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H.M. QUEEN ELIZABETH THE QUEEN MOTHER
LEAVING THE CHAPEL DURING HER VISIT ON JUNE 10th.

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FORTY YEARS

TWO sunny occasions, all the more welcome after a gloomy winter, have marked the School's Fortieth Anniversary. On May 11th the Birthday itself was celebrated, and on June 10th Stowe was honoured by the presence of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

A detailed account of the Birthday Celebrations belongs more properly to the Old Stoic Bulletin, which has a much wider circulation than ours among those primarily interested. Here we shall simply record that term began, as in 1923, on May 11th, that the proceedings opened the night before with a Commemoration Dinner which a large number of the original 99 and some former masters attended, that Old Stoic Day on May 11th included matches of all kinds, a concert, Speeches and a firework display, and that on Sunday May 12th the Bishop of Oxford preached at the Commemoration Service in Chapel. It is impossible to say how many Old Stoics took part in these functions, but it is estimated that 700 were present on May 11th.

On June 10th the statue of King George I presided over one more in the long succession of royal visits with which Stowe has been honoured, both as House and School; and it was in royal weather that we welcomed the Queen Mother. Though this was officially an informal visit, a great deal was fitted into a short time. After inspection of the guard of honour and the presentation of senior members of the staff, Her Majesty was conducted to the Chapel, where she heard the Choir practising; to the Workshops, where she admired the variety and craftsmanship of the work; and to the Temple of Venus, where she planted a liquidambar tree and watched displays of swimming and sculling and a parade of the Beagles. Returning to the house, the Queen Mother met senior masters' wives and passed through the Library, Houserrooms, State Room and Blue

Room to the Garter Room, where she took luncheon with senior Stoics to the music of the School Orchestra. Before her departure, which was accompanied by a fanfare and the cheers of the School assembled on the North Front, Her Majesty signed the Distinguished Visitors' Book and was presented with a copy of Mr. Macdonald's *Stowe: House and School*.

During the Queen Mother's visit the emphasis was rightly on our out-of-school activities; during the Speeches on May 11th the keynote was the need for rehousing and the development of an ampler Stowe. Yet buildings will remain mere buildings unless we can recapture something of the sense of wonder and healthy curiosity which Stowe created in the earliest Stoics, and which has never been quite the same since the War. As J.F.R. wrote in *The Stoic* on the Twenty-Fifth Birthday, "There is not the old tingle in the air—the old tingle of effort and achievement." Since he wrote those words the stakes have risen and the pace has grown faster. The pressure of examinations, the scramble for university places, the hostility towards the Public Schools, the war of the Two Cultures, the distrust of tradition, the shadow of the Bomb,—much can be forgiven to a generation that is growing up under these. But for boys to acquiesce tamely leads to a deadly fatalism, to a lack of ambition and interest in one's fellow-men, to a cynical complacency that is content to "satisfy" the examiners rather than to shine, to a parochialism that thinks that one's own ploy is the only one worth bothering with, to an intolerance towards minorities, and finally to the attitude of the Man with the Muck-Rake, who "could look no way but downwards". To avoid this we must avoid the shut eye and the shut mind. We must be interested not only in ourselves but in everything that is being done at Stowe. We must be willing to try something new, even if we do it indifferently at first. We must conserve the best of the old, but must not resist change if it is for the good of the community. Only thus shall we be able worthily to celebrate our Fiftieth Birthday.

MAY 11, 1923

L'ESPRIT DE STOWE SALUE LES NOUVEAUX VENUS

(Reprinted from the first number of 'The Stoic')

Salut, mes enfants! Votre esprit
Me rend ma puissance et ma gloire;
De mes airs frais je vous bénis,
Et de mes eaux vous verse à boire.

MR. R. Q. DRAYSON

The Governors have appointed Mr. R. Q. Drayson, D.S.C., M.A., Headmaster of Reed's School, Cobham, to succeed Mr. Crichton-Miller. He is to take up his appointment as Headmaster of Stowe on January 1st 1964.

Mr. Drayson is 44 years old. He was educated at St. Lawrence College, Ramsgate, and Downing College, Cambridge, where he read Modern Languages and History. His university career was interrupted by the War, and from 1939 to 1946 he served with the Royal Navy and was for four years in command of Motor Torpedo Boats. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross in 1943.

He returned to Cambridge in 1946 and graduated in 1947. He was a Hockey Blue for two years, has captained the Kent Hockey XI and has played in a Final England Trial.

Mr. Drayson was an Assistant Master and Housemaster at his old school for three years, and a House Tutor and Careers Master at Felsted for five. In 1955 he was appointed Headmaster of Reed's School, Cobham, which has since that time doubled in size and achieved membership of the Governing Bodies Association of Public Schools. He is a founder member of the Society of Headmasters of Independent Schools and has served as a member of the Admiralty Interview Board for the selection of scholarship candidates into the Royal Navy.

He is married and has two daughters and a son. We wish him and his family many happy years at Stowe.

(A photograph of Mr. Drayson is printed facing page 256.)

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School Officials—Summer Term, 1963.

Prefects:—I. A. H. Sitwell, Head of the School and Head of Bruce; T. G. E. Kilpatrick, Second Prefect and Head of Cobham; J. R. Adam (C), Prefect of Chapel; I. R. D. Andrews, Head of Grafton; D. S. Beck, Head of Walpole; J. R. Bullick, Head of Grenville; T. J. Crosbie (G), Prefect of Library; E. S. Dawes (B), Prefect of Gymnasium; W. M. Harris (C), Prefect of Hall; P. E. A. Hope, Head of Temple; B. A. Marcel, Head of Chatham; C. D. Richardson, Head of Chandos.

Cricket :—Captain, C. P. Murphy (G); Secretary, D. W. J. Garrett (G).

Lawn Tennis :—Captain, I. A. H. Sitwell (B); Secretary, I. R. D. Andrews (G).

Athletics :—Captain, T. G. E. Kilpatrick (C); Secretary, J. Cunningham-Reid (C).

Swimming :—Captain, L. M. Barnard (B); Secretary, P. E. Dawson (W).

Sailing :—Commodore, C. H. Mills (B).

Golf :—Captain and Secretary, P. R. A. Finer (G).

The following have preached in Chapel this term :—on May 12th, at the Fortieth Anniversary Thanksgiving Service, the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Oxford; on May 19th, the Chaplain; on May 26th, G. C. Turner, Esq., C.M.G., M.C., formerly Headmaster of Marlborough and Charterhouse; on June 2nd, the Chaplain; on June 9th, the Rev. J. E. C. Nicholl; on June 16th, the Headmaster; on June 23rd, the Rev. S. Ridley, Vicar of North Wootton, and at the Lower School Service G. S. Cansdale, Esq.; on July 7th, the Rev. L. V. Wright, and at the Leavers' Service the Rev. J. E. C. Nicholl; on July 14th, the Rev. R. M. W. Marsh, Warden of Scargill House; and on July 21st, the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Coventry.

At a voluntary service on the evening of June 16th the Rev. P. A. Blair, Chaplain of Oundle School, was the preacher.

The Collections in Chapel were :—on May 12th, for the Pineapple Club, £53 4s. od.; on June 2nd, for the United Society for Christian Literature, £22 8s. od.; on June 23rd, for the Stowe Church Bells Fund, £18 12s. 7d.; on July 7th, for the Historic Churches Preservation Trust, £19 9s. 7d.; and on July 21st, for the Royal National Institute for the Blind, £29 16s. 8d.

In addition Retiring Collections were given as follows :—for the Rennies Mill Student Aid Project, £12 10s. 8d.; for the Royal National Lifeboat Institute, £18 os. 11d.; for the Lord Mayor Treloar College for Crippled Children, £13 3s. od.; and for the Valley Trust of Natal, where an Old Stoic, David Balfour (G), has been working recently, £9 16s. 2d.

On June 10th Chapel was graced by a visit from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, as is reported elsewhere in this issue. For this occasion and for the following fortnight the handsome copies of the Bible and the Prayer Book used at the Coronation of King George III in Westminster Abbey in 1760 were on display. These fine books, both printed by the famous eighteenth-century printer Baskett, were presented

to two peers after the Coronation and were given to the School by separate donors before 1930.

As a result of a request by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother at the conclusion of her visit on June 10th, three extra days were added to the holidays and term ended on Saturday, July 27th.

We say farewell to Mr. E. J. Webb, who is retiring, and to Mr. B. J. Cryer, Mr. K. I. Meldrum and Mr. D. J. Mordaunt, who are leaving to take up other appointments. Mr. B. S. Stephan is retiring from the Housemastership of Chandos, but continues on the staff; the new Housemaster of Chandos is Mr. J. Bain.

Speech Day was held on Friday, June 28th, and followed the pattern of the last three years. Speeches were made by the Chairman of the Governors, Mr. D. J. Robarts, who presented the Prizes; by the Headmaster; and by four Prefects, I. A. H. Sitwell, W. M. Harris, T. G. E. Kilpatrick and C. D. Richardson. There were Cricket, Swimming and Archery Matches and a Parade of Beagles, and Exhibitions in the Art School, Workshops and Laboratories. The Headmaster, Housemasters and Tutors were "at home" to guests. The Military Band played on the South Front.

The Exeat was from June 28th to July 2nd.

We announce the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Cryer on May 16th and of a son to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. F. Proctor on July 15th.

After winning the Youll Cup for four years running Stowe were defeated in the Quarter-Finals by Eltham. The scores are given on page 285.

At the English Schools' Inter-County Athletics Meeting at Chelmsford on July 21st, N. K. Rice (C) set up a new School record by winning the 220 Yards (15-17 years) in 22.3 secs.

On June 6th the Choir again sang in the R.S.C.M. School Choirs' Festival in Gloucester Cathedral. Over 400 voices took part in the Choral Evensong; the Canticles were sung to the setting of Moeran in D, and the anthems were "Thou knowest, Lord, the Secrets of our Hearts" by Purcell, "O Thou the Central Orb" by Charles Wood, and the Jubilate in C by Benjamin Britten.

A Fête was held in Dadford on June 15th in aid of the Stowe Church Bells Fund.

The Summer Ball was held in Assembly on July 20th and a Beagle Ball on July 25th.

E.J.W.

Mr. E. J. Webb, who retired at the end of this term, came to Stowe from the Dorsetshire Regiment to succeed Mr. Geoghegan as Bandmaster in 1947. In addition to studying under some of the best professors of the '20s, he was a Medallist at the Royal Military School of Music and in 1929 had the honour of performing harp solos before King George V at Craigweil House during His Majesty's convalescence. After graduation at Kneller Hall he served in India and Malta until his return to England in 1940.

During his sixteen years at Stowe he has brought the Military Band to such a pitch of excellence that the quality of the wind-playing must be among the very best in the public schools. This has had an enormous effect on all branches of our instrumental music,—on the Orchestra, on the House and Individual Competitions, and above all on those two highlights of Mr. Webb's year, the Ceremonial Parade and the Band Concert. Mr. Webb's concerts have never been above the heads of his audience and, as he has always performed to a packed house whose reactions are in inverse proportion to the sum of its squares, the applause has invariably been deafening.

No-one can produce such consistently successful results without a great deal of effort, and certainly anyone who has ever played in the Band knows the time and trouble that was expected of him before his performance was considered even workmanlike. It was not only the experts in whom Mr. Webb was interested; even before the presentation of the Boosey & Hawkes Cup his pleasure in the progress of younger instrumentalists was very evident. He has given equal attention to brass and woodwind and, though he has produced more outstanding players on the clarinet than on any other instrument and is himself a fine oboist, many of his trumpeters and trombonists have been exceptional. It gave us great pleasure, in his last term, to hear the noble fanfare for twelve players at the departure of the Queen Mother and the stirring performance of the Vaughan Williams descant to the Old Hundredth by two of his trumpeters from the Organ Loft on July 21st.

Eric Webb will not be easily forgotten by those who have come in contact with him, and we are delighted to know that he will be living at Padbury, within easy reach of Stowe, and that we shall still be able to hear his story of King George V and the self-propelled harp. We shall not wish him a well-earned rest, for we know that that is alien to his nature; instead we wish him many years of congenial activity and hope that we shall continue to see much of him and his family at Stowe.

B.J.C.

Mr. Cryer, who is leaving to take up a post at City of London School, came to Stowe in January 1958 as a mathematician, and soon made his mark in several other branches of the School's life. In the C.C.F. he will be remembered for the very high standard he set himself and those under his command, and for his energetic conducting of rehearsals for the annual Ceremonial Parades.

His greatest out-of-school contribution was probably behind the scenes of the Roxburgh Hall, where he had the exciting and exacting tasks of supervising the installation of all the stage equipment, and then of training all the stage carpenters, electricians and sound-effects men of the many school and house plays presented there in the last five years, so that they could make full but safe use of all the facilities.

He was under-housemaster of Temple for some years until his marriage. We wish him and his wife every happiness in the future.

K.I.M.

Mr. Meldrum came to Stowe in October 1960 to teach Geology immediately after leading a successful first ascent in Peru. During his time at Stowe he has introduced numbers of Stoics to the joys of climbing and pot-holing either as members of the Stowe Climbing Club or of the C.C.F., in which he was a keen officer. He has also taken an energetic part in the coaching of rugby and cricket.

He leaves to become Principal of White Hall, an Outward Bound School in Derbyshire, where his talents and enthusiasm will be well employed. We wish him and Mrs. Meldrum every success there.

D.J.M.

Mr. Mordaunt came from Summer Fields in September 1961 to run the cricket and quickly made his presence felt by his indefatigable efforts, both in the classroom, where he was an admirable Lower School form-master, and on the games field.

Although cricket results have not been outstanding, he has notably improved the spirit of 1st XI Cricket and this has been reflected at all Club levels—in particular the fielding of his XIs has given much pleasure. His innovation of the Stowe Occasionals to play village cricket has been most popular. As a rugby and hockey coach he will also be sadly missed—at hockey he frequently played with the 1st XI and he afterwards coached the Colts. We wish him every happiness at his old school, Wellington, where no doubt he will be equally successful.

ANNUAL PRIZES

ZAFIROPULO PRIZE FOR CLASSICAL VERSE :	{	N. A. ALINGTON (C)
		T. M. WATSON (C)
J. F. ROXBURGH PRIZE FOR CLASSICS :		Not awarded
QUENTIN BERTRAM PRIZE FOR LATIN :		Not awarded
SCOTT-GALL PRIZE FOR HISTORY :		E. S. DAWES (B)
SYRETT HISTORY ESSAY PRIZE :		J. R. ADAM (C)
BURROUGHS PRIZE FOR CHURCH HISTORY :		J. R. ADAM (C)
ROBERT BARBOUR PRIZE FOR DIVINITY :		A. D. NAPIER (C)
JOHN WEBSTER PRIZE FOR FRENCH :		J. R. S. PRINGLE (B)
J. G. RIESS PRIZE FOR GERMAN :		J. R. S. PRINGLE (B)
FRIENDS OF STOWE PRIZE FOR WOODWORK :		P. MCNAB (C)
JOHN WEBSTER PRIZE FOR FRENCH :		Not awarded

CAPEL CURE PRIZE FOR FRENCH :	{	P. McNAB (C)
		R. A. KREITMAN (C)
GAVIN MAXWELL PRIZE FOR ENGLISH :		
<i>Senior :</i>		Not awarded
<i>Junior : 1st</i>		R. A. KREITMAN (C)
		N. J. BEER (C)
	2nd {	A. G. PRYS WILLIAMS (C)
BRYAN HENSHAW PRIZE FOR ENGLISH SPEECH :		Not awarded
PEARMAN SMITH PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS :		A. G. PRYS WILLIAMS (C)
STEWART PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS :		A. G. FOORD (G)
HUMPHREY FOSTER PRIZE FOR PHYSICS :		A. G. FOORD (G)
W. B. HARDS PRIZE FOR CHEMISTRY :		R. R. F. G. H. GOODHART (B)
HAYWARD PRIZE FOR CHEMISTRY :		A. V. KEMP-JONES (T)
JAMES MAYNE PRIZE FOR ECONOMICS :		I. SHAY (G)
WALLACE PRIZE FOR GEOGRAPHY :		Not awarded
PETER BATES PRIZE FOR GEOGRAPHY :		D. A. J. FIREBRACE (B)
FRIENDS OF STOWE PRIZE FOR NATURAL HISTORY :		Not awarded
FRIENDS OF STOWE PRIZE FOR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE :		N. ST. G. KIRKE (W)
PETERS BONE PRIZE FOR ENGLISH :		R. N. KENT (C)
J. F. ROXBURGH PRIZE FOR ENGLISH VERSE :	<i>Senior :</i>	Not awarded
	<i>Junior :</i>	J. V. DOUBLEDAY (C)
BASIL AIMERS PRIZE FOR READING :		C. D. RICHARDSON (C)
HAYWARD PRIZE FOR READING :		W. M. HARRIS (C)
HARDING PRIZE FOR READING :		R. E. LLOYD MORGAN (T)
ANTHONY PEARCE PRIZE FOR LATIN ORATION :		Not awarded
CHARLES LOUDON PRIZE FOR GREEK :		Not awarded
JOHN HOLLAND PRIZE FOR METAL WORK :		J. K. WALMSLEY (W)
WHITE-SMITH PRIZE FOR AVIATION ACTIVITIES :		P. E. A. HOPE (T)
J. F. ROXBURGH PRIZE FOR ARCHITECTURE :		D. A. PHILLIPS (T)
ANTHONY HOWARD PRIZE FOR ART :		Not awarded
BASIL WILLIAMSON MEMORIAL PRIZE :		I. A. H. SITWELL (B)
'BENE' PRIZES :		W. R. B. ALLAN (T), R. A. KREITMAN (C)
		R. R. F. G. H. GOODHART (B), E. H. BLAGG (C)
GILLING-LAX MUSIC PRIZES :		
Two Pianos :		Not awarded
Piano :		J. H. STOCKWELL (G)
Woodwind :		I. W. McDOWELL (G)
Brass :		M. J. BAKER (G)
Violin :		P. S. MIALL (B)
'Cello :	{	T. P. BESTERMAN (W)
		K. D. FRAZER (T)
Organ :		C. J. F. GETHIN (G)

OLIM ALUMNI

The Queen's Birthday Honours List, 1963, included the following awards :—
K.C.M.G.—C. T. CROWE (C 1932), Ambassador in Jedda; C.B.—AIR VICE-MARSHAL
J. M. N. PIKE, D.S.O., D.F.C. (C 1934); C.M.G.—D. S. L. DODSON (C 1937), lately
Consul, Elisabethville; C.M.G.—F. B. RICHARDS, D.S.C. (T 1936), Counsellor, H. M.
Embassy, Paris; C.B.E.—D. MACFARLANE (T 1928), Consul General, Frankfurt.

Brigadier F. A. H. LING, D.S.O. (B 1933), is Deputy Adjutant-General at Headquarters British Army of the Rhine.

W. R. C. HEAP (W) has been awarded a Major Scholarship by the Masters of the Bench of the Inner Temple.

P. J. BLACK (G 1959), of Peterhouse, Cambridge, was placed in the First Class of the Natural Sciences Tripos, Part I.

J. R. WINGAD (C 1960), of St. John's College, Cambridge, was placed in the First Class of the Engineering Tripos, Part I, and has been awarded a Scholarship by his College.

COLIN GRAHAM (T 1950) devised a 25-minute operetta on themes from Offenbach which was performed at the Opera Gala of the Friends of Covent Garden on July 26th.

C. J. G. ATKINSON (C 1959), R. B. B. AVORY (T 1961) and D. R. SABBERTON (T 1962) played in the Oxford and Cambridge Lawn Tennis Match, the first for Oxford, the others for Cambridge.

STOWE TEMPLARS' CRICKET WEEK

The Templars' Week from August 6th to 11th was noteworthy in that, by winning five of the six matches, the Templars broke all records.

The players included M. D. T. Loup (T 1947), C. H. Lezard (C 1950), N. C. S. Barling (G 1944), M. A. Rushton (G 1954), C. J. G. Atkinson (C 1959), W. J. Grice (T 1950), A. R. F. Hobson (C 1962), J. A. Boyd-Smith (C 1956), J. W. O. Allerton (G 1962), C. R. Dixey (C 1962), I. A. R. Mackenzie (G 1958), C. E. Clarkson (G 1957), S. G. H. Sinclair (G 1957), P. G. de Havilland (C 1961), R. M. Whitfield (C 1952), M. D. Cobham (G 1949), J. B. Hamer (G 1955), G. M. Shaw (G 1958), C. P. Murphy (G), D. W. J. Garrett (G).

Results :—Templars 162, Oundle Rovers 144; Templars 261 for 7 wks. dec., St. Edward's Martyrs 210; St. Edward's Martyrs 308 for 7 wks. dec., Templars 165; Northants Amateurs 132, Templars 133 for 7 wks.; Old Alleynians 142, Templars 143 for 4 wks.; Templars 180, Hampstead 142.

BIRTHS

To the wife of:

P. R. BOYS-STONES (G 1944) a daughter on July 2nd 1963.

G. K. BURRELL (C 1952) a son on May 28th 1963.

D. P. CHOYCE (C 1935) a son on June 28th 1963.

P. DEMPSTER (B 1948) a son on November 30th 1961, in Kenya.

C. S. EDWARDS (C 1947) a son on February 27th 1961, and a son on September 27th 1962.

- D. G. GUYER (♁ 1953) a daughter on July 11th 1963.
 M. A. V. HARRIS (♁ 1955) a son on June 15th 1963.
 R. H. LLOYD (♁ 1951) a son on June 16th 1963.
 THE REV. H. W. MANCE (♁ 1937) a daughter on June 18th 1963.
 J. R. PERRING (♁ 1948) a son on July 20th 1962.
 S. P. REES (♁ 1952) a daughter on June 29th 1963.
 G. ROY THOMAS (♁ 1948) a daughter on March 20th 1963.
 J. R. M. THOMPSON (♁ 1952) a son on July 20th 1961.
 S. H. G. TWINING (♁ 1951) a son on August 17th 1963.
 J. L. WHITEHOUSE (♁ 1935) a daughter on January 25th 1962, and a son on May 23rd 1963.
 A. M. WHITTY (♁ 1950) a son on March 16th 1963, in Salisbury, S. Rhodesia.
 C. G. H. WILSON (♁ 1948) a son on May 3rd 1963.

MARRIAGES

- J. T. R. BAINES (♁ 1957) to Helen McKellar on May 17th 1963.
 J. E. BOND-SMITH (♁ 1958) to Jacqueline Joan Cook on July 20th 1963.
 P. DEMPSTER (♁ 1948) to Sheila Mary Tyley on December 12th 1960.
 C. S. EDWARDS (♁ 1947) to Sarah Rhoda Evans on July 25th 1959.
 D. V. FANSHAWE (♁ 1951) to Sheila Christine McNeill on July 6th 1963.
 R. L. M. FUERST (♁ 1952) to Janet Dare-Wall on June 27th 1963.
 I. H. MARSHALL (♁ 1948) to Jean Carol MacCarthy on June 16th 1962, in Boston, Mass., U.S.A.
 D. J. F. RENWICK (♁ 1955) to Miss R. J. Shepley on July 6th 1963.
 R. D. SELBY (♁ 1954) to Sandra Margaret Worthington on May 4th 1963.
 T. G. SHEARER (♁ 1956) to Felicity Jean Pyke on June 8th 1963.
 J. R. M. THOMPSON (♁ 1952) to Elizabeth Sarah Choche-Reid on September 27th 1958.
 J. L. WHITEHOUSE (♁ 1935) to Jillian Mary Home on April 22nd 1961.

KILLED ON ACTIVE SERVICE

CAPTAIN J. F. CONINGTON (♁ 1949), Royal Fusiliers, on May 4th 1963.

It is with the deepest regret that we record the death of John Conington, who was killed in an air accident on May 4th while on military duty in Sarawak. He was born on April 2nd 1931, the younger twin brother of David; he was in Bruce from September 1944 to July 1949, played for three years in the XV, of which he was captain, and for 2 years in the XI, and was a Prefect. He and his brother were commissioned in the Royal Fusiliers, and one of the most striking *Stoic* illustrations showed the twins carrying the Regimental Colours past the Lord Mayor of London at the Mansion House in 1952.

John enjoyed life to the full and was always active, contented, open, sincere, unassuming. He had strong principles and was ready to stand for them unashamedly. He made his way up the school, doing a respectable amount of work while being reluctant to go in for any great mental exercise. He played in many teams in many games, often with much success. He was one in a particularly happy generation in his House and was a welcome companion in any party or activity. He became a fine Officer, whom one would love to have as leader or colleague either in times of boring routine or in critical enterprises.

DEATHS

- C. J. GIBBON (♁ 1959) on July 26th 1963, at Cambridge.
 J. H. PHILLIPS (♁ 1939) on January 16th 1961.
 B. J. B. PIKE (♁ 1949) on July 10th 1963.

EXHIBITIONS

ART

We read and hear too much about teenagers nowadays, as if what they did, said or thought were of any importance. We get the impression that they consider themselves a thwarted section of the community. Any such idea must have been utterly dispelled after a visit to this summer's exhibition of paintings. It has been said that it is very good for adolescents to express themselves through painting, for in this way they are able to get rid of many of the inhibitions which beset them. If there is any truth in this, then, judging from some of the paintings, the Art School must be doing a very useful job.

It is quite clear that many of the excellent nightmare paintings by D. A. Phillips (♁) must be working out of his system some childhood horror. J. M. T. Bray (♁) has made use of his painting as a purge and one assumes, after seeing his work, that he must be the better for it. G. R. P. Gibberd (♁) clearly feels that he is surrounded by a life that is overmechanical; there is a hardness and machine-like quality about his figures and designs. There were many other paintings that showed an admirable freedom from restraint; they were not all by any means good, but often they were interesting.

It is common to praise originality, but uncommon to find anyone really understanding what it means. It is the relation of an experience by the artist and the abstracts are not really original, whereas the Oxford Bridge by A. N. Cowdy (♁) is. So also were some of the more orthodox figure subjects by M. H. Shearing (♁) and F. J. Gibbon (♁). Some of the paintings by J. V. Doubleday (♁) are most promising, some of them merely experiments, but as such they are often worth attention. His wood-carving of a thinking figure does him very great credit. C. J. Buchanan-Jardine (♁) showed work that promises well for the future. In almost every case a boy's best work occurs when he seriously gets down to the drawing. This is most true of Phillips, Gibberd and Doubleday. On the whole in spite of the fact that there was no outstanding artist this year, as there often has been, the exhibition was one of the most interesting that we have had.

THE WORKSHOPS

Once again one of the attractions on Speech Day was the exhibition of Woodwork and Metalwork in the Workshops. The two main exhibits were a 10 c.c. petrol engine made by J. K. Walmsley and a modern-style desk designed and made in Nigerian walnut by P. McNab; these two were awarded the John Holland Prize for Metalwork and the Friends of Stowe Prize for Woodwork respectively.

There was again a large variety of work to be seen made of both metal and wood. Among the former was the usual array of brass candlesticks and other small metal objects; but the novelty of the exhibition was the collection of harmonographs made by R. L. Addleman, R. T. Hudson and N. M. Maclaren. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother had shown great interest in these on her visit to Stowe, and they appear to produce an infinite series of fascinating mathematical figures.

Among the woodwork were again to be seen several Canoes and an Enterprise dinghy in various stages of completion. There was also a number of very useful articles of furniture and household equipment, including trolleys by I. H. Scott-Gall and and P. N. J. Durey, a stool by I. C. Naylor, a glass-topped table by R. J. Atherton

and a carved meat-dish and a toast-rack by D. A. Lawson. Finally there was a composite wood and metal exhibit designed and made by N. R. A. Large, an electric guitar, which is used in one of the "musical" groups to be heard about the school.

This exhibition again showed the range of product which can be made in the workshops. Not all the boys who had exhibits were very expert on their first visit to the workshops, but they quickly learned under the guidance of Mr. Acton. It seems a pity that so many of those now in the school have not learned to use their hands in this age of "Do-it-Yourself", when such excellent facilities and instruction are available. They are therefore urged, particularly the younger members of the school, to use some of their spare time in the afternoons by going down there to learn.

BOOK REVIEW

"ENGLISH MEDIEVAL MURAL PAINTING"

By A. CAIGER-SMITH (T 1947) (*Clarendon Press* 45/-)

Already well-known as one of the best potters in England, the founder of the Aldermaston Potteries, Alan Caiger-Smith now emerges as an authority on medieval mural painting and the two subjects are not as widely different as might at first appear. The charming flowing lines in the decorative drawing of the 13th and 14th Centuries have something in common with the decorative drawing which is characteristic of his work: perhaps even the action, common to both, of drawing in a wet medium on an absorbent base may account in part for the affinity. At all events one is not really surprised to find Mr. Caiger-Smith interested in and appreciative of the work of the medieval painters. The only surprise is that a busy master-potter of his reputation should have had the time to produce so exhaustive a guide to the surviving mural paintings in England.

This is a most interesting book, full of information not only about the paintings themselves but also, in passing, about a variety of fascinating subjects which arise from them. Mr. Caiger-Smith shows, for instance, how the changing life and thought, and more particularly the religious life and thought, of these centuries is reflected in the changing style and subject-matter of the murals. He tells of the origins of legends and stories which they illustrate, of the uses of symbolism, how the painters worked and how they got their colours and even what they paid for some of them. One delicious entry in the royal accounts for 1320 for work on Westminster Palace notes "To Master Thomas the painter for transport and carriage of the said purchases and for boat charges on various occasions in going and returning in search of sundry colours . . . 5d." As Master Thomas seems to have bought "18 lbs. red varnish" and "6 lbs. white varnish" among other things, one hopes he didn't have to carry "said purchases" very far for so small a remuneration. Sadly enough also a necessary chapter of the book deals with how so many of the paintings were destroyed, and having read it one is only amazed that any should have survived.

It is unfortunate, but in no way Mr. Caiger-Smith's fault, that on the whole these mostly fragmentary paintings are very difficult to photograph satisfactorily and although some of the photographs are lovely they often do not seem to convey the feeling of those gentle colours, and one is sometimes sorry, after reading what Mr. Caiger-Smith has to say about them, to turn to the relevant illustration and find what he notes not

very apparent. However, maybe this inadequacy will stimulate more people to go and look at the murals for themselves, in which case the photographs will have served their purpose.

English Medieval Mural Painting would be a very useful and readable addition to the libraries of all those who are interested in English parish churches and medieval art and architecture as well as those who are interested in medieval life.

J.M.

MUSIC

As I reflect on this term's music, with the concert programmes spread out before me on the table, two things strike me. The first is that the programmes, in their variety, speak for themselves: we have heard three of Bach's fugues on keyboard instruments; a chamber ensemble has played Ravel's Introduction and Allegro for Harp, Quartet, Clarinet and Flute; the masters have performed the Toy Symphony; and the Trekkers, a group of jazz enthusiasts, have made a long-playing record of their most popular numbers—sufficient evidence, surely, of the vitality and variety of Stowe's music. But variety by itself is not enough, for a programme must fit its audience and occasion as well, and here lie the really difficult problems for professional musicians at a school. Should they concentrate on the talented boys, choosing items to extend the range of those who are already music-lovers, or should they try to attract into the fold the bulk of the school, who are not yet interested? Should they be more concerned with those who make music or with those who listen to it? And, anyway, how can you attract the philistine and the tone-deaf? It is chiefly with questions like these in mind that I want to review the term's music.

To be strictly accurate, it began before term during the festivities for the Fortieth Anniversary, when the music staff and some Old Stoics combined to give a concert in the Library. The items chosen were written either by composers who were working during the great period of Stowe House, or by English composers in 1923, the year of the school's foundation. This was an ingenious idea and kept the afternoon within the bounds of a domestic occasion. It was an informal and very pleasant interlude.

One of the items, the excerpts from 'Façade', was repeated at the first chamber concert, with Mr. Bain reciting the words, and provided a lighthearted tailpiece to the programme. It may have attracted some who would not otherwise have come, but not many. The first part of the evening was devoted to Fauré, and you know pretty well what you

are in for when there is to be a piano trio, a nocturne and an impromptu by Fauré—you either like that sort of thing or you don't. Fortunately there are now enough people, at Stowe and nearby, who do like it and who regularly come to these concerts, to fill the Library adequately; and they are, I am told by performers, an unusually good audience to play to, quiet, sympathetic and alert. It would be pleasant to have more boys, but it is more important to foster an audience that will stimulate fine performances and an adventurous choice of programme.

Both the performance and the programme were most impressive in the second chamber concert. This was given in the Roxburgh Hall on the grounds that a harp must be seen as well as heard, and as an experiment the back rows of the auditorium were curtained off to group the audience together near the front. The concert began with Mozart's Concerto for Flute and Harp, a charming work with some glittering passages for the harp and with a melodious Andantino, in which the singing tone of the flute was most beautiful. Next came the Vaughan Williams song cycle, in which the composer unerringly catches the mood of the words except in the last song, whose cheerful final tune makes a comforting ending but misinterprets Housman and wrecks the unity of the whole. Both voice and accompaniment sounded rather thin in the Hall, and though it was an enjoyable and moving performance, it would probably have gained in the Library, with its greater resonance and intimacy. But the evening as a whole belonged to the harpist, Anne Griffiths, and in the Ravel she came into her own; she was a delight to watch and to listen to, and her playing had an ethereal quality which made me hope she would come and play to us again before long.

The other Music Society concert was a piano recital by Peter Katin. For me to criticize his playing would be an impertinence, but my preference, against my expectation, was for the Bach—especially the Fugue—rather than for the Romantic composers. This may perhaps indicate that his skill lay more in the precision and dexterity of his playing than in his interpretative feeling, but the Debussy was spoiled for me when he changed the advertised programme and I did not hear his announcement of what he was going to play instead; with Debussy I like to know what I am meant to be imagining. The recital was very well received, and the audience extracted three encores, a nocturne and a waltz by Chopin and De Falla's *Ritual Fire Dance*, before Mr. Katin was allowed to go.

From these, the highbrow concerts of the term, it is clear that Stowe is providing a great deal of serious music both for the school and for interested people in the neighbourhood. But the English have too often

confused seriousness with solemnity, and it is important that we should not raise up a race of people like Forster's Miss Herrington, who, "though she did not care for music, knew how to listen to it." Are we successfully teaching boys that music is one of the good things in life, and that whether it is significant or not, it should always be entertaining? To judge from the Glee Club concert we certainly are, for this is one of the gayest events in the musical calendar, taking place near the end of term in Assembly, where, as in the French Assembly, there is a healthy tradition of riot. The mood of the audience must therefore be judged to a nicety, and the balance of the programme must be right. The Toy Symphony, the Guitar Group and the recitation were entirely suitable, but I was not so happy about the choice and distribution of the Glee Club's pieces. The Songs of Yale had too sentimental a flow for my taste (except *Mandy*, where by chance there was a witty counter-current), though they go well enough with the negro spirituals early in the evening. But after the spell has been broken by the first comic tune, it is difficult to go back to a nostalgic mood. I thought some of the songs went better in the Summer Concert, where they seemed more in keeping.

Mr. Proctor's Glee Club shares with Mr. Webb's Military Band the distinction of giving the most popular concerts of the year, and though Mr. Webb gave no band concert as such this term, his Band hardly seems to have stopped playing. It gave another impressive performance at the Annual Inspection of the C.C.F.; on Speech Day afternoon during the rain it played light music in a marquee and dispelled the general gloom; a selection of its brass sounded a grand ceremonial fanfare for the Queen Mother as she left Stowe after her visit—Mr. Webb, in fact, has been as ubiquitous as ever, and Stowe will be a poorer place without him next term. Elsewhere in *The Stoic* there is a tribute to his work; here I would only add that by his infectious enthusiasm he has probably done more than anyone since the War to help successive generations of Stoics to enjoy a concert. And in the successful and varied Summer Concert, his brass section of the orchestra stole the thunder of the grand finale, Berlioz's *Hungarian March*, which was repeated as an encore. I watched the woodwind cringing as the combined brass made its fortissimo entry behind them.

One other concert of a rather different kind should be mentioned, the Individual Music Competitions, which again took place in the foyer of the Roxburgh Hall with the doors open on to the forecourt. The audience, largely made up of performers and their friends, can come and go between items, and this gives an informal atmosphere which offsets the tensions of competitive playing. By accident or design we have found

just the right balance here between performer and audience. I found the competitions one of the most interesting and exhilarating musical occasions of the term.

And what of next year? Mr. Watson is planning a late Beethoven quartet and Franck's Piano Quintet for the Library concerts; the Choral Society and Orchestra are performing Bach's *St. Matthew Passion* in the Chapel; a visiting opera group is singing *The Barber of Seville*; and though the Trekkers have moved on, their followers will be glad to know that Mr. Webb's successor is an accomplished swing pianist.

G.B.C.

PROGRAMMES OF CONCERTS

PETER KATIN

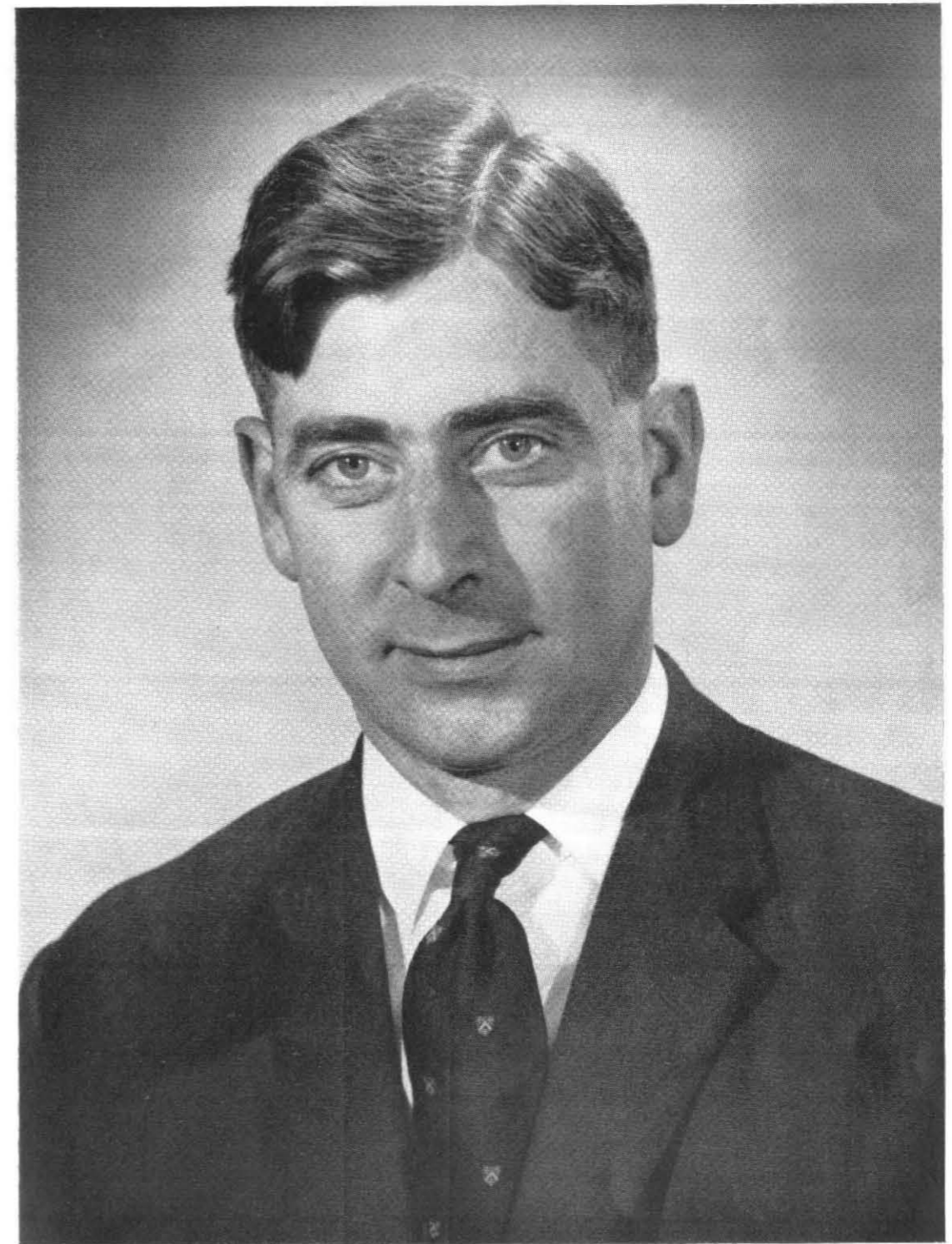
PIANO RECITAL ON TUESDAY, MAY 21ST, IN THE ROXBURGH HALL

Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue	...	...	...	...	Bach
Arabesque, Op. 18	...	...	...	...	Schumann
Sonata in B mi., Op. 58	...	...	...	...	Chopin
Allegro maestoso; Scherzo; Largo; Finale					
Estampes	...	...	...	...	Debussy
Pagodes; La Soirée dans Grenade; Jardins sous la Pluie					
Aragon (Fantasia)	}	...	...	...	Albeniz
Rumores de la Caleta (Malaguena)					
Navarra					
Consolation No. 3 in D flat	}	...	...	...	Liszt
Polonaise in E mi.					
<i>(Encores)</i>					
Nocturne in F ma.	...	...	...	...	Chopin
Valse in C mi.	...	...	...	...	Chopin
Fire Dance from "El Amor Brujo"	...	...	...	...	De Falla

MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY

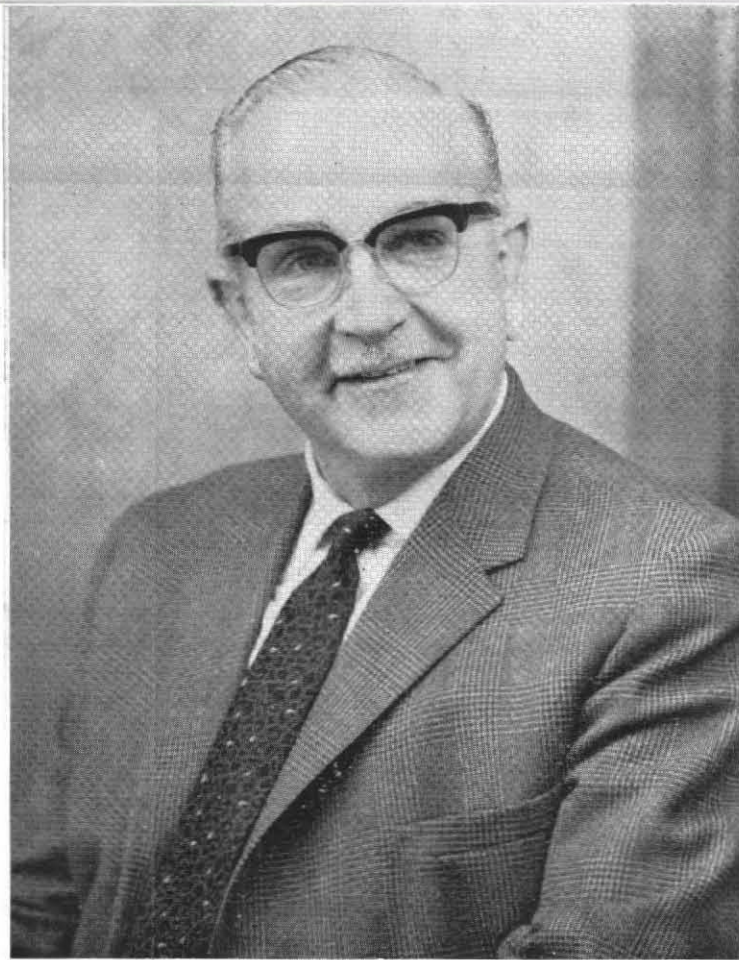
SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND

MR. BAIN (<i>Speaker</i>)	MR. WATSON (<i>Violin</i>)	
MR. PROCTOR (<i>Piano</i>)	LESLEY MELVIN (<i>Violin</i>)	
MR. LEACH (<i>Piano</i>)	ELIZABETH WATSON (<i>Viola</i>)	
MR. EDMONDS (<i>Cello</i>)		
Pianoforte Trio, Op. 120	...	Fauré
Allegro ma non troppo; Andantino; Allegro vivo		
Nocturne No. 4 in E flat	}	Fauré
Impromptu No. 2 in F minor		
Quartet in G ma., Op. 77, No. 1	...	Haydn
Allegro moderato; Adagio; Menuetto and Trio; Finale		
Three movements from "Façade"	...	Walton
Polka; Tango-Pasodoble; Popular Song		



Mr. R. Q. DRAYSON

who is to take up his appointment as Headmaster of Stowe on January 1st 1964.



E.J.W.



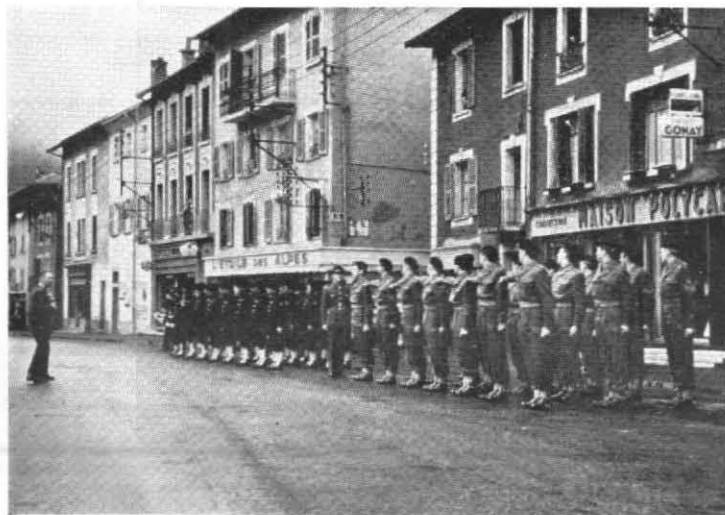
AMONG OUR SOUVENIRS



The first Head of the School, D. F. Wilson,
planting one of the Empire Oaks, 1923



Lord Mountbatten and E.J.W.,
General Inspection, 1957



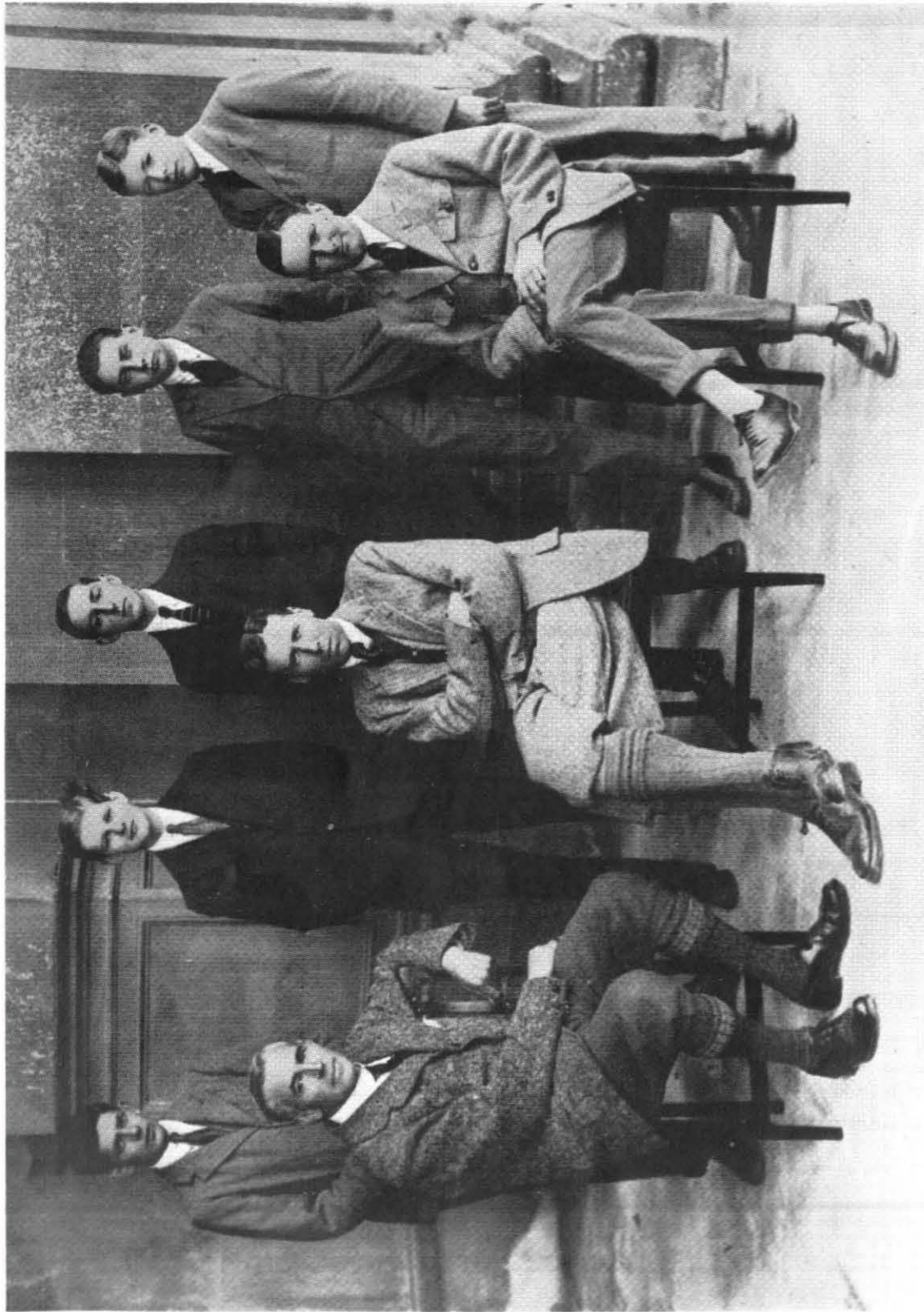
B.J.C. with Chasseurs and Stowe Cadets,
Modane, 1960



Three early Stoics, C. N. M. Blair,
J. D. G. Niven, S. P. Steavenson, 1927



The First Day, 1923



MAY 10th, 1923

A photograph taken on the day before the School opened, showing the Headmaster, Mr. J. F. Roxburgh, with the two Housemasters, the Rev. E. H. Earle (*left*) and Mr. I. M. Cross, and the five Prefects, (*l. to r.*) H. E. Robinson, N. A. C. Croft, D. F. Wilson (*Head of the School*), the Hon. G. C. S. P. Butler and A. G. Bowie.

THE STOIC

CEREMONIAL WELCOME
 WITH GUARD OF HONOUR AND MILITARY BAND
 PERFORMED ON THE OCCASION OF THE VISIT OF
 HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH THE QUEEN MOTHER
 MONDAY, JUNE 10th

Royal Salute
 Ye Banks and Braes *Traditional Scottish Melody*
 Here's a Health unto Her Majesty
 Ceremonial Fanfare (at Departure)
 for 5 trumpets, 2 horns, 4 trombones and timpani.

PROGRAMME OF CEREMONIAL MUSIC
 PERFORMED BY THE SCHOOL MILITARY BAND
 Conductor—Mr. E. J. WEBB
 AT THE C.C.F. GENERAL INSPECTION ON THE SOUTH FRONT
 WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19th

General Salute—Cavalry Brigade
 Parade March—"Scipio" *Handel*
 Troop—"May Blossom" *Weir*
 Traditional melodies from Home and the Commonwealth:
 Australia—Waltzing Matilda *Marie Cowan*
 Canada—O Canada
 Wales—Men of Harlech
 Scotland—Ye Banks and Braes
 Old English—The Farmer's Boy
 March Past—"Sussex by the Sea" *W. Ward-Higgs*

SUMMER CONCERT
 THURSDAY, JUNE 27th, IN THE ROXBURGH HALL
 THE GLEE CLUB

Conductor—Mr. PROCTOR
 THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA
 Joint Leaders—P. M. GALLEGOS (G) and R. J. ATHERTON (C)
 Conductor—Mr. WATSON

Overture: "Titus" *Mozart*
 Symphony in B mi. (The "Unfinished") *Schubert*
 Allegro moderato; Andante con moto
 Trumpet Voluntary *Purcell arr. Wood*
 Solo Trumpet—R. E. M. COOK (C)

THE GLEE CLUB:
 Kentucky Mountain Song: Cindy
 Three Negro Spirituals: I got Shoes
 Deep River
 Humble
 Yale Glee Club Song: White Shoe Blues
 Chacony for Strings *Purcell*
 Hungarian March (from "The Damnation of Faust") *Berlioz*

MUSIC IN THE ROXBURGH HALL
SUNDAY, JULY 14th

ANNE GRIFFITHS (<i>Harp</i>)	BRYAN CORRIE (<i>Tenor</i>)
JANE DAVIS (<i>Flute</i>)	MR. WATSON (<i>Violin</i>)
HILDA HUNTER (<i>Oboe</i>)	SHIRLEY BARRACLOUGH (<i>Violin</i>)
JOHN MELVIN (C 1951) (<i>Clarinet</i>)	ELIZABETH WATSON (<i>Viola</i>)
JAMES DIACK (T 1956) (<i>Horn</i>)	ALISON GIBBS (<i>Cello</i>)
JOHN BURROWS-WATSON (C 1949) (<i>Horn</i>)	MR. EDMONDS (<i>Cello</i>)
MR. BURKE (<i>Piano</i>)	ALISON WATSON (<i>Double Bass</i>)
Concerto for Flute and Harp, K.299 <i>Mozart</i>	
Allegro; Andantino; Rondo	
"On Wenlock Edge": Song Cycle <i>Vaughan Williams</i>	
Introduction and Allegro <i>Ravel</i>	

CONCERT BY THE GLEE CLUB
THURSDAY, JULY 25th, IN ASSEMBLY

Conductor—MR. PROCTOR

Gaudeamus Igitur
Johnny Come Down to Hilo *arr. George Mitchell*
Albert and the Lion

I. A. H. SITWELL, A. D. MIALI

Old Ark *Negro Spiritual*
Mandy } *from Songs of Yale*
White Shoe Blues }
The Joker *Moss*

Trombone Solo—M. J. BAKER (G)

Knot of Blue *from Songs of Yale*
Humble *Negro Spiritual*
Toy Symphony *Leopold Mozart*
Allegro; Minuet; Finale

Orchestra: MR. WATSON, MR. LEACH, MR. MILLWARD, MR. DEACON,
MR. EDMONDS, MR. SAUNDERS, DR. FARMER, MR. WALKER,
MR. BURKE.

Other Instruments: MR. MACDONALD, MR. DAMS, MR. STEPHAN, MR.
FOX, DR. DAVID, MR. TEMPLE, MR. VINEN, MR. RAWCLIFFE,
MR. HANCOCK.

Conductor—MR. BAIN

Three Plantation Songs: The Old Kentucky Home }
Poor Old Joe ... } *Stephen Foster*
Swanee River ... }

Strontium 90 *Fred Dallas*
Billy broke locks

C. N. HERSHMAN, J. R. S. PRINGLE, M. H. SHEARING

Twilight *Yale Song*

Members of the Glee Club: R. J. Atherton (C), C. M. B. Charles (G), C. J. F. Gethin (G), G. D. Gordon-Napier (C), J. R. Greenhill (C), C. N. Hershman (B), D. J. Lamping (C), A. D. Miall (B), J. R. S. Pringle (B), M. H. Shearing (B), J. H. Stockwell (G), A. V. A. Turner (B), T. M. Watson (C) (Secretary), W. M. G. Wilberforce (C), L. J. C. Wilcox (B), I. A. H. Sitwell (B).

MUSIC COMPETITIONS

(Senior Solo Entries)

IN THE FOYER OF THE ROXBURGH HALL ON SUNDAY, JULY 21st.

Adjucator—DR. NIGEL DAVISON, Director of Music at Wellington College.

In his general remarks, Dr. Davison said that he was envious of much of the talent at Stowe, singling out in particular the 'cello and organ groups. In all his experience in Schools, he had not come across 'cello-playing of the calibre of Frazer's and Besterman's; and the size and quality of the organ class was most impressive. The word 'senior' means in this context 'advanced', and one of the heartening things about this competition was the number of most promising young boys competing, with several years left at Stowe. The annual music scholarship has been going for three years, and it is possible now to assess something of the impact this is having on the musical life of the school. The general impression gained at the Competitions was that a higher standard of performance was being aimed at, and in many cases achieved, whether the competitors were music scholars or not.

Dr. Davison gave especial praise to C. J. F. Gethin, the Fanshawe Cup winner, for his playing of the St. Anne Fugue.

A cup for piano-playing has been presented by last year's winner, C. S. Wintle (C 1962).

Winners:—

Violin: P. S. Miall (B).

Viola: R. J. Atherton (C).

'Cello: K. D. Frazer (T) and T. P. Besterman (W) (Equal).

Woodwind: I. W. McDowell (G) (*Flute*).

Brass: M. J. Baker (G) (*Trombone*).

Piano (*Wintle Cup*): J. H. Stockwell (G).

Organ: C. J. F. Gethin (G).

Boosey & Hawkes Cup (*for the wind player who has made most progress*): S. T. D. Ritchie (T).

Fanshawe Cup (*for the best performance of the day*): C. J. F. Gethin (G) (*Organ*).

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

THE JOHN BUNYAN SOCIETY

The Society met twice this term. The first meeting was held on Sunday, May 19th, in the President's new rooms, and was based on the Bishop of Woolwich's book "Honest to God". It was generally agreed that there was nothing particularly new in Dr. Robinson's arguments, but what was outstanding was the fact that it was being said by a high-ranking clergyman.

The second meeting suffered from a thin attendance, as it had been arranged for the eve of the Queen Mother's visit. It centred around the subject of "Conversion."

This infant society, still not a year old, seems to be cutting its theological teeth satisfactorily, and has been well attended by senior members of the school.

T.G.E.K.

THE AUGUSTINIANS

At a business meeting on May 19th, the Committee decided to hold two meetings of the society, on June 2nd and 16th.

The first was a Brains Trust, at which the society discussed the meaning of "The Image of God". The second was a visit to Lillingstone Dayrell Church, with its late Saxon or early Norman nave, where we rubbed one of its fine brasses.

J.P.M.

THE SCIENCE SOCIETY

The activities of the Society have been limited because of examinations and the short term; despite this, there has been a distinct alteration in its composition: M. C. A. Wyvill (T) has taken over the office of Secretary from D. A. Wilson (T) and the post of Film Secretary formerly held by M. S. J. Rappolt (B) has been filled by C. C. Parker (W). The Society extends its thanks to the retiring Secretaries for the work that they have done during the past year.

The only lecture of the term was given by Mr. J. Holloway of Birmingham University on the Compounds of the Inert Gases. Mr. Holloway explained the difficulties involved and how they were overcome in making the gases react. The lecture ended with the showing of an interesting example of one of the compounds, Xenontetrafluoride.

M.C.A.W.

THE NUCLEUS

In spite of exams, this Society has had a very active term, and we have heard three papers, all of which have been both interesting and fascinating.

On June 4th Mr. Screen read a paper to the Nucleus entitled "The Future of Man". Mr. Screen began by stating that his views were fairly controversial, and indeed they were. It does not seem to worry very many people that we shall all starve in 50 years' time if the population continues to increase at the present rate; and it was mainly on this point that there developed a fast and furious discussion.

On June 26th, the President, Mr. Stokoe, read a paper on "Psychoanalysis", which gave us a very clear version of the Freudian theory. Mr. Stokoe explained the various methods used in analysis and outlined the ways and means of "Dream Interpretation", which is of great importance in this subject. He went on to discuss the various phenomena which develop in human behaviour, and finished by outlining the structure of the mind. We then had a very lively and lengthy discussion on some of the points raised.

The last paper was read by M. S. J. Rappolt on "Inclusion Compounds". These compounds are only just starting to make themselves known in Chemistry to-day; and we were treated to a very interesting and concise account. The usual fiery discussion followed, and eventually the Society closed its activities for the term.

D.A.W.

THE SEDIMENTARIANS

It is always difficult to arrange meetings in the Summer Term; the long light evenings and the threat of exams are both rival factors. However, the Society did hold one meeting on Tuesday, July 23rd, in the Temple of Ancient Virtue. The governing factor was to get back on to a more cultural footing for the last meeting of the year. The Society thus met in the President's rooms where gowns and mortar boards were put on. The members then moved to the Temple and each in turn read poems of a very diverse nature. After this outburst of culture a buffet supper was eaten and the

remains of the Ball consumed. Thus the atmosphere could not have been more conducive to poetry reading. The acoustics of the Temple, the candlelight and the burning incense all helped to create an intellectual aura.

T.G.E.K.

THE CLIMBING CLUB

The Club has had only one meeting this term and this was an expedition to the Wye valley. Three of the members were taken by Mr. Meldrum in his new Sunbeam and four Scouts travelled with Dr. Farmer. After getting permission from a local farmer, the party pitched camp near the river and gazed with wonder at the three-hundred-foot cliffs. That evening three climbs were done and the Scouts soon got used to the various rock techniques and proved keen and agile pupils. After a warm night, with the constant worry of being washed away by the fast-flowing river, the party breakfasted at 6.0 a.m.

Several climbs were done that day, Dr. Farmer, Mr. Meldrum and R. C. Clifford (G) leading up the formidable cliffs. Clifford then led up an unclimbed alternative route with M. C. A. Wyvill (T) and after an excellent lunch the party made their way wearily to the cars.

We extend our thanks to Mr. Meldrum for starting the Club and leading it through its infancy. He is to become Principal of the White Hall Climbing School in Derbyshire and it is hoped that he will come and visit us in the future.

R.C.C.

THE GUN CLUB

Our term's activities opened on Old Stoic Day when a team of six members of the club was fairly narrowly beaten by the Old Stoics; after this about fifteen Old Stoics staged a competition among themselves.

About eight people have been shooting regularly on Mondays, and it has been interesting to notice the increasing number of twenty-bore guns which has been appearing at the expense of the smaller four-tens and the large sixteen-bore.

The annual inter-house competition for the Princess Galitzine Vase was held on the last Sunday of term. The results were:—(Possible, 40); 1st, Cobham, 28; equal 2nd, Walpole and Bruce, 21; 4th, Grenville, 20; 5th, Temple, 19; 6th, Chandos, 15; 7th, Chatham, 14. The best individual score was 16 out of 20, by J. G. Boulton (C).

A.R.P.

THE YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

This term there has been an emphasis on outdoor activities and on Monday afternoons we have visited various local farms and compared their various methods.

On the first Saturday of term some members attended the Buckinghamshire Y.F.C. rally held at Castle Fields farm, on the way to Buckingham. Owing to the earliness of the term we were, unfortunately, unable to compete. On following Monday afternoons we visited Park Fields, where we saw much of general interest, and Westbury, where we saw a grass-drying plant in operation and several of the American type of silos and grain storers. On July 8th we again visited Castle Fields where we were shown various types of corn growing and two calves of a Charolais/Friesian cross and two Danish Red cows, both comparatively rare. We also saw the piggeries and milking parlours, all very modern and of a high standard.

In June we also went to a sheep-dog trial near Brackley where we spent an enjoyable afternoon.

We should like to take this opportunity of thanking all those farmers who have so kindly shown us round their farms.

C.L.V.P.E.

THE JUDO CLUB

This club has now been in existence for over a year and has steadily increased in popularity, whilst the sight of a judoki practising in the gym is now accepted as a normal spectacle. Despite the diminished attendance caused by the preparation for exams. Dr. Owen has driven from Oxford each week to take the class. The risk of injury from a heavy fall has been comfortably reduced with the introduction of some new rubber mats. The enthusiasm for the sport, particularly among the more junior members, is very encouraging. With attendance on the increase, high hopes are held of this sport becoming more prominent to the extent of starting inter-house competitions in the near future.

M.G.S.

THE PINEAPPLE CLUB

This term has seen great improvements in Stowe-Pineapple relationships, especially with the introduction of return visits to Houses by Pineapple boys. Under this system the Stoics going up to the Pineapple on the Friday bring back four boys with them to spend the week-end with the Houses concerned. Two such exchange visits have been organised and both were a very great success. Stoics have discovered that they have plenty in common with club members, especially in the direction of coffee-drinking and pop records. The House Representatives have proved invaluable in the organisation of these visits and our thanks go to them. They have proved very useful in inspiring interest in their Houses. Through them we have had a number of offers from members of the school to go camping with the Club in the holidays. It is this sort of combined activity above all that we wish to encourage.

In the Club itself the summer is always a difficult time, for the vast majority of the members prefer to play games out in the streets on fine summer evenings and thus membership always falls a bit. One very big asset, however, is that Alan Harber is now back performing his duties as Club Leader after his long illness. A full report of the Club's activities during the year will be sent to all Old Stoics.

T.G.E.K.

C.C.F.

Chef de Bataillon Gonnet, Commandant, 159th Battalion of Infanterie Alpine, very kindly accepted the responsibility of training a number of Stowe Cadets at Briançon again this year. Two officers and fifteen cadets embarked on April 6th and enjoyed the French Army's hospitality in the mountains and learned something of alpine warfare. Colonel L. H. Landon, of the British Military Delegation to France, visited us and remarked on how much goodwill visits of this kind do for Anglo-French relationships.

Also during April one officer and eleven cadets of the R.A.F. Section visited R.A.F. Little Rissington and one officer and seven cadets of the R.N. Section went to H.M.S. *St. Vincent*.

In May, H.M.M.L. 2840 with one officer and seven R.N. cadets set sail for the Channel Islands. The weather at times is said to have been rough but a good report was received from the Captain on the seaman-like qualities of the cadets under adverse conditions.

There is no doubt that the highlight of the term was the Queen Mother's visit. A Guard of Honour was mounted and, although rehearsals were poor, on the day the drill was very impressive, so much so that after the visit the Lord Lieutenant made special mention of it in his letter to the Headmaster on behalf of the Queen Mother.

The Annual Inspection was carried out on June 19th by Major-General J. W. Channing Williams, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., and a satisfactory report has since been received. The General made history at Stowe by being the first official Inspecting Officer having two sons at the school.

Two night exercises have been held this term. The Inns of Court Regiment exercised thirty cadets during the week-end July 6th/7th and twenty-five cadets did battle with Oakham School C.C.F. during the night June 22nd/23rd.

Examination results:—(R.N. Section) Advanced Proficiency: 1 passed, 4 failed; Proficiency: 3 passed, 3 failed. (Army Section) Basic Test: 114 passed, none failed.

The following have visited Stowe this term:—Major-General W. R. Cox, C.B., D.S.O., (Retd.) and Captain G. C. Mitchell, R.N., schools liaison officers; Lieutenant-Colonel P. E. Gerahty, M.B.E., Commanding Officer, the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry (T.A.); Flight-Lieutenant C. G. Richardson, from R.A.F. White Waltham; and Lieutenant-Commander R. T. Clarke, R.N., Major A. C. V. Sheppard, and Wing-Commander W. M. Collins, D.F.C., the accompanying staff-officers at the Annual Inspection.

The Coldstream Cup Competition was held on July 4th and Colonel R. C. Windsor Clive, Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding Coldstream Guards, very kindly came and presented the cup.

The order of the Houses was:—1, Bruce; 2, Chandos; 3, Chatham; 4, Cobham; 5, Temple; 6, Grenville; equal 7, Grafton and Walpole.

The following Promotions and Appointments have been made this term:—

GENERAL DUTIES.

Appointed *Senior Under-Officer*: Under-Officer I. A. H. Sitwell (B).

Appointed *Under-Officer*: C.S.M. P. T. Hirst (G), Sgt. C. C. Parker (W).

Promoted to *C.S.M.*: Sgt. R. T. Scholes (C).

Promoted to *Sergeant*: Cpl. R. C. Clifford (G).

Appointed *Lance-Corporal*: Cdt. I. J. Macdonald (G).

R.N. SECTION.

Rated *Coxswain*: A/P.O. E. H. Blagg (C).

Rated *P.O.*: A/P.O.s M. Gore Scofield (C), B. A. Marcel (C), the Hon. J. D. G. Parker (G).

Rated *Leading Seaman*: A/L.S. R. J. Hanhart (C), C. I. Hutchinson (B), C. H. Mills (B), S. I. Searle (T).

Rated *Acting Leading Seaman*: A.B. S. A. Bishop (C).

SIGNALS SECTION.

Appointed *Under-Officer*: Sgt. W. M. Harris (C).

Promoted to *Sergeant*: Cpl. J. A. Hamilton (C).

R.E. TROOP.

Promoted to *Sergeant*: Cpl. R. S. D. Johnson (C).

Promoted to *Lance-Corporal*: Cdt. R. J. Bateman (G), M. H. Bellamy (C), C. J. Buchanan-Jardine (T), K. G. Castle (B), C. P. Frean (C), G. R. P. Gibberd (C), F. J. Gibbon (G), P. F. Halban (G), A.V. Kemp-Jones (T), J. A. Lister (C),

J. W. G. Mackenzie (C), E. G. M. Reay-Smith (C), the Hon. N. V. B. Wallop (G), P. A. G. Williams (W), M. C. A. Wyvill (T).

M.T. SECTION.

Promoted to *Corporal*: L/Cpl. C. G. Vacy-Ash (W).

Promoted to *Lance-Corporal*: Cdts. R. A. Clegg (W), N. J. Durlacher (W), C. Hadfield (W), R. D. Post (W).

R.A.F. SECTION.

Appointed *Under-Officer*: Sgt. J. R. Bullick (G).

Promoted to *Sergeant*: Cpl. R. J. Atherton (C).

Promoted to *Corporal*: Cdt. M. J. Baker (G).

THE NAVAL SECTION CRUISE TO JERSEY

On Sunday, May 5th, Mr. Acton and eight Stoics embarked in H.M.M.L.2840 at Devonport for a cruise to the Channel Islands. Perhaps it would be truer to say seven as one member went on to Portsmouth by mistake and did not arrive until Monday morning. Our ship was a Motor Launch, one of the 'Fairmile B' class built in 1944, converted in 1954 to mine-sweeping and more recently used for Fishery Protection and training. She had twin Rolls-Royce diesels giving her a maximum speed of 15 knots and was armed with twin 20 mm. Oerlikons which a disillusioned Stoic was informed had not seen a shell for two years.

We left harbour at 1400 on Monday, after painting ship in readiness for the Queen Mother's visit to the Channel Islands, and made Fowey by 1730. We were divided into three watches, one to navigate as far as Jersey, one while we were there, and the third to get us home again. After brief instruction from the captain we were left to make our own decisions and steering orders, and, perhaps surprisingly, we did not hit any rocks. Although the weather on Monday was not bad, several Stoics, unused to the crazy motion of our ship, were seen staggering for the stern-rail. As soon as we were alongside in Fowey, and indeed every evening, we were given shore leave until 2000. This was something of a blessing as a good meal was very welcome after the commendably hard but regrettably disastrous efforts of Robert the "cook"; we believe he was trained as a gunner.

We slipped at 0500 on Tuesday without our cat, who had failed to return from shore leave, and slid out of the river in darkness past merchantmen taking in china-clay and left the attractive port of Fowey in the mist. We set a course for Jersey, which we expected to reach by 1700 and after the first three hours, which were rather uncomfortable, the sea became as flat as a millpond and we had a perfect crossing with not a cloud in the sky.

We each took one-hour turns on the wheel, an extremely difficult operation with an awkward beam sea and one which was enlivened by large ships crossing our course, often very close. Just before noon we were able to see through binoculars the sun's reflection on the Guernsey greenhouses, although we could not yet see the actual island. At about 1430, with Guernsey abeam and Jersey just ahead, we hove to for a swim. As there were no bath or shower facilities on board, this was evidently quite a regular occurrence and a ladder was kept aboard specially for this purpose. After an enjoyable evening in St. Helier we spent the next day cruising around the beautiful but bleak island and then another evening ashore.

Having received a signal to keep clear of H.M. the Queen Mother, we arranged to go to Torquay rather than visit Guernsey. The wind was supposed to be strengthening

and so we sailed at midnight; during a lively night plenty of crockery was broken and the watches had to keep a good look-out for other ships, one of which passed within a cable's distance of us. The first thing that several of us saw on waking up was Start Point, under which we anchored for breakfast; after lunch near Teignmouth we turned back into Torbay and made fast in Torquay amid elegant yachts and brilliant sunshine. Next day we awoke to find the harbour lashed by a fierce gale. The captain ordered two seasick pills all round as we were due back in Devonport that evening, but outside the shelter of Start Point it was blowing Force 10 and really rough; so we turned back into Dartmouth and secured alongside the B.R.N.C. jetty.

Our thanks for an extremely enjoyable and instructive week are warmly extended to the crew and especially to Lieut.-Commander Lamb, our long-suffering skipper.

F.H.S.G.

CRICKET

Enjoyment, the one single factor which dominates the reason for playing cricket, has been difficult to find this season. Lack of success and the bad weather have been the main causes, but there have been others less tangible. The lack of interest shown by the School has been particularly disappointing, and apart from the pre-lunch period most of the home matches have been played to a gallery of less than ten boys. This is due in part to the poor record of the 1st XI, but partly also to the lack of school spirit. This was also in evidence on the running track, where the attendance for the fixture against the British Columbia Schools team was most disappointing. In the two-day match at the end of the season against the Canadian Juniors, in the closest imaginable finish, there were perhaps twenty boys watching. No School side in any activity will prosper unless a greater interest is taken in it by the rest of the School.

Of the sixteen matches played, two only were won, against The Leys and the XL Club; four were drawn against The Templars, O.U. Authentics, Bedford and the Free Foresters; and ten were lost. These were against Pembroke College, Bradfield, Cryptics, Radley, Mr. D. J. Mordaunt's XI, Oundle, St. Edward's, M.C.C., Dragonflies and the Canadian Juniors.

There were several encouraging features of the cricket in general. First, the fielding was competent and at times brilliant, and at all times it appeared enthusiastic and "fun". Notable here were Gronow, Garrett, Goodchild, Dawes and Vane. The three seam bowlers were tireless and deserve medals for perseverance, particularly on the good batting wickets on which it was often their fate to bowl. Of the several individual performances the most notable was Goodchild's 166 against the Dragonflies.

Research indicates that this is the second highest score ever made at Stowe, the highest being 207 in 1929 by A. G. Howland-Jackson. Goodchild was on the field throughout the innings, and the great virtues evident were his concentration and determination.

Murphy as captain and number one batsman had a successful season. He scored as many runs as anyone else, and often played a big innings when it was urgently required. Perhaps he lacked some imagination when captain on the field, but he handled his limited bowling competently and set and demanded a high standard of fielding. Garrett was a most efficient secretary and a safe and at times brilliant wicket-keeper. His catches against Bradfield and Oundle will be long remembered. Goodchild improved tremendously as an opening batsman once he realised the dangers of cutting with no backlift, and it is much hoped that he will score even more runs next season. Fyfe made one good score, but at the moment is too limited a player to make a lot of runs. Of late he seems to have been frightened really to try to hit the bad ball, something he used to be very good at. Dawes was a very limited batsman but made some useful contributions through confidence in his ability. Johnson always surprised as a bat, but contributed some useful scores, and his 62 against Bedford showed all his best qualities. He often bowled very well but was handicapped for much of the term by a bad heel. Gronow was in for his fielding, and really deserved the prize for it at the end of term. He also played some very useful innings. Vane bowled and fielded very well, and was often unlucky not to get more wickets. He should also score more runs next year when he has a greater confidence in his not inconsiderable ability. Fisher was by far the most successful bowler, and despite his slight frame seemed capable of bowling almost indefinitely. To get over 50 wickets is a great achievement.

Late in the season to add variety to the bowling attack Ritchie was brought up from the Colts. He bowled quite well and should have obtained some useful experience for next season. He will need to think about his bowling a great deal more if he is eventually to be a useful member of the First XI.

Seven of the side are left for next year, and with a large number of the second eleven also present and a keen and competent Colts side coming up there should be plenty of competition for next year's XI.

The 1st XI :—

Captain, C. P. Murphy (G); Secretary, D. W. J. Garrett (G).
1st XI Colours have been re-awarded to M. W. G. Fisher (G) and R. S. D. Johnson (C), and awarded to A. G. Fyfe (G), C. J. T. Vane (C), E. S. Dawes (B), R. N. Goodchild (C), J. G. Gronow (G).

2nd XI Colours: A. A. B. Duncan (C).

Colts' Cap: S. T. D. Ritchie (T).

Also played: A. R. G. Scott-Gall (T), P. H. L. Higham (T), J. N. Dixey (B), M. F. A. Mellersh (C), N. H. Burton-Carter (C), H. M. Braithwaite (C).

STOWE v. THE LEYS

Played at Stowe on Saturday, May 18th. Stowe won by 4 wickets.

On losing the toss we found ourselves bowling on a wicket with some pace, but helpful to seam bowlers. The Leys, however, batted well to start with, and it was not until Johnson was brought on first change that we struck the first blow. This was with the score at 34, and after that events moved rapidly. Four wickets fell in quick succession, and thereafter they never really recovered. Shortly after lunch they were all out for 90, thanks partly to bad batting but also to some intelligent seam bowling backed up by efficient and sometimes hostile fielding. It was in fact noticeable how menacing we looked in the field, an encouraging sign for the future. There were some good catches caught, particularly by Garrett and Goodchild, and Dawes and Gronow got through a lot of good work. All three seam bowlers did their work well, with Johnson being particularly effective, and Fisher the most successful.

With so few runs to get and plenty of time to get them it was not surprising that we made a slow start. Higham was soon out, but then Duncan and Murphy took the score to 38. A minor collapse followed and we found ourselves 57 for 5. Scott-Gall batted uncertainly for a time, but with him out it was left to Gronow, who batted sensibly, and Murphy to get us home. The latter batted with great distinction to carry his bat for 62, and his last two shots, one over mid-on and the other past cover-point's left hand both for four from successive balls, were a fitting climax to a very sturdy innings. Without him we should have looked very mediocre.

We deserved to win on the play, but our weaknesses with the bat were made very plain. A win, however, was most encouraging, the first at home for much too long and, it is hoped, a foretaste of things to come.

THE LEYS					STOWE				
W. R. Shield, c Murphy, b Fisher.....	27				C. P. Murphy, not out.....	62			
P. J. Svenlik, c Garrett, b Johnson.....	7				P. H. L. Higham, b Alliston.....	0			
D. A. R. Hulme, c Goodchild, b Johnson	0				A. A. B. Duncan, b Symes.....	13			
P. Symes, c Garrett, b Vane.....	10				D. W. J. Garrett, b Stead.....	3			
R. J. Royce, c Goodchild, b Fisher.....	0				R. N. Goodchild, b Symes.....	5			
C. S. Metcalf, c Goodchild, b Johnson....	12				R. S. D. Johnson, b Symes.....	0			
M. A. Smail, b Fisher.....	9				A. R. G. Scott-Gall, c Metcalf, b Crisp....	6			
D. C. Stead, b Vane.....	9				J. P. Gronow, not out.....	1			
J. B. Marsh, b Fisher.....	2				C. J. T. Vane, E. S. Dawes and M. W. G.				
J. T. Crisp, c Vane, b Fisher.....	4				Fisher did not bat.				
A. M. Alliston, not out.....	5								
Extras.....	5				Extras.....	4			
Total.....	90				Total (for 6 wkts.).....	94			
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Fisher.....	20.4	6	33	5	Crisp.....	15	5	24	1
Vane.....	17	4	38	2	Alliston.....	13	7	17	1
Johnson.....	10	5	14	3	Royce.....	3	0	12	0
					Symes.....	14.2	2	33	3
					Stead.....	3	2	4	1

STOWE v. BRADFIELD

Played at Bradfield on Saturday, May 25th. Bradfield won by 98 runs.

With most of the game against the Oxford University Authentics having been rained off we were rather short of batting practice. This proved to be our undoing. With one change from the victorious side against The Leys we went to Bradfield not particularly disturbed by their large number of old colours, and returned sadder and wiser.

On losing the toss on a hot and rather humid day, we took the field expecting a long stint. The start was electric. One of their openers was run out for failing to ground his bat and the other opener was well caught by Vane low down on the leg side off Fisher before a run was scored. Another wicket fell, caught by Garrett off Johnson, and the score board read one for three. We were right on top and tried hard to stay there. However, it was to be the last time that we were in a position to dictate. Thanks to some very determined batting by Roope and Houston, followed by Roope and Stevens, they were 102 for 4 at lunch, and were in a position to declare at 3.50 p.m. with their score at 187 for 7. We had stuck to it very well in the field for over three and a half hours, bowling 76 overs, and had generally shown character and determination. Garrett's catch off Vane to dismiss Roope at 95 was one of the best seen for a long time. Fisher and Vane had bowled 28 and 21 overs respectively, and had stuck to their guns very well. Altogether a creditable performance, and we were left the very reasonable time of 160 minutes to get the runs.

In the fifty minutes before tea Murphy and Goodchild batted safely enough though often failing to make contact, until Goodchild was bowled off the last ball before tea going back rather than forward once too often. He had batted well enough to give rise to the hopes that an opening partner had been found for Murphy.

After tea, with only one wicket down and Murphy apparently well settled in, Stowe could be excused for feeling reasonably optimistic. Their hopes, however, were quickly dashed. Higham was out from his third ball, and thereafter there was a constant procession. Dawes aimed optimistically to hit Roope into the river and had his leg stump removed; Fyfe, playing in his first game and having fielded well, lived very dangerously in making 11; Murphy, having shown some lovely shots in making 41, was out to a half-hearted drive; Garrett gave mid-off an easy catch from his third ball, and Scott-Gall was bowled through the 'gate' having lasted only a little longer; Johnson was bowled playing back, and Vane after a couple of good though optimistic blows was out in the same way; and lastly Gronow was l.b.w. while half forward to Roope, who had bowled well to take six wickets, and so complete a very successful personal game. The batting had been most disappointing, though to anyone in the know not really unexpected. Without Murphy we were really very bad. Bradfield had fielded well and bowled steadily, but we had no-one to blame but ourselves for such a bad performance.

It would be uncharitable not to offer two excuses; one the long stint in the field, and two a lack of natural ability. But one cannot excuse lack of determination and this was unfortunately much in evidence. It was strange that so much should be shown when fielding and so little when batting. With the exception of Murphy they all seem to accept their limitations, and to be unprepared to really fight for runs. It is going to be a lean season if this attitude is not changed. A side cannot depend on good bowlers alone however good they may be.

BRADFIELD

M. C. James, c Vane, b Fisher.....	0
J. D. Wyatt, run out.....	0
G. R. J. Roope, c Garrett, b Vane.....	95
A. J. Spicer, c Garrett, b Johnson.....	1
E. H. Houston, c Garrett, b Vane.....	41
I. D. Stevens, not out.....	32
W. A. Holder, c Fyfe, b Vane.....	6
D. K. L. Tod, c Vane, b Fisher.....	9
C. M. Tod, P. W. Watts and I. G. Hunter did not bat.	
Extras.....	3
Total (for 7 wkts. dec.).....	187

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fisher.....	28.5	8	53	2
Johnson.....	12	5	32	1
Vane.....	21	1	63	3

STOWE

C. P. Murphy, c Roope, b Watts.....	41
R. N. Goodchild, b Roope.....	19
P. H. L. Higham, lbw, b Watts.....	0
E. B. Dawes, b Roope.....	0
A. G. Fyfe, c Watts, b Roope.....	11
D. W. J. Garrett, c Holder, b Watts.....	0
A. R. G. Scott-Gall, b Watts.....	2
R. S. D. Johnson, b Roope.....	4
J. P. Gronow, lbw b Roope.....	2
C. J. T. Vane, b Roope.....	8
M. W. G. Fisher, not out.....	0
Extras.....	2
Total.....	89

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Roope.....	20	6	46	6
Watts.....	13	3	21	4

STOWE v. BEDFORD

Played at Stowe on Saturday, June 1st. Match drawn.

After a most interesting and fluctuating day's cricket, the game was left drawn at 7 p.m. with Stowe very much on top and in command. This was in the main due to our latter batsmen, though we had generally shown ourselves to be a competent side.

On winning the toss on a very hot Whit Saturday Bedford put Stowe into bat. The wisdom of this was debatable, and in the event Bedford had to bat when tired from a long stint in the field. At any rate they nearly achieved their object as at lunch the score stood at 129 for 6. There had been some quite good batting, but no-one had got going, though Dawes had made 30, using the same shot most of the time. A lot of full tosses had been treated with great respect, though Pearson, their left-arm spinner, had bowled accurately and dangerously.

After lunch Mellersh was out without addition to the score, but then the picture changed completely. Johnson took hold of the bowling by the scruff of the neck, and in a very short space of time their attack went to pieces. By entertaining and attacking cricket Johnson hit 12 fours in his 63, and although deserving a little luck he was not dropped, and rarely did he play and miss. He set a fine example which Gronow, an admirable foil, and later Vane followed with equal determination. With the declaration at 3.30 it was felt that we could really go on to make a lot more.

In the 50 minutes before tea we managed to dispose of four of them for 53, but afterwards our luck or skill deserted us. Gilmour, their captain and number three, set his side a fine example of attacking cricket, but few of the others were able to emulate him. Our ground fielding was generally good and throwing accurate, though two rather vital catches were put down. In the end we were unable to prise them out, mainly owing to a fine defensive innings by Strong. They had never really been in the hunt for the runs, but our bowlers seemed unable to bowl as accurately as they had done previously. There were too many wide ones down the leg side, and of course we missed a wrist spinner. Perhaps a draw was a fair result, though we had asserted our superiority in a way that was most encouraging.

STOWE				BEDFORD			
C. P. Murphy, b Walthew.....	18	P. H. Spray, b Fisher.....	9				
R. N. Goodchild, lbw, b Benford.....	10	G. D. Benford, b Johnson.....	2				
E. S. Dawes, b Pearson.....	30	C. D. Gilmour, b Fisher.....	67				
D. W. J. Garrett, b Gilmour.....	14	J. M. Pearson, c Dawes, b Vane.....	6				
A. G. Fyfe, c Poustie, b Pearson.....	14	J. D. Poustie, b Vane.....	2				
A. R. G. Scott-Gall, b Walthew.....	17	R. C. Tutt, run out.....	32				
R. S. D. Johnson, b Benford.....	63	S. D. Strong, not out.....	52				
M. F. A. Mellersh, c Murray, b Pearson.....	8	R. G. Caistor, b Fisher.....	13				
J. Gronow, not out.....	25	J. Dalsell, c Garrett, b Fisher.....	1				
C. J. T. Vane, not out.....	31	M. Murray, not out.....	6				
M. W. G. Fisher did not bat.....		N. E. Walthew did not bat.....					
Extras	12	Extras	5				
Total (for 8 wkts. dec.).....	262	Total (for 8 wkts.).....	195				

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Walthew	18	1	72	2	Johnson	13	0	67	1
Benford	14	3	50	2	Fisher	27	8	60	4
Gilmour	7	0	19	1	Vane	9	2	24	2
Pearson	18	2	68	3					

STOWE v. RADLEY

Played at Stowe on Tuesday, June 4th. Radley won by 148 runs.

A depressing result from a depressing day's cricket. Perhaps the margin flattered Radley, but they were able to declare, having been put into bat, and then to win with over an hour to spare. For this they deserve full credit, and in every department they looked competent and superior.

The story of the day's play is quickly told. Radley batted solidly until the declaration at 3.30 to make 228 for 8. Macdowel and Beilby both made 50 and, although luck in some cases was on their side, there was never much sign of a breakthrough. Fisher performed a notable feat in bowling unchanged for the entire innings and returned the very creditable analysis of 5 for 102 from 33.4 overs. Our fielding was generally neat and the throwing good, and all eight wickets fell to catches, with one particularly good one by Scott-Gall.

Our batting foundered without trace, and we were all out for 80 in 100 minutes. Macdowel, their captain, bowled at a lively pace to get Murphy for 0 in his first spell and Fyfe (16) in his second. However, all six bowlers that were tried got wickets, seemingly without much difficulty, and our batting, which against Bedford on Saturday had seemed solid, was swept away. There is no disgrace in being beaten by a better side, but it was the manner which rankled.

RADLEY		STOWE	
R. G. N. Finn, c Goodchild, b Fisher.....	13	C. P. Murphy, c Beilby, b Macdowel.....	0
C. J. Carline, c Goodchild, b Fisher.....	29	R. N. Goodchild, st Carter, b Beilby.....	14
C. E. Comins, c Fyfe, b Vane.....	15	E. S. Dawes, c Carter, b Thin.....	1
A. C. G. Eliot, c Garrett, b Fisher.....	10	D. W. J. Garrett, b Comins.....	10
T. E. Macdowel, c Scott-Gall, b Vane.....	53	A. G. Fyfe, c Macdowel, b Eliot.....	16
S. R. Beilby, not out.....	63	A. R. G. Scott-Gall, c Beilby, b Macdowel.....	14
C. G. I. Croft, c Scott-Gall, b Johnson.....	30	R. S. D. Johnson, b Eliot.....	15
D. J. Beck, c Dawes, b Fisher.....	4	M. F. A. Mellersh, st Carter, b Eliot.....	0
T. S. D. Sykes, c Garrett, b Fisher.....	9	J. Gronow, c Carter, b Eliot.....	3
C. G. Thin and C. E. P. Carter did not bat.....		C. J. T. Vane, b Finn.....	2
Extras	2	M. W. G. Fisher, not out.....	0
Total (for 8 wkts. dec.).....	228	Extras	80
		Total	80

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Fisher	33.4	6	102	5	Macdowel	8	2	21	2
Vane	20	4	71	2	Thin	5	1	17	1
Johnson	11	1	43	1	Beilby	3	2	4	1
					Comins	8	3	16	1
					Eliot	4	0	12	4
					Finn	2	0	5	1

STOWE v. OUNDLE

Played at Stowe on Saturday, June 22nd. Oundle won by 3 wickets.

Since the game against Radley we had suffered one rather heavy defeat and escaped with a draw in the two Club matches that had been played. Both sides entered this game with unimpressive records, and in the event there was a good deal of interest and some considerable excitement.

Stowe won the toss and batted on a warm day, and thanks to Murphy and Goodchild got off to a good start. The score reached 49 without loss when the latter was bowled. Their attack was not particularly effective, but we failed to capitalise from this good start. Wickets fell steadily to some accurate bowling and at lunch the score stood at 117 for 6. Scott-Gall was out in the first over after lunch, again playing back, and this brought Gronow in to join Johnson. It was this pair which had started our recovery against Bedford, but they proved unable to do as well again. They did, however, put on 37, when Gronow was most unfortunately run out. Vane had one or two good shots before Johnson was out to a catch at cover for a spirited 30, the top score. Fisher then came in, and appeared to have exaggerated ideas of his ability; this was brought on perhaps by his having helped to save the game against the Free Foresters. At any rate he did not prove strong enough to hit a straight six, and was caught by mid-on.

It was an innings of many disappointments as seven players managed to reach double figures, and yet no-one concentrated hard enough to make 50. 172 is not a bad total but we were not really bowled out, we got ourselves out.

Oundle's start was dramatic. After nine overs the score was 14 for 3 with Fisher having got all three and with Vane bowling equally well at the other end. Tragically Westbrook, their number three, was dropped second ball, and the score was 151 when the next wicket fell. The other batsman, was their captain Flather, and they had both batted with determination and courage. They showed our batting up particularly in two respects; they tried to play everything on the front foot, and they were always ready to take a quick single. Towards the end of their partnership we did not look a very good side in the field, though there had been some very good individual efforts.

At last Johnson, bowling with a damaged heel but with great determination, bowled Westbrook. Two balls later Vane from the other end had Flather brilliantly caught by Garrett on the leg side, diving and with one hand, and once again the game was wide open. Two wickets fell at 161, and it was left to the last three Oundle wickets to get the 12 runs needed. This they managed to do but not without a catch being dropped.

THE STOIC

Stowe	
C. P. Murphy, lbw, b Simpson-Brass	25
R. N. Goodchild, b Jewell	24
A. A. B. Duncan, c Flather, b Simpson-Brass	11
A. G. Fyfe, c Atkinson, b Simpson-Brass	16
E. S. Dawes, lbw, b Atkinson	27
D. W. J. Garrett, c and b Atkinson	7
A. R. G. Scott-Gall, b Jewell	4
R. S. D. Johnson, c Hollebhone, b Simpson-Brass	30
J. P. Gronow, run out	13
C. J. T. Vane, not out	7
M. W. G. Fisher, c Ramsdale, b Simpson-Brass	3
Extras	5
Total	172

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Atkinson	11	3	33	2
Webber	3	1	7	0
Jewell	23	4	71	2
Simpson-Brass	18	4	39	5
Ramsdale	3	0	17	0

Oundle	
T. K. W. Atkinson, c Goodchild, b Fisher	0
R. N. Jones, c Garrett, b Fisher	0
F. G. Westbrook, b Johnson	71
R. G. Chase, lbw, b Fisher	0
M. R. Flather, c Garrett, b Vane	80
J. G. Ramsdale, not out	17
K. G. Hollebhone, c Murphy, b Fisher	4
P. J. S. Enderby, b Johnson	0
D. M. S. Simpson-Brass, not out	1
B. C. Jewell and P. W. K. Webber did not bat.	
Extras	0
Total (for 7 wkts.)	173

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fisher	22.3	5	45	4
Vane	20	5	52	1
Johnson	15	2	53	2
Dawes	2	0	13	0

STOWE v. ST. EDWARD'S

Played at Oxford on Tuesday, July 23rd. St. Edward's won by 6 wickets.

This game had been arranged for July 6th, but our English summer had necessitated a postponement. In the event the new date proved perfect for cricket, though some of the game was not up to the same standard.

It was a good toss to win and Murphy elected to bat. The wisdom of this decision was evident, as at one time the score stood at 129 for 1. These runs had been very well made by Murphy and Fyfe, and although slow at times they made good use of a very good wicket. The rest of the innings is shortly and sadly told. With the exception of Garrett the batting subsided gracelessly and rapidly, and in one of the most inept performances seen for a very long time we were all out for 172. Butterworth had bowled slow left arm, flighting but not turning the ball, and no-one had much idea of what to do. Most of the side were out playing across the line of the ball.

We started well as usual, and two wickets were down for 23. Vane caught one apparently effortlessly off Fisher at leg slip, and only 24 came in the first 14 overs. After tea, however, the tune changed, and Hudson and Hobson showed just how easy an art batting is on a good wicket. Ritchie, up from the Colts to bowl chinamen, proved expensive, though it was he who eventually got the next wicket. However, they always looked like winning, and 6 wickets was not an unfair margin. Hudson carried his bat for a very good 98 not out.

It was a very disappointing result from such a good start, but once again it showed what a very bad batting side we are.



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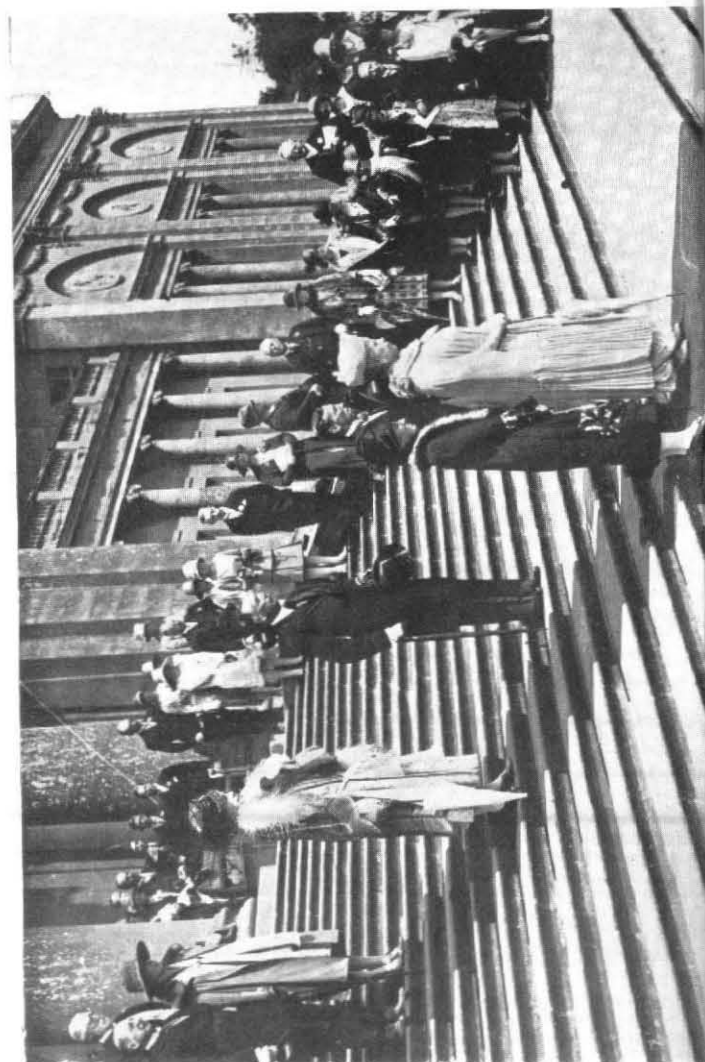
PLANTING THE TREE

VISIT OF H.M. QUEEN ELIZABETH THE QUEEN MOTHER

ROYAL VISITS



(Above left) H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester (from 'The Stoic', 1938).
 (Above, right) H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, then Prince George, (from 'The Stoic', 1929).
 (Below, left) H.M. Queen Mary (from 'The Stoic', 1927).
 (Below, right) H.M. Queen Victoria (from 'The Illustrated London News', 1845).



STOWE				ST. EDWARD'S			
C. P. Murphy, lbw, b Butterworth	78	G. D. Hudson, not out	98				
R. N. Goodchild, b Easter	2	H. C. Drake, c Vane, b Fisher	2				
A. G. Fyfe, b Butterworth	41	C. J. Drake, b Vane	5				
E. S. Dawes, b Butterworth	1	M. J. Hobson, st Garrett, b Ritchie	53				
N. H. Burton-Carter, lbw, b Townley	0	G. M. Townley, c Goodchild, b Vane	4				
R. S. D. Johnson, b Townley	4	G. K. Bell, not out	0				
J. P. Gronow, c Easter, b Butterworth	6	J. N. C. Easter, R. B. Pickford, N. J. A. Kane, C. J. Butterworth and D. J. Miller did not bat.					
C. J. T. Vane, c and b Butterworth	0						
S. T. D. Ritchie, b Butterworth	0						
M. W. G. Fisher, run out	1						
Extras	13	Extras	11				
Total	172	Total (for 4 wks.)	173				

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Easter	8	3	28	1	Fisher	16	5	47	1
Butterworth	20.5	11	23	6	Vane	15	2	50	2
Townley	20	2	58	2	Ritchie	8	0	33	1

STOWE v. CANADIAN JUNIORS

Played at Stowe on July 24th/25th. Canadian Juniors won by 1 wicket.

It was with great pleasure that we welcomed the Canadian Juniors to Stowe for the first two-day game for four years, and we are grateful to Mr. Mordaunt, whose personal contacts with Canadian cricket made the game possible. The tourists displayed a wide variety of bowling and remarkable agility in the field, and appeared to bat right down the order although with no single outstanding player. A very tight game was played throughout, ending with a classic finish when the winning run was hit off the last ball of the day by the Canadian captain.

After winning the toss the visitors put Stowe in to bat on a springy wicket. Murphy and Goodchild put on 38 for the first wicket before the former was bowled playing across the line in the last over before lunch. After the interval the Stowe innings suddenly collapsed to 60 for 5, owing primarily to A. G. Tuck, the Canadian medium-paced seam bowler, whose well-disguised slower ball gave the Stowe batsman much trouble. Goodchild, however, batted confidently and steadily throughout and had scored an undefeated 79 when the Stowe innings closed for 129. He has made remarkable progress during the last three weeks of term, and should make a lot of runs next season. Tuck's figures of 7 for 49 emphasised his dominance over the Stowe batting.

The Canadians soon lost their opening batsman Mitchell, well caught by Goodchild at backward short-leg, but Buck batted slowly and steadily until the close. The highlight of the evening session was a brilliant one-handed catch on the boundary to dismiss Stevens who was to bat so well in the second innings. Play resumed on Thursday morning at 95 for 3, but steady bowling by Fisher and Vane brought the score to 139 for 6 before some spirited hitting made it possible for the tourists to declare at 180 for 9, with Henderson undefeated with 47.

Murphy was again out shortly before lunch, hitting right across a straight full toss from Tuck, but the rest of the Stowe batting progressed steadily. Goodchild, Dawes, Garrett and Braithwaite all batted well, before getting out to stupid strokes. Braithwaite particularly played encouragingly for his first match, but the swing bowling of

Tuck again proved too strong, and he finished with 7 for 63, giving him 14 wickets in the match.

The Canadian Juniors were now left with 110 runs to score in 115 minutes, and it soon became clear that they were not prepared to draw the game at any cost. Accurate bowling by Fisher and Johnson forced the visitors to make rash strokes, and in doing so to lose their wickets. With 30 minutes to go the score had reached 77 for 7, and Stowe were in sight of a possible victory, but with Stevens at the wicket the visitors had every chance of winning. Steadily the score crept up, with Stevens taking most of the bowling. At the beginning of the last over two were required to win with two wickets left. A wide first ball made the scores level, and off the third ball Jenner was well run out. The next two balls were missed but from the very last ball the winning run was taken to cover. The Canadians owed everything to Stevens, who finished undefeated with 71, but had a not too difficult chance been accepted by Goodchild at extra-cover the result might have been different. This exciting finish, however, was a great ending to a very good game.

STOWE									
1st Innings				2nd Innings					
C. P. Murphy, b Tuck	28			b Tuck	16				
R. N. Goodchild, not out	76			c Jenner, b Stevens	23				
A. G. Fyfe, c Richards, b Tuck	4			b Tuck	10				
E. S. Dawes, b Tuck	0			b Tuck	31				
D. W. J. Garrett, c Jenner, b Magee	3			b Tuck	32				
H. M. Braithwaite, run out	0			lbw, b Stevens	23				
R. S. D. Johnson, b Tuck	13			b Tuck	14				
J. P. Gronow, lbw, b Tuck	3			c Stevens, b Tuck	8				
S. T. D. Ritchie, b Tuck	0			not out	1				
M. W. G. Fisher, b Tuck	0			b Stevens	0				
Extras	2			Extras	5				
Total	129			Total	160				
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Tuck	25	9	49	7	Stevens	11.4	3	26	3
Magee	6	1	12	1	Tuck	21	4	63	7

CANADIAN JUNIORS									
1st Innings				2nd Innings					
J. Buck, lbw, b Johnson	64			b Fisher	9				
W. Mitchell, c Goodchild, b Vane	5			c Ritchie, b Vane	1				
R. Stevens, c Dawes, b Ritchie	17			not out	71				
D. Ingledew, c Johnson, b Fisher	4			lbw, b Fisher	0				
A. J. Shaffer, c Murphy, b Ritchie	6			b Johnson	13				
M. Richards, c Johnson, b Vane	15			b Fisher	0				
R. Henderson, not out	47			b Johnson	1				
B. Magee, c Murphy, b Fisher	14			b Johnson	9				
G. Tuck did not bat.				run out	3				
J. Jenner, c Gronow, b Vane	5			run out	1				
S. Sperling, c Garrett, b Fisher	3			not out	1				
Extras	0			Extras	1				
Total (for 9 wkts. dec.)	180			Total (for 9 wkts.)	110				
	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Vane	16	5	40	3	Vane	7	0	34	1
Fisher	20	7	50	3	Fisher	17	7	36	3
Johnson	16	5	22	1	Johnson	11	2	33	3
Ritchie	12	0	68	2					

1ST XI AVERAGES

BATTING					
	Innings	Times Not Out	Runs	Highest Score	Average
C. P. Murphy	17	2	545	100	36.33
R. N. Goodchild	17	2	545	166	36.33
A. G. Fyfe	13	1	277	103*	23.08
A. R. G. Scott-Gall	10	1	123	31*	13.67
C. J. T. Vane	12	3	120	32	13.33
D. W. J. Garrett	16	3	168	31	12.92
J. P. Gronow	13	3	125	45*	12.50
R. S. D. Johnson	14	0	166	63	11.85
E. S. Dawes	15	0	160	35	10.67
A. A. B. Duncan	10	1	81	21	9.00
M. W. G. Fisher	11	5	7	3	1.16

* Not out

BOWLING					
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
M. W. G. Fisher	342.5	77	1025	54	18.98
R. S. D. Johnson	171.2	28	620	25	24.80
C. J. T. Vane	252	39	915	33	27.72
S. T. D. Ritchie	28	0	150	4	37.50

CATCHES

D. W. J. Garrett (wicket-keeper) 16 ; R. N. Goodchild 12 ; C. J. T. Vane 8 ; C. P. Murphy 7 ; E. S. Dawes 5 ; J. P. Gronow 5 ; R. S. D. Johnson 5.

2ND XI

After a most encouraging start to the season with four wins in five games, the side struck a bad patch latterly—they lost their own form just when they encountered more formidable opposition—so that the final record is only a moderate one. Yet we have had more promising material available than for some time and this side has been capably and enthusiastically led by Honeyman Brown, although he has managed his bowling changes better than the field-placing. One must admit unfortunately that the team has wilted under pressure and lacked the determination to fight when things were going badly, both in batting and especially in the field where lethargy and slackness all too readily crept in to spoil an otherwise capable fielding side. Even so, the cricket has been enjoyable and several members of the side have made encouraging progress.

The seamers, Hallam, Mellersh and Honeyman Brown, have been the steadiest and the most penetrative of the bowlers, and gained a good crop of wickets ; the spinners, Wilcox and Higham, were not used greatly and lacked confidence in their own ability as a result, but both bowled effectively on occasion, while Evans proved to be a useful stock bowler.

With only two exceptions we had a poor start to our innings but Durlacher, especially latterly, has made some good scores. Duncan, when he played, batted well, Mellersh proved himself a valuable all-rounder with his firm hitting of the ball, and Channing Williams, a fine cover-point, also lent a welcome cavalier touch to the batting, while Burton-Carter got runs in more stolid fashion. Miller disappointed with the bat, but performed capably behind the stumps.

Results :—

- Saturday, May 18th *v.* THE LEYS. Home. Won.
The Leys 88 (Wilcox 4 for 10).
Stowe 92 for 4 wkts. (Fyfe 49 not out).
- Saturday, May 25th *v.* R.A.F. HALTON. Home. Won.
Stowe 190 for 7 wkts. dec. (Duncan 72, Mellersh 73).
R.A.F. Halton 55 (Hallam 3 for 14).
- Saturday, June 1st *v.* BEDFORD. Away. Lost.
Stowe 154 for 8 wkts. dec. (Channing Williams 45, Burton-Carter 33).
Bedford 157 for 3 wkts.
- Saturday, June 8th *v.* ROYAL LATIN SCHOOL. Home. Won.
Royal Latin School 114 for 6 wkts. dec.
Stowe 115 for 2 wkts. (Duncan 65 not out, Burton-Carter 35 not out).
- Thursday, June 13th *v.* WHITTLEBURY. Home. Won.
Whittlebury 88.
Stowe 91 for 4 wkts.
- Saturday, June 15th *v.* A.B.E.G.'s XI. Home. Drawn.
A.B.E.G.'s XI 139 (Mellersh 5 for 45).
Stowe 139 for 9 wkts. (Mellersh 30).
- Saturday, June 22nd *v.* OUNDLE. Home. Lost.
Oundle 202 (Honeyman Brown 7 for 82).
Stowe 159 (Durlacher 50, Channing Williams 32).
- Saturday, July 13th *v.* RADLEY. Home. Lost.
Radley 194 for 6 wkts. dec.
Stowe 99 (Durlacher 39).
- Saturday, July 20th *v.* BLOXHAM. Home. Lost.
Bloxham 177 for 2 wkts. dec.
Stowe 125 (Mellersh 38).

*Team :—*N. Honeyman Brown (G) (Capt.), N. J. Durlacher (W), P. H. L. Higham (T), M. F. A. Mellersh (C), H. M. Braithwaite (C), N. H. Burton-Carter (C), S. Channing Williams (C), T. W. Evans (C), J. R. Hallam (C), A. M. T. Millar (B), L. C. J. Wilcox (B).

All members of the team were given their Colours.

Also played :—A. A. B. Duncan (C), A. G. Fyfe (C), M. J. Baker (G), J. C. Bemrose (W), D. A. Howie (C).

3RD XI

Both the beginning and end of term were heat waves but the 3rd XI matches were often cancelled or played on wet wickets. Although only the home match against Steeple Claydon was won, the team had more enthusiasm than in former years. In common with previous 3rd XIs the batting was generally weak although Howie, Parker, Moores and Monkhouse have all made runs. The bowling was varied; Moores was fast and often effective as an opening bowler while Bemrose bowled deceptively quickly from the other end. Frean had a number of impressive spells and was a very steady first change. Jackson bowled well but was too slow for this type of aggressive cricket and the few overs that he had were expensive. Wilesmith as captain made sensible use of the talent available. Probably the most exciting game was against the 2nd XI, when, after a series of crushing defeats, the 3rd XI came near to beating them.

Results :—

- Saturday, June 8th *v.* STEEPLE CLAYDON. Home. Won by 4 wkts.
Steeple Claydon 123 (Frean 6 for 43).
Stowe 124 for 6 wkts. (Moores 52).
- Saturday, June 15th *v.* PAULERSPURY. Home. Lost by 7 wkts.
Stowe 64.
Paulerspury 65 for 3 wkts.
- Saturday, July 13th *v.* RADLEY. Away. Lost by 109 runs.
Radley 153 (Moores 7 for 48).
Stowe 44.
- Saturday, July 20th *v.* STEEPLE CLAYDON. Away. Lost by 51 runs.
Steeple Claydon 98.
Stowe 47.

*Team :—*M. G. S. Wilesmith (C), J. F. M. Monkhouse (C), T. M. Watson (C), the Hon. J. D. G. Parker (G), D. R. Moores (G), C. P. Frean (C), J. C. Bemrose (W), T. St. F. Jackson (T), D. A. Howie (C), M. P. Combe (W), S. C. Gardiner (G).

4TH XI

The 4th XI was not a good side. This was more due to a lack of talent than a lack of enthusiasm. Indeed the main criterion for selection was keenness. D'Arcy as captain was outstanding, not only as a powerful batsman and wicket-keeper, but later in the season as a bowler.

Results :—

- Saturday, May 25th *v.* ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL, TOWCESTER. Home. Won by 5 wkts.
St. John's 70 (Bellamy 3 for 15).
Stowe 127 for 5 wkts. (Gardiner 57, D'Arcy 52).
- Saturday, June 1st *v.* BEDFORD. Away. Lost by 81 runs.
Bedford 165 for 7 wkts. dec.
Stowe 84.
- Tuesday, June 11th *v.* ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL, TOWCESTER. Away. Lost by 60 runs.
St. John's 89 (Large 5 for 32).
Stowe 29.

*Team :—*N. C. D'Arcy (C), N. R. A. Large (T), M. H. Bellamy (C), P. T. Hirst (C), R. D. Watson (C), M. I. H. B. Forde (W), S. C. Wills (T), G. D. Swanston (B), B. E. West (C), J. B. Ley Greaves (C).

THE COLTS

The Colts had a very successful season, winning four matches and only failing by the narrowest of margins to win the other two. Against Bradfield two runs were needed with four wickets standing and Radley's last pair thwarted them when 46 behind.

Although there were some fine individual performances, the side was not notably stronger than many predecessors. The real reason for the success was the outstanding spirit of the team as a whole. This was especially noticeable in the field, where even when they were right on top they never relaxed.

The batting was attractive and there were none of those disasters which generally occur once or twice in a season. Burdon and Salamon gave the side a good start on all but two occasions. Salamon was probably the most improved player; at the beginning of the season he had one scoring shot—a sliced drive to third man—but by the end he was scorching the area between cover-point and mid-off. Burdon was sound and with more power should be very useful; once a good start was established he used to try and get on or get out—an example too infrequently followed by slow batsmen.

Dixey and M. Davis were the mainstays of the batting, averaging 51 and 35 respectively. Dixey, although lucky on occasions, hit the ball hard and batted with a mature application. Davis was a nervous starter, but has a good technique and played some attractive innings. The remainder had fewer opportunities but all showed promise. Agnew and Durlacher both looked full of runs, but too often got themselves out. However, Durlacher played a most vital and sensible innings at Oundle. B. Davies, when he didn't have his usual rush of blood, was an exciting hitter and his partnership with Heynes at Radley, when they put on 80 in forty minutes, was a feature of the season. Buchanan hit the ball well but was fallible against fast bowling.

The bowling was strong and was never collared. There was plenty of variety and it was very well manipulated by Durlacher, who in all respects was a fine captain. Dixey's bowling understandably suffered somewhat from his batting, but was generally steady. Agnew had a purple patch against Bedford, but he never bowled quite as well again. Ritchie was the most dangerous bowler with his left-arm chinamen and bowled splendidly on a beautiful batting wicket at Oundle. Burdon, orthodox left-arm, was not much in demand but has a good action and was generally accurate. The most successful bowler was Heynes, who coming late into the side took fourteen wickets at 5.4 apiece. His success probably surprised him as much as his opponents—perhaps it was the bland innocence of his approach and the unpredictable width of his bowling that undermined the batsman! However, he has a good basic action and there is no reason why his success should not continue. Durlacher only bowled in one match but has a model leg-break action and with practice and confidence could be a most useful bowler.

Lawrence generally kept wicket well and a particularly quick stumping of Oundle's best batsman may well have turned the game. It would be invidious to single out any fielders as the whole side gave their very best in the field and no one had to be hidden.

It would not be fair to end without mentioning the remainder of the Club. Although their one match ended in disaster, nevertheless their keenness throughout the season played an important part in the spirit and success of the team.

Results :—

Saturday, May 25th *v.* BRADFIELD. Away. Drawn.
Bradfield 117 (Dixey 5 for 44, Agnew 3 for 40).
Stowe 116 for 6 wkts. (Davis 42 not out).

Saturday, June 1st *v.* BEDFORD. Home. Won.
Stowe 143 for 6 wkts. dec. (Dixey 73, Davis 27).
Bedford 123 (Agnew 8 for 32).

Saturday, June 8th *v.* OAKHAM. Away. Won.
Stowe 220 for 5 wkts. dec. (Dixey 95, Davis 62, Buchanan 20).
Oakham 61 (Heynes 3 for 13, Agnew 3 for 21, Ritchie 2 for 5).

Saturday, June 22nd *v.* OUNDLE. Away. Won.
Oundle 85 (Ritchie 5 for 26, Heynes 3 for 9).
Stowe 86 for 8 wkts. (Dixey 41 not out, Durlacher 20).

Saturday, July 13th *v.* RADLEY. Away. Drawn.
Stowe 199 for 7 wkts. dec. (Davies 60 not out, Salamon 59, Burdon 27).
Radley 153 for 9 wkts. (Heynes 3 for 24).

Saturday, July 20th *v.* BLOXHAM. Away. Won.
Bloxham 121 (Heynes 5 for 26, Burdon 4 for 25).
Stowe 123 for 6 (Dixey 36, Davis 30, Salamon 26).

Team and Colts' Caps :—W. P. Durlacher (W), J. N. Dixey (B), M. K. Davis (Ⓞ), J. P. Agnew (W), S. T. D. Ritchie (T), R. H. Salamon (Ⓞ), J. M. G. Heynes (Ⓞ), G. J. Burdon (Ⓞ), B. R. Lawrence (C), B. S. Davies (Ⓞ), I. F. Buchanan (W).

THE JUNIOR COLTS

The last match of the season, like the first, showed up both the strength and the weakness of this year's Club. Although there were promising displays of batsmanship in the nets and occasionally in practice games, the batting during matches was at best suspect and at worst quite disastrous. In the field, however, the side has shown a most encouraging degree of keenness and briskness, and the spirit, though it faded at a crucial stage in the Radley match, has at all other times been splendid. In the Oundle and Bloxham matches calamitous situations were saved by sheer determination and the will to win,—performances which were foreshadowed by the close-run game against Bedford. Much of the credit for this must go to Dunipace, who has still much to learn as a captain, but who profits from experience and sets a high standard of leadership.

It may seem churlish to criticise the bowling adversely, when the opposition was dismissed for less than a hundred runs in four of the five matches. Even so, this was always a weakness, and to some extent it was responsible for the batting collapses, for our batsmen had little practice against really steady bowling. The bowlers, indeed, were quite unpredictable not only from game to game but also almost from ball to ball. From this criticism we must except Trainin, whose slow left-arm deliveries were remarkably steady and tantalising even in the least promising circumstances. Greig, too, is rapidly becoming a dangerous left-arm in-swinging. Scott-Gall, Burton, Bibra, Forde and Crass all bowled well at times, but they must all grow far more reliable.

Although our batting failed so often, there is plenty of talent. Marshall-Andrew, Dunipace, Ward, Forde, Greig and Spackman are all potentially sound and aggressive performers, and Trainin has changed from a number eleven to an opening bat with commendable grit.

The fielding has been very good indeed and to mention names would perhaps be invidious, but special mention must be made of Ward's wicket-keeping. Despite an early fractured cheek-bone, he has shown great courage and agility.

This is not a team of star players, but there is enough ability and more than enough enthusiasm to warrant hopes of a more successful season next year.

Results :—

Saturday, June 1st *v.* BEDFORD. Home. Lost.
Stowe 79 (Dunipace 28).
Bedford 83 for 9 wkts. (Burton 5 for 17).

Saturday, June 8th *v.* OAKHAM. Away. Won.
Oakham 31.
Stowe 32 for 2 wkts.

Saturday, June 22nd *v.* OUNDLE. Away. Won.
Stowe 84 (Ward 33).
Oundle 71 (Greig 5 for 6, Scott-Gall 4 for 25).

Saturday, July 13th *v.* RADLEY. Home. Lost.
Radley 149 for 2 wkts. dec.
Stowe 66.

Saturday, July 20th *v.* BLOXHAM. Away. Won.
Stowe 63 (Marshall-Andrew 20).
Bloxham 56 (Greig 5 for 14).

Team :—R. B. J. Dunipace (T) (Capt.), R. W. Ward (G), J. E. T. Trainin (C), B. A. Marshall-Andrew (B), A. P. Greig (T), I. H. Scott-Gall (T), A. J. C. Spackman (C), A. S. Thomas (B), M. I. H. B. Forde (W), J. G. Bibra (C), M. A. Burton (Ⓞ).
Also played :—I. McA. Anderson (T), K. G. Buchanan (W), G. N. Crass (C), T. M. Hills (B), J. P. Raw (Ⓞ), T. R. Stephens (C).

THE OCCASIONALS

The Occasionals Cricket Club, founded by Mr. Mordaunt last year, came under the management of Mr. Millward at the beginning of this season. P. E. A. Hope succeeded as Secretary. This year the Club had a full fixture-list with matches on all the ten Sundays of the term. Three of these fixtures were away, and all of them were much enjoyed though none was actually won.

During the winter the Games Committee approved of a cap being awarded to those who represented the club in two matches. These caps may be not worn except when playing for the Occasionals.

The following have qualified for the award of the cap:—Mr. D. J. Mordaunt, Mr. P. Millward, P. E. A. Hope (T), A. G. Fyfe (G), N. C. D'Arcy (C), D. G. Remington (G), R. D. Wills (T), J. N. Higman (T), J. J. Bertram (T), C. G. Gordon-Napier (C), P. T. Hirst (G), B. E. West (C), I. C. Naylor (B), J. N. Dixey (B), the Hon. J. D. G. Parker (G).

HOUSE MATCHES

Last year each House entered two teams in a knock-out competition and the same system was tried again this season. The first two rounds were limited to 40 overs per side, but the final was over two innings and as far as possible played to a finish.

As usual there were some fine individual performances in the early rounds, and not always from recognised cricketers. Wilcox (B) is worth a special mention for getting five wickets in an over.

Bruce met Grafton in the Junior Final and won without too much difficulty. They owed much to Dixey, who scored a total of 247 runs for them in his four innings and took 16 wickets. He obtained 50 in each innings in the Final, and a good 51 was also scored by Marshall-Andrew. In the Grafton second innings, J. P. Raw scored an entertaining 94.

In the Senior Final Chandos played and beat Grenville in a game that started very badly and finished very well. Chandos led by 71 on the first innings, Hallam returning the notable bowling figures of 9 for 30. In their second innings Chandos owed everything to 62 from Goodchild and 49 from Burton-Carter, who also scored 58 in the first innings. This left Grenville to score 233 to win in about 2½ hours. Despite Chandos's strong bowling attack they set about this with a will, and were given a good start by Murphy and Gardiner. Honeyman Brown came in at number 3 and played the innings of his career. With total disregard for reputations or bats he scored 73 in about even time before being very sadly run out while backing up. With Garrett making a good 19 Grenville were at one stage even in front of the clock, but it was too hot a pace to last, and they were out for 181, leaving Chandos the winners by 51 runs.

Seniors :—

Chandos 162 (N. H. Burton-Carter 58, G. P. Rickwood 28) and 161 (R. N. Goodchild 62, N. H. Burton-Carter 49).

Grenville 91 (C. P. Murphy 50, J. R. Hallam 9 for 30) and 181 (N. Honeyman Brown 73).

Juniors :—

Bruce 160 (J. N. Dixey 78, R. H. Salamon 6 for 50) and 171 (J. N. Dixey 62, B. A. Marshall-Andrew 51).

Grafton 85 for 8 wkts. dec. and 159 for 9 wkts. (J. P. Raw 94).

Bruce won on first innings.

The Cricket LEAGUES were won by Grenville.

OTHER SPORTS

ATHLETICS

After four victorious years the club has suffered what must appear to be a comparatively poor season, having lost all the Senior and two of the Junior matches. However, of the defeats suffered only one was clear-cut and in the remaining matches just a little luck or greater consistency of performance might well have turned the results in our favour.

In the Seniors team-building has had to start virtually from scratch since only two were left from last year's team and of these J. Cunningham-Reid (C), the Secretary, was injured and ran in only the last two matches. Our strength has lain in the sprints where N. K. Rice (C) has made remarkable progress and already holds two of the sprint records, and in the Long Jump where T. G. E. Kilpatrick (C), the Captain, and D. G. Godfrey (G) have always promised maximum points. There have been no outstanding performances in the other events but the general standard of competence promises well for next year when most of the team will still be here.

The Juniors have produced two outstanding individuals, J. H. G. Kinahan (T) and M. P. J. Fielding (G), who have remained unbeaten in school matches and both show distinct promise for the future. Although these performances have rather overshadowed the achievements of the rest of the team they have been nobly backed up by J. W. Matthews (C), R. A. Syms (B) and A. M. M. Elliott (W) and there ought to be very few holes to patch next year.

One very pleasant feature of the term has been the competition with two teams from the other side of the Atlantic. The Harvard and Yale Track and Field team, which was in this country to run against Oxford and Cambridge Universities, came to Stowe for a few days and after some valuable coaching periods we ran a keenly contested handicap match which produced several best performances from the competitors. Our last school match was against a team drawn from the Independent Schools of British Columbia, Canada. This was a most exciting match with the result in the balance until the last event.

With these two matches in mind in particular it is good to think that the experience gleaned this season by members of the club has not been confined to the track alone, for much was learnt from the interchange of views off the track during the visits of both the American and Canadian teams. For many of us this season will be associated with "off-the-track" memories such as the unrestrained and exuberant encouragement offered by the American team to the Cricket XI, who were engaged in a rather dour battle on the North Front during their visit, or the look of uncomprehending astonishment on the faces of the massive muscle-men from Harvard and Yale who were unceremoniously floored in record time by the "Dadford Tuggers" in the Tug-of-War held at the Dadford fête.

Results :—

May 25 v. ACHILLES, at Stowe (Handicap Match)

June 1 v. DENSTONE AND MALVERN, at Stowe

Senior—1, Denstone 144 pts.

2, Stowe 97 pts.

3, Malvern 34 pts.

Junior—1, Denstone 119 pts.

2, Stowe 78½ pts.

3, Malvern 25½ pts.

June 8 ACHILLES RELAY MEETING, at Oxford			
Senior—4 × 110 yds Relay,	1st.	Junior—4 × 110 yds Relay,	3rd.
4 × 220 yds Relay,	2nd.	4 × 220 yds Relay,	3rd.
4 × 880 yds Relay,	8th.	4 × 880 yds Relay,	2nd.
4 × 120 yds Hurdles Relay,	4th.		
June 11 v. OAKHAM, at Stowe			
Senior—1, Oakham	69 pts.	Junior—1, Stowe	61 pts.
2, Stowe	60 pts.	2, Oakham	41 pts.
June 15 v. HARVARD AND YALE, at Stowe (Handicap Match)			
June 18 v. ST. ALBAN'S AND MILL HILL, at St. Alban's			
Senior—1, St. Alban's	84 pts.	Junior—1, Stowe	100 pts.
2, Stowe	83 pts.	2, St. Alban's	57 pts.
3, Mill Hill	54 pts.	3, Mill Hill	51 pts.
June 22 COUNTY SCHOOLS' SPORTS, at Wolverton			
June 27 v. MARLBOROUGH AND ROYAL MASONIC, at Marlborough			
Senior—1, Marlborough	94 pts.	Junior—1, Marlborough	76 pts.
2, Stowe	82 pts.	2, Stowe	69 pts.
2, Royal Masonic	57 pts.	3, Royal Masonic	53 pts.
July 4 v. BRITISH COLUMBIA SCHOOLS, at Stowe			
1, British Columbia Schools	73½ pts.		
2, Stowe	68½ pts.		
July 20th-21st ENGLISH SCHOOLS' INTER-COUNTY MEETING, at Chelmsford.			

Colours were re-awarded to T. G. E. Kilpatrick (C) and R. U. Dawson (C) and were awarded to N. J. Grace (C), W. M. Harris (C), D. G. Godfrey (G), J. W. Watson (G), S. A. Bishop (C), M. S. J. Rappolt (B), M. A. L. Ashcroft (C), R. C. Clifford (C), M. P. J. Fielding (C), J. H. G. Kinahan (T).

Blue Blazers were awarded to:—D. A. D. Thompson (G), A. P. B. Sutton (T), R. G. Parkinson (W), J. W. Matthews (C), R. E. N. Sorrell (G).

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' INTER-COUNTY MEETING

Five members of the Athletic Club were chosen to represent Buckinghamshire in the National Schools Championships held this year at Chelmsford on July 20th and 21st. Of these D. G. Godfrey (G), Long Jump 17-19 yrs., D. A. D. Thomson (G), Long Jump 15-17 yrs., and M. A. L. Ashcroft (C), Weight 15-17 yrs., did well, but did not survive the qualifying rounds. However, J. H. G. Kinahan (T) exceeded expectations by coming 3rd in the final of the 110 Yards Hurdles 15-17 yrs.—no mean achievement—while N. K. Rice (C) excelled by overcoming strong opposition and winning the 220 Yards 15-17 yrs., setting up a new School record of 22.3 secs.

THE SCHOOL SPORTS

The Sports were held this year in good weather, and the standard of performance, in track events particularly, was high. There were some notable performances—ten records were either equalled or broken—and two individuals, N. K. Rice (C) and J. H. G. Kinahan (T), stood out by winning four events in their respective age-groups. Competition for the House Cup was keen and Cobham were the eventual winners.

Results:—

OPEN EVENTS

100 Yards—1, N. K. Rice (C); 2, J. W. Watson (G); 3, D. Hadfield (W); 4, W. M. Harris (C); 5, M. F. Mellersh (C); 6, I. A. H. Sitwell (B). Time, 10.3 secs.
220 Yards—1, Rice; 2, Watson; 3, Harris; 3, Sitwell; 5, Mellersh; 6, A. S. Thomson (T). Time, 22.2 secs. (School Record).

440 Yards—1, Rice; 2, C. G. McCallin (C); 3, G. M. Corbett (C); 4, A. A. de C. Evans (C); 5, I. B. Whitecourt (W); 6, R. C. Clifford (C). Time, 51.1 secs (Equals School Record).
800 Yards—1, R. U. Dawson (C); 2, J. Cunningham-Reid (C); 3, Evans; 4, I. J. Macdonald (C); 5, S. A. Bishop (C); 6, C. M. Charles (G). Time, 2 mins. 2.5 secs.
Mile—1, Dawson; 2, Cunningham-Reid; 3, Macdonald; 4, M. P. J. Fielding (C); 5, Evans; 6, Bishop. Time, 4 mins. 38.2 secs.
120 Yards Hurdles—1, R. E. N. Sorrell (G); 2, M. R. Leon (T); 3, The Hon. N. V. Wallop (G); 4, R. E. M. Cook (C); 5, C. L. V. P. Evans (W); 6, T. Taylor (W). Time, 17.9 secs.
200 Yards Hurdles—1, Watson; 2, T. G. E. Kilpatrick (C); 3, A. P. B. Sutton (T); 4, D. G. Godfrey (G); 5, Sorrell. Time, 24.6 secs.
High Jump—1, Sutton; 2, H. G. B. Roberts (W); 3, M. A. L. Ashcroft (C); 4, G. H. Pigot (G); 5, E. H. Blagg (C); 6, R. F. D. Stow (C). Height, 5 ft. 4 ins.
Long Jump—1, Godfrey; 2, Kilpatrick; 3, D. A. Thompson (G); 4, A. F. R. Garai (C); 5, Sitwell; 6, C. P. Champness (C). Distance, 20 ft. 9 ins.
Triple Jump—1, Rice; 2, Kilpatrick; 3, Godfrey; 4, Watson; 5, B. L. Perryman (B); 6, Pigot. Distance, 39 ft. 7½ ins.
Pole Vault—1 equal, Ashcroft and Sutton; 3, J. C. Bemrose (W); 4, N. D. Raw (C). Height, 10 ft.
Weight—1, M. S. J. Rappolt (B); 2, Ashcroft; 3, Clifford; 4, C. N. Hershman (B); 5, L. M. Barnard (B); 6, D. A. Herbert (C). Distance, 39 ft. 6 ins.
Discus—1, Clifford; 2, Rappolt; 3, C. C. Parker (W); 4, A. Zaphiriou (T); 5, A. S. Thomson (T); 6, C. P. Frean (C). Distance, 106 ft. 3 ins.
Javelin—1, Mellersh; 2, M. C. A. Wyvill (T); 3, Roberts; 4, N. E. Gardner (B); 5, P. J. Holder (G); 6, D. A. Wilson (T). Distance, 136 ft. 11 ins.

UNDER-SIXTEEN EVENTS

100 Yards—1, J. H. G. Kinahan (T); 2, G. J. Burdon (C); 3, R. G. Parkinson (W); 4, L. C. J. Wilcox (B); 5, D. Parkinson (C). Time, 10.9 secs. (Equals Ground Record).
220 Yards—Kinahan; 2, J. W. Matthews (C); 3, D. J. Dawes (C); 4, M. T. Addleman (C); 5, R. A. Campbell. Time, 23.6 secs. (Equals School Record).
440 Yards—1, Matthews; 2, Dawes; 3, H. P. Raymond-Barker (T); 4, P. B. Fisher (C); 5, N. D. Drysdale (C). Time, 54.4 secs.
880 Yards—Burdon; 2, M. P. J. Fielding (C); 2, Dawes; 4, A. M. M. Elliott (W); 5, Fisher. Time, 2 mins. 8 secs.
Three-quarter Mile—1, Field; 2, C. H. Scott (T); 3, Fisher; 4, Burdon; 5, Elliott. Time, 3 mins. 25.9 secs. (School Record).
110 Yards Hurdles—1, Kinahan; 2, Matthews; 3, P. E. Langford (B); 4, D. W. Bailey (G); 5, D. J. Firebrace (B). Time, 14.5 secs.
High Jump—1, Kinahan; 2, R. G. Parkinson; 3, G. Black (C); 4, R. J. Grantham (T); 5, Addleman. Height, 5 ft. 6 ins. (School Record).
Long Jump—1, R. G. Parkinson; 2, Burdon; 3, J. P. Agnew (W); 4, Campbell; 5, R. A. Kreitman (C). Distance, 18 ft. 5 ins.
Triple Jump—1, P. L. Mackintosh (C); 2, D. P. Barham (G); 3, Bailey; 4, N. G. Rossi (C); 5, Wilcox. Distance, 37 ft. 1½ ins.
Pole Vault—1, R. G. Parkinson; 2, A. N. Cowdy (C); 3, A. C. Box (C). Height, 6 ft. 9 ins. (School Record).

UNDER-FIFTEEN EVENTS

100 Yards—1 equal, T. Bassett (G) and B. L. Olorenshaw (C); 3, R. A. Syms (B); 4, J. C. Mallett (C); 5, B. S. Davies (C). Time, 11.5 secs.
220 Yards—1, Basset; 2, Olorenshaw; 3, Mallett; 4, R. A. Stormont (G); 5, G. R. Feldman (C). Time, 24.5 secs. (School Record).
440 Yards—Syms; 2, Olorenshaw; 3, P. J. Elliott (C); 4, S. C. Wills (T); 5, T. A. Clover (C). Time, 56.5 secs.
880 Yards—1, Syms; 2, Wills; 3, Elliott; 4, P. J. Gray (T); 5, G. N. Crass (C). Time, 2 mins., 14 secs.
High Jump—1, J. Miller (C); 2, C. R. D. Dimpfi (C); 3, P. C. Madden (C); 4, D. P. Barham (G); 5, R. B. J. Dunipace (T). Height, 5 ft. 3 ins. (School Record).

Long Jump—1, P. L. Mackintosh (C); 2, Syms; 3, Mallett; 4, D. P. Barham (G); 5, Basset.
Distance, 18 ft. 00 ins.

HOUSE CUP

1, Cobham, 216½ pts.; 2, Grenville, 182½ pts.; 3, Temple, 166½ pts.; 4, Grafton, 145½ pts.; 5, Bruce, 102 pts.; 6, Chandos, 96½ pts.; 7, Chatham, 95 pts.; 8, Walpole, 81 pts.

LAWN TENNIS

The red hard courts, both at the Shop and near the Palladian Bridge, withstood the long winter remarkably well. With some careful attention from the groundsmen during the Easter holiday they were ready for play at the beginning of term; and they have been pounded by a large number of feet for the past three months without showing any apparent ill effects. Apart from a very hot fortnight early in June, they have been the ideal surface to play on—with rain either just coming or just gone practically every day.

Results in school matches have again been good. The 1st VI have won 10 matches out of 12 played. Some very young players have gained experience in the 2nd VI; they have won 1 out of 3.

The first two pairs have played practically unchanged throughout the term. I. R. D. Andrews (C) and H. G. Wallace (G) have won 20 out of 26 matches; I. A. H. Sitwell (B) and R. J. McDonagh (C) have won 17 out of 24 matches. The most usual third pair have been N. D. Raw (C) and P. J. Holder (G), who have won 10 out of 18 matches. D. S. Beck (W) only played in a few matches, but did well in those; M. E. Sperling (C) also played well on several occasions.

R. A. Mayland (W), R. A. Campbell (C), M. J. Ivory (C), H. E. Thornley (W), M. T. Weston (C), D. A. Herbert (C), A. P. Dukes (W), R. J. Atherton (C), S. R. Edwards (W), A. P. A. McDonagh (C), G. E. J. Clarke (G), A. P. Greig (T) and A. C. Wolfe (C) have represented the school at various times in the 2nd VI.

The season opened with the Old Stoic match. They could only raise one team this year, and the School won 5—3. The Old Stoics' first pair, Chibbett and Grenfell, had a very busy and energetic afternoon, but they won all their three matches. After two easy home wins we travelled to Nottingham on a cold, wet and windy day. The team was rather outclassed by the Nottinghamshire Colts; however, although we failed to win one, five of the nine matches went to three sets.

The match at Radley was washed out; we invited them to Stowe a fortnight later and won fairly comfortably. The Eton match also provided a big win; then the team travelled to Uppingham and very nearly lost—at 4 matches all our second pair dropped the second set to their third pair, but pulled themselves together to win the final set.

Our second loss of the season occurred at Bradfield. It was a good match that might have gone either way; the Bradfield team produced that vital bit of extra fight on the points that mattered. Our win against Eltham was marred by one of their first pair aggravating a wrist injury in the middle of the vital match, and having to retire. If his wrist mends, Eltham will be formidable opposition in the Youll Cup.

The match with Wellingborough also had to be re-arranged because of rain. We were successful in it, as we were at Repton the week before—though in that match Andrews and Wallace lost to their first pair. In the last match that can be commented on, the team did well to beat an experienced Public Schools' Old Boys side, by 5—4.

Results :—

May 11th	v. OLD STOICS. Home. Won 5—3.
	Andrews and Wallace, 6—4, 4—6, 4—6; 7—5; 6—4, 6—1.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 6—2, 2—6, 7—9; 5—7, 7—5, 7—5; 6—2, 5—6.
	Raw and Holder, 4—6, 5—7; 7—5, 6—1; 6—1, 6—1.
May 14th	v. WORCESTER COLLEGE. Home. Won 7½—1½.
	Andrews and Wallace, 2—6, 6—0, 6—3; 6—0, 6—3; 6—2, 6—4.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 6—2, 6—3; 6—2, 6—0; 6—3, 6—2.
	Sperling and Thornley, 1—6, 4—1; 6—4, 6—4; 0—6, 1—6.
May 16th	v. MILL HILL. Home. Won 7—0.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 6—3, 4—6, 8—6; 6—1, 2—3; 6—0, 6—2.
	Raw and Holder, 8—6, 6—4; 6—1, 6—1; 6—0, 4—6, 6—4.
	Beck and Sperling, 3—6; 6—4, 10—8; 6—4, 6—2.
May 18th	v. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COLTS. Home. Lost 0—8.
	Andrews and Wallace, 3—6, 4—6; 9—7, 2—6, 0—2; 4—6, 3—6.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 3—6, 1—6; 6—2, 3—6, 5—7; 7—5, 3—6, 1—6.
	Raw and Holder, 4—6, 1—6; 6—3, 6—8, 0—6; 6—4, 4—6, 3—6.
May 30th	v. ETON. Home. Won 8—1.
	Andrews and Wallace, 6—0, 6—2; 6—1, 6—0; 6—1, 6—2.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 6—4, 6—3; 6—1, 6—1; 6—2, 6—1.
	Beck and Holder, 4—6, 5—7; 3—6, 6—3, 6—4; 9—7, 6—3.
June 1st	v. UPPINGHAM. Away. Won 5—4.
	Andrews and Wallace, 8—10, 1—6; 6—3, 6—0; 6—1, 6—1.
	Beck and Holder, 1—6, 1—6; 6—4, 7—5; 6—3, 6—8, 6—1.
	Raw and Sperling, 0—6, 0—6; 3—6, 3—6; 6—2, 6—4.
June 4th	v. BRADFIELD. Away. Lost 3—5.
June 8th	v. ELTHAM. Home. Won 5—4.
	Andrews and Wallace, 2—6, 6—3, 2—1 (retld.); 6—2, 6—2; 6—2, 6—1.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 4—6, 3—6; 16—14, 6—3; 6—0, 6—3.
	Avory and Thornley, 0—6, 3—6; 2—6, 2—6; 6—8, 1—6.
June 13th	v. RADLEY. Home. Won 8—1.
	Andrews and Wallace, 6—2, 2—6, 6—2; 6—2, 6—2; 6—1, 6—0.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 6—2, 2—6, 6—2; 8—6, 6—2; 10—8, 2—6, 6—2.
	Raw and Holder, 3—6, 6—3, 6—2; 3—6, 3—6; 6—4, 6—3.
June 27th	v. REPTON. Away. Won 6—2.
	Andrews and Wallace, 5—7, 3—6; 6—1, 6—3; 6—2, 6—2.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 4—6, 7—5; 6—1, 6—3; 1—6, 8—6, 6—0.
	Raw and Holder, 4—6, 2—6; 6—8, 6—4, 6—1; 6—2, 6—4.
July 4th	v. WELLINGBOROUGH. Home. Won 8—1.
July 14th	v. P.S.O.B.L.T.A. Home. Won 5—4.
	Andrews and Wallace, 8—6, 6—4; 7—5, 1—6, 6—2; 6—2, 6—2.
	Sitwell and McDonagh, 5—7, 2—6; 5—7, 5—7; 6—2, 6—4.
	Raw and Holder, 3—6, 4—6; 4—6, 6—4, 4—6; 6—3, 9—7.

In the House Matches, Grafton were dominant, all their four players being members of the tennis 'Ten.' The final with Grenville was closely fought, however, with Andrews and McDonagh just beating Wallace and Holder, 3—6, 6—3, 6—4, in the vital match.

THE YOULL CUP

Stowe's four-year run of victory was broken on August 1st when we were defeated in the Quarter-Finals by Eltham, the runners-up in 1961. The Cup was won by R.G.S., High Wycombe, who beat Charterhouse in the Final. The competition was played at Eton, as the Wimbledon courts were needed for Davis Cup matches.

Results :—

2nd Round.	Stowe beat Warwick, 2—0.
3rd Round.	Stowe beat Kings, Taunton, 2—0.
4th Round.	Stowe beat Sherborne, 2—0.
Quarter-Finals.	Stowe lost to Eltham, 2—3.

SWIMMING

The performances of individual members of the Swimming XX have not quite come up to expectations this term. We have remained unbeaten in school matches largely because the opposition was weak where we were weak and strong where we were strong. Stowe just had the edge in both cases.

L. M. Barnard (B), the captain, and R. F. D. Stow (C), next year's captain, both unselfishly put the team before individual performances and swam to win rather than break records. This allowed them to collect valuable points in second-string events which on more than one occasion gave us victory, where otherwise we would have been beaten.

Even so, Barnard broke the 100 Yards Breaststroke record with 73.8 secs., and the 50 Yards Butterfly with 30.3 secs., and Stow brought the Individual Medley down to 70.9 secs.

A cold week preceding the Bath Cup and Public Schools Medley Relays gave us little chance for proper preparation. We were 14th in the former and 11th in the latter,—not outstanding performances unless one considers our rather primitive facilities for swimming at Stowe compared with those of the other fifty schools invited to compete.

C. L. Barnard (B) and D. A. Sharp (W) have proved to be our most regular winners. Barnard although not managing to break the elusive 60 secs. for 100 Yards Freestyle has not been beaten in this event or the 200 Yards Freestyle. Sharp has managed to win the 50 Yards Butterfly (unless second to L. M. Barnard) or 50 Yards Freestyle events as has been required of him.

The others, P. E. Dawson (W), D. J. Lamping (C), T. Taylor (W), D. G. Remington (G), P. J. Barclay (C), A. D. Scouller (C), and I. M. H. Kremer (C), have backed up well, especially Barclay, but have not really managed to produce that turn of speed required to make us into a good team.

The juniors, most of them under 15 years, show great promise. They have only won one match but have the spirit and talent to carry them a long way in the future.

R. E. Flanagan (G) is the best all-rounder and has at least one under-15 record to his credit; D. R. Smith (W) has the strength and rhythm to make butterfly look easy and C. C. G. Sharp (W), P. N. J. and H. J. H. Durey (C) are developing their style but as yet have no strength. A. J. Downing (C), A. R. J. Nicholl (B), and D. M. Cohen (G) are at present a bit behind but are keen and with perseverance can still catch up.

Results:—

Seniors.

Thurs., June 6	v. ST. EDWARD'S.	Away.	Won	52—48.
Tues., June 11	v. BEDFORD.	Away.	Won	42—14.
Thurs., June 20	v. MALVERN.	Home.	Won	54—24.
Sat., June 22	v. HARROW.	Away.	Won	40—27.
Thurs., June 27	Bath Cup.			Stowe were 14th.
Fri., June 28	v. VICTORIA, JERSEY.	Home.	Won	50—28.
Sat., June 29	Public Schools Medley Relay.			Stowe were 11th.
Sat., July 6	v. RUGBY.	Away.	Won	41—28.

Juniors.

Thurs., June 6	v. ST. EDWARD'S.	Away.	Lost	12—36.
Thurs., June 20	v. MALVERN.	Home.	Won	45—33.
Sat., June 22	v. HARROW.	Away.	Drawn	23—23.
Sat., July 6	v. RUGBY.	Away.	Lost	20—38.

SWIMMING SPORTS

Saturday, July 20th, was a warm sunny day and in eighteen events seven new records were made and a new best time set.

L. M. Barnard had a field day; he swam in three events and produced new records for each of them. He improved his 50 Yards Butterfly and 100 Yards Breaststroke times, bringing them down to 29.9 secs. and 73.7 secs. respectively, and in beating his younger brother in the Individual Medley broke R. F. D. Stow's month-old 100 Yards Individual Medley record by 1.4 secs.

He had to scratch from the 200 Yards Breaststroke after this, leaving P. J. Barclay with virtually no opposition and a record time, produced in practice, to confirm. After a slow first hundred but probably intrigued by the warm water, Barclay managed a fast last fifty and in doing 2 mins. 50.2 secs. set new figures for this event.

R. E. Flanagan, a fourteen-year-old, improved the 100 Yards Medley under-sixteen and the 50 Yards Freestyle under-fifteen records. P. L. Ashcroft set a new best time for the 25 Yards Butterfly under 15 years and J. P. Raw a record for the 25 Yards Freestyle under 15 years.

R. F. D. Stow had an unhappy afternoon; he missed the 100 Yards Backstroke because he arrived late and his time for the 50 Yards Backstroke was well below his best. He did, however, compensate for this by winning the 100 Yards Freestyle in 60.4 secs. from C. L. Barnard, thus preventing Barnard from making the freestyle double.

The Junior Water Polo was won by Chatham, who beat Grafton. Bruce beat Walpole in the Senior final in a close exciting game where the Barnard brothers' apparently telepathic understanding carried the day. The Diving was won by R. F. D. Stow.

OPEN EVENTS

200 Yards Freestyle—1, C. L. Barnard (B); 2, D. G. Remington (G); 3, P. E. Dawson (W). Time, 2 mins., 30.5 secs.

100 Yards Freestyle—1, R. F. D. Stow (C); 2, C. L. Barnard; 3, Remington. Time, 60.4 secs.

100 Yards Breaststroke—1, T. Taylor (W); 2, A. E. Dove (W); 3, Dawson. Time, 84.0 secs.

50 Yards Backstroke—1, Stow; 2, T. Taylor; 3, D. A. Sharp (W). Time 34.2 secs.

200 Yards Breaststroke—1, D. J. Barclay (C); 2, R. D. Smith (W); 3, P. M. Collinson (C). Time, 2 mins., 50.2 secs. (Record).

100 Yards Breaststroke—1, L. M. Barnard (B); 2, Sharp; 3, Barclay. Time, 73.7 secs. (Record).

50 Yards Butterfly—1, L. M. Barnard; 2, C. L. Barnard; 3, D. A. Sharp. Time, 29.9 secs. (Record).

100 Yards Individual Medley—1, L. M. Barnard; 2, C. L. Barnard; 3, D. J. Lamping (C). Time, 69.5 secs. (Record).

UNDER-SIXTEEN EVENTS

100 Yards Freestyle—1, C. C. G. Sharp (W); 2, M. P. Taylor (W); 3, P. N. J. Durey (C). Time, 69.0 secs.

50 Yards Freestyle—1, R. E. Flanagan (G); 2, C. C. G. Sharp; 3, M. P. Taylor. Time, 28.9 secs. (Under 15 Record).

50 Yards Backstroke—1, Flanagan; 2, A. E. Maynard-Taylor (C); 3, M. P. Taylor. Time, 37.2 secs.

50 Yards Breaststroke—1, Flanagan; 2, J. L. Cheyne (C); 3, C. C. G. Sharp. Time, 38 secs.

100 Yards Individual Medley—1, Flanagan; 2, P. N. J. Durey; 3, C. C. G. Sharp. Time, 77.4 secs. (Record).

UNDER-FIFTEEN EVENTS

50 Yards Freestyle—1, H. J. H. Durey (C); 2, P. L. Ashcroft (C); 3, D. M. Cohen (C). Time, 30.1 secs.
 25 Yards Freestyle—1, J. P. Raw (C); 2, J. R. McDonald (C); 3, P. J. Gray (T). Time, 13.1 secs. (Record).
 50 Yards Backstroke—1, H. J. H. Durey; 2, Gray; 3, J. L. G. Newmark (T). Time, 40.1 secs.
 50 Yards Breaststroke—1, Newmark; 2, M. Martin (W); 3, P. J. Elliott (C). Time, 40.8 secs.
 25 Yards Butterfly—1, Ashcroft; 2, Cohen; 3, Gray. Time, 14.5 secs. (Record).
 Water Polo—Senior, Bruce 4, Walpole 2. Junior, Chatham 3, Grafton 1.
 Over-all Winners—Senior Swimming, Bruce; Junior Swimming, Grafton; Combined Swimming, Walpole; Relays, Walpole.

GOLF

PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TROPHY

at Woking Golf Club, April 9—10th.

The first day was disappointing, Stowe being knocked out of the main tournament by 2 matches to 3. Finer came up against a good player on his home course; Marcel, whose suspect hand had left him short of practice, was slow to find his touch; and Beck proved conclusively that hockey is an unsuitable preparation for a golf match. On the second day the team showed the form of which they are capable by gaining good wins over Wellington and Rugby, thus winning the subsidiary tournament for the first-round losers. Burnett-Hitchcock played in place of Beck on the second day. Liverton rounded off his school golfing career by winning all three of his matches; Hadfield also won thrice and was awarded his School Colours.

Results:—

v. WINCHESTER.	Lost	2—5.
v. WELLINGTON.	Won	4—1.
v. RUGBY.	Won	4—1.

Team:—P. R. A. Finer (C), M. A. Liverton (C), B. A. Marcel (C), D. Hadfield (W), D. S. Beck (W), C. D. Burnett-Hitchcock (B).

SUMMER TERM

Stowe's second-ever Golf Eight has enjoyed a successful season, success in this field being judged not by the number of matches won but by the standard of play achieved and the keenness and enthusiasm shown by the players. In both respects, Finer has set an admirable example, and his cheerful and efficient captaincy over the past year has largely moulded the spirit of the Eight. If he has found his opponents too good for him in some of his matches, it is the penalty of playing first string, and his game has become much more mature and consistent over the year. Marcel too has had a good season, and with Finer has formed a powerful partnership in several of the matches. Their achievement against Messrs. Bradshaw and Field in the Masters' Match, when victory was snatched from their grasp on the last green at Dunstable Downs, will long be remembered. Clarkson and Burnett-Hitchcock have formed a solid middle to the team, and Jeffreys has improved noticeably. O'Connor shows promise but needs to concentrate on his short game.

For the first time for some years we have been able to play against other school sides; an unofficial match against Uppingham at Chapel Brampton was won comfortably and Radley was beaten at Frilford Heath. Another innovation was the Fathers' Match at Buckingham; it proved a triumph for youth over experience, though it must be admitted that youth had local knowledge on its side.

The Senior Housematches produced their surprises, Chandos taking the rôle of giant-killer and disposing of both Chatham and Bruce to reach the final where they lost to Walpole by 0 matches to 4. The Junior Housematches were won by Chatham.

The Eight:—P. R. A. Finer (C), B. A. Marcel (C), C. D. Burnett-Hitchcock (B), R. B. Clarkson (C), G. M. T. Jeffreys (G), T. R. O'Connor (G), C. Hadfield (W), R. A. Clegg (W).

School Colours have been awarded to:—D. S. Beck, C. D. Burnett-Hitchcock, R. B. Clarkson.

Results:—

v. OLD STOICS.	Lost	1½—5½
v. MR. W. H. BRADSHAW'S VI.	Lost	0—5
v. DUNSTABLE JUNIORS.	Lost	2—6
v. FATHERS.	Won	4—0
v. UPPINGHAM.	Won	4—1
v. ELLESBOROUGH.	Lost	2—4
v. RADLEY.	Won	4—2
v. MASTERS.	Drawn	2—2.

SAILING

The fleet now consists of four Graduates in perfect condition and the two Kenn-Elevens which we made three years ago. The old Cadets are in poor shape; two of them are still potentially usable but we have not been able to complete repairs.

The season began with an exciting match at Oundle sailed in Alphas under gusty conditions which favoured the heavier Oundle crews. Our next match at Bedford was sailed in very calm weather and we lost to a more experienced team. Against Bloxham on Boddington Reservoir we did very much better, taking first three places in both races. The match was sailed in Fireflies, the class in which the Stowe team has perhaps had most experience.

Our first home match was against Harrow in the sort of conditions we worry about most at Stowe—very light winds sheltered and reflected by the trees. Harrow drifted a little faster than Stowe and claimed the match. Rugby beat us in a close match at Naseby Reservoir and we were surprised and a little shaken to be beaten by the Cadet Club at Bedford for the first time.

The Helmsman's Tankard was won by P. E. Martino (C). There were no contenders for the Individual Club Trophy. House matches will be held next term.

At a Public Schools invitation meeting at Bembridge during the Easter holidays we were represented by S. H. Arnold (B) and F. H. S. Gilbert (B). They did extremely well and came second out of fourteen entries. Martino and Arnold are sailing for Stowe in the Public Schools Invitation Firefly Championships at Itchenor on August 28th, 29th and 30th.

ARCHERY

Two live matches and three postal matches were shot this term; valuable experience was gained from them, but no victories. We cannot expect to attain a respectable standard on one afternoon's shooting per week.

We were fortunate to have the services of Mr. Frank Bilson, F.R.S.A., again this term. Although he has been commissioned to write a large-scale work on archery, he is still willing to continue as Coach next year.

The Club was also very fortunate to be presented with a fine House Challenge Cup by the parents of N. R. A. Large, who leaves us this term after being a useful member of the team. This is to be competed for each summer by whichever houses can raise a team of two archers in the Club's regular senior practice, and recruitment to the Club will be adjusted so that each House wishing to compete will be properly represented. This first year, only three Houses were able to raise a team, but the position should improve next year.

Results:—

May 25th	v. FINCHLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL. (Home).		
	A St. Nicholas Round was shot, consisting of 4 dozen arrows at 40 yards and 3 dozen at 30. Stowe, 774; Finchley, 1628.		
June 15th	v. FOREST SCHOOL, READING. (Home).		
	A National Round was shot, consisting of 4 dozen arrows at 60 yards and 2 dozen at 50. Stowe, 1041; Forest School, 1407.		
June 17th	POSTAL MATCH v. SOUTHAMPTON SECONDARY MODERN SCHOOL LEAVERS' ARCHERY COURSE TEAM 'A.'		
	A National Round was shot. Stowe, 879; Southampton, 1230.		
July 18th	INTER-HOUSE TOURNAMENT.		
	Two dozen arrows at 50 yards.		
	Cobham:— R. J. Hanhart ..	130	
	J. Q. C. Ashton ..	62	
	Total ..	192	
	Grenville:—A. G. Foord ..	109	
	P. E. Williams ..	91	
	Total ..	200	
	Temple:— N. R. A. Large ..	82	
	H. P. Lloyd Morgan ..	48	
	Total ..	130	

A. G. Foord (G) is now Club Secretary.

THE STOWE BEAGLES

The highlight of the term for the Beagles, as well as for everyone else at Stowe, was the visit of the Queen Mother. Hounds were drawn up at a safe distance away while various presentations were made near the bathing-place. However, Her Majesty called for the pack to be brought over to her, and she asked many questions and showed particular interest in the 8-week-old puppies.

Hounds were also paraded on Speech Day, and we were glad to welcome several parents at the kennels, which were open for inspection.

We are grateful to the Master of the Cheshire Beagles (the uncle of J. G. Charlton) for kindly drafting us a couple of hounds, and also to Mr. C. A. Weston (G 1937), late Master of the Westerby Basset Hounds and now a Stowe parent, through whose good offices we acquired another hound.

There are 4 couple of puppies out at walk and two couple are booked to go out at the end of August. We are very much indebted to these puppy-walkers. Some more puppies are expected to be ready by early October, and anyone interested in walking them is asked kindly to make contact with the Hon. Secretary.

We should have mentioned in last term's *Stoic* report how glad we were to welcome out hunting on several occasions parties of boys from three local Preparatory Schools—Akeley Wood, Beachborough and Winchester House—and also our gratitude to various Masters, Mr. Pedder in particular, for helping with transport to and from Meets.

Second-hand uniform is always in demand, and if anyone has a green coat or white breeches which they wish to dispose of there is a ready market at Stowe.

The new season has begun and Stoics are reminded that their minimum subscription is now £1, and the 'Cap' is 1/-.

R. W. V. Mackintosh (W) leaves at the end of term and A. V. A. Turner (B) replaces him as Joint Master with J. G. Charlton (C). R. P. Stross (B) has been appointed a Whipper-in.

SCULLING

This term has been the culmination of the Club's activities with its regatta highlights and House Matches. On May 25th two seniors and two juniors took part in the Maiden and Schoolboy Sculls respectively, at Wallingford Regatta. Both juniors, A. A. de C. Evans and M. C. Farquharson were knocked out in the first round. In the Maidens J. A. Hamilton was also knocked out, but E. H. Blagg managed to get through to the second round.

In the next regatta at Reading on June 1st both Hamilton and Blagg were beaten in the first round. Competition at Reading was more severe, but the times were more encouraging and the umpire made kind remarks. The last regatta was at Stratford-on-Avon on June 15th in which I. Shay joined Hamilton and Blagg in the fray. Good races were had by all but again the competition was severe and no-one survived the first round.

The winners of the House Matches were Grafton, who were well supported by their juniors inspired by I. Shay, and the Yarwood Plate for the best individual time of the year was won by the Captain of Sculling, E. H. Blagg.

In spite of weather and hazards through damage to the equipment the term has on the whole been successful, and the performances of M. C. Farquharson and C. P. Murdoch suggest that prospects for next year are encouraging.

P.T.

The P.T. Competition was held on Friday, June 21st. The winners were Grenville in the Senior competition, and Bruce in the Junior. The over-all winners were Grenville.

SQUASH RACKETS

At the end of last term H. G. Wallace (G) beat D. G. Boardman (G) in three straight games to win the final of the knock-out competition. Grenville won the House matches, beating Chandos in the final.

The squash courts have been used much more this term than is usual in the summer. This is no doubt partly due to the bad weather, but it also seems to show that there is quite a lot of enthusiasm for the game in the school. In due course this should produce some good players, and raise the standard of the school team again.

SHOOTING

The Empire Test House Competition was won by Bruce. Scoring tended to be lower this year than recently, but this can probably be ascribed to the complete lack of protection on the firing point from the summer weather. Only two firers, J. F. M. Monkhouse (C) and A. G. Fyfe (G), scored "Possibles" and Monkhouse easily won the tie-shoot for the Individual Cup.

In the final of the Casualty Competition, Cobham's two teams set off at a leisurely stroll but quickly changed into a full-blooded gallop as nerves stretched beyond endurance, and Cobham 'B' just beat their seniors to the firing-point, the smashing of their targets and the Cup.

THE LAURUS CUP was won by Chandos.

1ST XV FIXTURES 1963

Sat., Sept. 28—LONDON SCOTTISH	Home
Sat., Oct. 5—BLACKHEATH	Home
Sat., Oct. 12—OLD STOICS	Home
Sat., Oct. 19—BEDFORD	Home
Tues., Oct. 22—'A' XV v. OAKHAM	Home
Sat., Oct. 26—ST. EDWARD'S	Home
Tues., Oct. 29—OUNDLE	Away
Sat., Nov. 2—RUGBY	Home
Sat., Nov. 9—RADLEY	Away
Sat., Nov. 16—RICHMOND	Home
Sat., Nov. 23—CHELTENHAM	Home
Sat., Nov. 30—HOUSE MATCHES: FIRST ROUND	
Sat., Dec. 7—THE LEYS	Away
Tues., Dec. 10—ETON	Home
Thur., Dec. 12—HOUSE MATCHES: SEMI-FINAL	
Sat., Dec. 14—HOUSE MATCHES: FINAL	

