scrum on our line were rewarded with a push-over try which they failed to convert. (3—3). The game now developed into an even battle until right up to the final whistle, when they snapped up a loose ball and with all their forwards in attendance scored a very fine try indeed. Final score, 8—3.

THE GRAHAMSTOWN TOUR

At midnight on Tuesday, the 26th of June, we boarded the train at Balgowan and began the long trek to Grahamstown. We arrived there on Thursday afternoon, and on Friday we took the field against St. Andrews. We started off soundly and although they were out-jumping us in the line-outs our forwards prevented them from making much use of their advantage. At this stage we were fairly well on top in the set scrums and in the loose play. Just before half-time Lyon, playing at full-back, gathered the ball on their ten-yard line and kicked a very good drop goal. We crossed over with a three-point lead. In spite of this the prospects were not very bright as it looked as if the side were beginning to feel the effects of the journey. This proved to be the case as the St. Andrews' backs were allowed to settle down and started to move the ball well. Before long they were rewarded with a try (3-3). We rallied but could not score and the middle section of the second-half developed into an even struggle. In the last eight minutes we tired visibly and St. Andrews scored a try and a goal (11-3).

On Saturday, St. Andrews very kindly took us down to Port Elizabeth to watch the Lions playing against Eastern Province, and on Sunday we left for Port Alfred. Wednesday saw us back in Grahams-

town, where we played Athlone High School, who were on tour from Johannesburg. In spite of playing well below form we had a comfortable 17-0 win and returned to Port Alfred. The decision to spend most of the week at Port Alfred proved to be a sound one as it enabled the team to relax and have a pleasant stay at the coast. Unfortunately two of our number decided to indulge in the local sport of "sand ski-ing". They did not survey their course with sufficient care and went off the end of the notorious Devil's Peak — they travelled through the air at a fine speed and buried themselves in the dune across the valley. This did not improve their faces and their backs, and as a result of this the one played in the first match and the other not at all. These were the only injuries we had on the tour. Special mention must be made of all the hospitality that was thrust upon us by the local residents, helping to make this a memorable stay.

On Friday we returned to Grahamstown and stayed at St. Aidans, whom we played on Saturday. This was not a very distinguished performance on our part and we allowed ourselves to be unsettled by some very spirited play. They opened the score very early on with a try and although we had a certain territorial advantage we could not penetrate their defence. Just before half-time they scored a further try and we crossed over six points down. Fairly early on in the second half Lyon goaled a penalty (3—6). Eventually we seemed to recover from our stupor and exerted considerable pressure but could not score. With five minutes to go Lyon goaled a further penalty and we were rather fortunate to draw.

On Sunday we moved across to Kingswood, whom we played on the Monday. This turned out to be the best match of the tour. We got the Monday. This turned out to be the best match of the tour. We got off to a very good start as Zaloumis came up on the fly-half who dropped the ball and Seymour, who was up in support, scored. Lyon converted (5-0). We then increased our lead when Lyon dropped a goal from right in front (8-0). At this stage Kingswood rallied and some very good rugby ensued. Before long they scored a try from the back of a line-out which was converted (8-5). Just after that they drew level with a penalty (8-8). Shortly before half-time they scored a further penalty (8-11). The second half developed into an even struggle until a misunderstanding between our halves allowed them to score a goal (8-16). They then went further ahead when one of our players was caught off-side They then went further ahead when one of our players was caught off-side in front of the posts (8-19). At this stage we made a spirited recovery and several promising movements were very nearly rewarded. Finally, just before the end of a very pleasant game, we scored a further penalty (11-19). Thus ended a very pleasant tour and I would like to thank Mr. Baker for his company and help on the tour, and also a special word of thanks to Mrs. Knight, who made all the necessary travel arrangements with her customary efficiency, and faced last-minute alterations in an incredibly cheerful manner.

EASTERN PROVINCE TOUR

v. St. Andrews. Lost 3-11.

v. Athlone High. Won 17-0.

v. **St. Aidans.** Drawn 6 – 6. v. **Kingswood.** Lost 11 – 19.

AGAINST COLLEGE (Away).

From the outset this had the makings of an interesting struggle. We had run College closer than any other school in the Second Quarter. Here then was our chance to defeat College on their home ground, a feat that has been accomplished only once in the past five seasons. Our forwards made their undoubted superiority felt from the beginning, and their three-line was closely marked, and it seemed less coherent than usual.

However, College opened the score with a try by van de Watt, which was unconverted (3-0). Unfortunately, Lyon was having a most unhappy day with his place kicks, and failed three early attempts.

Eventually, however, he booted one home with a beautiful kick from his own half (3-3). This equality was short-lived, however, for Sharpe placed a penalty in retaliation (3—6). So we changed over three points down, but full of hope as our forward superiority was beginning to have an

adverse effect on the College eight.

Again, however, Sharpe dashed our hopes, at least temporarily, by goaling an early second-half penalty (3-9). From now on we had virtually complete control in front, and as our line gained confidence from what was probably their best showing of the season we began to let the ball With less than five minutes left we really cracked on the pressure, and Smither gave the ball to Lyon on the right wing, who rounded Sharpe and set off for the line. He was, however, tackled just short of the line by the full-back. The ball rolled loose and College were glad to fly-kick into touch.

From the resultant line-out, Zaloumis once more came away with the ball, only this time he found McCormick with him as he was felled, and let out a lovely pass, which McCormick gratefully accepted, and crashed his way over. Lyon converted from close in (8—9), and the final whistle went as soon as College had kicked off again.

We lost a very hard-fought game, and were left with the feeling that if the threequarters had run with the ball at an earlier stage we might

easily have won.

AGAINST HILTON (Away).

This match was played in unpleasant conditions as there was a very strong wind which blew down the length of the field the whole afternoon. We kicked off into the wind and worked our way down into the Hilton twenty-five. Things looked very dangerous for us as Hilton hooked the ball from a set scrum and their blind side wing came into the line giving Fortunately, our cover defence held and the movement them an overlap. was stopped on our twenty-five. To add to our discomfort at this early stage, Smither concussed himself in a tackle. Hensman, at fly-half, showed some good rugby sense by standing wide and forcing the Hilton fly-half to take the inside gap into the ever present arms of Zaloumis; this procedure took the pressure off our centres, who were a little disorganised at this stage. After some tight play, during which Hilton made some dangerous runs into our territory, Smithyman broke round the blind side of a tight scrum and caught the full-back out of position with a high kick parallel to the touch line. Zaloumis, following up caught the full-back in possession, the ball was kicked over the Hilton line and Chorley scored under the posts. Lyon converted the try and we had a very useful five-point lead. Shortly before half-time Hilton replied with a penalty (5-3). We were very contented to cross over with a slight lead, especially as our forwards were beginning to get on top of the Hilton pack. Playing with the wind in the second half, and with our forwards dominating the play, we kept Hilton pinned in their own half. In due course we were awarded a penalty, which Nicholson converted (8-3). We continued to make good use of the wind; Hilton had worked their way into our half and were unlucky enough to see a penalty hit the posts. We relieved the pressure and returned to the Hilton twenty-five, where Lyon, having come in from the wing, received the ball from the scrum and dropped a goal (11-3). Towards the end Hilton failed to find touch and Nicholson gathered the ball on their ten-yard line and dropped a magnificent goal (14-3). From our point of view this was a very satisfactory ending to the season.

THIRD QUARTER

v. Weston (away). Lost 0-5.

v. Port Natal (home). Won 12-6.

v. College (away). Lost 8-9. v. Estcourt (away). Drawn 10-10. v. Kearsney (home). Won 16-3. v. Hilton (away). Won 14-3.

Summary:

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The following were regular members of the 1st XV: Smith, W. D. (Capt., Colours), Lyon, R. D. (Vice-Capt., Colours), Zaloumis, G. A. (Honours), Campbell, D. I. A. (Honours), Munro, J. K. R. (Honours), Nicholson, C. R. (Colours), Aiken, A. T. B. (Colours), Smither, R. V. (Colours), Hensman, G. B. (Colours), Smithyman, M. J. (Colours), Ralfe, G. M. (Colours), Chorley, G. D. (Colours), Stubbings, J. S. (Colours), McCormick, J. (Colours), Rose, A. G. (Colours), Macdonald, A. P. (Colours), Yorke, N. R. (Teams) and Rae, J. D. (Teams).

The 2nd XV had a successful season, both statistically and from the point of view of the rugby that they produced. They broke the age-old bogey by beating Hilton 9-0 on the first encounter, and gained a creditable draw at Hilton. Apart from the second College match, they were never really outplayed, and turned in some very good performances, notably against Hilton, Port Natal and Kearsney.

The forwards were a hard-working pack, as is well borne out by the number that gained lasting promotion to the 1st XV. In particular, Staniforth and Seymour deserve mention for their services in the front row: the former was a literal tower of strength, and the latter's hooking was well above average. Beaton, at lock, and Mitchell-Innes, at eighthman, were forwards of untiring enthusiasm and Mitchell-Innes captained the side and led the forwards with distinction.

The threequarters, although always ready to run with the ball, were not sure of when to let it out, and when to kick it. Rae was a purposeful and determined runner whenever he secured the ball, and spent a fair proportion of the season in the First. Gray, on the other wing, always gave of his best, despite a tendency to cut infield too often, and was rewarded by becoming the team's top try-scorer. Results:

- v. Westville (away). Won. 6-3.
- v. Voortrekker (away. Drawn 0-0.
- v. **D.H.S.** (away). Drawn 6-6. v. St. Charles (home). Won 14-6.
- v. College (home). Lost 0-11.
- v. Glenwood (away). Lost 3-15. v. Hilton (home). Won 9-0.
- v. Port Natal (home). Won 14-3.
- v. College (away). Lost 3-27.
- v. Estcourt (away). Drawn 6-6. v. Kearsney (away). Won 13-6. v. Hilton (away). Drawn 8-8.

Summary:

The following were regular members of the 2nd XV: Mitchell-Innes (Capt., Teams), Beaton (Teams), Fenton (Teams), Gray (Teams), James (Teams), Inglis (Teams), Matthews (Teams), Leslie (Teams), Seymour (Teams), Staniforth (Teams), Richards (Teams), Cullen, Kirkpatrick (Teams), Staniforth (Teams), Richards (Teams), Cullen, Kirkpatrick, Ballance, Pretorius, Baker, Norman, Kruger.

SECOND GAME

In spite of the usual demand for replacements in the higher Game, the Second Game had a good season and they managed to play well and Permuy led a light but hard-working pack very well and although often outweighed they struck back well in the loose with some considerable effect.

The threequarters were determined to exploit the running code and this attacking method developed well as the season progressed. In this respect they indulged in many good movements which provided bright entertainment and a happy season.

2nd Quarter:

3rd XV

- Won 19 0. v. Weston.

- v. D.H.S. Lost 3 24. v. College. Lost 3 20. v. Glenwood. Won 11 3. v. Hilton. Won 11 0.

4th XV

- v. **D.H.S.** Won 14-6.
- v. Westville. Won 22-0.
- v. St. Charles. Won 8-0.
- v. College. Lost 0-22.
- v. Alexandra High. Won 29-0. v. Glenwood. Won 19-0.
- v. **Hilton.** Won 26 5.

3rd Quarter:

3rd XV

- v. Port Natal. Won 5-3.
- v. College. Lost 6-11.
- v. Hilton. Won 16-3.

- v. Port Natal. Drew 3-3.
 v. College. Lost 3-9.
 v. Weston. Won 8-0.
 v. Kearsney. Won 6-0.
 v. Hilton. Won 11-3.

2nd Quarter:

5th XV

- v. Weston. Won 32 - 0.
- v. **Voortrekker.** Lost 3 16. v. **St. Charles.** Won 36 5.
- College. Lost 0-17. Hilton. Won 16-3.
- v. Hilton.

3rd Quarter:

v. College. Lost 0-21.

2nd Quarter:

6th XV

- v. Weston. Won 18 - 0.
- v. College. Won 6-0.

3rd Quarter:

v. College. Lost 0-21.

2nd Quarter:

7th XV

v. College. Lost 0-11.

3rd Quarter:

- v. **Weston.** Lost 11 18.
- v. College. Lost 3-21.

COLTS RUGBY

The team enjoyed a very good season indeed and played outstanding rugby on a number of occasions. The forwards were usually able to ensure an adequate supply of the ball from the set scrums and the loose but were sometimes beaten in the line-outs. With a fast back-line who usually handled well a large number of points were scored from orthodox

The few games which were lost had a salutary effect on a side which was inclined to be over-confident. Mitchell-Innes captained the side quite well but was occasionally unable to get the forwards working together.

The most promising players in the team were S. Norwoon, at eighthman, and P. Nash, on the right wing.

2nd Quarter:

v. Westville. Won 21-3.

v. Voortrekker. Won 8-3.
v. D.H.S. Lost 12-14.
v. St. Charles. Won 32-3.
v. Alexandra High. Won 38-0.
v. College. Won 8-3.

v. Glenwood. Lost 3-5.

v. **Hilton.** Won 21 – 0.

3rd Quarter:

v. Port Natal. Won 29-3.

v. College. Lost 0-3.

v. Estcourt.

Won 37 – 0. Won 19 – 3. v. Kearsney.

Lost 11 - 12. v. Hilton.

BUNNIES THE

Small but brave! Perhaps this is the truest dictum of this year's Bunnies. A moderate side, judged by results, yet only two bad defeats — by St. Charles, overwhelmed by size, and Hilton, outclassed. The forwards, once the vigour of Christopher had been included, defended dourly, with Bentley and Barras covering well, but too often failed to win enough of the ball and give the outsides a chance to show what they could do in attack. Campbell, in the centre, was a most dangerous player, and Harvey reluctantly became a sound full-back. This was at least an enjoyable season and Seymour a natural player and able scrum-balf an enjoyable season and Seymour, a natural player and able scrum-half, led this happy side admirably.

The following played: Harvey, Drew, Campbell, Farquharson, Hatfield, Stewart, Seymour, Christopher, Peacock-Edwards, Cross, P. Bentley, Manners, James, Martin, Barrass and Francis.

HOCKEY

The experiment, initiated last year, of having hockey as an alternative to rugby, proved particularly successful this year, when it was possible to arrange a number of fixtures against sides from Pietermaritzburg and elsewhere. During the whole season great keenness was shown by all the non-rugby hockey enthusiasts and remarkable improvement achieved in consequence. As time went on the non-rugby 1st XI functioned as an consequence. entity and succeeded in winning several matches against worthy opposition, including a Wanderers' Nomads side, kindly brought down by Mr. Low, Estcourt, an Old Boys' side, on Ascension Day, and Cedara, who had previously beaten the same side comfortably. Six boys attended trials in Pietermaritzburg and eventually three - A. H. Burns, R. S. M.



Standing (l. to r.): N. I. Matthews, G. A. van der Veen, A. H. Burns, W. D. Smith, G. B. Hensman, Seated (l. to r.): J. McCormick, P. Taylor (capt.), R. S. M. Melville (vice-capt.), M. J. Smithyman. Sitting on ground (l. to r.): J. Matterson, P. J. Kirkpatrick.

Melville and P. Taylor — went to the final Natal Schools' Trials in Durban. Taylor is to be congratulated on his selection for Natal Schools, and, after the S.A. Schools' Week, for S.A. Schools. The hockey he played was of a very high standard indeed. Burns was reserve goal-keeper for Natal Schools and Melville must have come very close to selection. He, Taylor and Burns formed a formidable combination, characterised by excellent understanding, as many sides who played the non-rugby XI and later the 1st XI acknowledged.

With this basis on which to build it was not difficult to choose a 1st XI side which performed very adequately and was, in fact, better than last year's because the defence was sounder and the attack more penetrative. The halves developed well, with Smithyman (centre-half) showing outstanding positional play and control, and Hensman and McCormick tenacious and at times brilliant. Van der Veen made great strides as a His stick work was at times scintillating and he was quick in the circle; he must, however, learn to distribute more effectively and to follow the ball even when chances appear slight. Matterson and Kirkpatrick both distributed the ball intelligently and well and scored some good goals; Matterson must correct his fault of taking his eye off the ball as he shoots. On the wings Matthews and Smith lacked polish and experience but both played well on occasions. Taylor is to be congratulated on his quietly effective leadership of both sides. He was always keen to learn and to help others, and the experience he gained during the season was of great value.

The XI in their first match, against Wanderers, lacked cohesion and therefore penetration, having had little time to settle down together. A couple of lapses in defence cost us the game by a greater margin than ought to have been the case. This was followed by a much better showing against a rather weaker Rangers side, in which combination was developed and the forwards did good work in the circle. Next Collegians fielded almost their first league side in Pietermaritzburg and played breath-taking hockey, from which we were able to learn a great deal, particularly about inside-forward play. We are especially grateful to all the men's sides who play us each year for the trouble they take over these fixtures and the valuable lessons they teach us. A close battle with Natal University (PMB) was only decided in the last few minutes when they scored from a short corner. Against Berea Rovers, too, a close match developed. We might well have won this but the forwards squandered their many chances by wild shooting.

The season ended with two school matches. In the **Hilton** match we showed all-round superiority to win 2-0. Taylor had a particularly brilliant game, whilst Melville was his usual calm self. The goals were scored by Matterson and van der Veen. The 2nd XI, who had previously played some good hockey, notably against Natal University and Berea Rovers, could not finish on this day, and, with many more scoring chances than their opponents, failed to score. The defence was sound but the forwards were often so slow in the circle. Other Hilton fixtures, all at home the week before, resulted in wins for the Under 16 and Under 15, and a draw for Under 14. Our final match was against **D.H.S.**, who have only just started playing hockey. In the first half a number of chances went astray and we led 2-0. In the second half, however, the side worked together with precision, bewildered their opponents, who nevertheless did not stop trying, and ended by winning 9-0. In this game Ball played very well in Kirkpatrick's place (German measles), scoring three goals. At the same time an Under 15 side defeated **D.H.S.** 3-1.

Teams:

1st XI: A. H. Burns; R. S. M. Melville (vice-capt.), P. Taylor (capt.); G. B. Hensman, M. J. Smithyman, J. McCormick; W. D. Smith, P. J. Kirkpatrick, G. A. van der Veen, J. Matterson, I. N. Matthews.

2nd XI: G. R. Beaton, B. H. Jack (capt.), L. H. Whittaker; P. A. Gallo, C. L. Porrill, A. J. Ritchie; A. J. M. Caldow, K. M. L. Ireland, T. E. K. Radloff, C. A. B. Ball, P. G. Misselbrook.

Under 16: D. M. Sutherland; P. A. E.-D. Briscoe, A. G. Lidgett; C. S. Potter, W. M. Lau (capt.), A. J. Lund; M. M. Harvey, C. D. F. Richards, D. C. Legge, A. G. Phillips, R. B. Dalrymple. (B. M. Brothers also played; D. D. Dyer was selected but did not play.)

Under 15: J. S. S. Smyth; J. J. Price, D. G. MacLeod; J. J. Low, P. W. Turner, G. H. D. Jefferies; H. L. G. Knight, C. J. R. Black (capt.), J. W. C. Emmett, L. McCormick, G. H. Webb.

Under 14: M. B. Peacock-Edwards; R. L. Campbell, P. G. Bensimon; M. H. Farquharson, S. J. Nash, D. P. Martin; R. D. Firth, T. M. Seymour (capt.), C. P. Whittaker, B. A. Stewart, T. R. Barras.

Non-Rugby XI: A. H. Burns; R. S. M. Melville (vice-capt.), P. Taylor (capt.); D. W. M. Cox, K. M. L. Ireland, A. J. Ritchie; A. J. Akeroyd (T. E. K. Radloff after half-year), W. M. Lau, G. A. van der Veen, J. Matterson, P. G. Misselbrook.

Results:

1st XI v. Wanderers. Lost 4-1. v. Rangers. Won 4-2.

v. Collegians. Lost 4-1. v. University. Lost 1-0.

v. Berea Rovers. Lost 1-0. v. Hilton. Won 2-0.

Won 9 - 0. v. **D.H.S.**

2nd XI v. Wanderers. Lost 2-1.

v. Ray Byrne's XI. Lost 4-3.

v. A Maritzburg College XI. Lost 2-1.

v. University. Won 1-0.

v. **Berea Rovers.** Drawn 1-1. v. **Hilton.** Drawn 0-0.

U 16 v. Hilton. Won 8-0.

U 15 v. Hilton. Won 1-0.

v. **D.H.S.** Won 3-1.

U 14 v. Hilton. Drawn 1-1.

AWARDS

Honours: P. Taylor, R. S. M. Melville.

Colours: A. H. Burns, G. B. Hensman, P. J. Kirkpatrick, J. Matterson, G. A. van der Veen.

Teams: P. J. Kirkpatrick, I. N. Matthews, J. Matterson, W. D. Smith, G. A. van der Veen.

The Alan Butcher Hockey Stick: It was felt impossible to choose between J. Matterson and G. A. van der Veen for this award. A wellwisher having provided another stick, it was decided to make the award a joint one.

Hockey House matches were well contested in 1962, with no 1st XI side being obviously outstanding. The final in the 1st XI was won by Pascoe, who beat Tatham 2-1.

Other Results:

2nd XI

Baines beat Pascoe 2-1. Baines beat Pascoe 1-0. 3rd XI 4th XI

Farfield beat Baines 2-1.

TENNIS.

Since the last issue of the Chronicle we have played two matches, beating St. Charles at the end of last quarter and decisively defeating Hilton. The tennis team have not lost a match for five years against other schools.

Nicholson, Harber and Taylor were awarded their Colours, and A. MacGregor his Teams.

SQUASH

On the whole we have had a good season despite the fact that our team in the Pietermaritzburg League ended well down in the league placings.

We had an enjoyable game against Durban Old Boys, but they were far too strong for us, defeating the Staff 9-0 in the morning, and the School 9-0 in the afternoon.

J. W. Whiteley is to be congratulated on winning the School Championship, and then winning his way through to the final of the Natal U-19 Championship. He has been awarded his Colours for squash.

The Pietermaritzburg League ran a handicap tournament in which there were 64 entries. In this G. A. van der Veen did very well to reach the quarter-finals before being forced to retire owing to an attack of German Measles, while C. S. Potter was eliminated in the first round but went on to win the plate.

Our first team defeated Hilton 5-0, while the second V went down narrowly 2-3. The Juniors, who show great promise, also won their match convincingly 4-1, so we should be able to look forward to a successful year in 1963.

ATHLETICS

This year we have welcomed to the staff Mr. F. V. Brooker. He is an experienced Athletics coach in all events and has already improved the performance of more than one athlete. I hope that the boys and the master in charge may long have the benefit of his enthusiasm.

THE ESTCOURT MILE — 8th SEPTEMBER, 1962.

Our runners this year were A. P. Macdonald and P. Thorrington-Smith, and they finished second and fourth respectively. Macdonald's fine performance was the first of many this season, and his time was approximately 4 min. 41 sec. The race on this occasion was won by E. Meyer, of Estcourt High School, in 4 min. 40.2 sec., and as it was the first time an Estcourt boy had won the race since 1946, it was a very popular victory.

MATCH v. MOOI RIVER AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL 15th SEPTEMBER

This was a new fixture, an informal meeting in which the Michaelhouse team was entirely composed of boys who had opted for Athletics instead of Hockey. It proved both enjoyable and valuable as a "pipe-opener" for both teams before the Inter-School Sports in Maritzburg the following Wednesday.

RESULTS

100 Yards, Under 16.

- 1, Klusener (MR); 2, Tuttle (MHS); 3, Benson (MR). 11.3 sec. 100 Yards Open
- 1. Muir (MR); 2, Harber (MHS); 3, Arde (MR). 10.5 sec.

220 Yards, Under 16.

- 1, Nash (MHS); 2, Benson (MR); 3, Klusener (MR). 23.5 sec. 220 Yards Open
- 1. Arde (MR); 2. Harber (MHS); 3, Muir (MR). 23.9 sec.

440 Yards, Under 16.

- 1, Tomlinson (MHS); 2, Barras (MHS); 3, Sterling (MR). 56.6 sec.

 440 Yards Open

 1, T-Smith (MHS); 2, MacNab (MR); 3, Rose (MHS). 52.8 sec.

880 Yards, Under 16.

- 1, Norwood (MHS); 2, Johnson (MR); 3, Egerton (MHS). 2 min. 10.2 sec. 880 Yards Open
- 1, Kruger (MHS); 2, Clarke (MR); 3, Rabe (MR). 2 min. 13.9 sec.

One Mile, Under 16.

- 1, Holley (MHS); 2, Truscott (MHS); 3, Phillips (MR). 5 Min. 5.4 sec. One Mile, Open
- 1, Flight (MR); 2, Mostyn (MHS); 3, L-Watson (MHS). 5 min. 1.2 sec.

- High Jump, Under 16.

 1, Moon (MHS); 2, Johnson (MR); 3, Burnett (MHS). 5ft.

 High Jump, Open

 1, Fordyce (MHS); 2, Lyon (MHS); 3, Muir (MR). 5ft. 6in.

- Long Jump, Under 16.

 1, Nash (MHS); 2, Ellens (MR); 3, Petit (MR).

 Long Jump, Open.

 1, Inglis (MHS); 2, Arde (MR); 3, Pieterse (MR). 18ft. 4in.
- 19ft. 8-in.

Putting the Shot, Under 16.

- 1, Naylor (MHS); 2, Nash (MHS); 3, Klusener (MR). 38ft. 4½in. Putting the Shot, Open (12-lb.).
- 1, Roodt (MR); 2, Lyon (MHS); 3, Stubbings (MHS). 47ft. 8in.

Throwing the Discus, Under 16.

- 1, Naylor (MHS); 2, Johnson (MR); 3, Ellens (MR). 113ft. 21in. Throwing the Discus, Open (1-kg.).
- 1, Roodt (MR); 2, Lyon (MHS); 3, Pieterse (MR). 183ft. 1½in.

Throwing the Javelin, Open.

1, Roodt (MR); 2, Hutton (MR); 3, Kruger (MHS), 150ft. 8in.

110 Yards Hurdles (Extra Event).

1, Rose (MHS); 2, Moon (MHS). 15.4 sec.

Medley Relay, Under 16.

1, Michaelhouse; 2, Mooi River. 4 min 5.5 sec.

Medley Relay, Open.

1, Mooi River; 2, Michaelhouse. 3 min. 57.8 sec. Points: 1, Michaelhouse, 65.; 2, Mooi River, 55.

PIETERMARITZBURG AND DISTRICT INTER-SCHOOLS SPORTS — 19th SEPTEMBER

At this meeting the Michaelhouse Open team had an overwhelming win, scoring 50 points, with the next School 30 points behind. The Under 16 team came second in their group, and we all came away well pleased. Records were set by A. P. Macdonald in the Open Mile, and by P. H. Nash in the Under 16 100 and 220 yards.

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100 Yards, Open: D. A. G. Barford, 2nd.
220 Yards, Open: D. A. G. Barford, 2nd.
23.1 sec.
440 Yards, Open: J. I. Kruger, 3rd.
One Mile, Open: A. P. Macdonald, 1st. 4 min. 38.5 sec.
110 Yards Hurdles, Open: A. G. Rose, 1st. 14.4 sec.
High Jump, Open: P. A. D. Fordyce, 2nd. 5ft. 8½in.
Shot, Open: R. D. H. Lyon, 1st. 48ft. 1in. (12-lb. Shot.
Discus, Open: R. D. H. Lyon, 1st, 152ft. 9in. (1-kg. Discus, Open: R. D. H. Lyon, 1st. 41ft. 9in.
Medley Relay, Open: Michaelhouse, 1st. 3min. 46.3 sec. (12-lb. Shot.) (1-kg. Discus.)

3min. 46.3 sec.

Medley Relay, Open: M. D. H. Lyon, 1st. 411t. 911t. 91 Record.

Record.

Triple Jump, Under 16: B. A. L. Moon, 2nd. Long Jump, Under 16: P. H. Nash, 2nd. Shot, Under 16: P. B. Naylor, 3rd. Discus, Under 16: P. B. Naylor, 2nd. 440 Yards Relay: Michaelhouse, 2nd.

TRIANGULAR MEETING WITH HILTON AND KEARSNEY — 22nd SEPTEMBER

This meeting has now replaced our fixture against Hilton. Kearsney was the host School this year, and we were set a standard in organisation and hospitality which it will be hard to emulate. Competitors and spectators all enjoyed an excellent day's sport, features of which were a fine duel between Beckett, of Kearsney, and Thorrington-Smith, of Michaelhouse, and, once again, the sprinting of Nash of Michaelhouse, ably supported by Price, J. J.

Absence of points and an over-all result at the end, which was tried out to promote friendly rivalry and reduce what is known as the "needle atmosphere", was given only qualified approval in some quarters.

RESULTS

100 Yards, Under 14.

1, Lindsay (KC); 2, Hatfield (MHS); 3, Ashby (KC). 11.2 sec.

100 Yards, Under 15.

1, Nash (MHS); 2, Price (MHS); 3, Bell (HC). 10.5 sec.

100 Yards, Under 16.

1, Wallace (HC); 2, Thompson (HC); 3, Ellman (MHS). 10.9 sec.

100 Yards, Open.

1, Harber (MHS); 2, Dean (KC); 3, Cairns (HC).

220 Yards, Under 14.

1, Lindsay (KC); 2, Hatfield (MHS); 3, Ashby (KC). 25.6 sec.

220 Yards, Under 15.

1, Nash (MHS); 2, Price (MHS); 3, Bell (HC). 23.6 sec.

220 Yards, Under 16.

I. Wallace (HC); 2, Barras (MHS); 3, Thompson (HC). 24.7 sec.

220 Yards, Open.

1, Dean (KC); 2, Harber (MHS); 3, Levy (KC). 23.6 sec.

440 Yards, Under 16.

1, Woods (KC); 2, Moon (MHS); 3, Barras (MHS). 55.4 sec.

440 Yards, Open.

- 1, Thorrington-Smith (MHS); 2, Beckett (KC); 3, Glennie (HC). 50.8 sec. 880 Yards, Under 14.
- 1, Campbell (MHS); 2, Warner (HC); 3, McLaren (KC). 2 min. 19.7 sec.
- 880 Yards, Under 15. 1, Norwood (MHS); 2, Main (HC); 3, Chennells (MHS). 2 min. 9.5 sec. 880 Yards, Under 16.
- 1, Symons (HC); 2, Holley (MHS); 3, Bester (KC). 2 min. 11 sec.
- 880 Yards, Open. 1, Beckett (KC); 2, T-Smith (MHS); 3, Kruger (MHS). 2 min. 2.5 sec.
- One Mile, Under 16.
 1, Symons (HC); 2, Holley (MHS); 3, Brothers (MHS). 5 min. 9 sec.
- One Mile, Open. 1, Macdonald (MHS); 2, Dakin (KC); 3, Mostyn (MHS). 4 min. 49.5 sec. 110 Yards Hurdles, Under 16.
- 1, Moon (MHS); 2, Clive-Smith (MHS); 3, Emmett (KC). 15.2 sec.
 - 110 Yards Hurdles, Open.
- 1, Rose (MHS); 2, Young-Thompson (KC); 3, Price (MHS). 14.6 sec. Long Jump, Under 14.
- 1, Ashby (KC); 2, Campbell (HC); 3, Armstrong (KC). 16ft. 5³/₄in.
- Long Jump, Under 15.
 1, Price (MHS); 2, Nash (MHS); 3, Searle (KC). 19ft. 64in.
- Long Jump, Under 16. 1, Thompson (HC); 2, Jones (HC); 3, Ellman (MHS). 18ft. $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. Long Jump, Open.
- 1, Inglis (MHS); 2, Stewart (HC); 3, Holdsworth (HC). 18ft. 113in.
- High Jump, Under 14.
- 1, Strydom (KC); 2, van Rooyen (HC); 3, Scott (MHS). 4ft. 11in.
- High Jump, Under 15.
 1, Searle (KC); 2, Turner (MHS); 3, Wedgwood (HC). 5ft. 1in.
- Putting the Shot, Under 16.
 1, Holmes (HC); 2, Naylor (MHS); 3, Brown (HC). 46ft. 9in.
- Putting the Shot, Open.
- 1, Lyon (MHS); 2, Kruger (MHS); 3, Brown (KC). 46ft. 3in. Throwing the Discus, Under 16.
- 1, Hermes (KC); 2, Downes (HC); 3, Ballance (MHS). 142ft. 93in.
- Throwing the Discus, Open.
- 1, Lyon (MHS); 2, McDonald (HC); 3, van den Berg (KC). 164ft. 8³/₄in.
- 4 x 110 Yards Relay, Under 14. 1, Kearsney; 2, Michaelhouse; 3, Hilton. 49.5 sec.
 - 4 x 110 Yards Relay, Under 15.
- 1, Michaelhouse; 2, Hilton; 3, Kearsney. 47.6 sec.
 - 4 x 110 Yards Relay, Under 16.
- 1, Hilton; 2, Kearsney; 3, Michaelhouse. 47.7 sec.
 - 4 x 110 Yards Relay, Open.
- 1, Kearsney; 2, Hilton; 3, Michaelhouse. 45.9 sec.
- Mile Medley Relay. 1, Hilton; 2, Kearsney; 3, Michaelhouse. 3 min. 56.4 sec.
- Mile Medley Relay, Open. 1, Michaelhouse; 2, Hilton; 3, Kearsney. 3 min. 43.2 sec.

This meeting contained many new events, but those which were the same as events run in the Hilton v. Michaelhouse meeting, now superseded, provided some ready-made records for the new meeting. Of these the following were broken by the achievements above:

110 Yards Hurdles, Under 16 and Open.
One Mile, Under 16.
4 x 110 Yards Relay, Under 14 and Under 15.
Mile Medley Relay, Open.
Putting the Shot, Open.

In the following two the record was equalled: High Jump, Under 14 and Under 15.

NATAL SCHOOLS INTER-DISTRICTS MEETING — 29th SEPTEMBER, 1962

In this annual meeting a team, representing Martizburg and District, faces a team from Durban and District, and one from Northern Natal in a triangular fixture. Among the sixteen boys who made up the Open Section of the Maritzburg team there were no fewer than five Michaelhouse competitors, Rose, Macdonald, Lyon, Thorrington-Smith and Fordyce. Their individual results were as follows:

Rose: 110 Yards Hurdles, 3rd. 14.4 sec.

Macdonald: One Mile, 2nd. 4 min. 33.5 sec.

Lyon: Shot, 3rd.

Thorrington-Smith: 440 Yards, 2nd. 51.3 sec.

Fordyce: High Jump, 2nd. 5ft. 7½in.

NATAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS — 13th OCTOBER, 1962.

Eleven boys went to Durban for the Championships this year, and the following were placed in their events:

Rose: 120 Yards Hurdles, Under 18, 1st. 15.9 sec. 220 Yards Hurdles, Under 18, 1st. 27.0 sec.

Macdonald: One Mile, Under 18, 2nd. 4 min. 35 sec.

Lyon: Putting the Shot, Under 17, 2nd.
Throwing the Discus, Under 17, 3rd.
Throwing the Discus, Under 18, 3rd. 119ft.

Thorrington-Smith: 440 Yards, Under 17, 1st. 50.7 sec.

Fordyce: High Jump, Under 17, 1st. 5ft. 104in.

Norwood: 880 Yards, Under 15, 3rd.

Again this year some boys have opted for Athletics in place of cricket, and they are competing in Saturday meetings organised by outside clubs, whenever we can find suitable ones. On Saturday, 27th October, seven boys competed in a Durban Athletic Club Meeting, and, without distinguishing themselves, they gained some valuable experience and put to some use the training they have so far been doing.

Recent Honours, Colours and Teams awards are as follows:

Honours: A. G. Rose, A. P. Macdonald, P. Thorrington-Smith.

Colours: R. B. Harber, P. A. D. Fordyce, P. H. Nash.

Teams: J. J. Price, S. T. Norwood.

J.B.O.

OLD BOYS' NOTES



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BRONZE MEDAL

CITATION — DR. W. H. LAWRANCE, PRESIDENT OF THE O.B. CLUB, 1962/63.

DR. WILFRID HUDSON LAWRANCE matriculated at Michaelhouse and graduated to the degrees of M.B., Ch.B., at the University of Witwatersrand in 1936, when he went into general practice in Pretoria. Whilst at University he took an active part in student affairs and regularly represented the University in the Transvaal Senior Rugby League.

From 1940 to 1945 he was on Active Service. He was Officer Commanding the South African Medical Corps Training Depot at Zonderwater and qualified as a member of the Staff Corps in the Union Defence Force. He attained the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel and was Officer Commanding the 19th Field Ambulance of the 6th South African Division. He saw service in the Middle East, Madagascar and Italy, where he was mentioned in despatches.

Dr. Lawrance was elected to the Northern Transvaal Branch Council in 1946 and became President of the Branch in 1952. He has been a member of the Federal Council since 1954.

In October, 1955, he was elected National Chairman of the General Practitioners' Group and he continued in that capacity until September, 1957. He was the Chairman of the local branch of the Ex-Service Medical Officers' Group.

Dr. Lawrance represented his Branch on the Andrew McColm Hospital Board from its inception until the introduction of the new Hospitals Ordinance when such representation ceased. He was also Chairman of the House Committee of that Hospital, and Vice-Chairman of the Board of the Andrew McColm Hospital during 1958.

He was a member of the Federal Council Committee which negotiated Income Tax concession for doctors proceeding overseas, as well as the entertainment concession.

He is a Founder Member of the College of Physicians, Surgeons and Gynæcologists of South Africa, and a Founder Member of the College of General Practitioners.

In 1960 he obtained the Diploma in Anæsthetics of the Royal College of Surgeons and is a Member of the Faculty of Anæthetists of that College.

He has been Chairman of the Northern Transvaal Branch Contract Practice Sub-Committee for the past eleven years, and has served on the Central Committee for Contract Practice, of which he is at present Vice-Chairman, since 1954.

He is also a member of the Parliamentary Committee of Federal Council, as well as the Committee appointed to enquire into the Shortage of Doctors in South Africa, and he was elected to the Executive Committee of Federal Council in 1960.

The Northern Transvaal Branch recommends that the Bronze Medal of the Medical Association of South Africa be awarded to Dr. Lawrance in recognition of his service to the Association.

TIES

Club Ties are now available in silk from Bertrams, Johannesburg; Lamberts, Maritzburg; Ward & Salmon, Durban and from the Hon. Secretary, Michaelhouse, Balgowan, at R2.25.

BRANCH REPORTS

PIETERMARITZBURG.

HANNAH MEMORIAL

A circular has been sent to those members of the Club who were at the school at any time between the years 1898—1930 asking if they wish to contribute towards a Hannah Memorial which will take the material form of a stone bench on Hannah's Cricket Field Bank; the balance of the money will be funded and the interest used to provide Bursaries for the sons of Old Boys. If any other members of the Club wish to contribute will they kindly send their donations to Lance Knight, Michaelhouse, Balgowan.

Since our last Branch Report in May, another combined Hilton—Michaelhouse Show Ball has been held in the City Hall. This year the Ball was in fact THE Show Ball, attended by Sir John and Lady Maud, the Administrator, and the official Royal Show Party. Attendance at the Ball was disappointing in spite of the presence of a large group from Durban, whose support was much appreciated. We are grateful to John Porter, who once again acted as Dance Secretary.

After a break of a year an Old Boys' Side was again entered in the Maritzburg Squash League. Partly as a result of a last season to Alastair Thiselton, we could not do better than third place, behind Collegians and Varsity. This is the first year since its inception that the Maritzburg League has been won by a side other than Michaelhouse or Michaelhouse Old Boys.

A small group of Michaelhouse and Hilton Old Boys have been exploring the possibility of forming a combined Hockey Club. In order to enable the "A" Side to play in the "A" League rather than the "D" League from the outset we have negotiated an agreement with the present Olympics Club whereby we may take over their Club, subject to a few minor conditions. If we are able to get Martizburg Hockey Association's permission for this move we hope to field a good "A" Side next year and to build the Club teams into a force to be reckoned with in Maritzburg Hockey. So we hope for good support!

HUDSON BENNETT GOLF

Heavy rain in Durban on Saturday night and an overcast sky on Sunday morning reduced the numbers still further for the 1962 Hudson Bennett Golf. With only seven teams competing — three from Durban, three from Maritzburg and a made-up Midlands team, the result went to Maritzburg "B" with a stapleford score of 241:

Peter Francis	 	 	 63
John Johnstone	 	 	 56
Rex Lewis	 	 	 59
Alan McCarthy	 	 	 63

The Drysdale Cup for the best nett was won by Malcolm Smythe with 143 and the best gross also went to him with 149.

The playing conditions in the morning were good, but, as usual for this time of the year, a heavy drizzle started about three o'clock and went on to the finish.

The Committee decided that we should ask for an earlier date, probably sometime in August next year, and we hope that the attendance will go back to the normal figure of between 60-70.

Our thanks to Bill Drysdale for attending to present his Cup, and also to the President, Fatty Lawrance, for having come all the way from Pretoria to be present.

EX-NATAL SCHOOLBOY HELPS DISCOVER NEW HEART DRUG HE MAY HAVE ANSWER TO MODERN KILLER

Jeffrey Thorpe (33-36), already in the news and now on the threshold of the hall of fame, is an ex-Michaelhouse boy, who passed his Matric here before the war with six "firsts". He has discovered a drug called "Atromid", which may be the answer to the killer of our day — coronary thrombosis.

The drug, which he calls "promising" is now undergoing clinical tests in Britain and South Africa. The success of his research work will mean far more to him than fame, or even the knowledge of having achieved something which will benefit the world. It comes closer than that.

Jeffrey Thorp's father, who died young, was City Engineer of East London. His grandmother had a weak heart and so had his mother. His uncle, Dr. Rex Martienssen, of Johannesburg, also died after a heart attack.

Round the Clock

This is what London's "Daily Express" says about his research:

"For five years 42-year-old South African Jeffrey Thorp has worked round the clock to develop a new wonder drug to prevent heart attacks from coronary thrombosis.

"During the day he has led a team of scientists working on the development of the drug in an I.C. laboratory in Cheshire.

"At night he has worked until the small hours at his home in Macclesfield."

Cautious

Jeffrey himself is cautious about the discovery for which doctors have waited for the past 20 years.

"A lot more research work still has to be done," he says. "It may be five years before we can be certain we have beaten coronary thrombosis. But we feel at last we have got something."

Double Game

He is remembered as a brilliant pupil at Michaelhouse, and at Wits. University, where he took a B.Sc. in chemical engineering. He served with the S.A. Medical Corps during the war, and is remembered by fellow staff-sergeants for something else—he used to do crossword puzzles at the same time as playing bridge with them.

He went to Britain in 1948 to watch the Springboks play - and never returned.

O.M.s AT RHODES

Extract from a letter received from Hamish Fraser (55-59):

"I have just returned from the Inter-Provincial Hockey Tournament, where I came across many O.M.s. Colin Archibald (56-60), Tim Woods (57-61) and I played for Eastern Province; Mike Bonnet (51-55) for Natal; John Roberts, for Transvaal (got his Springbok Cap); John Kumbleben, for O.F.S.; Gyles Dorward (51-55), and Norman Smith (48), for Rhodesia (now an international side).

Old Boys figure very prominently in University life here. Alan Dashwood (55—58), Dave Woods (54—58) and Tony Ardington (54—58) are all doing sterling work on the S.R.C. while doing Honours courses. Eldred Archibald (54–58) is doing Honours; Dave Woods has been selected to play for a S.A. Invitation Squash team and John Parr (54–) is reading for his course before going up to Oxford. Anthony Evans (56–60) is Secretary of Cricket; John Richards (56–60) is circulation manager of the University weekly newspaper, on which I help as a reporter. John Nolan (55–58) graduated with a B.Comm. last year and has now embarked on his C.A.; John Goodfellow is Senior Lecturer in History while Dr. Currey does sterling work in the Classics Department." History, while Dr. Currey does sterling work in the Classics Department."

O.M.S AT NATAL UNIVERSITY

Coetzee, J. E. (57 – 60), is on the Academic Freedom Committee and was awarded the Lionel Ashfield Hockey Stick.

Cullen, J. (56-60), played for the University (PMB) 1st XV. Gibson, B. St. C. (57-60), represented the Varsity at Weight Lifting. James, C. N. (57-61), is on the Students' Representative Council,

Academic Freedom Committee.

Herring, M. (55-57), is in the Varsity 1st Squash Team.

O.M.S AT CAPE TOWN UNIVERSITY

Hebblethwaite (54-57). Roger has distinguished himself as a member of the U.T.C., Western Province and S.A. Universities Rowing teams. Lander (53-57). Gerald and his wife are living in Clairmont and have

a baby daughter. McIntosh (57-60). tosh (57-60). Graham will be on the SHAWCO Welfare Board of Management, the local S.C.A. Committee and will be organising floats for the Rag next year, which will be the final year of his B.A. **Newton** (54 – 57). Brian married Miss Anne Anderson, of Port Elizabeth,

and is living at Newlands. He is doing his Senior Teaching Diploma, having got his B.A. and B.A. Hons. in History.

Newton (58-61), Oliver, and Powell (57-61), Roger, were among the students who narrowly escaped criminal convictions for theft earlier this year, when they "borrowed" animals from the local Zoo for a Residence Initiation Ceremony.

O.M.S AT CAMBRIDGE

Denoon (53 – 57), Donald, doing English at Queen's College. **Bowden** (53 – 58), Martin, doing Botany at Jesus College. **Lister** (56 – 60), Richard, doing Law at Jesus College. **Jackson** (54 – 57), Bruce, doing Economics at Clare College. **Snell** (56 – 59), Michael, doing Engineering at Jesus College.

David Lewis, writing from St. John's College, tells us there are 16 O.M.s there this year and that a meeting of the O.B. Club was held on 29/10/62 for election of officers, etc., and that a dinner will probably be held in March next year.

O.M.s AT WITS.

Barker (56 – 59), Alf., is third year B.Sc. Second Hockey.

Jackson (54-57), Bruce, has graduated B.Sc. Civil Engineering and is now hitching through Africa and Europe to further his studies at Cambridge. Wits. first Rowing Team.

Reay (56-59, Chris, 3rd Year B.Sc.

Bostock (57-60), Derek, 2nd Year B.A., Editor of "Wit. Student", Vice-President S.R.C., Vice-President of International Relations of National Union of S.A. Students.

McBride (54-58), Chris., 3rd Year B.A., majoring in English. Gym. Club.

Evans (55-58), Taffy, 2nd Year B.A., Old Johannians, 2nd Cricket and

Hockey Teams.

Roseveare (54-57), Richard, is back after taking a degree at Cambridge.

Part-time Commerce. 1st Hockey.

Richmond (57—60), Tony, 2nd Year B.A., Transvaal Vice-President S.A.W.C.A. Head Chorister St. Martin's in the Veld.

McLennan (58-60), Stuart. 1st Year Architecture.

Oxley-Oxland (57—60), Dennis. 1st Year B.Sc. Mining Geology.

Kisch (56-60, Denys. 2nd Year B.A. Sinclair (57-60), Dick. 2nd Year Mechanical Engineering.

Murray (57 – 60), Geoff. 1st Year Medicine.

Avery (58-61), Peter, is doing Mechanical Engineering. Under 20A Rugby and Hockey for "C" Team.

Colsen (57 – 60), Pete, is doing 1st Year Medicine.

Dunning (58-61), Richard. Medicine.

Fergusson (58-61), Michael. 1st Year B.Comm.

Ferguson (58-61), R. 1st Year Chemical Engineering.

George (58-61), Chris. B.Sc.

Henderson (56-60), Giles. Final year B.A., majoring in Latin and Sonja Schlesin Memorial Scholarship in Latin. Economics. and O.F.S. Chamber of Mines Bursary. French Consul's Prize, Secretary, University Debating Union. Member of the Arts Faculty Council. 3rd Hockey XI.

Lawson (56 – 59), Mathew. 3rd Year B.Comm.

Lindop (57-61), Grahame. B.A. (Law). Committee, Anglican Society, and Committee Member of the Transvaal Branch of the Old Boys' Club.

Lloyd (56-60), David. 2nd Year Medicine. McBride (58-61), Ian. 1st Year B.A.

Nichols (56-60), Humphrey. 2nd Year Civil Engineering. Rowing Blue and member of S.A. Universities Team.

Peacock-Edwards (58 – 61. Ric. 1st Year B.A.

1st Year B.A. Played "Hamlet" in the Stevenson (57-61), Mike. University Play, elected Chairman of the Wits. Players. Transvaal Committee of the Old Boys' Club.

Townshend (58-61), Rob., at Wits. until July. Now left for the U.S.A. on an American Field Service Scholarship for a year.

Vladykin (58 – 61), Yvan. B.Sc.

Winchui (58-61), Ken. 1st Year B.Sc.

Morrison (55 – 57), P. L. 3rd Year Chemical Engineering.

NEWS FROM MARITZBURG BRANCH

Donald Bain (55-58) has returned to University in Maritzburg to take his Natal Law Certificate full time. We are glad to report that George Boyes (23-26) is well over his illness and back at work. Congratulations to Ronald (Hon. 1952) and Nan Brookes on the birth of a daughter. Peter Brown (38-42) was again a member of the Mooi River "A" Polo Side which won the S.A. Championship. Nick Carter (56-59) writes his finals B.A. in November. He returns to Varsity next year to do Honours. We are all very sorry that Nick Crowe (18-25) is not in the best of health and wish him well for the future. Congratulations to Michael Daly on being elected to the Maritzburg City Council — apologies for the lateness of this report from "Sleepy Hollow".

Brian Hudson (46–49), Alan McCarthy (49–51), Chris. Burger (49–53) and Rob. Lewis (50–54) have been busy trying to form a combined MHS/Hilton Old Boys' Hockey Club in P.M.B. We hope that all interested O.M.s will contact us before the next season starts. Graham Lander (53–57), having done a short spell as an Instructor in the S.A.A.F., is now training for Civil Aviation at Kempton Park, Johannesburg. Vernon Lund (56–59) is now teaching at Hilton College. Alastair Thiselton (48–51) and Neville Holgate (44–47) are at Maritzburg College. Alan McCarthy was unlucky not to gain selection for the Natal Hockey Team. Manville Millar (06–11) is on the Board of Directors of the County Permanent Building Society. John Parker (57–60) is at the Training College, Maritzburg. Ronald Pennington (51–54) is teaching at Estcourt High School. We expect John and Marie Steere (42–44) back from England in January. They are returning to Cordwalles. Congratulations to Jonathan Richards (56–60), who represented Rhodes at hockey this year. John Rowles (44–47) is managing a large farm at Impendhle. Congratulations and best wishes to Martin and Pat Simpson (50–54), who were married recently in Toronto. It was good to see Mike Cassidy in Maritzburg during July and August. It may surprise some of those who were at school with him to know that he conducted a mission in the City Hall. Part of his message was that there is hope for everyone! The excellent organisation and Mike's strikingly sincere addresses kept the City Hall filled every night for two weeks. Richard Dyson (55–58) and Roger Oxley-Oxland (54–58) write their final B.Sc. this year. Hugh Ramsay (44–48) is a Lieutenant-Commander in the Royal Navy. On leave at present — his next assignment is to the Far East. Richard (46–49) is a solicitor in Durban. He is married with two children. Philip Ramsay (50–53) leaves his job as an Instructor in the R.C.A.F. to take up a permanent appointment in the R.A.F. He will be stationed in England. Best wishes to him and his wife. John Woods (51–55) p

NEWS FROM O.M.S IN OTHER PARTS

WILLIAM KAULBACK (54—58), presently at Pembroke College, Cambridge, writes:

"I have just returned from Afghanistan, where I led an expedition to map and photograph a city built by Alexander the Great, while another section of the party caught butterflies in the Hindu Kush. The idea first occurred to me in 1959 but I did not get under way until January, when we obtained the blessing and financial support of the Royal Geographical Society. We drove there in an ex-army ambulance, a land rover, taking 25 days over the 6,000-mile journey. Afghanistan is a marvellous country and yet one of the most backward I have visited, being ridden with Islam for all the women are in purdah, alcohol is unobtainable. In Kabul, the capital, there are two modern buildings, the remainder being mud, and you can see camels, goats and chickens in the main street. I had a

marvellous time searching for a snake charmer, who, when I found him, came for me with a knife. I pushed it aside and pulled his beard, which pleased him, because he sat me down, ordered tea and showed me his collection of cobras.

"Our work was at Jahabad, near Khyber Pass, where the natives are still of the stone throwing variety. However, we got on the right side of them and they proved very generous, bringing gifts of fruit and vegetables. On our return we came via Syria and the Lebanon, the Iraquis having refused us visas. In Damascus we met some Christian students who took us to see the underground church where St. Paul was found by Anannas, and also the window from which he was lowered from the city."

GEORGE OSTLER (44—49), writing from West Vancouver, Canada, tells us:

"After leaving MHS he was articled to a firm of Chartered Accountants in Johannesburg. In 1956, having obtained his C.A., he went to London to see a little of the world. During his eighteen months in England he travelled to Israel, Cyprus and Italy, as well as most parts of the British Isles. In 1958 he went to Canada, first to Montreal and later to Vancouver. He is married and has a daughter."

DAVID PERKINS (42-44), now Tea Planting in Ceylon, writes:

"I joined Michaelhouse in July, 1942. After a prolonged trip, with a change of ships and a long wait in Bombay, I arrived in Durban knowing nobody in the country. I spent a very happy time there and then returned to Ceylon. I eventually followed in my father's footsteps, going into tea planting. I am employed by one of the many companies in Ceylon (very few of the larger estates are now privately owned) and was lucky enough to become a Manager of an Estate after five years. I now have a charge of 1,200 acres, with two assistants, a supervisory staff of 22 and labour force of 1,400 odd, mostly Indian Tamils. Planting is an interesting job. One is a Jack of many trades - agriculturist, teamaker, engineer, doctor, accountant and labour expert. The pay is good but the cost of living and taxation are high. The climate at this elevation (4,000 feet) is pleasantly cool all through the year. For recreation we have tennis, squash, golf, sailing and wonderful holidays, camping in the jungle or by the sea. The Company provides us with a fine upstair house. a beautiful garden, and servants to do the chores. The political situation in Ceylon may be dicey but we are reluctant to give up such a happy life."

PERSONAL

Bromwich (56-59), M. C. Part-time Territorial. Played for Combined Services against Combined British Services Touring side (rugby).

Biegle 55-58), Martin, is articled to a firm of Chartered Accountants.

Cottrell (18-22), J. A., recently retired for the second time to Salisbury. He retired from H.M. Overseas Colonial Service, being Director of African Education for ten years in Northern Rhodesia, after which he became Director of African Affairs, Lusaka City Council (35 years' service).

- Cottrell (48-51), Dr. C. B. (Ph.D. Cambridge), has a Fellowship at Salisbury University.
- Cottrell (49-52), R. G., is with Cooper Bros. in London, and came out for a three weeks' visit to attend his brother's wedding in July. He previously was in charge of the Ford Motor Company accounts for the whole of the U.K.
- Chamber (41 44), David, called in at the school on his way to Synod in September.
- **Drysdale** (54-57), R. W. P., has just completed working his way round the world. He hitch-hiked from Montreal to San Francisco, from where he worked his passage on a cargo boat going to Japan but finished up in New Zealand, where he met and married Margaret Guy in Auckland.
- Finlayson (42-46), John, is an Inspector on the Public Services Board. He was preivously private secretary to Sir Edgar Whitehead.
- Goodall (50 54), M. F., passed his finals M.B. Ch.B. at University Cape Town and is now a Houseman at Addington.
- Harker (40-44), Peter, was made a Canon at the Zululand Diocesan Synod recently. Hugh (29-33) is Director of the Usuthu Mission, Manzini, Swaziland.
- Hayward (55-58), Bob, has been promoted to the office of the Public Services Board.
- Hart (45-48), Anthony, is married and has one daughter. In 1959 he joined the Mercantile & General Reinsurance Co. in London and was later transferred to Cape Town as actuary for Southern Africa. He was recently appointed the Company's manager.
- Hindson (27-31), Bryan, is running a fishing and hunting lodge in South Island, New Zealand.
- Hindson (26-31), E. E. H., returned to survey work in British Columbia after 18 months in Sydney, and a visit to Bryan. He visited the school in July.
- Johnstone (50-53), Bruce, has just returned to Durban after eight months with the B.R.M. Team. He will remain in S.A. until March and hopes to drive in four races here. "It was in one of Walker's cars that Johnstone scored his greatest triumph of the season a class win at Nurburgring." He first became interested at the age of seven. While at Michaelhouse his mother obtained special permission from the Rector for Bruce to tinker with an "unrepairable bike at the school. A fortnight later she received a telephone call from the Rector asking her to come and collect her son's 'going concern' as it was ruining the playing fields." Best wishes for successful racing, Bruce!
- Jackson (57-60), Nicholas, is in his second year at Wits. and hopes to go to France for three months, working his way on a cargo ship. Nick, as navigator to his father piloting his Luscombe Silvaire, came second in the Durban Wings Club Winter Air Race.

- **Lloyd** (49-53), Rodney, is living in London. Is married and has a daughter.
- Townshend (59-61), Robert, has been awarded an American Field Service Scholarship and left for the U.S.A. in August. He will spend a year there.
- Tomlinson (53 57), Des., toured Kenya with Rhodesian Sables (equivalent to Rhodesian "B" Side). He is nearing the end of his C.A. Course.
- Walker (52 58), Jim, is doing Geo. Physics at Columbia University, New York. Last year he went to the Arctic for vacation research.

WE CONGRATULATE

ENGAGEMENTS:

Cotton (49-52), Arthur, to Felicity Shuker. Gourley (51-55), Roger, to Gillian Swainston Harrison.

Reay (56 - 59), Andrew, to Helen Thomson.

Starling (54 - 58), Paddy, to Gillian Rocyn Jones.

Todd (49-52), Grahame, to Rosemary Walker.

MARRIAGES:

Cottrell (48 - 51), Chris., to Meriol Millard.

Gordon (50-53), Walter, to Mary Turner.

Newton (54-57), Brian to Anne Anderson.

Simpson (50-54), Martin, to Patricia Jackson.

Thompson (51-55), Peter, to Janet Wright.

Kumleben (47-51), John, to Elizabeth Braithwaite.

Lidgett (54-57), John, to Jean Binnie.

BIRTHS:

Adderley (48 - 51), to Pat and Nora, a son.

Butcher (43-48), to Mike and Susan, a daughter.

Burger (49-53), to Chris and Anne, a daughter.

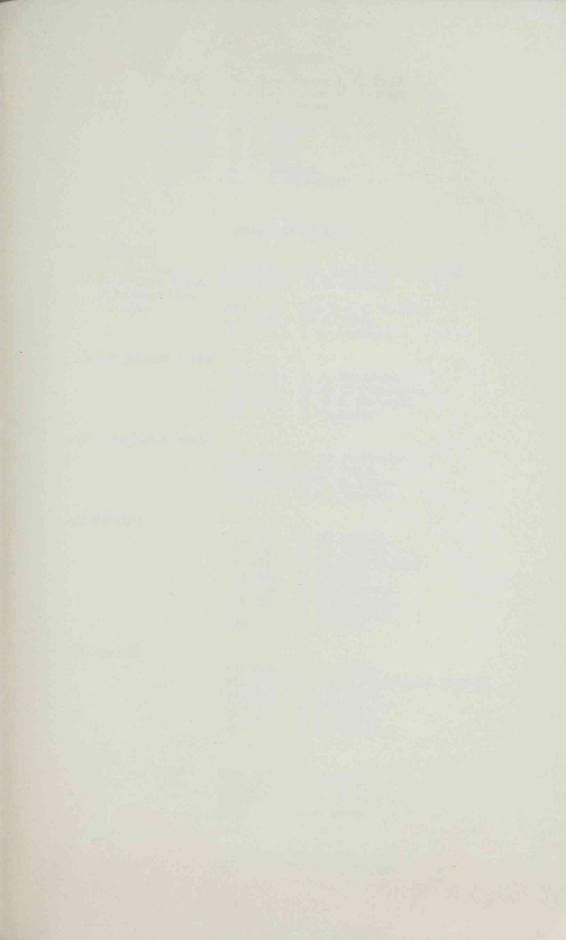
Goodall (48-51), to David and Aidean, a son.

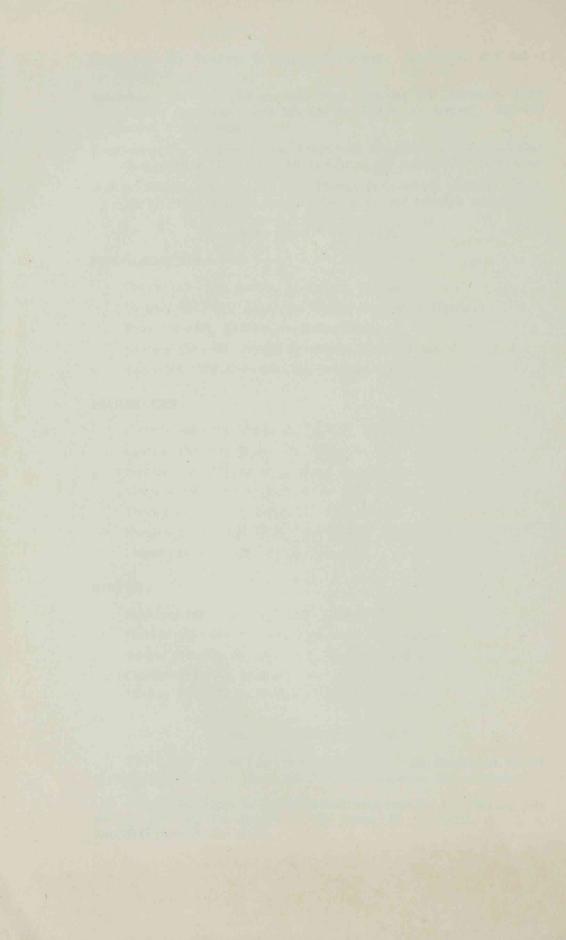
Hooker (49-52), to Owen and Barbara, a son.

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