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THE ROYAL VISIT

Special Announcement by the Commandant for Parents and Old Boys

As many of you will already have heard, Her Majesty The Queen is honouring the School by coming to Present new Colours at 2.45 p.m. on Thursday, 12th October, 1967.

This will be the first time in the School's history that new Colours have been presented actually at the School by the reigning Monarch in person.

The Commandant is sure that all parents of boys at present at the School, and all Old Victorians, will wish to attend this great occasion if they can possibly do so.

All parents and Old Boys who are able to come will be welcome, but admission to the Parents' and the Old Boys' Enclosures will be by Invitation Card only.

Detailed arrangements are not yet firm but it is

hoped that such cards will be ready to send out early in September.

Those for parents will be given to the son, on request, to send home.

Those for Old Boys will be despatched as requested by the Secretaries of the Glasgow, Edinburgh and London Branches of the OV Association, on direct request from OV's made by post to the School R.S.M., Mr G. Lowdon.

Invitation Cards, giving admittance to these Enclosures, will be available, if required, on a scale of up to 3 per boy at the School, for his Parents or close relatives, and 3 per Old Boy.

There will also be an Enclosure for the general public.

STAFF

Among the imminent changes that we have to record in this number of the "Victorian" is the departure of the Headmaster, Lieutenant-Colonel Clarke. He has been here since the summer of 1963, and is going to an appointment in the Far East. In his time here he has impressed everyone by his un-failing courtesy and good-humour, and his ability to absorb shocks—a vital quality of a Q.V.S. Headmaster. We wish him all success in his future Army career, and happy years ahead for him, for Mrs Clarke, and for Jamie and Elizabeth.

Mr Orr, Senior Science Master since 1961, leaves us to take up a teaching post in Canada. His period at Q.V.S. has been a very important one for the Science department, with the introduction of the revolutionary new syllabus. He has established this in the school at the cost of many long hours of work done by him out

of school hours. For this, and for his Science Club and his support of other school activities, we are much indebted to him. Best wishes to Mr and Mrs Orr, and to Jeanette and Billy.

Quite recently we have learned that Major Wilson too will be leaving us at the end of this term, a year earlier than was expected. Unfortunately it is on medical advice that he is being posted elsewhere. In the course of this term he has had a troublesome rheumatic complaint, and the school doctor has advised that a change from Dunblane would be in the interests of his health. Major Wilson has been Haig Housemaster since 1963. At the time of writing we do not yet know where his next appointment will be, but we shall miss him from Q.V.S. where his even temperament and good sense in school affairs have made him popular with all. We wish him good fortune wherever he goes, and offer our best wishes to Mrs Wilson and their four children, of whom the

baby is the only one not to take away a Scottish accent as a memento of their stay in Dunblane.

It has been a troublesome term for the R.A.E.C. Housemasters. Major Hughes has also been hors de combat for part of this term with an illness similar to Major Wilson's, and his three young children have been getting all their childhood ailments over in one almost continuous series.

As a replacement for Major Wilson, during his illness we have had the services of Mr A. Hulbert as a temporary master. Mr Hulbert is a graduate of St. Andrews where he was a leading Rugby player, and has had this year of his studies in theology at Edinburgh interrupted by earlier illness. While waiting to resume his course at Edinburgh in the Autumn, he has spent most of this term here. With the coming and going of masters laid up by illness, he has had to cope with different tasks at different times. Besides teaching English, and, when necessary, Maths, he has taken Primary classes for Music—for he is an accomplished musician himself, and has taken a full share in out-of-school activities. The best wishes of us all go with him.

Another victim of illness this term has been Mr G. Martin, school porter and formerly C.S.M., and storeman, and most deservedly a very popular character in the school. He was awaiting admission to hospital for an operation for a period of many weeks, and still at work in spite of recurring pain. We are glad to say that he is now back at his post and declares himself quite fit.

Mrs Davidson, housekeeper, has moved away to another job. She will be remembered for her kindly interest in people and her concern for their welfare.

Finally a note about somebody outside the school. When Mr Crockett, Postmaster in Dunblane, retired a week or two ago, staff and boys of the school subscribed to a presentation to him. It was handed to him by Mr Bruce at a party given for him by post-office staff. Mr Crockett has always taken an interest in the school and we remember especially his extra efforts to meet the demands of our stamp-collectors when they remembered too late that they wanted first-day covers for new issues. We wish him a long and happy retirement.

Mr H. HAGGARTY

Since the last publication of the "Victorian" we have lost a good friend of the school. We refer to the death of Mr Harry Haggarty, Director of the Monument Press. Always good-humoured and always interested in Queen Victoria School, he sometimes amazed us by his ability to pick up errors of detail which one could never have expected to catch the notice of anyone outside the school. He did not just print the magazine. He read it too, and he discussed contributions that took his fancy. For his attention to our interests and his personal friendliness, we remember him with gratitude and with deep regret.

VALETE

(The exam qualifications shown here are those which boys got in 1966 or earlier. This year's results are not known yet. When a boy has a Higher pass in any subject, his pass at the Ordinary grade in that subject is omitted. A boy is shown as *candidate* for a university, if he has been given a provisional place there, subject to his getting any extra passes needed, in the 1967 S.C.E. examinations.)

Form VI

A. S. BROWN—R.A.F. Joined 1959. Haig. Monitor. A.C.F., C.Q.M.S., Certificate A Parts I and II. Piper in Band. S.C.E. Higher English, History; Ordinary Maths, Arithmetic, Chemistry, Physics, French. Candidate for Aberdeen University. Home Address: 6 Pike Way, R.A.F., Kinloss, Moray.

P. A. D. EVANS—Black Watch. Joined 1961. Trenchard. Prefect. 1st XV 1965-66-67. Colours. 1st XI 1966-67. A.C.F. Corporal, Certificate A Parts I and II. Life Saving, Intermediate Certificate. Personal Survival, Silver Award. Outward Bound Course, 1966. S.C.E. Ordinary English, Maths, Arithmetic, Chemistry, Physics, Mechanics, Technical Drawing, Woodwork. Candidate for Technical College (Dundee). Home address: 47 Rodd Road, Dundee.

I. FRASER—Royal Engineers. Joined 1958. Haig. Monitor. 1st XV 1965-66-67, Colours. 1st XI 1964-65-66-67, Colours, Captain 1967. A.C.F. Corporal, Certificate A Parts I and II. Boy Pipe-Major. Best Piper, 1965. S.C.E. Higher Woodwork; Ordinary English, Maths, Arithmetic, Physics, French, Technical Drawing. Candidate for Army Commission. Home address: 125 Cheviot Road, South Shields, Co. Durham.

D. T. JAGGER—Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Joined 1959. Cunningham. Senior Monitor. Cross-Country Running Colours, 1966-67. A.C.F. Sergeant, Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Silver Series. Life-Saving Award of Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Personal Survival, Gold Award. S.C.E. Higher English, History, Maths, Science; Ordinary French, Latin. Dux of the School, 1967. Addison Smith Public Speaking Prize, 1967. To Edinburgh University. Home address: 13 Overlord Close, Barossa Estate, Camberley, Surrey.

A. N. KING—Seaforth Highlanders. Joined 1960. Trenchard. Prefect. 1st XI 1967. A.C.F. Sergeant, Certificate A Parts I and II. Piper in Band. "Victorian" Editorial Staff. S.C.E. Higher Maths; Ordinary English, Chemistry, Physics, French. Journalism. Home address: 6 Allen Road, Great Bookham, Surrey.

C. McLAUGHLIN—R.A.F. Joined 1959. Cunningham. Monitor. 1st XV 1965-66-67, Colours. 1st XI 1966-67. Shooting Team, 1967. A.C.F., C.S.M., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Series. Life-Saving Award of

Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Cranston Memorial Essay Prize 1967. Wavell Memorial Cup, 1967. S.C.E. Higher English; Ordinary Maths, Arithmetic, Chemistry, Physics, French, History. Candidate for Royal Scottish Academy (Drama). Home address: 14 Sutton Gardens, R.A.F., Sutton-on-Hull, E. Yorkshire.

A. W. MORRICE—R.A.F. Joined 1960. Trenchard. Prefect. 1st XV 1964-65-66-67, Colours. Athletic Colours. Best Shot, 1966, Colours. A.C.F. Corporal, Certificate A Parts I and II. S.C.E. Higher English, French, History; Ordinary Maths, Arithmetic, Chemistry, Physics. Candidate for Edinburgh or Strathclyde University. Future home address: Not yet known.

R. H. NEWMAN—Royal Artillery. Joined 1961. Trenchard. Monitor. 1st XV 1964-65-66-67, Colours, Captain 1966-67. 1st XI 1964-65-66-67, Vice-Captain 1967. Colours for Athletics, and Swimming. A.C.F. Lance-Corporal, Certificate A Parts I and II. Chairman Debating Society. Duke of Edinburgh's Award Bronze Series. Life-Saving Intermediate Certificate. Prince Philip Medal, 1965. S.C.E. Higher Maths, History; Ordinary English, Chemistry, Physics, French, Latin. Candidate for University of Essex. Future home address: Not yet known.

M. B. O'CONNOR—Royal Scots. Joined 1959. Cunningham. Prefect. 1st XI 1965-66-67. A.C.F. Corporal, Certificate A Parts I and II. Drummer in Band, 1963-65. Life-Saving Intermediate Certificate. Cranston Memorial Essay Prize, 1966. S.C.E. Higher History; Ordinary English, Maths, Arithmetic, Chemistry, Physics, French. Candidate for Edinburgh University or Civil Service. Home address: 89 Burdiehouse Drive, Edinburgh, 9.

M. G. SCOGGINS—R.A.F. Joined 1961. Haig. Prefect. A.C.F. Corporal, Certificate A Parts I and II. "Victorian" Editorial Staff. Addison Smith Public Speaking Prize, 1965. S.C.E. Higher English; Ordinary Maths, Arithmetic, Chemistry, Physics, French, History. Candidate for Strathclyde University. Home address: c/o Sergeants' Mess, R.A.F., Gütersloh, B.F.P.O. 47.

I. M. SMITH—Black Watch. Joined 1960. Trenchard. Prefect. 1st XV 1964-65-66-67, Colours, Vice-Captain, 1966-67. Drummer in Band. A.C.F. Lance-Corporal, Certificate A Parts I and II. S.C.E. Higher English, History; Ordinary Maths, Arithmetic, Chemistry, Physics, French. Industrial Chemist. Home address: 468 Charlston Drive, Menzieshill, Dundee.

Form V

T. A. BONAR—Royal Scots. Joined 1959. Haig. 1st XV 1965-66-67, Colours. 1st XI 1965-66-67. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Life-Saving Award of Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Chapel Reading Prize, 1966 and 1967. S.C.E. Ord. English. Employment not yet decided. Home address: c/o Sergeants' Mess, 1st Bn. Royal Scots, B.F.P.O. 36.

Form IV

G. M. ANDERSON—R.A.F. Joined 1963. Cunningham. 1st XI 1967. Shooting Team. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Life-Saving Bronze Medallion. Personal Survival Gold Series. Junior Secondary Certificate. Employment not yet decided. Home address: 94 Crummock Avenue, Edith Weston, near Oakham, Rutland.

G. W. CUNNINGHAM—Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Joined 1961. Cunningham. 1st XV 1965-66-67, Colours. 1st XI 1966-67. Colours for Cross-Country Running. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Series. Life-Saving Award of Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Personal Survival Gold Award. Junior Secondary Certificate. Candidate for Royal Navy. Home address: 43 Tynecastle Street, Glasgow, E.2.

R. H. GILL—Royal Scots Greys. Joined 1960. Cunningham. Shooting Team. Boy Drum-Major. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. To Army Apprentice College, Chepstow. Home Address: c/o Mrs Crawley, Littledene, near Lewes, Sussex.

S. W. GRANT—Royal Navy. Joined 1960. Trenchard. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Silver Series. Life-Saving Award of Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Junior Secondary Certificate. Employment not yet decided. Home address: 44a Southwood Road, Hayling Island, Hants.

A. D. GREY—Royal Scots. Joined 1963. Trenchard. 1st XI 1967. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award Silver Series. Life-Saving Bronze Medallion. Personal Survival Bronze Award. Librarian. Employment not yet decided. Home address: c/o B./Sgt. A. M. Grey, Military Band, 1st Royal Scots, B.F.P.O. 36.

G. F. HILL—Royal Engineers. Joined 1961. Cunningham. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Silver Series. Life-Saving Award of Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Personal Survival, Bronze Award. Junior Secondary Certificate. Employment not yet decided. Home address: 47 Ballantrae Place, Douglas, Dundee.

D. W. PARKER—R.A.F. Joined 1961. Trenchard. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Life-Saving, Bronze Medallion. Personal Survival, Bronze Award. Junior Secondary Certificate. To R.A.F. Home address: 1 Parker Road, Wittering, Peterborough.

I. H. C. ROE—Scots Guards. Joined 1961. Haig. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Silver Series. Life-Saving Award of Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Personal Survival Silver Award. Piper in Band. Junior Secondary Certificate. Employment not yet decided. Home address: 3 Oakwood Rise, Farmhouse Estate, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Form IIIA

M. McLAUGHLIN—R.A.F. Joined 1962. Cunningham. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Life-Saving, Bronze Cross. Personal Survival, Silver Award. Continuing Education. Home address: 14 Sutton Gardens, Sutton-on-Hull, E. Yorkshire.

Form IIIB—Left at Easter

R. R. STEVENSON—Royal Engineers. Joined 1962. Haig. Life-Saving Intermediate Certificate. Personal Survival, Silver Award. Continuing Education at Father's present station in Germany.

Form IIIB—July Leavers

D. C. A. CROMBIE—Scots Guards. Joined 1961. Trenchard. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Life-Saving, Bronze Medallion. Personal Survival, Gold Award. To R.A.F. Home Address: 116 Beech Grove, Pirbright Camp, Brookwood, Surrey.

R. J. DAVIES—R.A.O.C. Joined 1962. Cunningham. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Silver Series. Life-Saving, Bronze Medallion. Personal Survival, Silver Award. Gym Team. Employment not yet decided. Home address: Constable Tower, H.M. Tower of London, London, E.C.3.

D. M. JOHNSTON—R.C.T. Joined 1961. Trenchard. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Shooting Team. Gym Team. To Army Apprentice College, Arborfield (R.E.M.E.). Home address: The Elms, Fordell, Crossgates, Fife.

D. A. MACLEAN—R.A.F. Joined 1962. Haig. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Bronze Series. Life-Saving, Intermediate Certificate. Personal Survival, Bronze Award. To Military Police (S.I.B.). Home address: 24 (rear) Evington Road, Leicester.

R. GRANT—Royal Navy. Joined 1962. Trenchard. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Bronze Series. Life-Saving, Award of Merit and Instructor's Certificate. Personal Survival, Bronze Award. Gym Team. Continuing Education. Home address: 44a Southwood Road, Hayling's Island, Hants.

S. POPE—Royal Artillery. Joined 1962. Haig. A.C.F. Certificate A Parts I and II. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Silver Series. Life-Saving, Bronze Medallion. Personal Survival, Bronze Award. To Army Apprentice College, Harrogate. Home address: 1 W.O.s' Quarters, Redlion Lane, Woolwich.

B. WHITE—Royal Navy. Joined 1962. Cunningham. A.C.F., Certificate A Parts I and II. Life-Saving, Bronze Medallion. Personal Survival, Silver Award. To Royal Army Medical Corps. Home address: The School Bungalow, St. Olave's Road, Howard Estate, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk.

Form IIC

W. A. BARBOUR—Scots Guards. Joined 1965. A.C.F., Certificate A Part I. Life-Saving, Intermediate Certificate. Personal Survival, Silver Award. Emigrating to Canada. (Also from P.7A his brother, R. BARBOUR, who also joined in 1965.)

OLD BOYS

For this issue we have less than the usual amount of material about Old Boys. What comes in is mostly from the old faithfuls who are always in touch by visit or letter. One of the two photographs we are printing will bring back memories to the oldest of the Old Victorians. It is of the original staff of the school, and the print was lent to us by George Stirrat, one of the old faithfuls we have referred to. They look grim and dignified, these old soldiers in their dress uniforms, but many of the veterans who were school-boys here in these days have testified to the warmth of their interest in the pupils and their devotion to the new school which they helped to establish.

We have heard again from Mr Joe McLeod, who has now given up his official position in the Glasgow branch, still regretting that members of the branch are so few, and hoping that the membership will increase under the management of the new officials, two of whom are comparative youngsters. He gives us the sad news of the death of Matthew Marshall, who left school in 1914 to join the Cameron Highlanders, with whom he was a bandsman for 12 years. Mr McLeod's son, Flight-Sergeant McLeod, recently serving with the R.A.F. in Singapore, will by the time of publication have left the service after 24 years and emigrated to Australia. In his letter Mr McLeod also asks if anyone has news of Pipe-Major McDermid and William McQuarrie, ex-members of the Glasgow Transport Pipe Band, who went to Australia some years ago, or of John S. McLeod, who emigrated there after the last war. Recently Mr McLeod was in hospital in London for an operation on his hand, the injury to which put an end to his days as a piper. We are glad to report that he now proclaims himself to be in excellent health. Mr James Grassick, doyen of the London branch, whose report of their last meeting we print below, has also been writing to us. In one of his letters he forwarded an application for life membership from Captain J. McIlroy. Captain McIlroy's address is 37 Aramoana Avenue, Devonport, Auckland, New Zealand. He was one of the original Victorians—his school number is 5—and it will be remembered that he later contributed some interesting reminiscences of the school's earliest days, which were reprinted in the Victorian in the Jubilee number.

Mr H. J. Harrison has sent us his usual report of the first hundred boys as well as writing several times. In one letter he enclosed a photograph of the three generations of Victorians represented by himself, his

son, and his grandson, John Harrison, now in Wavell House. Mr Harrison hopes to be here for Grand Day. His first great-grandchild has arrived—a daughter, therefore not eligible to represent a fourth generation at Q.V.S., unless, as the Headmaster has suggested, the school has turned co-educational. Another Victorian with a non-eligible child is Flight-Lieutenant G. Robertson Mitchell, who mentions the fact when writing to say that he hopes to attend Grand Day with his wife and daughter. Incidentally a proposal to admit girls was one of the jokes in a skit play put on by senior boys some years ago, and we have wondered if taking that literally was the cause of a letter received a few months later from a hopeful parent who wanted us to reserve a place for his daughter.

In a cutting from the "Sunday Express" sent in by Joe McLeod, we read of the success of Angus MacDonald, Scots Guards, one of the youngest pipe-majors in the British army, in winning the Piob Mohr trophy in an open competition sponsored by the former world champions, Edinburgh City Police Pipe Band. Pipe-Major MacDonald was just six weeks back from the Far East when he won this award which was for the overall winner. He was first in the Strathspey and reel and the jig, and second in the march. The competitors came from all over Scotland and England and included one from New Zealand. From the same source, Mr McLeod again, we learn that W.O.1 McCombe, stationed in Cyprus is coming, or by now has come, home after 23 years' service to take up a civilian appointment in London. So he goes to Mr Grassick's parish.

We congratulate Captain G. S. Munro, who visited the school last December, on his commission in the Intelligence Corps.

Now for the younger Old Boys, as defined before to mean those who have been pupils in the school since the changes that took place in the 1950's. A letter from Mrs McArthur, mother of Douglas and Stuart, gives us news of both. Douglas has completed five years of service in the R.A.F., and is back from Cyprus this summer. A peculiar fact we remember of his school-days is that he was found in 1955 to be an established member of a senior house while still in Primary 7. Stuart, who emigrated to Australia at the age of 18, worked on a sheep homestead till July 1966, when his period of military service began. He passed out as 2nd Lieutenant in the Royal Artillery last December, and at the time of his mother's letter had been on a jungle warfare course, and was expecting to go very soon to Vietnam. G. C. Hedges, who left in 1960 to join the Army Apprentice School (now re-named College) at Harrogate for training as a radio technician, is a Lance-Corporal in the Royal Signals in Germany. His experiences bear out the Army's claim to give opportunities for travel. He has had three months with the U.N. forces in Cyprus, and has been on motoring holidays all over Europe. Colin Stewart (A.C.C.) who wrote in March

was then on the island of Bahrein in the Persian Gulf. When sitting in a coffee-bar in town there, he saw a familiar face reflected in the mirror from the next stool. It belonged to Frank Savill. L. Curl, who left in 1965, is a Junior Lance-Corporal at Oswestry. He has passed the Army Certificate of Education Test, and he will be joining the 1st Battalion, K.O.S.B. early next year after a short spell of training at Glen-corse Barracks. This summer he is going to the Dolomites with the unit climbing club—another example of what the Army offers you. Dougald Robertson, who has visited us several times, has now received his articles having completed the six-month probation period, and is taking his first professional examination as a Surveyor. In London he has met P. Kay, now working as an air-traffic controller at London Airport. John Campbell, who left us at the 3A stage, admits that he found it very hard to settle in post-school life, but he came round to the view that he ought to join the Army, and he has made a great start at the Infantry Junior Leaders Unit at Oswestry, being already a Junior Lance-Corporal. Another junior soldier recently promoted Lance-Corporal is Mark Smith who has been learning the trombone, and will soon be joining the Military Band of the 1st Battalion, K.O.S.B.

In Glasgow the new officials of the Old Victorians' Association are Robert Chessar, President, Jackie Quinn, Secretary and Treasurer, and Matt Anderson, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer. They are very keen to get in new members, and have been collecting addresses of Old Boys in the Glasgow area. Jackie Quinn's address is 80 Clifford Street, Ibrox, Glasgow. The "Jackie" may not be the appropriate name for a sedate married man and householder, but that is the one by which he is remembered here. Victorians of ten or more years ago will remember him particularly as the life and soul of the "B Company" concert company run by Mr Mortimer.

Now a look at the Old Victorians' Visitors' Book. Among the names that we find there for the period since December, we note the names of several veterans. Besides George Stirrat's, we find those of others who were at school more than fifty years ago. One is Robert Edwards (13) who joined the school on 5th July, 1909, one of the second batch of boys to be admitted. The first—four only—had come in on June 14th that year. Another, just a day junior, is J. Edmonds whose joining date was July 6th. Two other veterans whose names appear are the brothers William and Edward Elder, school numbers 530 and 575, who joined in 1916 and 1917 respectively. A visitor from far away was P. Paterson (No. 1917) who was here from 1940 to 1945, and whose address is Box 263, Benghazi, Libya.

Old Boys Day was on the first Sunday of May as usual, but unusually was a beautiful sunny day. The exact score in the football match is not accurately known, but it is agreed that the school won with a bit to spare. No detailed report of the occasion is needed, for it followed the traditional pattern.

Finally we send our best wishes to Old Victorians everywhere who read the magazine. And we remind them that they may order copies of our December issue, by sending 2/6d to the Editor by the end of November. We add a special good-wish to the growing number of Old Boys who are struggling about this time with University or College examinations.

QUEEN VICTORIA SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION (LONDON BRANCH)

On 4th March, 1967, we held our Annual General Meeting. The Chairman welcomed our President, Col. A. C. T. White, V.C., M.C., and all members present.

We are still flourishing as a Branch, although we take in the whole of England, also members of the Armed Forces serving overseas, with whom we like to keep in touch.

C/Sgt. G. Archer has now returned from Malaya with the Scots Guards and no doubt he will be returning to see the School along with many other old boys.

One of our discussions was about a very kind offer made to the Branch from Col. A. L. Fowler, M.C., for a visit to be made to the Army School of Education, Wilton Park, Beaconsfield, perhaps in the Autumn. In my view this would be most interesting, considering the very close association of the School with the R.A.E.C.

It is very pleasing to note that our two invalids are progressing. They are Major Victor Fennessey and Frankie Hetherington. During one of my visits to Kings College Hospital I met Major Pat Fennessey now living in Dover, whom I had not seen since the Jubilee in 1958. This brings to mind that we are preparing, in London, for the Diamond Jubilee and it appears that most, or at least all members present at the A.G.M. are for a visit to the School for this Celebration, but the mode of travel has to be decided upon.

One of our Branch members, Andrew Doig, has been in the news recently as a T.V. Chef, doing television commercials both cooking and arranging for a list of products that would make your mouth water. A free-lance high class Chef and Caterer, born in Plymouth, he was brought up and educated in St. Andrews and then at the School. There he played in the School Pipe Band. Andrew served 12 years in the Black Watch and what a charming fellow he is, also a great credit to the School.

On Saturday, the 8th April, the Scottish Piping Society of London held their 28th Annual Competition and two of the older generation of the School, as well as Andrew Hill, one of the present pupils were competitors.

Pipe-Major J. B. Robertson had a second prize in the Piobaireachd, and Andrew Hill had two seconds.

I assure everyone that the competition was very keen, entrants coming from all over the world.

The Highland Gathering of 1967 held at the Richmond Athletic Ground on the 13th May was another notable day, where once again Queen Victoria School Old Boys were well represented.

Judging the Dancing were Major Jimmy Cosgrove, and Pipe-Major Willie MacLeod, and Piping—Pipe-Major J. B. Robertson.

Many members of our Branch meet in the ground and it is always "Hullo", and a warm welcome.

During the early part of April I had a special occasion when I attended the Royal Hospital in Chelsea to meet one of my generation, now an In-Pensioner. His School No. was 32, and name Donald Innes. On my second meeting I managed to take him a few back numbers of the School Magazine. It was such a pleasure to see his face light up, also to hear, "Do you remember . . . ?"

On June 9th (which is Founder's Day) I will also be back at the Royal Hospital and I believe Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery will be inspecting these old soldiers.

On the 8th May I received a letter from Capt. John McIlroy who is now living in New Zealand. John is one of our London Branch members and is always glad to hear news of the School and the Branch activities. It was his intention to be on holiday during the Diamond Jubilee, but because of business commitments is now unable to return until 1969.

On conclusion of my News Letter I would like to thank Lieut. Col. P. B. Clarke, M.A., R.A.E.C., Headmaster, for his help in the past, on behalf of the Q.V.S. O.B.A., London Branch, and congratulate him on his appointment as S.O.I. (Childrens' Schools) H.Q., Farelf, and wish him, Mrs Clarke, and the family, a very happy tour.

J. GRASSICK,
Secretary and Treasurer,
Q.V.S. O.B.A., London.

FIRST HUNDRED NEWS

Once again I am happy to say the past year has been very good to us and our number has not lessened. In fact, we are now one more than last year as recently the name of one of our older members appeared in the Old Boys Visitors book. I refer to Alex Sutherland (53) who now resides in Aberdeen. During my search for the survivors of the First Hundred I could get no trace of Alex apart from the fact that he lived somewhere in Aberdeen, so I am very pleased he has now turned up and gives me hope the whereabouts of one or two more may come to light.

Apart from the usual ailments all our members are fit and carrying their years well. Alex Macdonald (59), who you will all remember as our first senior monitor, is in years, our oldest member and at 72 is hale and hearty and living in Montrose. He is closely followed by Johnny McIlroy (5), who is only a few days younger and who now lives in New Zealand. He and Mrs McIlroy hope to come over in 1968 for a holiday.

In their letters to me most of our members ask to be remembered to old friends so I will take this opportunity of passing on their good wishes and remembrances to everyone else.

Through a letter from Jimmy Grassick I have learned that we now have one of The First Hundred as an in-pensioner at The Royal Hospital, Chelsea, in the person of Donald Innes (32), who I am sure must be the first Victorian to become a Chelsea Pensioner. Anyone who would like to drop him a line can find him as follows, Mr Donald Innes, Ward 24/18, Royal Hospital, Chelsea, London, S.W.3. Donald joined the Seaforth Highlanders on leaving school in 1913 and transferred to the Royal Scots Fusiliers as Pipe-Major in 1924 serving with them until 1936 when he was discharged to pension. He was for many years 1st class elevator attendant with the Union Castle Shipping Line and was also Piper to the ship and responsible for arranging the Reels and other Scottish Dances held on board. In all he made 65 voyages to South Africa. In a recent letter Donald says he is being looked after exceedingly well and is very happy. We wish him a long and happy stay in his new home.

We are sorry to learn that Lt. Col. Clarke is leaving at the end of this term, on posting and we wish him every success in Singapore. At the same time we would like to offer our good wishes to his successor and hope his stay at the school will be a long and a happy one.

As is our custom at this time, we send the good wishes of The First Hundred to the Commandant, to all members of the staff and to all the boys of all ages where ever they may be.

H. J. HARRISON, (67).

THE NEW ENTRY

At the closure of applications for entry to the school next September, there were 116 candidates for 40 places. The final number of candidates was 111. Of the 42 selected for admission the distribution by father's unit or service is as shown below.

Royal Scots Greys	....	....	....	2
Royal Scots	....	....	....	1
Royal Highland Fusiliers	....	....	....	3
Cameronians	....	....	....	3
Black Watch	....	....	....	2
Queen's Own Highlanders	....	....	....	2
Gordon Highlanders				1
Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders				3
Other Army candidates				13
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Total Army				30
Royal Navy and Royal Marines				2
Royal Air Force				10
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Total candidates accepted				42
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Of the 42 new entrants to the school, 34 have fathers still serving.

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

(since last publication)

January

Mr Bennett and Mr Brown, H.M. Inspectors.
J. N. McIntyre, Esq., Command Secretary.
Lt. Col. W. M. B. Dunn, T.D., Regtl. Sec., K.O.S.B.
Mr Warrick, International Vol. Service.

February

Major F. J. Hawley, Regtl. Sec., R.H.F.
D. J. Grant, Esq., Provost of Dunblane.
W. Kirkland, Esq., Town Clerk of Dunblane.
Sqn. Ldr. B. G. Cox, R.A.F. Schools Liaison Officer.

March

Lt. Gen. D. B. Lang, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Vice President, Visiting Commissioner.
Air Vice Marshal A. V. R. Johnstone, C.B., D.F.C., and Mrs Johnstone, A.O.C.
Brigadier Proudlock, Army Schools Liaison Officer.
Lieutenant-Colonel Hall, Former Commandant.
Mr Hooper, School Commissioner.

April

Lieutenant-Colonel Stonor, A.M.S. Scottish Command.
Mr Stewart, President Scottish Rugby Union.
Mr Law, Secretary Scottish Rugby Union.

May

Major Cormack, Staff Paymaster.
Lord and Lady Rowallan, Former Chief Scout.
12 R.A.E.C. Officers, R.A.E.C. Study Period.
Mr Jeffs, Mr Copper, Major Malloy, Mr Robinson, Directorate of Establishments.
General Sir Reginald Hewetson, Adjutant-General.
Lieutenant-Colonel Stonor, A.M.S. Scottish Command.
Colonel Maydon, Youth Liaison Officer Scottish Command.

June

Party of Commonwealth Teachers.
Major Bengough, Recruiting Officer Highland District.
Colonel Reidy, Retiring C.E.O. Scottish Command.
Colonel Meldrum, Succeeding C.E.O. Scottish Command.
Mother Swinton, Headmistress Kilgraston Convent School.
Mr C. P. C. Smith, Visiting Commissioner.
Brigadier Coutts, Chief of Staff Scottish Command.
Mr White, A./Command Secretary.
Lieutenant-Colonel G. C. R. L. Pender, O.C. 1st Royal Highland Fusiliers.
Colonel Barker, Colonel A./Q. Scottish Command.

SCHOOL NOTES AND NEWS

Since the "Victorian" last appeared, there have been three ceremonies at Sunday morning parades when banners have been presented to the pipe band. In February R.S.M. White, the Black Watch, presented a regimental banner on behalf of the W.O.s' and Sergeants' Mess of the Black Watch. In March Air-Vice Marshal Johnstone, Air Officer Commanding, Scotland and Northern Ireland presented the Pipe Banners of Transport and Flying Training Commands. Then in June, Lieutenant-Colonel Pender, Officer Commanding the 1st Battalion, the Royal Highland Fusiliers presented a banner on behalf of the regiment.

The broadcast services from Dunblane Cathedral, mentioned as a coming event in our last number, were duly recorded in January and broadcast on 29th January and 5th February. The Q.V.S. boys got a good share of the camera. David Jagger, Senior Monitor, read one of the lessons at the Schools' Service, and another was read by Miss Jennifer Innes, daughter of Mrs Innes who is a Clerical Officer at the School. As will be seen elsewhere in the magazine, Miss Innes also took a leading part in the Q.V.S. play this term. She is Head Girl of the McLaren High School. Q.V.S. has old links with McLaren High, for, as many Old Boys know, small numbers of senior boys from here used to attend there for lessons before a Senior Secondary course was available at Q.V.S. As this note is being written, a party of senior boys from here is away at McLaren High School watching the school play there.

All boys in the school have now been equipped with the new walking-out dress. The small boys in Wavell House were the last to receive it. The khaki tunic has now disappeared from the scene. A slight modification in boys' wear has been the issue of the scarlet tunic to members of the pipe band, who now wear the green jackets only on occasions when they are playing.

Besides the individuals and parties mentioned in the list of official visitors to the school, we have also had a visit from a group of Swedish students who were on holiday in the neighbourhood and wanted to see round the school. Of these the one who made the deepest impression on our boys was the youth in two-tone trousers, black and yellow.

In the interests of Army public relations, a team of photographers with an officer of the R.A.E.C. also visited the school this term. They produced a magnificent set of colour photographs of boys at work and at play. Would that the scenes depicted were representative of us as we always are.

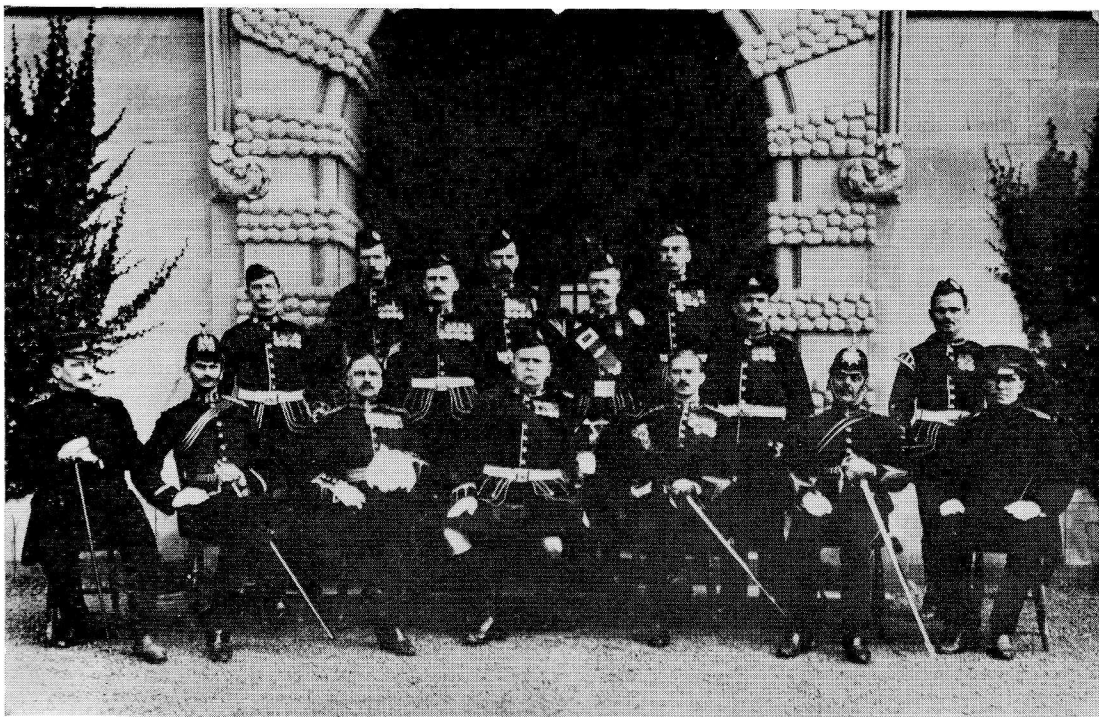
A year or two ago some senior boys projected a satirical topical play to be presented to the school. This was never finished or produced. At that time khaki tunic was the object of much grumbling, and it was known that a new uniform was under consideration. The plot of the play concerned the theft of khaki tunics from the stores, and the discovery that these were being sold to "Mods" outside as a new fashion. It ended with a situation where the new non-military uniform had been introduced, and some boys were in trouble for having illegal khaki tunics in their possession and wearing these on the train going home. It was a prophetic theme, for at that time nobody knew of the trend that was coming to Carnaby Street for obsolete military uniform as the new thing in extravagant teenage fashion. Bad luck, boys. You have got rid of the uniform jackets just when some of you might have wanted to parade them on the streets at home. Incidentally it came to our ears that a few of the "yobs" of that period had attended a dance during the holidays in khaki jackets and school football jerseys. If this is true, perhaps they were trend-setters.

In the list of visitors it will be seen that we recently came under the scrutiny of an "Establishment Team" from the Directorate of Establishments in London. These gentlemen interviewed members of all branches of the school staff over a period of ten days, inquiring exactly what each did and recording the answers. They then moved on to prepare for a similar visit to the Caribbean area, with an assignment in the Far East to follow that. So far we have noted no effect on the school organisation of their inquiries here. The object of these visits is to secure economies in public expenditure.

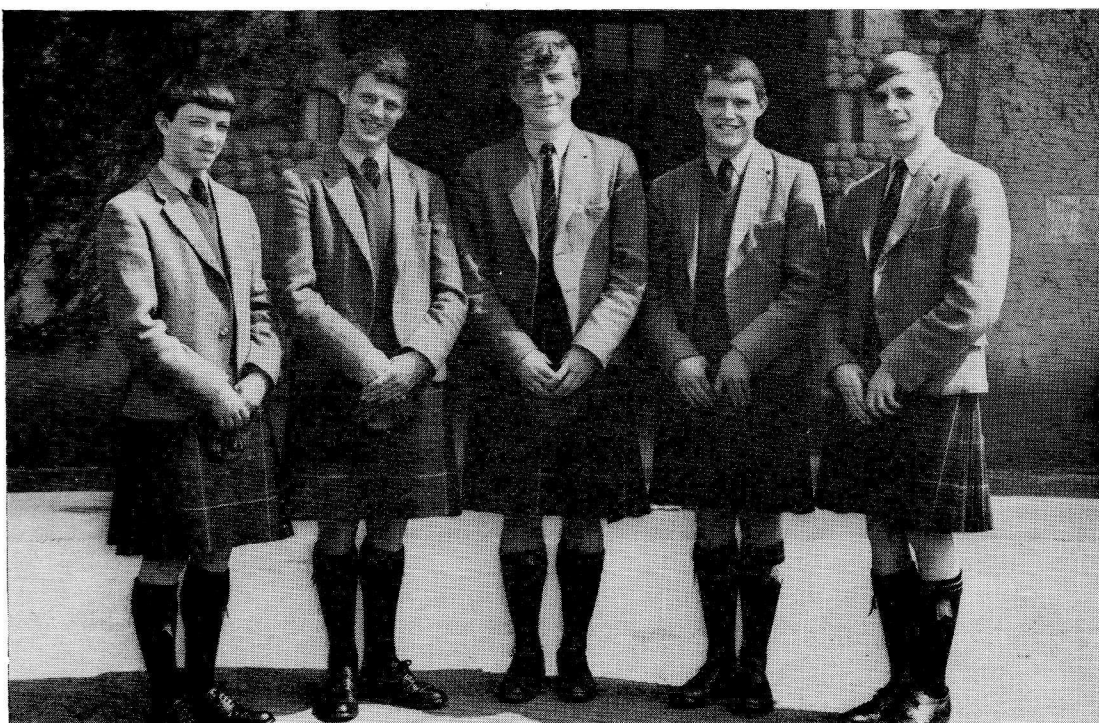
The old boarding-school problem of separation from the other sex has always been much in the minds of the school authorities. Mr and Mrs Mortimer have made a valuable contribution towards its solution by their classes in country dancing, and by their highly successful social evening at the school, which drew in our senior boys along with staff daughters and girls from Dunblane. So has Mr Le Maistre by introducing many of the same group into our school play.

Partly, or mainly, because of the depletion of teaching staff by illness, a number of senior boys, due to leave school this term, have spent a great part of their time in the last few weeks "labouring" under the direction of Mr Glass at jobs about the school grounds. This work might be regarded as their opportunity to give something back for the benefits they have gained from their stay here. Anyway, they have responded splendidly to this call on their services and have done a great deal to improve the appearance of the school premises.

THE ORIGINAL STAFF OF Q.V.S.



THE MONITORS, 1967



Left to right: A. S. Brown (Haig), C. McLaughlin (Cunningham), R. H. Newman (Trenchard), I. Fraser (Haig), D. T. Jagger (Cunningham—Senior Monitor).

The annual "passing-out" drill test for new boys now seems well in the past, but took place since our last publication. The winner of the medal presented by R.S.M. Lowdon was A. Fiddes, with I. Fitzgerald second and H. Shannon third.

At one time smoke from the big chimney was a curse of Q.V.S. It deposited grime and ash everywhere, and dormitory windows on one side had to be kept permanently closed. The oil-burning furnace has been better, but somehow it too has had fits of belching oily smoke onto us, worse than the old smoke because it clings and smears. Now a new plague has come on us. It is sand from the quarry across the Perth Road. A west wind brings great clouds of sand into the school area. It is audible underfoot and visible on every ledge. It eddies behind the building and gets in by back and side windows as well. It has been known to coat jam in the dining-hall and to penetrate into the kitchen. It gets into clothes and beds and cupboards, and forms a fine layer in all rooms facing west. If it would miss the building and settle on the field, it would be doing us some good. Meantime we speculate whether the quarry will be first exhausted or the school first buried like the tombs of Egypt to be a hunting-ground for archaeologists of the distant future.

We finish, as they say, on a happier note. We have to record the engagement announced this term between Captain Bull and Miss Louise Le Maistre. Though the announcement followed soon after a very successful speculation by our Art Master in a newspaper competition, we rebut the cynical suggestion that the two events were in any way connected. We wish every happiness to Captain Bull and Miss Le Maistre.

THE MODEL RAILWAY CLUB

This year the Model Railway Club was revived as a Wavell House hobby, although a number of third year boys joined in and in fact proved very helpful.

After Christmas, the Club moved into the Theatre Room and the layout was set up. Trains began to run quite soon, but not without mishaps from time to time. However, there were no fatal accidents. Lack of funds prevented the completion of the layout, particularly in respect of control and scenery.

Another snag occurred in that the room was required during the period of the School Play for theatrical purposes, and this necessitated the dismantling of the railway. It is hoped that the lay-out will be in running order by the beginning of next term, so that it can be used as soon as hobbies commence.

The season finished with a visit to a Model Railway Exhibition in Glasgow, on Saturday, 11th March. The number and variety of layouts on view provided one or two ideas for the Club's own railway; so the visit was both entertaining and useful.

THE HOUSES

Senior Houses

Cunningham:

Housemaster—Mr I. T. Williams.

House Matron—Miss M. Chalmers.

Monitors—D. T. Jagger, C. McLaughlin.

Prefects—M. O'Connor, J. R. Willmott, G. Slater.

Haig:

Housemaster—Major O. R. Wilson.

House Matron—Miss I. Johnstone.

Monitors—A. S. Brown, I. Fraser.

Prefects—M. G. Scoggins, G. Fox.

Trenchard:

Housemaster—Major O. W. Hughes.

House Matron—Miss V. M. Clark.

Monitor—R. H. Newman.

Prefects—I. M. Smith, A. W. Morrice, P. A. D. Evans, A. N. King, J. W. Moore.

Primary House:

Housemaster—Mr N. C. Bruce.

Assistants—Mr J. G. Finlay, Captain N. Davies, Captain J. T. Walker, Captain P. D. Bull.

House Matron—Miss M. Bayliss.

Assistant—Mrs Martin.

House Captain—P. Sayer.

Dormitory Leaders—J. A. Harrison, G. A. McNally, S. Langlands, D. Todd, K. T. Ross.

To these formal details, we wish to add a note about the House Matrons. The House Matron has been a part of the Q.V.S. scene for more than ten years. As such she does not always get proper recognition. Her work is not done in the public eye, but it goes on by day and by night—long after offices have closed—and for seven days a week. Any mother of two or three boys will have some idea of what it is like to look after fifty or sixty or more. Clean and dirty laundry, missing and torn clothing, shoes for repair, combs and toothbrushes, shoe-laces, toe-nails, shopping requests, trips to hospital with boys, minor ailments, letters, hair and teeth, dormitory cleaning, and etc. many times. At night her sitting-room is full of boys waiting for attention, and her bathroom is a first-aid centre. For a House Matron time off is infrequent and irregular. The kind of work she does cannot be put off till the next day or the next week, and there is nobody to stand in for her. On the rare occasions when she gets an evening off, she is still back on the job at the boys' bed-time. Or if not, another House Matron has the extra work to do. She is often at work by 7 a.m. She knows that what she does is important to the boys, and that is what matters to her. Her contribution to school life is immeasurable.

WORKS AND BUILDINGS

Not for more than ten years has there been a time when works or alterations of some kind have not been in progress in the school grounds or inside the building. Great things have been going on recently at the burn end of the school playing-fields. The vast new building which has arisen there is the long-projected play-place for Wavell House, where they will be able to expend their energies under cover on wet days. Beside it will be the new pavilion. In the region which used to contain a coal dump for the old furnace, there are new garages, and in front of them a new roadway which runs from the rear of the school building to the playing field and round an island created in front of the garages. At the other end, near the boundary fence there are two hard tennis-courts, already completed and in use. At the opposite end of the field outside authority has taken a hand in the process of altering the topography of Q.V.S. The new section of the Perth road is being constructed, and the stone wall that formed our boundary on that side has disappeared into a line of rubble and earth.

From all the building operations of the past decade, we have gained enormous benefits. That is undeniable. But, in the interests of historical accuracy (and for the satisfaction of our own grouses) we have to say that there is another side to the picture, both comic and exasperating. We still look with gloom at the new raised area of the playing-fields, unusable after five years. It has added nothing to our playing-space, but has taken away one unsatisfactory but normally usable Rugby pitch, and has created a swamp in the in-goal area of the 1st XV pitch. The purpose of the latest move, depositing of gravel on the surface, is not yet known. Going back a bit, we remember the alterations inside the building in 1956-57 which converted the old cross-dormitory on the top floor into living accommodation for Matrons and "annexe" dormitories for boys, and which were followed a year or two later by the alteration of the alterations into wash-rooms, lavatories, and drying-room for boys. Then there is the sad tale of the showers. The old battery of showers round three sides of a shower-room, ideal for the numbers of boys who need a shower after games, was replaced by elegant appointments with privacy the key-note: two enclosed baths at each end and two curtained shower cubicles. Very nice to look at, but rather inadequate for the needs of over fifty boys all muddy at the same time. Then there was the long period when some of the showers were out of use because they were found to discharge water into the flats below. (The new gym showers similarly were long unused because they watered the stores underneath them.) Even now duty boys can be seen nightly at work with mops and squeegees pushing the water on the shower-room floors *uphill* to the grating that is intended to drain the floors. Wavell House were more fortunate. Having seen what was put in the senior houses, Mr Bruce was able to intervene energetically in the plans for the

shower-room there. Drying-rooms were a late addition to the plans for senior accommodation, but, alas, it is not enough to allot a room and call it a drying-room. The original central heating kept the space warm but no more, and electrical heating had to be added later. Apart from the fact that the rooms are too small to cope with an occasion when all the boys get wet at once—from sledging or a cross-country run—the transversal bars for hanging clothing are so thick that most articles of clothing soon slip off them. There is yet more to be told: of the garage doors so precariously secured that they just missed fracturing the skull of a master's daughter; of the digging for foundations of the Wavell play-hall in an area that had been formerly a dump for rubbish, and of the depositing of broken pottery etc. from this site into the Wavell boys' playing area in "Wavell Wood"; of the "top-soil" that was spread on the football pitches containing a high proportion of broken glass; of the piping of the burn in such a way that flood water, too great for the pipe's capacity, races diagonally across the playing-field to join the open burn beyond the drum-store, carrying with it on the last occasion the refuse excavated from the new building-site. That is not all, but it is enough. We who live in the school sometimes feel like the villagers in Kafka's story, subject to the strange decrees of the people at the Castle, whose purposes and motives were beyond the comprehension of the simple village folk. Such experiences, however, seem to be part of a wider predicament and, not confined to Queen Victoria School.

SCHOOL COLOURS

R. H. Newman: Rugby, Cricket, Swimming.
A. W. Morrice: Rugby, Athletics, Shooting.
I. Fraser: Rugby, Cricket.
J. Willmott: Rugby, Shooting.
G. Cunningham: Rugby, Cross-country running.
C. McLaughlin: Rugby.
P. Evans: Rugby.
T. A. Bonar: Rugby.
D. MacInnes: Rugby.
C. Lannen: Rugby.
D. Fingland: Rugby.
J. S. Grigor: Swimming.
D. T. Jagger: Cross-country running.
A. Greig: Cross-country running.

WAVELL HOUSE NOTE

One of Mr Bruce's ideas has resulted in the erection of a climbing-frame in the Wavell boys' play area. As was to be expected, this is a novelty that wears off. For a time it had boys swarming enthusiastically on it, and demonstrating the kinship of the small boy with a species of a lower order, but recently it has been neglected. None the less, it is well worth having, for it will always be an attraction for new boys in the first vital week or two of their transplantation into a new environment, and should help to counteract the pangs of the change.

THE SCHOOL PLAY

If a school play ever turned out to be a flop, we would not be likely to say so in the "Victorian". But so far we have been spared the embarrassment of paying insincere compliments, and we can say without any reservations that this year's production of "Lady Precious Stream" was a huge success. It was the most lively and colourful performance since "H.M.S. Pinafore", and in the opinion of many our best ever. "Lady Precious Stream", a vintage comedy of the 1930's, is an English version of a traditional Chinese piece, which the author, S. I. Hsiung, has said is "pretty old" and which has long been performed in different versions in the popular theatre in China.

A good deal of the comedy depends on the amusingly simple conventions of the Chinese theatre, which makes hardly any attempt at realism on the stage. The property men sit on-stage with their bits and pieces ready to be brought forward at the appropriate times. There are ritual movements about the stage and certain words and phrases are repeated individually or in chorus. Characters address themselves directly to the audience introducing themselves and bowing themselves off; and the audience are told to imagine what is not shown on the stage (for example the imaginary door which involves knocking on the air and having the knock as a sound-effect from behind). Then there are the comic symbolic representations of events and places. These were very popular with the Q.V.S. audience; notably Neil McLaughlin's mounting and dismounting of his imaginary horse and his gallops round the stage to represent a long ride, with the hoof-beats drummed from the back, the business with the arches that stood for mountain passes, the terrific efforts to lift a small table that represented a huge boulder, and the dropping of paper "snow" from bags at the front of the stage. That some of the boy audience did not quite see the point of these bits of comedy was indicated when one of the younger boys in the secondary school was heard to criticise the snow effect. He said they ought at least to have dropped it from above in some way so that you couldn't see the bags.

A first thought about the choice of "Lady Precious Stream" was that it might be too subtle and sophisticated for a school cast. But we soon saw how good the choice was. The more difficult acting was restricted to a few main parts and the supporting members of the cast found the formal recitation that their parts chiefly required well within their compass. They were helped too by the colour and movement that dominated the production. The costumes and make-up were superb, and the ritual movements, like the pitter-patter walk of the female characters and their shrugging gestures of respect, added life and vigour to the show—as did the dances in "H.M.S. Pinafore" a few years ago. A good joke too was made out of the western princess's efforts to copy the Chinese gesture.

A very successful innovation, or at least a variation from recent practice, was the introduction of

daughters of members of the staff to take the female roles. Some of these were already engaged in their own school drama, and to come to our rehearsals made big demands on their time. But they obviously enjoyed their parts, and we are most grateful to them for their big contribution to the success of the Q.V.S. play.

At this point, if we follow the usual practice, we come to the invidious task of giving credits to individuals. But except to say that Kenneth Owens was outstandingly good in his leading role of Prime Minister Wang Yun, we are not going to risk mentioning names from the cast. You can read the names below. They all deserve compliments. However in a production of such complexity, with a big cast and many on-stage at a time, we must say that it is the producer himself who has the biggest and most important task. There was judicious editing of dialogue, as well as a tremendous amount of detailed work in organising the complicated movements of characters on the stage. A special difficulty is to manage the change from movement to speech without pauses and to keep the whole action going smoothly. This job was excellently managed. There were none of the awkward moments, often found in school plays, when you find yourself waiting for somebody, and the audience begin to fidget and lose attention.

Finally a special word for Mrs Le Maistre and Miss Louise Le Maistre. The contribution of these ladies to school drama at Q.V.S. is not always properly recognised. An astonishing amount of work, in hectic conditions, and of expert skill, went into the make-up of the characters, especially this year when it was so elaborate, and Mrs and Miss Le Maistre must get a big share of the credit for the success of this and earlier productions.

Programme of the Play

<i>His Excellency, Wang Yun,</i>	
<i>the Prime Minister</i>	Kenneth Owens.
<i>Madam Wang, of the Chen</i>	
<i>Family, his Wife</i>	Jennifer Innes.
<i>Su, the Dragon General,</i>	
<i>their eldest Son-in-law</i>	Paul Docherty.
<i>Wei, the Tiger General, their</i>	
<i>second Son-in-law</i>	Alan Morrice.
<i>Golden Stream, their eldest</i>	
<i>Daughter, Su's Wife</i>	Irene Milne.
<i>Silver Stream, their second</i>	
<i>Daughter, Wei's Wife</i>	Catherine MacKenzie.
<i>Precious Stream, their third</i>	
<i>Daughter</i>	Jeanette Orr.
<i>Hsieh Ping-Kuei, their Gar-</i>	
<i>dener</i>	Neil McLaughlin.
<i>Maids</i>	Janet McLaine,
	Heather Williams.
<i>Attendants</i>	Duncan McDonald,
	Chas. Matheson.

<i>Suitors</i>	....	....	Richard Davies, David Kennedy, Michael McNaughton, Wm. McKerron.
<i>Soldiers</i>	....	....	Michael Anderson, Donald MacLean.
<i>Driver</i>	....	....	John Sayer.
<i>Her Royal Highness, the Princess of the Western Regions</i>	....	....	Ania Malkowska.
<i>Ma Ta</i>	} <i>Her A.D.C.'s</i>	....	Alastair Greig,
<i>Kiang Hai</i>		....	Alex. Ferguson.
<i>Her Maids</i>		....	Elizabeth Clarke, Elizabeth Jamieson.
<i>Western Attendants</i>	....	....	John Brown, Brian Murton.
<i>Mu, the White General</i>	....	....	Derek Pocock.
<i>Warden</i>	....	....	William McKerron.
<i>Wild Goose</i>	....	....	Philip Docherty.
<i>Executioner</i>	....	....	David Fingland.
<i>His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs</i>	....	....	Michael O'Connor.
<i>Property Men</i>	....	....	David Crombie, Michael McLaughlin.
<i>Honourable Reader</i>	....	....	John Lee.
<i>Very Honourable Prompter</i>	....	....	Ian Sneddon.

ACT I

- Scene I* The Garden of the Prime Minister on a
New Year's Day.
- Scene II* The same. The 2nd of February.

ACT II

- Scene I* The Cave of Hsieh Ping-Kuei, one month
later.
- Scene II* The same. Some months later.

INTERMISSION

ACT III

- Scene I* The Western Regions. Eighteen years
later.
- Scene II* The Cave. A short time later.

ACT IV

- Scene I* The Garden of the Prime Minister. The
next morning.
- Scene II* The Temporary Court of the King of the
Western Regions. The next day.

<i>Stage Manager</i>	....	....	P. Evans.
<i>Assistants</i>	....	....	A. S. Grey, R. Morrice.
<i>Wardrobe and Make-up</i>	....	....	M. F., M. L. Le Maistre, P. D. Bull.
<i>Properties</i>	....	....	Art and Woodwork Departments.
<i>Musical (?) Effects</i>	....	....	H. Grigor, G. Cunningham.

Costumes supplied by Wm. Mutrie & Son, Ltd.,
Edinburgh.

Produced by V. H. Le Maistre.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

President:—Lt. Colonel P. B. Clarke.

Chairman:—R. H. Newman.

Secretary:—D. T. Jagger.

Last term our number remained roughly constant, some members leaving for Drama, and others joining from the Choir. The session began with a sharp practice which involved everybody. It was rather disappointing, through lack of confidence, although a few members did show their ability to speak convincingly on a subject they knew nothing about.

Our first debate, "That this Society thinks that Britain should move closer to the U.S.A. as opposed to Europe" was a huge success. It was obvious that the main speakers had taken great trouble to prepare their speeches and several other speakers took a lively part in the proceedings. The motion was narrowly defeated by nine votes to seven, with two abstentions.

Our second debate, however, was a dismal affair, J. Willmott virtually conceding victory to A. King in his 45-second speech. The motion "That this Society thinks that the modern teenager expects too much to be done for him", was a subject of too limited scope and the debate will go down as one of the shortest in our minutes. The motion was defeated ignominiously by eleven votes to one, seven members abstaining.

After two postponements, Mr Orr and Mr Willman were at last able to appear as main speakers on the motion "That this Society thinks that General Practitioners should not be allowed to prescribe drugs". Yet again the phrasing of the motion was not precise enough and Mr Orr waged his argument on the fact that, by definition, drugs were simply, medicinal substances. Mr Willman failed to rally much support with his indictment of the Rolling Stones and the motion was defeated by ten votes to five, with three abstentions.

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

At the end of the second term of this year, the school's Photographic Society, to be frank, had almost hit the red. In an effort to improve our financial position, the committee members established the portraiture society, which comprised the experienced members we had. Our object was to encourage the many "handsome" boys of this institution to have their pictures taken, to send to their "numerous" girl friends. We started off with big ideas, producing examples of our work with different poses in great detail. There was a tremendous response. Unsuspected Casanovas came rushing to our secretary, and within a week we had enough orders to settle our accounts and a little extra to buy more equipment.

With the extra money, we bought a reversal developing kit, i.e. a kit which develops movie films. The first attempt was successful and we are now

trying to encourage movie-camera photography. We also tried to produce colour prints, but the cost of materials, just as in colour-film processing, prevented us from taking it up seriously.

In our efforts to increase our limited knowledge of photography, we attempted what is called Stroboscopic Photography. Briefly this is making a light flash on a moving object and photographing the object for several flashes. The effect was the object in several different positions on the same photograph. Unfortunately we did not have suitable equipment, nor the experience to make proper use of what we had. No doubt next year, with probably a more experienced club, some better results may be obtained.

As you will know, the official school photographs are produced professionally. We feel sure our attempts would be just as good and much cheaper, but as yet our efforts to monopolise school photographs have not been fruitful. However we still have Wavell House to fall back on. At that age boys are always eager to buy photographs of the winning house or team of some quite obscure competition.

This year one of our members, R. Long, entered for the Junior Photographer of the Year competition, run by the Photographic Information Council and was one of the prize winners in the Scottish Area.

In our own Portrait Competition R. Long was again successful, being awarded 1st place. D. Crombie was second.

To conclude, this has been a successful year. We are indebted to the various members of the Stirling Photographic Club who came to lecture to us on different aspects of photography and judge, as well as criticise, our competition entries.

K.L.R.

KINTAIL ADVENTURE CAMP 1967

I think it is true to say despite the moaning of various people throughout the camp the majority of the boys enjoyed themselves.

On the first day of the camp the mini-bus party went to see the impressive Falls of Glomach while waiting for the arrival of the hitch-hikers. The hitch-hikers found lifts so good that they met in Spean Bridge to camp the night out—a rash decision, for the idyllic-looking camping site was infested by midges which moved into the tents for the night.

Two days in the week we worked at the Morvich caravan site. The work consisted mainly of digging holes and using the stones to fill in other holes. At the mention of work several boys felt faint, and were seen to go green. It was worth doing the work just to watch them standing in the rain covered in gas-capes and leaning miserably against their picks. However we did manage to fit in a good amount of work.

The day chosen to climb the Five Sisters—the local mountains—was foul. We could not see the magnificent view for the mist and rain, and we had to shelter from hail three or four times. Light entertainment

was found by the discovery that gas-capes made excellent sledges for going down the deep pockets of frozen snow at the top of the Sisters.

On the Thursday, Mr Paterson decided that we should go a walk round the area. Meanwhile he was trekking from mini-bus to check points and back again. The distance he had to walk was much increased by our failure to find our way. He picked us up in the mini-bus after our circular tour of Ross and Cromarty. Twice during the day we went off the track and found ourselves on bad ground. The second time we had to climb along a thickly-wooded cliff hanging over the sea—which frightened the wits out of almost every member of the party at least once. One, who shall remain nameless, even fell down the cliff and landed face first in a bed of nettles which he found preferable to the long drop into the sea. If Mr Paterson had known what we had gone through, I do not think he would have been so lenient with us for going off the track.

The evenings were spent in fishing, playing darts, and filling in our log-books. I have been able to give only a brief account of the camp, but I know that I for one would go there again without hesitation, despite the rain that never stopped while we were there.

The Campers:—I. Fraser, T. Bonar, M. Long, A. D. Grey, S. W. Grant, R. Gill, I. Roe, S. Corrigan, G. Aitkenhead, D. Johnston, C. McHardy, K. Ross, B. White.

Mr Paterson again organised the camp. Some of the boys travelled by mini-bus while others were sent to make their own way by hitch-hiking.

T.A.B., V.

OPEN HOUSE

The school Art Master, Mr V. H. Le Maistre, holds the view that Art should not be a subject in which pupils wish merely to gain 'O' and 'H' grades. Of course, it is true that Art needs some natural ability, but Mr Le Maistre has tried, successfully, to stimulate an interest in art among the younger, and even some of the older, boys. Throughout the last two years his efforts have proved successful to such an extent that the art room has now become a form of open house. Boys who get permission from Mr Le Maistre at the beginning of each term to come into the Art Room may do so whenever they wish, outside school hours, to do the form of Art they are interested in. As a result the output of art has increased and improved tremendously.

During the Christmas and Easter terms for the last few years boys have been encouraged to take up Art as a hobby during hobby periods, after tea. These boys are helped by the more senior boys and by Mr Le Maistre himself, and as they grow older and more experienced they help the new recruits. Hence Mr Le Maistre has gained a continuous stream of boys who are interested in art as a hobby, for these boys pass the word and interest on.

Most of the boys are interested in pottery and clay modelling and have produced a great deal of novel work. Other boys continue out of school hours with work they have done during class time and have become interested in. Among the senior pupils there is some very interesting experimentation done, which improves every term. During school hours Mr Le Maistre has tried, with some success, to give pupils an interest in Art by stimulating conversations between boy and master on various topics, such as design of packaging or pop art.

I think that the art-room, which has proved to be a successful hobby room and stimulator of interest for many boys, should continue to remain an Open House. Any recruits?

C.A.L.

THE TUCKSHOP

(This article may be of interest to the school dentists.)

It is not generally realised how much confectionery is sold in the school tuckshop. Average weekly takings total £33, but at the start of term about £50 is spent in a week. If we allow for some sales to customers other than the schoolboys, this means that the average boy spends from 2/6d to 3/6 per week on sweets, according to the general state of pocket-money, which is obviously stronger in the early weeks of the term. From a survey, it was found that senior boys tend to buy the cheaper sweets, possibly because they can eat a small sweet in afternoon school without being caught, but no doubt also because they go in for quantity.

It was noted that by far the greatest demand was for "gob-stoppers", which sell as many as fifteen hundred a week, and the smallest demand for sweets which have increased in price. Before the increase from 7d to 8d, articles sold now at 8d used to sell at the rate of 40 each per week, but after the increase the number sold was reduced to 8 a week. It was noticed also that the boy who bought most sweets in the senior school was a sixth-year prefect. Nearly every day on which the tuckshop was open, he could be seen leaving it with a large bottle of lemonade in one hand and in his other a box containing a great variety of sweets. We could call him "The King of the Tuckshop".

A fact noticed in the survey was the speed with which everybody was served. We are grateful to Mr McLaine, the tuckshop manager, for it is not only for the few hours per week when the tuckshop is open that he works, but for many hours receiving deliveries, checking stock, and seeing that all the goods are well displayed.

D.F. / A.W.M.

THE PIPE BAND

After a quiet start to the school year, the Pipe Band is having one of its busiest terms for some time. The only performances we gave last term were our usual ones at Murrayfield, but already this term we have played at the B.L.E.S.M.A. Home in Crieff, for the A.C.F. National Sunday at Dunkeld, for Old Boys' Day here in the School, and at the Erskine Hospital for disabled ex-servicemen. Unfortunately, at Erskine, our main performance was rained off, and we could only send dancing teams, accompanied by solo pipers, to different wards of the Hospital.

Our remaining performances will be at Doune Castle, Callander, Edinburgh Castle, and as always, the Doune and Dunblane Agricultural Show. Also, we are playing in the World Pipe Band Championships at Oban on 24th June. We have recently joined the Scottish Pipe Band Association, and are at present competing in the third grade. For all the members of the Band and for Mr Mackenzie and Mr Morrison, this is the highlight of our year, and we are certainly taking steps to ensure a notable performance in the competition.

We are losing several of our eldest and most experienced pipers at the end of the term. They are Anthony King, Alan Brown, Ian Roe, and the Boy Pipe-Major, Ian Fraser. The drummers lose Robert Gill, the Boy Drum-Major, and Iain Smith, our bass drummer. However, I should like to mention that those departures will affect us only for a short time, for there are many junior boys who are good pipers and drummers, and, above all, who are very enthusiastic.

The following boys have played in the Band this year:

Pipers

I. Fraser (Pipe-Major), A. Brown, A. N. King, D. M. Fingland, G. Slater, J. Wood, I. H. C. Roe, A. J. M. Hill, A. N. MacDonald, C. Fraser, P. J. Gilchrist, A. J. Martin, I. A. Robertson, M. F. Greig, A. Robertson, A. N. Jeffrey, D. A. MacDonald, J. A. Will, J. G. Pryde, S. Grant, C. Martin, R. Weir, R. D. Cowie.

Drummers

Drum-Major—R. H. Gill.
Bass Drum—I. M. Smith.
Tenor Drum—I. Graham, W. K. McKerron, B. J. Goldie.
Leading Side Drum—J. A. Duncan.
Side Drum—B. R. Murton, J. Sayer, G. M. McNally, B. S. Knox, J. Buchanan, W. J. McMillan.

THE PIPE BAND AT OBAN

Since the report of its activities was composed the Band has competed very successfully in the "World's Pipe Band Championship" at Oban. In case anyone thinks we are exaggerating the successes, it should be explained that this title for the competition does not,

as it might suggest, mean that bands come from all over the world to compete at Oban. The competing bands are all from Scotland, but there are many of them.

Q.V.S. Band was allotted to grade 3, what might be called the third league or division of the competitions. In this grade our band came third, winning the Sinclair Mounted Horn awarded for third place. They also came first in marching and discipline in the Juvenile Competition and were awarded the trophy for the Best Juvenile Band.

The competitors for this last trophy were all the juvenile bands taking part in the competition, some of these being Grade 3 and some in Grade 4. Ours was the only school band, the other juvenile bands coming mainly from Boys' Brigade Companies. For school bands there is another competition in June, but it seems we are not eligible to compete in it since it is only for C.C.F. Bands, the Pipe Band being part of the Cadet Force in other schools.

After these explanations, we can still say that the Q.V.S. Band put up a fine performance at Oban. There were 22 Bands in Grade 3, nearly all composed of adults, and to take third place was a creditable feat. It was a long day for the boys—the Band themselves and the Highland Dancers who accompanied them as spectators. They were up at 6 a.m. and returned in triumph with their three trophies just before midnight. We congratulate Mr Mackenzie and Mr Morrison and all the Band on their success.

SCHOOL FOOD

The Q.V.S. menu has for the past two or three years roused admiration, envy, or despair in visitors to the school. With the generous ration scales and establishment of cooks, and a thoroughly well-organised kitchen, our boys—and staff—enjoy a range and quality of food, and a liberality in helpings and “seconds”, that few other boarding-schools, if any, could offer. And, if they get too fat, the kitchen-staff provide a special and very tempting diet for those put on it by the school doctors. There are several boys on this diet now; but the champion weight-loser cannot blame Q.V.S. food for fattening him, since he brought his top weight with him.

As a specimen, we are printing below a typical day's menu. We stress that this is by no means a special one. It happens to be what is on today, and would probably not be regarded by the boys as one of the best.

Monday, 26.6.67

MENU

Breakfast

Porridge and Milk.
Grilled Bacon, Sausage, Tomato.
Baked Beans.
Toast, Tea, Bread, Butter and Jam.

Lunch

Chicken Noodle Soup.
Fillet Haddock Caprice.
Mushroom Omelet.
Escalopes of Pork Napolitaine.
Curried Beef and Rice.
Minced Rump Steak and Croutons.
Grilled Entrecote Steak.
Roast Loin of Pork and Apple Rings.
Contre Fillet of Beef Chasseur.

Cold Buffet

Luncheon Meat, Corned Beef.
Roast Pork and Salad.
Buttered Cabbage and Bouquiterie of Vegetables.
Croquette and New Boiled Potatoes.
Jam Turnovers and Custard.
Gooseberry Sponge and Custard.
Caramel Cream and Pineapple.
Chocolate Creams and Fruit.

Tea

Ham and Egg Pie.
or
Toad in the Hole.
Spaghetti and Tomato Sauce.
Croquette Potatoes.
Tea, Bread, Margarine and Syrup.

Supper

Shortbread Biscuits. Tea or Milk.

DANCING

Dancing is flourishing in the school, under the enthusiastic guidance of Mr Mortimer. The boys are putting in a lot of work at hornpipes, jigs, and reels so that they will be able to perform a wide variety of dances. This term the dancing team has performed at the B.L.E.S.M.A. Home in Crieff, at Erskine Hospital, at Kinlockleven (under an arrangement by Mr Malkowski who formerly lived and worked there), at Doune, and at Callander, and a group of boys gave a performance at a ceilidh organised by Mr Vaughan Johnson in Dunblane.

The junior dancers are getting on well and have shown a great deal of interest, especially since Mr Mortimer started his own junior competitions. The first was held in May with these results:—*Highland Fling*: 1. W. T. Elliott, 2. M. Ferrigan, 3. M. Fogarty. *Best Argyll Broadsword team*: D. Burns, W. T. Elliott, M. Fogarty, S. Gilroy. The prizes were presented by Miss C. Mackenzie and the competition was judged by Mrs Mortimer.

The school Highland Dancing team is as follows: S. Corrigan (team leader), W. Crichton, I. Cruickshank, P. J. Docherty, A. S. Grey, N. Houston, A. Kirkwood, E. McKay, J. Robertson, J. Shannon, M. Sinclair, B. Webb, S. Young.

Annual Inspection

WEDNESDAY, 12th JULY, 1967, at 3.45 p.m.

Inspecting Officer:

AIR VICE-MARSHAL A. V. R. JOHNSTONE,

C.B., D.F.C.

Air Officer, Scotland and Northern Ireland

INSPECTION

The Parade is drawn up in line with Pipes and Drums in the rear. The Colours are marched on to the parade to School March "The Victorians". (*Spectators rise as the Colours are marched on.*)

The Inspecting Officer arrives and is conducted to the Saluting Base.

The Inspecting Officer is received with a "General Salute". (*Spectators rise for the Salute.*)

The Inspecting Officer inspects the Parade and returns to the Saluting Base.

MARCH PAST

The Parade moves off and forms Columns of Guards to the left of the Saluting Base. The Pipes and Drums play "The Earl of Mansfield".

The Guards march past in slow time to the tune "The Mist-Covered Mountains". (*Spectators rise as the Colours pass them.*)

The Parade reforms line to the tune of "The Barren Rocks of Aden", then advances in Review Order to "Scotland the Brave" and gives a General Salute. (*Spectators rise for Salute.*)

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES AND TROPHIES

The Parade forms three sides of a square and marches forward.

The Inspecting Officer addresses the Parade.

Mrs Johnstone, wife of the Inspecting Officer, presents non-academic prizes, medals, and trophies.

The Senior Monitor (D. T. Jagger) calls for Three Cheers for Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs Johnstone.

MARCH OFF

The Parade reforms line and marches off, headed by the Pipes and Drums playing "Highland Laddie". (*Spectators stand as Parade marches off with Colours.*)

Programme

(Tea will be served during this programme)

1. HIGHLAND DANCING: (Instructor, Mr J. Mortimer, Late K.O.S.B.).

Highland Fling
Sailor's Hornpipe
Argyllshire Broadsword

2. BEATING RETREAT: (Pipe-Major, Mr J. M. Mackenzie, Late Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.)

(Drum-Major, Mr A. K. W. Morrison, Late Scots Guards.)

Retreat Marches	....	....	....	....	....	Loch Maree
Slow March	....	....	....	....	....	Sunset
March	....	....	....	....	....	The Australian Ladies
Strathspey	....	....	....	....	....	The Braes of Tullymet
Reel	....	....	....	....	....	General Stewart of Garth
Marches	....	....	....	....	....	The Persevering Lover Bonnie Dundee
March Off	....	....	....	....	....	Scotland's Gallant Soldiers Highland Laddie

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Displays of work done by the boys are on exhibition in the Band Building, immediately behind the Enclosures.

As well as Highland dancing, Mr Mortimer also holds Scottish Country Dancing classes. In the summer these are held on Sunday evening. A number of girls from Dunblane and from the school area attend the classes. A great interest in Country Dancing has been created in the school. At present there are too many boys for the number of female partners.

At the end of last term, Mr Mortimer organised a very successful social evening in the play hall. Boys decorated the hall for the party, and they contributed towards a bouquet of flowers, which was presented to Mrs Mortimer, to show their appreciation of all she has done for them. Last term also five senior boys attended the Scottish Country Dancing club meetings at St. Mary's Church Hall each Friday night. These meetings have been discontinued for the summer, but will start again in September.

On behalf of all the dancers, I thank Mr and Mrs Mortimer for all the work they have put into teaching us and all the pleasure we have got from the dancing.

J.L.

SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY

It is Wednesday, September the 20th 1966, and I find myself entering once again the main doors of the Queen Victoria School, Dunblane.

I sign the visitor's book, and having been given permission to wander where I please, I find myself in the main hall. Old memories come flooding back, and I am once again a young boy of nine, feeling very nervous, and gazing in wonderment at the sword dancers practicing. It is the 5th of February, 1916, and my Father, who brought me here, has slipped quietly away.

I go into the Dining Hall and am shown the lances and tiger skins which adorn the pillars and walls, and the big picture depicting the Charge of the Scots Greys called "Scotland for Ever". I am put in charge of Col. Sgt. W. Scott of "C" Coy, receive my kit and am allotted a bed in the large dormitory, which later came to be known as "Clyde".

A boy named Fraser is put in charge of me—I do not sleep very much that night.

All new boys go to the Sewing Room each evening, where the stockings are in a large skip, and we are taught how to darn, using a large wooden mushroom. After a time when one has become fairly proficient, one can enter a trade, e.g. The Pipe Band, The Brass Band, Drummers, the Tailors Shop or the Cobblers Shop.

Parades are held every morning, and in the Summer, are before breakfast. On Sundays we have Church Parade, which is a most elaborate affair. Full dress, with the colour Sgt.'s looking magnificent figures in their plaids and with scarlet inset swords.

The colour Corporals stand against the school wall, proudly carrying the colours as the March Past takes place, each company dead in line marching one way

to the school March Past "Scotland the Brave" and returning to "Highland Laddie".

In the evening we all attend the school Chapel, where the service is taken by the bandmaster, who, every so often, distributes copies of a tract called "Scattered Seeds".

It is about this time that the Chapel organ is being built.

Saturdays are a most busy time; the morning being devoted to kit and medical inspection. Every item of kit is laid out on the springs of the bed to a predetermined order, the boy's boxes are tidy and left with the lids open, each boy stripped to the waist stands by his bed, and in one glance, the C.S.M. can tell if any item of the kit is missing.

The main event of the year is the Trooping of the Colours, which is held on the sports field.

Proud are the boys selected from each company as escort to the colours, although this entails weeks of practising the slow march until every boy is perfect, the marching and countermarching of all the bands to the strains of "Marching Through Georgia" being most effective, and although the first World War is still on, strawberries and cream are served for tea on this day.

In the distance a door slams and I am brought with a jolt back to the present day. The time has come to return home, but, even as I travel my way, memories still keep returning, such as the inspection by Lord Baden-Powell, and the school trip to Stirling to see the film—"Battle of the Somme".

Potatoes were grown on the front slope of the school, the boys being paid a penny per hour for digging up the potatoes.

Armistice Day—11th November, 1918, was a day of wild jubilation. The news was received while classes were in progress. All went to services in the afternoon at the Cathedral and at St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

How many old boys remember the playing on the cornet, of the evening Hymn—"Now the day is over" at supper time, the wearing of hospital blue with red tie if sent into hospital, buying an ice cake or doughnut from the baker's cart near the married quarters, or the occasion when each boy wore his Father's regimental badge, which were selected from a large sheet on the parade ground.

Gone now are the days when the Adjutant would pass sentence for serious "crimes", so many strokes of the tawse, the culprit bending over a chair in the dining hall or over a bed in the dormitories, the punishment being administered by the Drum-Major.

J.R.H. (499)

Ic RECOLLECTIONS

These two articles were written as examination essays by two boys in the first year of the Junior Secondary course. They seemed worth publication.

CAUGHT

When I was eight, before I came to Q.V.S., I was caught, with a few of my friends, playing in a private Works Yard.

My friends and I used to live in the same street as a man called Mr Sutherland who used to own a contractor's yard. While we were playing a game of football the ball was kicked over into the yard. Some of us went over looking for it and found lots of pipes big enough to get through. It was like a maze. We hurried back to get the rest of the boys and from then we made it our hide-out.

Every night we used to come there and play hide and seek or make a fire and read. Then one night we didn't go because we were on a trip, but boys much older than ourselves went in and smashed windows and started the trucks and did a lot of damage to the buildings.

The next night we went back to the yard as usual and played, but Mr Sutherland and some police-men were waiting for us. Everyone was caught except me because I was still on the wall and quickly ran away when the police appeared. The next day the police came to our door and questioned me and my friends. They were accusing us of the damage done a few days before, but we were saved by our mothers because they said we were on the trip at the time.

A few weeks later a policeman came and told our mothers that the boys who had done the damage had been caught breaking into a shop, and they had done a list of other offences.

After it was all over we never went there again, for we still got into trouble for going there in the first place.

J.S.R.

PETS I HAVE OWNED

When I lived at Folkestone there was a grassy field just outside our back garden. In the field there lay lids of army boxes, the ones the Army use for packing stuff in, sheets of corrugated iron and some dumped rubbish.

In the summer I used to play with my friends in the patches of long grass and catch butterflies and grasshoppers for some of the little children that played with my two little sisters. One of my hobbies then was catching mice, lizards, hedgehogs etc., and I used to go out and catch shrews and mice on Saturdays or in the holidays. When I had caught one, I would go home and put it in a tin bin with some hay and food in it.

I sent away to the R.S.P.C.A. for some information on how to keep pets such as these, and they sent me some sheets of paper on how to feed and look after them. I got information about hamsters, hedgehogs, budgies, pigeons and cats but nothing on mice. I tried to feed it on cheese, but it didn't seem to like it, so I looked up what hamsters ate and it said "Oats and other things"; so I went into the kitchen pantry and got some porridge oats and gave them to it, and

it ate them all right. Soon after it got away and I had no pet at all.

Later on in the year I was playing in the same field, and I put my foot in a hole. When I got it out I saw a big grey hedgehog. When I pulled the hedgehog out I saw five little baby ones at the back of the hole, all snug and cosy together. I took them all up to show my parents and then dug a hole in the garden and made it look like their old home and put them all in it. The next morning one had gone, and the next morning another was gone, and that went on until they had all gone.

At the end of last summer holidays on the last night I was looking out of my bedroom window when I heard a snorting noise coming from the back garden; so, being as curious as I am, I went to see what was making the noise. I put the kitchen light on and went into the garden with bare feet and a pair of pyjamas on, and found six hedgehogs sniffing around in the garden. I put them all in buckets with bits of wood on top so that they wouldn't get away but in the morning the buckets were over-turned and the hedgehogs were gone. At the time it happened my Mother was out and my Father was on a course. I don't think I can do things like that any more because I live in Germany now.

J.M.F.

WHAT ON EARTH?

I died on 27th April, 1945. All I can remember of my death is going to the Registrar's Office to obtain my Death Certificate. This is a very important document: if the authorities found me without this, they could claim that I had never existed, and tell me to go to Hell.

When we die, we have shrivelled bodies and white hair, and are very weak. Some of us die with disfigurements, but these heal as we become older. Through the years, we become stronger, our bodies healthier and our hair darker. Our life expectancy is about seventy years. After the age of fifty, we no longer have to shave, because hair no longer grows on our faces, and our faces become smoother. We grow smaller and smaller, and at about the age of sixty-five, we lose the power of intelligible speech, which we have from death. The really old people we call "babies". The younger people have to look after and feed the babies, because they can no longer look after themselves. The babies gradually become so weak, that they are born. When we are born, we become shapeless lumps of jelly, which decompose into the atmosphere.

According to our religion, which we call Shebanism, we go to a place called "Earth", after we are born. Many thousands of years ago, Sheban came to heaven and spread his gospel here. On earth, he told us, everyone hates their neighbour. Everyone on earth can experience the exhilaration of taking part in warfare, the filth and squalor of poverty, and the risk of

contracting disease. Here in heaven our life is a dull, boring existence compared with the interesting, exciting life led by those on earth.

Personally, I don't believe any of this because I fail to see how we can have any existence after birth. Our people believe in this because they hate to think that life finishes on their birth. The Shebanites, however, are always telling me that one day I will see reason and come down to earth, or else spend the rest of my days freezing in Hell.

J. LEE, V.

DON'T START SMOKING

A boy of 15 or 16 years. Richard Thomas Vaughan, the brainiest boy in the class. But rather easily led. Spoilt by his parents too. His parents are thinking, "Oh, my boy, Professor, Field Marshal or maybe Prime Minister". Soon he will achieve O grade, then Higher. A good sportsman and very healthy. Maybe he will be another Mohammed Ali, Billy Wright, Jim Clark, or even Kipchoge Keino. Never smokes or drinks. Only preparing for the big time. Still easily led away. Richard studies Philosophy, Geology, Dynamics every night. Very handsome too, loved by every girl in the town. Beau Geste you might say. But there is a turning-point. Less study and more enjoyment. No more trying hard at sports. Richard doesn't study anything at all. So confident. Starts going down to the milk-bar with the gang. "To hell with studying. I'm sick of it". They offer him a cigarette, then two, three, four, even more. He is buying his own now. Has a few drinks. More drinks, more cigarettes, more fights, no study. He is the terror of the town. The rogue and a high school drop-out. His parents commit suicide. Richard says, "Rest in peace". Now he works in the docks. All his career behind him. He is now a filthy labourer. But not the end. He needs money. Becomes desperate. Has to fight for it, rob for it. Fuzzface Higgins wanted for robbery, assault, attempted murder gets involved with him. "You want money. Plenty, if you join". Richard does not hesitate. Call him Dick now. It's tougher that way. He is led to Higgins. Introduced to everybody in the smoke-filled room. They sit round the table. Discussing plans for armed robbery at a bank in Newcastle. Over £92,000. Of the 15 in the gang Dick is the inexperienced one. His part is to drive the getaway lorry. Higgins hands Dick a revolver, only to use it in desperate situations. Dick knows when and where to use a gun. Very confident. The Day comes. Dick in the truck, while Higgins holds up the bank. Al Capone style. Knocks the bankers out with gas. Two weeks later they are caught. Dick kills some policemen. The rest are tried and sentenced to 30 years. Dick is sentenced to death. He screams all the way to the gallows.

A. ROBERTSON, 3A.

TABLE

We have in our possession, a table
that all who visit may see,
and for the most part acknowledge
as merely a table on which to
lay one's hat ;

I beg to differ.

On its light and reinforced frame
have been laid many a medal,
cup and certificate for sports-men,
swimmers, and in fact all
persons of distinction.

Now take note.

I wish to rename it THE PRIZE
GIVING TABLE so that all who pass
It, beside the front office, may beg
permission to touch ITS old,
yet honourable wood.

May I—good.

J.R.W., (V).

BABY-SITTING

Mrs Brown has a baby, Lance,
But Mrs Brown wants to go the dance.
I knew she would,
I thought she might.
She wants me to baby-sit tonight.

The time grows near.
I fill with fear.
It is now eight o'clock.
On the door I knock.
"Oh, do come in. We are having tea.
Sit on that chair and watch T.V."

The Browns have gone.
The house is still.
Then I hear the most frightening shrill.
Baby's got a pain in his belly.
Now I've to let him watch the telly.

He begins to cry.
Continues to cry.
Why?
He wants the other channel,
Dr Y.

The Browns come back.
I am paid half-a-crown.
Not much for being nurse-maid for Baby Brown.

D. COCKBURN, P. 7A.

TRADES

In Trades you have a choice of three:
 Fairyfeet or Haggis-bashers or Matchstickmen like
 me.

Drumming is best it's plain to see,
 But Fairyfeet and Haggis-bashers take no notice of
 me.

Piping is a horrible screeching noise,
 A foreign pursuit for little boys.

Dancing is far too much work for me,
 Because I am too heavy, you see.

Being a matchstickman I am happy and gay,
 Banging about on desks all day.

M. J. DOLAN, P. 6A.

THE NEWCOMERS

Not last term
 But the term before
 A lot of new boys came to the door.
 Some were big and some were small.
 They had all passed tests in the school play-hall.
 Scared and jittery,
 Nervous and fidgety,
 Leaving their mums and dads at home.
 New life ahead,
 Locker and bed,
 Chair and clothes,
 Sunday cinema shows.
 History, English, Arithmetic, Trades,
 A load of exams to decide their grades.
 Ready for bed at half-past eight
 Better not be late.
 Tea at a quarter-to-five,
 Better not to skive.
 Choir practice at ten past six,
 Better be there or you're in a fix.
 Queuing for the "tucky"
 Going to Wavell Wood and coming back mucky.
 These are the things they'll learn to do,
 When, like me, they've been here a term or two.

T. GEMMILL, P. 6A.

3A WISHES

Members were asked by a correspondent to say
 what they most wished for. The answers were re-
 corded as follows. We do not guarantee the accuracy
 of the report or the honesty of the answers.

To climb Mount Everest.
 Instant supplies of money.
 Communism in Britain.
 The extermination of the Welsh.

No school.
 A beautiful girl.
 A big vat of beer.
 A big sausage.
 A motor-bike to be tough with.
 To be twenty-one.
 To be free.
 No laws at school or anywhere.
 A rocket.
 To be a girl.
 To have a treble voice.
 To be a father.
 A ten-foot girl-friend.
 £30-worth of lobsters.
 A thousand pomegranates.
 To stop reading books.

(There seems to be some material here for a
 psycho-analyst.)

ARMY CADET FORCE

Certificate A Examination Results—May, 1967
 (in order of merit)

Part I

A. Jeffrey, D. MacDonald, S. Powell, P. Docherty,
 N. Houston, A. MacDonald, G. A. McNally, R.
 Murdoch (all credit), I. Burgess, J. Shannon, R. West,
 J. Barnes, C. Brown, J. Creighton, I. Robertson, P.
 Brown, P. Cooper, R. Gilchrist, M. Greig, J. Harte,
 C. Hynd, A. Martin, I. Playle, M. Sinclair, B. White,
 J. Buchanan, D. Crookston, I. Cruickshank, M.
 Findlay, R. Kent, C. McHardy, B. Murton, A.
 Robertson (3A), A. Robertson (2B), J. Sayer, G.
 Sheret, J. Will, W. Barbour, A. Ferguson, B. Knox,
 C. Matheson, D. Pocock, S. Corrigan, A. Hill, T.
 Coyle, L. Strachan.

Part II

R. Grant (credit), M. Wood, D. Wrenn, J. Duncan,
 J. Campbell, A. Grey, A. Crawford, G. Aitkenhead,
 J. Allan, J. Corrigan, K. Robinson, C. J. Robinson,
 R. Davies, M. McLaughlin, M. McNaughton, K.
 Bowlit, N. Byres, A. Kirkwood, D. Crombie, B.
 Sutherland, P. Docherty, R. Long, R. Morrice, S.
 Pope, S. Munro, J. Weir, D. Johnston, R. Freeman,
 J. Kelt, D. MacLean, J. Hossack, K. Ross.

A.C.F. ATHLETICS

The A.C.F. Scottish Command Athletic Champion-
 ships were held at Redford Stadium in June. The
 School A.C.F. Athletic Team, as usual, represented
 Perth County Battalion, A.C.F. We were second in
 Class A (14-15 years) and won Class B (15-17 years)
 and Class C (17-19 years).

Queen Victoria School placings—*Class A*

100 yards—B. Murton, 3rd.
 220 yards—P Cooper, 4th.
 440 yards—N. Houston, 3rd.
 880 yards—A. Ferguson, 2nd.
 High Jump—A. Hill, 1st; J. Buchanan, 3rd.
 Long Jump—B. Murton, 1st; A. Martin, 3rd.
 Relay Team—2nd (B. Murton, A. Hill, P. Cooper, N. Houston).

Class B

100 yards—S. W. Grant, 1st; M. Wood, 3rd.
 220 yards—S. W. Grant, 1st; M. Wood, 3rd.
 440 yards—G. Cunningham, 1st.
 880 yards—A. Greig, 2nd.
 1 mile—A. Greig, 1st; K. Robinson, 3rd.
 Javelin—G. M. Anderson, 1st; J. Campbell, 2nd.
 Discus—W. McKerron, 1st; M. McNaughton, 3rd.
 Shot—W. McKerron, 1st; A. D. Grey, 4th.
 High Jump—R. Morrice, 1st; R. Grant, 3rd.
 Long Jump—R. Morrice, 2nd; R. Grant, 3rd.
 Relay Team—1st (G. Cunningham, S. Grant, R. Grant, M. Wood).

Class C

100 yards—J. Wood, 1st; J. Willmott, 2nd.
 220 yards—J. Wood, 2nd.
 440 yards—J. S. Grigor, 2nd; C. McLaughlin, 4th.
 880 yards—M. O'Connor, 1st; J. Willmott, 2nd.
 1 mile—D. T. Jagger, 1st.
 Javelin—C. McLaughlin, 2nd; T. Bonar, 3rd.
 Discus—C. Lannen, 3rd.
 Shot—R. Newman, 1st; C. Lannen, 2nd.
 High Jump—R. Newman, 2nd; R. Morrice, 3rd.
 Long Jump—A. Morrice, 1st; T. Bonar, 3rd.
 Relay Team—1st (J. Willmott, R. Newman, J. Wood, A. Morrice.)

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Activity for the award is now nearing its climax. The Rescue and Public Service section was completed before Easter with a First Aid test for the Bronze series, and Royal Life-Saving Society tests for the Silver and Gold series. The Pursuits and Projects section will be completed—successfully or otherwise—before the summer holiday, and the Expedition section will be done at the A.C.F. Camp.

Fifteen candidates attended an Expedition course at Cultybraggan Camp in the Easter Holiday; six for the Gold series and nine for the Silver series. Eight of the Silver candidates passed. They were:—G. Aitkenhead, R. Davies, R. Grant, D. Kennedy, A. G. MacKenzie, S. Pope, K. L. Robinson, and J. Weir. The ninth candidate's feet gave out on him, and he failed. All the Gold candidates failed, through an error in map-reading and direction-finding.

Four candidates have now completed all sections of the Silver series and are being recommended for the Award. These are:—G. Aitkenhead, D. MacIver, S. Pope, and I. D. Sneddon.

THE RELAY BATON MEETING

This annual sports meeting was held in June. Apart from being a pleasant occasion which brings in visiting parties from other well-known schools and lets us see some fine schoolboy athletes in action, it is also a useful rehearsal for those who go on very soon afterwards to compete in the Scottish Schoolboys Meeting. This, alas does not apply to Q.V.S., for it is some time since we have had boys here who could acquit themselves with credit in open competition from all over Scotland. This year the few boys who had been considered as entrants for the national meeting decided quite wisely that there was little point in going to compete in events in which they would be outclassed. This fact was brought home to them by the performances that they saw in the Relay Baton Meeting. Some of them went as spectators instead. It was also obvious that those boy athletes who were winning or getting places in the Relay Baton events had been doing practice and training of much greater intensity than is usually found here. Dunfermline High School were this year's winners, regaining the baton from Glenalmond after some years. Queen Victoria School occupied what has for some time past been its normal position; but some of our competitors got places, though none actually won an event. There was a specially gallant effort by D. Jagger in the mile. He went out ahead for the first half-mile and held on for 3rd place in a race of curious lap-times—2 minutes 25 at the half-mile and just over 4 minutes 40 at the end. Jagger's time was 4 minutes 53.4 seconds which is well inside the existing record for our school mile.

Q.V.S. PLACINGS—**Class 17-19 years**

High Jump—R. Newman, 3rd, 5 feet.
 Javelin—C. Lannen, 3rd, 134 feet 10½ inches.
 Long Jump—A. Morrice, 3rd, 18 feet 11 inches.
 Mile—D. Jagger, 3rd.

Class 15-17 years

Long Jump—W. McKerron, 3rd, 17 feet 9 inches.
 Discus—W. McKerron, 4th, 123 feet 3 inches.
 High Jump—J. Wood, 2nd, 5 feet 3 inches.
 440 yards—G. Cunningham, 4th.

Class 13-15 years

Long Jump—B. Murton, 4th, 15 feet 7 inches.

SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS—MARCH 1967*Junior Section*

2 lengths Breast Stroke—1. D. Barnes (C), 2. R. MacVicar (T), 3. C. Langton (T).

2 lengths Back Stroke—1. R. Weir (C), 2. J. Wrenn (T), 3. G. Allan (H).

2 lengths Free Style—1. R. Weir (C), 2. G. Allan (H), 3. (equal) J. Wrenn (T) and R. MacVicar (T).

3 lengths Medley—1. J. Wrenn (T), 2. G. Allan (H), 3. R. Weir (C).

Under Water Swimming—1. J. Wrenn (T), 2. S. Grant (C), 3. C. Langton (T).

Section Winner—J. Wrenn (T)—8½ points.

Runner-up—R. Weir (C)—7 points.

Senior Section

2 lengths Breast Stroke—1. R. Grant (T), 2. R. Stevenson (H), 3. J. Allan (H).

2 lengths Back Stroke—1. J. Allan (H), 2. D. Wrenn (T), 3. A. Martin (C).

4 lengths Free Style—1. D. Wrenn (T), 2. R. Stevenson (H), 3. R. Grant (T).

3 lengths Medley—1. J. Allan (H), 2. S. Powell (T), 3. R. Grant (T).

Under Water Swimming—1. D. Wrenn (T), 2. A. S. Grey (T), 3. C. Fraser (H).

Section Winner—D. Wrenn (T)—8 points.

Runner-up—J. Allan (H)—7 points.



Open Section

4 lengths Breast Stroke—1. D. Langlands (H), 2. G. Slater (C), 3. J. Lee (C).

2 lengths Back Stroke—1. J. S. Grigor (C), 2. D. Langlands (H), 3. G. Neill (T).

4 lengths Free Style—1. J. S. Grigor (C), 2. (equal) G. Neill (T) and P. Evans (T).

3 lengths Medley—1. D. Langlands (H), 2. J. S. Grigor (C), 3. G. Cunningham (C).

Under Water Swimming—1. (equal) P. Evans (T) and C. McLaughlin (C), 3. G. Slater (C).

Section Winner—J. S. Grigor (C)—8 points.

Runner-up—D. Langlands (H)—8 points.

Relay Races

Junior 4 × 1 length Free Style—1. Trenchard, 2. Haig 3. Cunningham.

Senior 4 × 1 length Free Style—1. Haig, 2. Trenchard, 3. Cunningham.

Open 4 × 1 length Free Style—1. Trenchard, 2. Haig, 3. Cunningham.

Junior 3 × 1 length Medley—1. Cunningham, 2. Trenchard, 3. Haig.

Senior 3 × 1 length Medley—1. Haig, 2. Trenchard, 3. Cunningham.

Open 4 × 1 length Medley—1. Cunningham, 2. Haig, 3. Trenchard.

Mass 12 × 1 length Free Style—1. Haig, 2. Trenchard, 3. Cunningham.

House Championship

1. Trenchard (81½ points), 2. Haig (73 points), 3. Cunningham (61½ points).

LIFE SAVING AND PERSONAL SURVIVAL

We publish below the names of the boys who have gained awards since the "Victorian" was published.

Royal Life Saving Society Awards

Intermediate Certificate

R. K. Holmes, M. D. Fogarty, C. Murray, G. M. Sheret, A. J. Piercy, J. A. Harrison, N. R. Menzies, C. Hynd, S. Langlands, D. I. T. Brown, S. J. Powell, G. A. McNally, A. Robertson (3A), R. Barbour, A. J. Pocock.

Bronze Medallion

K. R. Lawrence, S. Corrigan, J. G. Wrenn, A. J. Pocock, W. K. McKerron, D. McIver, B. White, I. D. Sneddon, J. W. S. Brown, D. J. Barnes, S. Grant, G. S. Bruce, W. Crichton, G. A. Allan, C. A. Willmott, S. Pope, R. MacVicar, A. N. MacDonald, R. Weir, D. R. Crookston, D. W. Parker.

Bar to Bronze Medallion

G. C. Aitkenhead.

Bronze Cross

A. J. Kirkwood, R. J. Davies, M. W. Findlay, D. J. Pocock, R. A. M. West.

Scholar Instructor's Certificate

G. C. Aitkenhead, J. Weir, R. A. M. West.

Instructor's Certificate

S. M. Powell, G. Slater, J. Lee, S. W. Grant, G. F. Hill.

Awards of Merit

S. M. Powell, K. L. Robinson, R. Grant, S. W. Grant, D. Wrenn, J. Weir, I. H. C. Roe, G. F. Hill.

Distinction Award

C. A. Lannen.

PERSONAL SURVIVAL

Awards of the Amateur Swimming Association

Bronze Awards

CUNNINGHAM—D. J. Barnes, A. J. Burns, A. T. Carmichael, P. B. Cooper, W. Crichton, M. C. Duckett, M. Findlay, M. F. Greig, R. F. Howarth, W. J. McMillan, C. R. Matheson, T. Nicol, G. M. Sheret, R. Weir, B. White, C. A. Willmott, D. West.

HAIG—K. S. Bowlt, J. R. Campbell, A. E. Cobb, A. Crawford, I. F. Crawford, J. R. Creighton, P. J. Gilchrist, B. J. Goldie, J. R. Hossack, N. F. Houston, G. E. W. Kent, R. J. Kent, E. S. McKay, S. A. Nicolson, J. S. Robertson, J. H. Shannon, M. P. Sinclair, S. D. Young.

TRENCHARD—D. R. Crookston, R. D. Cowie, P. J. Docherty, J. M. Fleming, A. Jeffrey, B. S. Knox, C. W. Langton, N. C. MacKinnon, I. Matthews, R. MacVicar, R. Myles, A. J. Pocock, A. Robertson, P. B. Sherwood, J. Sayer, B. Webb.

Silver Awards

CUNNINGHAM—D. J. Barnes, P. B. Cooper, W. Crichton, M. C. Duckett, M. Findlay, M. F. Greig, R. F. Howarth, D. A. MacDonald, R. Weir, B. White.

HAIG—A. E. Cobb, C. Fraser, B. J. Goldie, N. F. Houston, G. E. W. Kent, R. J. Kent, E. S. McKay, D. J. Moss, S. A. Nicolson, I. A. Robertson, J. S. Robertson, J. H. Shannon, G. C. Stevenson, S. D. Young.

TRENCHARD—D. R. Crookston, J. M. Fleming, C. W. Langton, R. MacVicar, A. J. Pocock, A. Robertson, B. Webb.

SHOOTING

From its start with occasional postal matches against other schools, the school shooting team has progressed to regular competition in a Perthshire league. We joined the Perthshire Small-Bore Rifle Association last November and since then have been competing in the Perthshire Small-Bore Postal League, 7th Division. Considering our lack of experience, the school team has done well to finish 5th of 10 clubs. Of the sixteen matches held, we won 10 and lost 6. Our thanks are due particularly to Captain Walker who has organised shooting and put it on the map as a regular and representative sport, also to Major Wilson, R.S.M. Lowdon and Mr Mortimer for their work in coaching the marksmen. Those who have shot for the school are, G. M. Anderson, J. R. Campbell, J. Corrigan, D. M. Johnston, D. MacIver, C. McLaughlin, J. Allan, and D. Wrenn. Also, in June, McLaughlin, MacIver, and Anderson took part in the Scottish Small-Bore Rifle Association's open meeting at Perth. Although not among the prize-

winners, the boys returned very creditable scores considering this was the first time we had participated in such a competition. Practice for it was difficult since we have no open range. However two evenings at Whitestone helped considerably. Perhaps next year we can start earlier and achieve more success.

Tabulated below are the results of the inter-house shooting competition. In addition to this there was a 1st year Secondary Shooting Competition for prizes given by R.S.M. Lowdon. The winner was G. Allan with—a possible—80, C. G. Robinson was second with 66, and M. Binks third with 62.

One fact which may puzzle readers is that the two boys who were first and second in the individual competition which goes along with the inter-house event are not members of the school shooting team. The team is chosen from boys who have elected to take up shooting as a regular activity, and there may well be better marksmen who have not adopted shooting because they have other activities which they prefer to follow in the periods available for hobbies.

	1st Card	2nd Card	Indi- vidual Total	House Total
CUNNINGHAM				
1. McLaughlin	85	90	175	
2. Gill	86	84	170	
3. Willmott	93	90	183	
4. Anderson	87	65	152	
Totals	351	329	680	680

HAIG				
1. Bonar	87	89	176	
2. Allan	87	75	162	
3. Campbell	70	56	126	
4. Wood	82	61	143	
Totals	326	281	607	607

TRENCHARD				
1. Newman	84	61	145	
2. Morrice	80	84	164	
3. MacIver	66	81	147	
4. Wrenn	82	75	157	
Totals	312	301	613	613

HOUSE COMPETITION—

1. Cunningham—680 points.
2. Trenchard—613 points.
3. Haig—607 points.

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION—

1. J. Willmott—183 points.
2. T. Bonar—176 points.
3. C. McLaughlin—175 points.

SQUASH

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION RESULTS

		Haig v. Cunningham									
		H	C	H	C	H	C	H	C	H	C
Haig	Cunningham	1st Game	2nd Game	3rd Game	4th Game	5th Game					
1. G. Fox	v. D. Jagger	5 9	6 9	9 6	1 9	— —					
2. G. McManus	v. C. McLaughlin	9 6	9 4	3 9	10 8	— —					
3. K. Robinson	v. J. Willmott	9 6	9 4	9 7	— —	— —					
4. I. Roe	v. M. O'Connor	9 5	9 6	9 7	— —	— —					
5. S. Pope	v. R. Davies	0 9	7 9	0 9	— —	— —					

Result: Haig 3, Cunningham 2.

		Cunningham v. Trenchard									
		C	T	C	T	C	T	C	T	C	T
Cunningham	Trenchard	1st Game	2nd Game	3rd Game	4th Game	5th Game					
1. D. Jagger	v. P. Evans	9 10	9 3	8 10	9 3	8 10					
2. C. McLaughlin	v. I. Sneddon	2 9	10 8	9 2	9 1	— —					
3. J. Willmott	v. R. Newman	1 9	9 0	9 2	9 6	— —					
4. M. O'Connor	v. D. Johnston	9 4	9 0	9 6	— —	— —					
5. R. Davies	v. R. Grant	9 4	9 3	9 1	— —	— —					

Result: Cunningham 4, Trenchard 1.

		Trenchard v. Haig									
		T	H	T	H	T	H	T	H	T	H
Trenchard	Haig	1st Game	2nd Game	3rd Game	4th Game	5th Game					
1. P. Evans	v. G. Fox	5 9	9 3	9 2	9 3	— —					
2. I. Sneddon	v. G. McManus	3 9	1 9	0 9	— —	— —					
3. R. Newman	v. K. Robinson	9 7	5 9	4 9	2 9	— —					
4. D. Johnston	v. I. Roe	2 9	9 7	6 9	6 9	— —					
5. R. Grant	v. R. Stevenson	9 5	6 9	5 9	9 4	5 9					

Result: Haig 4, Trenchard 1.

House Placings: 1st Haig; 2nd Cunningham; 3rd Trenchard.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

This form of sport remains unpopular with many because it is the exercise we fall back on when the field is unfit for normal games—as it is for most of the average Easter term. However, there was some good determined running in the inter-house competition held early in the summer term. The Kinbuck-Ashfield course on the other side of the Perth road has been abandoned this year, and runs have been round the school grounds. The treble loop for seniors and double for juniors are probably more testing than the outside run, for they include hard uphill stretches. The junior run is something between two and three miles in length, and the senior between three and four. The chief feature this year was the sweeping victory of Cunningham House in the senior race. They had 16 in the first 28, and their 8th and final scoring man was 14th.

Inter-House Races

(First 8 in each House counting)

Junior Race

1. A. Ferguson (T), 2. J. Robertson (H), 3. T. Goldie (H), 4. M. Sinclair (H), 5. D. Moss (H), 6. S. Grant (C), 7. B. Murton (C), 8. R. C. Murdoch (T), 9. J. Sayer (T), 10. G. Kent (H), 11. E. McKay (H),

12. B. Goldie (H), 13. P. Cooper (C), 14. D. Crookston (T), 15. K. Lawrence (H), 16. M. Greig (C), 17. J. Brown (C), 18. G. Sheret (C), 19. D. West (C), 20. C. G. Robinson (H), 21. B. Webb (T), 22. C. Langton (T), 23. N. Houston (H), 24. J. Pryde (C), 25. N. McMurdo (H), 26. R. Howarth (C), 27. C. Martin (C), 28. A. Burns (C), 19. I. Robertson (H), 30. I. Cruickshank (C), 31. M. Duckett (C), 32. B. Hamilton (C), 33. W. Barbour (C), 34. M. Finlay (C), 35. A. Robertson (H), 36. P. J. Docherty (T).

Winner's Time:—13 minutes 20 seconds.

House placings:—1. Haig—62 points; 2. Cunningham—120 points; 3. Trenchard—137 points.

The first twelve boys gained standard points for their Houses.

Senior Race

1. A. Greig (C), 2. D. Jagger (C), 3. G. Cunningham (C), 4. K. Robinson (H), 5. D. MacInnes (H), 6. R. Davies (C), 7. J. S. Grigor (C), 8. P. Evans (T), 9. M. O'Connor (C), 10. I. Sneddon (T), 11. C. McLaughlin (C), 12. J. Campbell (H), 13. A. S. Grey (T), 14. M. McLaughlin (C), 15. A. Brown (H), 16. G. Fox (H), 17. N. Byres (C), 18. A. Mackenzie (C), 19. C. Lannen (H), 20. C. Matheson (C), 21. G. Neill (T), 22. K. Owens (C), 23. P. F. Docherty (T), 24. M. McNaughton (H), 25. G. Hill (C), 26. J. Lee (C), 27. J. Willmott

(C), 28. M. Wood (C), 29. J. Moore (T), 30. J. Wood (H), 31. D. MacLean (H), 32. R. Long (H), 33. I. Fraser (H), 34. D. Wrenn (T), 35. I. Roe (H), 36. J. Learmonth (T).

Winner's Time:—21 minutes 6 seconds.

House placings:—1. Cunningham—53 points; 2. Haig—125 points; 3. Trenchard—174 points.

In this race also the first twelve gained standard points.

Points for House Championship

	Junior Race	Senior Race	Total
Cunningham	2	6	8
Haig	3	4	7
Trenchard	1	2	3

RUGBY FOOTBALL—1st XV

We had a reasonable second term of Rugby. Out of only four games, we won two and lost two. The first game was against Trinity College, Glenalmond, who drew with us 6-6 on our first meeting. With



little practice, and little enthusiasm for this match, we didn't know what to expect. But against a well-trained, well-disciplined side, as a Glenalmond team always is, we played good attacking rugby and won 6-0. Everybody was happy. The second game was against Rannoch, who ran all over us in our first game, beating us 22-0. They have a wide

pitch, and they use their very fast wingers on it to their advantage. As our pitch is not so wide, they were more confined and they narrowly beat us 10-8. If we had played with more confidence, instead of expecting defeat, we might not have been so surprised when we got on top, and perhaps wouldn't have learned too late that we could beat the opposition.

It was the same against Stirling High who beat us 9-3. The third game was a welcome 19-3 against Junior Trades Regiment, Troon. The games against them are always enjoyable. We have always beaten them, but they do seem to bring the best out of us. The last game was a depressing affair against Alloa, who beat us 11-3. The Stirling seven-a-side tournament was disappointing too. We were beaten 15-0 on the first game by Stirling High.

So we started the season poorly and finished poorly, playing some good rugby in between. Of thirteen games, we won five, lost seven, and drew one. There were games we ought to have won but didn't. In that respect, it was a frustrating season. But we had a good team which often played good rugby.

In the matches, it was more of a team effort than individual efforts. Six people got their colours and with those who got theirs last year, there were twelve colours altogether.

Team:—G. Cunningham, C. McLaughlin, G. Neill, T. Bonar, J. Wood, R. Newman (Captain), P. Evans, D. Fingland, I. Fraser, J. Moore, C. Lannen, J. Willmott, A. Morrice, I. Smith (Vice-Captain), D. MacInnes.

Also played:—K. Robinson, I. Roe, D. MacIver.

New Colours:—P. Evans, G. Cunningham, D. MacInnes, D. Fingland, J. Willmott, C. Lannen.

Old Colours:—R. Newman, I. Smith, A. Morrice, I. Fraser, C. McLaughlin, T. Bonar.

We have no reports of other XV's because there were few chances for Rugby, and particularly vile weather for days on which fixtures were due. In the Inter-House Sevens the senior teams finished all equal, each beating one side and losing to the house team which that side beat. So the House order was the order of the Junior Sevens:—1. Cunningham, 2. Haig, 3. Trenchard.

R.H.N.

COMPETITIONS IN PIPING, DRUMMING, BUGLING, AND HIGHLAND DANCING

The "Trades" competitions, as they are still called, were held in June. The judges were:—

Piping—Mr Angus McKillop, and Sgt. Slattery (Scots Guards).

Drumming and Bugling—Drum-Major Abathall (Scots Guards).

Highland Dancing—Mr L. Georgeson.

The award for "best piper" again went to a new winner. Angus MacDonald won it narrowly from Andrew Hill. Nobody in recent years has managed to get the award twice. There are three ex-winners still in the school: I. Fraser, G. Fox, and A. Hill. The awards for best pipers in Class A and Class B went to the brothers, Angus and Allan MacDonald.

Piping

Class A Slow March: 1. A. Hill, 2. A. N. MacDonald, 3. A. King.

March: 1. A. N. MacDonald, 2. A. Hill, 3. J. Wood.

Class B Slow March: 1. P. Gilchrist, 2. J. Pryde, 3. A. Robertson (IIB).

March: 1. A. Martin, 2. J. Pryde, 3. C. Fraser.

Class C March: A. A. MacDonald.

Slow March: A. A. MacDonald.

Open Strathspey and Reel: 1. A. N. MacDonald, 2. A. Hill, 3. J. Wood.

Cup for Best Piper: A. N. MacDonald.

Class B Best Piper: J. Pryde.

Class C Best Piper (Chanter): A. A. MacDonald.

Drumming and Bugling

Senior Drumming: J. A. Duncan.
 Tenor Drumming: I. Graham.
 Senior Bugling: B. R. Murton.
 Junior Drumming: P. Sayer.
 Junior Bugling: P. Sayer.
 Cup for best Drummer and Bugler: I. Graham.
 Best Junior Drummer and Bugler: P. Sayer.

Highland Dancing

Class A Sword Dance: J. S. Grigor.
 Highland Fling: B. Webb.
Class B Sword Dance: K. T. Ross.
 Highland Fling: K. T. Ross.
 Cup for best Highland Dancer: J. S. Grigor.
 Best junior dancer: K. T. Ross.
 Junior Dancing—best progress: G. R. Bowden.
 House Dancing Shield: Cunningham House.
 Winning House Team (Shaw Stewart Medals): J. S. Grigor, J. Lee, I. D. Cruickshank, W. Crichton.

WAVELL HOUSE SPORT**Football****West Perthshire Primary League**

Because of bad weather the fixtures of the League could not be completed but at the end of the season it was obvious that the two outstanding teams of the competition were Q.V.S. 'A' and St. Ninians 'A'.



Both teams had the same record: played 12, won 10, drawn 1 and lost 1, with the points total of 21 and so it was decided that the Championship Shield should be held for six months by each team. Throughout the season the 'A' team has played football of an extremely high standard.

Our 'B' team managed to play 13 games of which 4 were won and 1 drawn for a points total of 9. The team members enjoyed their games even though some of the stronger players were needed to replace members of the 'A' team who were absent through illness or injury.

'A' Team players:

T. Cassels	K. Walker
K. Shepherd	G. McNally
K. Ross (Captain)	D. Darling
D. Todd	J. Gemmill
G. Glass	R. McMurdo
D. Burns	D. Barr

'B' Team players:

R. Barbour	D. Coleman
A. Menzies	S. Langlands
D. Copland	M. Stear (Captain)
E. Cuthbert	T. Wilson
G. Black	G. Bowden
G. Doyle	M. Ferrigan
M. Haston	

Inter-Dormitory Competition

Each dormitory provided a Major and a Minor team and the games were played with great enthusiasm in the warm weather. The standard of play was extremely high and the games played at such a furious pace that members of all teams were exhausted when the competition was completed. The result was that Moore won the trophy again, with Abercromby second and Lynedoch third.

Cross Country Running

Our annual match against St. Ninians was this year run on a "home and away" basis. The first meeting was at Gartmore and the races were run in very wintry conditions. The Major race was first to take place and was won by our team at a very brisk pace. Next it was the turn of the Minors to brave the ice and snow. The weather conditions had, unknown to the organisers, driven the markers from their posts. Just after the start of the second race there was a heavy snow storm and both teams lost their way in the woods. After a suitable time had elapsed and no one had arrived at the winning post, rescue operations began. According to our man on the spot, Mr Bruce, the team was scattered all over Perthshire and surrounding counties. Four of our Minors did very well, they ended their wanderings being entertained to tea and buns by the local Mothers' Union in a plush hotel a few miles off course. In the end all the runners returned to school telling exaggerated stories of their exploits.

In the return fixture at Q.V.S. everything went according to plan with the markers unable to leave their posts as they were planted in ankle deep mud. Again the Major team had a comfortable win but the Minors, although they all ran very well, were beaten by the visiting team.

Major Team:

K. Ross (Captain)	G. Bowden
G. Glass	S. Powell
D. Coleman	S. Langlands
T. Armstrong	L. Ruderham
T. Wilson	I. Myles
J. White	T. Cassells

Minor Team:

G. Doyle (Captain)	W. West
E. Cuthbert	I. Matthews
M. Ferrigan	H. Shannon
T. Gemmill	G. Gallacher
R. Paterson	I. Hamilton
I. Fitzgerald	T. Carmichael

The inter-dormitory competition was run in comparatively dry weather and both Major and Minor races were fought out at a fast pace.

Results:—1. Moore, 2. Abercromby, 3. Lynedoch.

Minor Race:—1. G. Doyle, 2. E. Cuthbert, 3. R. Paterson.

Major Race:—1. K. Ross, 2. G. Glass, 3. T. Armstrong.

Swimming

Wavell Swimming Gala was a great success again this year and many records were broken during the meeting. Much praise is due to Mr Williams for the smooth organisation of the Gala and for the high standards achieved by the competitors.

The Minor Champion was E. Cuthbert, who broke three records, while the runner-up was D. Brown. S. Langlands was Major Champion, and J. Harrison and G. Bowden tied for the second medal.

Lynedoch won the Inter-Dormitory Trophy with Abercromby second and Moore third.

Cricket

The wet weather restricted the programme of games for this year but at the end of a shortened series Lynedoch emerged as winners of the Inter-Dormitory Competition. Moore were second and Abercromby third.

Boxing

This year's championships attracted a total entry of 79 boys for the 12 classes. The finals were boxed before the whole House and the spectators were entertained by the enthusiastic performance of the boxers. At the end of the competition Abercromby emerged as winners with Lynedoch second and Moore third. The Martin Trophy for the best stylist was awarded to J. Gemmill of Abercromby.

Individual Results

Minors

Class	Winner	Runner-up
56 lbs. and under	D. Morrison	W. J. Sutherland
57-63 lbs.	R. Paterson	M. Ferrigan
64-70 lbs.	G. Gallacher	T. Gemmill
71-77 lbs.	G. Doyle	I. Grant
78-84 lbs.	E. Cuthbert	I. Fitzgerald
92-98 lbs.	D. Brown	M. Dolan

Majors

63 lbs. and under	T. Armstrong	S. Gilroy
64-70 lbs.	J. Gemmill	T. Cassells
71-77 lbs.	T. Wilson	G. Glass
78-84 lbs.	K. Ross	P. Sayer
85-91 lbs.	D. Todd	J. White
92-98 lbs.	R. Barbour	K. Walker

ATHLETIC SPORTS 1967

In spite of a strong, gusty wind, some good times and distances were achieved in this year's sports. 13 new records were made. Of these J. Robertson set up three in the Intermediate Section, A. Greig two in the



Open, and A. Martin two in the Junior Section. Others were by W. McKerron (Open), R. Morrice (Senior), and R. Barbour, K. T. Ross, and K. Walker in the Major Section of Wavell House. A new record was also made in the last event of the day, the Open Relay (4 x 110 yds.) in which the Trenchard team brought the time down to 48.2 seconds. The previous Long Jump Record was beaten by both McKerron (20 ft.) and A. Morrice who was second.

A disappointment was that the strong wind and lack of opposition stopped D. Jagger from making a new record in the mile. His time in the Relay Baton Meeting was 5 seconds inside the existing school record. A promising feature of the meeting was the emergence of two fourth year boys, McKerron and Greig, as outstanding athletes, who should be able to break some records in the next two years. Lower down, J. Robertson and A. Martin were the most promising young athletes. Martin was not long recovered from a tonsil operation.

(N.B.—Major and Minor are the primary (Wavell House) sections, and the secondary school is divided into Open, Senior, Intermediate, and Junior sections.)

RESULTS

Afternoon Programme

Open—Long Jump—1. W. McKerron, 2. A. Morrice, 3. S. W. Grant. 20' (new record).

Senior—Putting Shot—1. R. Morrice, 2. J. Campbell, 3. R. Grant. 34' 8½".

Intermediate—High Jump—1. N. McMurdo, 2. I. Cruickshank, 3. S. Pope. 4' 5".

Junior—Cricket Ball—1. N. Houston, 2. T. Goldie, 3. M. Findlay. 166' 3".

Minor—Long Jump—1. G. Doyle, 2. M. Ferrigan, 3. H. Shannon. 13' 4½".

Major—High Jump—1. R. Barbour, 2. C. Murray, 3. P. Sayer. 4' 4" (new record).

Minor—440 yards—1. G. Doyle, 2. H. Shannon, 3. M. Ferrigan. 72.6 secs.

Junior—440 yards—1. G. Sheret, 2. N. Houston, 3. T. Goldie. 67.6 secs.

Intermediate—440 yards—1. J. Robertson, 2. A. Hill, 3. S. Pope. 61.5 secs. (new record).

Senior—440 yards—1. A. Greig, 2. I. Roe, 3. M. Wood. 57.6 secs. (new record).

Open—440 yards—1. W. McKerron, 2. D. Jagger, 3. G. Cunningham. 56.9 secs.

Intermediate—Cricket Ball—1. J. Sayer, 2. S. Pope, 3. J. Robertson. 179' 9".

Junior—High Jump—1. N. Houston, 2. T. Nicol, 3. B. Webb. 4' 5".

Open—Discus—1. M. McNaughton, 2. I. Smith, 3. W. McKerron. 107' 2½".

Senior—Long Jump—1. R. Morrice, 2. R. Grant, 3. I. Roe. 17' 11½" (new record).

Major—Putting Shot—1. K. Walker, 2. J. White, 3. D. Colehan. 27' 8" (new record).

Junior—80 yards Hurdles—1. T. Nicol, 2. A. Martin, 3. B. Webb. 13.6 secs.

Intermediate—80 yards Hurdles—1. I. Cruickshank, 2. W. Barbour, 3. S. Pope. 12.7 secs.

Senior—110 yards Hurdles—1. R. Grant, 2. R. Davies, 3. G. Slater. 16.9 secs.

Open—110 yards Hurdles—1. R. Newman, 2. C. Lannen, 3. J. Wood. 15.6 secs.

Minor—High Jump—1. E. Cuthbert, 2. M. Ferrigan, 3. R. Paterson. 4' 2".

Major—Long Jump—1. K. Walker, 2. S. J. Powell, 3. P. Sayer. 13' ½".

Senior—Javelin—1. D. Johnston, 2. J. Campbell, 3. R. Morrice. 105' 7".

Open—Shot—1. R. Newman, 2. C. Lannen, 3. I. Smith. 36' 8½".

Major—880 yards—1. K. T. Ross, 2. G. Glass, 3. T. Armstrong. 2 min. 37.5 secs.

Junior—880 yards—1. A. Martin, 2. T. Goldie, 3. T. Nicol. 2 min. 34.2 secs. (new record).

Intermediate—880 yards—1. S. Grant, 2. B. Sutherland, 3. S. Young. 2 min. 40.7 secs.

Senior—880 yards—1. A. Greig, 2. I. Roe, 3. I. Sneddon. 2 min. 15.4 secs. (new record).

Open—1 Mile—1. D. T. Jagger, 2. K. Robinson, 3. G. M. Anderson. 5 min. 1.6 secs.

Evening Programme

Open—220 yards—1. S. W. Grant, 2. A. Morrice, 3. J. Wood. 25.1 secs.

Senior—220 yards—1. R. Grant, 2. I. Roe, 3. A. Greig. 26.2 secs.

Intermediate—220 yards—1. J. Robertson, 2. A. Hill, 3. I. Cruickshank. 27.5 secs. (new record).

Junior—220 yards—1. G. Sheret, 2. N. Houston, 3. D. Fisher. 30 secs.

Major—220 yards—1. K. T. Ross, 2. C. Murray, 3. R. McMurdo. 30.9 secs.

Open—High Jump—1. J. Wood, 2. W. McKerron, 3. R. Newman. 5' 4".

Senior—Discus—1. J. Allan, 2. J. Campbell, 3. A. Greig. 110' 3".

Intermediate—Long Jump—1. J. Robertson, 2. A. Hill, 3. N. McMurdo. 15' 9" (new record).

Junior—Putting Shot—1. T. Nicol, 2. C. Langton, 3. G. Sheret. 27' 2".

Minor—Cricket Ball—1. I. Fitzgerald, 2. R. Paterson, 3. T. Gemmill. 120' 3".

Minor—80 yards—1. G. Doyle, 2. I. Fitzgerald, 3. H. Shannon. 11.8 secs.

Major—100 yards—1. K. T. Ross, 2. C. Murray, 3. R. McMurdo. 12.8 secs. (new record).

Open—100 yards—1. A. Morrice, 2. S. W. Grant, 3. R. Newman. 11.2 secs.

Senior—100 yards—1. I. Roe, 2. R. Grant, 3. M. Wood. 11.9 secs.

Intermediate—100 yards—1. J. Robertson, 2. I. Cruickshank, 3. I. Burgess. 12.2 secs.

Junior—100 yards—1. G. Sheret, 2. N. Houston, 3. R. Cowie. 13.4 secs.

Major—Cricket Ball—1. R. Barbour, 2. K. Walker, 3. D. Coleman. 156' 11".

Open—Javelin—1. J. Wood, 2. C. McLaughlin, 3. C. Lannen. 142' 5¼".

Senior—High Jump—1. R. Morrice, 2. J. Buchanan, 3. J. Creighton. 4' 10".

Intermediate—Putting Shot—1. A. Robertson, 2. W. J. McMillan, 3. S. Pope. 28' 10".

Junior—Long Jump—1. A. Martin, 2. T. Goldie, 3. B. Webb. 14' 8½" (new record).

Inter-Dormitory Relays

Minor—4 × 110 yards—1. Lynedoch, 2. Abercromby, 3. Moore. 63.7 secs.

Major—4 × 110 yards—1. Moore, 2. Abercromby, 3. Lynedoch. 59.6 secs.

Inter-House Relays

Junior—4 × 110 yards—1. Haig, 2. Cunningham, 3. Trenchard. 58.7 secs.

Intermediate—4 × 110 yards—1. Haig, 2. Cunningham, 3. Trenchard. 55.6 secs.

Senior—4 × 110 yards—1. Trenchard, 2. Cunningham, 3. Haig. 51.7 secs.

Open—4 × 110 yards—1. Trenchard, 2. Haig, 3. Cunningham. 48.2 secs. (new record).

Winning Relay Teams

Open—R. Newman, D. MacIver, S. W. Grant, A. Morrice—Trenchard.

Senior—D. Johnston, R. Morrice, R. Grant, A. Jeffrey—Trenchard.

Intermediate—C. McHardy, S. Pope, I. Burgess, J. Robertson—Haig.

Junior—D. Fisher, C. G. Robinson, T. Goldie, N. Houston—Haig.

Major—S. J. Powell, T. Armstrong, P. Sayer, K. T. Ross—Moore.

Minor—E. Cuthbert, I. Fitzgerald, H. Shannon, G. Doyle—Lynedoch.

Section Winners

Minor—G. Doyle, Runner-up M. Ferrigan.

Major—K. T. Ross, Runner-up K. Walker.

Junior—N. Houston, Runner-up G. Sheret.

Intermediate—J. Robertson, Runner-up I. Cruickshank.

Senior—R. Grant, Runner-up R. Morrice.
Open (Victor Ludorum)—W. McKerron, Runner-up R. Newman.

Williamson Cup (100 yards)—A. Morrice.

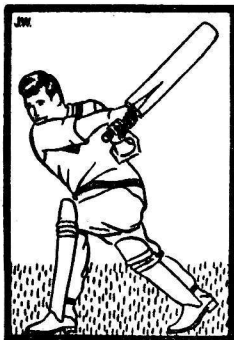
Relay Cup—Haig.

Inter-House Competition—1. Haig (115 points), 2. Cunningham (85 points), 3. Trenchard (76 points).

Inter-Dormitory Competition—1. Lynedoch (41 points), 2. Abercromby (33 points), 3. Moore (22 points).

CRICKET

There is not much cricket to report this term. The weather reduced both fixtures and practice to such an extent that cricket has never got properly going. The 1st XI lost to Strathallan Colts and to Clydesdale



Juniors. On the same days the 3rd Year XI lost to Strathallan Junior Colts and to Clydesdale Minors. Near the end of term the 3rd Year and 2nd Year XI's played matches at Lendrickmuir. The fixtures there were very pleasant affairs against friendly and keen opponents, with a touch of comedy in the way the matches went. The 3rd Year XI were naturally

optimistic when they had got most of the Lendrickmuir side out for a handful of runs, but one outstanding batsman scored 51 (out of a total of 75) while the tail-enders stayed in with him. The Q.V.S. side were then put out for under 20. In the 2nd Year match, the Lendrickmuir side did not look like getting much more than the 13 they had scored when their last man came in. But the last wicket raised the score to 32. Q.V.S. then jittered away wicket after wicket, but somehow the batsmen lower down began to collect runs till the score was approaching 30 with one wicket to fall. There was a sensational last over, in which a no-ball took Q.V.S. to 31, and a hopeful swipe across the line of the ball got the two more needed—and the last wicket fell to the next ball.

Cricket house-matches and the finish of the 1st and 2nd Year league games are coming too late to be reported in the magazine, except as points-totals in the House Championship table.

One fixture that was not rained off was the match between the boys and the staff. On this occasion the umpires were both masters, men well known for their integrity and impartiality. This arrangement deprived the school XI of an advantage they have enjoyed in recent years: the assistance of a boy umpire, selected without reference to his experience of cricket, who has applied the laws of French cricket to all l.b.w. appeals against the masters' team. The masters batted first, of course, as always happens

whoever wins the toss, and made the respectable score of 81. Apart from Extras, the main contributors to this total were Captain Davies, Captain Walker, both of whom had obviously played before though not for some time, and Mr Paterson, who appeared to be learning cricket in the course of his innings. From a baseball stance he steadily improved his style, and latterly played some beautiful orthodox strokes, particularly his on-drive to the boundary. The school fielding was not very distinguishing. The interval between the innings was unhappy, with a dog-fight and an accident to a child, that caused the masters' XI to start with two substitute fielders. The bowling of Mr (Frighten-them-out) Bruce and the more wily tactics of Captain Davies made no great impression on the school batsmen, but the veteran captain, Mr Hughes, took the last over before tea himself and caused a big change in the look of the score-board with three quick wickets. The school never recovered. After tea they were soon out for 41, and the Iron Cup was duly presented to Mr Hughes. The masters' fielding was, by normal standards, quite remarkable. Several missable (by masters) catches were held, and another would certainly have been, had not square-leg been engaged in conversation with the umpire.

Team Players (including all who have represented the school).

1st XI—I. Fraser (Captain), R. Newman (Vice-Captain), I. Sneddon, D. Fingland, J. S. Grigor, J. Allan, P. Evans, M. O'Connor, C. McLaughlin, A. King, G. M. Anderson, G. Cunningham, A. D. Grey, D. Langlands, T. Bonar.

3rd Year XI—R. Grant (Captain), J. Duncan, J. Weir, D. Wrenn, D. MacLean, S. Corrigan, A. Kirkwood, J. Campbell, J. Barnes, A. S. Grey, B. Sutherland, S. Powell, S. Pope.

2nd Year XI—A. Ferguson (Captain), B. Murton, J. Will, R. C. Murdoch, B. Goldie, P. Gilchrist, A. Robertson, A. Jeffrey, N. Houston, J. Buchanan, C. Brown.

(N.B.—The names are in random order, neither of merit nor alphabetical.)

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

	Cunningham	Haig	Trenchard
Rugby	5	6	7
Rugby Sevens	2½	2	1½
Shooting	9	3	6
Squash	4	6	2
Swimming	3	6	9
Cross Country Races....	8	7	3
Athletic Sports	6	9	3
Senior Cricket....	4	4	4
Junior Cricket....	1	2	3
Drill	9	3	6
Standards (Athletics and Cross-Country)	6	9	3
Totals	57½	57	47½

WAVELL HOUSE INTER-DORMITORY COMPETITION, 1966-67

	Moore	Abercromby	Lynedoch
Cross Country Races....	3	2	1
Boxing	1	3	2
Swimming	1	2	3
Football	3	2	1
Cricket	2	1	3
Drill	2	1	3
Standards	1	3	2
Athletics	1	2	3
MacRae Quaich (dormitory tidiness)	2	3	1
Totals	16	19	19

SCHOOL PRIZE LIST

Prizes presented at the Play Hall Ceremony by
Norman W. Graham, Esq., C.B., Secretary of the
Scottish Education Department.

Primary School

P.6A—1. T. Gemmill, 2. J. K. Stewart, 3. M. Ferrigan.

P.6B—1. G. Doyle, 2. N. Roe.

P.7A—1. M. J. Stear, 2. J. R. Gemmill, 3. P. Sayer.

P.7B—1. I. Myles, 2. J. White.

Art Prize—J. White.

Secondary School

IA—1. S. Grant, 2. A. Hewgill.

IB—1. C. G. Robinson, 2. S. Young.

IC—1. T. Nicol, 2. J. Robertson. Progress Prize—
C. Willmott.

IIA—1. J. Sayer, 2. J. W. S. Brown.

IIB—1. A. Robertson.

IIC—1. J. Pryde, 2. I. Cruickshank.

IIIA—1. J. Barnes, 2. D. Wrenn.

IIIB—1. D. Pocock, 2. N. Byres.

IVA—1. K. Robinson, 2. A. Greig.

IVB—1. M. Anderson.

V—1. G. Slater, 2. J. Wood, 3. J. Lee.

Art Prizes—Intermediate—J. Sayer. Senior—C.
Lannen.

Technical Subjects—G. M. Anderson, B. Sutherland, R. Freeman.

Chapel Reading—T. A. Bonar.

Cranston Memorial Essay Prize—C. McLaughlin.

Eric Drew Memorial French Prizes—Senior—J.
Wood. Junior—S. Grant.

Addison Smith Prizes for Public Speaking—1. D.
T. Jagger, 2. J. R. Willmott.

Dux of the School—D. T. Jagger.

County Junior Secondary Certificates (15 year old
leavers)—S. Corrigan, D. Crombie, R. Grant, D.
Johnston, C. McHardy, D. A. MacLean, S. Pope,
B. White.

Prizes and Trophies presented at the Grand Day
Parade by Mrs Johnstone, wife of the Inspecting
Officer.

Prince Philip Medal (for best boy of 15 years old)

—K. L. Robinson.

Best Piper—A. N. MacDonald.

Best Drummer and Bugler—I. Graham.

Best Bugler (Silver Bugle)—B. R. Murton.

Best Drummer (London Old Victorians Trophy)—

J. A. Duncan.

Best Highland Dancer—J. S. Grigor.

Best Shot—J. R. Willmott.

British Legion Jubilee Prize (Best boy leaving to
join the Services)—I. Fraser.

Wavell Memorial Cup (Best boy in Outdoor
Pursuits)—C. McLaughlin.

First Hundred Trophy (Best A.C.F. Section)—
Trenchard House.

Sir Charles Grant Cup (Champion Dormitory in
Wavell House)—Abercromby and Lynedoch (tie).

House Championship Shield—Cunningham House.

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Mr N. C. Bruce, Teachers' Certificate, Housemaster of Wavell House. Primary School. (1951).

Captain P. D. Bull, Teachers' Certificate. Assistant, Wavell House. Primary School. (1965).

Captain N. Davies, Teachers' Certificate. Assistant, Wavell House. Primary School. (1966).

Mr J. G. Finlay, Teachers' Certificate. Technical Subjects. (1957).

Major O. W. Hughes, B.Sc. (Leicester). Housemaster of Trenchard House. English and General Subjects. (1966).

Mr R. E. Hughes, B.A. (Liverpool). History. (1951).

Rev. A. N. Jamieson, Dip.D. (Glasgow). Resident Chaplain, Church of Scotland. (1957).

Mr V. H. Le Maistre, D.A. (Dundee). Art. (1951).

Mr W. W. Malkowski, M.A. (Edinburgh). French. (1957).

Mr W. Orr, B.Sc. (Glasgow). Science. (1961).

Mr R. Paterson, B.Sc. (Edinburgh). Science. (1963).

Mr G. Reid, D.P.Ed. (Jordanhill). Physical Education. (1955).

Mr A. H. Robertson, M.A., B.Sc. (Glasgow). Mathematics. (1962).

Mr J. P. Urie, Teachers' Certificate. Technical Subjects. (1963).

Captain J. T. Walker, B.Sc. (Durham). Mathematics. Assistant, Wavell House. (1965).

Mr I. T. Williams, Teachers' Certificate. Housemaster of Cunningham House. General Subjects. (1959).

Mr C. J. N. Willman, M.A. (St. Andrews). Latin. (1964).

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