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EDITORIAL

As Christmas Day approaches, vast numbers of greeting cards are being sent. These cards, bearing messages of peace and happiness, are being delivered to bright, new homes. Recently there was opened the Millionth house to be built by private enterprise since the War. Most of these houses contain a television set; wages have doubled or trebled since 1945, and hire-purchase terms have made it easy for almost every household to have a refrigerator or a car. We have never had it so good. But is material prosperity the ultimate end of existence?

There are Millions of people in the World today who have been denied rudimentary comforts while we in England have been building a Million houses. These people, driven from their homes and countries by intolerant forces, have been living in appalling conditions since the War. Few of us think much of the War nowadays. It was a long time ago. More than half the pupils at Rye Grammar School have been born since it ended. But still there are Millions of men, women and children existing without homes, without countries. On the Board of Honour in the School Library are the words 'In remembering with gratitude those who lost their lives, we remember also that they hoped for a kindlier world.' Did they hope in vain?

We are now in the midst of World Refugee Year. The Free Countries have been making a special effort to rid the World of this most terrible manifestation of Man's inhumanity to Man. Because of national and political intolerances, great numbers of men and women have no country of their own. They have no past except memories to comfort them, no future but fading hopes to sustain them. The Refugees, like our soldiers in the War, hoped for a kindlier world, and they have not found it. Now at last, after fifteen years, the Free World is being stirred to a sense of the inadequacy of its efforts to help those poor victims of the War. Money is being collected, and clothes, for first aid relief. But they need more than this. Not television sets, not refrigerators, not even Christmas Cards, but the fundamental human rights to Freedom.

We at School have attempted to help in a small way by knitting squares for blankets, and by contributions from the House Funds.

The Christmas Cards which we send and receive carry the message of Goodwill and Peace first brought to the World by the Holy Child of Bethlehem. To make this a reality we must combine the emotion with practical action and do all that we can to make those who know it not realise the meaning of Peace and Goodwill.

SCHOOL NOTES

We congratulate Miss H. Dann on her appointment as Deputy Head and Senior Mistress, vice Miss E. A. Turner (retired).

We welcome this term Mr. J. R. Hart, B.A. (N.Z.) to take English, Mr. D. Holness (Loughborough College) to take games and P.E., and Mrs. W. Bayliss, for this term only, to take Domestic Science.

We say goodbye to Miss B. Pritchard (Bishop Otter College and Brighton School of Art) who after four terms teaching Art here is going to Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, where she will be married.

We welcome in January, 1960 Miss M. R. Exeter, Battersea T.C. (Domestic Science), and Mrs. K. French, City of Leeds T.C. (Art).

At the end of the term we said goodbye to the Boys' Captain, A. A. Bromham, who intends to do two terms' teaching before going to the University to read English; to Monica Pearson, the Girls' Vice-Captain, who goes to Germany before going to Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, to read English; and to Janet Armitage who, after two terms at the Tilling Green Infants' School will go to St. Christopher's Nursery Nursing Training College.

We congratulate John Ellis on being awarded an Open Exhibition at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he will read Modern Languages.

In November, Flt./Lt. P. L. Mitchell resigned command of the School A.T.C. Squadron, which he has commanded with conspicuous success for thirteen years. Flt./Lt. H. N. Thompson takes over command.

SPEECH DAY

The annual prize giving and Speech Day was held on Friday, November 13th. At 2.30 the platform party entered the School Hall and the proceedings were opened by the Chairman of the Governors, Colonel R. M. Rendel, O.B.E., J.P. After he had welcomed Miss Dann in her new post as Senior Mistress, he called upon the Headmaster to present his report. The Headmaster commented upon the very encouraging G.C.E. results and congratulated J. H. Ellis upon gaining a State Scholarship. He said that after only one year he would soon be in a position to close the Pavilion Fund. Colonel Rendel then introduced Mr. A. E. Foot, the headmaster of the school at which Mr. Buttery had previously taught. Mr. Foot, as might be expected in the circumstances, spoke on whether or not a new headmaster should make changes. Mrs. Foot then presented the prizes after which the Chairman called upon Miss Warren, the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Governors, to propose a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Foot. Following this, the Headmaster called upon His Worship the Mayor of Rye, Councillor A. E. Horner, to propose a vote of thanks to the Chairman. The Girls' Captain, Hilary A. Ripley, presented Mrs. Foot with a bouquet while the Boys'

Captain, A. A. Bromham, presented Mr. Foot with a table lamp made in the school metalwork shop. Bromham then thanked the staff for all their help, especially the Headmaster and Miss Turner, in her last school year. After the assembled pupils had given three cheers, they dispersed.

THE SPEECH DAY CONCERT

The concert began with Sanders Junior Choir singing "Silent Worship" by Handel and "Road to the Isles." Jennifer Burke then sang "Sweet Polly Oliver," the Lower School solo, and Sandra Mitchell sang the Middle School solo "Drink to me only." The Upper School solo "Art thou troubled" was sung by Janet Armitage. The Music Society followed this by singing "Rejoice in the Lord" and "Now is the Month of Maying." Kay Eldridge played the Upper School Piano solo, Chopin's "Nocturne"; Spencer played Mozart's Piano Sonata for the Middle School. The Lower School solo, "Minuet in G" by Beethoven, was played by Pavey and Rosalind Murdie played "Gluckes Genug" by Schumann. The concert was brought to a triumphant finish with A. Bromham and Bronwen Burke giving a performance of "Village Wooing" by George Bernard Shaw.

COMMEMORATION SERVICE, 1959

The annual Commemoration Service was held at the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin on Tuesday, October 13th. The Service was conducted by the Reverend O. E. Brooks, Vicar of Rye. The first lesson, taken from The Book of Ecclesiasticus, Chapter 44, was read by the Headmaster, and the second, taken from St. Paul's Epistle to The Church at Ephesus, Chapter 4, was read by the Boys' Captain, A. A. Bromham. The anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord alway," by Purcell was sung by the members of the Music Society. The former Headmaster, the Reverend A. R. Jacobs, M.A., gave his sermon on the growth of materialism in the world today. The hymns sung included the Commemoration Hymn, "Our Father by whose servants" and the Service ended with "Praise my soul the King of Heaven."

THE CAROL SERVICE

This was held as usual in Rye Parish Church on the last afternoon of Term, and took the form of the Service of Nine Lessons and Carols.

An almost complete change was made from the carols sung in previous years. There were two unusual ones by Vaughan Williams as well as some modern arrangements of old Carols like "A babe is born y wis" and "I saw a maiden." After the first hymn ("Once in in Royal David's City") J. S. Bach's Chorale "Break forth, O beauteous light" gave a good start to the Service. Far more variety

was obtained in the singing this year by the use of solo voices for various verses. These were sung by Janet Armitage, Jennifer Burke, Daphne Butler and Mrs. V. Larkin. A very welcome visitor was Miss Olga Clarke who sang "There is no rose of such virtue" by Arnold Bax. The organist was Mr. Clifford Foster who played throughout with skill, giving an ideal accompaniment to the Choir.

Choir: J. Armitage, A. Dobbie, G. Lauder, C. Perry, L. Southerden, A. Norris, J. Ovenden, S. Dibley, C. Oates, S. Mitchell, G. Rothwell, J. Burke, D. Butler, G. Richardson. Mrs. V. Larkin, Mr. H. Allmond, Mr. D. P. Darby, Mr. C. E. Silver, Bromham, Gatherum, Knowles, Winter and Girdlestone.

W.E.M.

HOUSE MUSIC COMPETITION

The Music Competition took place on Thursday, October 29th. The adjudicators were Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster, to whom we gave a warm welcome in their first—but not last, we hope—visit to us. The contest was quite a close one for the House Captains had done a lot of very good work in preparing the House Choirs—Janet Armitage and Margaret Harris for Sanders, Catherine Perry and Saunders for Peacocke, and Alison Dobbie and Kay Eldridge for Meryon. Sanders House regained the cup in this contest.

As well as the generally improved standard of the House Choirs this year, there was a welcome change in the fact that five out of six finalists in the Junior and Middle School Piano Solo were boys. Another pleasing feature this year was the good standard reached by the three accompanists, Knowles for Meryon, Saunders for Peacocke and Janet Armitage for Sanders.

Results

Lower School Piano Solo: Pavey; Breeds; White

Middle School Piano Solo: Spencer; R. Murdie; Breeds

Upper School Piano Solo: K. Eldridge; P. Williams; C. Perry

Lower School Vocal Solo: J. Burke; D. Butler; M. Hullis

Middle School Vocal Solo: J. Mitchell; J. Ovenden;

G. Richardson

Upper School Vocal Solo: J. Armitage; L. Southerden; M. Pearson

Part Song: 'Never Weather-Beaten Sail'

Meryon; Sanders; Peacocke

Choirs: 'Road To The Isles'

'Silent Worship'

Sanders; Meryon; Peacocke

Final Results: Sanders 48; Meryon 36; Peacocke 32

At the conclusion of the contest, the Girls' Captain, Hilary Ripley thanked Mr. & Mrs. Foster very much for their kindness in coming and their skill in judging, and presented Mrs. Foster with a more tangible (and eatable) appreciation of her services.

PEACOCKE HOUSE REPORT

House Master: Mr. H. T. Thompson

House Mistress: Miss W. M. Allen

Boys' Captain: J. H. Ellis

Girls' Captain: Gillian Lauder

Secretary: Jennifer Day

Treasurer: F. Comport

Prefects—Gillian Lauder, Gillian Sewell, A. Bromham (School Captain), J. Ellis, R. Seeley, R. Comport, A. Metianu, M. Rogerson

This term has been moderately successful for the House. So far in the House Competition, the girls have won the Netball Shield, the boys stand a good chance of winning the Football Shield, and at the moment we are leading in the Speech Competition. Unfortunately the House has failed to match its sporting achievements with academic ones. We are currently last in the Work and Merit Competition. It is to be hoped our position will improve. In spite of the hard work and effort that went into training the choir and practising solos, the House came third in the Music Competition. To raise funds, the House is holding a dance at the beginning of the Spring Term, and we hope it will be a success.

The House would like to thank Miss Allen and Mr. Thompson for their interest and help throughout the term.

SANDERS HOUSE REPORT

House Master: Mr. D. P. Darby

House Mistress: Miss Hale

Boys' Captain: D. R. Swaine

Girls' Captain: Margaret Harris

Secretary: P. G. Hobson

Treasurer: D. E. Robinson

Prefects—Hilary Ripley (School Captain), Margaret Harris, Mary Small, Janet Armitage, Diana Sanders, Margaret Sargent, Bronwen Burke, Bridget Barker, D. Swaine, D. Robinson.

At the beginning of this term, we welcomed Miss Hale, as our new House Mistress, in place of Miss Dann, who retired on her promotion to Senior Mistress.

This term has been a successful one for Sanders, for the House won the Music Competition by a large margin, and is lying a close second in the Work and Merit Competition and is within striking distance in the Speech Competition, with the Middle and Upper Schools yet to be decided.

Finally, we would like to thank Miss Hale and Mr. Darby for their unfailing help and support during the term.

MERYON HOUSE REPORT

House Master: Mr. Allnutt

House Mistress: Miss Topliss

House Captains: M. A. Jarvis
A. Dobbie

Secretary: L. Stevens

Treasurer: A. Jarvis

Prefects—M. A. Jarvis (Boys' Vice-Captain), E. Clark, K. Fibbens, A. Jarvis, L. Stevens, M. Winter, Monica Pearson (Girls' Vice-Captain), Alison Dobbie, Kay Eldridge, Felicity Scott.

This has not been a particularly outstanding term for Meryon House. On Speech Day we collected only three shields—for Work and Merit, Football and Cricket (tie with Sanders). We came second in both the Music and Lower School Speech Competition, which was rather unexpected in both cases.

In this term's football matches the seniors beat Peacocke 11—1 and Sanders 9—0, the Middle School House team lost 0—8 to Peacocke and the Lower School team drew 0—0 with Sanders and lost 0—7 to Peacocke. Thus the result of the Football Competition will be decided in the Middle School when Meryon play Sanders next term.

In the Netball Competition Meryon came second to Peacocke, the Upper and Middle school teams each winning one match.

Collections this term have been only average—about 11/-. It would be far better if some parts of the House, notably the Middle School contributed more at each meeting.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Allnutt and Miss Topliss, our indefatigable Housemaster and mistress. We should like to take this opportunity to wish all members of Meryon House a happy Christmas.

ATHLETICS REPORT, 1959

During 1959 the School was quite successful in athletics. As usual, teams were sent to the East Sussex Sports, which were held this year at Uckfield County Secondary School. For the first time for many years the School entered almost complete teams—the Intermediate Girls, Senior Girls, and Intermediate Boys were each placed second in their Sections. Individual results were:

B. Clarke—2nd in the 100 yards

A. Dobbie—1st in the Javelin and 2nd in the High Jump

Senior Boys—

D. Swaine—1st in the High Jump

Intermediate Boys—

R. Blacklock—2nd in the 880 yards

G. Bourne—2nd in the High Jump

B. Fort—2nd in the Hop, Step and Jump

Junior Boys—

R. Searle—2nd in the Mile

R. Blacklock was awarded his East Sussex County Badge. The competitors listed above were chosen to represent East Sussex in the County Sports at Withdean Stadium, Brighton. At Brighton two weeks later, Alison Dobbie came 1st in the Senior Girls' Javelin with a throw of 96ft. 7in. For this she was awarded her East Sussex County badge. Other competitors were placed as follows:

B. Clarke—4th in the 100 yards

R. Searle—4th in the Mile

D. Swaine—2nd in the High Jump

B. Fort—7th in the Hop, Step and Jump

G. Bourne—6th in the High Jump

R. Blacklock—6th in the 880 yards

Colours were renewed to—M. Greenhalgh, C. Hayes

and awarded to—A. Dobbie, B. Clarke, B. Fort, G. Bourne,

R. Blacklock, R. Searle, D. Swaine

TENNIS REPORT

On the whole the teams have had quite a successful season. The Under 16 VI won both their matches and the 1st VI won three out of four. The 2nd VI were not so successful, due mainly to the necessity for continued reshuffling of the team. We would like to thank those who gave up their time to umpire our home matches and also the games' staff for their continued help and coaching.

| Results | Sets |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| May 2nd Under 16 v Southlands | Won 6—3 |
| May 9th 1st VI v Hastings High | Won 8—1 |
| May 9th Under 16 v Hastings High | Won 6—3 |
| June 6th 1st VI v Ashford Grammar | Won 5—4 |
| June 6th 2nd VI v Ashford Grammar | Lost 1—8 |
| June 20th 1st VI v Bexhill Grammar | Lost 3—6 |
| June 20th 2nd VI v Bexhill Grammar | Lost 2—7 |
| July 11th 1st VI v Hastings High | Won 4—0 |

The teams were chosen from the following people—

1st VI—F. Wigzell (Capt.), J. Burton, A. Dobbie, G. Lauder, S. Roser, V. Davies, F. Rook, G. Sewell

2nd VI—G. Sewell, K. Eldridge, C. Wood, J. Sharpe, M. Bather, M. Cooke, M. Igglesden, F. Rook

Under 16—G. Sewell, L. Southerden, N. Leopold, N. Inkpen, P. Newman, J. Langridge, K. Eldridge, M. Bather, M. Cooke, J. Sharpe, A. Green, M. Igglesden

There was a great increase in the number of boys learning to play tennis this year. Their 1st VI had one match against Homewood, which they won, 8—1 sets. They also played the Staff and lost by a narrow margin.

There was quite a large entry for the Girls' Doubles Tournament. The final on Open Day was, for the second year running, between F. Wigzell and J. Burton and A. Dobbie and G. Lauder, the latter pair winning 6—4, 6—2. The first Mixed Doubles Tournament was arranged this year in which Staff, pupils and old scholars entered. This was won by Mr. and Mrs. S. Jones in the final against Miss Redgwell and Mr. Allmond (3—6, 6—3, 6—1). It is hoped that there will be an even larger entry next year.

The school party to Wimbledon this year managed to see the majority of the seeded players on the first day of the Men's Singles. This was the first time that the party had been mixed and the day seems to have been enjoyed by all.

At the end of term the 1st and 2nd VI's played two very good matches against the staff and the boys. However, the opposition was too strong, and we lost both.

Tennis colours were awarded to—

A. Dobbie, G. Lauder, V. Davies, S. Roser, J. Burton and F. Wigzell

CRICKET REPORT

This has been a moderately successful season for the First XI. At the beginning of the season the team lacked experienced bowlers and contained nine batsmen. Saville came to the fore as a batsman, and he and Jarvis A. proved a formidable opening pair. Waters was a useful all-rounder and Pennel had some useful knocks. Bourne kept wicket consistently well and must be congratulated. Gatherum showed exceptional ability as a spinner early in the season taking eleven wickets in his first two matches, but with the dry pitches giving him no help, he became rather expensive. Jarvis A., although mainly a batsman, gradually developed into a fast-medium bowler and ended the season as the most successful bowler. We look forward to more success next season, when the team will be more experienced as eight of this year's players are remaining at school.

We are indebted to the games' staff who have given up much of their time to umpire the matches.

Colours have been renewed to—Jarvis A., Jarvis M., and awarded to—Saville, Waters and Pennel

Results

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| Hasting Grammar School | Away | Lost by 36 runs |
| Eastbourne Grammar School | Away | Match drawn |
| Goudhurst | Away | Won by 5 wickets |
| Ashford Grammar School | Home | Lost by 34 runs |
| Brickwall | Home | Won by 52 runs |
| Old Scholars XI | Home | Won by 4 wickets |
| Bexhill Grammar School | Away | Lost by 34 runs |
| Hastings Grammar School | Home | Match drawn |
| Goudhurst | Home | Won by 32 runs |
| Duke of York's R.M.S., Dover | Home | Lost by 5 wickets |
| Headmaster's XI | Home | Lost by 6 wickets |
| Old Scholar's XI | Home | Won by 5 wickets |
| Bexhill Grammar School | Home | Match drawn |
| 13 matches played— | | 5 won |
| | | 5 lost |
| | | 3 drawn |

SALTCOTE PLACE

This term we were glad to welcome thirteen new girls to Saltcote Place and we hope they enjoy their life here.

As usual we have played table tennis matches against Leasam and we allowed them a few points before we take the cup from them next term! We would like to thank Miss Nelson and Mr. Anderson for allowing us to have in addition a hockey match which unfortunately was played in pouring rain and resulted in a draw, 0—0. A new event this year was our invitation to Leasam bonfire on November 5th. Also we have been teaching the Leasam boys to dance and we are glad to say that we have got fewer black toes than last year.

The highlight of this term was the Saltcote party which was held on December 4th and consisted of a Christmas dinner which lasted for two hours and games which lasted even longer. We would like to thank Miss Nelson for allowing us to have the party and for organizing the financial side, Miss Hayter for her help with the games and decorations, Miss Turner for the dinner itself, all the kitchen staff for all their hard work, and many parents for their generous contributions.

We hope that next term will be as enjoyable as this term has been thanks to all the hard work of the staff and our own capacity for enjoyment.

G. Sewell

LEASAM HOUSE REPORT

This term has been a successful one for Leasam in both work and sport. The House has been well represented in the school football teams. At the beginning of term we welcomed fourteen new boys to the house, bringing our numbers up to forty-one. The house prefects appointed were Metianu, Beasley, Cook, Hankinson and Maskell.

Table-tennis matches against Saltcote were continued, Leasam winning all four as usual. We also challenged Saltcote to a hockey match, which resulted in a draw 0—0. We would like to thank the Saltcote girls for the dancing lessons they have given us and apologise for any squashed toes. Our thanks also go to Mr. White, who has given us several record recitals this term and organized a trip to 'The Yeomen of the Guard.'

The farm has been running smoothly and efficiently; about £4,500 worth of produce has been sold this year, since April 10th. Our main products are milk, eggs, bacon, pork, cereals and potatoes. We were sorry to lose Mr. Sharp, but wish him luck at college, and welcome Mr. Daniels as the new stockman. The senior group visited the Dairy Show, and the Intermediate group went to Smithfield; both visits were educational and enjoyable.

We were pleased to hear from Reedman and Jones, who left last term, and would like to hear from any other old Leasamians. The term finished with the Leasam dance and party, both of which were a success. As usual our thanks go to Mr. Anderson, Mr. White and Mr. Allmond for the help and guidance given during the past term, and to Matron, and Mr. and Mrs. Mitson for looking after us so well.

A. Metianu (Head Boy)

2nd RYE (GRAMMAR SCHOOL) GUIDES

In the last edition of "Rya" we looked forward to a good camp and to a successful Autumn Term, and we are glad to report that our expectations have been fulfilled.

Thanks to the help of a tremendous number of both pupils and Staff, we were ready to leave for camp immediately after the end of term assembly. It had been a day of torrential downpours, but by the time we reached Catsfield Place, the weather had cleared. At camp we welcomed four Guides from 1st Rye and ten from 3rd Uplyme (Devon), Miss Hayter's old company. The site was an excellent one, the weather turned fine after a day or two of intermittent rain, and everything contributed to make our first camp both successful and enjoyable.

There was keen competition between the patrols, two tying in the final results. 'Best Camper' prizes were awarded to three people, one from each Company. Margaret Guymer received the 2nd Rye prize. As a result of the Camp, Miss Hayter gained her Camper's Licence.

When the Autumn Term opened, there was not the large influx of recruits for which we had hoped. Since then, however, there have been eleven newcomers, some recruits and some who have been Guides elsewhere. We were particularly glad to welcome Sarah Dibley, who was transferred from 1st Winchelsea and who was elected a P.L. before she had been in the Company more than a month! At the moment, numbers stand at 21. Patrols have been re-organised, and the Violet Patrol has been disbanded.

Patrol Leaders are—Sheila Buchan, Gillian Rothwell, Margaret Guymer and Sarah Dibley.

The most surprising event of the term was Mrs. Cooper's resignation, the news of which she broke to the Company on 10th October. We were extremely sorry to lose her, but appreciated her reasons for resigning. The Company owes her a great debt of gratitude, for it was she who placed it on such a firm foundation. Miss Hayter has now been awarded her Captain's Warrant, and is running the Company with the help of the P.L's.

The Company has paraded three times during the term, once at Rye Methodist Church for their Youth Sunday Service and twice at Rye Parish Church. At the Remembrance Sunday Parade, Gillian Rothwell laid a wreath on behalf of the District. The newly-purchased Company Colour was dedicated on Sunday, 6th December, and in spite of foul weather, a representative gathering was present. We were especially pleased to see Lady Newton, the Division Commissioner, at the service. The Colour was received on behalf of the Company by Margaret Guymer.

An innovation this term has been the holding of Company meetings on Thursdays when Friday night is for some reason impossible. This has meant more continuity and fewer cancelled meetings. On November 6th a special meeting with indoor fireworks, a camp fire and refreshments was held. At that meeting, Susan Hill was enrolled as were Margot Ewen and Hazel Feather on 3rd December. In the Patrol Competition, Red Roses and Lilies of the Valley tied for first place. Each Patrol will hold the shield for half a term. Courts of Honour have been held during Long Break, and one successful P.L.'s Training took place. It is hoped to hold a P.L.'s Training Week-end during the Easter Holidays.

Field Day was strenuous but enjoyable. The Company hiked to Fairlight, returning in the evening by bus. One patrol, having consumed a large and varied meal with only one set of utensils and two penknives between them, later discovered that one of their members had a temperature of 103 deg. !

As its Christmas Good Turn, the Company has undertaken the production of cot blankets for refugee babies. Once again we have been greatly helped by the whole school. At one time it seemed that the Staff Room might become choked with squares, half-squares, wool and partly sewn blankets ! At the time of writing, it seems that we shall have at least five blankets, possibly more. We have also produced a School Christmas Card, but sales have not been as successful as we had hoped.

To sum up—the Company has been very busy, both with Guide work and other activities during the term. 1960 is being celebrated by Guides throughout the country as Jubilee Year, and we hope to take part in the various events which are being arranged in the County and Nationally. As far as our own Company is concerned, we hope for continued progress, both in terms of badges gained and tests passed, and in terms of enthusiasm, loyalty and Guide spirit.

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RED CROSS

At the beginning of this term we were encouraged by an influx of new members, bringing the total number of cadets to twenty. Owing to Miss Learoyd's efforts we have nearly finished the second part of our Course and hope to sit for the examination soon.

On Field Day we spent the day apple picking at Saltbarn Farm, Playden. The money we earned has been sent to the World Refugee Year Fund.

Some of the members, representing the Red Cross, took part in the Remembrance Sunday Parade.

We are now very busy making soft toys for the Babies' Castle at Hawkhurst. We must thank Miss Hale and Miss Learoyd for their help during this term.
E.R. and C.J.

A.T.C. REPORT

The squadron's annual camp this year was spent in Scotland, at R.A.F. Kinloss, which, during the week, accommodated one hundred and eighty cadets. Unfortunately therefore, our flying-time was limited, but with plenty of other activities at hand our camp was as usual an enjoyable one.

At the beginning of term, Leading Cadets Pennell and Stretton were promoted to Corporal, and Corporals Bourne and Robinson to Sergeant. Later in the term, Flight/Sergeant Ellis was promoted to Cadet Warrant Officer.

For Field Day the Squadron went to the Air/Sea Rescue Base at Newhaven. On our arrival we were split into two parties, each of which went out in one of their boats.

On Sunday, November 8th, the Squadron took part in the annual Remembrance Day parade and in the service which followed in Rye Parish Church. Also present was the new Commanding Officer of Sussex Wing, Wing Commander V. G. Gittins, M.B.E.

This term was the last for our Commanding Officer, Flt./Lieut. Mitchell, who has retired after thirteen years' service in the A.T.C. On December 11th a parade was held in his honour, attended by Wing Commander G. Rayner, O.B.E., of Flying Training Command, and by Flight Lieutenant Webster-Grinling, Adjutant of Sussex Wing A.T.C. After the presentation of a silver cigarette-box to Flight Lieutenant Mitchell, and bouquet to Mrs. Mitchell, Wing Commander Rayner presented the silver badges and certificates of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme to First Class Cadet Gatherum and Sergeants Bourne and Robinson. Now that the Squadron has obtained its first certificates, it is hoped to increase the number of cadets entering for this much sought-after award.

We should like to thank Flight Lieutenant Mitchell for his services in helping to bring the Squadron to its present high standard of efficiency, and we are sure our new Commanding Officer, Flight Lieutenant Thompson will be just as successful. We should also like to thank Flying Officers Hawes and Huxtep for their help in training and the general running of the Squadron.

FIELD DAY (A.T.C.)

On October 23rd the A.T.C. held its Field Day. After stopping "en route" at Pevensy, we arrived about 11.30 a.m. We were immediately split into two parties and went on board two boats. Our boat, which was the smaller of the two, went out first and tea was handed round for twopence a head. After we had gone a fair way out into the Channel, we were allowed to steer and have a general look around. The other boat was by now out of sight, and by Radio Contact, we learnt that they were along the coast near Brighton Pier.

About an hour later we turned round and eventually tied up about 1.15 p.m. We ate our lunch, and then had a game of football with some of the men. We left Newhaven at 3 o'clock having had an excellent time at the Air Sea Rescue Unit.

Perry (LSA)

GENERAL ELECTION, 1959

The School followed its usual practice this year of holding a general election at the time when the country was going to the polls. It was organised on serious lines as an extended current affairs period for the benefit of the younger members of the school, but the atmosphere was one of unfortunate levity. Four candidates stood for election Mr. Michael Winter (Conservative), Miss Briget Barker (Labour), Miss Bronwen Burke (Liberal) and Mr. Laurence Stevens (Independent). The Conservative committee showed most enterprise in their campaign, putting up their posters during the week-end and distributing their manifesto, 'A Word from Winter,' before any of the other candidates had planned their campaigns. The Tories were well rewarded by the final result. The final polling figures were—Mr. Michael Winter 280 votes; Miss Bridget Barker, 73 votes, Miss Bronwen Burke 69 votes, Mr. Laurence Stevens 19 votes. The election can, however, best be described by paragraphs taken from the newspaper produced by M3 after the campaign. It reflects admirably the atmosphere which prevailed in the school throughout election week.

Views of the Public (by our reporter C. S. Amos)

"During the last few days preceding the election, I have been interviewing some of the public. Many of their views have been to some extent, similar. Some of the first people I interviewed were Liberals. In a Labour meeting (which incidentally never started), a Liberal supporter said that the Socialists were very poor because they either could not or would not keep their promises. "Millions of pounds have been spent to no avail," quotes a member of M2., "We do not want a repetition of Suez."

An Interview with the Labour Candidate

"Tonight the election came to fever pitch. After the last speeches of the election, we managed to interview the Labour candidate, Miss Bridget Barker. In the few minutes of her time which she could spare, she gave us a few aspects of the Labour policy. When asked to reply to the Conservative accusation that the Labour Government in 1951 could only call 3% unemployed, full employment, she said that the Labour party came into power just after the war when 3% was a very good figure of unemployment.

The Independent Meeting

"In an election speech on Tuesday, Mr. Stevens introduced his twenty-one point plan . . . He did not agree with the Labour policy of Nationalisation, pointing out that many companies, particularly British Steel, had a very fine reputation which would be marred if they were taken over by the state. The Tory policy on Nuclear disarmament was not in keeping with the world situation at the present time and he thought gradual disarmament was the answer."

Mr. Winter's view on the Election (Domestic Science Room,

Thursday, 8th October, 1959)

"I entered the Domestic Science Room, hoping to find the Conservative candidate. I found him sipping his cup of coffee, a broad smile on his face, which suddenly disappeared as I approached him. 'I thought I had got rid of you reporters,' he remarked solemnly and then smiled. 'What can I do for you?' Immediately I asked him how he felt about being elected for his constituency. 'Well,' said Mr. Winter, 'there is a clear indication that the younger generation has more intelligence than the Socialists give credit for. It is heartening to feel that the Britain of the future will be a Britain of freedom, opportunity for all, prosperity and peace,' he said calmly. He went on, 'I wish to thank my agent, Mr. Bromham,' who was peeping wide-eyed at me over Mr. Winter's shoulder, 'and my committee, for all their work throughout the campaign, and all the other workers who gave their time so generously to the Conservative cause. I do wish to thank very much the wise people who voted for me and for the right party,' he ended, finishing his coffee."

LIBRARY REPORT

At the beginning of the School Year M. Winter succeeded A. Bromham as Library Prefect. We welcomed an enthusiastic group of new Library Assistants, consisting of H. Jones, K. Hole, V. Sales, L. Southerden and M. Townson, Barnes C. and Cumming. The six assistants of last year have become sub-librarians.

Although the new book issue system has worked quite well, it is apparent that its success depends wholly upon the co-operation of the school.

Over forty new books have been put in the Library this term, including the following:—

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| A Century of Responsible Government | ed. F. C. Green |
| Three's Company | A. Duggan |
| Les Provinces de France | Editores Varii |
| Shakespeare Criticism 1919-35 | ed. A. Ridler |
| The Age of Catherine de Medici | J. E. Neale |
| Renaissance and Reformation | V. H. H. Green |
| The Golden Century of Spain | R. T. Davies |
| The Crown of Life | G. W. Knight |
| Henry VIII | A. F. Pollard |
| The Elder Statesman | T. S. Elliot |

We are very grateful for the following for presenting books to the Library—

Mr. E. Holloway for 'Money the Decisive Factor'
Mrs. A. Greenhalgh for 'English Gardens'
Ann J. Fisher for 'Battle for the Mind'

SIXTH FORM SOCIETY

Committee :

Secretary—Alison Dobbie

Treasurer—M. Jarvis

Hilary Ripley, Margaret Harris, A. Bromham, E. Clark

The Sixth Form Society has held three meetings this term, all of which have been fairly well attended. Just over half the Sixth Form has already joined but we would like to encourage more members from Lower Sixth and Upper Remove.

We had intended to see "The Aspern Papers" at the Queens Theatre in London but as reduced seats were not available we were unable to afford the visit. However, early in the term we held a discussion on the various types of music, illustrated by gramophone records. Another pleasant evening was spent at Hastings when we

went to see Gilbert & Sullivan's operetta "The Yeomen of the Guard" performed by the Old Hastleons. At the last meeting, Hartwell showed slides of Majorca, which were afterwards discussed.

The society is indebted to Mr. Darby and Miss Topliss for their support and we must also thank Margaret Harris for catering arrangements at the meetings.

A.M.D.

MUSIC SOCIETY

The Society has had a busy and successful term. Choir practices have been held regularly on Mondays and have been well attended. We can now rely on about twenty voices which is a satisfying number to work with. We spent the first weeks practising choruses from the 'Messiah,' and although these are difficult, of course they were as popular as ever, and quite a few people were sorry when we left them and began rehearsals for the end-of-term Carol Service. Perhaps next term we can take up the 'Messiah' again, and attempt a part of it in concert form.

Senior Choir—J. Armitage, A. Dobbie, G. Lauder, C. Perry, L. Southerden, A. Norris, J. Ovenden, G. Richardson, S. Dibley, S. Mitchell, S. Hill, C. Oates, G. Rothwell, M. Wood, J. Burke, D. Butler, Mrs. V. Larkin, Bromham, Gatherum, Knowles, Winter, Messrs. H. Allmond, D. P. Darby and C. E. Silver

THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

At the first business meeting of the term, M. Winter was elected to serve for the year as Group Secretary. He succeeded Hilary Ripley who was thanked for her work over the past year.

The Rev. A. E. Cottam spoke at our first meeting on "Who was Jesus of Nazareth?" He illustrated his talk by retelling anecdotes about his life as a soldier and a priest. We were pleased to welcome to our second meeting the Rev. Frank Roberts, Rye Methodist Minister, who spoke on "Why bother to be a Christian?" Afterwards he answered questions on prayer.

After half-term we held a forum, the speakers being Mr. Silver, Bronwen Burke, Mr. Chamberlain and A. A. Bromham. The subject for discussion was "Why do people suffer?" but we digressed rather on the subject of death, until Miss Getley in the Chair, recalled us. At the last meeting of this term, the Rev. O. E. Brooks, Vicar of Rye, gave us a talk on Christmas, saying that this joyful festival of the Christian Church had become too secularised. Questions on the Virgin Birth and angels were asked.

M. W. (Secretary)

THE BALLROOM DANCING SOCIETY

A special meeting was called at the beginning of term to explain the society's activities to those who wished to join. As there were a great many new members it was decided to split into two groups and meet on alternate Mondays. However, owing to difficulties this has been changed to Wednesday evenings.

Two socials have been held this term, one of which was open to the other members of the school. With the proceeds from the term's collections, the society was able to obtain two new records.

We extend our thanks to Miss Redgewell and Mr. Gaunt for the hard work they have done to make the society a success.

J. Wood, J. Bather

AUTUMN LEAVES

Bronze and gold
Softly old,
Autumn leaves in glory glow,
Russet brown,
Spiral down,
Sunset red,
Withered and dead,
Their colours still a beauty show.

Lindsey Moth

THE RADIATOR

In the winter, in the cold,
One dear heated thing we hold.
Graceful lines of heated steel,
The one and only warmth we feel.
During lessons, what a treat,
Just to warm our cold, cold feet.
Prefects, just like you and me,
Enjoy this pleasant company.
And in bed on each cold night,
The radiator's my delight.
'Rusty' we say, but it can boast
Of a heart as warm as toast.
Some people prefer the fire,
The radiator's my desire.
Everybody, young and old,
Likes to keep out all the cold.
So, what better way than this.
The radiator, oh what bliss!

D. Maclean

GOOD-BYE

The rolling waves are breaking,
Upon a sandy shore,
And oh! my heart is aching
I'll never see it more.
I'll miss the sea-gulls chatter,
I'll miss the sea-weed's tang,
But oh! what does it matter?
I'll hear the city's clang.
Some day, when I am older,
I'll come again to Rye,
And though the wind blows colder
My heart will still be high.

J. Burke

STORM

The waves beat the shore with an angry roar,
The great black cliffs loom high.
Wind shakes the trees and quietness flees;
The mournful seagulls cry.
The rain lashes down with a fearsome sound,
And animals scurry home.
The thunder crashes; the lightning flashes,
And clouds scud over the foam.
But now at last, the storm is past,
The wind dies down again.
The lightning stops as the wild wave drops,
And peace returns to men.

Alison Hadley (L4)

APPLE TREES

Black dripping fingers 'gainst smoky sky,
The apple tree stands, as a passer by
Resting a moment in elegant stance,
To give garden and shed one fleeting glance;
To greet cabbage patch and scrubby bushes,
Onion heads, and old bent rushes;
To catch a glimpse of the garden's brown,
The gold and yellow of its autumn gown.
And then again the apple tree dances,
With creaking limbs and twisting branches.

J. Ovenden

FIRESIDE

At an early hour the winter's sun doth set
And furry animals to their homes do go.
The people, shuffling through dead leaves,
To their warm, glowing firesides make their way,
Where last year's apple boughs are burning,
And in the hearth chestnuts bake in a row.
On the rug lies the dog, head on paws,
Seeing pictures in the dancing flames.

Nola Inkpen (Upper 5B)

TIME AND TIDE

"The tide doth ebb and the tide doth flow,"
Like friends who come and friends who go.
The clouds go racing across the sky
But men are born and men must die.
A seagull swoops to snatch its prey;
Friends must go whatever we say.
We wonder if again we'll meet.
Perhaps we will see them across the street;
But, by then,
The tide will have forgotten them.

Valerie J. Sales (Upper 5A)

THE MATCH

Once I was a stately pine
Upon Canadian soil.
I sighed and swayed through many a day,
And watched the cutters toil.
Alas, the day was near at hand
For me to bid farewell.
I felt the sharpness of the blade,
Then trembled, swayed and fell.
I floated down the river wide
With many a brother pine ;
I halted at the old saw-mill
To the noisy saw-blade's whine.
What am I now ? But a tiny match,
So think not of me with a frown,
For I give you warmth and cheerfulness
With my head of red and brown.

Marie Trussler (M3)

THE OCTOPUS

A little baby octopus once walking in his sleep
Walked into a castle and into the keep.
The Queen, who was a lobster, got up onto a chair,
Screamed and told her bravest knight
To get him out of there.
The little baby octopus awoke in wild despair,
What could he be doing in that great castle there ?
The Queen she blushed in anger,
And her face turned brilliant red.
How dare a common octopus
See Her Majesty in bed ?
The frightened little octopus turned on his tail and fled;
Then jumped into the ocean deep, and swam and swam and swam.

D. J. Crew (L2)

CIRCLE

War causes poverty,
Poverty peace,
Peace causes plenty,
Then riches increase ;
Riches breed pride,
And pride is war's ground,
That is the way the world goes round.

F. Ashbee

ON MILK BOTTLES

Standing on the doorstep
In a lonely kind of splendour,
Tall bottles, short bottles,
Fat ones and slender.
They wait for the milkman,
They've waited through the night ;
Even now they're waiting,
In the cold morning light.
In every kind of weather
They bravely stand on view;
On every single doorstep
Stand the many or the few.
Some stand proud and sparkling clean
Against a house with paint of green ;
Others stand in troubled cluster,
With all the courage they can muster.
No matter what their disarray
All share the sorry fate,
To be taken every morning
By the milkman in his crate.

T. Barden (L4)

ELY CATHEDRAL

As we sped along the road across the fens, between Cambridge and Ely, we soon saw the beautiful cathedral at Ely, which dominates the small city. Moreover, as the land is so flat, the cathedral not only stands magnificently above all the other buildings, but dominates the whole of the vast plain, stretching for miles upon endless miles.

Our first impressions were extremely favourable and we were not at all disappointed when we finally arrived outside the cathedral. We entered the building by the west door, a beautiful example of Early English architecture, and from there looked down the whole length of the building to the East Window. It was a beautiful sight, with the Norman columns rising majestically on both sides of the nave. The arches in the nave are three-tiered and they stretch up to the painted wooden ceiling, which is of a considerably later date. The chancel is an early English addition and was built to house the relics of St. Ethelreda. One of the most rare features of the cathedral is the octagon with the lantern above it. This was a medieval inspiration and was conceived by Alan of Walsingham.

Ely Cathedral is renowned for its architecture. It was founded by St. Ethelreda, an early Christian, nearly thirteen hundred years ago. She became a nun, although she was a queen, and founded a nunnery

in Ely. When she died, her body was placed in the then small church. Sixteen years later, her body was found still to be in a marvellous condition, and people began to find that miracles of healing could be wrought by first touching her coffin. Thus Ely became a city of pilgrimage and the Cathedral was built to the Glory of God and to commemorate St. Ethelreda.

Linda Southerden

ST. HILARION'S CASTLE

In Cyprus, near the town of Kyrenia, is a mountain on whose slopes are spread the ruins of the castle of St. Hilarion. A guide can be employed to show people round the ruins and the best path for ascending the mountain. At the foot, is the portcullis and the courtyard of the castle, and, most important to the keepers, the pay desk.

Up steps, over boulders and fallen masonry, lies the path until the shrine of the Saint is reached. Here a tomb has been cut in the face of the rock and, after stooping to avoid the overhanging greenery, a cool, dark sanctuary is seen. Ventilation holes have been cut in the walls, but none of the atmosphere of solemnity has been lost. In a niche in the facing wall is a statue of Our Lord on the Cross, beautifully carved in green marble. Whether or not this belonged to the Saint, is not known. Around a corner is an electric light which gives a contemporary effect to a rather scratched mural. This pictures a man with a crown of leaves and a snake at his feet.

Once again, into the open and on up the mountain, leaving the mustiness of the tomb behind. Here and there a hanging olive tree but on the whole there are only dense undergrowth and shrubs. On and on, the path goes, now and then replaced by steps but always climbing upwards, until at last a glimpse can be caught of the white rocks at the summit. Here is the earth's eighth wonder, a roofless chamber naturally formed by the white marble-like rocks. On one side, through a gap can be seen the sparkling blue sea, thousands of feet below, the black rocks along the coast, and the whole town and countryside around Kyrenia. Then after this breath-taking view, and after a short rest, the descent, back to civilisation, begins.

Gillian Blair

VISIT TO THE ROYAL GREENWICH OBSERVATORY

On July 23rd a party of us from the school set out in the early afternoon in two cars to visit the Royal Greenwich Observatory which lies in the grounds of Herstmonceux Castle. About an hour later, after driving one and half miles down a narrow lane, we entered the castle grounds by the west gate. We parked by the castle and were met by our guide, who first took us into the castle.

He led us to the top of one of the towers and pointed out the Observatory buildings. In the north-west we could see the white buildings of the Solar Department where observations of the sun are made. In the north-east the six domes housing the telescopes, making up the Equatorial Group, were to be seen. Finally, in the south-west the West Building could be seen, where the results of the observations were kept and used and also the climate Department was housed.

Our guide then took us up to the Equatorial Group, and on the way, he pointed out the site in the south-east, where a ninety-eight inch reflecting telescope is to be built. The six domes are placed around the edge of a lawn, with a lily pond in the centre, which is completely surrounded by a low wall and wrought-iron gates. Our guide led us into one of the domes, and showed us how it could be opened and closed and rotated. He then took us to see each of the telescopes in the other five domes. In one of these the floor could be raised to bring us up to a level with the telescope, which was on a high stand.

We then walked to the West Building, and we were shown spectra of stars in various stages of development. Our guide took us down to the time department, and we were shown how crystal clocks of this observatory were synchronised with clocks all over the world in other observatories, by wireless. The clocks are in turn synchronised by observations of the stars. We then left after a very enjoyable visit.

M. Pope

A FRIGHT

My friend and I were going camping abroad. My last job was to buy a cut loaf before we left. As it was already getting dark, I hurried out to the baker before he closed. He did them up quickly because it was beginning to drizzle. I stepped out into the darkness.

About half-way home I heard padding footsteps behind me, very close. I did not like this, so I quickened my pace, not daring to turn round. The footsteps quickened also. I broke into a run. My follower did likewise, running close behind me; I rushed through the gate...

I stopped and listened. Not a sound, except the rustle of the wind in the trees and the hissing of the drizzle. I turned round to see that there was a long trail of bread slices which had dropped at each step I took, giving me the fright of my life.

A. Gardner (U5B)

APPLIED QUOTATIONS

"A room of one's own." Virginia Woolf
The School Captain's dream

"Most 'scruciating idle." "How the Camel got his Hump"—
Private Study

"I gloat. Hear me gloat."
A prefect handing out lines

"If die I must, let me die drinking in an inn." Walter Mapes
Certain members of Room 5

"I do not want to be a fly! I want to be a worm!"
Charlotte Gilman

Parts being given for the School Play
"She wept, 'I am aweary, aweary, O God, that I were dead!'"
Tennyson

School Examination
"Praise the Lord, and pass the ammunition." Howell Forgy
School dinners
Kathleen Hole (Upper 5A)

OLD SCHOLARS

Many of the most recent leavers wrote to Miss Dann this term, in connection with prizes they had been awarded, and several came to Speech Day to collect them. Most of them seem to be settling in happily into their various jobs and I shall hope to have individual news of them to report in later issues. This edition is devoted more to the older generations, many of whom have renewed their contact with the school recently through Miss Turner, who has the following addresses to add to those printed in the Girls' Jubilee number:

Peggy Dengate (Mrs. Burgess), Forge House, Court-at-Street,
Lympe
Gillian Pratt (Mrs. Heath), Elmfield Cottage, Petersfinger,
Salisbury
Jean Pope (Mrs. Simons), 30 Coldstream Road,
Newcastle-on-Tyne, 5
Eileen Stoodley (Mrs. Charmian), Bank House, Totland Bay,
Isle of Wight
Marjorie Stoodley, St. Margaret's Nursery, Leighton Road, N.W.5
Andree White (Mrs. Sheppard), 3 Bryngwyn Road, Newbridge,
Monmouthshire

Miss Turner has also provided news of the following Old Girls:

Laurette Cleland is a member of a repertory company in Belfast.

Myrtle Dobson (Mrs. Rhodes), three of whose four children were born in Miss Turner's home-town of King's Lynn, is now living in Surrey and finding time for gardening, singing lessons and W.I. activities.

Mary Jempson is training as a nursery nurse at the 'Babies' Castle, Hawkhurst.

Amanda Mossop (Mrs. Ray Moore) has three sons, one reading architecture at London University, one in H.M. Royal Marines, and one at Sevenoaks School.

Margaret Sands is Deputy Head of a Girls' Technical School in Gravesend and has been Acting Head this term. As a part time student she has succeeded in gaining the London Certificate of Proficiency in Religious Knowledge, the Academic Diploma in Theology and the Academic Diploma in Education.

Other General News

Jessie Wenham (Mrs. Beeching) has two children, a girl of eight and a boy of ten. Joan Baumber is still working in Market Research and her Saltcote contemporary, Ann Lovell, home on leave from Africa was showing Rye to her husband recently. Mother St. Dominic (Gerald Hall) has transferred to More House, Kensington, where she teaches French. Mother Stephanie (Stephanie Orford) is still at St. Leonards. Maisie Saunders lives with her sister Marion, in London, and works in Coutts Bank where Gillian Bates is also. Christopher Melchers has left his bank and is taking the Chartered Institute of Secretaries examination. Richard and Winnie Shearcroft came to the Old Scholars' Dinner and spent part of their Sunday looking round the school building, old and new. John Wood is at a rehabilitation centre. Brian Dawson, after spending some time applying for posts in English Hospitals, has decided to return to the Mayo Clinic, U.S.A., but hopes to attend the January Old Scholars' Reunion first.

The following have signed the Visitors' Book at school—

G. W. Youngs, Leonard Beney of Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A., C. D. Morris and Cecilie, A. Leggett, T. Wood studying at Loughborough, Paddy Leeman of the London College of Secretaries, D. C. Jackson, teaching at Southampton, Ruth Carey, teaching at Nottingham, Jane Tuely, a typographer in London, Pat Halls, Ian Brodie of the Royal Air Force, and a retired Local Government Officer, who dates himself 1910-13 but whose signature I cannot decipher—R. Bristow?

Examination Successes

Leonard Allen, F.R.C.S., has now been appointed Assistant Registrar at University College Hospital, London.

Peter Hole—2nd Class Honours in History at Oxford, is now a trainee in Martin's Bank.

John Mason—2nd Class Honours in English at Oxford, is a trainee at Newnes.

Mark Saville—1st Class Honours in Jurisprudence, has decided to stay another year at Oxford to take his B.C.L. instead of going to America as a barrister, as was his intention.

Marion Saunders—2nd Class Honours in French at University College, London, has started her teaching career at a comprehensive school in Tuke Hill.

Marriages

Old Girls

Dawn Baker to Mr. R. Gillett

Sylvia Button to Mr. Alan Dawes

Elizabeth Covey to Mr. L. C. Jenner

Elizabeth Jempson to Mr. David Pollington

Irene Elliott to Mr. K. Baden Powell

Jennifer Jones to Mr. William Swaine

Judith Pratt to Mr. Michael Brett

Gillian Pratt to Mr. Brian Heath

Jane Turner to Mr. John Bourne

Jennifer Southerden to Mr. E. L. Pugh

Madge Wood to Mr. John Godwyn

Maureen Wood to Mr. Dennis Townsend

Old Boys

David Batehup—he is teaching handicraft at Harvey Grammar School, Folkestone

Keith Cook

Myrddin David

Marcus Ditcher

Ronald Marshall—he is Senior Art Master, Oakmeeds, Burgess Hill

Peter Stone

Births

Joy (Batehup) and Michael Barclay (living in Canada) have a second daughter

Anthea (Doust) and Bryan Wise—a daughter

Bryan Hatter—a daughter

Rita (Prickett) and Geoffrey Simmons—a son

Staff

Mr. Wallis attended Open Day.

Miss Turner, after retiring in the Summer Term, returned to the school for a brief time this term, to teach Geography and Arithmetic

Miss Seed hopes to visit Rye in the Spring.

Miss Cashmore, on leave from Africa, visited the school.

Mrs. Smith (Garside) has a daughter. She also is on leave from Rhodesia.

RYE GRAMMAR SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting was held at the School on 17th October, 1959, with the President, Mr. A. F. Buttery, in the Chair.

There was a good attendance and the meeting, after electing members to the Committee, enjoyed seeing two films dealing with careers.

The next General Meeting will be held at the School on Friday, 4th March, 1960, at 6.45 p.m. It will take the form of a "Does the Team Think?" Meeting and all those interested are invited to attend.

Elected to Committee—

Mr. D. C. A. Perry (Chairman), "Landfall," Pett Road, Guestling

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