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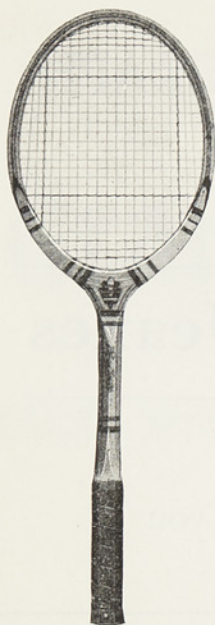


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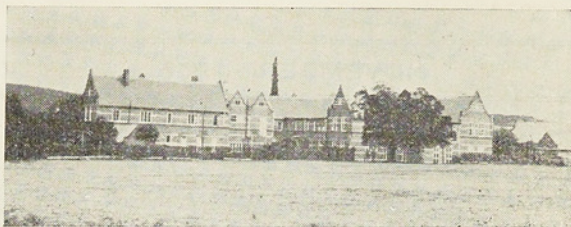
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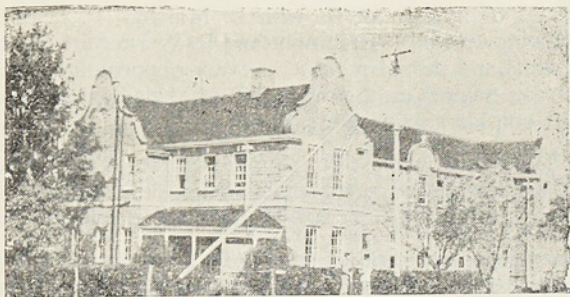
### SCHOOL HOUSE NOTES

This has been a long Term and a strenuous one. The mid-year exams, the rugger, the cross-country and a whole host of other activities have called for maximum output of energy. Yet despite this, or perhaps because of it, Gane and Chubb Houses have come through with a minimum of illness and injuries. We had only two serious crocks—Buzz Larkin, who injured his back, and Rusty Brown, who smashed up his ankle. Apart from two chaps who fell victims to jaundice we had very few cases needing confinement to the Sanatorium. For this happy state of affairs we are deeply indebted to Mrs. Drakes, the School House matron, for her untiring care of minor complaints and her strenuous campaign against dirt; to Mr. Ken Watson, our P.T. Coach, for his toughening up course; and to the Housekeeper and Staff of the Memorial Dining Hall for the miracle they have achieved in feeding so many of us so well. 'Flu decimated several other Grahamstown schools but failed even to establish a bridge-head at Kingswood.

There have been few innovations in School House this term but we have been able to improve the amenities of the Common Room. H. Diskin made us a new table-tennis table which is used during every spare moment, and R. van Eck produced a first-class billiard-table. These have helped to enliven many a free afternoon. The appearance of the back quad has been vastly improved by the painting of the down-pipes with aluminium paint and by the renovation of several unsightly windows. But much remains to be done to restore the building to its original beauty.

The high-light of the term was probably the trip by special train to Port Elizabeth to watch the Lions in action against Eastern Province. We expected to see a brilliant demonstration of open rugby but unfortunately Butterfield had butter-fingers and Baker was half-baked so we saw nothing new. We arrived back ravenously hungry because our train was five hours late, so late that we missed the Delville Wood Parade.





### JAGGER HOUSE NOTES

The new House system with its multi-lateral system of points scoring has undoubtedly added zest and purpose to the lives of all of us; indeed trying to keep track of all the activities of all the boys and leading them into "points-winning" channels will soon complete nature's efforts on the head of at least one housemaster!

Academically some good progress has been made, and the following have come within the first ten of their classes this term:—Badenhorst, C. H., Booth, D. A., Borrás, D., Bradbury, A., Buchner, R., Canepa, J. C., Hadden, P. F., Hitchens, R. F., Hutton, C. F., Mackay, A., Marshall, A. I. D., Millard, N. T., Muller, E., O'Shea, D. O'C., Prentice, G. R. S., Priest, G., Shields, W. G., Smith, F. A., Warner, R., Westaway, A. J., Webster, R. Of these Bradbury, A., Buchner, R., Canepa, J. C., O'Shea, D. O'C. and Prentice, G. R. S. came top of their Forms. We congratulate them all.

This has been one of the longest terms on record so we can be particularly thankful for a very low rate of absenteeism in the sanatorium. Apart from the usual cuts and sprains we have only had two cases of 'flu, two of jaundice and one broken shoulder. The excellent ventilation in our dormitories may not be popular during the cold snaps but it undoubtedly has its advantages.

The new billiard table that has appeared in the Common Room has certainly been a big attraction this term. From the time that Mr. Dacam played the opening shot it is doubtful whether the table has had a rest! David Galloway and Gerald Hirshon are to be congratulated on the fine way they constructed the table.

The only obstacle that has offered any real trouble so far is the cues. Although numerous attempts have been made no cue has lasted for more than a few days. However, despite the lack of good cues some of the members of the house are becoming quite expert, especially Holmes, Hesketh and Shields.

We cannot claim to lead the School in shooting. Perhaps this is so only because not quite enough interest has been shown by a large percentage of the House. We would like to see more of A. Holmes, T.

Malaher and A. Bradbury, old hands at the range. There is, however, a certain amount of fresh material with P. Marshal, P. Haddon and B. Andrews showing up well. Beaumont and R. Warner are fast developing into useful shots and should practise at every opportunity. Next term we hope to see more seniors on the range. With their help and co-operation we can make considerable progress.

Jagger House continues to be the main source of the School's music. Admittedly, weird and wonderful sounds issue forth from the music-room under the stairs but on some occasions the music is fairly tolerable.

Our most prominent trio of musicians consists of Dave Galloway, piano, trumpet and trombone; Wesley Shields, piano, trumpet and harmonica; and Gerald Hirshon on the drums. Others worthy of mention are Desmond O'Shea, who has often substituted for Gerald Hirshon, Tony Smith, our selected bass drummer, Tony Marriott on the bass and "Corky" Kelly, our yodelling cowboy with guitar.

A play, "Suicide to Order" was going to be put on by some of the Jagger fellows, but had to be cancelled owing to a member of the cast having contracted jaundice. Those who would have taken part are Edwill Muller (lead part, producer, make-up, stage continuity, lights, scenarios, etc., etc.), D. J. Galloway, D. O'Shea, W. Shields, N. Jackson, R. Dewberry and R. Warner. There is, however, a chance that this play may be put on later.

The House matches produced great enthusiasm amongst the fellows. During the Chubb-Jagger match the first half was even, producing no scores. Early in the second half Chubb took the lead by sending the right wing over for an unconverted try. We attacked continually with Hesketh scoring a good try by going round the blind side of a lineout. The outcome was a draw 3—3, although there were opportunities lost which might have led to further scoring.

In the Gane—Jagger match some good forward play was seen and Jagger loose forwards smothered the Gane line movements. Jagger had the advantage first half with Theo van Rensburg scoring a long penalty kick and Boras an unconverted try which brought the score to 6-0. Gane had the wind in the second half and with some good forward rushes pressed Jagger. Gane made no mistake in a penalty kick and a few minutes later the scrum-half scored a converted try to make the score 8-6 in favour of Gane.

The Wood-Jagger match proved to be an exciting game with Jagger having a slight advantage throughout although the final score, 8-3, was in favour of Wood. Wood scored a good converted try in the first half and a penalty from a sharp angle in the second half. Unfortunately, although Jagger looked dangerous at times they only managed to get an unconverted try by Rowe in the last 5 minutes. Haselau, Swan, Hesketh and van Rensburg were outstanding.

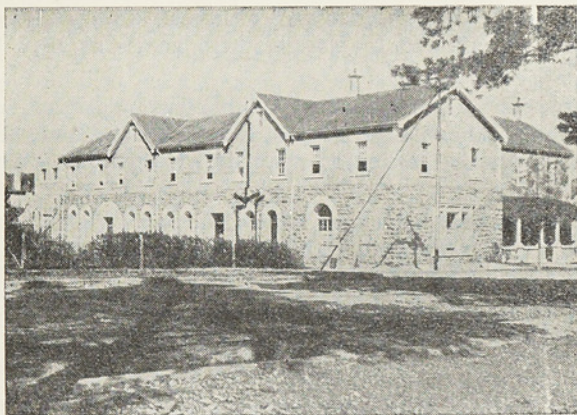
In the Under 16 games Jagger lost to Wood and Chubb 11-0 and 6-3, respectively. Jagger were very unfortunate to lose the game against



Chubb but their stout defending saved them. Jagger beat Gane 9-0 in a hard-earned victory. Juniors worthy of mention are Solomon and C. Breen.

Marriott, Malaher and Dewberry distinguished themselves in this year's Cross Country races by each breaking the record for their particular age group. Dewberry won the Under 14 Cross Country and broke the record by 30 seconds. Buchner also broke the record, coming in fifth. In the Under 16 race Malaher broke the record by 4 seconds. He shows promise of becoming a very fine long-distance athlete. Unfortunately the other runners in the team could not support him well enough and Jagger only managed to come third. The first eight Jagger home were: T. Malaher, P. Haddon, D. Evans, N. Whitehead, D. Borrás, A. Westaway, C. Badenhorst and R. Swan.

The open record which was put up last year and expected to stand for a long time was well broken by T. Marriott, who came in 11 seconds under the record. Once again the rest of the runners, bar Whitehead, who came fifth and was under Standard, did not manage to give the support needed to gain Jagger first place and we had to be contented with second place.



### WOOD HOUSE JOTTINGS

Last vacation the over-worked maintenance and repair staff painted out our prep.-room, the prefect's studies and No. 5 Dorm. We hope that all our Dorms and our Common Room will soon be clean and bright in a new coat of paint. New curtains and new covers to our easy chairs are already making our Common Room a more cheerful spot.

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A popular innovation on cold winter days was the lighting of the Common Room fire. Contrary to the expectations of hardy old boys this did not soften up our boys as our sporting record will show, nor did it lead to an epidemic of sneezes and running noses.

Briscoe and Bosworth shared the prize for the best design for the Wood House pennant. The final version of the flag features the Wood House crest of a wagon wheel and horse shoe (Old Woodhousians will remember that our building was once a wagon-works) surmounted by a well-muscled strong right arm!

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During the term a House party was held to celebrate the Christening of the latest Wood House new-boy, Murray Cole Douglas, aged two months. The boys made short work of a large supply of eats and drinks provided by Mrs. Douglas and then we enjoyed an impromptu concert where some unsuspected talents were revealed. We particularly enjoyed Eltringham's polished, night-club version of "Confidentially". We were also entertained by Harris on the mouth-organ, by Babb and Mrs. Douglas at the piano, by van Zyl and Masterson on their piano-accordions and by the solos of Crole and Pengelly.

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The Cinderella of the Houses performed surprisingly well on the fields of sport. In spite of somewhat patronising remarks about our lack of Seniors we managed, not without some luck, to win both the Senior and the Junior Inter-House Rugby Competitions.

Five of our boys: Badenhurst, Morrison, Fivaz, Hayward and Moffett were not allowed to play in these games as they had been selected to tour the Cape.

The House First Team consisted of the following players: Schuddinh, van Breda, Harris, H., van Zyl, Keeton, Kevvy, Veale, Louw, Brotherton, Eltringham (captain), Masterson, Warner, Hochschild, Salmon and Kritzinger.

The Under Sixteen team was: Purdon, N., Babb, Wellington, Huddy, de Villiers, Dyer, Oxenham (captain), Rosenthal, Cohen, Cawood, Cobden, Wienand, Briscoe, Weir and Stewart.

We should like to thank the non-playing House members for their vocal support from the touch-line. Many of them came home croaking.

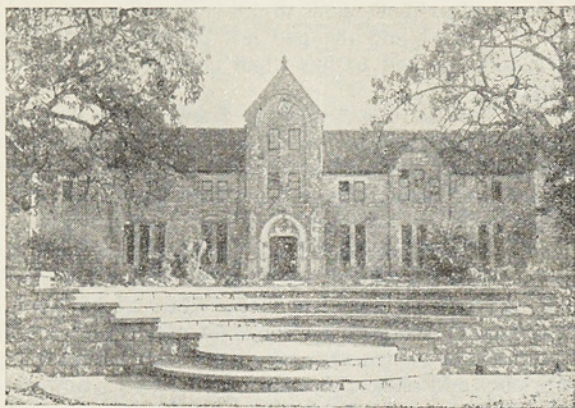
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In other sports we came first in the Junior and third in the Senior Cross Country and came second in the Inter-House Athletic Competition.

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We are anxious to be known as good all-rounders and not merely as slow-witted though fleet-footed athletes and rugby players. And so it is with pride that we can say that in the academic field we are showing great prowess. In the top J. C. class, for example, we note with pleasure that the first three places are all occupied by Wood House boys. Congratulations Stephenson, Briscoe and Hughes. Wellington and Haywood are also well up to the fore. We have every confidence that they will follow in the path of Rutter, van Zyl and Moore and will emerge from the J.C. Exams the proud possessors of a first class pass.





### JACQUES HOUSE AND PREPARATORY SCHOOL NOTES

With all other loyal South Africans we too spent much of this term glued to the wireless listening to the cricket broadcast from overseas. During the test matches even Tarzan had to take a back seat.

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Fortunately the term has been free of epidemics, and although the San. has seldom been without junior patients, at no time have we had more than four boys there at once. Bobby Hayward was our only hospital case. A malicious meningitis germ laid him low, but thanks to the perspicacity of Sister Lamont at the San., and prompt action on the part of Dr. Johnson, Bobby weathered the crisis, and we hope to see him back next term.

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The Union Day holiday was eagerly awaited by all circus fans. Nearly 90 juniors visited Wilkie's Circus and spent an enthralling two hours under the big top. In the evening three interest films provided by the Shell Company rounded off a memorable day. Half Term, by contrast, passed off quietly and uneventfully. Ken Beaton, prefect, returned from Mr. Lennox Pohl's farm with the yarn that he had shot two springbuck. The story was later confirmed, with the embellishment that the range was something under twenty yards! However, the venison was delicious, and the lads were unanimous in their thanks to Mr. Pohl for his gift of the two buck.

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One of the innovations this term has been the introduction of Deck Quoits played in the quadrangle. It has proved popular and keeps the small fry busy and interested. Tony Wicks and Timothy Smith, both diminutives, are particularly keen players.

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A Teniquoit court has also been laid out as an experiment, on the lawn above the tennis courts. This game, too, has been popular and is providing excellent exercise and training.

We welcome Mrs. M. Douglas to our staff. She has very kindly and most efficiently stepped into the gap left by Miss Ann Slater and has endeared herself to us and to her small charges by her kindness and understanding.

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To Mrs. Joyce Clark, too, we extend our welcome. Mrs. Clark has taken over the speech training in the Junior School, and her efficiency and charm have won her a place in our affections.

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Five new boys arrived this term—Robert Thom, from Livingstone, Keverne Evans, Geoffrey Bacon and Gordon Begg from Port Elizabeth, and Simon Barber from Middelburg, Cape, who arrived late in July. To make room for these newcomers we had to promote some of our older boys. It was with reluctance that we bade farewell to Robert Jordan, Bruce McFarlane and Roger Macartney who are now domiciled in Intermediate House.

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Thanks to Mr. Dowthwaite's enthusiasm and organisation we saw, on the premises, two feature films and several religious and other interest films. The two feature films were "Genevieve" and "Wyoming Mail". After seeing "Genevieve" we were intrigued to see the old 1910 Arrol Johnston in which Mr. Peter Holmes (O.K.), father of David, motored up from Port Elizabeth in the excellent time of 2 hrs. 40 mins.

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We are very grateful to the Shell Company, and to Mr. Hill of that company in particular, for the several interest films which they sent to us during the term.

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The Tennis courts have been out of action the whole term. The material for surfacing the courts proved unsatisfactory and the labour undependable. There is every hope, though, that the courts will be ready by September.

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Our grateful thanks go to Tony Marriott for the gift of a dozen novels of the "Biggles" and "Sudden" type. These have helped to fill the gaps on our shelves and have been in great demand. To Mr. H. A. Beadle, too, we are grateful for a gift of books of a more mature nature, and to Mr. John Clarkson for several score of the "Autocar" magazines.

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The film "Martin Luther" was attended by most of the school from Std. IV upwards. The Stds. I, II, and III worked, for which industry they were rewarded with a free Saturday morning which they spent at the cinema.

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Another highlight of the term was the visit of the Ones, Twos and Threes to the "Orange Factory" on the last Monday of the term where the lads were shown round and eventually sent back each with an enormous orange, export size.



Five Training College girls did a week's pupil teaching in the junior forms. We felt a certain amount of trepidation before their arrival, but were truly sorry to see them go.

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Although we were unable to attend the matinee of "Coppelia", presented by the University of Cape Town Ballet Company on the afternoon of our Cross Country, we were not unaware of their talent, for two of their members, Miss Nina Horn and Miss Dawn Matthew, were allocated to Jacques for the few days they spent in Grahamstown. Staff and boys alike found their presence delightfully refreshing. One small boy wanted to know: "What have they come to teach us?"

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During the term we were pleased to have as our guests to lunch at various times Mr. and Mrs. Mason (Ian's parents) of Zomba, Nyasaland, on their way to Scotland, Mr. Noel Brunton, an O.K., and his wife, Mrs. A. Makin, for many years matron at Wood House, Mrs. Arnold Louw, ex-staff, Mrs. Hayward, mother of Bobby, Miss Jacqueline Solomon, now a medical student at U.C.T., Mike Williams and Bill Todd, both O.K.s of recent vintage, and Mr. Joe Rees our energetic estates manager.

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Mrs. Jacques, after whose late husband this house is named, called in to tea a few days after her 86th birthday, with her daughter Mrs. Dorothy Rivett Carnac, well-known N.C.W. worker.

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Congratulations to Mr. D. Hooper on his inclusion in the Eastern Province hockey side.

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Over 60 boys from the Junior School and 170 from the Senior School rose at 5 a.m. to catch the special train to Port Elizabeth where—as the world now knows—the Eastern Province XV trounced the Lions. Our contingent was supervised by Mr. Bouwer and Mr. Hooper, assisted by four prefects. After the match the group enjoyed a hot meal at the park cafe, spent the evening at the Grand Theatre, and entrained at 11 p.m. The train which should have arrived at Grahamstown at 7 a.m. eventually arrived at noon. Brunch was served at 12.30.

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There was an excellent turn-out for the Cross Country, and many surprises. Details appear elsewhere. Our congratulations on a really stout effort go to Roderick Hulley who completed the course in spite of his handicap.

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We are grateful to Mr. Sydney Stirk for his gift of a Sea Craft model kit of the "Mayflower". Menno Meinesz and Winston Walton built the model and it is now an attractive eyeful.

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Our congratulations go to Mr. Guy Howarth who is to marry Miss Joan Holmes on August 13th. We wish these two every happiness.

### SCHOOL CINEMA

The School Cinema continues to function at regular intervals and the operators are still battling to improve the sound in the Memorial Hall, which doesn't seem to like mechanical sound judging by the acoustics.

Our combined schools circuit is working well and M.G.M. pictures have reappeared on the circuit.

During the first term, with various polio precaution restrictions, the number of shows was stepped up and we saw "Planter's Wife", "A Run for your Money", "Against All Flags", "Thundertown", "Inspan", "Encore", "Task Force", "Francis goes to the Races", while this term we have seen "Malta Story", "Last Chance", "Genevieve", "Singing in the Rain" and "Wyoming Mail".

Religious films continue to be shown once a month and very interesting they are too.

Special mention must be made of the visit paid us by Mr. Liebenberg of Fact and Faith films with those two excellent films "Voices of the Deep" and "Dust or Destiny".

Our thanks go to Mr. Hill of the Shell Company who not only brought up for showing to the Senior School, the Venice Film Festival prize winning film: "Back of Beyond" but also arranged for parcels of films to be sent for showing in Jacques House.

My personal thanks to R. Lipschitz and A. Wellington who have done a sterling job preparing for, and running the many shows.

G.R.D.

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### CADET NOTES

Our activities have been confined to basic training for the recruits, rehearsal of Trooping the Colour by the seniors, signalling and shooting—when the weather and light permitted.

For the first time since its inception we were unable to send a full contingent with band to the Delville Wood Parade but we were ably represented by Capt. C. K. Rooke, M.C. and one hastily assembled platoon. The Cadets seemed to feel that it was worth the journey to Port Elizabeth to see Eastern Province humble the Lions and to arrive back on Sunday morning nearly five hours late. Their officers, however, were sad to see our record go.

This is never a good term for shooting, it gets dark too soon for us even on the finest of days and it is difficult to get the better shots to the range in competition with rugby practices. We fired a team of six against Grey High School and lost by 25 points, and a team of four against St. Andrew's and lost by a narrow margin. The St. Andrew's shots surprised themselves and us by having no fewer than three possibles. We have no shooting stars but at least 15 boys are capable of averaging 90% so the bigger the team the better our chances of success.



## SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY LECTURE

## SPACE TRAVEL

On Friday, 8th July, the Kingswood Scientific Society were privileged to have as guest speaker the eminent scientist Dr. A. Blekseley. Besides members of Kingswood College there were present as our guests, contingents from St. Andrew's, St. Aidan's and D.S.G. Altogether about two hundred and fifty people were present.

Mr. Dacam, chairman of the Scientific Society introduced the speaker who then addressed the gathering on space travel. In Dr. Blekseley's opinion space travel was not only possible but inevitable. He discussed therefore, not the pro's and con's of its possibility, but the manner in which it would be achieved. The whole audience was, as it were, to be taken on a journey to the moon and back with Dr. Blekseley himself as pilot of the rocket ship.

The journey would begin with the usual tearful farewells; the expectant silence and the ear shattering roar of the rocket engines. Within six minutes the ship containing the passengers to the moon, would be travelling at the colossal speed of 7 miles a second. The restricting bands of the earth's gravity cast off, new problems would present themselves; new difficulties would have to be contended with. Where there is no gravity there is no weight and human beings themselves become weightless. New techniques would have to be devised for self transportation. Walking, a common enough action to most of us, would require new thought and manipulation. Eating itself would present a difficult problem only able to be overcome with the use of scissors and tongs. These because of their having forces counteracting one another and therefore not tending to produce movement would be the only utensils possible.

So much for the difficulties and the hardships of space travel. To compensate for these one would have the sublime satisfaction of gazing out of quartzite portholes over a magnificent panorama of stars, suns and planets. Great new fields of sight would be opened to our previously ignorant eyes.

As the rocket proceeds through space its velocity or climbing ability becomes less till, like a cricket ball, it ceases rising and begins falling. The difference, however, is that instead of falling downward the ship is now falling upwards. What has really happened is that the missile has entered the gravitational pull of the moon. It now plunges, with ever increasing speed towards that heavenly body. In order to avoid collision at a colossal speed the rocket ship is reversed and would then approach the moon "backwards". The rocket jets thrusting furiously out decelerate the ship to the extent that it can approach the moon in comparative safety.

The rocket safely landed, the crew, probably consisting of scientific experts, would then don their space suits. The lack of air on the moon would render these cumbersome things a necessity. Suitably garbed the space traveller would enter in on his new world. What he would find

there nobody knows—he would be the first human as we know it ever to set foot on a heavenly body other than our own.

The party would remain on the moon for some ten earth days; at the end of this period of time the moon would have become so incredibly hot as to make life altogether unpleasant. At this point one must remember that the length of day on the moon is fourteen earth days followed by an equally long night. Hence the heat. The traveller would then board his space ship for home laden with interesting details and relics of his brief sojourn on the moon. Within six days he would again set foot on “dry land”.

Now as to the principles of space travel! Dr. Blekseley quoted Newton's third law—“To every action there is an equal and opposite reaction”—as being that law upon which the rocket ship worked. The rocket engines containing fuel capable of creating a terrific pressure would literally “push” the ship into space. All this idea of rockets, said Dr. Blekseley started in the year 1273 A.D. in China when a Chinaman manufactured a crude rocket for the purposes of warfare. Little did he know that, as he lit the fuse of his smelly little rocket, he was starting the fire that would one day burst into flame, and send a gigantic rocket, weighing hundreds of tons, shrieking through space to the moon!

Space travel, Dr. Blekseley considered would be possible within the next 70-80 years. There was, he said, a much wider gap between the Wright brothers' aeroplane and the present day jet, than between a modern rocket and one that would carry man to the moon. Once the initial triumph of reaching the moon had been achieved new vistas for the adventurous minds of mankind would be opened up. The same spirit that prompted Columbus to start out across the Atlantic in his tiny ship would send great rocket ships far into the eternal blackness, of which we as yet have no conception. The age old spirit of “to strive, to seek, to find and not to yield” would send men far into the unknown vastness of the universe.

After his lecture Dr. Blekseley answered questions from the audience and so ended a very successful meeting of the Kingswood College Scientific Society. The speaker was ably thanked by M. N. Shutte.

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## RUGBY

### FIRST FIFTEEN

This has been a reasonably successful season. On their day our 1st XV were capable of playing open attacking rugby which was a joy to watch. Keast, our captain, led his team admirably, and was always dangerous on attack and sure on defence.

Of the eleven games played we won six, drew two and lost three (two of these by only three points).



The following is a summary of the games played:—

vs. Cradock Boys' High—Won	....	....	14—3
vs. Grey—Lost	....	....	3—6
vs. Dale—Won	....	....	11—5
vs. Graeme—Won	....	....	6—3
vs. Bishops (at home)—Drew	....	....	6—6
vs. St. Andrew's—Lost	....	....	6—11
vs. St. Aidan's—Won	....	....	35—3
vs. Muir—Won	....	....	9—0
vs. Gill—Won	....	....	6—5
vs. Bishops (away, on tour)—Drew	....	....	6—6
vs. Rondebosch—Lost	....	....	3—6

### *Kingswood vs. Cradock Boys' High*

In this the first match of the season everyone realized that the way Kingswood played would be an indication of the things to come. As a result of this the whole team gave their all and so showed what they could do and, I think, formed the basis of the successful season that we had.

Keast won the toss and selected to play with the slight breeze that was blowing. The visitors kicked off and from the very beginning the Kingswood forwards dominated the play. They won the majority of the lineouts and the scrums and were playing exceptionally well in the loose. The first try came after a quick heel, which had the opposition out of position. The ball was passed smoothly and quickly along the line to Vadoros who scored in the corner. The kick failed and Kingswood were leading 3—0. After this play fluctuated from one side to the other, but it was again Kingswood that scored. A scrum for a knock-on was awarded to the home side on the half-way line. The ball was hooked smartly by Beaton and passed along the line to Badings who broke beautifully and passed to Whitehead who beat the fullback and scored in the corner. Score 6—0. Keast converted a difficult kick and Kingswood were leading 8—0. This was the half-time score.

The second half produced some better rugby from the Cradock side. Wensel, their captain and flyhalf, began some dangerous movements but the Kingswood defence held. Kingswood eventually moved back on to the attack and three more points were added when Keast went blind-side, beat a few defenders and sent Vadoros over the line for a good try. Cradock fought back gamely and all but scored when their scrum half went blind and dived over. Unfortunately he lost the ball and so missed a certain try.

Wensel, who gained much ground with his beautiful 50 yard kicks, eventually received the ball near the line from a loose scrum. He drew two men on the blind side and sent his wing crashing over in the corner for a well deserved try. Score 11—3.

Behrmann and Berg did some staunch work in the line-outs and Raphael proved himself at fullback.

Near the end of the match Kingswood scored again when Badings broke and sent Whitehead away on a 25 yard run which ended in another

try. The final whistle blew and Kingswood had won their first match by 14 points to 3.

### *Kingswood vs. Grey College*

The Grey match was an exciting one from start to finish, but disappointing from the Kingswood point of view, as it was a bit of a let down after the previous match when everyone played so well. Still Grey fully deserved their victory, and thanks must go to them for a very pleasant match. Grey dominated forward play throughout the early part of the game. It was only in the last twenty minutes that Kingswood began to even matters in the line-outs and scrums.

The first try came early in the match and I think was the try that decided the game, in that the Kingswood backs never settled down to anything like their best form after it. Raper, the very fast Grey centre, received the ball from a tight scrum, knifed his way through the defence, and scored far out after a 60 yard run. The kick failed and the score was 3—0.

The next highlight was when the Grey flyhalf kicked ahead for their wing to gather the ball and when stopped, passed inside to Raper, who was up in support. Raper went over for his second try. The kick again failed and the score was 6—0. Raphael, at fullback, saved the side many times with some fine kicks.

After half-time the game closed up a bit and it was not long before Kingswood were rewarded during a sustained attacking period, when Keast put over a penalty from the corner of the 25. Score 6—3.

From the kick-off Kingswood began a desperate attack as time was running short, but the Grey defence held. Kingswood were awarded a penalty right in front of the posts, but the kick went astray and the score remained 6—3 when the final whistle went a few minutes later, with Kingswood still attacking strongly.

### *Kingswood vs. Dale*

At Kingwilliamstown on Saturday, June 11th, Kingswood beat Dale by 11 points to 5. The game was played in cool weather before a large crowd at the Victoria Ground. Kingswood having lost the toss, kicked off into the sun and immediately launched a furious attack on the Dale line. For fifteen minutes the home side were pinned in their own twenty-five, owing largely to the fast-breaking, hard tackling Kingswood flanks and flyhalf. During this time Keast missed two difficult kicks at goal but finally Fivaz, who had been playing with great fire on the flank, charged down a clearing kick from a badly shaken full-back and fell on the ball to score a good opportunist try. Keast's kick from the touch line shaved the left-hand post. From the kick-off a scrum was ordered and Kingswood backs showed their paces for the first time. Badings, at outside centre, sliced through the defence and ran thirty yards. Ill-advisedly he tried to jink inside the covering defence instead of slipping the ball to left-wing Whitehead who had an open line ahead.



Dale now recovered from their early shakiness and counter-attacked strongly. Hooking smartly from a loose scrum they were robbed of a certain try by a last minute knock-on. Kingswood heeled from a tight scrum under their posts and Hitchens' hesitant pass back was neatly intercepted by a Dale flank who scored in a good position. This try was converted and Dale was leading 5—3.

Play returned to Dale territory owing very largely to the outstanding line-out work of Kingswood's eighth man Bergh. The forward exchanges at this stage were fast and furious and neither side gave anything away. All the Kingswood tight forwards got through a lot of gruelling work but Behrman and Beaton are worthy of special mention. Just before half-time Kingswood got the ball quickly from a line-out on Dale 25 and Keast side-stepped his way through a defence which was lining up very flat. He scored next to the posts and du Plessis added the major points. The teams changed sides with Kingswood in the lead by 8 points to 5.

In the second half the game was much more even. Dale pressed very hard to reduce Kingswood's lead and only determined tackling by the Kingswood outside backs kept them out. Raphael, Kingswood's full-back, was put under very severe pressure by some clever tactical kicking but emerged from the order creditably. His positional play, cool fielding, and long touches got Kingswood out of trouble time and again. After a period of rather scrappy midfield play Keast put Kingswood into an attacking position with a long penalty kick to touch. Keast split the defence and slipped the ball to du Plessis who transferred to Badings. He drew both the wing and the full-back and gave Whitehead a clear run to dive over in the corner. The kick failed.

The last ten minutes saw Dale on the attack once more but deadly tackling prevented much progress, and the final whistle blew leaving Kingswood victors by 11 points to 5.

#### *Kingswood vs. Graeme*

Kingswood were at home to Graeme in this match, which was played on Gane Field on Wednesday, June 22nd, in very windy conditions. Graeme kicked off with the wind blowing on their backs. The game to begin with was very fast and hard, but was marred by too much kicking. A very good break by Dare put Graeme on the attack, but some good touch kicking by Raphael relieved the pressure for Kingswood. Kingswood now swept on to the attack and were awarded a penalty within striking distance. Hutton, the Kingswood lock, put the kick over and Kingswood were leading 3-0. From the kick off Graeme brought play into the Kingswood 25 and only determined tackling by the backs kept them out. From a tight scrum Graeme kicked across field; the movement looked dangerous until Keast, coming from nowhere, gathered the ball, broke beautifully and passed to Vadoros. The wing, however, was well tackled before he could really get going. In the ensuing scrum a Kingswood forward went off-side, but the kick failed and the score remained 3—0. Graeme continued to attack and were awarded another penalty shortly afterwards but the kick failed once again. For the next

few minutes the Kingswood defence was severely tried, but it was not until a quick heel from a loose-scrum gave Graeme a slight overlap, that they managed to cross the line. The kick failed and the score was 3—3. Soon afterwards the half-time whistle blew and the teams changed over with the score 3—3.

From the kick-off Graeme again swept on to the attack, but all their determined efforts were frustrated. Raphael put Kingswood on to the attack with two good touch kicks and it was now the turn of the Graeme defence. They did their work splendidly and kept Kingswood from crossing their line. A penalty for offside gave Graeme only short relief, for Raphael soon sent them back again with a very good touch kick.

The teams now took turns to attack but the defence on both sides was too good. During one such Kingswood attack Graeme were penalised for offside and Hutton put over a difficult kick to make the score 6—3 in Kingswood's favour.

From the kick off Graeme again swept to the attack and tried desperately to score. The Kingswood defence held though and the final whistle found the score unchanged.

#### *Kingswood vs. Bishops*

This game between Kingswood and Bishops on Monday, 27th June, started at a very fast pace. Directly after the kick-off Kingswood swung on to the attack, but hard tackling by Bishops kept them out. The Bishops fullback, who played a sound game throughout, eventually cleared. From the ensuing line-out the Bishop's forwards started a dangerous dribbling rush, but Kingswood, playing with the wind, soon took play back into the Bishop's 25, where Kingswood were awarded a penalty kick for a late tackle and Hutton made no mistake with the kick. Score 3—0. After a midfield tussle, Kingswood again swept to the attack. The Bishops full back relieved the pressure with a good touch kick. Now it was Bishop's turn to attack, but really devastating tackling by Kingswood with du Plessis, Badings, Fivaz and Whitehead to the fore, stopped the visitors scoring and was also responsible for a great many knock-on's in the Bishop's line, which further helped to take a great deal of the sting out of an undoubtedly strong backline division. Raphael, using the touchline, drove Bishops back and when the visitors were again penalised for offside, Hutton put the kick over and Kingswood were leading 6—0. This was the half-time score.

When play was resumed Bishops went on to the attack immediately. A dropped pass enabled the Bishops forwards to force a loose scrum on the home 25. They heeled quickly and the ball was passed smoothly along the line for the left-wing to go over in the corner. The kick failed and the score was 6—3. From the kick-off Bishops again started a line movement. The ball went out to the right wing and after a fine 30-yard run he scored far out. The kick again failed. Score 6—6.

After this relapse in the first 10 minutes of the second half, Kingswood settled down again and took play into the Bishop's half, where they tried everything in a determined effort to score. Bishops were now,



however, playing with the wind and every time the home side forced play into their opponent's 25, the visitor's flyhalf, using the wind to great advantage drove Kingswood back, and eventually still using the wind as an able ally kept Kingswood penned in their own 25. Brown, deputising in Keast's absence, du Plessis and Badings were very prominent in the defence that kept Bishops from crossing the line. A very good Bishop's back line movement saw the ball flashed out to the left wing, who cross kicked. A certain try was prevented by Whitehead who gathered the cross-kick in the nick of time, and kicked into touch.

Play now moved to mid-field where some hard forward tussles took place. Both packs were still playing very good football, but neither could make much headway and the final whistle blew with play still in mid-field. Final score 6—6.

### *Kingswood vs. St. Andrew's*

This annual school rugby match between St. Andrew's and Kingswood drew a crowd as big and enthusiastic as ever, and the crowd was rewarded by a good game between two useful, if not outstanding sides.

St. Andrew's won the toss and elected to play with the wind, which showed signs of dropping. Both sides took some time to settle down, but then the St. Andrew's line-out forwards Stone and Harte began to establish a superiority in the line-outs. St. Andrew's attempted to get their line moving but the Kingswood backs were coming up fast and tackling well at this stage.

From a loose scrum St. Andrew's swung the ball out quickly to Rathbone, who was allowed to break through the inside gap, draw the fullback Raphael, and give Williamson, the St. Andrew's wing, a clear 25 yards run to score a splendid try in the corner. Whitehead cutting across from the opposite wing was just too late to prevent Williamson going over in the corner. St. Andrew's again, by using the wind to advantage, came back on to the attack. From a tight scrum on the Kingswood line, the ball was hooked and passed back to Raphael to clear. Raphael knocked on and all the St. Andrew's loose-forwards had to do was fall on the ball for their second try of the match. Score 6—0.

Just before half-time Kingswood attacked strongly and looked dangerous when Keast went around the blindside with du Plessis and Letcher in support. The St. Andrew's centres were out of position but instead of passing Keast attempted to go on his own and gave the St. Andrew's cross defence, time to get across and he was well tackled.

The next score came when St. Andrew's were penalised for offsidcs and du Plessis made no mistage with the kick. Score 6—3.

At this stage it was anybody's game and for the first twenty minutes after half-time the play was fast and exciting, but there was no further score. At this stage St. Andrew's started to get the upper hand. The Kingswood backs were not playing to their usual form and the St. Andrew's backs, who were getting a very fair share of the ball, were able to do a great deal that good tackling would have stopped. After Pearce, the St. Andrew's centre, broke he passed to his left wing who scored in

the corner, but while breaking he was allowed to sidestep his way through half a dozen Kingswood players, at a pace not much faster than a trot, without a hand being laid on him. But it was a try and Pearce himself converted with a good kick and the score was 11—3.

Kingswood put in another spirited attack and after a good forward rush and a quick heel, Keast punted on the St. Andrew's fullback, who dropped the ball. The Kingswood forwards swarmed round the St. Andrew's player who fell on the ball and he was penalised. The kick was again successful and when a few minutes afterwards the final whistle went, the score was 11—6.

### *Kingswood vs. St. Aidan's*

In this match although the score 35—3 seems to indicate that Kingswood had it all their own way, the scrum and line-out counts prove otherwise. (Scrums 7 for 6 against and lineouts 8 for, 11 against). The true state of affairs as far as the forwards were concerned was a very even struggle. Where Kingswood had the supremacy was in the backline. As badly as they played in the previous match so the backs played well in this one.

For the first 15 minutes although there were some very exciting movements neither side could score. It was not until approximately 18 minutes after the start that the first try was scored. From a scrum about mid-field the ball went out to Badings, who broke beautifully before passing to Whitehead, who beat two men, and scored in the corner. The kick failed, score 3—0. From the kick-off St. Aidan's moved on to the attack, but were soon driven back, and it was again Kingswood who scored. The forwards dribbled the ball forward, heeled quickly when stopped and the ball was passed smoothly along the line for Vadoros to score. Score 6—0.

From the kick-off St. Aidan's started a determined attack. Good tackling kept them out, but during the sustained attack, a Kingswood forward went off-sides and the St. Aidan's fullback put over an easy kick. Score 6—3. Soon after this Kingswood were also awarded a free kick and made no mistake with the penalty. Score 9—3.

The Kingswood forwards, at this stage, were playing very well in the loose with Badenhorst, C. and Bergh, L. prominent. From a tight scrum the ball went along the St. Aidan's line. Their wing was well tackled and the Kingswood forwards were on hand to heel quickly. The ball went to Whitehead who, with a good burst of speed, ran 50 yards to score far out. The conversion failed and the half-time score was 12—3.

After the break Kingswood really began to press and the second half was all Kingswood, or so it seemed to the spectators. First Vadoros, who was playing very well, nearly went through, then Hitchens broke round the blind side and went over. The kick was over and the score was 17—3. From the kick-off Kingswood took play back into their opponents' 25 and from an orthodox line movement, Whitehead got his third try. Score 20—3. Again Kingswood went back and this time it was Badings who broke through and scored under the poles. Score



25—3. St. Aidan's took play down into the Kingswood half, where a scrum was ordered for a knock-on. Kingswood won the ball and Badings gain broke through, ran thirty yards and scored close to the poles. du Plessis put the conversion kick over and Kingswood were leading 30—3.

Nothing daunted St. Aidan's again moved on to the attack and there were some exciting movements on the home side's try-line. Yet again, it was Kingswood that scored. They took play back to mid-field and from an orthodox line movement Whitehead scored yet another fine try. The kick was over and the score was 35—3.

### *Kingswood vs. Muir*

Kingswood kicked off and immediately went on to the attack. The Muir defence held, though, and the pressure was relieved when a Kingswood forward, through over keenness, when off-sides and Muir were awarded a free kick. From the ensuing line-out Kingswood again swarmed to the attack, but yet again a free kick was awarded to Muir and Kingswood were driven back. Play now became very scrappy, due, I think, to over keenness by both packs of forwards, and the referee, Mr. Cunningham, had to award too many penalties for the game to really get going.

From a tight scrum the ball went along the Kingswood back line and when Vandoros, the wing, found himself bottled up, Badenhorst, A. was well up in support and was stopped inches from the line. Muir were defending well. One of their forwards, in his eagerness to get at Keast, was off-sides and Keast himself made no mistake with the kick. Score 3—0. From the kick-off Kingswood again moved back into the Muir 25 and were again awarded a free-kick and again Keast put it over. Score 6—0. A certain amount of robust play took place at this stage and again the match was spoilt by penalties. Muir now went on to the attack, but it was Kingswood who scored from their own half. Raphael gathered a kick ahead, broke past the oncoming Muir line, kicked ahead and followed up to score a most spectacular opportunist try. The kick failed and Kingswood were leading 9—0.

After the break Muir moved to the attack, but the home side's defence was too good. Bergh and Badenhorst, A. were playing very well and it was largely through their efforts that Kingswood weathered the determined Muir attack. Bergh began to dominate the line-outs and with a fair share of the ball Kingswood took play into the Muir half. Neither side could make any headway, though, and again play became very scrappy. There were far too many infringements and the game developed into a kicking contest. There were no fewer than 19 penalties awarded in this half.

There was no further score and a rather drab game came to an end with Kingswood leading 9—0.

### *Kingswood vs. Gill*

Kingswood travelled to Somerset East for this yearly fixture against her age-old rivals. Gill kicked off with the wind and immediately took

play into the Kingswood 25, and for the first ten minutes only sound kicking kept Gill from scoring. Van Skalkwyk, at fullback, eventually brought relief with a very good touch kick. At this stage of the game it was all Gill, but Kingswood soon settled down and drove Gill back into their own 25. Hutton and Bergh were prominent in the line-outs and were being well supported by Behrmann and Morrison, but the backs just could not penetrate the sound Gill defence, even though they were seeing a great deal of the ball. Bad handling was the major cause of the let-offs Gill were given. A free kick for Gill eventually gave them the breather they badly needed. It was not long though before Kingswood came back and this time they were rewarded. Vandoros fielded a kick to touch passed inside to Keast for the latter to break through and score. The kick failed and Kingswood were leading 3—0. For the rest of the first half Gill camped in the Kingswood half but could not cross the visitors line.

The first ten minutes of the second half saw Kingswood camped in the Gill 25, but bad passing and indifferent handling ruined many promising movements. The next score came from Gill. The fullback gathered the ball in his own 25, kicked far down the field, and when the bounce of the ball beat van Schalkwyk the fast Gill left wing wasted no time in gathering the ball and racing over for a try near the posts. The kick was over and Gill were leading 5—3. Kingswood were soon back on the attack, where they were awarded a free kick. Keast took the penalty and put it over. For the rest of the game play was a ding-dong struggle between the two 25's with neither side looking dangerous. There was no further score and the final whistle found Kingswood the winners by 6—5.

## 2ND XV

The second team had an average season as far as results were concerned. They would, however, have done much better if the backs had been as strong in their department as the forwards were in theirs. The team was well led by Toogood who was very well supported in the pack by such stalwarts as Louw, Morrision, Engelbrecht, Cook, Truscott, Hochschild and Kelly.

The team's weakness was at half and throughout the season there was no set pair, until at the end Hesketh and Hayward began to settle down into two useful players. They were unlucky in that the 1st team had to continually draw from their numbers because of injuries and also because Brown, who was starting to put in some useful work at flyhalf, was crocked and could not play for the rest of the season.

Among the backs the two that I really would like to single out are the centres van Zyl and Harris. They did not always get the service they wanted and under difficult conditions they developed into a very useful pair. Their running with the ball was good and their tackling improved tremendously. Van Schalkwyk, Newton and van Breda, all three playing out of position, did their adopted positions full justice.



*Summary of games played by Kingswood Second XV:—*

vs. Cradock Boys' High—Lost	....	....	3—5
vs. Grey—Lost	....	....	0—5
vs. St. Andrew's 3rds—Won	....	....	8—6
vs. Graeme—Won	....	....	3—0
vs. St. Andrew's 2nds—Lost	....	....	0—14
vs. St. Andrew's 2nds—Lost	....	....	3—8
vs. Kingswood 3rds—Won....	....	....	14—0
vs. Muir—Won	....	....	22—3
vs. St. Andrew's 3rds—Won	....	....	5—3

*vs. Craddock*

This match was held very early in the season before we were fully fit. At half-time we were leading by 3 nil, the points coming from a fine try by van Zyl. Shortly before the end Craddock scored under the posts and the final whistle went with the score 5—3 against us.

*vs. Grey*

Grey pressed hard throughout the game and our visitors emerged worthy winners by five points to nil. Cook played very well in the line-outs.

*vs. St. Andrew's 3rds*

St. Andrew's scored two tries and Moffett, on the flank, scored two tries for Kingswood. Final score 8—6 in favour of Kingswood.

*vs. Graeme*

This was a tight, hard game with both side svery evenly balanced. van Schalkwyk kicked a good penalty to make Kingswood the victors by three points to nil.

*vs. St. Andrew's 2nd XV*

At half-time Kingswood were leading 3 points to nil as a result of a penalty by van Schalkwyk. Towards the end of the game St. Andrew's broke through our line twice and won the game by 8 points to 3.

*vs. Muir*

In this game the 2nd team reached the peak of their form against the powerful Muir side. Toogood was raking the ball regularly and our line gained in confidence particularly in the second half. The half-time score was 3 points to nil in our favour the points being scored by Letcher on the wing.

In the second half Kingswood really opened up. The forwards were winning scrums and line-outs regularly. Harris at centre scored two excellent tries and Letcher followed suit. Then the forwards took a hand and Hutton and Engelbrecht both scored. Towards then end of the game Muir put over a penalty and the final whistle found us the winners by 22 points to 3.

*vs. St. Andrew's 3rds*

This was a tight, tough game. Harris scored for Kingswood and van Schalkwyk converted. St. Andrew's scored one try. The final result was 5—3 in our favour.

## 2ND DIVISION RUGBY

This Division, consisting of 3rd and 4th XVs, had quite a successful season. Thanks to the first division having about five "spares", there were less disrupting promotions than usual and the thirds, in particular, settled down to some intelligent, combined rugby. As has been the case for several seasons now, the forwards tended to play better than the backs. J. A. F. Reid, playing at number 8, made an excellent captain. Both by exhortation and by example he held the team together and in every match the thirds finished strongly. Other forwards who did more than their fair share of work were Karis, who, despite his lack of weight, made an excellent hooker; Theo van Rensburg, who was an Amos du Plooy in the tight and a Chris Koch in the loose; Tubby Masterson who, in addition, kicked some most difficult conversions; Berg and Levitan, the flanks, were always on the ball and Bergh's low tackling in the ruck was deadly.

The composition of the backs was much more fluid. We had five different scrum-halves during the season. Hesketh was the nippiest and he played several good games before he was promoted to the seconds. P. Meyer played consistently at flyhalf, he handled very well indeed and covered well in defence but was not quite quick enough off the mark to give the three-quarters that vital initial thrust. Bertschinger was undoubtedly the most penetrative runner of the three-quarters but he attempted to break too often and his positional play was more that of a loose forward than a centre. Rowe, on the wing, ran strongly when he got the inside gap and Keevy, at centre, improved considerably towards the end of the season. Schuddinh turned in a number of steady games at fullback before he was injured and Dunlop tackled well but tended to knock-on under pressure.

The fourths were handicapped by being robbed of their best players every time a casualty occurred in the thirds. Nevertheless Cobden, hooker, led them well and P. Warner (front rank), Shuttleworth and Wienand (locks) played with determination. Swan and Abbot had some valuable experience at scrum-half which should stand them in good stead next year. Among the backs Neale-Shutte tackled well, Borrás ran with dash, and Brickhill and N. Q. Jackson played steadily on the wing.

The results during the season were as follows:—

### *3rd XV*

vs. St. Andrews 3rd XV—Lost	....	....	24—0
vs. St. Andrew's 4th XV—Lost	....	....	9—0
vs. St. Aidan's 2nd XV—Won	....	....	25—11
vs. St. Andrew's 3rd XV—Won	....	....	5—3
vs. St. Aidan's 2nd XV—Won	....	....	14—0
vs. St. Andrew's 3rd XV—Lost	....	....	17—3
vs. St. Andrew's 4th XV—Won	....	....	14—0



*4th XV*

vs. St. Andrew's 4th XV—Lost	....	....	14—5
vs. Graeme 3rd XV—Lost	....	....	8—0
vs. St. Andrew's 4th XV—Won	....	....	5—0
vs. St. Andrew's 4th XV—Lost	....	....	21—0
vs. St. Andrew's 4th XV—Won	....	....	3—0
vs. Graeme 3rd XV—Lost	....	....	20—0

During the whole season not one point was scored from a penalty kick. All the points came from tries and conversions.

**UNDER 15 'A'**

We have had a very successful season this year. Of the eight games played against other schools we lost one, drew one and won six.

A summary of the results follows:—

*Combined 'A' and 'B'*

vs. Queen Alexandra Secondary School—Won	30—0
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*K.C. Under 15 'A'*

vs. Graeme U.15 'A'—Drew	....	....	3—3
vs. St. Andrew's U.15 'A'—Lost	....	....	22—3
vs. St. Aidan's U.15 'A'—Won	....	....	12—3
vs. Graeme U.15 'A'—Won	....	....	16—3
vs. St. Andrew's U.15 'A'—Won	....	....	3—0
vs. St. Aidan's U.15 'A'—Won	....	....	12—6
vs. St. Andrew's U.15 'A'—Won	....	....	8—0

In the first game of the season eight 'A' team players and 7 'B' team players defeated our visitors from the Kowie by 30 points to nil. Babb, on the wing, scored four tries, Green two and Wienand, Purdon and van Eck one each.

In our first match against Graeme we played with a team lacking the services of Benson, Purdon and van Rensburg in the backline and of Cohen and Bannister in the forwards. Each side scored one try. Kingswood were sluggish both in attack and defence but So'omon stood out for his fire and zest and scored a good try.

The feature of the first game against St. Andrew's was the slowness of our backline to come up in defence. Early in the game our two centres were injured and St. Andrew's were quick to capitalise our mistakes. In many movements their flyhalf drew our first or even our outside centre and so presented McLeod-Smith, their speedy wing, with many overlaps—opportunities which he was not slow to turn to profit by scoring four splendid tries. Peter van Rensburg scored our only try after a fine run. In the lineout Kritzinger was outstanding and Oxenham led the side well under difficult circumstances.

The game against St. Aidan's produced some good rugby, particularly in the first half. Krog opened our score by kicking a penalty. This was followed by a good movement resulting in a score by Wellington.

Oxenham then scored a try to make the score 9—0 in our favour at half-time. In the second half St. Aidans rallied and our play deteriorated particularly in the lack of binding in loose-scrums and lineouts. The final whistle found us the winners by 12 points to 3.

The second fixture against Graeme was a hard game played in a blustery wind. Ten minutes after the kick-off Krog scored a magnificent try after a full line movement and then converted it to make the score 5—0 in our favour. Cobden, playing his first game for the 'A' side, scored the next try under the posts and Krog again converted to make the score 10 nil. Further points for Kingswood came from a penalty by Krog and a try by van Rensburg. A feature of this game was the vastly improved handling, running and tackling of our back line.

In the second game against St. Andrew's the St. Andrew's pack put up a great performance in the first half. But our backs completely neutralised this advantage by their speed and deadily tackling. In the second half our forwards rallied and Krog nearly scored twice from blindside movements after quick heels. Finally, after being driven back time after time by the nineteen free-kicks given against us, Krog put over a penalty from one of our three free-kicks and the final whistle found us the winners by 3 points to nil.

The second fixture against St. Aidan's saw some excellent tight and loose scrumming by our pack but our line-out work was shockingly poor. This was a very good day for Peter van Rensburg who played his best game of the season. By taking the outside gap or by drawing the St. Aidan's wing he presented Krog with several overlaps which resulted in many exciting runs down the line. Krog, van Rensburg and Oxenham all scored tries and we won the game 12—6.

The final match against St. Andrew's produced some very exciting rugby. St. Andrew's took control in the first half and played most of the game in or near our twenty-five. Had they not kicked so often they might well have scored on one or two occasions. Once they missed a certain try when, after a quick heel from a loose scrum, they were presented with a triple overlap. Fortunately for us their fly-half elected to break inwards where he was smartly tackled by van Rensburg.

In the second half Kingswood forwards rapidly gained the upper hand and with a regular supply of the ball our backs started attacking and play moved into the St. Andrew's twenty-five. The first score came when Krog kicked a neat penalty. Thereafter Kingswood pressed strongly; a blindside movement nearly brought a try and very soon afterwards Oxenham charged down the St. Andrew's fullback's kick and came within an ace of scoring. About five minutes later some forwards dribbled over the St. Andrew's line but the ball bounced awkwardly and we failed to score. Our reward, however, soon came. Huddy kicked high over the try line and van Eck, following up fast, dived on the ball to make the score 6 nil in our favour. Krog converted and we emerged as victors by 8 points to nil.

Oxenham must be congratulated on the inspiring way in which he led his team.



# THE FIFTH TEAM

The regular players for our fifth team were: Keeton, Harris, J., Frantzis, Bodley, Malaher, Fold, Watson, B., Jackson, P. T., Diskin, Loots, Filmer, Butt, Prentice, Marsh, Cox, Brotherton and Pretorius.

The following is a summary of the results of the matches played against other schools:—

vs. St. Andrew's 5th Team—Lost ....	9—3
vs. Graeme 4th Team—Won.....	9—3
vs. St. Andrew's 6th Team—Drew ....	3—0
vs. St. Andrew's 6th Team—Drew ....	0—0
vs. St. Andrew's 5th Team—Lost ....	9—0

The two outstanding members of the team were P. T. Jackson, a very shrewd and able captain, and "Bushy" Brotherton, a very useful hooker and hard-working forward. But all the players gave of their best and, as will be seen from the summary above, although they were beaten at times, they were never disgraced.

The team had many enjoyable, hard-fought tussles with the Under 15 'A' and the Kingswood 4th and 6th teams and we note with pleasure that quite a few of our players were chosen to play in their House rugby teams.

## 4TH DIVISION (U.15 'B' and 6th Team)

The new principle of dividing up the Under 15 into separate divisions proved to be a satisfactory one for the Under 15 'B' team. They played eight matches to have an unbeaten record for the season, having a most creditable tally of 131 points for and 15 against.

Much of this team's success may be ascribed to very good leadership by M. Cobden and A. C. Wellington, both of whom have the ability to set a high standard of effort which is followed by the rest of the team. This team at all times played rugby of a delightfully mobile and open nature, many of their matches being a joy to watch. Many times tries were scored after backs and forwards had indulged in delightful inter-passing movements. Their recovery both on attack and defence was good, which bears out how extraordinarily effective the simple rule of "getting back into position before resting" can be. Above all, however, the players seemed to enjoy their games which is the higher ideal of the game after all.

In W. Babb the team had a speedy wing who seemed to score tries with careless abandon, M. Searle-Tripp, K. Partridge, A. C. Wellington, J. C. Orsmond, J. J. Otty, the outside backs, all did well each contributing in no small way to the success of the team. R. Hepker developed into a very good flyhalf, neat and sure in his play, and with R. T. Woodward they formed an admirable half-back combination.

The forwards, under the leadership of J. Bannister, did sterling work and they seemed to love to join in with the three-quarters on attack. Players such as A. Green, M. Folds, E. Kaplan, J. Droomer, J. Bannister, J. Hewson, R. Newcombe, P. Watson all combined to make a good pack of forwards.

Congratulations, then, on an enjoyable and a successful season.

The 6th XV under the captaincy of P. Schultz and R. Darroll came near to playing some good rugby. Though not as successful as the U.15 'B', they gave the impression of having enjoyed their rugby. Had they implemented the fundamentals of the game more efficiently, there is no doubt they would have done better. No matter what else you do, you must bind in the tight and loose, get to the ball first and back up if you are to be effective as a pack of forwards. You must run hard, tackle hard, give and take passes going hard, and back up inside if you are to have a good line. As I say, not always was this done this season, but I hope the players will benefit from the lessons learnt this year.

R. Thompson, B. Lipschitz, J. Bruce, A. Holmes, P. Schultz, D. de Villiers, C. Breen, G. Osler, C. H. Bennett, J. Abel, H. M. Bennett, R. Darroll, A. Bradbury, H. McKendrick, W. Shields, M. Breen and R. Truscott all played for the 6th XV.

Though each of the players on occasion produced some good form, it is a pity that they did not do so at the same time.

G.J.S.

### 6TH DIVISION RUGBY

In this Division the boys have played as hard and enjoyed their rugby as much as anyone in the School. The Division consists of the Under 14 'B' and the 11th Team who practice against each other.

The Under 14 'B' team has on the whole had a most successful season. They played nine matches and lost only two of them, once beating a St. Andrew's team to whom they lost twice. The team was full of enthusiastic little players who always gave of their best. N. Dugmore and L. Harris proved a sound pair of halves who got better and better. R. Barrett played well at wing and centre while a variety of others moved up and down between the 'A' and 'B' team. In forwards Connan (capt.) and Dewberry were an inspiration to the rest, while diminutive Hopkins did a grand job as hooker.

The other half of the Division led by E. Walsh did not get as many matches but were every bit as keen. After two heavy defeats against St. Andrew's College they found their level of opponents and had two most enjoyable matches against St. Andrew's College, which they won. Crole proved an energetic and courageous little scrum-half to Walsh, while Haddon and van Zyl made further great efforts in the backline, as did Curran and Payne. In the forwards Fullerton, Priest, Hutchison and Filmer all did stalwart work. Meinesz and silcock performed well at times.

Though it was a long term, the boys remained keen right to the end, and played always as though they were thoroughly enjoying every minute of it.

T. C. HARTZENBERG



## JUNIOR RUGBY

### UNDER 13 'A' DIVISION

This season has not been a particularly good one as far as results are concerned, for out of 10 matches played the U.13 'A' lost 7 and only won 3. Talent here was sadly lacking, especially amongst the "threes". We could hold more than our own against Graeme and St. Aidan's but the very powerful St. Andrew's U.13 'A' thrashed us time and again. The side proved far too temperamental, the reason for this I believe to be that in the past, far too much "reliance" has been placed on individuals such as G. Handley (who we unfortunately did not have with us this season), Milroy etc., instead of concentrating on team work, tackling, running straight, passing, laying the foundation with basic essentials, confidence, etc.

However, as the season developed the players welded themselves into quite a good combination; there is, however still years of training ahead for all of these players.

The team was at all times ably led by Whitehead (only in Std. 4), a very promising and inspiring forward. The 'A' side consisted mainly of: Wellington, Huddy, Handley, Wood, C. G., Robey, Chambers, Whytock, Bouwer, Halligey, Strudwick, van Niekerk, Whitehead, Wilson, Letcher, Kuys and Wesson. Others who have played for the 'A' side are: Hewson, Wightman, McHendrie Massey, Holland and others.

In the forwards there was a wealth of material with players such as Whitehead, Bouwer, Wilson, Strudwick—to mention a few. Kuys, I think, developed the most. Towards the end of the season he was always on the ball—a great pity he is so small.

Huddy and Handley are fast developing into good "threes", but in this department things are really barren and here was our great weakness in every match. A lot of coaching will have to be done here.

Halligey was outstanding as hooker and forward. van Niekerk was our line-out expert. Whytock became a menace to the opposition with his "drops" and towards the end of the season he was quite successful in "tapping them over".

Well, chaps we have had a good time together, long may all the memories linger! "Our spirit" will never fade, but will become stronger and stronger as the years roll by.

May I now in conclusion, say thank you to you all. Without your co-operation, team spirit, attitude and obedience I could not have managed.

"Come on, chaps, six times round the field to warm up!"

Results (Kingswood mentioned second):—

Against St. Andrews Prep.:—34—0; 26—0; 17—0; 18—0

Against Graeme:—8—0; 6—3; 6—0.

Against St. Aidan's U.13 'A':—0—31.

Against St. Aidan's U13 and U.14:—9—8.

Against St. Aidan's Prep. 1st:—19—3.

**UNDER 13 'B'**

Of the 7 Inter-School games played, all were won, and the side scored 87 points whilst conceding only 27. A pleasing feature of the scoring was that 72 points came from tries.

Twenty-five players represented the team, of whom the following played four or more games:—Peterkin, A. (capt.), Wood, B. T. (vice-capt.), Holland, N., Grieve, J., Krogh, W. S., Stephenson, D., Venter, B., Wightman, D., Pittaway, R., Atkins, J., Inggs, C., Massey, P., Baumann, P., Bacon, K., Kipps, P., Shirlaw, W.

I should like to thank all these and the many others who did not play in matches but who turned out regularly at practices, for without the practices the team's record would not have been so impressive.

J.A.C.

**UNDER 12 RUGBY**

The Under 12 Division as usual started the season just over 30 strong, but colds, injuries etc., soon reduced the effective numbers to about 26, making it impossible to field a regular 'B' side. However, thanks to the courtesy of St. Aidan's, the "Rest" were able to enjoy one match.

One point to praise in the whole Division: they quickly learnt and applied the tactic of falling on the ball, always a difficult thing for juniors to understand and apply.

Of the 'A' side the difficulty was to decide who to leave out!

The forwards did a great deal of steady, hard work and while they were not always up in support they combined very well together and achieved a magnificent shove in the scrum. M. van Schalkwyk, C. de Wet, D. Newcomb and R. Long were outstanding in the tight and loose, I. MacFarlane is a much improved hooker while N. Turner and I. Mason were the best loose forwards, with A. Smuts challenging them strongly for a place in the side. B. Bartlett tried hard at No. 8 but should switch to scrum-half in future.

Behind the Pack there was a changing backline. T. Ansley and C. Krog combined well as halves, the latter having the knack of getting his line moving fast. J. Thompson captained the side from the centre, where he must learn to share the ball. W. Meinesz, A. Duncan, C. Barnes and B. du Toit all played well, but special mention must be made of M. and R. Giddy, newcomers to the game who have developed into deadly tacklers and should go far.

Results of Matches:—

**Under 12 'A'**

vs. St. Andrew's Prep.—Won	....	....	18—0
vs. Graeme—Lost	....	....	6—3
vs. St. Andrew's Prep.—Won	....	....	16—0
vs. Graeme—Lost	....	....	9—0
vs. St. Aidan's—Won	....	....	24—0
vs. St. Andrew's Prep.—Won	....	....	8—0
vs. Graeme—Won	....	....	3—0
vs. St. Andrew's Prep.—Drew	....	....	5—5

Played 8:—Won 5; Lost 2 Drew 1. Points for 89, points against 11.



## Under 12 'B'

vs. St. Aidans—Won ..... 9—3

## UNDER 11 DIVISION

The Division consisted of about 45 players. Mr. Jimmy Creighton, O.K., who won his honours cap in 1925, gave up many an afternoon of his time to help coach the 'A' side. The excellent results are shown in the summary of the games played.

The following played regularly for the 'A' team:—Peterkin, D. Jones-Phillipson, R. Hart, S. van Niekerk, M. van Rensburg, K. Creighton, J. Kneen, G. Williams, Robey, Bell, P. Whytock (captain), O. Kellner, Vermaak, Green. Others who have played for the 'A' side are Thom, Linder, Pohl and Smuts.

The 'B' members of the Division range in age from 7 years to 10 years and their enthusiasm and promise augurs well for next year. One match was played against St. Andrew's and was lost 9—0.

## RESULTS OF UNDER 11 MATCHES

The following were the results of matches:—

- vs. Graeme: Won 9—0 (2 tries by Whytock, one try by van Niekerk).
- vs. St. Andrew's: Lost 5—3 (try by Robey).
- vs. St. Andrew's: Draw 3—3 (try by Creighton).
- vs. Graeme: Won 11—0 (tries by S. van Niekerk, Creighton and Hart; convert by Whytock).
- vs. St. Andrew's: Won 8—0 (tries by van Niekerk and Bell; convert by Whytock).
- vs. St. Andrew's: Won 9—3 (try by Thom; drop and penalty by Creighton).
- vs. Graeme: Won 21—0 (six tries by S. van Niekerk; drop by Creighton).

## TENNISSETTE

There are some promising players in the junior school, and some of the games have been a pleasure to watch. Tennisette is an excellent game for teaching co-ordination of muscle and eye, and for training in the elements of tennis. Miss Joan Holmes has done valuable work in supervising and directing the under 11's.

In May Form IIIa played against Form IIIb and won comfortably by 30 games to 14. The IIIa team consisted of Wellington, A., Peterkin, A., Dunstan, D., and Sager, D. The IIIb team contained Bayly, Wood, C., Wesson, B., and Whytock, R.

A Jacques House versus Intermediate House match was arranged. Owing to a misunderstanding the Intermediate team did not all turn up, but after re-arranging the couples a very close match resulted, with the score 32 games to 31 in favour of the Jacques team. The players were Peterkin, A., Halligey, R., Hepker, E., Burgess, M., Chambers, Wytock, R., Evans, K., De Villiers, E., Abell, T., McHendrie, I., and Bayly, T.

The match against St. Aidan's Prep., who have only just started playing tennisette, proved our team to be far too experienced for them. We hope to arrange another and more even match when we shall be able to put in some of the younger players.

We are very grateful to Mr. Raymond Stephenson, O.K., for the gift of four dozen tennis balls.

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### TENNIS 1955

This year found us once again without our last year's stalwarts and an almost entirely fresh start had to be made in building up a first team. The result has been one that promised little success in matches this year, but that held high hopes for the future.

John Harris, who has yet another year with us, has done a good job as Captain, ably assisted by James Kirkman (vice-captain) and G. Filmer (secretary). These together with H. Harris (Under 16), M. Huddy (Under 15), L. Harris (Under 14) and R. Kirkman have represented us in most of our matches. Matches, unfortunately, have been only too rare since tennis is still very much the Cinderella of school sports, and finding days when most of our players are free from rugby or cricket commitments is a very difficult task. This is a great pity since it tends to kill interest when boys practice really hard in their spare time week after week, and are rewarded only once or twice a term with outings against other schools or clubs.

We took hidings from Selbourne College, East London, and from St. Andrews College in the first term, but not before some of our first team juniors had shown indications of what we can expect of them in the future. On half-term this year we paid a visit to the Mortimer Tennis Club near Cradock, for what has become almost an annual fixture. It was here, particularly, that the youngsters showed what they were capable of if only match practice was not so hard to come by. In spite of a magnificent effort on the part of our hosts to weigh us down with the finest of foods, we were only slightly on the wrong side at the end of the day.

During the year the courts have been constantly overcrowded and though we cannot compete in opportunities with the "major" sports, the tennis players are showing their keenness, and it is to be hoped they stick to it.

T. C. HARTZENBERG.



## ATHLETICS

The Informal Sports brought to a successful conclusion a very interesting season of Athletics. It is true that polio restrictions curtailed the original programme, by the cancellation of the E.P. Inter-Schools Championship in which the School normally takes part.

Interest rose to unprecedented levels when, for the first time, an Inter-House Relay competition took the place of the Inter-Provincial Relays. Run on the Triangular contest rules, a thrilling day's athletics resulted, with each House putting in a full team. The training was done under House arrangements, and on numerous occasions little clusters of athletes could be seen with a member of their House committee in the centre giving training hints and suggestions on "how to keep in a bunch in the 2 miles". To Gane House fell the honour of winning the first Inter-House Relays. They won from Chubb by 2 points, Wood House were third, and Jagger had to be satisfied, for this year, with fourth place. Thus the name of Gane will appear as the first inscription on a fine shield that has been presented for this competition by Mr. and Mrs. Wally Knight.

To return to the Informals. The day's achievements counted two Senior records with eighteen standards among its victories. Erroll Whitehead, winner of last year's record breaking 880, came into his own again to break F. Bayly's and T. Morgan's 51.9 secs. record of 1943, 1944 vintage by .2 of a second. This was a splendid run particularly as he had to make the pace and was not pressed or challenged by anyone else in the field.

The other Record set up was in the Pole Vault. This was a unique event this year. No less than five of the vaulters clearing Standard before M. Neale-Shutte went on to jump 10 ft. 9½ in. breaking "Westus" van der Westhuizen's 1951 record.

The detailed results of the Inter House Relays and Informals are set out below. Mrs. Solomon, wife of the Senior School physician presented the prizes.

### INTER-HOUSE RELAYS

The competition was run according to the Oxford and Cambridge relay system and incorporated a panel of eleven events, one of which had already been decided. The point scoring was 4 for First, 3 for Second, 2 for Third and 1 for Fourth.

#### *Competing Houses are:*

Chubb (Gold)	Team Captain: K. Beaton
Gane (Green)	Team Captain: L. Badings
Jagger (Black)	Team Captain: E. Whitehead
Wood (Red)	Team Captain: A. Badenhorst

(Times and Distances etc. that are given at the top of each event were put up in the Inter-Provincial relays in 1953 and 1954. They are being incorporated in to this Competition as provisional records).

Event already decided:—

Points  
G. G. J. W.

*Pole Vault*:—(24ft. 3 ins.)

C.:—B. Watson, P. Meyer, J. Loots.

G.:—M. Neale-Schutte, C. Vadoros, K. Bertchinger.

J.:—M. Cobden, G. Hirshon, D. Hesketh.

W.:—A. Wellington, G. Salmon, A. N. Other

1. Gane, 2. Chubb, 3. Jagger, 4. Wood. Ht.: 27ft. 6ins. (R)	3	4	2	1
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	3	4	2	1

*100 yards*:—(44.7 secs.)

C.:—C. Krog, D. Brodley, R. Barnes, R. Keast.

G.:—L. Badings, P. du Plessis, M. Neale-Shutte. K. Bertschinger.

J.:—J. Dunlop, N. Jackson, R. Rowe, R. Hitchens.

W.:—A. van Zyl, F. van Breda, G. Hayward, A. Badenhorst.

1. Gane, 2. Jagger, 3. Chubb, 4. Wood. Time: 45.2 secs.	2	4	3	1
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*Shot Put*:—(102ft. 4ins.)

C.:—H. van Schalkwyk, T. Toogood, L. Bergh

G.:—L. Badings, D. Hall, D. Raphael.

J.:—C. Hutton, C. Haselau, J. Cook.

W.:—T. Masterson, H. Eltringham, C. Butt.

1. Gane, 2. Jagger, 3. Wood, 4. Chubb. Dist.: 101ft. 2½ins.	1	4	3	2
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*Mile Medley*:—(4 mins. 35.3 secs.)

C.:—K. Beaton (880), R. Barnes (220), R. Keast (220), R. Letcher (440).

G.:—P. du Plessis (880), T. Brickhill (220), L. Badings (220), C. Vadoros (440).

J.:—E. Whitehead (880), R. Hitchens (220), T. Malaher (220), C. Haselau (440).

W.:—D. Keevy (880), G. Hayward (220), M. Moffett (220), F. van Breda (440).

1. Jagger, 2. Chubb, 3. Gane, 4. Wood. Time: 4 mins. (R)	3	2	4	1
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*High Jump*:—(15ft. 1½ins.).

C.:—T. Toogood, J. van Niekerk, M. Cobden.

G.:—L. Badings, D. Raphael, M. Neale-Schutte.

J.:—R. Rowe, W. Shields, E. Whitehead.

W.:—G. Salmon, M. Moffett, T. Masterson.

1. Gane, 2. Jagger, 3. Wood, 4. Chubb. Ht. 15ft. 3¼ins. (R)	1	4	3	2
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*Inter-Form Relays*:—(For boys not taking part in other events). (4 x 110 yds.).

(i) 5A vs. 5B. Won by 5A. Time 50.1 secs.

(ii) 3A vs. 3B. Won by 3A. Time 59.1 secs.



440 yards:—(3 mins. 50.4 secs.).

C.:—J. v. Niekerk, N. Frantzis, R. Keast, R. Letcher.

G.:—P. du Plessis, C. Vadoros, T. Brickhill, B. Woodward.

J.:—R. Hitchens, C. Haselau, S. Wells, E. Whitehead.

W.:—N. Fivaz, F. v. Breda, G. Hayward, M. Moffett

1. Jagger, 2. Gane, 3. Wood. Time: 3 mins. 49.5 secs. (R) — 3 4 2

*Inter-Form Re'ays:*—(For boys not taking part in other events). (4 x 110 yds.).

(i) Stds. 1 and 2 vs. Std. 3. Won by Blair's Team

(ii) Std. 4 vs. IIa vs. IIb. Won by IIa. Time 62 secs.

(iii) 4a vs. Bb vs. 4c. Won by 4 c. Time 52.2 secs.

(iv) 6c vs. 6d. Won by 6d. Time 54.3 secs.

(v) 6a vs. 6b. Won by 6a. Time 53.2 secs.

*Long Jump:*—(56ft. 9ins.)

C.:—J. van Niekerk, R. Barnes, R. Newton.

G.:—D. Raphael, P. du Plessis, B. O'Donovan.

J.:—C. Haselau, G. Hirshon, J. Dunlop.

W.:—T. Masterson, A. van Zyl, A. Badenhorst.

1. Wood, 2. Chubb, 3. Gane, 4. Jagger. Dist.: 50ft. 4½ins. 3 2 1 4

*Two Miles:*—(10 mins. 44 secs.).

C.:—R. Newton, D. Brown, A. Sonnenfeld, G. Kruys.

G.:—R. Wienand, D. Watson, B. Woodward, D. Darroll, B. O'Donovan.

J.:—A. Marriott, N. Millard, T. Malaher, D. Evans.

W.:—N. Fivaz, R. Bosworth, M. Hochschild, J. Kirkman.

1. Chubb, 2. Jagger, 3. Wood, 4. Gane. Time: 11 mins. 14 secs. 4 1 3 2

*110 yards Hurdles:*—(1 min. 16.1 secs.).

C.:—B. Watson, C. Engelbrecht, G. Filmer, J. Loots.

G.:—K. Bertshinger, D. Raphael, M. Neale-Shutte, J. Droomer.

J.:—M. Cobden, J. Dunlop, G. Hirshon, D. Solomon.

W.:—A. van Zyl, W. Babb, M. Moffett, G. Salmon.

1. Wood, 2. Chubb, 3. Gane. Time: 1 min. 5.1 (R) 3 2 — 4

880 yards:—(9 mins. 17 secs.).

C.:—R. Letcher, D. Cobden, J. v. Niekerk, K. Beaton.

G.:—C. Vadoros, R. Larkin, T. Brickhill, R. Wienand.

J.:—A. Marriott, R. Rowe, E. Whitehead, R. Swan.

W.:—D. Keevy, M. Hochschild, J. Kirkman, A. Badenhorst.

1. Chubb, 2. Wood, 3. Gane, 4. Jagger. Time: 9 mins. 17.5 secs. 4 2 1 3

*Prefects vs. Privates*:—(Only for non-competitors). Won last year by Privates).

Won by Prefects. Time 55 secs.

*220 yards*:—(1 min. 39.5 secs.).

C.:—R. Letcher, R. Barnes, D. Bodley, R. Keast.

G.:—T. Brickhill, K. Bertshinger, D. Fold, B. Woodward.

J.:—R. Hitchens, S. Wells, T. Malaher, R. Rowe.

W.:—A. van Zyl, F. van Breda, G. Hayward, A. Badenhorst.

1. Chubb, 2. Jagger, 3. Gane. Time: 1 min. 42.15 secs. 4 2 3 —

Totals 28 30 27 22

### INFORMAL SPORTS

Detailed results are as follows:—

#### INTER HOUSE COMPETITION

##### OPEN

*100 yards*:—1. R. Letcher (C), 2. L. Badings (G), 3. R. Keast (C), R. Hitchens (J). Time: 10.75 secs.

*220 yards*:—1. R. Letcher (C), 2. L. Badings (G), 3. R. Keast (C), 4. R. Hitchens (J). Time: 24.3 secs.

*440 yards*:—1. E. Whitehead (J), 2. R. Letcher (C), 3. J. van Niekerk (C), 4. P. du Plessis (G). Time: 51.7 secs (Record). (First two under Standard).

*880 yards*:—1. E. Whitehead (J), 2. R. Letcher (C), 3. J. van Niekerk (C), 4. Y. Brickhill (G). Time: 2 mins. 4.3 secs. (First 3 under Standard).

*1 Mile*:—1. E. Whitehead (J), 2. K. Beaton (C), 3. A. Sonnenfeld (C), 4. D. Brown (C). Time: 4 mins. 54.9 secs. (First 2 under Std.).

*2 Miles*:—1. K. Beaton (C), 2. A. Marriott, 3. R. Newton, 4. A. Sonnenfeld. Time: 10 mins. 54.8 secs. (Std.).

*110 yards Hurdles*:—1. A. van Zyl (W), 2. W. Babb (W), 3. G. Filmer (C), 4. C. Engelbrecht (C). Time: 14.9 secs. (First under Std.).

*220 yards Hurdles*:—1. A. van Zyl (W), 2. G. Filmer (C), 3. M. Moffat (W), 4. W. Babb (W). Time: 30.3 secs.

*Long Jump*:—1. R. Barnes (C), 2. M. Neale-Shutte (G), 3. P. du Plessis (G), 4. J. van Niekerk (C). Distance: 19ft. 2 ins.

*High Jump*:—1. L. Badings (G), 2. D. Raphael (G), 3. R. Rowe (J), 4. W. Shields (J). Height: 5ft. 4 ins. (First three under Std.).

*Pole Vault*:—1. M. Neale-Shutte (G), 2. K. Bertshinger (G), 3. B. Watson (C), 4. J. Loots (C), 5. C. Vandoros (G). Height: 10ft. 9½ ins. (Record). (All under Std.).



*Shot Put*:—1. Hutton (J), 2. Masterson (W), 3. Hall (G), 4. Badings (G). Distance: 36ft. 8½ins. (First over Std.).

#### AGED 16 and 17 YEARS

*100 yards*:—1. J. Dunlop (J), 2. A. van Zyl (W), 3. R. Rowe (J), 4. K. Bertschinger (G). Time: 11.2 secs.

*220 yards*:—1. R. Newton (C), 2. R. Rowe (J), 3. S. Wells (J), 4. D. Bodely (C). Time: 25.9 secs.

*880 yards*:—1. D. Brown (C), 2. R. Kirkman (W), 3. D. Keevy (W), 4. R. Larkin (G). Time: 2 min. 14 secs.

#### UNDER 16

*100 yards*:—1. R. Barnes (C), 2. F. van Breda (W), 3. H. Harris (W), 4. G. Hayward (W). Time: 11.4 secs.

*220 yards*:—1. Barnes (C), 2. Malaher (J), 3. Francis (C), 4. Krog (C). Time: 26.2 secs.

*440 yards*:—1. F. van Breda (W), 2. C. Vandoros (G), 3. N. Francis (C), 4. G. Hayward (W). Time: 57 secs.

*880 yards*:—1. C. Vandoros (G), 2. T. Malaher (J), 3. G. Kruys (C), 4. E. Bosworth (W). Time: 2 min. 16.5 secs.

*1 Mile*:—1. T. Malaher (J), 2. G. Kruys (C), 3. N. Whitehead (J), 4. G. Hayward (W). Time: 5 mins. 1.4 secs.

*110 yards Hurdles*:—1. W. Babb (W), 2. M. Moffat (W), 3. Hirshon (J), 4. van Zyl (W). Time: 15.4 secs.

*Long Jump*:—1. T. Masterson (W), 2. M. Moffat (W), C. Krog (C), 3. R. Barnes (C). Distance: 17ft. 7¾ins.

*High Jump*:—1. C. Vandoros (G), 2. M. Moffat (W), 3. P. Meyer (C), 4. G. Osler (G). Height: 5ft. ½in.

*Pole Vault*:—1. C. Vandoros (G), 2. B. Watson (C), 3. P. Meyer (C), 4. G. Osler (G). Height: 9ft. 6½ins. (Std.).

*Shot Put*:—1. T. Masterson (W), 2. H. van Schalkwyk (C), 3. C. Badenhorst (J), 4. C. Cox (G). Distance: 39ft. 10ins.

#### UNDER 15

*100 yards*:—1. C. Krog (C), 2. D. van Rensburg (G), 3. T. Benson (C), 4. W. Babb (W). Time: 11.65 secs.

*660 yards*:—1. N. Whitehead (J), 2. R. Hepker (C), 3. E. van Eck (G), 4. A. Wienand (W). Time: 1 min. 40.4 secs.

Result of Inter-House Competition:—

1. Chubb	....	....	....	....	....	98 points
2. Wood	....	....	....	....	....	63 points
3. Jagger	....	....	....	....	....	55½ points
4. Gane	....	....	....	....	....	55 points

## JUNIOR INTER-TEAM COMPETITION

## UNDER 14

- 100 yards*:—1. Anderson (P), 2. Hewson (M), 3. Halligey (P), 4. Canepa (M). Time: 12.6 secs.
- 220 yards*:—1. H. Tucker (O), 2. T. Bayly (O), 3. P. Hewson (M), 4. E. de Villiers (O). Time: 29.6 secs.
- 660 yards*: 1. R. Dewbury (M), 2. P. Connon (O), 3. R. Oxenham (M), 4. N. Burgess (P). Time: 1 min 47.2 secs.
- 1 Mile*:—1. R. Dewberry (M), 2. Buchner (O), 3. H. Tucker (O), 4. R. Oxenham (M). Time: 5 min. 34.2 secs.
- 80 yards Hurdles*:—1. Knott (O), 2. Harris (O), 3. Diack (A), 4. Andrews (A). Time: 14.4 secs.
- Long Jump*:—1. H. Tucker (O), 2. P. Hewson (M), 3. R. Buchner (O), 4. C. Henderson (M). Distance: 14ft. 9ins.
- High Jump*:—1. D. Holzer (A), 2. A. Wellington (A), 3. C. Wood (M), 4. L. Harris (A). Height: 4ft. 6.5 ins.
- Pole Vault*:—1. A. Wellington (A), 2. D. Booth (P), 3. N. Dugmore (O). Height: 6ft. 7ins.
- Shot Put*:—1. Ansley (A), 2. Dunston (P), 3. Diack (A), 4. Knott (O). Distance: 30ft. 3ins.
- Cricket Ball*:—1. Ansley (A), 2. Knott (O), 3. Diack (A), 4. Stewart (P). Distance: 223½ft.

## UNDER 13

- 660 yards*:—1. D. Handley (M), 2. A. Wellington (A), 3. P. Chambers (A), 4. D. Kuys (P). Time: 1 min. 52.2 secs.
- 100 yards*: 1. Wood (M), 2. Handley (M), 3. Hewson (M), 4. Halligey (P). Time: 12.65 secs.

## UNDER 12

- 100 yards*:—1. J. Thompson (O), 2. S. van Niekerk (O), 3. T. Ansley (O), 4. P. Ellis-Smith (A). Time: 13.2 secs.
- 220 yards*:—1. J. Thompson (O), 2. P. Ellis-Smith (A), 3. P. Whytock (A), 4. M. van Rensburg (O). Time: 30.8 secs.
- 660 yards*:—1. Ellis-Smith (A), 2. Duncan (O), 3. Mason (O), 4. Barnes (A). Time: 1 min. 59.3 secs.
- 80 yards Hurdles*:—1. J. Thompson (O), 2. M. van Schalkwyk (A), 3. A. Smuts (A), 4. C. Krog (A). Time: 15.3 secs.
- Long Jump*:—1. T. Ansley (O), 2. W. Meinesz (O), 3. V. Hayward (A), 4. E. von Hilla. Distance: 15ft. 1½ins.
- High Jump*:—1. W. S. van Niekerk (O), 2. M. van Schalkwyk (A), 3. K. Beaumont (M), 4. P. Collett (O). Height: 4ft. 3½ins.



*Shot Put*:—1. J. Thompson (O), 2. M. van Schalkwyk (A), D. Newcombe (P), 4. C. Barnes (A). Distance: 32ft. 1½ins.

*Cricket Ball*:—1. J. Thompson (O), 2. M. van Schalkwyk (A), 3. P. Whytock (A), 4. W. Meinesz (O). Distance: 210ft. 10ins.

#### UNDER 11

*100 yards*:—1. van Niekerk (O), 2. Whytock (A), 3. van Rensburg (O), 4. Hart (O). Time: 13.3 secs.

#### UNDER 10

*80 yards*:—1. van Niekerk (O), 2. Jones-Phillipson (P), 3. Collett (O), 4. Peterkin (A). Time: 10.9 secs.

#### UNDER 9

*60 yards*:—1. Campbell (A), 2. Steyn (O), 3. Priestley (A), 4. Beale and Walters (O). Time: 9.1 secs.

#### Results of Junior Inter-Team Competition:—

1. Olympics	....	....	....	....	92½ points
2. Achilles	....	....	....	....	76 points
3. Mercury	....	....	....	....	38 points
4. Pegasus	....	....	....	....	22½ points

#### ANNUAL CROSS-COUNTRY

As a postscript to these notes, and somewhat in the nature of a stop-press message, we must bring you the news of the day, of Cross-Countries that will certainly go down in history as a mile-stone of athletic achievement. The records have been searched as far back as we can go and its equal has not been found. For probably the first time in the history of our Cross-Countries, three new records were set up on the same afternoon, and each in a different section. Perhaps the weather had something to do with it; perhaps it is the result of Mr. Ken Watson's P.T. classes inducing an unprecedented standard of fitness; perhaps the fact that it was run on an Inter-House basis with the first eight home in each house scoring points for his House, that combined to make this an outstanding day of Cross-Country racing. Certainly Tony Marriott, who broke the Senior record set up only last year by R. Davis and B. Armstrong, gained his success by the only way possible in athletics, persistent effort, hard training, and considerable "abdominal fortitude". No little credit for his remarkable performance must go to Gordon Craig who, still Under 19 this year and making a name for himself as a distance man running for Rhodes, has taken Marriott on many a training run. One of these was round the Senior Cross-Country course, on which occasion (it was an official time trial) Cragg covered the distance in 19 mins. 15.1 secs. However, Marriott is the man of this year's Cross-Country and his splendid running has earned him a reward which is no more than he justly deserves.

Malaher was no less successful in the Junior (U.16) race and is maintaining his promise which he quickly showed, soon after his arrival last year from Kenya. He managed to clip nearly 4 secs off the record set up by R. Newton in this race last year.

Dewberry, in company with four others, put up such a fast time in the Under 14 that a special check on markers was made before the result was confirmed. He succeeded in setting up such a terrific pace that Dyer, P. Hewson, D. Handley and Buchner all succeeded in breaking the previous record as well as they chased him. He reduced the time for the run by 27 odd secs.

It is interesting to compare some of the recent performances. Since Derek Meyer ran an inspired race in 1952 to knock 45 secs off Clive Turner's record, Cross-Country running has entered a new phase at Kingswood and the keenness in it is having beneficial affects in every other department of school sport and work.

Some recent performances:—

#### OPEN (Mossop Cup)

Record: 20 mins. 40.3 secs.. R. J. Davis (1954).

Standard: 22 mins. 20 secs.

1952	D. Meyer	20 mins. 45 secs.
1953	F. van Wyk	21 mins. 18.2 secs.
1954	R. Davis	20 mins. 40.3 secs. (Record).

#### JUNIOR (Under 16) (Hindes Cup)

Record: 20 mins. 20.6 secs. R. Newton 1954.

1952	R. Davis	20 mins. 53.2 secs.
1953	E. Whitehead	21 mins. 0.5 secs.
1954	R. Newton	20 mins. 20.6 secs. (Record).

#### UNDER 14 (Rich Cup)

Record: 11 mins. 58.5 secs. C. Vandoros 1953.

1952	C. Crowther	12 mins. 37.3 secs.
1953	C. Vandoros	11 mins. 58.5 secs. (Record).
1954	W. Babb	12 mins. 4.2 secs.

### RESULTS

The Results of the Inter-House Competitions is as follows:—

#### UNDER 16

1.	Wood	....	....	....	....	90 points
2.	Gane	....	....	....	....	105 points
3.	Jagger	....	....	....	....	163 points
4.	Chubb	....	....	....	....	169 points

#### SENIOR

1.	Chubb	....	....	....	....	82 points
2.	Jagger	....	....	....	....	144 points
3.	Wood	....	....	....	....	147 points
4.	Gane	....	....	....	....	154 points



Only the first eight of each House gained points. Those who scored for their Houses have their House initial in brackets after their names.

The detailed results are as follows:—

### SENIOR

1. A. Marriott (J) —20 mins. 29.2 secs. (Record).
2. K. Beaton (C)—20 mins. 57 secs. (under Std.).
3. A. Sonnenfeld (C)—21 mins. 6 secs. (under Std.).
4. R. Newton (C)—21 mins. 29 secs. (under Std.).
5. S. Filmer (C)—21 mins. 46 secs. (under Std.).
6. E. Whitehead (J)—21 mins. 56 secs. (under Std.).
7. N. Fivaz (W)—22 mins. 2 secs. (under Std.).
8. T. Brickhill (C)—22 mins. 12 secs. (under Std.).
9. P. Morrison (W)—22 mins. 14 secs. (under Std.).
10. D. Raphael (G)—22 mins. 17 secs. (under Std.).
11. Keevy, D. (W), Letcher, R. (C), 13. O'Donovan (G), 14. du Plessis (G), Hochschild, M. (W), 16. Schultz (C), 17. Hitchens, R. (J), 18. Millard (J), 19. Wicks, R. (J), 20. Engelbrecht (C), 21. Cobden, D. (C), 22. Wienand (G), 23. Loots, 24. Kirkman, J. (W), 25. Stephens, F., 26. Truscott, R. (J), 27. Badenhorst, A. (W), 28. Bertschinger, K. (G), 29. Bergh, L., 30. Rowe (J), 31. Miller, 32. van Zyl, A. (W), 33. Salmon (W), 34. Hall (G), 35. Walters, W. (G), 36. Bennett, H., 37. Diskin, 38. Keast, Haselau, (J), Behrman, Wells, 42. Neale-Shutte, 43. Watson, D., 44. Hesketh, R., 45. Breen, M., 46. Harris, J., 47. Shields, Truscott, J., 49. Norisken, van Rensburg, 51. Davey, B., 52. Reid, J., Scott-Robinson, 54. Conacher, 55. Louw, 56. Bruce, 57. Fold, 58. Brooke, 59. Keeton, 60. Tarr, 61. Hobbs, 62. Hutton, C. Cook, J. van Eck, A., Eltringham, Warner, 67. McKendrick, 68. Bennett, C., 69. Dunlop, 70. Kelly, N., Kelly, D., 72. de Villiers, 73. Bodley, 74. Moore, C., Mansell, 76. Bradbury, 77. Butt.

### UNDER 16

1. Malaher, T. (J)—20 mins. 16.8 secs. (Record).
2. Vandoros, C. (G)—20 mins. 27 secs.
3. Darroll, R. (G)—20 mins. 46 secs.
4. Hayward, G. (W)—21 mins. 1 sec.
5. Moffett (W)—21 mins. 8 secs.
6. Kruys (C)—21 mins. 22 secs.
7. Huddy (W)—21 mins. 26 secs.
8. Stephenson (W)—21 mins. 33 secs.
9. Thompson (G)—21 mins. 43 secs.
10. Bergh, V. (G)—21 mins. 54 secs.
11. Searle-Tripp (G), 12. Haddon (J), 13. McCarter (W), 14. Anderson, O. (W), 15. Meyer, P. (C), 16. Evans, D. (J), 17. van Breda (W), 18. Watson, B. (C), 19. Shuttleworth (G), 20. van Schalkwyk (C), Whitehead, N. (J), 22. Harris, H. (W), 23. Benson (C), 24. Borrass (J), 25. Woodward, R. (G), 26. van Eck, E. R. (G), 27. Hayward, I., 28. Otty,

29. du Venage, 30. Watson, P., 31. Veale, 32. Smith, H. S. (G), 33. Walsh (C), 34. Wienand, 35. Wellington, A. C., 36. Krog, C., Oxenham, A., 38. Bosworth, 39. Westaway, 40. Crole, 41. Badenhorst, C. (J), 42. Babb, 43. Kruger, Kritzinger, 45. Swan (J), 46. Abbott (C), 47. Osler, 48. Hewson, 49. Marsh, 50. Masterson, Brotherton, 52. Abell, T., 53. Orsmond, 54. Beaumont, M., 55. Karos, 56. Kirkman, 57. van Rensburg, D., van Rensburg, P., Solomon, 60. Frantzis, 61. Payne, Reed, 63. Abell, J., 64. Meinesz, Fold, 66. van Zyl, 67. Payne, 68. Bannister and Warner, 70. Ackerman, 71. Priest, 72. Hughes, 73. Green, 74. Newcombe, 75. Webster, 76. Filmer, A. W., 77. Davey, 78. Daly, 79. Levitan, 80. Prentice, 81. Hutcheson, 82. Wicks, L., 83. Morgan, G., 84. Rudman, 85. Paver, 86. Parsons, 87. Breen, C., 88. Genner, 89. Droomer, 90. Phillips, 91. Keevey, N., 92. Evans, D. L., 93. Severn, 94. Slater, 95. Birch, 96. Hartley, Q. and Curran, 98. Rutter, 99. Morgan, G., 100. Drakes, 101. Cawood, 102. Liptshitz, 103. Johnson, D., 104. Edmunds, 105. Rosenthal, 106. Cobden, Hiscock, and Partridge, 109. Stevens, R. 110. Law, 111. Pretorious, 112. Stretton, 113. Underwood, 114. Godet, 115. Brigham, 116. Hutton, 117. Gibson, 118. Raphael, 119. McCulloch and Potgieter, 121. Jackson, H.

#### UNDER 14

1. R. Dewberry—11 mins. 27.7 secs. (Record).
  2. J. Dyer—11 mins. 47 secs. (broke old record).
  3. P. Hewson—11 mins. 53 secs. (broke old record).
  4. Handley, D.—11 mins. 56 secs. (broke old record).
  5. R. Buchner—11 mins. 57 secs. (broke old record).
6. Connan, 7. Wellington, 8. Weir, 9. Tucker, 10. Stephenson, 11. Henderson, 12. Ansley, J., 13. Burgess, 14. Jensen, 15. Dugmore, 16. Anderson, 17. van Niekerk, W., 18. Bacon, 19. Whithead, F., 20. Wienand, 21. Barratt, 22. Jordan, 23. Davidson, 24. Macartney, 25. Kuys, 26. Massey, 27. Pengelly, 28. Oxenham, R. 29. van Niekerk, S., 30. Larkin, 31. Bax, 32. Holland, 33. Krogh, S., 34. Bayly, 35. Diack, 36. Thomas, 37. Andrews, 38. Barnes, 39. Hayward, V. C., 40. Canepa, 41. Kipps, 42. Whytock, R., 43. Letcher, 44. Meinesz, M. 45. Knott, 46. Creighton, 47. Hopkins, 48. Turner, 49. Whitehead, D., 50. Hart, 51. van Schalkwyk, 52. Mason, 53. de Jager and Newcombe, 55. Smith, R., 56. Strudwick, 57. Harris, L., 58. Campbell, 59. Marshall, 60. Huddy, C., 61. Collett, 62. Hopwood and Robey, A., 64. Robey, L., Ansley, T. and Wilmot, 67. Rowland and Moore, A., 69. Whytock, P., 70. Hepker, 71. Duncan, 72. van Hille, 73. McHendrie, Diskin and Bauman, 76. Walters, K., 77. Wightman, 78. Walton, 79. Bouwer, 80. Wesson, 81. Shirlaw, 82. Bertschinger, 83. Barnes, A. S., 84. Wilson and Wood, C. G., 86. Walters, A., 87. Barber, 88. Mitchell and Peterkin, A., 90. Krog, Chas., 91. Booth, 92. Pohl, 93. Wilson, J. J., 94. Stewart, 95. Smuts, J., 96. Coombs and Atkins, 98. de Wet, 99. Westaway, 100. Green, R., 101. Michaelides, Beek and Jenkins, 104. Slee, 105. Williams, 106. Oberholzer and Phillipson, 108. Bosman, 109. Webb, 110. Carr, 111. Smale, 112. Priestley, 113. McIntosh, 114. Dunstan, 115. Bell, 116. van Rensburg,



117. Smith, T., 118. Wood, B. T., 119. Hoare and Linder, 121. Beaumont, K., 122. Giddy, R., 123. Steyn, 124. Venter, 125. Landsey, 126. Peterkin, M., 127. Hayward, B. de V., 128. Long, R., 129. Shiels, 130. Evans, K., 131. Hicks, 132. Sheard and Williams, G., 134. Howell, 135. Smuts, A., 136. Pittaway, 137. Waller, 138. Kneen, 139. Wicks, 140. Jones-Phillipson, 141. Cooper, 142. Roderick, 143. Giddy, M., 144. Vermaak, 145. Begg, 146. Viedge, 147. Beddy, 148. Norman, 149. Piers, 150. Gow, 151. Williams, R., 152. Behrman, 153. Bennett, 154. Davis, 155. Plumstead, 156. Nock, 157. Drakes, 158. Israelsohn, 159. Butler, Dreyer and McKillen, 162. Silcock, 163. Eltringham, 164. van Heerden, 165. Bartlett, 166. Hayward, B., 167. Thompson, 168. Dickenson, Grieve and Hulley.

### A GOLDEN WEDDING

On 1st June, 1955.

On 1st June, 1905, Edwin (Ted) Hubert Purdon was married to Florence Mary (May) Hamilton in Commemoration Church, Grahamstown. Ted Purdon in an Old Kingswoodian and May Hamilton in an Old Wesleyan High School girl.

As far as we can find out this is the first time that an Old Kingswoodian has celebrated his golden wedding, and all Kingswoodians, near and far will join with us in congratulating him and his wife on their 50 years of married life and in wishing them good health and good fortune for the future.

Ted was at K.C. from 1894 to 1898. He was a member of the 1st XI, 1st XV and a sergeant in the cadet corps. He was also a foundation pupil of the College and attended the old "Tin Temple" (the first Kingswood) in Upper Somerset Street, under the headmastership of E. G. Gane.

During his life he has been a clerk in the Standard Bank of South Africa, then a farmer, then Bursar of Kingswood College and now a retired pineapple farmer. He now lives in Grahamstown where he is an ex-singles champion of the Grahamstown Bowling Club.

His wife was present, as a W.H.S. girl, at the laying of the foundation stone of the present School House in 1896. Her father, the late Robert Burns Hamilton, gave the present school bell to Kingswood in the name of his four daughters, May, Constance, Janet and Cathy.

Their two sons, Dennis and Keith are both O.K.'s and one of their grandsons, Neil, is a present pupil of the school.

## O.K. NOTES

## OLD KINGSWOODIAN CLUB SECRETARIES;

*Grahamstown:* { D. R. Butler, School House, Kingswood College.  
 { K. H. Douglas, Wood House, Kingswood College.

*Johannesburg:* P. Gane, P.O. Box 1125, Johannesburg.

*Pretoria:* Hugh Stocks, 390, Clark Street, Waterkloof, Pretoria.

*Cape Town:* D. G. Jack, c/o Jack & Son, Longmarket Street, Cape Town.

*Durban:* D. W. Dugmore, 3, Craigneven, 16, Guildford Road, Durban.

*Port Elizabeth:* G. R. Larkin, P.O. Box 7034, Newton Park, Port Elizabeth.

*East London:* G. T. Hay, P.O. Box 94, East London.

*Bloemfontein:* Fred Dunster, c/o A. C. White & Co., St. Andrew's Street, Bloemfontein.

*Umtata:* L. A. Dangerfield, Box 35, Umtata.

*Adelaide:* Lex Webster, "Riverside", P.B. Adelaide.

*Salisbury:* Frank Guest, c/o Barclays Bank. Box 790, Salisbury.

*Bulawayo:* E. M. Knight, P.O. Box 304, Bulawayo.

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Ian Jolly, of Johannesburg, a daughter, on 19th April.

To Mr. and Mrs. Noel Tucker, of Grahamstown, a daughter, on May 5th.

To Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wilson, of Johannesburg, a daughter, on 17th May.

To Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Crouch of Estcourt, a daughter, on May 6th.

To Mr. and Mrs. M. Skinner, at Sandford, a son, on 7th August.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ken Douglas, of Wood House, a son, on 24th April.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bob Salvesen (Staff), a son, on Foundation Day.

To Mr. and Mrs. Don Dowthwaite (Staff), a daughter, in July.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rogers (ex-Staff), a daughter, on 3rd June.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Noel Bates, now in London, to Doreen Barbour formerly in Grahams-town.

## MARRIAGES

John van Aardt, of Somerset East, to Miss Elsa Viljoen of Breërivier, in the Moederkerk, Worcester, on 28th May, 1955.

Neville Lacey, of Durban, to Miss Joy Roberts of Durban, in the Berea Presbyterian Church, on 20th August.



Douglas Gray, recently of Cambridge University, to Miss Rosemary Joy, in St. Andrew's Church, West Kirby, England, on July 16th.

Miss Joan Holmes (Staff) to Mr. Guy Howarth of Port Elizabeth, at the Anglican Church, Newton Park, on 17th August.

### DEATHS

Cecil Ernest Leefe (1915-1921) of Durban, in May, 1955.

Eric Harry Howes (1923-1924) of Queenstown, in August, 1955.

### GENERAL

André Pons (1933-1937), who holds a Master's Degree in Social Science, has recently been appointed as a lecturer in the Social Science Department of Rhodes University. André came to Kingswood from Stutterheim and after his Matric. went on to graduate at Cape Town University and the London School of Economics. He is married and we extend to him our condolences on the recent loss of his baby daughter.

Tommy van Vuuren (1934-1939) has taken over the management of His Majesty's Theatre in Grahamstown. Ever since he was at school Tommy has taken a keen interest in matters theatrical. During his stay in Johannesburg during the early fifties he made quite a name for himself in the theatre world. Apart from managing several well-known theatres on the Rand he took an active part in the production of variety shows and in 1951 took the famous Hendrik Susan on a tour of the Union. After spending some time in East London with African Theatres Tommy has returned to Grahams-town where he hopes to make his permanent home.

Doug Gray (1941-1950) recently took his Honours B.A. at Cambridge University. Then, to demonstrate that he is a man of many parts, he won himself an English wife and now, to cap it all, he is studying at Yale University in the United States—this on the strength of the \$4,200 Norman Hickman Scholarship. Doug will probably be returning to enter the administration of Northern Rhodesia in August 1956. In the meantime those who wish to congratulate him on his triple success will find him at The International Student Center, 406, Prospect Street, New Haven, Connecticut, U.S.A.

E. W. Milligan (1929-1933) writes from Germiston to announce that he is moving up to Northern Rhodesia. As from September he will be with the Mufulira Copper Mines. Until recently he has been working at Village Main Reef and had a delightful surprise when he found that Raymond Mardon had just joined the staff.

Ivan Gregory, who left the Kingswood staff at the end of 1953 to return to England, has now come back to the Southern Hemisphere. He is teaching at the Frederick Knapp School at Kitwe in Northern

Rhodesia. In a letter received in March he writes: "I am enjoying life here. The Copper Belt is not as uncivilized as some people believe. There is quite a variety of activities with which to interest oneself—all the usual sports—shooting, flying (if you can afford it!), fishing, and in addition a Natural History Society and an Arts Society. The latter includes amateur dramatics—a "Little Theatre" is under construction—a Music Club and Operatic Society.

David Shaw (1941-1950) recently graduated at Rhodes University. His eldest brother Gordon is now head of Veterinary Research in Northern Rhodesia and Tommy is one of the heads in the Treasury of Northern Rhodesia.

Murray Evans (1948-1953) started his B.Sc. Agriculture course at Natal University but found the Physics and Chemistry too much for him. He has now joined the Royal Rhodesian Air Force and starts training in September. Bernie, Murray's younger brother, is his father's right hand man on the dairy farm at Mazabuka. Both Murray and Bernie are keeping up their cricket and rugby and play for the Mazabuka first teams.

All this Northern Rhodesia news is no coincidence. There must be at least a hundred O.K.s in Northern Rhodesia, that number will soon be greatly increased. The O.K. Club must establish a jungle bridge-head across the Zambesi! In other words it is high time that a Northern Rhodesian branch of the O.K. Club was established. Federation does not make you Northern Rhodesians members of the Salisbury or Bulawayo Branches! Get yourselves organized and let's hear from you.

C. P. Overdyck (1949-1953) is now a Corporal in "O" Company of the Kenya Regiment. A letter from him written in Nairobi in May contains much interesting news. "Most of our Kenya Regiment fellows are sent to the British Battalions to act as guides and interpreters. They also go to the K.A.R. and get jobs as District Officers and Field Intelligence Officers. There is one thing about the Army and that is that you certainly get to see the country. In the four months that I have been in the Regiment I have pretty well covered the whole of Kenya and have also been into Tanganyika". At the time of writing C.P. could see little progress being made towards the settlement of the Mau Mau problem. Since then Max Overdyck, C.P.'s elder brother has been drafted into the army, which doubtless accounts for the recent improvement in the situation!

Walter Judge (1939-1943) is living in London. He recently became a Life Member of the O.K. Club.

Jon Walker (1949-1952) is studying Agriculture at Cambridge University. He came back to the Union during the summer holidays to help his father on the farm at Cradock. We saw him when he visited Grahamstown to watch a rugger match against St. Andrew's. His studies at Cambridge have left him little time for sport but he has played several games for the University 2nd XV.



Errol Bruton (1942-1946) has been transferred from Port Elizabeth to Johannesburg.

Charles Elliott (1939-1939) is doing very well in the S.A. Mutual down at Port Elizabeth and last month opened a new Mutual Office at North End. Charles is now a keen fisherman and spends nearly every Spring tide week-end matching his wits against the cob, grunTERS, and steenbras at the Sunday's River Mouth.

Cappy Rich and his son, Matthew, returned from England in May. Matthew distinguished himself in the Matric. exams by gaining the only Geography A in the Union. He has now joined the Shell Company in Port Elizabeth. Cappy is living at Humewood Mansions and came up to pay us a visit in early July. He is looking very fit indeed. Earlier in the year the Port Elizabeth O.K. Club, under their very active President, Mr. Don Sullivan, held a party at which Cappy was the guest of honour.

At the Reunion Annual General Meeting of the O.K. Club the following O.K.s were elected Honorary Vice-Presidents:—J. D. Dashwood (1912-1915) of Cape Town, W. E. Carey (1899-1902) of East London, G. K. Tucker (1901-1906) of Johannesburg, L. P. Kent (1905-1907) of Johannesburg, W. E. E. Griffin (1918-1920) of Durban, R. C. Mossop (1911-1914) of Salisbury, H. W. Guest (1905-1913) of Gwelo, Capt. C. O. Rich (Staff 1921-1954) of Port Elizabeth, E. H. (Ted) Purdon (1894-1898) of Grahamstown, S. S. Stirk (1894-1898) of Grahamstown.

At the same meeting it was agreed that the College Council be approached with a view to holding all future Foundation Day celebrations on the Saturday nearest to March 14th. This decision was made because many more O.K.s can attend on a Saturday than on a week-day. In addition it will be possible to hold an Old Kingswoodian Ball every Foundation Day.

Among the ninety thousand spectators who packed Ellis Park to watch the first Test Match between the Springboks and the Lions there must have been hundreds of O.K.s. Two O.K.s played a more active part in the proceedings on the other side of the touchline. One was Ralph Burmeister (1932-1937) the referee. To him Test rugby was no novelty. He has blown the whistle on many such occasions. The other was Colin Kroon (1946-1947) the Springbok hooker, our latest Springbok "cap". When Colin was in Matric. at Kingswood he tipped the scales at just over 120 lbs. and, although an outstanding hooker he got no further than the 2nd XV. He entered the rugby limelight when he hooked for Cape Town University and later Western Province and Eastern Province.

Bennie Osler (1918-1920), now farming near East London, lost two fingers of his right hand when they were crushed in a piece of farm machinery. The injured fingers were amputated at the Frere Hospital, East London.

J. J. M. van Tonder (-1952) was selected to play in the S. W. A. XV vs. Lions match at Windhoek on 5th July. He was a promising centre in Jon Walker's 1952 team at Kingswood and played at centre against the visiting British tourists.

Tom Puffett, the 1954 Kingswood rugby captain, is studying engineering at Howard College, Durban. He is a regular member of the 2nd XV and has played several games for the 1st XV.

Ted Lombard, who won his Honour Cap as 1st XV captain in 1950, was elected captain of Wits University Rugby Club this year. Ted has played for Wits for three years as a prop. He is now in his final year of study as a Mining Engineer.

John du Toit, another 1950 Honour Cap, played several outstanding games for the Junior Springboks in Natal.

Peter Booysen (1947-1948) has obtained the degree of M.Sc. (Agriculture) cum laude at Natal University. Owen Booysen, a member of the South African Embassy at Washington still suffers from the effects of head wounds sustained during the war. He is in the hands of the best brain surgeon in the U.S.A. and hopes to return on leave with his wife and small daughter towards the end of the year.

Spencer ("Spanner") Stephens (1945-1950) is now in the final year of his Electrical Apprenticeship at Germiston. He is captain of the E.A.C. 1st XI and sees a lot of the Cradick's and Ronnie Osborne since they all play in the Van Dyck Mine cricket team.

The Hon. Mr. Justice P. C. Gane (brother of E. G.), since his retirement from the Bench of the Eastern Districts Local Division of the Supreme Court has been translating Voet's "Commentary on Roman Law" from Latin into English. The first of the six volumes which this formidable task entails, has just been published by Butterworth's in London.

David de Villiers (1950-1954) won three first prizes for the training of his horses at the Cape Show this year. He was specially congratulated by the Minister of Economic Affairs, Dr. A. J. van Rhijn. This is a noteworthy achievement since David cannot move without his wheelchair. He lost the use of his legs after a severe attack of polio when he was eight years old.

W. A. van Niekerk (1926-1930) earlier in the year returned from Scotland where he was the first South African to judge Shorthorn cattle at the Perth Show. The champion bull at Perth was sold for 8,000 guineas and the reserve champion for 7,500 guineas.

G. C. Roebert (1948-1952) has now left East London and has gone to Northern Rhodesia. He is a learner miner at Nkana and plays in The Diggers' Rugby Team. Robin Roebert, his younger brother, is studying at Cape Town University.



Neil Hunter (1948-1954) is in his father's business at East London while his elder brother John (1948-1951) is gaining experience at Harrods in London. John has just celebrated his 21st birthday. He thoroughly enjoyed watching the South Africans playing cricket at Lords.

Stewart Burnley is at U.C.T. doing the same engineering course as Robin Roebert. Christie Basson (1948-1952) has left U.C.T. and entered the Airforce Gymnasium. Doug du Plessis (1949-1954) has given up his B.Sc. and is starting a degree in Architecture at Cape Town next year.

A. B. Cook (1949-1954) is on his dad's farm near Kingwilliamstown and plans to go to Cedara next year.

When our 1st XV travelled over to Kingwilliamstown to play Dale there goodly contingent of O.K. supporters up from East London. The team played particularly well that day and Rex Smale, Stoen Thwaites, Jack Startup and the others went home well satisfied that they could get another year's proud wear out of their O.K. blazers.

B. J. Mackenzie (1948-1951) was one of the engineering students of Cape Town University to receive a medal awarded by the Cape Town City Council in April this year. A photograph in the "Cape Argus" shows him and other students being presented with their medals by the Mayor.

Ken Wilman (1936-1938) recently dropped in at School House. He is married and has a post with a large building firm in Salisbury. He brought news that Geoff Hope (left 1938) is in the Standard Bank at Beira and is still as fat(!) as ever. He reports that Norman S. Sillicorn (left 1938) is manager of the Palace Hotel at Bulawayo.

During these August holidays Mr. Jack Slater and Mr. Douglas Dold (O.K. President) will be visiting Cape Town and other areas with a view to reviving interest in the Memorial Chapel Fund. About £15,000 has already been collected. The Reunion General Meeting decided that the "Baptist House" site on the corner of Burton and Napier Streets was the most suitable, so the realization of our nine year old ideal is not far off. But we must have at least £20,000 before we can start building.

Ann Slater, who left the Staff at the end of the first term, has just completed a most enjoyable tour of the Continent. Among other countries, she visited France, Italy, Germany and Denmark. She is at present in London.

These notes would be incomplete without a big "Thank You" to Mr. R. Q. Tarr who has been writing them for the past fifteen years. His untiring, efficient work as Secretary has been of inestimable value to the Club. Fortunately for the new Secretary he has agreed to continue in the role of technical adviser and news collector.

DENIS BUTLER.

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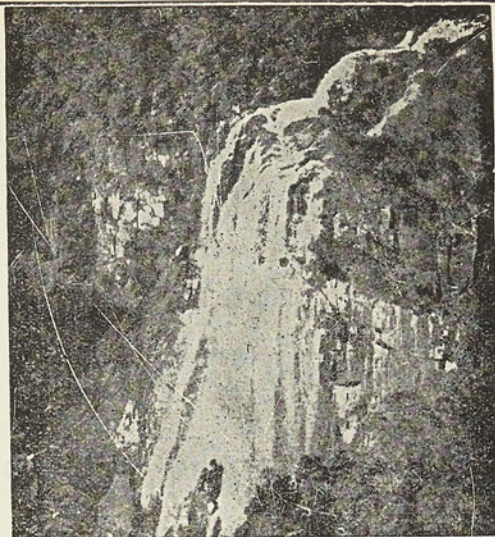
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