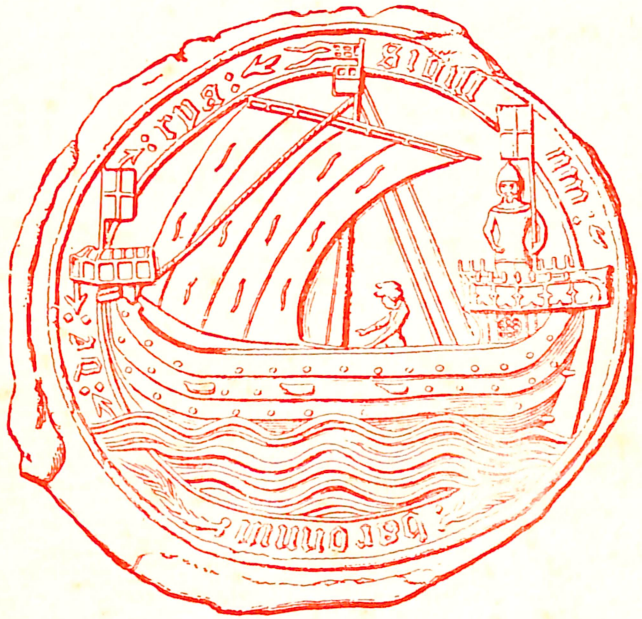


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EDITORIAL

This year will see the completion of the building programme for the school. The new gymnasium is spacious and has separate boys' and girls' changing rooms with a pull-across locking grille, showers, and self-contained rooms for the P.T. Instructors. There are two large Domestic Science rooms, a Chemistry Laboratory, a Physics Laboratory, and a special laboratory for Advanced Science. The Headmaster and Secretary will also have rooms in the new block.

The use of them in September will enable the former inadequate gymnasium and laboratories to be converted into classrooms, and so, for the first time for many years, we shall have the room and facilities to do our job properly.

One's first reaction is of gratitude that so much money, planning and labour has been devoted by the L.E.A. and the Exchequer, by the County Architect and his staff, and by the men on the site, to provide us with the means of doing a useful job. No-one can sensibly claim today that the authorities are cheese-paring with schools; in no previous age has so much been done on so lavish a scale for the education of the young generally throughout England and Wales; and the Minister of Education announced recently at Blackpool that the present rate of expenditure would be doubled in ten years.

One's second reaction is to resolve to justify the confidence of the public in us by what we make of the time spent in these buildings. It is only fair in return to work reasonably hard, to behave in a reasonably sociably acceptable way, and to acquire what skills and qualities one can to contribute in turn to the society that has provided so generously. The children who today accept all this, from the free bottle of milk to the Advanced Science Laboratory, are those who in a few years will be expected to supply from the overplus of their skills similar facilities for the young of their generation.

How exhilarating for the whole school if the opening of the new buildings were marked by a resolve on the part of each member to cultivate that drive and zest that would enable him to make the best use of his years here ! It would give new point to our somewhat unfashionable **Aut disce aut discede—**'Either get on with the job you came here to do, or make room for someone who will.'

SCHOOL NOTES

Leavers. A. Jarvis left at half-term to train as a structural engineer. Philippa Tuely has gone to St. Clare's Hall at Oxford. Margaret Harris will be temporarily at the Collegiate School before going to a Teachers' Training College in September.

On February 19th the school bell-ringers rang at the Parish Church to mark the birth of Prince Andrew.

Music Successes. E. Girdlestone passed Grade VI Organ with honours at Trinity College, London. M. Hickman passed Associated Board of Music, Grade V. Jennifer Burke came 1st in the Girls' Solo (10-14 years) and 6th in the Girls' Solo (Under 15 years) at the Hastings Music Festival, and Molly Townson 1st in the Girls' Vocal Solo (15-18).

The School Open Day will be held on the last Saturday in July, when it is hoped that, as last year, many Old Scholars and friends of the School will take the opportunity of meeting each other again. Proceeds from stalls will be divided between the World Refugee Fund and the Pestalozzi Children's Village at Sedlescombe.

We say goodbye to Mr. J. Hart at the end of his two terms with us.

SANDERS HOUSE REPORT

House Master : Mr. D. P. Darby
House Mistress : Miss B. 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, Margaret Sargent, Bronwen Burke, Ann Lister, Diana Sanders, Bridget Barker, Swaine, Robinson.

This term has been only moderately successful for Sanders House. In the Work and Merit Competition we are still lying second. In the Speech Competition we are currently first with the Upper School result yet to be decided. In the football Competition we came a close third as we did also in the Cross Country Running Competition. The girls did better by coming second in the Competition for the Hockey Shield.

This Term we shall be saying goodbye to Margaret Harris, the Girls' House Captain, whom the House would like to thank for all the help and work that she has given to Sanders House.

Finally we would like to thank Miss Hale and Mr. Darby for all their kind help during this term.

MERYON HOUSE REPORT

House Master : Mr. S. H. Allnutt
House Mistress : Miss M. Topliss
House Captains : Alison Dobbie, A. Jarvis, E. Clark
Secretary : L. Stevens
Treasurer : Felicity Scott
Prefects—Alison Dobbie, Kay Eldridge, Felicity Scott, G. Bourne, A. Buchan, E. Clark, K. Fibbens, A. Jarvis, M. Jarvis (School Captain), L. Stevens, J. Wingfield, M. Winter

This has been a reasonable term for Meryon house. Although we lost the Football Competition we can claim to have done so in a sporting manner, for we chose to win our last match when defeat would have brought us the shield. For the first time in many years we won the Cross-Country Running Competition and were placed first in each section. The whole House performed in an extremely creditable way. In the Hockey Competition Meryon were placed second.

We congratulate Mark Jarvis on his appointment as School Captain. He is the first School Captain from Meryon for quite a few years. On his promotion at the beginning of the term he resigned from being House Captain and Alan Jarvis took over. The latter, however, left at Half Term and we wish him the best of luck in his future career as a structural engineer. Eric Clark succeeded him as House Captain.

Finally we should like to thank Mr. Allnutt and Miss Topliss, our energetic Housemaster and Mistress, for all their help during the term.

PEACOCKE HOUSE REPORT

House Master : Mr. H. N. Thompson
House Mistress : Miss W. Allen
Boys' Captain : J. Ellis
Girls' Captain : Gillian Lauder
Secretary : Jennifer Day
Treasurer : R. Comport
Prefects—Gillian Lauder, Gillian Sewell, D. Norris, J. Ellis, Comport, R. Seeley, M. Pope, M. Rogerson, Metianu.

Athletically speaking, this has been a very successful term for the House. The boys have won the Football Shield, as well as coming a close second to Meryon for the Cross Country Shield, while the girls have won the Hockey Shield.

Unfortunately, the House is third in the Speech Competition (have we more brawn than brain in Peacocke ?), but as the Upper Middle and Upper School still have to take part, there is a chance of improving the position.

The House would like to congratulate Chris Hayes, who came first at the East Sussex Cross Country Championships, second at the Sussex and represented the County at the Nationals.

At the beginning of the term, the House dance was held, and was very successful, making a substantial profit for the House fund.

The House would like to thank Miss Allen and Mr. Thompson for their help and interest, especially in the organization of the dance.

Secretary

SALTCOTE PLACE REPORT

This term we welcomed two new girls to the house. We were also glad to welcome Mrs. Bayliss who came during Miss Turner's illness. We are glad to say that Miss Turner has now recovered and is back with us again.

We have again enjoyed hockey and table tennis matches against Leasam and we should like to thank Miss Redgwell and Mr. Allmond for all they have done to make the hockey matches possible. The first of these matches we won 2—1 the second we lost 4—3 making us tie with Leasam, one match each and a tie from last term. Having won the first hockey match we went on the following week to beat Leasam at table-tennis but so as not to disappoint them we have once again allowed them to keep the cup !

Miss E. A. Turner kindly gave us some money with which we have bought a teak garden seat and we shall use it a great deal in the summer.

We would like to extend our thanks to Miss Nelson, Miss Hayter, Miss Turner, and all the other staff for all they have done for us this term.

G. Sewell

LEASAM HOUSE

This term has been another successful one for Leasam. Both the farm and the house have been running smoothly.

Members of the house have represented the school in both football and cross country teams, and we have had a good season of sport generally. We have won the table tennis cup this year for the second time running and we managed to win one of the two games of hockey against Saltcote.

In the evenings this term we have had two very interesting lectures, one on the control of warble fly, and the other on fruit growing abroad. On the second of April we organised a social, which was enjoyed by all.

On the farm our eleven cows produced over 1,150 gallons of milk last month. The sheep have been lambing, and are nearly finished. We have got an average of $1\frac{1}{4}$ lambs per ewe.

Our thanks this term go to Mr. Anderson, Mr. White and Mr. Allmond for their help and instruction. Our special thanks to Mr. Allmond and Miss Redgewell for refereeing our hockey matches. We must also thank Matron and the house staff for looking after us so well, and we wish Matron and Mr. and Mrs. Mittson good luck in the future, as they are leaving us, Matron to get married and Mr. and Mrs. Mitson to take up a new business venture.

NOAH

The translation of Andre Obey's play "Noah" is an excellent choice for a school production.

The theme is, of course, the Old Testament story of the deluge, but the play is largely concerned with family relationships. There is the relationship between Noah and the Almighty, and the relationship between Noah and his family. We see particularly the conflict between the idealistic, imaginative, blindly trusting Noah, and Ham, his forthright, sceptical son. There is Mrs. Noah, a simple, home-loving, somewhat suburban little woman, who is completely unaware of the significance of the situation, and hankers only to resume her old, very ordinary existence. Then there are the other young people, who play, and bicker, and fluctuate in their loyalties, and finally, like all young people, leave their parents to make a new life for themselves. The animals in the Ark ask only to be fed and cared for, and seem to be much closer to Noah in their simplicity.

At the end of the play, Noah is left bewildered by his children's desertion, and by the rather querulous demand of his wife for a house and her friends and neighbours, but his faith is unshaken—"Just be up there once in a while, God."

Under the direction of Mrs. Curran and Miss Dann, the Grammar School players gave three valiant performances. The first of these to the school audience, always devastating, cynical and wicked, left them undaunted. Perhaps this ordeal acted as a spur, for the adult audiences received the play with great approval.

Rogerson as Noah, a long and difficult part, gave an imaginative and sensitive performance, and was particularly endearing in his conversation with God.

Clark as Ham was superb. His resonant voice was a great asset, but he was so assured and natural, that it was difficult to believe that this was his first major role.

These two main characters were well supported by Hilary Ripley as Mrs. Noah, Winter as Shem, Knowles at Japhet, Ingrid Darnell as Sella, Diana Sanders as Ada, and Lesley Bates at Naomi, with Oswin as the Man. They all acted with vigour and gaiety. Margaret Richards, Christine Oates, Blacklock, Luck, Roskowski, and Munnery as the animals, were bouncy, energetic and quite irresistible.

Mr. Thomson's scenery was perfect for a modern dress production; simple, clear and unobtrusive. Miss Exeter's lighting was greatly appreciated and the extravagant touch of the rainbow was rewarded by a gasp of delight from the audience.

Miss Allen and Mr. Silver gave much time and energy in all round assistance.

Perhaps there could have been more indication as to the racial characteristics of the children, and I wish the dove had not dwindled to the size of a Jenny Wren by the time it arrived back plus olive branch to Mrs. Noah.

But these are puny criticisms of an excellent production, and all those who acted, and assisted, deserve our warmest congratulations.

THE MOCK TRIAL

The first meeting of the Sixth Form Society this term took the form of a Mock Trial, that of J. H. Ellis who was accused of arson The prosecuting Counsel, Bridget Barker, put the case that on December 31st, 1959, he had deliberately set fire to Rye Grammar School. Several witnesses were called to testify that Ellis had been at the school at the time the fire had been started, that he had the means to start it and also to suggest a possible motive for his doing so. The Defending Counsel, Bronwen Burke, after calling witnesses to show the good character of the accused, then called Ellis himself to the witness box. He admitted he had been at the school at the relevant time, but he asserted his innocence of the crime. She next tried to show who else could have committed the crime by calling a witness who declared he was Ron Southerden and had been near the school that evening, but had not gone in.

After the Judge, M. Rogerson, had summed up, he, the accused, the counsels, and witnesses retired from the room while everyone else, encouraged by the Clerk of the Court, E. Clark, tried to reach a verdict. This they were unable to do, but on a majority vote he was acquitted.

HOCKEY REPORT

Results

1st Eleven

Autumn Term

Bexhill Grammar School	Home	Won	8—0
Charters Towers	Home	Won	4—1
Hastings High School	Away	Won	2—0
Hastings High School	Home	Won	5—2
Ashford Grammar School	Away	Lost	3—0

Spring Term

Charters Towers	Away	Lost	2—1
Ancaster House	Away	Lost	6—4
Hastings High School	Home	Won	2—1
Boys		Lost	3—0
Staff		Lost	3—0

Ancaster House Tournament

Charters Towers	Won	3—0
St. Helenas	Won	2—0
Convent of the Holy Child	Won	4—0
Ancaster House	Lost	1—0

Placed 3rd out of ten schools

2nd Eleven

Autumn Term

Bexhill Grammar School	Home	Lost	3—0
Charters Towers	Home	Won	5—2
Hastings High School	Away	Drew	2—2
Hastings High School	Home	Won	2—1
Ashford Grammar School	Away	Lost	4—2

Spring Term

Charters Towers	Away	Won	3—2
Ancaster House	Away	Lost	7—0
Hastings High School	Home	Won	1—0

Ancaster House Tournament

Beehive	Won	1—0
Ancaster House	Lost	1—0
Rye Secondary Modern School	Drew	0—0

Placed 2nd out of five schools

Under 16 Eleven

Southlands	Drew	2—2
Rye Secondary Modern School	Lost	2—1

3rd Year Eleven

Rye Secondary Modern School	Won	7—1

Southlands Tournament

R.G.S. A XI		R.G.S. B XI	
Brampton Down	Lost	Brampton Down	Lost
Harcourt A XI	Drew	Harcourt A XI	Drew
Southlands A XI	Won	Southlands A XI	Drew
Rye G.S. B XI	Drew	Rye G.S. A XI	Drew
Homewood	Drew	Homewood	Drew
Harcourt B XI	Drew	Harcourt B XI	Won
Southlands B XI	Drew	Southlands B XI	Drew
Placed 4th out of 8		Placed 5th out of 8	

1st Eleven was picked from—

E. Clarke, J. Maynard, J. Watkins, G. Sewell, A. Dobbie (Capt.), J. Day, G. Lauder, V. Sales, S. Roser, J. Bather, L. Bates, G. Foy, L. Cornwall, J. Message, M. Bather, F. Rook.

2nd Eleven was picked from—

A. Lister, H. Starns, J. Williams, J. Message, F. Rook (Capt.), M. Bather, L. Southerden, P. Newnham, M. Barden, J. Langridge, G. Blair, K. Eldridge, K. Hole, S. Roberts, G. Foy, M. Richards, S. Baker.

Under 16 Eleven was picked from—

L. Cornwall, S. Morley, F. Evans, P. Newnham, J. Ovenden, G. Morris, J. Grout, M. Richards, P. Horner, G. Richardson, H. Marshall, G. Blair, L. Baker, J. Taylor, G. Foy, J. Bather.

3rd Year Eleven was picked from—

D. Maclean, L. Moth, L. Vahey, A. Carter, J. De Gruchy, K. Hagen, C. Oates, G. Rothwell, M. Richards, J. Daintrey, S. Bailey.

A XI was picked from—

L. Cornwell, H. Bather, F. Evans, G. Morris, J. Taylor, J. Ovenden, H. Marshall, E. Duncan, G. Richardson, B. Moon, J. Comport.

B XI was picked from—

D. Maclean, L. Vahey, L. Moth, K. Hagen, J. De Gruchy, A. Carter, S. Bailey, J. Daintrey, M. Richards, G. Rothwell, J. Roser

The First Eleven has not had a consistent season, sometimes losing matches that could have been won easily. This may have been due to the fact that none of us were very fit, and also that the defence were inclined to panic, and the forwards to become erratic. Our best

performance was at the Ancaster House Tournament when we lost only to Ancaster, who finally won the tournament. At Christmas we lost our goalkeeper but have found a good replacement in L. Cornwell.

The second eleven had an undistinguished season, and did not combine well as a team. The defence was good, but the forwards must attack more in the opposing circle.

Colours were renewed to A. Dobbie, G. Sewell and G. Lauder, and were awarded to J. Watkins, J. Maynard, S. Roser, V. Sales.

FOOTBALL REPORT

The first eleven has had its most successful season for many years, losing only one match, when unfortunately we were without Fort and Bourne. The defence has been unchanged throughout the season and has proved very strong. The attack, with the thrust of Seeley and Clark, and the craft of Fort and Swaine, was a handful for any defence. The right wing position was a problem but was adequately filled by Beaney P. It was encouraging to note that the A XI also only lost one match, as this will form the basis of next year's first eleven, as only three of this year's team will be left.

The team has been selected from the following. Goals scored are in parentheses.

Beaney D., Beaney P. (4), Baldock (1), Blacklock (1), Bourne, Clarke (16), Cook, Ellis (1), Fibbens, Fort (4), Hayes (1), Jarvis A., Jarvis M. (3), Newstead, Pennell (1), Seeley (14), Swaine (4); one own goal.

Colours have been awarded to Bourne, Ellis and Pennell and renewed to Clark, Fort, Jarvis A., Jarvis M., Seeley and Swaine.

Results

Ashford Grammar School	Home	Won	5—2
Eastbourne Grammar School	Away	Drew	1—1
Hastings Grammar School	Home	Won	5—2
Eastbourne Grammar School	Home	Won	4—3
Bexhill Grammar School	Away	Won	5—3
Harvey Grammar School	Away	Won	2—1
Hastings Grammar School	Away	Won	10—1
Duke of Yorks R.M.S.	Home	Lost	2—5
Hastings Grammar School	Home	Won	5—2
Old Scholars	Home	Won	2—0

Played 11, Won 9, Drawn 1

Second Eleven

Ashford Grammar School	Home	Won	2—1
Eastbourne Grammar School	Away	Lost	1—5
Hastings Grammar School	Home	Lost	1—14
Eastbourne Grammar School	Home	Lost	1—5
Bexhill Grammar School	Away	Lost	3—4
Harvey Grammar School	Away	Lost	2—5
Hastings Grammar School	Away	Lost	0—5
Bexhill Grammar School	Home	Won	3—2
Duke of Yorks R.M.S.	Home	Draw	2—2
Hastings Grammar School	Home	Lost	1—4

Played 10, Won 2, Drawn 1

"A" Eleven

Hastings S.M.S.	Away	Won	4—1
Goudhurst	Home	Won	7—1
Brickwall	Away	Won	3—1
Brickwall	Home	Won	7—5
Ashford North S.M.S.	Away	Won	5—1
Homewood S.M.S.	Home	Drew	1—1
Homewood S.M.S.	Away	Won	4—1
Brickwall	Away	Won	6—0
Southlands S.M.S.	Home	Won	8—1
Brickwall	Away	Won	4—1
Goudhurst	Away	Won	15—0
Southlands S.M.S.	Away	Lost	0—3
Ashford North S.M.S.	Home	Won	1—0
Hastings S.M.S.	Home	Won	5—2
Goudhurst	Home	Won	7—1

Played 15, Won 13, Drawn 1

"B" Eleven

Goudhurst	Home	Won	6—3
Goudhurst	Away	Won	9—1
Goudhurst	Home	Won	7—0

Under 15 Eleven

Willingdon S.M.S. (E. Sussex Cup)	Home	Won	9—0
Hastings Grammar School	Away	Lost	1—3
Bexhill Down S.M.S. (E.S.C.)	Home	Lost	4—6
Bexhill Down S.M.S.	Away	Lost	1—6
Rye S.M.S.	Home	Won	2—1

Under 14 Eleven

The 1959/60 season was not a successful one for the under 14 XI. Out of the 14 matches played the team won 2 and drew 4.

The team was chosen from the following—Bates, Pankhurst, Marchant, Hills, Harvey, Hearty (P.), Skinner, Dixon, Wilson (C.), Ashenden, Foy, Rogerson (P.), Robinson (M.), Seeley (M.), Lane, Polhill, Dennis Colburn, Johnson and Bianchi.

Results

Ashford Grammar School	Home	Drew	1—1
Ashford North S.M.S.	Home	Won	7—3
Ashford North S.M.S.	Away	Drew	3—3
Goudhurst	Home	Won	4—0
Goudhurst	Home	Drew	2—2
Eastbourne Grammar School	Home	Lost	0—10
Eastbourne Grammar School	Away	Lost	3—5
Bexhill Grammar School	Home	Lost	3—7
Bexhill Grammar School	Away	Lost	0—7
Hastings Secondary Modern School	Home	Lost	2—6
Hastings Secondary Modern School	Away	Lost	0—3
Hastings Grammar School	Home	Lost	1—11
Hastings Grammar School	Away	Drew	2—2
Harvey Grammar School	Away	Lost	0—11

The players would like to thank Mr. Holness for giving up his time to train and encourage them.

Under 13 XI Results

Goudhurst	Home	Won	2—1
Southlands	Home	Won	2—1
Southlands	Away	Won	3—1
Homewood	Home	Lost	3—5
Homewood	Away	Lost	0—5
Ashford North	Home	Lost	0—3
Ashford North	Away	Won	3—1
Bexhill Down (E.S. Cup)	Away	Won	4—3
Bexhill Grammar School (E.S. Cup)	Away	Lost	0—15
Rye Secondary Modern School	Home	Lost	2—3

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

The 1959/1960 season was a fairly successful one for the School Cross-Country Teams. Teams were sent to the East Sussex Championships at Heathfield, the Sussex Championships at Brighton and to an Invitation Race at Hastings. Results were as follows—

East Sussex Championships

Juniors—130 boys ran over a course of about two miles. The Team was placed seventh out of the twenty teams that entered. The Team consisted of Russell (4th), Polhill (14th), Clark (50th), Moore (75th), Hatcher (90th) and Ashdown (96th).

Intermediates—The School Team was placed 1st out of eight teams running over a course 2¾ miles long. Individual results were—Hayes (1st), Metianu (3rd), Searle (7th), Hickmott (14th), Lavender (16th) and Seale (18th).

Seniors—Seven runners ran in this race, which was over 3½ miles. Comport was placed 4th.

Sussex Championships

Juniors—247 boys competed in this 2½ mile race. The School was placed 15th out of 43 teams. Individual results were—Russell (18th), Polhill (56th), Baldock (75th), Courage (136th), Sewell (163rd) and Clarke (170th).

Intermediates—This race was run over 3½ miles and 151 took part. Out of the 26 teams taking part, the School was placed 3rd. The Team consisted of Hayes (2nd), Metianu (16th), Bourne (34th), Searle (37th), Hickmott (41st) and Lavender (71st).

Seniors—This race was run over 4½ miles and 61 boys took part. Comport was placed 19th and Swain 41st.

Invitation Race at Hastings

Six teams took part in this 4½ mile race over Hastings Grammar School's course. The School Team was placed 3rd. The team consisted of Hayes (6th), Metianu (8th), Bourne (18th), Comport (21st), Searle (22nd) and Hickmott (24th).

As a result of his fine performance at Brighton, C. Hayes was chosen as a member of the Sussex Team to run in the National Championships at Liverpool. There was a very high standard set at this meeting and Hayes did very well to be placed 65th out of the 250 runners. He was the second Sussex runner home.

East Sussex Colours were awarded to Hayes, Metianu, and Russell. Sussex Colours were awarded to C. Hayes.

School Inter-House Race

This race was won by Meryon with 653 points from Peacocke with 738 points and Sanders 920 points.

Juniors

In this race the first twelve in each house counted for points. The first six home were Moore (P), King (P), Ashdown (M), Buchan (M), Robus and Thompson (M).

Meryon won this section with 183 points from Peacocke with 211 points and Sanders with 272 points.

Lower Middle School

The first twelve in each house gained points. Meryon and Sanders gained 215 points and Peacocke 236 points. The first six runners were Clark (P), Polhill (S), Lane (M), Sewell (P), Davies (P) and Hance (M).

Upper Middle School

The first eight in each race counted. Meryon gained 84 points, Peacocke 90 and Sanders 126. The first six were Searle (M), Russell (P), Baldock (P), Hughes (M), Courage (M) and Hollingdale (P).

Seniors

In this race the first twelve in each house counted for points. Meryon won with 171 points from Peacocke with 198 points and Sanders with 307 points. The first six were Hayes (P), Metianu (P), Bourne (M), Blacklock (M), Comport (P) and Hickmott (P).

Most members of the teams have been practising on Tuesday evenings and we should like to thank Mr. Boultwood for coaching us and for arranging our fixtures.

R.C.

2nd RYE (GRAMMAR SCHOOL) GUIDES

The Spring Term of 1960 has seen the School Guide Company more active than ever. Recruits Celia Hales, Philippa Duncan and Lindsay Macdonell were enrolled on February 19th, and Helen Chapman, Veronica Edwards and Marion Phillips on April 8th. Numbers now stand at 22. Sheila Buchan gained her Gymnast badge, this being the first proficiency badge gained since the Company re-opened. Six people were awarded Cook's badges, and one Minstrel's badge was gained also. Patrol work is progressing, although proper Headquarters where we could keep our various belongings would make life much easier. The Patrol Shield was won by Robin Patrol. The financial situation seems fairly satisfactory, and the Company is looking forward to several Jubilee Year events.

The Company held its Thinking Day party on February 20th at the F.E. Centre, and nearly 60 Guides and Brownies attended. We played Guide games from many countries and worked up large appetites before a very good tea. After tea, we heard an interesting lecture on Guiding in British Honduras by ex-Commissioner Miss Thorton-Down, now of Udimore. Then we had the lighting of the Thinking Day candles, which were arranged in the shape of the World Badge, and to which each Guide and Brownie contributed her Thinking Day Penny. Everyone went home that evening convinced that the Party had been worthwhile indeed.

Field Day on March 25th was very different from past Field Days. This term the energetic ones made their way by bicycle (the lazier ones went by bus !) to the Pestalozzi Village at Sedlescombe. There we made ourselves useful by digging and weeding in the large kitchen garden. Unfortunately we did not see any of the children. It was a

hard day's work, but we felt that this was a most worthwhile Good Turn, and so we cheerfully ignored our aching muscles and blistered hands.

The next day the Patrol Leaders went to Battle, where Miss Mitchell, a Guide trainer from Bexhill, conducted a training afternoon. We gained ideas which will help both with Patrol work and with taking Company games.

The Summer Term will see the majority of the Jubilee events taking place, and we look forward to these with great expectations.

Margaret Guymer (P.L. Lilies of the Valley)

SCOUT REPORT

1959 and 1960 have proved the most eventful years since the troop was reformed. In 1959, the idea of producing a newspaper was born, and one field day was utilised to gather the necessary material to publish it. It was hoped to give the proceeds to different charities, but owing to the newspaper strike it came off the printing press too late to be effective in this way. It was, however, a unique effort and everyone connected with the publication must be congratulated on the wonderful job they did. I was particularly pleased with the reports which were made to me by many of the persons interviewed; they all stated that the reporters had been most intelligent in their questioning, and also extremely courteous in their conduct. A 'bunfight' was held to celebrate the success of the venture, at which the Mayor, Councillor Horner, attended and presented prizes to the scouts who had sold the most newspapers.

Training has progressed wonderfully well. Four Life Saving Badges have been awarded, five scouts have attained 1st Class Badges, and two 1st Class Scouts are working hard on their Queen's Scout training. In this connection I would like to give my sincere thanks to Mr. Tregenny and Mr. Orford for their invaluable help.

Francis Ashbee was appointed Troop Leader; on second thoughts, I think he just took over control of the troop, and all I had to do was make it official. A very successful evening was held in February, 1960, at the troop headquarters, at which parents and the Cub Pack were present. Seven Cubs made their progress to the troop that night, and we hope they will persevere through to that coveted Queen Scout Badge. The District Commissioner, Mr. Winch, honoured us by coming along one evening and presenting John Small with his Assistant Scout Master's Warrant. Congratulations John.

Preparations are now under way to enter a patrol for the District Patrol Camping Competition, and also for summer camp which will be held at Broadstone Warren. In conclusion, a personal message to the boys who have left the troop. "May your years with the scouts stand you in good stead in the future." Skip

RED CROSS REPORT

This term has been a fairly busy one for us. At the beginning of it we knitted squares, which were made into blankets for the Refugees. We would like to thank everyone who helped us knit these squares. A few of us have been collecting kit bags, to be sent to Red Cross Headquarters. From here they are sent out to the scene of any disaster in which people have lost their homes. The younger members of the group are at present making scrapbooks. These will be sent to younger children in hospital for them to look at.

On Field Day, we spent the morning in the school Domestic Science Room, making sweets and biscuits, which were sold at long break. The money, amounting to £2/4/6 will be sent to the Refugee Fund. Our thanks for this mornings' success go to Mrs. Cooper and Miss Hale. After eating our lunch, we went to Udimore Wood to pick some primroses. We found quite a few and they were sent to the Streatham Home for Incurables.

We wish to thank Miss Hale for the continual help and advice she has given us throughout the term.

E. Robinson

AIR TRAINING CORPS

The Easter term, for the School Squadron, has been one of progress and expectancy. Plans have been made to add interest to the training programme, and not the least of these is the converting of one of the School air-raid shelters into a .22 rifle range. Much spade work on this has already been done, and, at the moment, we await the granting of a Home Office licence before proceeding further. Orders for aero-modelling material have been placed with N.A.A.F.I., and a start is to be made next term on a course for probationers and 2nd Class Cadets, with Cpl. Pennell as instructor.

Perhaps our greatest acquisition this term has been the services of Mr. Parkhurst as civilian instructor in Signals. At the moment, he is taking the junior members of the Corps for morse and the 1st Class Cadets for power units. His coming also means, that in the near future, Signals will be taken as a Proficiency subject, entitling the Squadron to a two way transmitter and thereby adding further interest and variety to the training programme.

Field Day was held at R.A.F. Tangmere, and, as usual on this day, no request for leave of absence were forthcoming as sometimes confronts the C.O. during normal training evenings at School. Thanks are due to Flt./Lt. Howe of Tangmere for providing a most interesting day's training, the value of which should never be underestimated, as instruction of the kind received on these visits can never be contemplated during School training due to lack of equipment,

facilities and qualified personnel. The highlight of the visit was no doubt the .303 shooting which enabled Sgt. Bourne and Cpl. Stretton to qualify for their R.A.F. markmanship badge. This feat required the 'placing' of five rounds on the target, so grouped, that a halfpenny covered the lot.

Other individual successes obtained during the term were the award of a Wing cross-country blue to Sgt. Bourne for his excellent performance when representing the Squadron at Shoreham and the Wing at Epsom Downs, coming third in both events; the acceptance of Sgt. Robinson for a gliding course at Hawkinge; the award of 'Best Cadet of the Year' to Cpl. Pennell and by no means least, the success of 2nd Class Cadet Heighes who, on finding that he had succesfully answered forty one 'teasers' out of forty two from the official Services Aircraft Recognition Journal, queried the one wrong with the Editor and received the reply that the Journal was wrong and he was right. No mean performance this for a young cadet who has only been with the Squadron for approximately a term.

The end of the term has seen the final cramming and frenzied revision of those entering for their Proficiency and Advanced examinations and we wish them all every success on May 2nd. Success also to those now undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards at various stages. The strength of the Squadron has also risen to a satisfactory level, and it is hoped with the introduction of further interests to the training programme, more boys of both Schools will be induced to join the Corps.

Whatever planning and hard work is done by those at 'top level,' it must always be remembered that the ultimate success of any squadron is largely due to the loyalty and co-operation of all Squadron personnel. In this respect, this Squadron is blessed with first class N.C.O.s and cadets and their services are much appreciated by those who command.

WEMBLEY 1960

From Rye we caught the 9.2 Doleham Flier to Hastings, having been told to behave ourselves as there were ordinary sane passengers on the train as well as five members of the Staff. At Hastings, after calling a porter to help us let the staff out, we tumbled into a compartment on a special train, and loaded the luggage racks with everything from battered school hats to assorted bottles. After a a straightforward journey to Wembley via Bexhill, Polegate, Lewes and egg-sandwiches, we arrived at one o'clock. As the match did not start until three o'clock, we spent our time swapping tassels and eating "Doozy-Dogs." After a merry sing-song with "Arthur" and "George," the English and German teams were driven out onto the

field. They kicked off immediately after the National Anthems as the band scurried away. In the first half England were on the attack all the time and scored two goals. After half time's orange quarters (we only get slivers), the play was more even. England added one more goal to their score, and the Germans just managed a dramatic last goal, much to the crowd's delight. The final score was therefore 3-1 to England. We were directed back to our train by a British Railway Representative and after frequent stops we arrived back in Rye at 9.15.

Lesley Bates and Jennifer Day

THE BISHOP OF CHICHESTER'S CONFERENCE FOR SUSSEX SCHOOLBOYS

Two boys from the School attended the Bishop's week-end Conference from Friday 18th to Sunday 20th March, held at the Theological College at Chichester. We arrived shortly after 5 o'clock on Friday and assembled in the Library, after we had been shown to to our rooms. After supper we were formally welcomed by the Dean of Chichester and then were given a talk on "The Person of Jesus Christ," in which the speaker, the Rev. J. Cotton, stressed His quality of "the Truth." On Saturday morning the same speaker gave another talk on "The Necessity for a Church." This was followed by a talk by Dr. Warner, a R.A.F. Chaplain, entitled "The Church of England," in which he dealt with the history of the Church of England from the pre-Reformation Ecclesia Anglicana to the present day.

Saturday afternoon was free, and so we joined a party and were taken up the Cathedral tower, from the top of which we had a good view of the city and the surrounding countryside. We were then shown over the City Hall and St. Mary's Hospital by the Town Clerk.

In the evening, the Venerable L. Mason, Archdeacon of Chichester showed us slides of some West Sussex Churches, including a number of isolated ones, administering to less than 100 parishioners.

After supper the Bishop of Chichester attended the conference to answer our questions, which included ones on Church Unity, Communism and oral contraceptives.

On Sunday morning we attended Holy Communion in the Cathedral, celebrated by the Lord Bishop. The final talk of the conference was given by Dr. Warner and dealt with the life and duties of the priesthood.

All the talks were extremely interesting and helpful, and provoked many questions which were ably answered by the various clergy at hand. The conference dispersed after lunch, and we are grateful to the Archdeacon of Hastings for bringing us back in his car.

C.H.K. and M.W.

LIBRARY REPORT

Over thirty new books have been added to the Library this term, including:

"William The Silent" by C. V. Wedgewood
"No Room in the Ark" by A. Moorehead
"A Silver-Plated Spoon" by John, Duke of Bedford
"Triumph in the West, 1943-1946" by A. Bryant
"Commentary on the Prologue of the Canterbury Tales" by M. Bowden
"The Small Woman by A. Burgess
"Shakespear's Poetic Energy" by G. Rylands
"Inside the Living Cell" by J. Butler
"Physiological Approach to the Lower Animals" by J. A. Ramsay

We are extremely grateful to the following for having generously presented books:

Vicki Davies, for " How the Queen Reigns "

Adams of Rye Ltd. for "Wild Flowers of Chalk and Limestone" and the Town Clerk, for "The B.B.C. Hand Book"

We look forward next term to the beginning of work on the extension of the Library, which we hope will be quickly completed.

STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT REPORT

The influx of new members this term has raised the number of the Group to twenty, the highest membership for several years. We have had three meetings this term.

The speaker at our first meeting of the term was the Rev. A. R. Jacobs, Vicar of Brookland, who spoke on the duties of Christian Stewardship. The February meeting, at which Mr. Silver was in the chair, took the form of a debate, opened by Mr. Buttery, on the controversial subject of Capital Punishment. The Clash of World Colour was the subject Mr. W. P. Cole, an ex-army Padre, chose for his talk at the March meeting. There was an exceptionally large attendance, and many questions were asked after Mr. Cole's talk.

Arrangements have been made by the S.C.M. for a visit to London in May to see the film "Ben-Hur " and non-members have been given the opportunity to complete the party.

We thank Mr. Gaunt and Miss Getley for their initiative and lead they have given us throughout the term.

Hon. Secretary

SIXTH FORM SOCIETY

A Mock Trial was organised for the first meeting in the early part of the term, when John Ellis was tried for arson. This was well attended and apart from the fact that a verdict could not be reached, it seemed fairly successful. On the 26th March, a party of thirty two went by coach to London to see Ralph Richardson, Phyllis Calvert and Paul Schofield in 'The Complaisant Lover," a play by Grahame Green at the Globe Theatre. Mr. Patric Dickinson kindly arranged for two of our members to meet Sir Ralph Richardson after the performance. No other meeting was held because during the last weeks of term members have been busy, either with examinations or rehearsing for the School Play.

Alison Dobbie (Secretary)

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Meetings have continued this term,but a somewhat remarkable lack of interest has been shown by the majority of the members. In fact, the average attendance at meetings has been somewhere in the region of five, out of a total membership of twenty. This appalling apathy is still further evinced by the fact that only comparatively few members have paid their subscriptions. Unless they do so in the near future we shall feel constrained to withhold from them the facilities extended to the Table Tennis Club for playing tennis during the Summer Term.

There is little further to report, as, owing to the general lack of spirit referred to above, the usual activities of the club during the Spring Term, such as the match against the Staff, have not taken place. However, it does seem necessary to mention that the finances of the club are in a chaotic state, and that money is owed to the Treasurer, who has been paying for virtually all new equipment out of his own pocket.

F.A.T.S.

A REPORT ON THE RADIO SOCIETY

This society was formed last term, since then ten people have joined. This term, under the supervision of Mr. Brennand and Mr. Parkhurst, we have assembled one and two valve receivers. Components needed in the assembling were obtained from old sets which members had brought to be dismantled. With such enthusiasm and sharing amongst ourselves we were not forced to pay unnecessary costs for various parts. For the latter part of this term we are

starting to make mains receivers. Power packs have been built by some of the members so that they can work their receivers at home as well as at the society meetings.

Mr. Parkhurst has helped us in our work by explaining certain difficulties and functions of various radio components. Besides doing radio work we have been taught some advanced physics accompanied by experiments. Mr. Parkhurst has improved our knowledge on this subject and has illustrated the type of work which members of the society will encounter in the latter part of their stay at school.

For this we thank Mr. Parkhurst, and Mr. Brennand too for his organisation and help.

M. Gain

THE OLD BRICK WORKS

One and a half miles from the main road
Down a long narrow, winding lane,
I found an old brick works.
Though it was old, it was still the same
As it had been a long time before.
Now weather and age had begun to erode
The well-built walls of kiln and tower.
I looked inside, expecting to find a weathered floor,
But no; all inside was intact, except for a shower
Of rubble and dust, disturbed by my unsteady arm.
No bricks were strewn about, but below the door
Was a pit with bricks, all stacked.
In neat piles, rising up about four feet
To the level of the bottom of the floor.
Gaps in the stacks were still there; used when the bricks were heated.
And under them all was the tunnel through which the heat was supplied.
This passage led underground, beneath the bricks then completed,
To the tall brick chimney, beside the kilns outside.
Outside in stacks were more completed bricks; they
Were already engraved with their maker's name.
Although they are finished, they are there to stay,
For the owners have gone and left the works, but all is the same.
Walls are now cracking, thousands of bricks left untouched,
But one can, at least I can, imagine the days of its use.

Eldridge (M.2)

A SMALL FORGOTTEN CHURCH

Covered with lichen, green and red,
Shaded beneath the deep yews,
And surrounded by early daffodils,
A small forgotten church
Sleeps beneath the spring sky.
The old green stones in the graveyard
Are crooked and uncared for;
The graves are overgrown with weeds;
Only the daffodils riot.
The old stones of the church,
Were laid by the Saxons;
They too have lichened and fallen into
Disrepair; the windows are sunk deep
In the thick walls, and ivy taps
At the stained glass. The porch is falling
Into decay; the outside door is warped,
And the iron hinges are red with rust.
Inside all is dark and musty,
The pews are eaten away by beetles,
And the brass candlesticks are green.
There is an air of decay, everything forgotten
In the old church, lost among the daffodils.

Jacqueline Ovenden, L5A

MARCH WINDS

It's a roaring, raging, rag-taggle wind,
A whining, whistling, walloping gale;
A pushing, rushing, thrusting thing,
Now playing with me up the dale.

It's a boisterous, biting, buffeting wind,
Tossing, twisting, twirling along,
Whooping down chimneys and filling the room
With its gurgling, gleeful, bubbling song.

It's an up with the dustbins !
And down with the leaves !
And off with the borders !
And loudly it greives
For the things that escape it—the paper in bins
And the lady whose hat is secured with two pins.

R. Firrell, L4

SOME HALLUCINATIONS

She though she saw old granny,
A-coming with the cane.
She looked again and found it was
An electric diesel train.

She thought she saw a monkey,
A-coming with a whip,
She looked again and found it was
A signed detention slip.

She thought she saw an elephant
Descending from the sky,
She looked again and found it was
A steak and kidney pie.

She thought she saw a hippo,
Lying on the bed,
She looked again and found it was
Her little cat instead.

Elizabeth Caldwell, L2

THE SWALLOW

High in the air the swallows fly,
Happy all the day long,
Flying about in the deep blue sky,
Singing a twittering song.

Their nests are built on an old oak beam
High in the barn so cool,
Made of clay from a little stream,
Or mud from the edge of a pool.

They play with martins, and try to race
The sickle-winged swift in flight
And over the trees in airy grace,
They fly from morning till night.

The summer is theirs, and glad and free
Through the sunny days they fly
Calling their twittering song to me,
Down the windy paths of the sky.

Susan Plummer, L2

A BLUETIT ON A PEAR TREE BOUGH

All was still and quiet;
Not a leaf stirred,
And there was nothing,
Nothing to be heard,
Except for the padding,
Soft padding of the cat
As she stalked her prey,
The bluetit, small and fat,
Nearer and nearer, across the grass;
The light leap on to the wall,
Then along that wall, with footsteps sure;
Too sure for the cat to fall.
The bluetit, unsuspecting,
Chirped 'neath the wide blue sky;
Perched on a pear-tree bough,
A creature unprepared to die.
The cat was almost there,
Just a mere few feet away;
On relentlessly, step by step,
Step by step, towards her prey.
Then she was there at that pear-tree bough,
Where the bluetit chirped his best,
Then the sound ceased for ever, with a flash of a paw;
The heart beat no more in the small bird's breast.
All was still and quiet;
Not a leaf stirred,
And there was nothing,
Nothing to be heard.

Alison Hadley, L4

Dogs do it,
Frogs do it,
Sticks and flloating logs do it.
Eels do it,
Seals do it,
Ice cream tubs and peels do it.
Rats do it,
Sprats do it,
Truant Trilby has do it.
Then why do people pant and puff,
and look so very grim,
And struggle, spit and choke and fight, when
first they learn to swim.

J. Stonestreet, L.V

THE DEVIL'S MONUMENT

The Devil's Monument, or tower, is situated near the border of the State of Wisconsin—which is West of the New England states of North America. It is administered by the National Government at Washington, and is therefore a national, not state, monument.

Once, where the tower now stands, there was a large volcanic mountain. Over a period of millions of years the exterior of this volcano has eroded until only the 'core' is left. This huge block of hardened molten lava is conical in shape, but has a smooth, rounded top.

To the tourist it is an awe-inspiring sight—towering a thousand feet above the trees and flat land which surround it. At the apex the soil is almost red and only a few shrubs can grow there.

To the campers on the nearby camping site, the monument is a frightening figure, in the eery silence of the night, and well deserves its name—the Devil's Tower.

Margaret Grisenthwaite, L.V

JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS

A lady I know went some years ago to live with her husband and two small children in a beach bungalow. There were several bungalows near by, but as this was winter time very few of them were occupied.

This lady's husband had to go away on business for a week-end, and as she was a person from the town, she was scared of being left alone in the night. When dusk fell, she piled boxes in the front porch to stop intruders, and locked the front door. She went to bed and in the night she heard a terrible commotion, which turned out to be most of her boxes falling down. Because she was too scared to look out and see what had happened, she had to wait for daylight to come.

When she finally did have enough courage to open the door, she found it was exactly as she thought—her box barricade had collapsed. She went along the ridge to a bungalow occupied by a shepherd, and on telling him what had happened, he burst out laughing, and said, "Oh, that's all right. It was only my horse Tommy, he always grazes on the meadow in front of the bungalow every night, and noses round it to see what he can find to eat ! "

This is a true story told to me by the lady to whom it happened.

Lesley Lane, L.4

BUTTERCUPS

There was once a baby girl, just an ordinary baby girl, with fair curly hair. She had very rich parents, so in the house where she lived butter was used for everything that we use margarine for, besides the things that everybody uses butter for. Naturally since there was so much butter for the baby girl, she began to hate it, and the older she grew, the more she hated it. This of course was very awkward for the chef, because he had to cook things like stew for the baby girl, and things like corn-on-the-cob and asparagus, which needs lots and lots of butter, for her parents.

Now when the baby girl was five years old, her parents held a great banquet at the palace for a great many important people. At this banquet the chef server up baked potatoes, which were considered a great delicacy in that country. Naturally everyone cut their potatoes down the middle and started to put large lumps of butter in them. When the baby girl saw this, she was so angry that she picked up her own potato, and threw it as hard as she could. Her mother and father both cried out reprovingly, "Darling, how could you ?" and they were just about to send her to her room, when the person she had hit stood up, wiping the potato from the front of his dinner jacket. When they saw who had been hit everyone became very alarmed, because you see, this gentleman was really a very powerful magician. In a terrible voice he commanded her father to set the little girl on the table. Then he pronounced this terrible spell. "For a thousand years you shall have nothing to eat but butter, and nothing to drink but butter, and you shall see nothing but butter."

Then he caught up the baby girl and backed towards the door, uttering strange sounds, and beckoning. When he reached the door all the butter appeared to melt and start moving towards him. Soon a great stream of butter was following him as he moved slowly out of the palace. The parents and all the guests followed behind the butter for miles and miles until the magician came to a huge field full of long green grass. Suddenly he stopped and as he did so, all the butter broke up and formed into tiny, yellow flowers. But the last of it rolled right up to the magician's feet, and became a huge cup-shaped flower, much bigger than all the rest.

Into this flower the magician put the little girl, and then waved his hands and the flower got smaller and smaller, until it was the same size as the others, and the baby girl shrank with it. At that moment the mother burst into tears and rushed to the spot where the flower had been, but of course she could not tell it from all the others. Nor could she find her daughter because she was so small. Then the parents and the guests turned to plead with the magician, but the only trace of him left was two pieces of potato. So they returned to

the palace, weeping and mourning the loss of the baby girl. Her parents ordered a large and sumptuous monument to be put up in her memory.

But on the whole, the little girl was not unhappy. After just sitting and enjoying the meadow for a hundred years, she decided that the flowers looked rather like the gold she could remember in her father's palace, except that these flowers were not so shiny as the gold had been. So she tried polishing the flowers. To her delight they shone just like a gold coin. So she ran from flower to flower, polishing and polishing. And as there are new flowers every year to polish, she is never very bored. And she was even more delighted when children began to hold them under their chins, to see if they liked butter or not. (She had by now completely forgotten her dislike of butter).

But some day her thousand years will have passed, and then you will see the buttercups slowly begin to grow dull.

A VISIT TO H.M.S. "VICTORY"

After a journey of just over three hours, my family and I arrived in Portsmouth. After lunch we decided to go over the "Victory." When we reached the dockyard we waited for about fifteen minutes for the next party to be taken over the ship. We were then taken by a sailor to the dry dock where the "Victory" was situated. Here we waited while a few people at a time went up the gang plank which was very old and not very strong.

When we were all on the ship we were taken up on to the fore-castle where we had a good view of most of the ships. From here we were taken over the rest of the ship. When we went below, we saw, among other things, Lord Nelson's sleeping cabin, the surgeon's cabin with its set of contemporary surgical instruments, and the capstan which was used to bring up the anchor. From here we were taken to the lower deck where we saw the thirty 32 pounder guns and the exact spot where Nelson died.

We did not see the hold as repairs were being carried out there, So we ended our visit to H.M.S. "Victory" which I found very interesting and enjoyable.

J. N. Dixon M2

APPLIED QUOTATIONS

1) I'm saddest when I sing T. H. Bayly
   Girl's assembly.
2) Three acres and a cow. J. Collings
   Leasam ?
3) I will be good. Queen Victoria
   After receiving a detention slip.
4) Silence is the virtue of fools. Francis Bacon
   Teachers please note !
5) I want what I want when I want it. Henry Blossom
   Teachers demanding homework.
6) For many are called, but few are chosen.
   Candidates for 11 plus examination.

G. Foy, J. Bather, U.5

RYE GRAMMAR SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOC.

A "Brains Trust" was held for the Parents at the School on 4th March, 1960.

The Chairman and Question Master was the Headmaster and the Panel consisted of Mrs. Nash, Mrs. D. Wells, Mr. H. Pugh and Mr. J. Cooke.

Questions on many subjects were received prior to the evening and a cross-section of these were put to the Panel. An interesting evening was enjoyed and spontaneous and lively opinions were expressed.

This event was primarily organised for the Parents but it was noticed that the majority of those present were members of the staff.

The preparation for functions of this nature takes much time and trouble for the organisers and it is most disappointing to find that parents do not support these events.

Your Committee would welcome suggestions for future meetings which would stimulate the interest of the parents.

OLD SCHOLARS' NEWS

Two events, this term, should have brought Old Scholars to the school but, unfortunately, only nine players managed to turn out for the Football Match and—apart from those who have children in the school—few came to see the Dramatic Society's 'Noah.'

One who came to both performances of the play was Anthony Bromham, home from Hunstanton where he is teaching in a preparatory school until he goes to University, in October. He is to be congratulated on gaining a Gold Medal at Hastings Musical Festival.

Others waiting to take up places at Universities are Judith Burton, who is working in a factory and getting to know something of work at the bench and of the Personnel Officer, before starting on a Social Science course at Southampton; and Monica Pearson who is to go Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford.

Some people may have noticed Ann Fisher's photograph in the papers, recently, when she joined a protest march in support of one of Jack Merrick's campaigns. Her French Honours course will take her to Aix-en-Provence, next term and afterwards she hopes to spend part of her vacation working in a hospital in Nice, and the other part as a Monitrice in a Colonie de Vacances.

With her in the protest march was Geraldine Saunders, who is enjoying life at London University feeding on doughnuts and getting slimmer ! She is off to Germany for a while.

Linda Dixon is finishing her second term at Portsmouth Training College and Hugh Bourn at Loughborough where he has been experiencing his first spell of Teaching Practice.

'Sally' Winter and Stephanie Lauder were last seen, by one of the Staff, pushing an old car through Udimore in an effort to get to a dance.

Yvonne Tinker is nursing at Charing Cross Hospital; Linda Duncan is in the W.R.N.S. at Plymouth; Eileen Cogger, Jacqueline James, Christine Wood and Jane Sweetman are all Comptometer Operators in Hastings; Betty Clarke is working in an office in Hastings; Jane Corke is receptionist at Osborne's Hairdressing Salon in Rye; Crystal Druce is at the Dental Estimates Eastbourne; B. Fort is working for an electrical firm in Tenterden; and our most recent leaver, Alan Jarvis, is training to become a Structural Engineer with the L.C.C.

Margaret Cooke is reported to be having a very gay life at Plymouth Technical College. Philippa Tuely is continuing her education at St. Clare's Hall, Oxford and Bruce Simpson, who came to the play, is at school in Chelmsford.

Spending Field Day at Tangmere, Mr. Thompson met Tony Law, a Flight Lieutenant in the Secretarial Branch of the R.A.F., and learned that Terry Sanders now has a commission in the R.A.F.

Eunice Diaper is due home from America, in August, after three and a half years abroad and Eddie Pye is off to Canada to become a doctor in the Canadian Air Force.

The visit of 'Have a Go' to Rye, this January, gave Sylvia Swan a chance to sing in a broadcast programme and she is now taking lessons from Roy Henderson.

There are only two names in the Visitors' Book, this term, those of G. Sutton, now doing the Teachers' Training Course at Bristol University and Anna Holmes who is a Hotel Receptionist.

Rita Watson is now Assistant Secretary of the Old Scholars' Association and Fred Dallaway the Recent Leavers' Representative.

Next term I shall hope to be able to record examination successes at the Universities and Colleges and should be grateful to receive accurate details of these and other items of news. Please address them to Miss W. Allen, at the School.

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